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An investigation of some potential non-classical carbene and free radical intermediates in the tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane ring system is described.

Methoxide ion-induced decomposition of endo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one tosylhydrazone in anhydrous diglyme at 150-155°, using a 1:5.74 molar ratio of the tosylhydrazone to the base, gave 11% anti-8-methoxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 1% of syn-8-methoxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 51% of endo-2-methoxytricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane, 33% of tetracyclo-[3.3.0.0^{2,8}.0^{4,6}]octane, and 4% of tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]oct-2-ene in a total yield of ca. 80%. The structures of the ethers were unequivocally established by independent synthesis. The relative proportions of the ethers were found to increase and those of the hydrocarbons were found to decrease progressively on addition of

increasing amounts of methanol-0-d to the reaction.

Decomposition of the tosylhydrazone with its imino hydrogen replaced by deuterium yielded 6% of the rearranged endo-ether, 3% of the endo-anti-ether, 81% of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon and 10% of the tricyclic olefin. The observed deuterium isotope effect is consistent with a cationic precursor for the ethers and a carbene precursor for the hydrocarbons. The tetracyclic hydrocarbon formed in the decomposition of the tosylhydrazone-N-d₁ was found to have 23±3% d₁. On the basis of the clear evidence of transannular tris-homocyclopropenyl participation and the rather low deuterium content of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon, it is suggested that the carbene is probably stabilized by non-classical delocalization and leads to the tetracyclic hydrocarbon via a concerted pathway as the major reaction route. The concerted pathway from the delocalized carbene which involves bond formation between C-2 and C-8, fission at C-2-C-4 and bonding between C-4 and C-6, with concomitant hydrogen migration, all taking place in a synchronous fashion, is depictable as $\sigma^2_a + \omega^2_a + \omega^0_a$ a process which is symmetry-allowed thermally by the Woodward-Hoffmann rules for pericyclic reactions.

An investigation of the free radical chlorination of exo- and endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with t-butylhypochlorite was undertaken. The exo-hydrocarbon on irradiation with t-butylhypochlorite at 40° using a 2:1 molar ratio of the hydrocarbon to the chlorinating

agent, afforded 67% of exo-6-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 12% of endo-6-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 17% of 1-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, and 4% of an unidentified product in a total yield of 27%. The epimeric exo- and endo-6-chlorides were synthesized by independent routes to confirm their structures. A mixture of the three monochlorides on reduction with tri-n-butyltin hydride (TBTH) at 95° gave exclusively exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, thus evidencing the presence of this ring system in all the three chlorides. The lack of stereospecific chain transfer of the radical center generated at the 6-position, coupled with its conspicuous failure to undergo skeletal rearrangements clearly militate against its representation as a non-classical delocalized radical.

The endo-hydrocarbon on photochlorination under analogous conditions gave 66% of anti-8-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 27% of endo-2-chlorotricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane, 5% of an incompletely characterized chloride and 2% of an unisolable component in a total yield of 33%. The structure of the endo-anti-8-chloride was confirmed by its stereospecific methanolysis to endo-2-methoxytricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane. On dilution of the chain transfer agent, t-butylhypochlorite, the relative proportions of the anti-8-chloride and the rearranged endo-chloride diminished and increased respectively, arguing against the single intermediacy of a non-classical radical. The proportions of the two unidentified minor components

also increased on dilution of t-butylhypochlorite, indicating that they are also possibly the resultants of abstraction at the 8-position. A rapidly equilibrating pair of classical radicals perhaps explains best the observations.

The rearranged radical was generated by two other independent routes. Radical reduction of the rearranged endo-chloride with TBTH yielded the rearranged hydrocarbon, tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane exclusively. Similar reduction of the rearranged dichloride, endo-2-chloro-5-chloro-tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane, gave 83% of the tertiary cyclopropyl chloride, 7% of the rearranged endo-chloride and 10% of the rearranged hydrocarbon, tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane. The lack of reverse rearrangements in both the reductions argue against a single non-classical radical intermediate.

Attempts at synthesis of the endo-syn- and endo-anti-8-chlorides were unsuccessful. Reaction of a 64:36 mixture of the endo-syn-8-ol and the endo-anti-8-ol with thionyl chloride in ether or thionyl chloride and pyridine gave exclusively the rearranged endo-chloride, endo-2-chlorotricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane. Both the endo-syn-8-ol and the endo-anti-8-ol when allowed to react with triphenylphosphine and carbon tetrachloride gave Δ^4 -cycloheptenyl carboxaldehyde and the rearranged endo-chloride. The identity of the aldehyde was unequivocally established by its reduction with lithium aluminum hydride to the known Δ^4 -cycloheptenylmethyl

alcohol. An ion-pair mechanism is proposed to account for the formation of the rearranged chloride. The mechanism of the formation of the aldehyde is discussed. Treatment of endo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one with phosphorus pentachloride in carbon tetrachloride solution at reflux temperature gave exclusively the rearranged dichloride, endo-2-chloro-5-chlorotricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]-octane.

Photoreaction of endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene with t-butylhypochlorite in carbon tetrachloride at 40° yielded the trans- and the cis-t-butylhypochlorite adducts in a 43:57 ratio. Both the adducts on reduction with TBTH gave exo-6-t-butoxy-endo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane exclusively. Subjection of the exo-olefin to similar photoreaction gave the trans- and the cis-adducts in the ratio 78:22. Both the adducts on TBTH reduction yielded exclusively exo-6-t-butoxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane. Deltacyclene on similar photoreaction with t-butylhypochlorite gave the trans- and the cis-adducts in the ratio 85:15. Both the adducts on TBTH reduction yielded the same exo-8-t-butoxydeltacyclane. There was no evidence of any monochloride in the reactions of all the three olefins with t-butylhypochlorite. The lack of stereospecificity of the adducts and the absence of skeletal rearrangements in all the three cases make it mandatory to represent all the radical intermediates involved as simple classical radicals.

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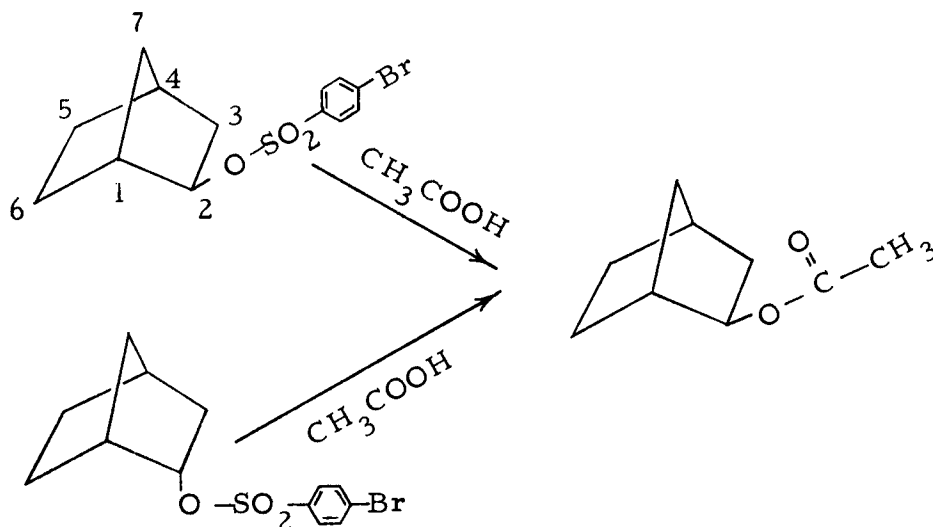
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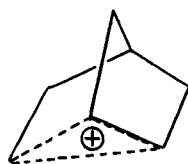
I. INTRODUCTION

This thesis describes our investigation of some carbene and free radical intermediates which might exist as non-classical delocalized species. For a full appreciation of our research, an appraisal of earlier work relating to non-classical delocalized carbonium ions is imperative since this provided the necessary impetus for later studies of the possibility of similar delocalized trivalent and divalent carbon intermediates.

One of the most acrimonious controversies in organic chemistry is that pertaining to non-classical carbonium ions. A little over two decades ago, Winstein and Trifan (1, 2) observed that exo-2-norbornyl brosylate underwent acetolysis 350 times faster than the endo-isomer. The product acetate from both was the exo-isomer, the one from the exo-isomer being completely racemic and that from the endo-isomer being extensively racemized.



To explain the augmented rate of solvolysis of the exo-isomer, Winstein postulated the participation of the $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ bonding electron cloud in the ionization process, which is possible due to favorable geometry in the exo-isomer but not in the endo-isomer. Thus the exo-brosylate was thought to form directly the non-classical delocalized carbonium ion 1.

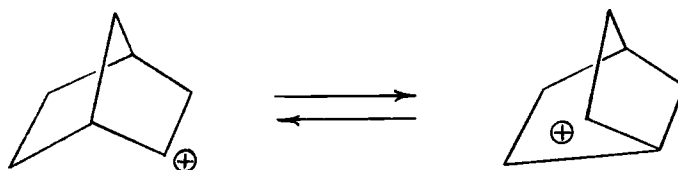


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Winstein suggested that the endo-isomer could form a classical ion initially which might then rearrange to the presumably more stable bridged cation.

Hardly could Winstein have anticipated that his postulation of a non-classical carbonium ion would open the floodgates of a major

controversy in mechanistic organic chemistry. Brown has criticized this postulation and has asserted that all the experimental observations could be accommodated by considering a pair of rapidly equilibrating classical carbonium ions (3-7).

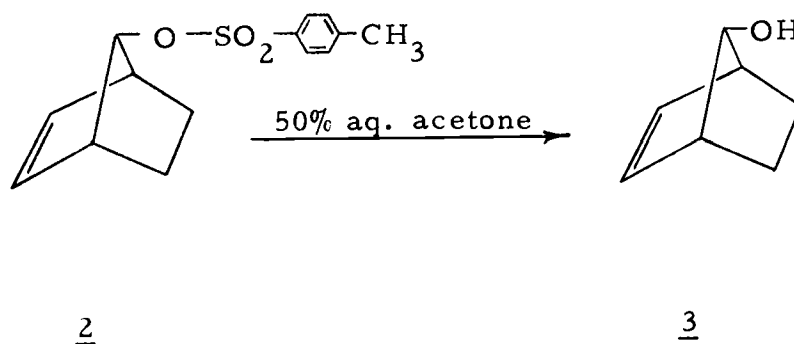


Brown suggests that the ionization of the exo-isomer could proceed at a normal rate while that of the endo-isomer could be abnormally slow, owing to steric hindrance to departure of the endo-leaving group due to the endo-hydrogens on C₅ and C₆. There have thus developed two schools of thought concerning carbonium ions, the votaries of one school favoring the non-classical tenet and the adherents of the other school clinging tenaciously to the classical viewpoint.

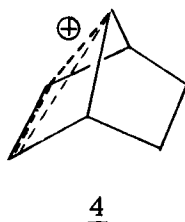
In a vigorous drive to vindicate their stand, the protagonists of the non-classical school investigated the possibility of non-classical carbonium ion formation in a plethora of ring systems. The result has been a scintillating proliferation of experimental observations. An analysis of these studies led Schleyer to propose some well-defined criteria of non-classicality (8). These include rate acceleration when the precursor geometry is suitable, high stereospecificity

of kinetically controlled products, and a pronounced tendency towards rearrangement. Of these, observed Schleyer, only rate enhancement can serve to distinguish between a pair of rapidly equilibrating classical carbonium ions and a single non-classical ion.

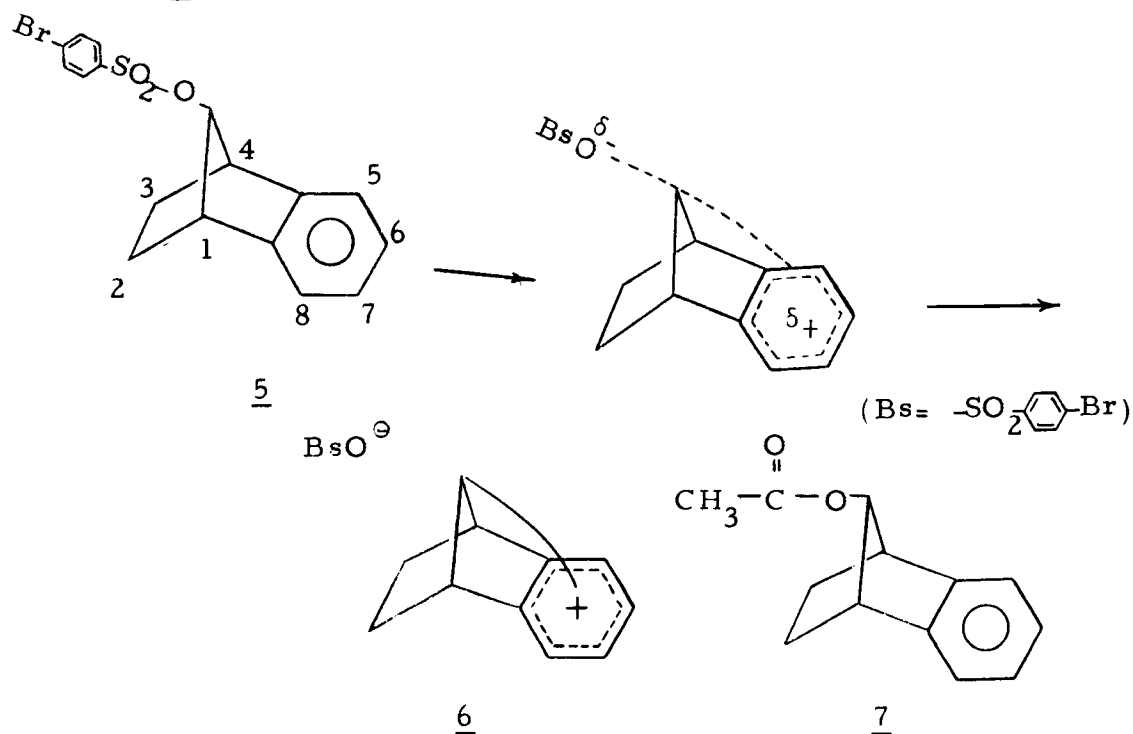
It would be appropriate to present here some of the reported studies which spotlight the inadequacy of the classical viewpoint. Winstein and his co-workers (9-11) observed that anti-7-norbornenyl tosylate 2 solvolyses 10^{11} times faster than 7-norbornyl tosylate and forms exclusively anti-7-norbornenol 3. The authors attribute the



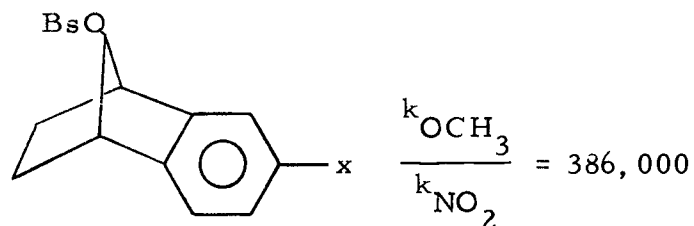
enormous rate enhancement to the stabilization of the incipient positive charge on C_7 by the π -electrons of the double bond. The location of the π -orbital on the backside of the leaving group is eminently conducive to this p- π interaction which leads to the intermediate ion 4.



This would also easily explain the solitary product of retained configuration. The possibility that the anchimeric assistance could be due to widening of the $C_1-C_7-C_4$ bond angle has been shown to be virtually untenable by Tanida and his co-workers (12-14) as a result of their study of substituent effects in the benzene ring in the benzo-norbornenyl system. Incorporation of methoxy and methyl substituents at the 6-position increase the rates of acetolysis of the anti-9-brosylate 5

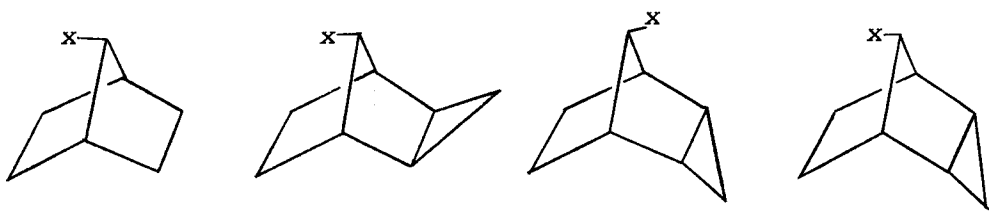


by factors of 53.7 and 5.7, respectively. The chloro, bromo, and nitro substituents retard acetolysis by factors of 0.045, 0.030, and 1.4×10^{-4} , respectively. The magnitude of the substituent effects can be seen dramatically from the fact that $k_{\text{CH}_3}/k_{\text{NO}_2} = 386,000$.

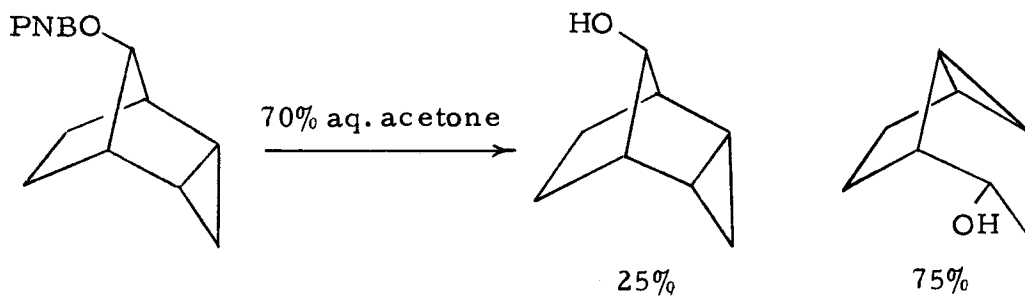


These results led Tanida to conclude that if the bond angle effect does exist, it must be relatively unimportant.

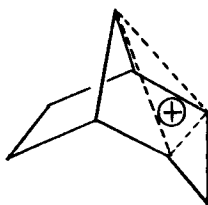
The non-classical school added another glittering feather to its cap when three groups of workers simultaneously reported their solvolytic studies on the tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane ring system (14-17). The relative rates of solvolysis as reported by these authors are given below:



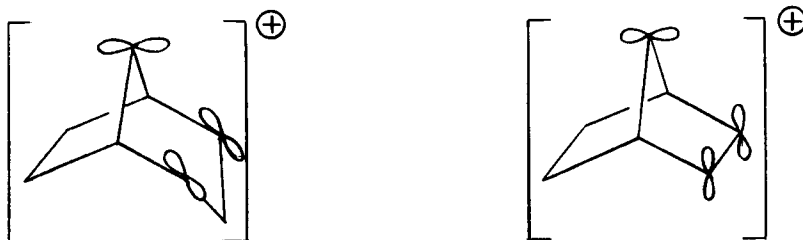
Relative Rate of Solvolysis:	1	0.4	15	10^{14}
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Inspection of the rate data clearly reveals that the exo-orientation of the cyclopropane ring has virtually no effect on the relative rate of solvolysis. The endo-anti isomer, on the other hand, solvolyses with an unprecedented degree of anchimeric assistance. Complete stereospecificity of the products has also been demonstrated by the authors. Backside participation by the cyclopropane ring in the ionization of the endo-anti isomer leading to the formation of the 2,4-ethanotrishomocyclopropenyl cation as suggested by the authors,

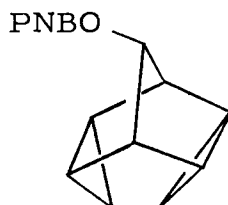


is the most plausible explanation. σ -type interaction of the electronically deficient cationic center with the sp^5 orbitals of suitably oriented cyclopropane is clearly more effective in promoting ionization than the p - π -overlap in the case of the anti-7-norbornenyl cation. The classical school has not so far offered any convincing explanations



for the above cases. There remained, however, the possibility, albeit remote, that the anchimeric assistance could arise from relief of strain on conversion to the rearranged system. In this regard,

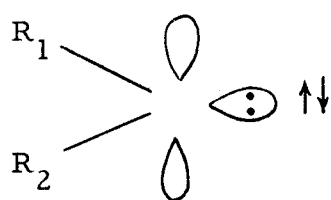
an experimental observation of considerable significance was reported by Coates and Kirkpatrick (18). These workers observed that the solvolysis of pentacyclic p-nitrobenzenesulfonate 8 occurs



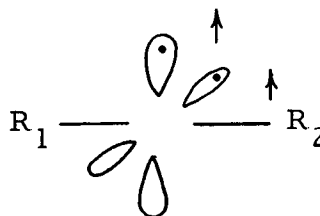
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10^{12} times faster than that of the 7-norbornyl derivative and that the major solvolysis product has the same ring structure as the starting material, though a triply degenerate rearrangement occurs. The greatly enhanced rate could not then be attributed to an overall relief of strain.

While the non-classical carbonium ion has been the subject of controversy non pareil in organic chemistry, some workers embarked on an exploration of similar non-classical delocalized carbene and free radical intermediates. A carbene or divalent carbon is iso-electronic with its trivalent cationic analog. It is linked to two adjacent groups by covalent bonds and has two non-bonding electrons which may have their spins antiparallel (singlet) or parallel (triplet) (19). A singlet carbene, with its sp^2 hybridization is believed to have a planar trigonal arrangement with the valency angle close to 120° . This species has no unpaired electrons, has a vacant p



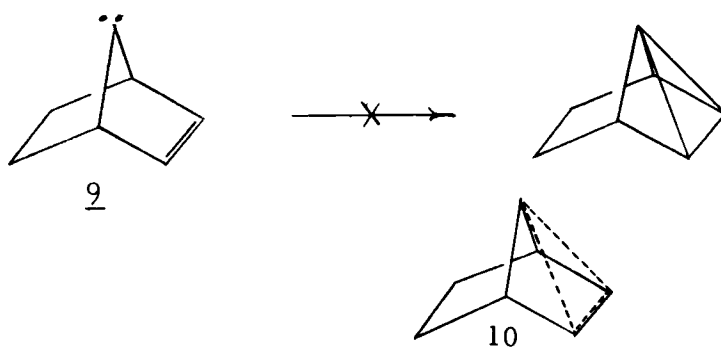
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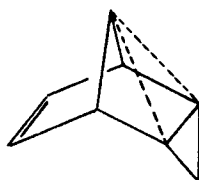
Triplet Carbene

orbital as in carbonium ions, and can be regarded as "a superimposition of a carbonium ion and a carbanion" (20). The triplet carbene is believed to involve sp hybridization, with a nearly linear arrangement of groups and the valency angle is in the neighborhood of 180° (20, 21). The common reactions of carbenes are insertion into σ -bonds and addition to multiple bonds, with triplet carbenes behaving especially in a radical-like fashion.

Recently Hoffmann and Gleiter (22) on the basis of extended Huckel calculations predicted that there is a definite probability of singlet, stabilized, non-classical carbenes in favorable cases. For example, in the case of 7-carbenanorbornene 9, which cannot undergo intramolecular addition to the double bond, since the product would be an extremely strained molecule which has one carbon with all four bonds on one side of a plane, the system might choose an intermediate geometry 10 in which the bridge methylene is bent part way over (the "foiled methylene"). This interaction should stabilize the

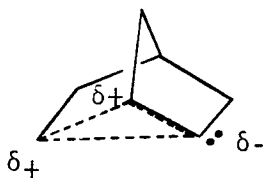


singlet ground state, though the intramolecular addition resulting in cyclopropanation of the double bond is sterically forbidden. Hoffmann predicts that the interaction of a suitably oriented cyclopropane ring (as in 11) with the carbene center results in a deeper potential energy minimum, indicating greater stabilization.

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These predictions have served to provide added stimulus to workers engaged in carbene chemistry, especially in bridged polycyclic systems.

One would be tempted to conjure up the vision of a delocalized 2-carbenanorbornane by analogy to the 2-norbornyl cation. However,

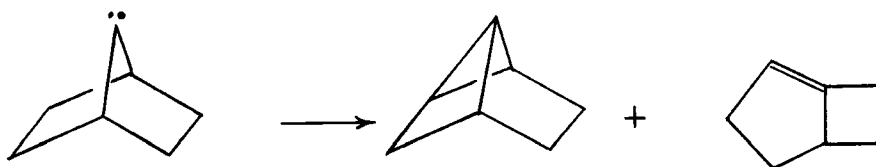


the reported behavior of this carbene, studied by Reusch and his

co-workers (23) does not throw any light on this problem, as it undergoes exclusive γ -insertion to give nortricyclene.



It would be instructive to describe here the reports of several other workers on carbene studies in bridged polycyclic systems. 7-Carbenanorbornane 12 undergoes γ -insertion and a 1,2-carbon



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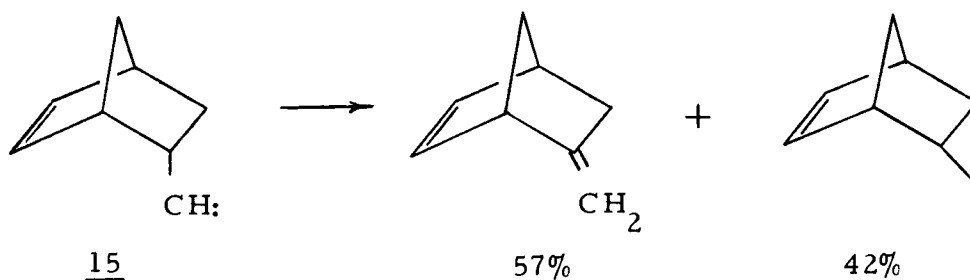
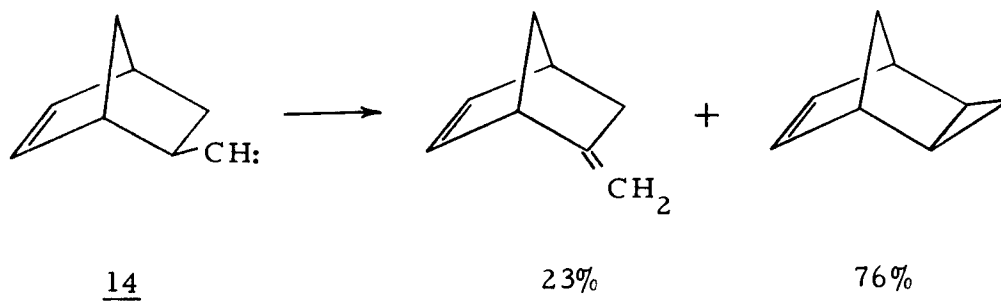
shift yielding tricyclo[3.2.0.0^{2,7}]heptane and bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-1-ene (24). 5-Carbenanorbornene 13, studied by Freeman, George and



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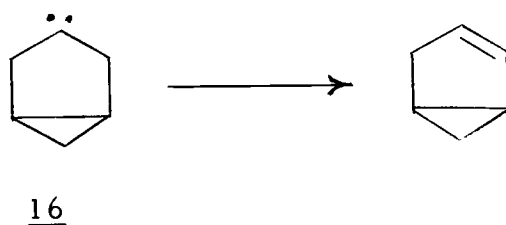
Rao (25) gives norbornadiene as the sole volatile product, arising from 1,2-hydrogen migration. No evidence of homoallylic interaction of the double bond was observed.

In another interesting attempt to observe non-classical stabilization of a carbene intermediate, Freeman and Desai (26) studied the reactions of exo- and endo-5-norbornenyl carbene intermediates. The exo- species 14 yielded 5-methylenenorbornene and exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene in the ratio 23:76. The ratio of hydrogen migration to insertion in this case is close to the value found for cyclopentyl carbene (27.5:72.5) by Kirmse and Wachterhauser (27). The endo-carbene 15, on the other hand, gave 5-methylenenorbornene and endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene in the ratio 57:42 (hydrogen migration:insertion). The saturated exo-carbene gave 2-methylenenorbornane and exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane in the ratio of 11:89.



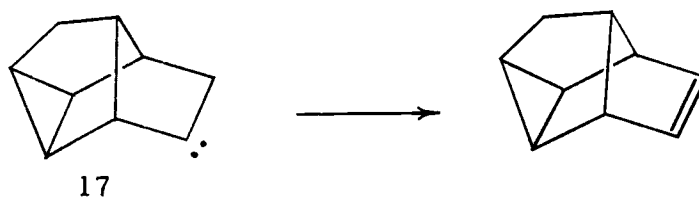
The saturated endo-carbene yielded 2-methylenenorbornane, endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, and bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-2-ene in the ratio 41:55:4. Thus the ratios of hydrogen migration to insertion are quite similar for norbornenyl- and norbornylcarbene intermediates of similar geometry. Hence the role of the double bond in altering the ratios of hydrogen migration to insertion in the epimeric carbenes seems to be a very minor one. Another interesting point to note is that while the saturated endo-carbene undergoes some ring expansion to give bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-2-ene, the unsaturated endo-carbene fails to display this behavior. Inspection of models shows that alignment of the p orbital in the unsaturated endo-carbene for maximum overlap with the π -bond system provides an alignment which is detrimental to ring expansion. It is possible that there is some non-classical stabilization in this carbene, but the evidence is not compelling.

Intent on studying the possibility of cyclopropane interaction of the trishomocyclopropenyl type in a carbene intermediate, Freeman and Kuper (28) generated 3-carbenabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane 16 and found that there was no evidence of such interaction, the only product being

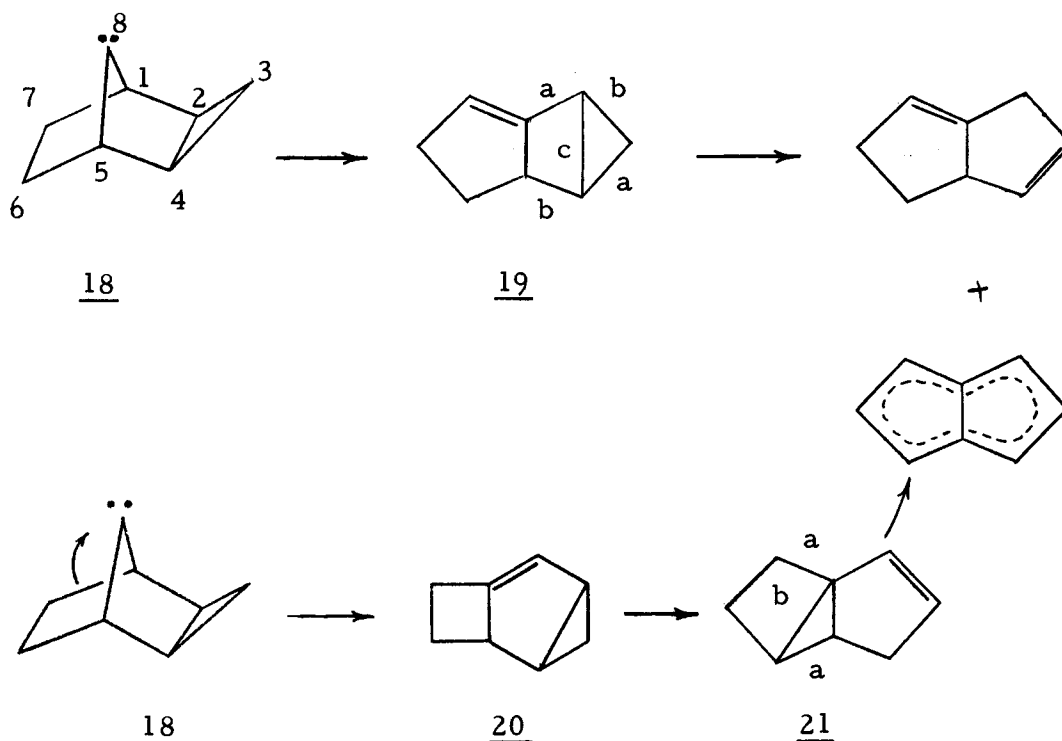


bicyclo[3.1.0]hexene-2, resulting from 1,2-hydrogen migration. A few years later, Freeman and Balls (29, 30) reported that a similar

fate overtook 8-carbenadeltacyclane 17 and no cyclopropane participation analogous to that found in the cationic analog (31, 32) was observable. These instances pinpoint the fact that 1, 2-hydrogen migration is a major impediment in the study of possible non-classical carbenes and should hence be eliminated in order to facilitate such a study.

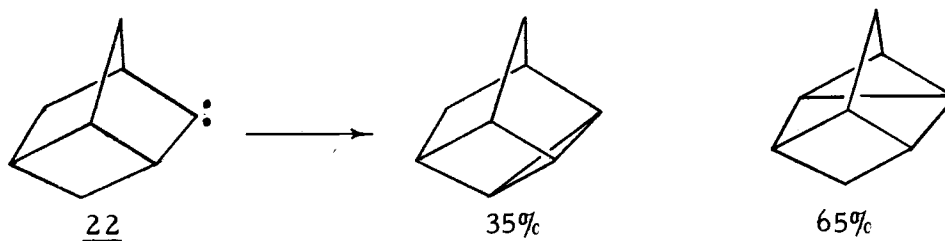


In an effort to circumvent this difficulty, Freeman and Kuper (33) undertook a study of exo-8-carbenatricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane 18 in which the 1, 2-hydrogen migration is prohibited by virtue of Bredt's rule. This species undergoes a deep-seated rearrangement leading to bicyclo[3.3.0]octa-1, 6-diene and a mixture of isomeric bicyclo[3.3.0]octadienes in the ratio 65:35. The mechanism of the formation of the dienes is uncertain but the authors suggest two possible reaction courses; migration of C-2 (18 → 19 → products), with 19 undergoing either a concerted ($\sigma^2_s + \sigma^2_a$ fission at bonds a or at bonds b) or biradical ring opening to products (fission at a, b, or c) or migration of C-7 (18 → 20 → products) with 20 undergoing a vinylcyclopropane rearrangement to 21 and 21 opening by a partly concerted (fission at bonds a), partly biradical (fission at b or b + a)



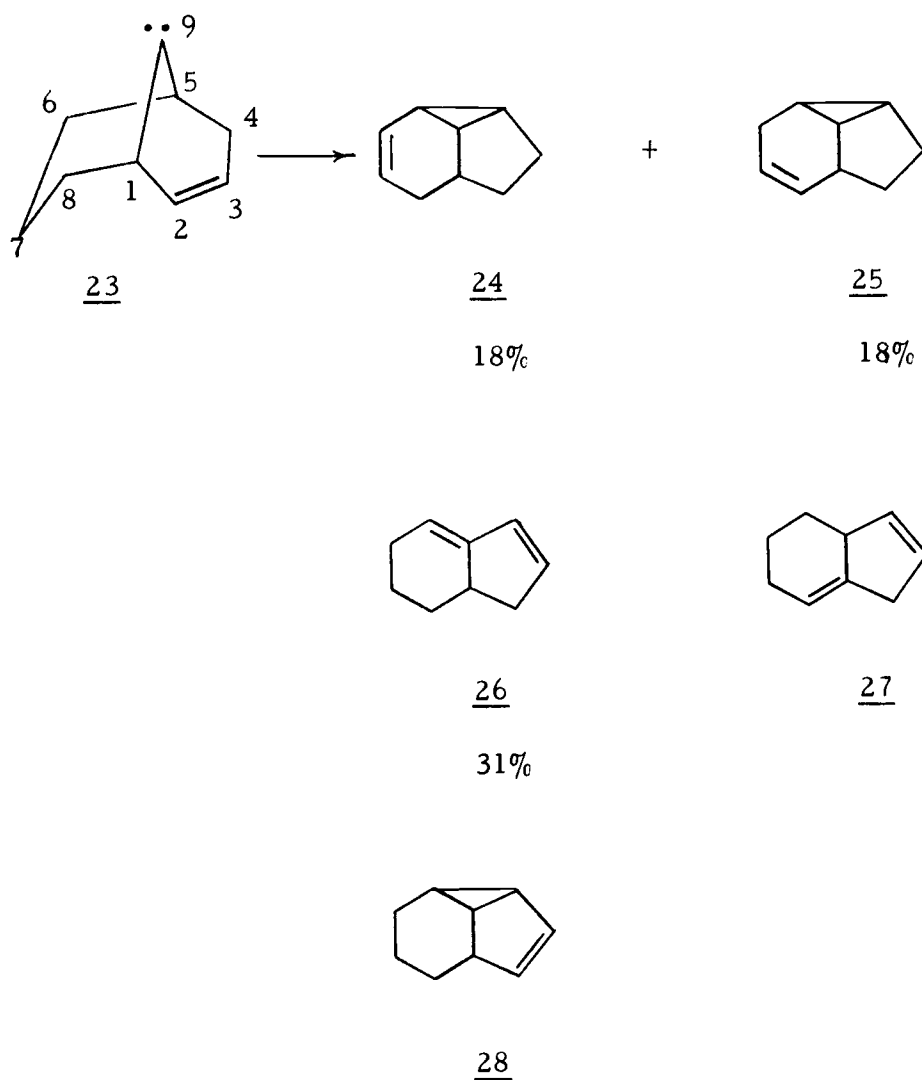
or a completely biradical process. It is significant to note that no transannular cyclopropane interaction was observed. This result is not surprising in view of the reported behavior of the cationic analog (15-17, 34).

Another case of a carbene which cannot undergo 1,2-hydrogen transfer but nevertheless yields no evidence of non-classical delocalization is the species 22 reported by Freeman, Rao and Bigam (35). This divalent carbon intermediate undergoes exclusive transannular



insertion giving two tetracyclooctanes. These reports highlight the fact that prevention of 1,2-hydrogen migration, though necessary, has not been sufficient so far to allow the observation of non-classical character in carbenes.

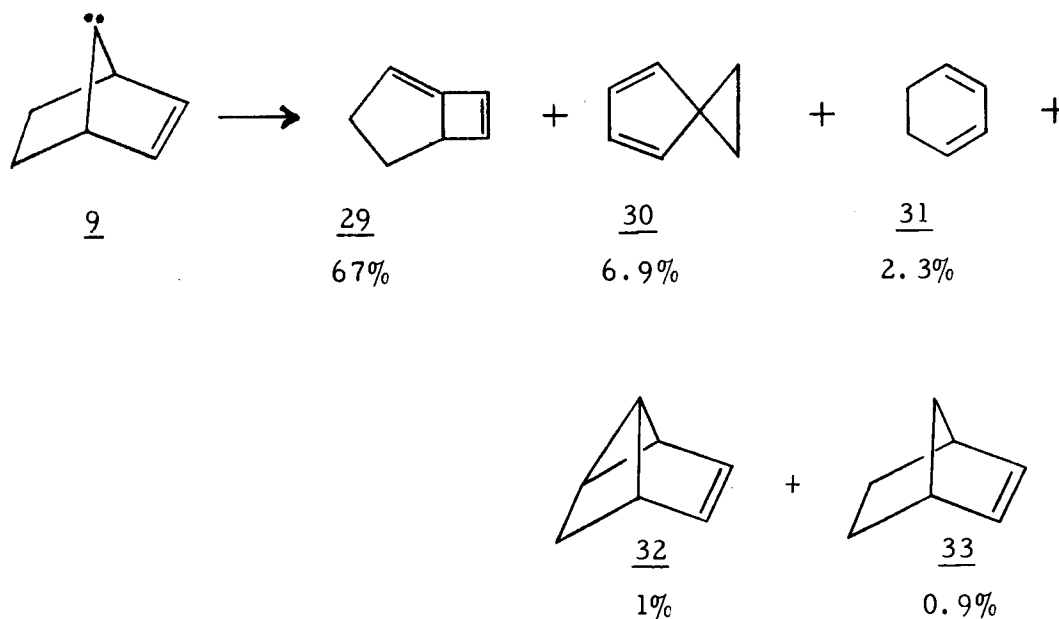
An instance of apparent non-classical stabilization of a carbene intermediate was reported recently by Fisch and Pierce (36). These workers observed that the carbene 23 generated by decomposition of the sodium salt of the tosylhydrazone of the related ketone yields tetrahydroindene 26 as the major product, accompanied by considerable amounts of the tricyclic olefins 24 and 25. The C-H bonds favorable for insertion are the axial C-H bonds on C-4, C-7, and C-8 as these are in the required syn-periplanar relationship with the carbene center. Of these, the allylic bond (C-4) would be the most reactive and so one would expect 28 to be the major cyclopropyl olefin among the products. In case of rearrangement, migration of the allylic bond would be expected to predominate, resulting in 27 rather than 26. On the other hand, if there is interaction of the double bond entailing non-classical stabilization, some deformation of the cyclohexene ring would be required to bring C-9 closer to the double bond. This would result in the axial hydrogen at C-4 moving away from the stereochemically favorable syn-periplanar position, and favor the non-allylic cyclopropyl olefins 24 and 25. Further the interaction with the double bond may result in an increased extent



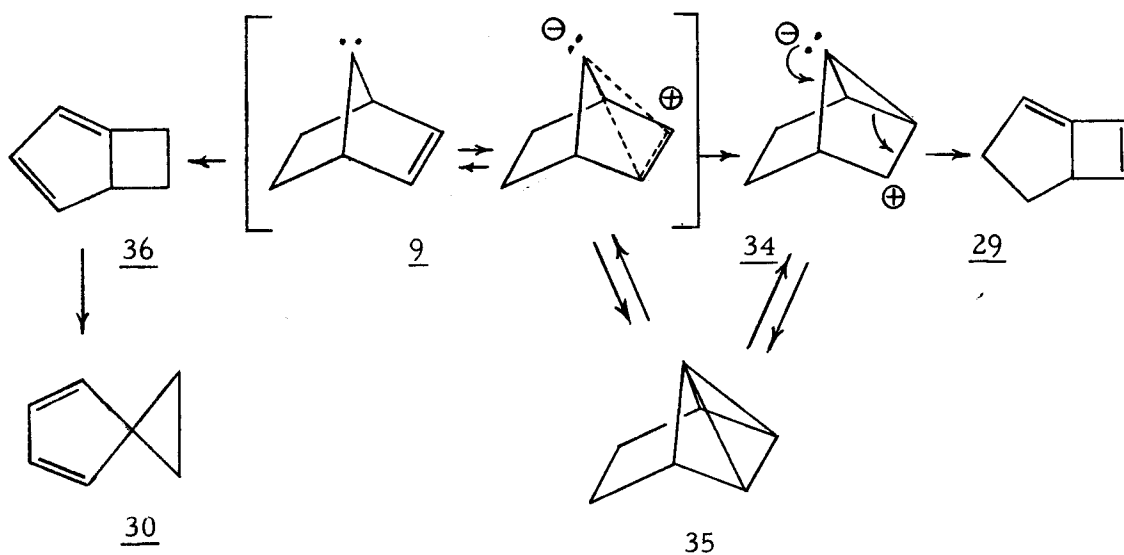
of migration of C-2 to yield 26. The experimental results support the latter alternative. The evidence is strongly suggestive of double bond interaction with the carbene center but is not dramatically conclusive.

Moss and his co-workers (37) have recently reported on the intermediate 7-carbenanorbornene 9. This species, generated by vacuum pyrolysis of the lithium salt of the corresponding

tosylhydrazone, gave bicyclo[3.2.0]heptadiene-1,6, 29, as the major product, accompanied by spiro[2,4]heptadiene 30 as the chief minor product and smaller amounts of additional minor products as shown.



The authors suggest the possibility of a non-classical carbene which could explain the formation of 29, perhaps via the dipolar species 34. The "foiled methylene" adduct 35 has been suggested as a possible fleeting intermediate. A 1,7-vinyl shift is an alternative route to 29. 30 could have resulted from 36, formed possibly by migration of the ethano bridge of 9. A retro Diels-Alder reaction of the carbene 9 to give cyclopentadienylidene and ethylene, followed by cyclopropanation, provides another route to 30. Further detailed reports are awaited in order to establish or throw overboard the intermediacy of the non-classical carbene in this case.

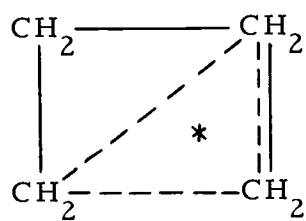


In refreshing contrast to the sparseness of the literature on non-classical carbene chemistry, we are confronted with a legion of reports on studies of potential non-classical free radicals. Before we dwell at length on this interesting subject, a few comments on the geometry of radicals would be in order. Two structures are possible for simple alkyl radicals (38-40). The radical carbon could be in a state of sp^2 hybridization with the odd electron in a p-orbital, thus entailing a planar configuration. Alternatively, sp^3 hybridization might be involved placing the odd electron in an sp^3 orbital, which would make the structure pyramidal. The well known loss of optical activity when a radical is generated at an asymmetric carbon and a considerable body of e.p.r. and electronic spectral data are consistent with a planar configuration. On the other hand, the ease of

formation of bridgehead radicals in which the trivalent carbon is situated at the bridgehead of rigid polycyclic ring systems renders the postulation of pyramidal configuration for such radicals inescapable. It appears possible that the energy barrier between the two configurations is low. An important consequence of this versatility of radicals is that anchimeric assistance in radical formation, if observed, could not be attributed to bond angle strain.

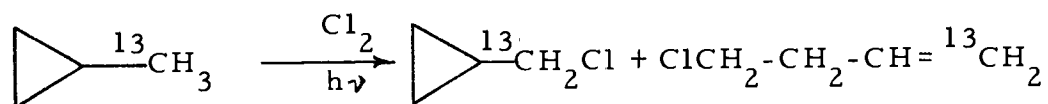
It is well-nigh impossible to attempt a complete coverage of the literature on studies of potential non-classical free radicals in this brief introduction. A few reports germane to our work will be discussed in sufficient detail here.

The possibility of a bicyclic, bridged radical 37 analogous to the bicyclobutonium ion intermediate (41) stimulated the study of the

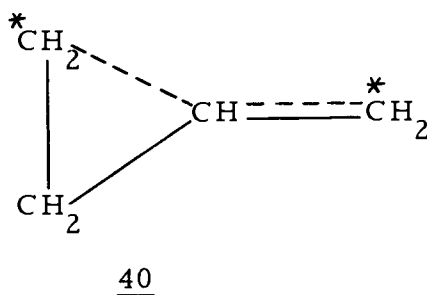
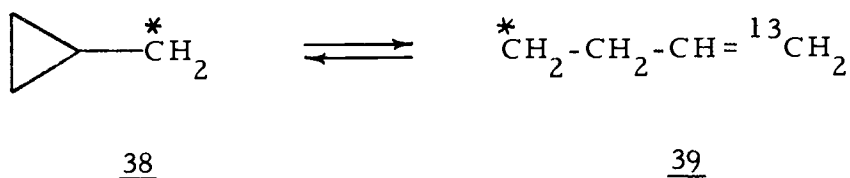


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cyclopropyl carbinyl radical. Roberts and his co-workers (42) studied the vapor phase photochlorination of methyl- ^{13}C -cyclopropane and observed that the products were cyclopropyl carbinyl chloride and allylcarbinyl chloride with no evidence of ^{13}C label scrambling.

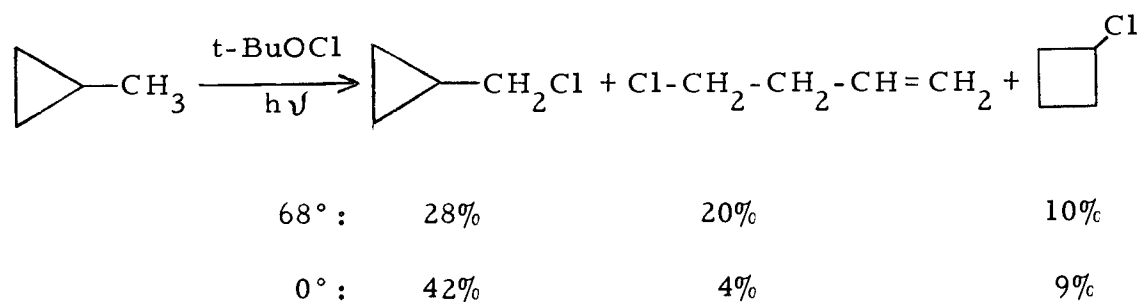


The lack of label scrambling and the absence of cyclobutyl chloride militate against the intermediacy of equilibrating bicyclic, bridged radicals of the type 37. The observations could be satisfactorily explained by considering a pair of simple classical radicals 38 and 39. The homoallylic radical 40 could also explain the data and



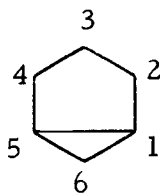
there is no evidence to sustain or rule out this intermediate.

Walling and Fredericks (43) studied the photochlorination of methyl cyclopropane with t-butylhypochlorite and found that the products were composed of cyclopropyl carbinyl chloride, allyl-carbinyl chloride and cyclobutyl chloride, with the proportion of the ring-opened product decreasing with decreasing temperature.

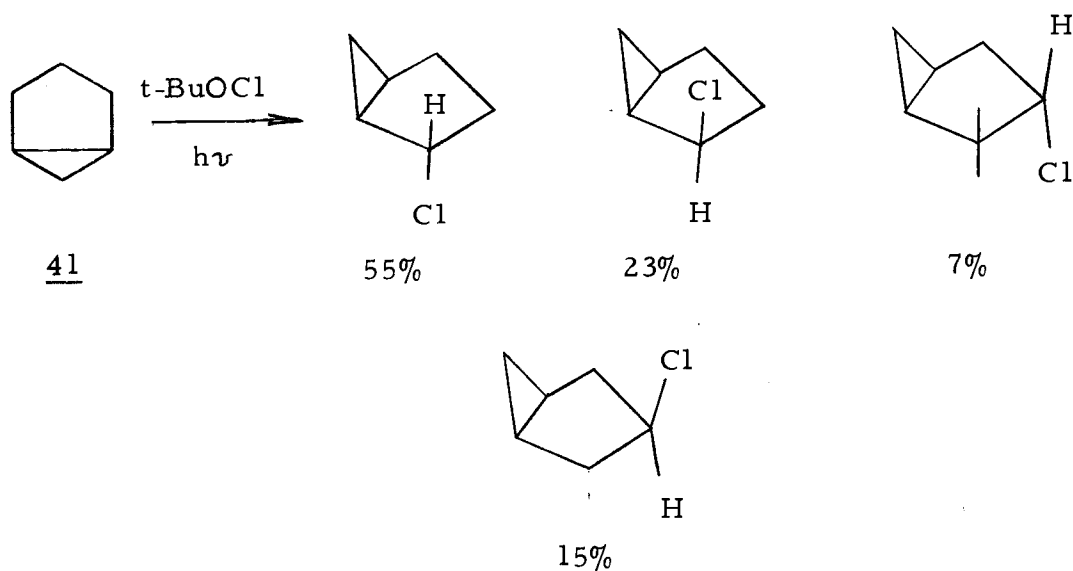


It was concluded that the cyclobutyl chloride resulted from an irreversible rearrangement of the allylcarbiny radical since the chlorination of cyclobutane did not yield any allylcarbiny chloride. These results parallel those of Roberts et al. and could be readily explained by suggesting a pair of equilibrating cyclopropyl carbiny and allylcarbiny radicals.

Contemplating the possibility of non-classical radicals 42 and 43, Freeman and his co-workers (44) studied the photochlorination of bicyclo[3.1.0]hexane 41 with t-butylhypochlorite. Abstraction at C-2 might conceivably produce 42 while abstraction at C-3 might result in 43.

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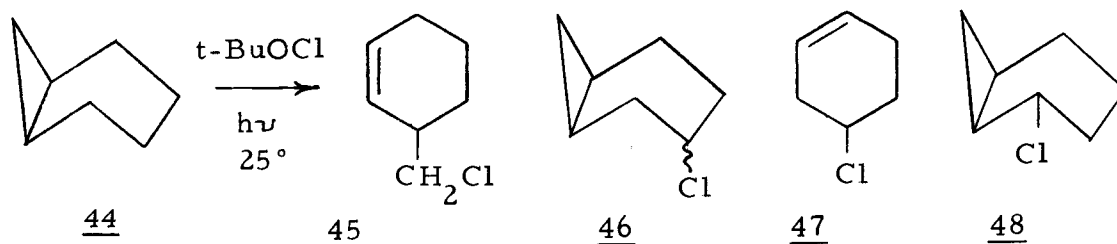
The composition of the products is as follows:



Abstraction at C-2 predominated over abstraction at C-3 notwithstanding the electron-withdrawing inductive effect of the cyclopropane ring which would promote C-3 rather than C-2 abstraction. Freeman attributes this to the resonance effect of the cyclopropane ring. The explanation is offered that since the t-butoxy radical is an electrophilic species, the transition state for abstraction would be expected to be polarized conferring some carbonium ion character on the developing hydrocarbon moiety, which would favor C-2 abstraction. The predominance of the trans-2 chloride is readily understandable as the cis-face is sterically blocked by the cyclopropane methylene. However, the predominance of the cis-3 chloride over the trans-3 chloride is intriguing for the same reason. It is possible to explain this observation by assuming the intervention of the non-classical

radical 43 as one of the intermediates but this reasoning is open to debate. In a complementary study, Freeman and his co-workers (45) generated radical centers at C-2 and C-3 in the bicyclo[3.1.0]hexane skeleton by the radical addition of methanethiol to bicyclo[3.1.0]-hexene-2 and concluded that simple classical radicals and steric considerations would suffice to explain the formation of the various adducts.

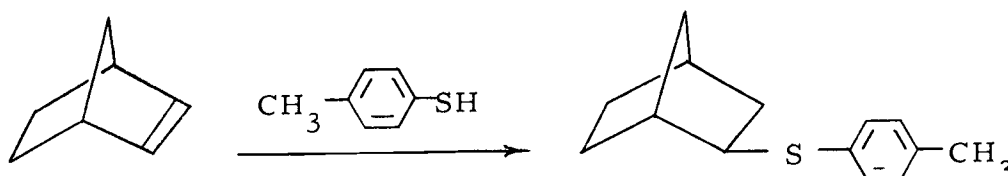
A parallel study of the photochlorination of norcarane 44 with *t*-butylhypochlorite was recently reported by Boikess and his co-workers (46). The products were observed to consist of 45 (24%), *cis*-46-Cl (8%), *trans*-46-Cl (23%) and 47-Cl (45%). It was shown that 47 was the result of rearrangement of 48 under the conditions



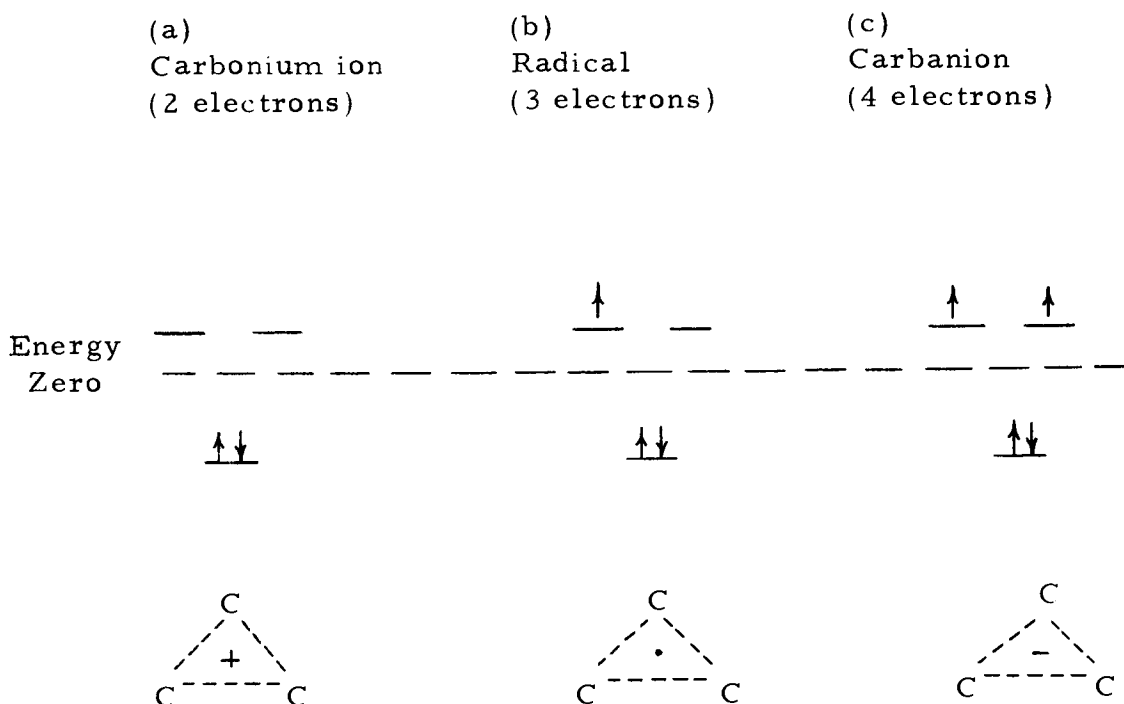
of vpc analysis. Here again the major position of abstraction is C-2, attributable to resonance stabilization of the 2-norcaranyl radical or attraction between the electrophilic attacking radical and the nucleophilic cyclopropyl ring.

A flood of light was shed on the nature of the 2-norbornyl radical by the work of Cristol and his group of workers (47-49). These authors carried out extensive studies of the free-radical addition of

p-thiocresol and p-tosyl chloride to some norbornenes. The reaction of norbornene with p-thiocresol gave exclusively exo-2-norbornyl thioether. The product that would be expected from rearrangement, viz. 7-norbornyl thioether was not observed. This led Cristol to

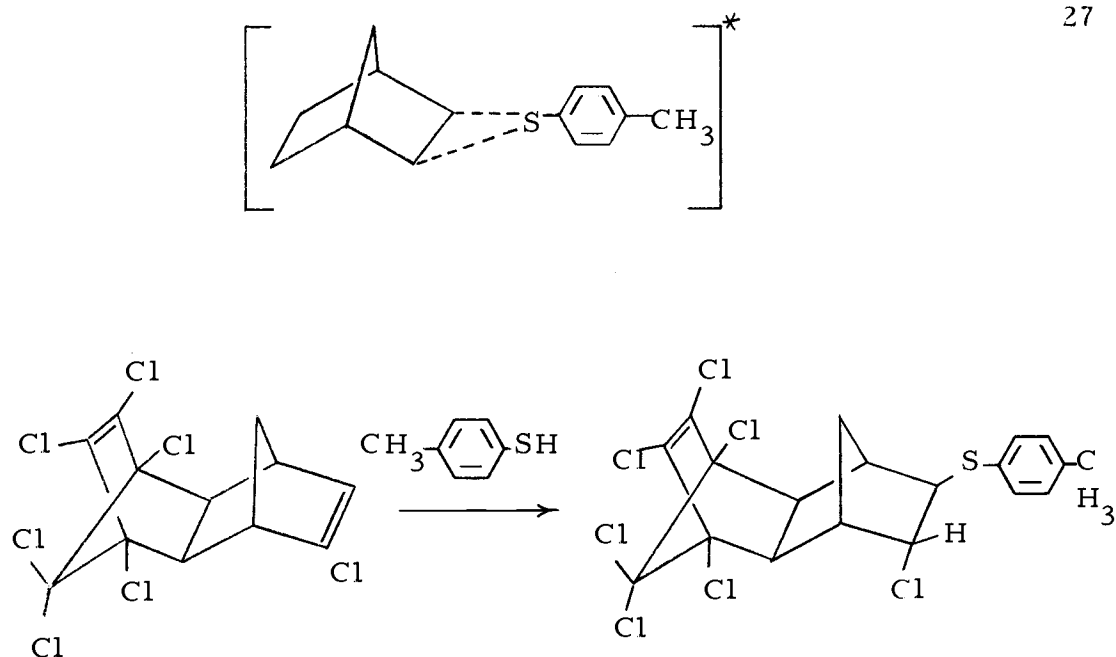


suggest that his results could be more logically explained by postulation of a classical radical intermediate. This is in contrast to the case of the equivalent cation. Cristol opines that the greater electron deficiency of the cationic center, compared to the radical, provides the necessary impetus for bond delocalization in the former. The radical, by virtue of its possession of an additional electron does not have so serious an electron deficiency and hence carbon-bridging mechanism is unlikely. An even better appreciation of the lack of carbon-bridging in radicals can be gained by consideration of the molecular orbital principles for three-carbon bridged (cyclopropenyl) structures (50). The three orbitals for the three-atom structure comprise one bonding orbital and two degenerate antibonding orbitals. Placement of electrons in antibonding orbitals raise the energy of the system and hence destabilize the system. In the case of the cation, the two electrons present can be accommodated in the lowest bonding orbital. The radical has one more electron which has

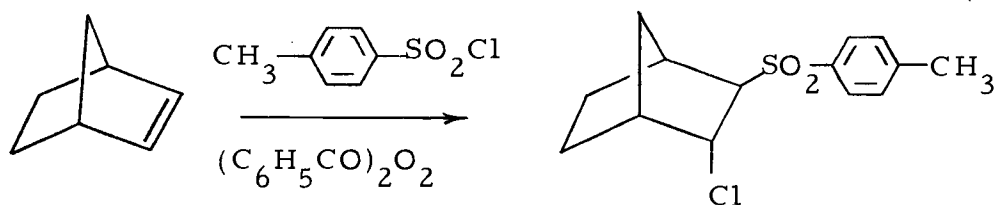


necessarily to go into one of the two antibonding orbitals. In the case of the carbanion which has two electrons more than the cation has, both the additional electrons have to go into the antibonding orbitals. It is hence easily seen that the carbanion would suffer even more destabilization than the radical.

Cristol and his coworkers further observed that norbornene was 45 times as reactive as cyclohexene towards the thiocresoxyl radical. This enhanced rate could well be due to relief of strain in the starting norbornene. The possibility of the sulfur-bridged intermediate 49 was ruled out by the observation that 6-chloroaldrin underwent exclusive cis-addition.



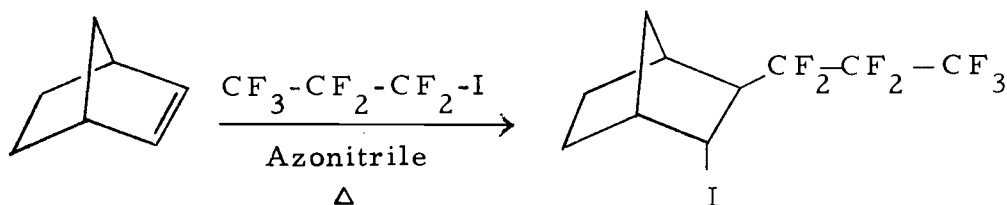
With p-tosyl chloride, norbornene gave almost completely the trans-adduct. Aldrin similarly gave the trans-adduct. These results are obviously incompatible with a non-classical radical which would be expected to give the exo-cis-adduct. The intermediate in this case is a classical radical and the direction of chain transfer is controlled apparently by steric factors.



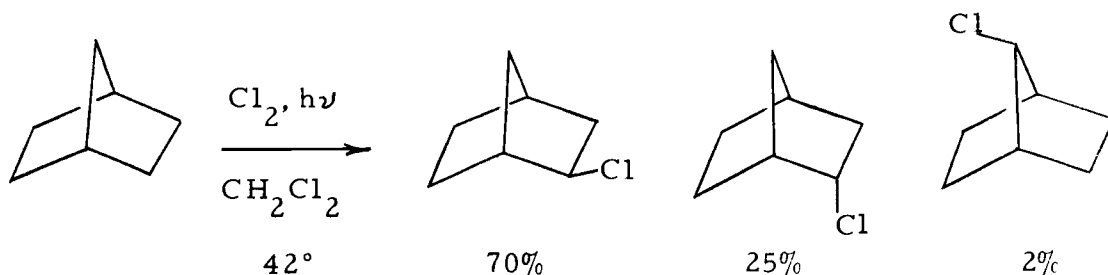
Much water has flown under the bridge since these pioneering studies of Cristol. The 2-norbornyl radical has been generated by several other workers and the weight of evidence argues overwhelmingly against the non-classical radical. Brace (51) observed that the

free-radical addition of iodoperfluoropropane to norbornene and aldrin gave almost exclusively the respective trans-adducts. Here again the direction of chain transfer is obviously controlled by steric factors.

Equally revealing is the report of Kooyman and Veger (52) on the free radical halogenation of norbornane. On subjection to radical



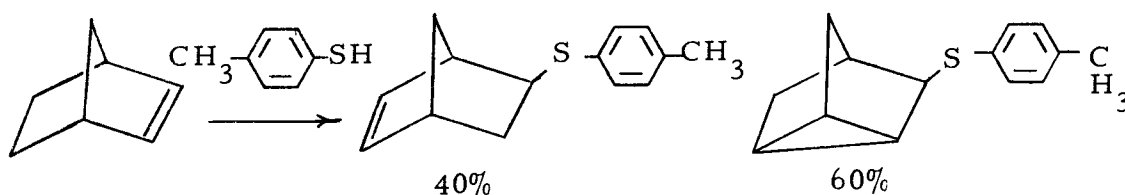
halogenation with a variety of halogenating agents, norbornane yielded the 2-halides as the major products, the exo-isomer predominantly. The $\frac{2\text{-exo}}{2\text{-endo}}$ product ratio was found to vary with the nature of the halogen donor. The predominance of the exo-isomer was explained as due to the lower accessibility of the halogen donor to the endo-face than to the exo-face owing to the shielding effect of the methylene group in the 5 and 6-positions. In accordance with this view, it was



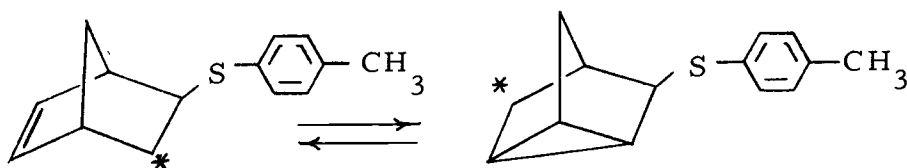
found that the small halogen molecules gave appreciable proportions of the endo-isomer while bulkier reagents yielded smaller percentages

of this isomer.

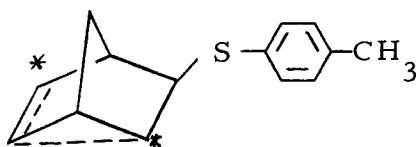
No less adverse, from the non-classical point of view, was the fate in store for the 5-norbornenyl radical. Cristol and his associates (53) reported that the reaction of norbornadiene with *p*-thiocresol gave a 40:60 mixture of norbornenyl and nortricyclyl thioethers. This result could be explained by considering two possible reaction routes: (a) reaction via an equilibrating pair of



classical radicals, or



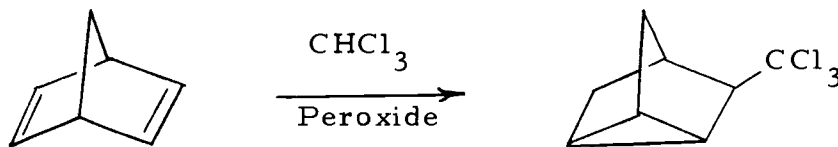
(b) reaction via a single non-classical radical intermediate.



An excellent method to distinguish between these two types of intermediates has been devised by Seubold (54). If the intermediate is a single non-classical species, then changes in concentration of the chain transfer agent should not affect the relative proportions of rearranged and unrearranged products. However, if an equilibrating

pair of classical radicals is implicated, then dilution of the chain transfer agent should result in a higher ratio of rearranged/unrearranged products. Dilution experiments in the above case ruled out the non-classical radical. Competition experiments showed that norbornadiene reacted faster than norbornene and cyclohexene. This was easily explained as due to the greater strain in the starting norbornadiene than in the other two olefins. Similar conclusions emerged from a study of the radical addition of benzenesulfonyl chloride to norbornadiene, carried out by Cristol and Davies (55).

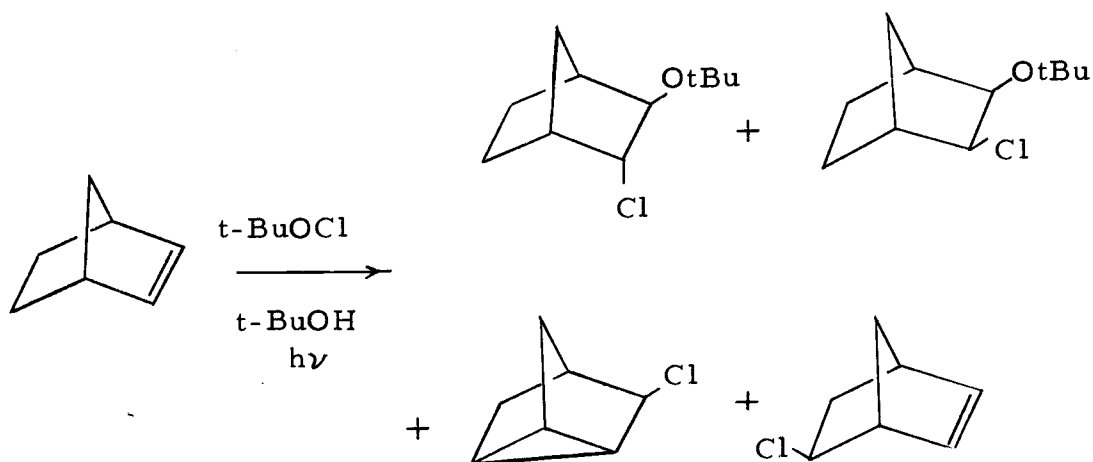
Further endorsement of this picture came from the report of Trecker and Henry (56) on the free radical addition of chloroform and carbon tetrachloride to norbornadiene. These additions resulted in the formation of the nortricyclyl derivative as the sole 1:1 adduct. Higher telomers were obtained as minor products. The exclusive formation of the rearranged product was rationalized on the basis



of faster rate of rearrangement relative to chain transfer of the intermediate adduct radical. Competition experiments showed that norbornadiene reacted twice as fast as norbornene. This means

that the effect of the second double bond is strictly additive. This provides a powerful argument against the non-classical radical.

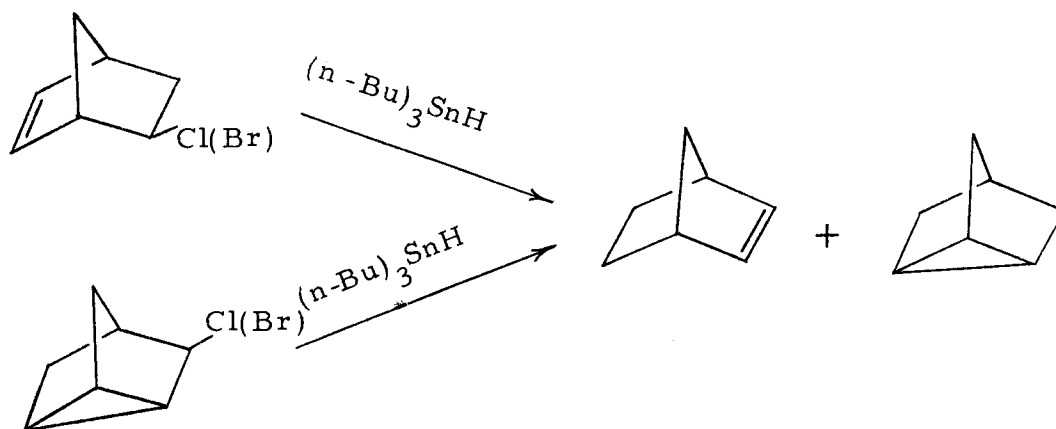
A host of reports pointing to similar conclusions appeared subsequently. The photoreaction of norbornene with *t*-butyl hypochlorite, studied by Toeblner and his co-workers (57) is interesting in that both addition and substitution occur, addition predominating. The results are as follows.



The trans- and the cis-adducts are in the ratio 4:1. The predominance of the trans-adduct would rule out the non-classical 2-norbornyl radical. The formation of some cis-adduct is readily understandable in view of the fact that the *t*-butoxy group causes less effective steric blocking of the exo-side than the trichloromethyl or the *p*-tosyl group. Dilution experiments in the same reaction performed by Poutsma (58) afforded convincing evidence against the non-classical 5-norbornenyl radical, arising from hydrogen abstraction.

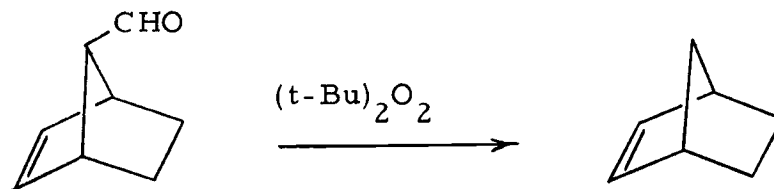
An ingenious method was used by Kuivila and his co-workers

(59) to generate the 5-norbornenyl and nortricycyl radicals. Radical reduction of 5-norbornenyl and nortricycyl chlorides or bromides with tri-*n*-butyltin hydride yielded the same mixture of norbornene and nortricyclene (in roughly equal amounts). In the neat reaction with nortricycyl bromide, nortricyclene was formed in greater

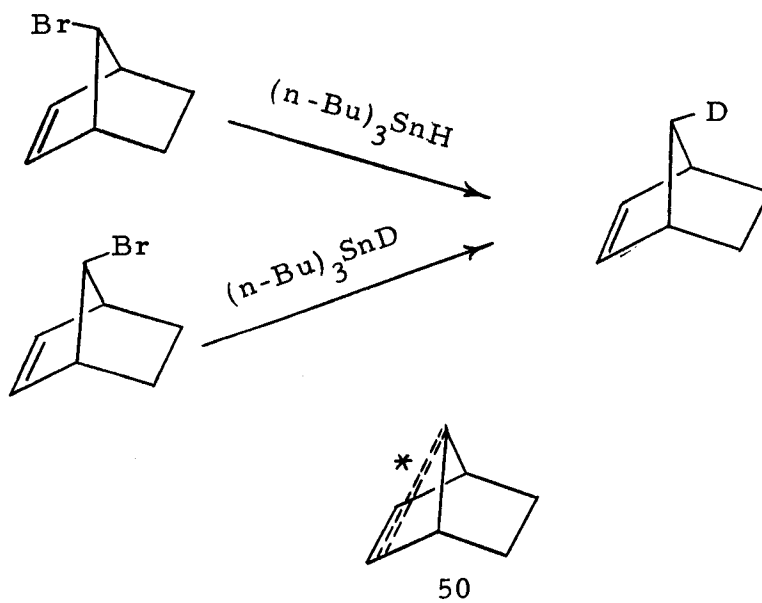


amount and in pentane, norbornene predominated. Thus some of the nortricycyl radical was trapped before equilibration with the norbornenyl radical. This observation argued against the non-classical radical.

A similar verdict awaited the 7-norbornenyl radical also. Molecular orbital calculations suggested that this radical should be delocalized (60) but experimental results run counter to this prediction. Wilt and Levin (61) observed that decarbonylation of anti-7-norbornene carboxaldehyde was faster than that of endo-5-norbornene carboxaldehyde, possibly due to anchimeric assistance to the loss of carbon monoxide by the π -electrons in the former.



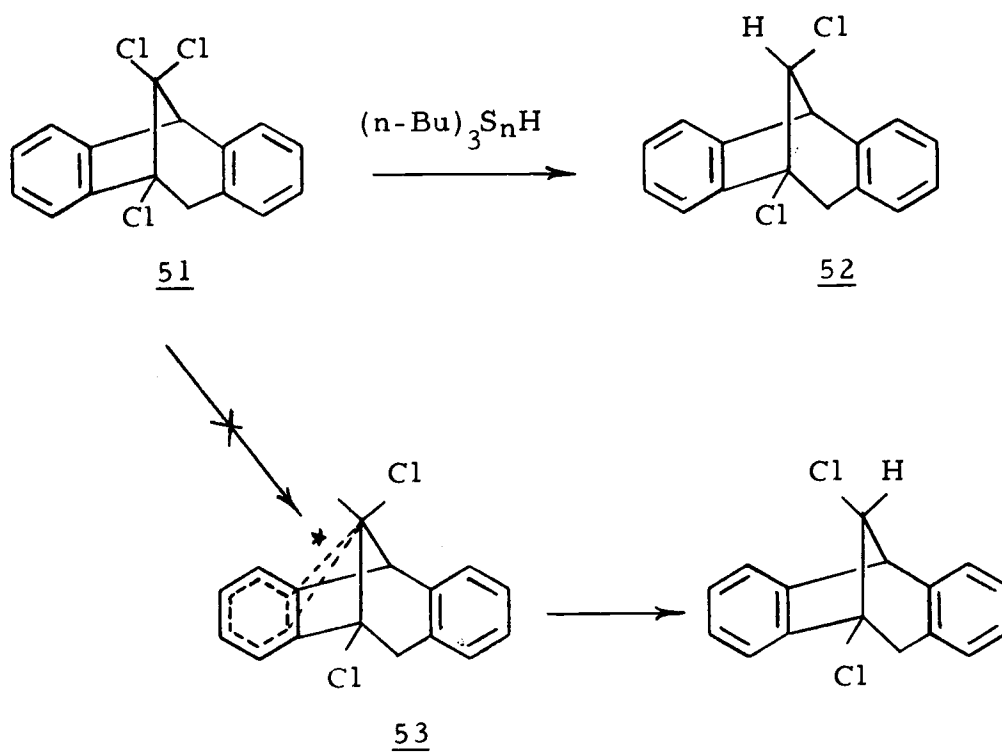
Later, Warkentin and Sanford (62) reported that the radical reduction of syn- and anti-7-bromonorbornene with tri-*n*-butyltin deuteride yielded exclusively anti-7-deuterionorbornene. This stereochemical result was attributed by the authors to the intervention of the delocalized radical 50. However, this report proved to



be incorrect as demonstrated by Cristol and Noreen (63) who showed that Warkentin and Sanford had actually a 70:30 mixture of anti- and syn-7-deuterionorbornene, thus virtually precluding any need to

invoke the non-classical radical. Cristol and Noreen also observed that reduction of both syn- and anti-7-bromobenzonorbornadiene with tri-n-butyltin deuteride resulted in identical mixtures of syn- and anti-7-deuteriobenzonorbornadiene in the ratio 57:43±3. This result again shows that there is no need to postulate the existence of non-classical radical intermediates.

A recent report by Jarvis and Yount (64) on the benzonorbornenyl system provides experimental evidence against a non-classical radical intermediate. These workers reduced the trichloride 51 with tri-n-butyltin hydride and found that the only observable product was syn-8-chloro-5-chlorodibenzobicyclo[3.2.1]octadiene (52), the epimer whose configuration at C-8 is opposite to that expected if the more favorably disposed anti-benzene ring had participated in the chain transfer step. The product could be easily explained entirely in terms of a classical radical which undergoes chain transfer from the sterically less hindered anti-side.



II. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Carbene Study

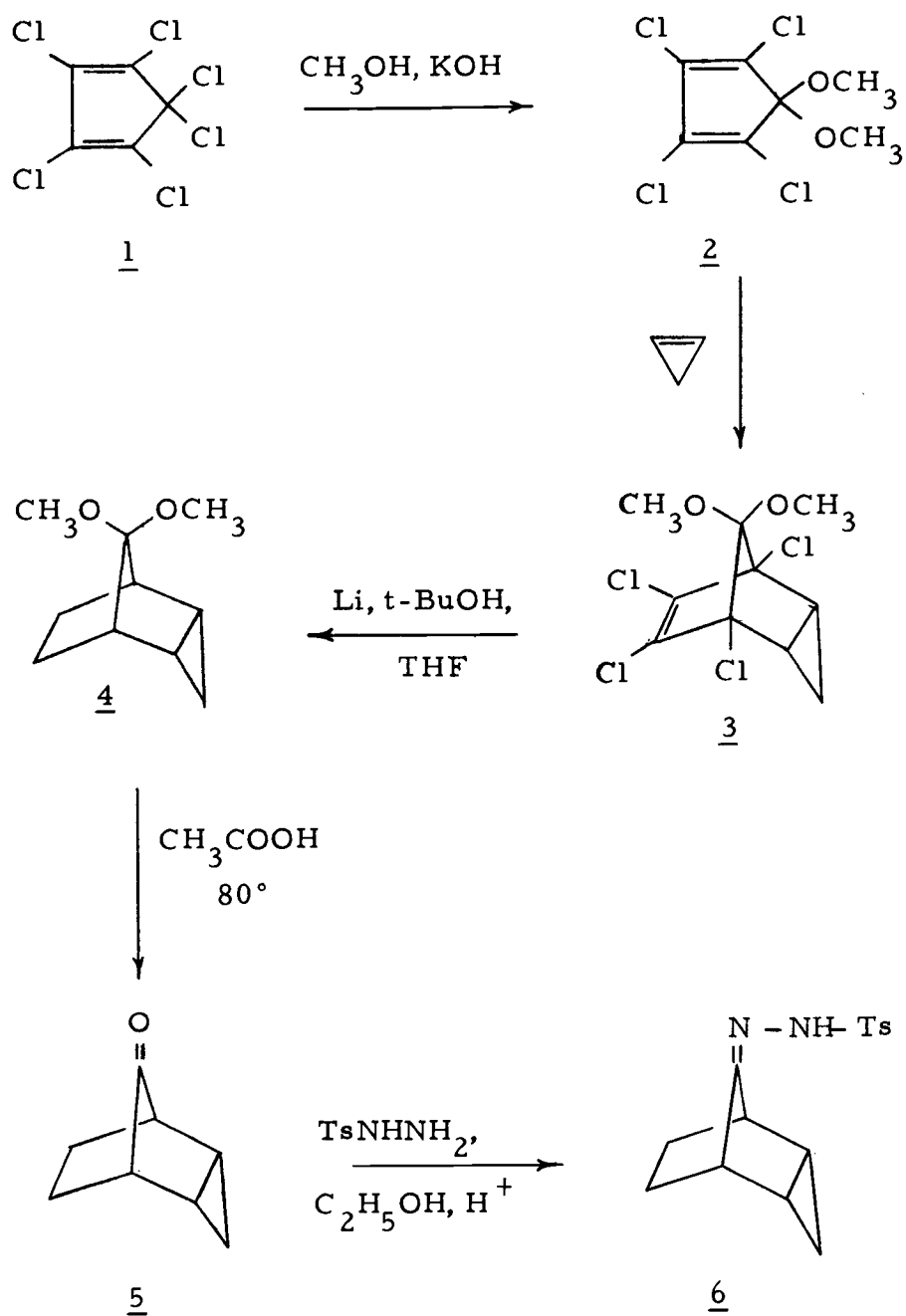
The possibility that non-classical carbenes might exist prompted several workers to engage in studies designed to uncover them, especially in bridged polycyclic systems, but most of their attempts were fruitless, due mainly to the incidence of γ -insertion and/or 1,2-hydrogen migration, two well-known reaction routes of carbenes. The operation of Bredt's rule conferred on exo-8-carbena-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane immunity from reacting via a 1,2-hydrogen shift, but nevertheless no cyclopropane interaction with the carbene site was observed, evidently owing to the fact that the p-like orbitals of the exo-cyclopropane ring point down and away from the reactive 8-position (33). We felt that this absence of cyclopropane interaction of the "trishomocyclopropenyl" type in the exo-isomer need not be true of the endo-isomer in which the p-like orbitals of the cyclopropane ring are ideally oriented for overlap with the empty p orbital of the singlet carbene carbon at the 8-position. Actuated by a desire to have a peep into the nature of this divalent intermediate, we embarked on a study of its generation and fate.

At the inception of this study, our task was considerably facilitated by the appearance of several reports of synthetic and/or solvolytic studies in the endo-system (15-17, 65, 66). Benefitting

from these reports, the endo-ketone was prepared using the synthetic procedure (Scheme I) starting from hexachlorocyclopentadiene 1. The latter compound was converted to 5,5-dimethoxy tetrachlorocyclopentadiene 2 by treatment with methanolic potassium hydroxide solution in a yield of 72.6%. Diels-Alder reaction of this diene at 0° with cyclopropene generated by the method of Closs and Krantz (67) resulted in near-quantitative yield of the adduct ketal 3. Dechlorination of 3 with lithium, followed by hydrolysis with glacial acetic acid, gave the saturated ketone 5 in good yield as previously reported. The ketone was smoothly converted to its tosylhydrazone 6 in 62% yield by refluxing it in ethanol solution with tosylhydrazine.

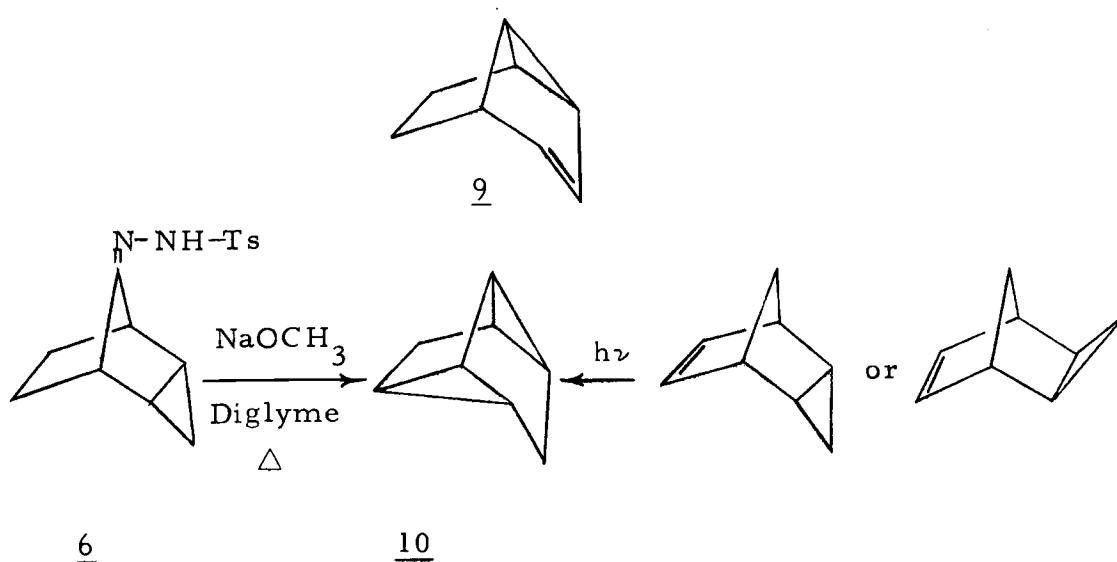
The tosylhydrazone was then subjected to methoxide ion-induced decomposition at 150-155° in anhydrous diglyme using a tosylhydrazone-sodium methoxide molar ratio of 1:5.74. Vpc analysis of the products revealed that the products were composed of four components in the ratio 4:33:11:51 in the order of increasing retention times plus an additional 1% component which was not isolated (yield ca. 80%). The four products were isolated by vpc collection and submitted to spectral examination in order to ascertain their structures.

The 4% component showed characteristic ir bands at 3050 cm^{-1} , assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 3030 cm^{-1} , attributable to olefinic C-H stretching, and 1596 cm^{-1} , indicative of the presence

Scheme I

of a C=C bond. Its nmr spectrum (60 MHz, CCl_4) showed signals at τ 4.5-4.8 (doublet of a quartet, 2H, olefinic protons), 6.85-7.1 (multiplet, 1H), 7.4-8.45 (multiplets, 7H). These data are nicely accommodated by structure 9. It was subsequently learned that 9 was observed as a product of photoisomerization of 1,3,5-cyclo-octatriene by Winstein and Zirner (68) as well as by Roth and Peltzer (69). Comparison of ir and nmr spectra with those supplied by these authors revealed that samples of 9 prepared by these two routes were identical.

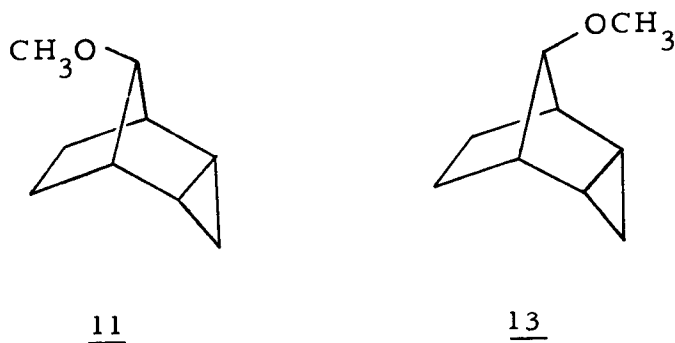
The 33% constituent had vpc retention time, ir, nmr, and mass spectra identical to those of an authentic sample of tetracyclo-[3.3.0.0^{2,8}.0^{4,6}]octane 10, which had previously been obtained by Freeman, Kuper, and Rao (33, 70) by irradiation of exo or endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene.



The mass spectrum of the 11% component showed a parent peak of m/e 138 and the ir spectrum exhibited principal bands at 3090, 3030, and 3010 cm^{-1} , all assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1195, 1120, and 1100 cm^{-1} , strongly suggestive of ether C-O linkage. Its nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) displayed signals at τ 6.5 (unresolved triplet, 1H), 6.85 (singlet, 3H), 7.8-8 (multiplet, 2H) and 8.4-9.75 (multiplets, 8H). The triplet at τ 6.5 was assigned to the proton α to oxygen and the three-proton singlet at τ 6.85 to the methoxy protons. It was clear that the compound was a methyl ether. The upfield signals, extending up to τ 9.75 indicated the presence of cyclopropane methylene. It was also found that the hydrocarbon portion of the spectrum was very similar to its counterpart in the case of endo-anti-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-octan-8-ol (17). On this basis, this component was tentatively identified as anti-8-methoxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane 11.

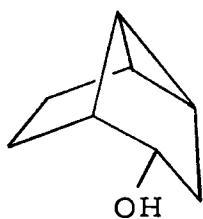
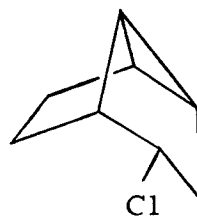
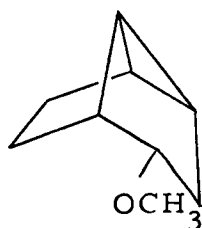
Unequivocal proof of this structure stemmed from an independent synthesis. The endo-ketone 5 was reduced with lithium aluminum hydride to a 64:36 mixture of the syn- and anti-alcohols 14. Treatment of this mixture with sodium hydride and methyl iodide gave two isomeric ethers in the ratio 37:63 in the order of increasing retention times. The 37% ether which should be the anti-ether had vpc retention time, ir and nmr spectra identical to those of the 11% component of the tosylhydrazone decomposition products. The 63%

ether which must be the syn-ether 13 had characteristic ir bands at 3095, 3060 and 3030 cm^{-1} (cyclopropyl C-H stretching) and 1209, 1135, and 1107 cm^{-1} (ether C-O linkage). Its nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) showed signals at τ 6.25 (unresolved triplet, 1H) 6.73 (singlet, 3H), 7.85 (unresolved triplet, 2H) and 8.47-9.2 (multiplets, 8H). The hydrocarbon portion of the spectrum was very similar to its counterpart in the spectrum of the syn-alcohol (17). By comparison of retention times, it was found that this ether was present to the extent of ca. 1% in the tosylhydrazone decomposition products.



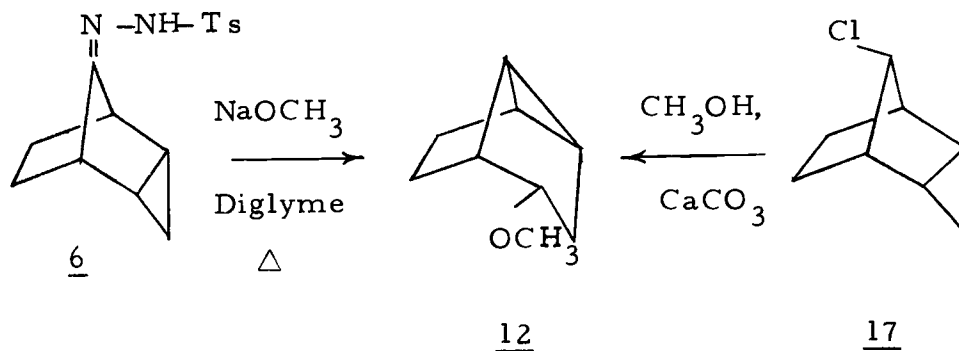
The ir spectrum of the 51% component of the tosylhydrazone decomposition products displayed strong absorptions at 3035 cm^{-1} , attributable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1115 and 1095 cm^{-1} , strongly suggestive of ether C-O stretching. Its nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) showed resonance signals at τ 6.1-6.55 (six-peak signal, 1H), 6.85 (singlet, 3H), and 7.3-9.1 (multiplets, 10 H).

The signal at τ 6.1-6.55 which is assignable to the proton α to oxygen was identical in its splitting pattern to that of the proton α to oxygen in the rearranged endo-alcohol 15 (17) and to that of the α -chloroprotone in the rearranged endo-chloride 16 (71). Also the hydrocarbon portion of the spectrum was nearly identical to its counterpart in 15 and 16. On the strength of these data, this component was tentatively identified as endo-2-methoxytricyclo-[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane 12.

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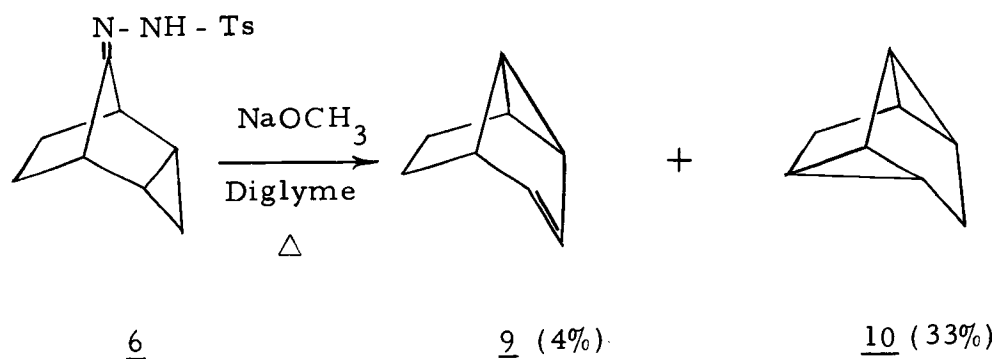
Confirmation of this structure assignment was sought via an independent synthesis of this ether. Since this carbene work was proceeding concurrently with our study of the photochlorination of exo- and endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane described later in this chapter, we had on hand a sample of the endo-anti-8-chloride 17.

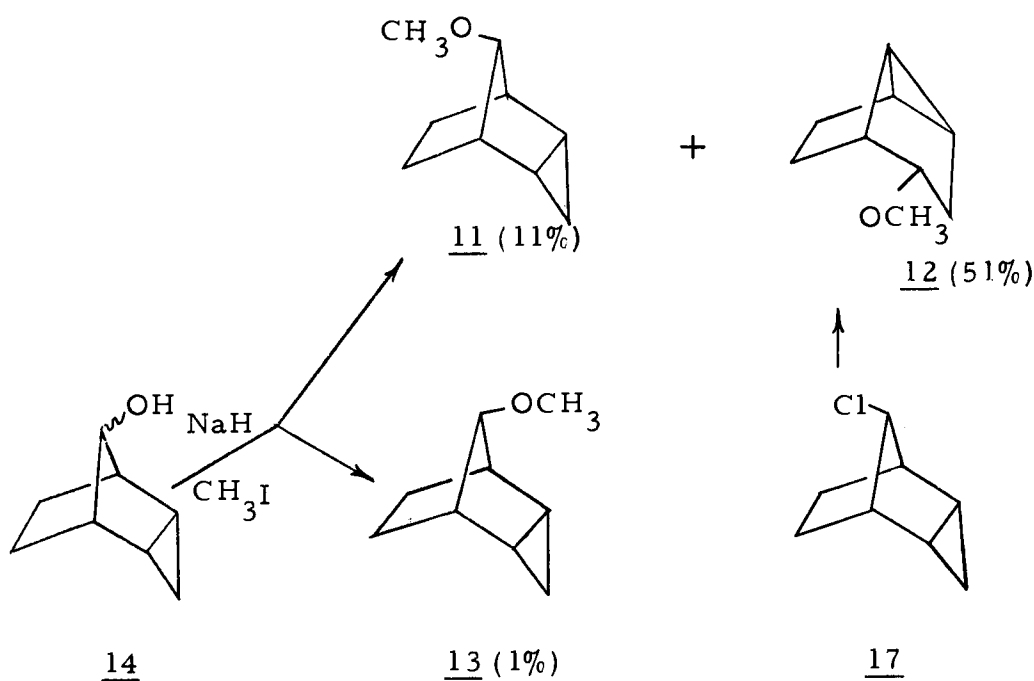
Since solvolysis of 17 should give exclusively or predominantly the rearranged endo-product (14-17), we subjected this chloride to methanolysis in the presence of calcium carbonate. The sole product of methanolysis was identical to 12 as observed by



comparison of retention times and ir spectra.

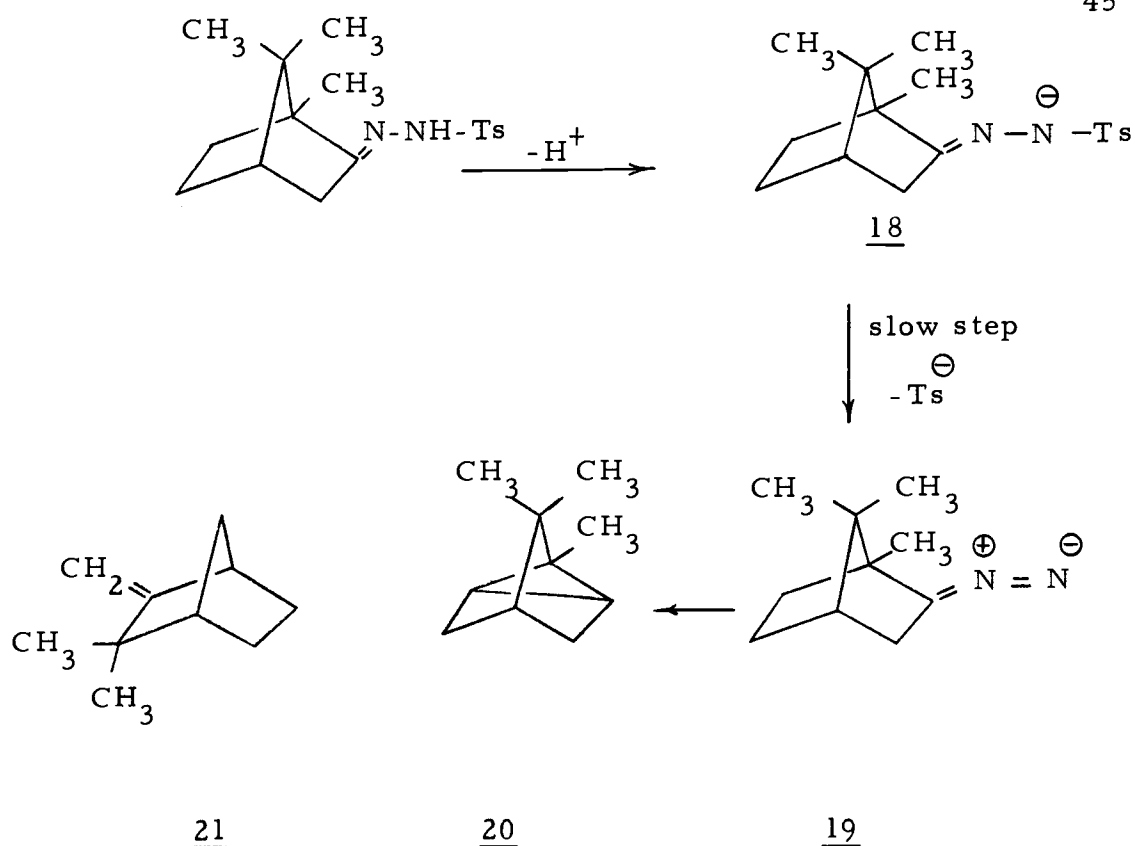
Thus the final results of analysis of the products of the tosylhydrazone decomposition are as follows:





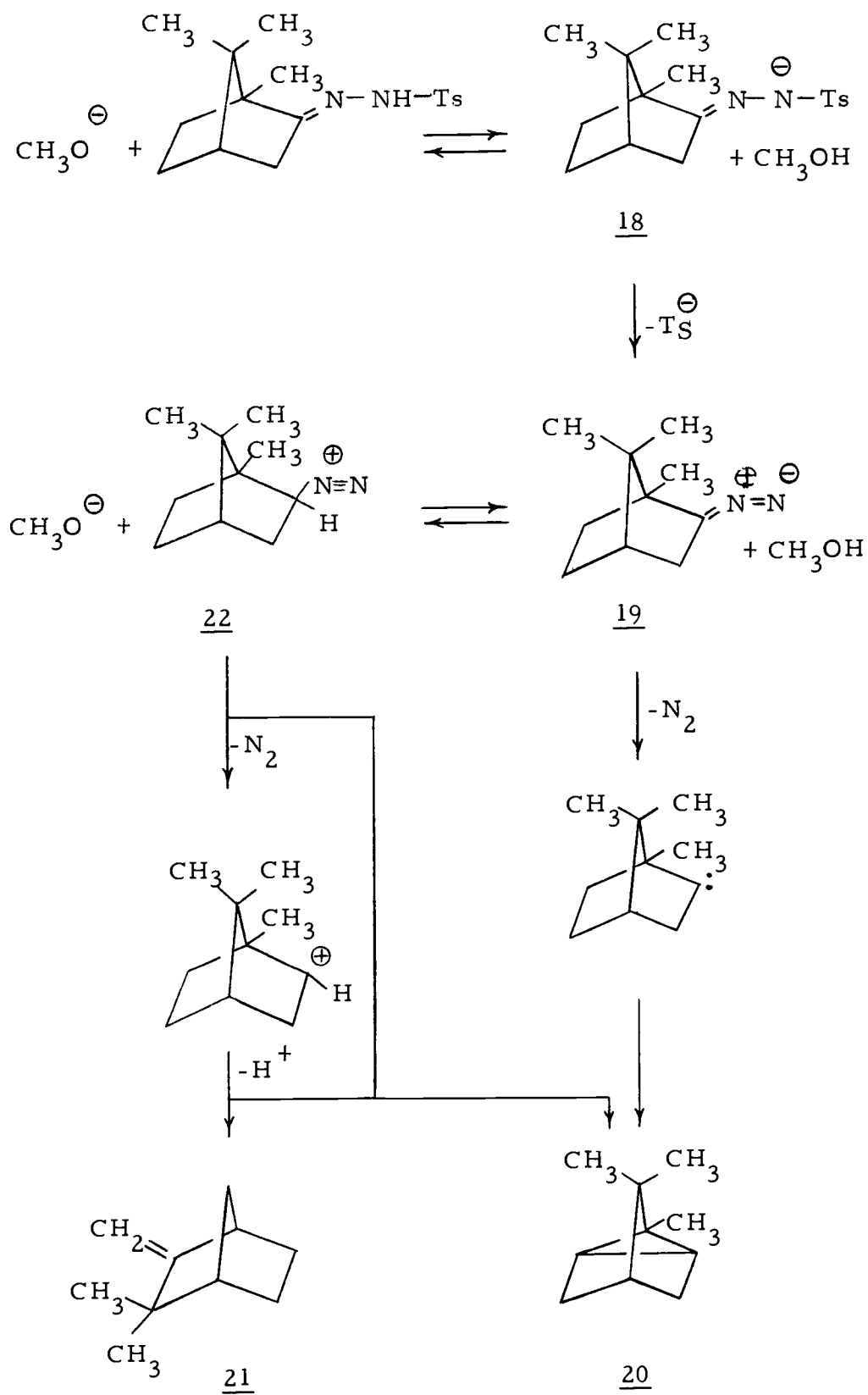
There was a small peak in the hydrocarbon region in vpc, amounting to less than 1% of the products. This peak could not be collected in sufficient quantities for its characterization.

It is logical next to consider the mechanism of the formation of the various products. A detailed study of the base-catalyzed decomposition of tosylhydrazones was recently reported by Shapiro, Duncan, and Clopton (72). These workers investigated in detail the base-induced decomposition of camphor tosylhydrazone and observed (1) that at low concentrations of sodium bases in aprotic solvents, tricyclene **20** appears to be generated from a cationic intermediate; 2) camphene **21** formation is increasingly favored at lower concentrations of sodium bases in aprotic solvents and tricyclene formation

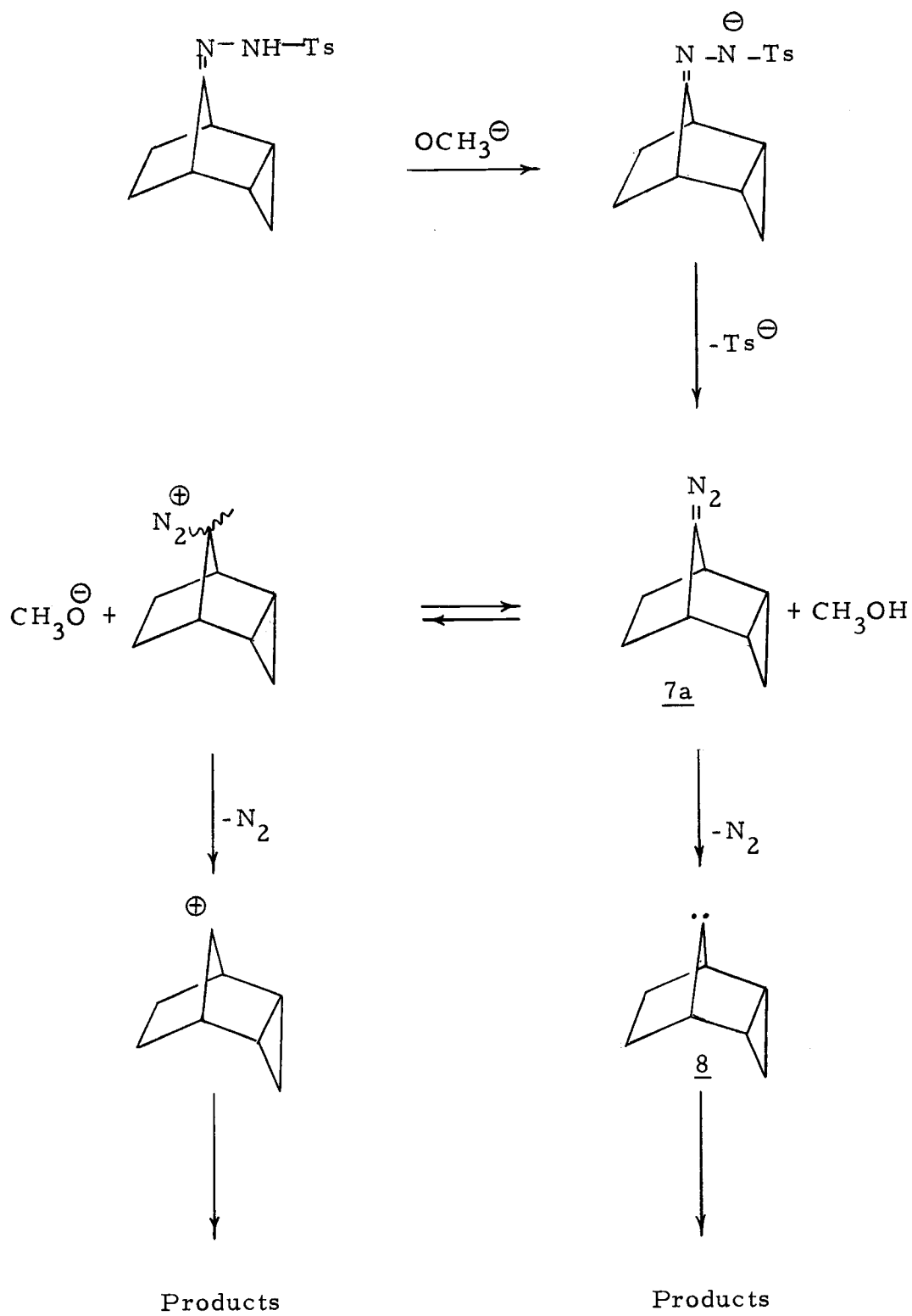


at high base concentration; and 3) camphene formation is favored in aprotic solvents of higher polarity, other factors being equal. They also noted that change of base concentration had a more profound effect in determining the tricyclene-camphene ratio than solvent polarity. The authors propose a mechanism, sketched below (Scheme II), in which the key step involves the equilibrium between the diazo compound and its corresponding diazonium cation. In accordance with the law of mass action, when excess base is used, the equilibrium will be shifted in favor of the diazo compound (and hence the carbene). Under the reaction conditions, both the diazo and diazonium intermediates can shed nitrogen to give a carbene or carbonium ion, which lead to products. The diazonium ion can also lead to products

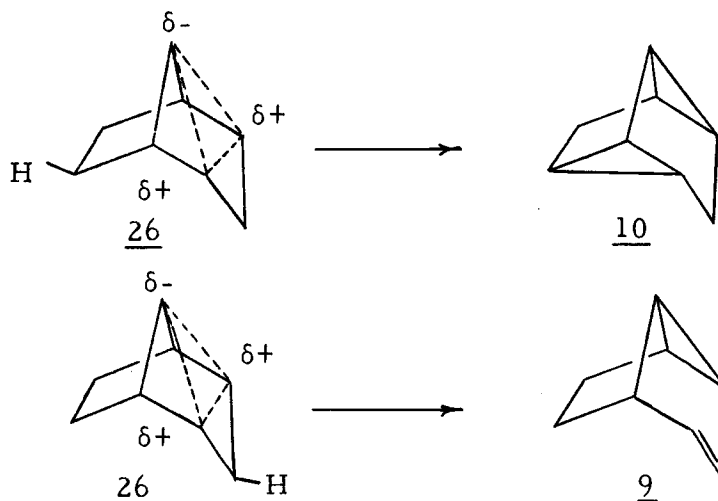
Scheme II



Scheme III



carbanion 24 which can undergo configurational inversion prior to neutralization, yielding the anti- and the syn-ethers. The rearranged endo-ether 12 which appeared to be formed in a highly stereoselective step is also in accord with this picture. Nevertheless, formation of endo-tricyclooctyl carbonium ion would be expected to be facilitated by the strain relief provided by protonation of diazo compound 7a. Thus, we could not rule out the possibility that the ethers might have arisen from the cation or from both cationic and carbene precursors. It would be logical to expect that the hydrocarbons are formed principally from the carbene which could possibly be a delocalized species.



In an effort to separate the carbene from the carbonium ion components a series of experiments was undertaken. The first was to study the effect of addition of methanol-O-d to the reaction. The expectation was, if the ethers arise from the cation, their proportions would increase, relative to the hydrocarbons, since the added methanol would shift the diazo-diazonium equilibrium to the diazonium

side. Further, the extent of deuteration in the products might offer some clues regarding the intermediates they arise from. Several runs were made, holding the concentration of sodium methoxide virtually constant at 5.75-6.20 equivalents and adding varying amounts of methanol-O-d. The results are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. Decomposition of tosylhydrazone 6 at 145-150° in Diglyme/NaOMe/CH₃OH(D)^d

Run	(equiva- lents) <u>6</u>	NaOCH ₃ (equiva- lents)	CH ₃ OD ^c (equiva- lents)	<u>12</u> ^a	<u>11</u> ^{a, b}	<u>10</u> ^a	<u>9</u> ^a
1	1	5.74	0	51	11	33	4
2	1	5.92	1	64	13	21	2
3	1	5.92	5.13	78	13	9	1
4	1	5.75	11.9	81	11	7	1
5	1	6.20	81.7	81	16	3	0

^a ± 3%.

^b The presence of the syn-isomer 13 to the extent of ca. 1% was detected in run 1. In all other runs no attempt was made to detect the presence of this isomer.

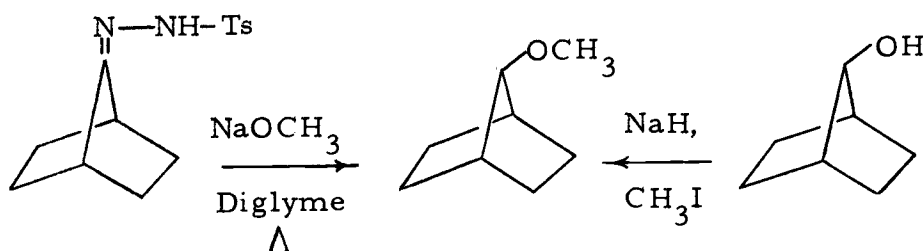
^c 83% methanol-O-d.

^d No attempt was made to find the yield of the products in runs 2-5.

Due to difficulties encountered in the nmr and mass spectral analysis for deuterium in the products, the extent of deuteration in the products could not be estimated. However, the results seem to clearly indicate that the ethers arise from the cation predominantly, if not exclusively, and the hydrocarbons principally from the carbene. In another series of experiments the tosylhydrazone was decomposed at 140-150°, varying the concentration of sodium methoxide from 3.01 to 18.1 equivalents. In every case the product composition remained the same (within $\pm 3\%$). It appears that a saturated solution of sodium methoxide in diglyme was formed in each case, thus accounting for the constancy of the product composition.

It may be mentioned that the formation of methyl ethers in the decomposition of tosylhydrazones is unprecedented in bridged polycyclic systems. The question hence posed itself: Is this an offspring of the incorporation of the cyclopropane ring in the endo-orientation? To answer this question a knowledge of the results of the base-catalyzed decomposition of norbornan-7-one tosylhydrazone was needed. Since the report by Moss (24) on 7-carbenanorbornane was based on the results of the pyrolysis of the dry lithium salt, it could not throw any light on this aspect of the problem. Therefore, we reinvestigated this process under our reaction conditions. Vpc analysis showed that the products were composed of 51% of 7-methoxynorbornane 27 and 49% of three hydrocarbons (in the proportions

6, 38 and 4% in order of increasing retention times) in an overall yield of 97%. The identity of the methyl ether was unequivocally established by comparison of its vpc retention time and ir spectrum with those of an authentic sample synthesized by treatment of 7-hydroxynorbornane with sodium hydride and methyl iodide. The



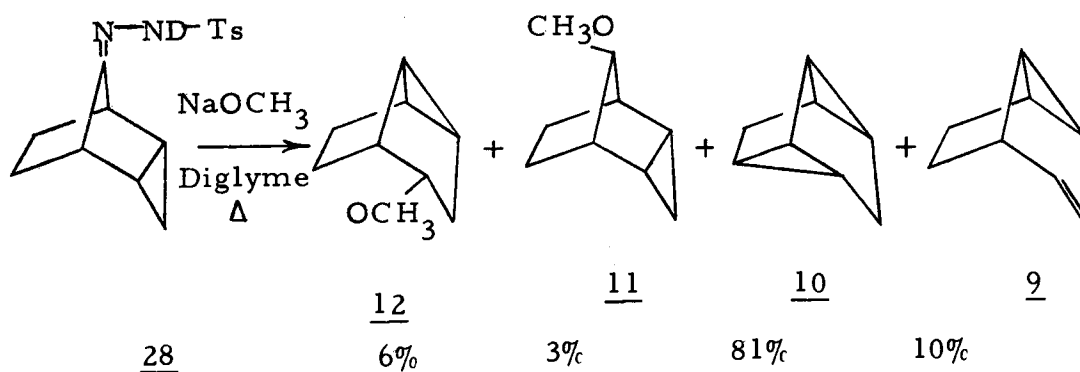
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hydrocarbon products were not analyzed. From this it can be gathered that methyl ether formation is not due to the influence of the cyclopropane ring but can be traced principally to an enhanced formation of diazonium ion due to relief of strain.

At this point the following question was faced: Is the carbene the exclusive intermediate leading to the hydrocarbon products? We sought a decisive verdict on this problem via the decomposition of the tosylhydrazone-N-d, 28. The idea was that since methanol-O-d would be the result of neutralization of 28 by methoxide, the resulting isotope effect on the conversion of the diazo compound to the diazonium cation would decelerate the formation of carbonium ion products and thereby promote carbene-forming conditions.

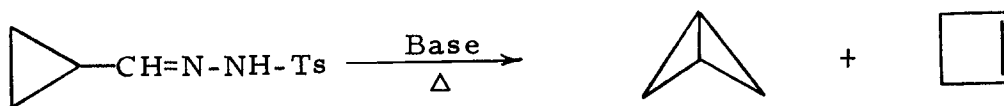
After some initial difficulties, essentially complete ($\geq 97\%$) deuteration was accomplished by repeated treatment of a suspension of the tosylhydrazone in methylene chloride with D_2O and a few drops of Aliquat 336 (methyl tricaprylyl ammonium chloride) (73).

Vpc analysis of the products of the decomposition of the deuterated tosylhydrazone under the usual conditions revealed a dramatic and stunning change in the composition of the products. The hydrocarbons comprised 91% of the products, the ethers accounting for the remainder. The results were as follows:



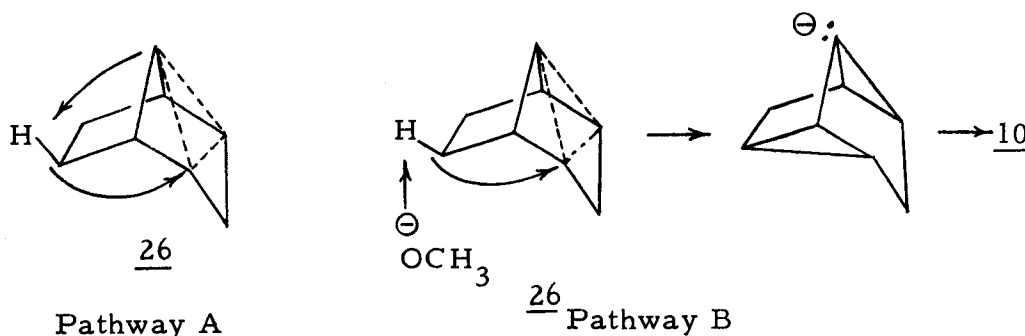
The anticipated isotope effect had clearly materialized. There was no doubt now that the ethers arise from the cation and the hydrocarbons from the carbene. Similar isotope effects have been noted by Wiberg and Lavanish (74) and Schechter and his co-workers (75, 76). These workers found that in the base-catalyzed decomposition of cyclopropanecarboxaldehyde tosylhydrazone, the principal products were bicyclobutane and cyclobutene. When an aprotic solvent and

an excess of base were used, cyclobutene was the major product;



when a protic solvent or insufficient amount of base was used, bicyclobutane predominated. These are consistent with a cationic precursor for bicyclobutane and a carbene precursor for cyclobutene. Furthermore, the formation of cyclobutene was favored over bicyclobutane when the tosylhydrazone was decomposed in ethylene glycol- d_2 rather than in protoethylene glycol, thus strengthening the above inference.

Returning to the mode of formation of the hydrocarbons from the carbene, it is clear that the carbene intermediate rearranges with transannular trishomocyclopropenyl participation. Representing the intermediate as 26, loss of a proton from C-6 would yield 10 while loss of a proton from C-3 would lead to the olefin 9. Two



possible pathways could be envisioned for the formation of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon 10, a concerted pathway (pathway A) and a

stepwise anionic pathway (pathway B). Pathway A, representing the carbene as a delocalized species, involves concerted breakage of C₂-C₄ bond, C₂-C₈ bond formation, hydrogen migration from C₆ to C₈ and bond formation between C₆ and C₄. This could be described as $\sigma_a^2 + \omega_a^0 + \omega_a^2$ process which is symmetry-allowed thermally by the Woodward-Hoffmann rules for pericyclic reactions (77). This concerted pathway would require that the tetracyclic hydrocarbon from the decomposition of tosylhydrazone-N-d, 28 be completely free of the deuterium label. On the contrary, pathway B involves the formation of a carbanion which then undergoes protonation. Wiberg (78) has observed that the neutralization of carbanions exhibits a deuterium isotope effect near unity for deuterium incorporation. On this basis, operation of pathway B would be expected to lead to tetracyclic hydrocarbon 10 almost completely deuterated ($\geq 97\%$ d₁) as the only source of protons (or deuterons) is the methanol-O-d of neutralization. Mass spectral analysis of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon revealed that it had 23 (± 3)% d₁. The possibility that this deuterium in the hydrocarbon could have arisen partly or completely from a base-catalyzed exchange of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon subsequent to its formation could be ruled out as it failed to undergo any detectable exchange when a pure sample of the undeuterated hydrocarbon was submitted to the reaction conditions. The fact emerges therefore that the concerted process from the delocalized carbene is the major

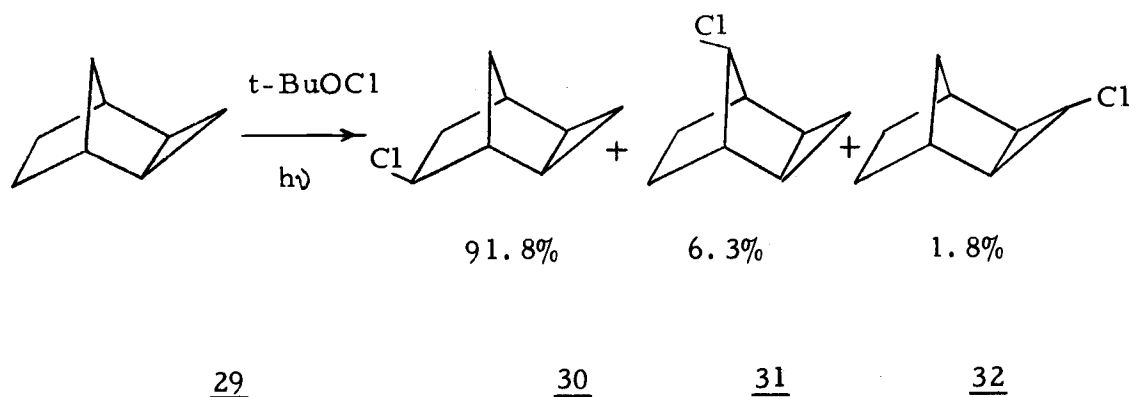
pathway with the anionic pathway being possibly the minor route to the tetracyclic hydrocarbon.

Summing up, the similarity of the behavior of the carbene to its cationic analog is amply evidenced by its display of transannular trishomocyclopropenyl participation. This is in distinct contrast to the case of the exo-isomer whose behavior has been rationalized as proceeding via a 1, 2-alkyl shift. It is also noteworthy that the carbene appears to be in the singlet state. Pertinently, we have not observed any radical-like behavior, like hydrogen abstraction, which would be expected of a triplet carbene. Therefore, we suggest that the transition state for hydrogen migration in the carbene involves non-classical delocalization, and it seems likely that the intermediate is also non-classical. Whether the latter is true or not and the chemical significance of such delocalization are matters to be determined by additional experimentation.

Free Radical Study

Concurrently with our carbene study, an investigation of the free radical abstraction patterns for exo- and endo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane was undertaken. This work had its genesis in the thesis research of Fenwick (79). Fenwick reported that the free radical chlorination of exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 29 gave the exo-6-chloride 30 (91.8%), the anti-8-chloride 31 (6.3%) and the

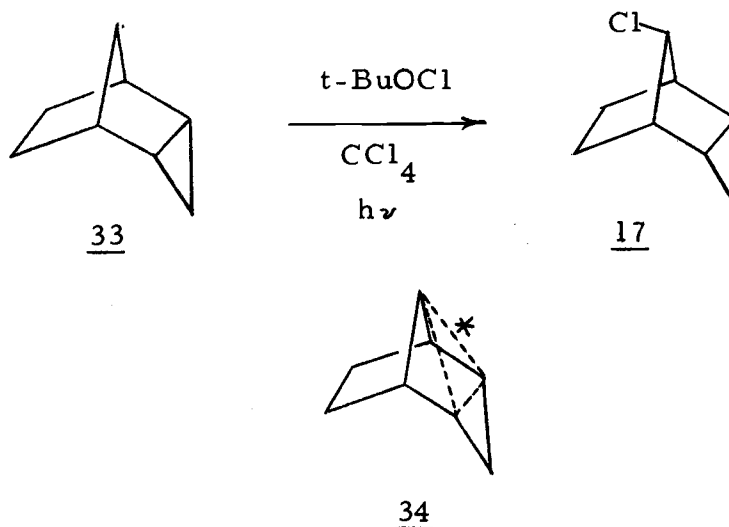
anti-3-chloride 32 (1.8%) in a total yield of 43.5%. The completely stereospecific formation of the exo-6-chloride provides a powerful argument for the intervention of a non-classical radical. This result is in sharp contrast to the results reported for the norbornyl system (see Chapter I). The reported formation of the anti-3-chloride 32 is rather surprising in view of the earlier report of Freeman and



his co-workers (44) on the radical chlorination of bicyclo[3.1.0]hexane in which no abstraction of cyclopropane hydrogen atoms was observed. In fact comparison of the nmr spectrum reported by Fenwick for 32 with that of an authentic sample of this compound supplied by Professor Jefford (80, 81) revealed that the two samples were poles asunder in their spectral characteristics. Also the nmr spectrum reported by Fenwick as that of the anti-8-chloride 31 seemed to be incompatible with this structure.

Another major observation reported by Fenwick was that the radical chlorination of the endo-hydrocarbon 33 gave exclusively the

anti-8-chloride 17, basing his structure assignment on spectral and kinetic data. He proposed that a delocalized radical 34 intervened and gave 17 in a stereospecific fashion.

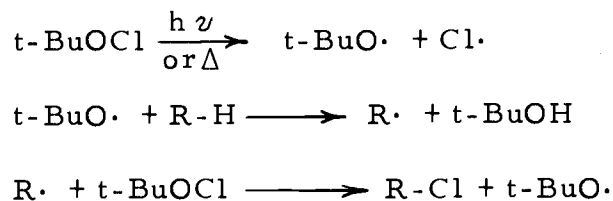


This stereospecific reaction of the radical was surprising in view of numerous earlier reports to the contrary in the norbornyl system (see Chapter I). The suggestion of a non-classical radical runs counter to the general consensus among workers in free radical chemistry, viz., that the reactions of radicals could be explained satisfactorily in terms of steric factors without having to invoke non-classical radicals.

In view of the aforementioned serious uncertainties, we felt that the photochlorination of the exo- and endo-hydrocarbons should be reinvestigated. The exo-hydrocarbon was obtained by addition of methylene to norbornene according to the Simmons-Smith procedure (82). The endo-hydrocarbon was prepared by catalytic

hydrogenation of endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene, synthesized by the Diels-Alder addition of cyclopropene to cyclopentadiene according to the method of Closs and Krantz (67).

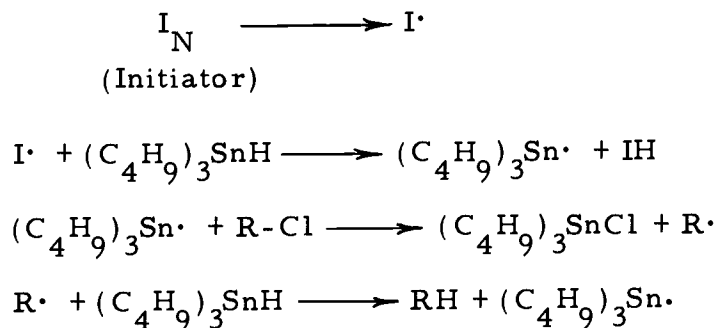
Photochlorination of the hydrocarbons was accomplished by irradiating a mixture of the appropriate hydrocarbon and t-butylhypochlorite in carbon tetrachloride solution at 40° --a procedure similar to that of Walling and Jacknow in their pioneering studies (83). A radical chain mechanism has been established by these authors for the chlorination of hydrocarbons with t-butylhypochlorite.



Subjection of the exo-hydrocarbon to photochlorination with t-butylhypochlorite using a 2:1 molar ratio of hydrocarbon to t-butylhypochlorite, followed by vpc analysis, revealed the presence of four components in the monochloro region in the ratio 4:17:67:12 in the order of increasing retention times in a total yield of 27%. No dichlorides were present--a result brought about by the use of an excess of hydrocarbon relative to the chlorinating agent. The 4% component was not isolable in sufficient quantities to enable its characterization. The other three components were isolated by vpc collection and each of them on reinjection showed only one peak,

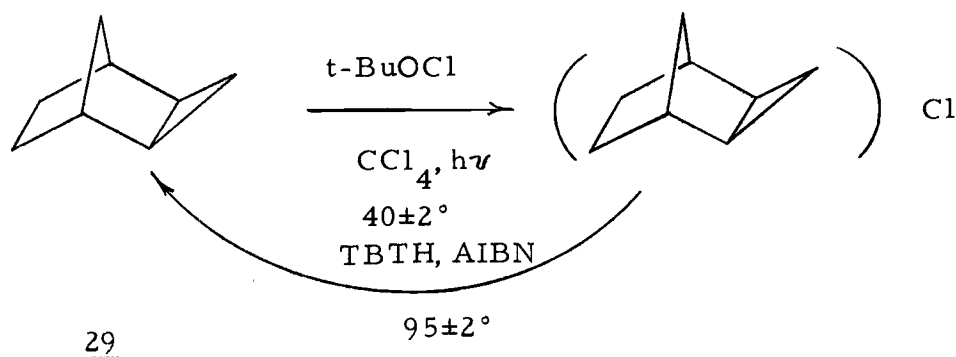
thus testifying to their stability to interconversion on the column under the conditions of analysis.

The next step was to divest the chlorides of the chloro substituent and lay bare their basic skeletal pattern. We employed the elegant method of Kuivila and Beumel (84) to realize this objective. These authors observed that tri-n-butyltin hydride (TBTH), in the presence of a suitable radical initiator, abstracts halogen from alkyl halides, generating the alkyl radical which then abstracts a hydrogen atom from the hydride to form the alkane.



The advantage of this method is that it enables us to detect any rearrangement of the radical generated by the action of the t-butoxy radical since a reversal of this rearrangement would be expected to be energetically prohibitive. Accordingly the mixture of chlorides was reduced with TBTH at $95 \pm 2^\circ$ using azobisisobutyronitrile (AIBN) as the initiator. Vpc analysis showed the presence of only one hydrocarbon in a yield of 60% (versus cyclohexane internal standard). The solitary hydrocarbon product was identified as exo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 29 by comparison of its vpc retention time, ir,

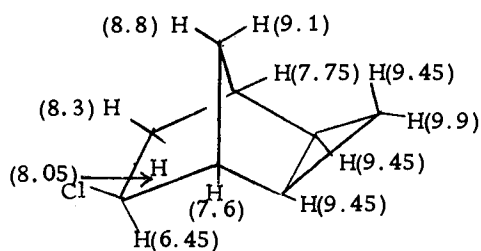
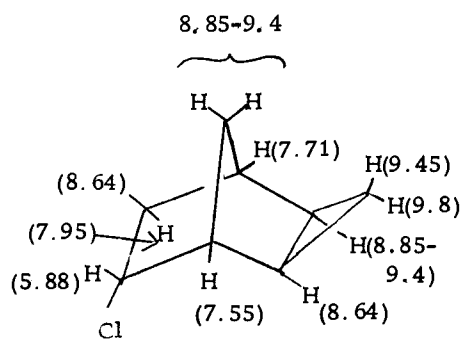
and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample. The presence of this ring system in all the chloride products was hence established



and further confirmation was to follow from detailed spectral examination of the individual chlorides.

The 67% component exhibited principal bands in its ir spectrum at 3080 and 3020 cm^{-1} , both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1010 cm^{-1} assignable to cyclopropyl ring deformation, and 750 and 733 cm^{-1} , both assignable to C-Cl stretching. Its nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) showed resonance signals at $\tau 6.45$ (triplet of a doublet, $J = 6.5\text{ Hz}, 2.0\text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}$), 7.6 (envelope, 1H), 7.75 (poorly resolved multiplet, 1H), 8.05 (a series of four doublets, $J = 13\text{ Hz}, 6.5\text{ Hz}, 2.5\text{ Hz}, 1\text{Hz}$), 8.3 (triplet of a doublet, $J = 13\text{ Hz}, 3.5\text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}$), 8.8 (doublet, $J = 10.5\text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}$), 9.1 (multiplet of a doublet, $J = 10.5\text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}$), 9.45 (a complex multiplet, 3H), and 9.9 (multiplet, 1H). The signal at $\tau 6.45$ which is assignable to the α -chloroproton was identical in its splitting pattern to that of the α -hydroxy proton in the spectrum of exo-6-hydroxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane. The

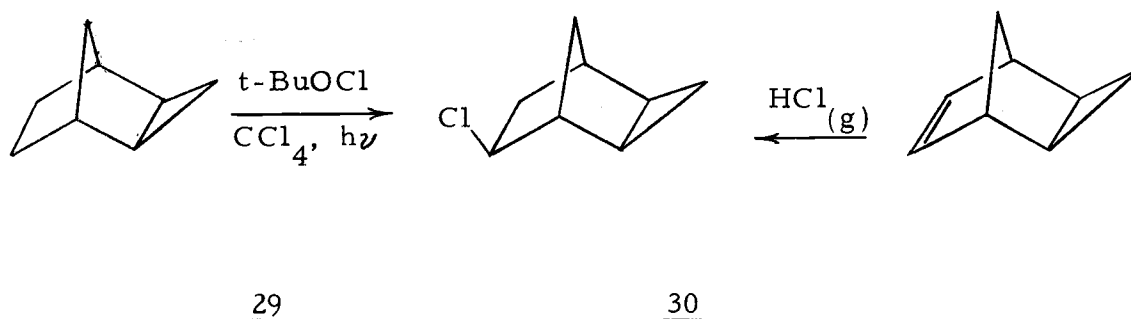
hydrocarbon portion of the chloride spectrum was also very similar to that of this alcohol. On this basis, this chloride was tentatively assigned the structure exo-6-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 30 and the resonance signals assigned as shown. The signal at τ 8.05 is interpretable as an AB pattern of a doublet ($J=13$ Hz) each line of which is split twice into a doublet ($J=7$ Hz, $J=2$ Hz) and is assigned to endo-C₇ proton on the basis of expected coupling of this proton with the exo-C₇ proton ($J=13$ Hz), the endo-C₆ proton ($J=7$ Hz) and the syn-C₈ proton ($J=2$ Hz). The signal at 8.3 is assigned to the exo-C₇ proton which is split into a doublet by the endo-C₇ proton ($J=13$ Hz), each line of which is split into a triplet by the endo-C₆ proton and the bridgehead C₁ proton ($J=3.5$ Hz). The signals at 8.8 and 9.1 are assignable to the anti-C₈ and the syn-C₈ protons respectively. The three-proton signal at 9.45 is assigned to the C₂ and C₄ protons and the syn-C₃ proton on the basis of expected deshielding of the latter due to steric congestion with the opposed transannular syn-C₈ proton (85). The mass spectrum of this chloride showed parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144 as expected.

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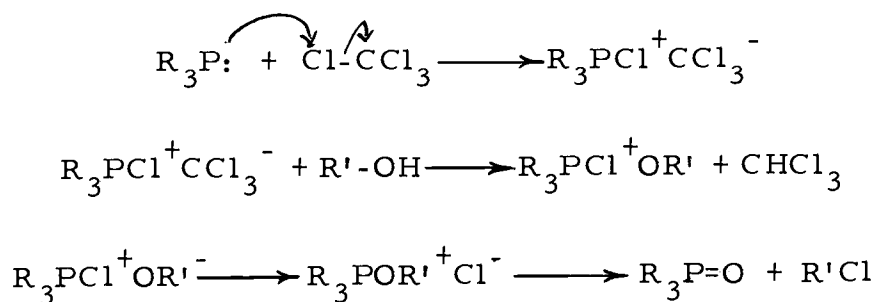
The mass spectrum of the 12% component had parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144. Its ir spectrum showed the absence of unsaturation (no absorption in the region $1500\text{--}1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$), presence of cyclopropane ring (absorptions at 3105 , 3040 and 1034 cm^{-1}) and the presence of C-Cl bond (absorptions at 757 and 732 cm^{-1}). Its nmr spectrum (100 MHz , CCl_4) had resonance signals at $\tau 5.88$ (triplet of a doublet, $J = 9\text{ Hz}$, 3.5 Hz , 1H), 7.55 (unresolved multiplet, 1H), 7.71 (envelope, 1H), 7.95 (multiplet, 1H), 8.64 (multiplet, 2H), $8.85\text{--}9.4$ (multiplets, 3H), 9.6 (overlapping pair of triplets, $J = 3\text{ Hz}$, 1H) and 9.94 (quartet, $J = 7\text{ Hz}$, 1H). The signal at $\tau 5.88$, attributable to the α -chloroproton, was identical in its splitting pattern to that of the α -hydroxyl proton in the spectrum of endo-6-hydroxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane. Indeed the hydrocarbon portions of the spectra of the chloride and the alcohol were strikingly similar. On the strength of these data, the chloride in question was tentatively identified as endo-6-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane 35 with the spectral signals assigned as shown.

Confirmation of the structure assignments for the two epimeric chlorides was obtained by independent syntheses of the chlorides. Addition of hydrogen chloride to exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene in methylene chloride gave two monochlorides in the ratio 48:52. The 52% component was identical to the major monochloro product of the photochlorination reaction. The 48% fraction was an olefinic

chloride and therefore was not characterized completely.

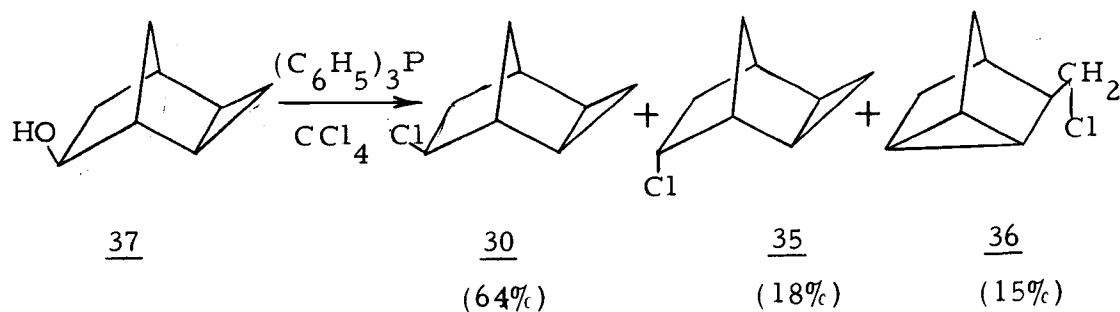


The endo-6-chloride 35 was synthesized using the method of Weiss and Snyder (86-88) who have found that the reaction of alcohols with triphenylphosphine and carbon tetrachloride results in the formation of alkyl chlorides with a predominant or significant tendency for inversion and lack of rearrangement, even in cases where unimolecular solvolytic displacements lead to products with retention of configuration and/or extensive rearrangement.



When exo-6-hydroxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane was stirred with triphenylphosphine and carbon tetrachloride at room temperature for 24 hr followed by removal of solvent at reduced pressure and pyrolysis of the resulting phosphorane ester at 90-130°, the products on

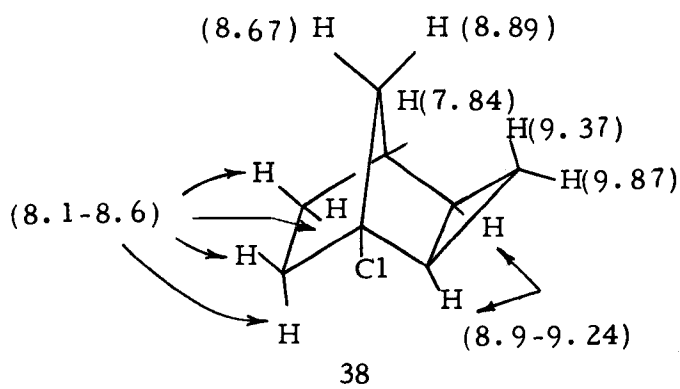
vpc analysis were found to consist of four components in the ratio 3:15:64:18 in the order of increasing retention times in a total yield of 31%. The 3% component was not isolable in sufficient quantities to permit its characterization. The 64% and 18% components were the exo- (30) and endo-6-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (35) and were identical, respectively to the 67% and 12% components of the photochlorination products. The 15% component was identified as nortricyclymethyl chloride 36 on the basis of its mass spectrum (parent peaks at $m/e = 142$ and 144), ir spectrum [strong bands at 3080 cm^{-1} (cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 800 cm^{-1} , characteristic of the nortricyclene ring and 730 cm^{-1} (C-Cl stretching)], and nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4 , complex multiplet of two α -chloro protons at $\tau 6.74$, an unresolved one-proton multiplet at $\tau 8.05$, a one-proton multiplet at $\tau 8.10$ and complex multiplets between $\tau 8.5$ and 9.5 integrating to 7 protons). The endo-chloride 35 should have arisen



from the expected inversion pathway while the other two chlorides from the carbonium ion or ion pair pathway. The mechanism of this reaction will be further commented upon later in this chapter.

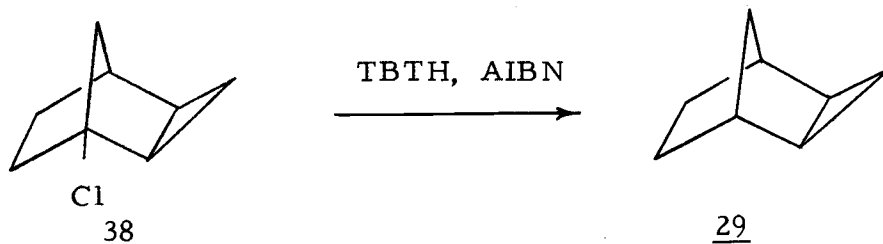
The 17% component of the photochlorination products showed parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144 in its mass spectrum and its infrared spectrum (Figure 7) showed significant bands at 3100, 3030 and 1035 cm^{-1} (cyclopropane ring) and 733 cm^{-1} (C-Cl stretching). There was a complete absence of bands in the $1500\text{-}1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$ region, indicating the absence of C=C double bond. The nmr spectrum (Figure 8) (100 MHz, CCl_4) showed an unresolved one-proton multiplet at $\tau 7.84$, complex overlapping multiplets between 8.1 and 8.60 integrating to 4 protons, a one-proton doublet of the AB type at 8.67 ($J=11\text{ Hz.}$), each line being split further into a doublet ($J=1.5\text{ Hz.}$), another such one-proton doublet at 8.89, complex multiplets at 8.9-9.24 integrating to two protons, a one-proton five-peak signal at $\tau 9.37$ with a spacing 3 Hz between the peaks and a one-proton four-peak signal at 9.87 with a spacing of 7 Hz between the peaks. The two highest field signals were identical in the splitting patterns to the two highest field signals in the spectra of the exo-6 chloride 30 and the exo-6-ol 37. These are generally assigned to the syn- C_3 and anti- C_3 protons respectively in this system. It seemed clear then that these hydrogens did not suffer abstraction. Further, the spectrum was completely different from that of the anti-3-chloride supplied by Professor Jefford (80, 81). The syn-3-chloride has been shown to be readily rearranged to the allylic chloride by these authors. These considerations clearly rule out substitution at C-3 in the present case. As there is no signal for an α -chloro proton, it is clear that the chloride

is tertiary. Substitution should hence have occurred at C_2 or C_4 or C_1 or C_5 . The one-proton five-peak signal at 9.37 which is assigned to the syn- C_3 proton is interpretable as an overlapping pair of triplets. A doublet of the AB pattern due to geminal coupling with the anti- C_3 proton followed by further splitting by two adjacent protons explains the observed splitting pattern. The four-peak signal at 9.87 which is assigned to the anti- C_3 proton is similarly explicable as an overlapping pair of triplets. These splitting patterns require that the two tertiary cyclopropyl protons on C_2 and C_4 be present and hence rule out substitution at these two carbon atoms. The only conclusion possible then is that the chloride in question is 1-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, the bridgehead chloride 38, with the spectral assignment as shown below.

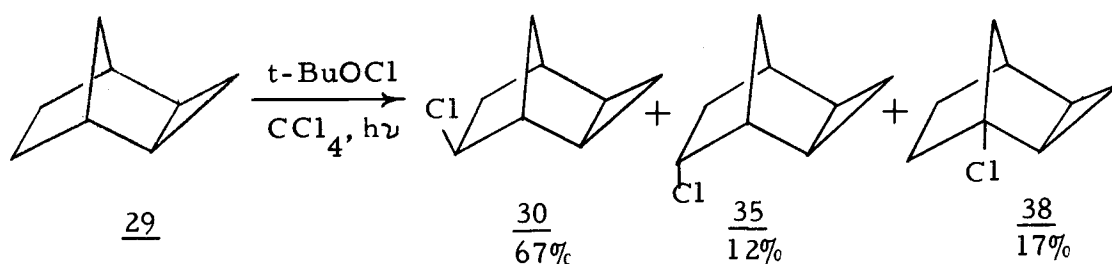


To be entirely certain of the parent ring system, the chloride in question was reduced with TBTH at 130° with AIBN initiation. The sole hydrocarbon product was identical to an authentic sample of

exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane 29 as observed by comparison of vpc retention times and mass spectra.

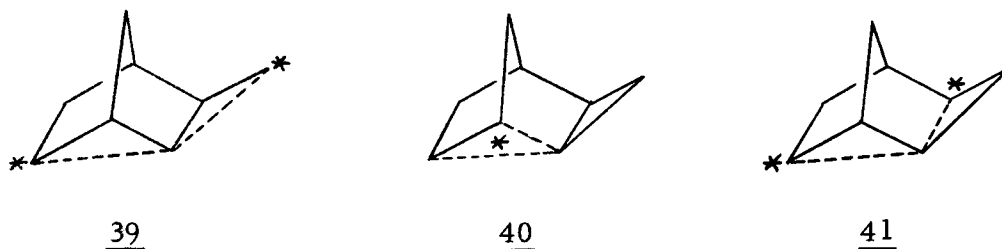


Thus the final results of analysis of the products of photo-chlorination of the exo-hydrocarbon are as follows:

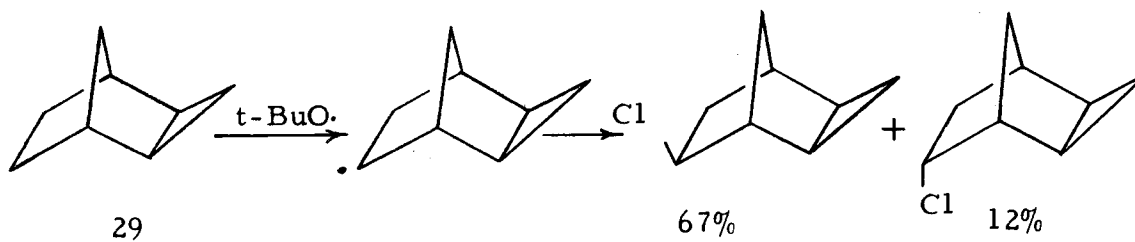


It was also ascertained that the endo-6-chloride 35 and the bridge-head chloride 38 did not result from a secondary reaction of the exo-6-chloride 30 as the latter was quite stable to the reaction conditions. Thus we find that hydrogen abstraction occurs to the extent of 79% at C₆ and to a significant extent of 17% at C₁. The abstraction at C₆ provides a pattern similar to that found for chlorination of norbornane with chlorine by Kooyman and Vegter (52). While the exo/endo-chloride ratio is 67:12 in the present case, it is 70:25 in the norbornyl case. The smaller proportion of the endo-chloride in the present case is traceable to the larger size of the chain transfer agent, *t*-butylhypochlorite, relative to chlorine. Nevertheless,

the absence of fairly complete stereoselectivity in product formation and the conspicuous lack of skeletal rearrangements make it possible to rule out any involvement of non-classical radicals of the types 39, 40, and 41 since all these would predict that the substitution at C₆



should be completely exo. The products can be accounted for entirely in terms of a classical radical, the direction of its chain transfer being controlled by steric factors.



The behavior of the radical is thus in sharp contrast to that of its cationic analog. Whereas the cation is formed with anchimeric assistance and gives both rearranged and unrearranged products with essentially complete stereospecificity (89), the radical does not give rearranged products nor does it undergo stereospecific chain transfer. The question of anchimeric assistance in radical formation will be considered later in this chapter.

The formation of the bridgehead chloride to the significant extent

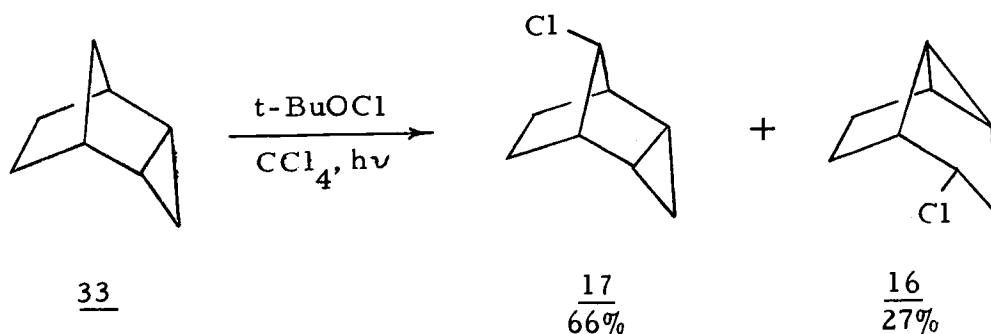
of 17% is rather surprising. Since no hydrogen abstraction was observed at the bridgehead position in norbornane (52, 90) and norbornene (57, 58), the incorporation of the cyclopropane ring in the present case seems to have culminated in some subtle effects responsible for the observed bridgehead abstraction. The nature of these forces is presently not clear. Only further work can enlighten us on this matter.

Having delineated the pattern of radical abstraction in the exo-system, we switched our attention to the endo-system. Considerable significance attached to this system in view of its record for solvolytic participation and our study of the divalent carbon intermediate in this system. The question that was agitating our minds was: will this system undergo abstraction at the 8-position? Will the radical intermediate arising therefrom afford evidence of the attributes of the non-classical species or will it also suffer the fate that overtook the radicals in the norbornyl system? In any case the results would have far-reaching implications vis-a-vis the question of non-classical radical intermediates.

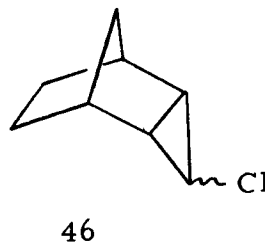
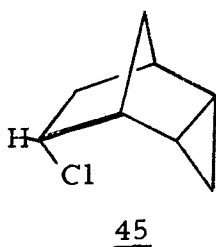
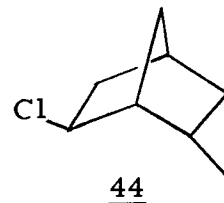
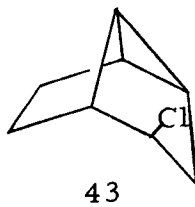
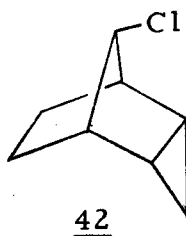
We sought decisive answers to these important questions through a study of the photochlorination of the endo-hydrocarbon with t-butylhypochlorite. Lest our results should be plagued by significant amounts of polychlorination, a 2:1 molar ratio of the hydrocarbon to t-butylhypochlorite was used, as in the case of the exo-isomer.

The analysis of the chlorination products however confronted us with problems as several chlorides seemed to be present, but eluded satisfactory separation and isolation. Several vpc columns were pressed into service but the problem was never entirely surmounted. The best of the columns tried was 29' column of tris(cyanoethoxy)-propane. It was found subsequently that a combination of vpc and spectral analyses would enable us to estimate the number and the relative proportions of the various products. Resort to this procedure revealed that the photochlorination products consisted of four monochlorides in the ratio of 66:27:5:2 in a yield of 33%. No significant amounts of dichlorides were detectable by vpc. The 2% component was too small to be isolable so that the discussion will be confined to the other three products.

Attention was then focussed on the problem of establishing the identity of each of the three monochlorides. The 66% component showed parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144 in its mass spectrum corresponding to the molecular formula $C_8H_{11}Cl$. The ir spectrum (Figure 9) revealed the absence of C=C double bonds (no absorption in the region $1500-1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$), the presence of a cyclopropane ring (bands at 3088, 3040, and 3020 cm^{-1} all weak) and the presence of a carbon-chlorine linkage (bands at 785, 760 and 732 cm^{-1}). The nmr spectrum (Figure 10, 100 MHz, CCl_4) showed resonance signals at τ 6.28 (complex multiplet, 1H), 7.63 (unresolved multiplet, 2H), 7.86-8.13 (complex multiplet, 2H), 8.19-8.42 (complex multiplet, 2H),



The 5% component gave parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144 in its mass spectrum, corresponding to the formula $C_8H_{11}Cl$. The ir spectrum (Figure 13) clearly evidenced the presence of a cyclopropane ring and absence of $C=C$ double bonds (absorptions at 3120 (w), 3050 (w) cm^{-1} and no absorption in the region 1500-1700 cm^{-1}). The presence of $C-Cl$ linkage was indicated by intense bands at 783, 772, and 725 cm^{-1} . The nmr spectrum (Figure 14, 100 MHz, CCl_4) exhibited resonance signals at τ 5.95 (triplet of a doublet, $J = 11$ Hz, 4 Hz, finer splitting of each of the lines to about 1 Hz was also observable, 1H), 7.52 (envelope, 1H), 7.8-8.03 (complex multiplet, 2H), 8.05-8.23 (complex multiplet, 2H), 8.28-8.83 (complex multiplet, 3H), and 8.88-9.13 (doublet of a quartet, $J=6.5$ Hz., 2 Hz., 1H). The signal at 5.95 which is assignable to the α -chloro proton shows that this proton is coupled to three other protons. This fact, coupled with the fact that there are at least five unique protons rules out the syn-chloride 42.

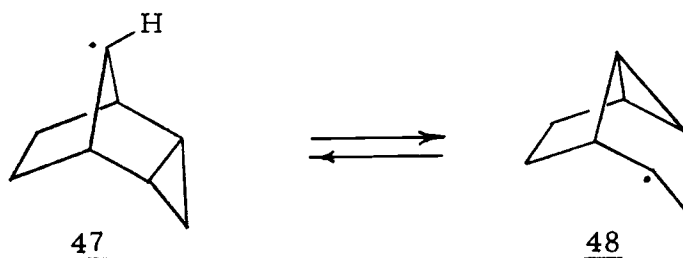


Also there was no similarity to the spectrum of the syn-alcohol and the syn-methyl ether. The spectrum also showed no resemblance to that of the rearranged exo-alcohol. The α -hydroxy proton in the latter alcohol appears as a doublet (71). We can therefore rule out the rearranged exo-chloride structure 43. The absence of any signal for cyclopropane methylene protons would rule out the exo-6-chloride 44 and the endo-6-chloride 45. We could also rule out substitution at the cyclopropyl C_3 position since the α -chloro proton in such a case would be expected to absorb in the neighborhood of τ 7.0 (80, 81), even after correcting for the fact that the cyclopropane methylene protons in the endo-system have a lower chemical shift than their counterpart in the exo-system.

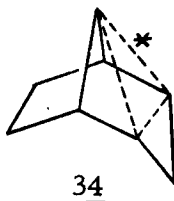
Since we observed the formation of several chlorides in this reaction, contrary to Fenwick's report, it became imperative to ascertain whether the three chlorides (the rearranged endo-chloride and the two unidentified chlorides) were the resultants of secondary reactions, viz., the products of isomerization of the anti-chloride. In order to clear up this point, a pure sample of the anti-chloride was subjected to the reaction conditions, i. e., irradiated in carbon tetrachloride solution with added acetone and t-butanol for 20 minutes. Analysis by vpc and 100 MHz nmr revealed that the anti-chloride had not suffered any detectable change. We could have easily detected about 1% of isomerization or rearrangement. The rearranged endo-chloride was also similarly found to be stable to the reaction conditions. Both the chlorides were also found to be homogeneous on several vpc columns of divergent polarity (col 1-5). The 5% component was also found to be stable to the vpc conditions. This demonstrable stability of the chlorides clearly vouchsafed for the fact that all the observed chlorides were primary products of the photo-chlorination reaction.

At this point, the stereospecificity of the products looked impressive enough to attract a consideration of the following two possible mechanistic situations.

1. An equilibrating pair of classical radicals.



2. A single non-classical radical intermediate.

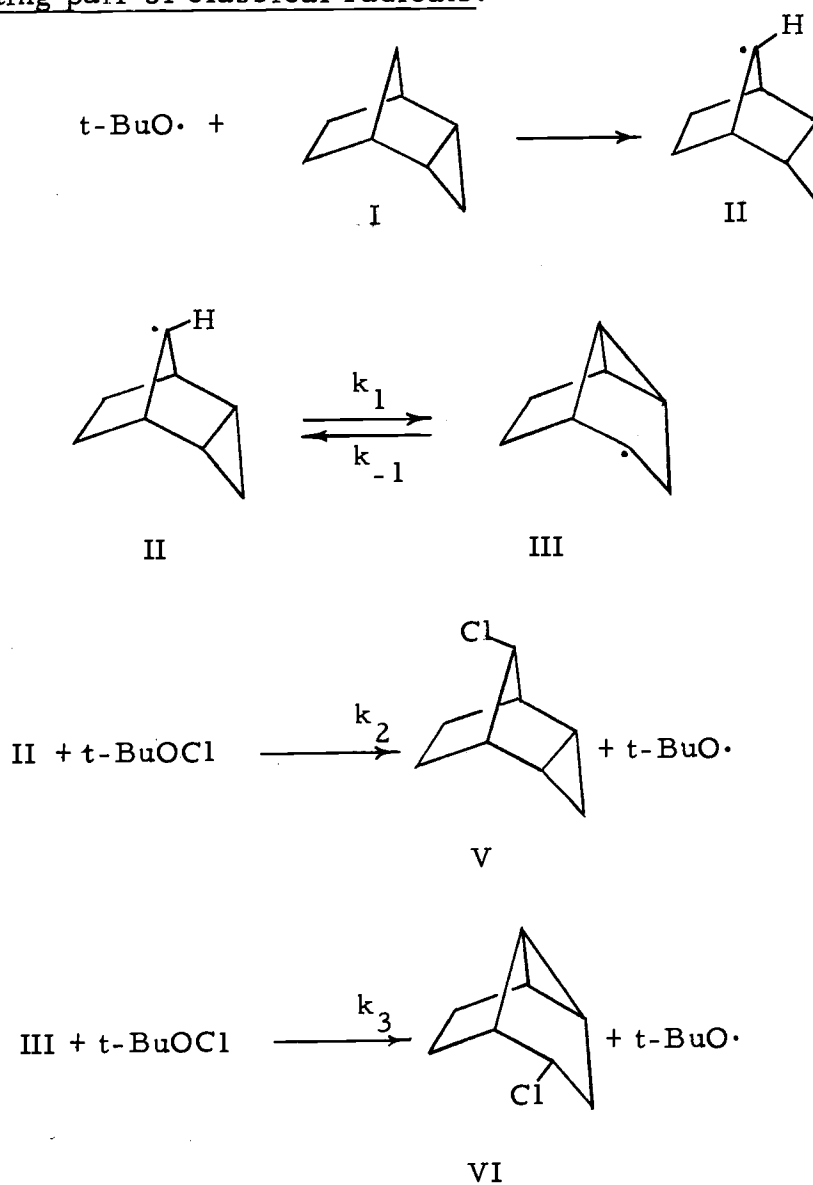


Either of these could nicely explain the products.

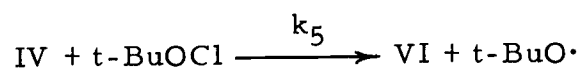
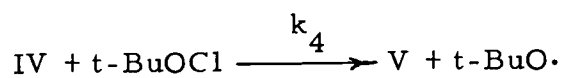
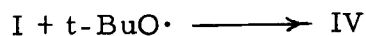
The elegant method of Seubold (54) was employed to afford a choice between the above intermediates. This method, which has been availed of by numerous workers to tackle similar problems successfully in the past, consists in varying the concentration of the chain transfer agent and examining the relative proportions of the rearranged and unrearranged products. If the intermediate involved is a single delocalized intermediate, then changes in the concentration of the chain transfer agent should not affect the relative proportions of the rearranged and unrearranged products. On the contrary, if a pair of classical radicals is implicated, then progressive dilution of the chain transfer agent would, by allowing more time for the

initially formed radical to rearrange, lead to increasing proportions of the rearranged product relative to the unrearranged one. A better appreciation of this method can be gained by examining the kinetic expressions for the respective intermediates, derived below.

A. An equilibrating pair of classical radicals.



B. A single non-classical radical intermediate.



For Case B,

$$\frac{d(V)}{dt} = k_4 (IV) (t\text{-BuOCl})$$

$$\frac{d(VI)}{dt} = k_5 (IV) (t\text{-BuOCl})$$

$$\frac{d(VI)}{d(V)} = \frac{k_5 (IV) (t\text{-BuOCl})}{k_4 (IV) (t\text{-BuOCl})}$$

$$\frac{(VI)}{(V)} = \frac{k_5}{k_4}$$

$$= \text{constant}$$

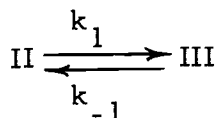
Hence the relative proportions of the rearranged and unrearranged products should be independent of the concentration of t-butylhypochlorite, if a single delocalized intermediate is involved.

For Case A,

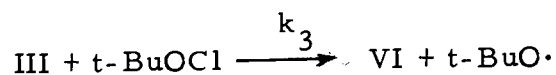
$$\frac{d(V)}{dt} = k_2 (II) (t\text{-BuOCl})$$

$$\frac{d(VI)}{dt} = k_3 (III) (t\text{-BuOCl})$$

Considering the equilibrium between II and III,



and reminding ourselves of the process



Rate of formation of III = $k_1(\text{II})$

Rate of consumption of III = $k_{-1}(\text{III}) + k_3(\text{III})(t\text{-BuOCl})$

Applying the steady state principle, these two rates may be set equal.

$$k_{-1}(\text{III}) + k_3(\text{III})(t\text{-BuOCl}) = k_1(\text{II})$$

$$(\text{III})[k_3(t\text{-BuOCl}) + k_{-1}] = k_1(\text{II})$$

$$(\text{III}) = \frac{k_1(\text{II})}{k_3(t\text{-BuOCl}) + k_{-1}}$$

Substituting the R·H·S· for (III) in the expression for $\frac{d(\text{VI})}{dt}$, we get

$$\frac{d(\text{VI})}{dt} = \frac{k_1(\text{II})k_3(t\text{-BuOCl})}{k_3(t\text{-BuOCl}) + k_{-1}}$$

If k_{-1} is very large compared to $k_3(t\text{-BuOCl})$, the above expression

reduces to

$$\frac{d(\text{VI})}{dt} = \frac{k_1(\text{II})k_3(t\text{-BuOCl})}{k_{-1}}$$

$$\frac{(\text{VI})}{(\text{V})} = \frac{k_1(\text{II})k_3(t\text{-BuOCl})}{k_{-1}k_2(\text{II})(t\text{-BuOCl})}$$

$$= \frac{k_1k_3}{k_{-1}k_2}$$

= constant.

i. e. , the results of a rapid equilibrium between II and III could not be distinguished from the single mesomeric intermediate situation.

If $k_3(t\text{-BuOCl})$ is $\gg k_{-1}$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d(\text{VI})}{dt} &= \frac{k_1(\text{II})k_3(t\text{-BuOCl})}{k_3(t\text{-BuOCl})} \\ &= k_1(\text{II})\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(\text{VI})}{(\text{V})} &= \frac{k_1(\text{II})}{k_2(\text{II})(t\text{-BuOCl})} \\ &= \frac{k_1}{k_2(t\text{-BuOCl})}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the ratio of the rearranged to the unrearranged chloride should be inversely proportional to the concentration of t-butylhypochlorite. If k_{-1} and $k_3(t\text{-BuOCl})$ are of comparable magnitude, then the ratio of the rearranged to unrearranged chloride will change, but not necessarily in accordance with the above equation.

In pursuance of this approach, several photochlorination runs were made, allowing the endo-hydrocarbon to react with widely varying concentrations of t-butylhypochlorite and the relative proportions of the monochlorides were estimated by a combination of vpc and nmr analysis. The results of these experiments are shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Effect of varying the concentration of t-butylhypochlorite on the relative proportions of the chlorides

Run	Molality of <u>endo</u> - hydrocarbon	Molality of t-BuOCl	<u>Anti</u> - chloride <u>17</u> ^a	Rearranged <u>endo</u> - chloride <u>16</u> ^a	Unidentified chloride A ^{a,c}	Unidentified chloride B ^{a,b}
1	1.56	0.68	66	27	5	2
2	1.56	0.49	63	28	6	3
3	1.56	0.26	32	41	11	16
4	0.73	0.18	11	56	15	18

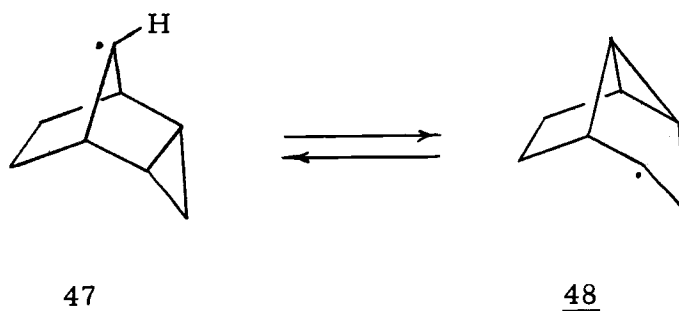
^a ± 3%.

^b Unisolable component.

^c Component which was incompletely characterized.

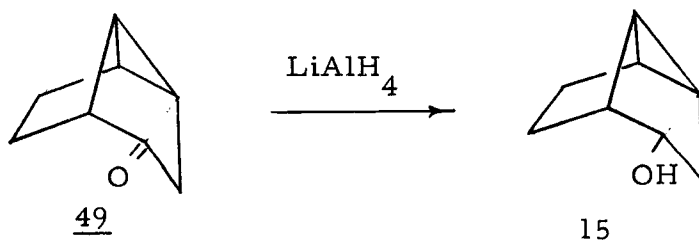
The results of the dilution experiments throw much light on the nature of the radical generated. By using a higher concentration of t-butylhypochlorite, we are able to trap more and more of the initially formed radical. Clearly the non-classical radical as a single intermediate can be ruled out. Interestingly the proportions of the incompletely characterized component A and the unisolable component B increase on dilution of t-butylhypochlorite. Apparently these two chlorides also arise from abstraction at the δ -position. It is possible that B is the syn-chloride 42.

Now the question arises: Can the representation of the reaction course as proceeding through a rapidly equilibrating pair of classical radicals adequately explain the observations?



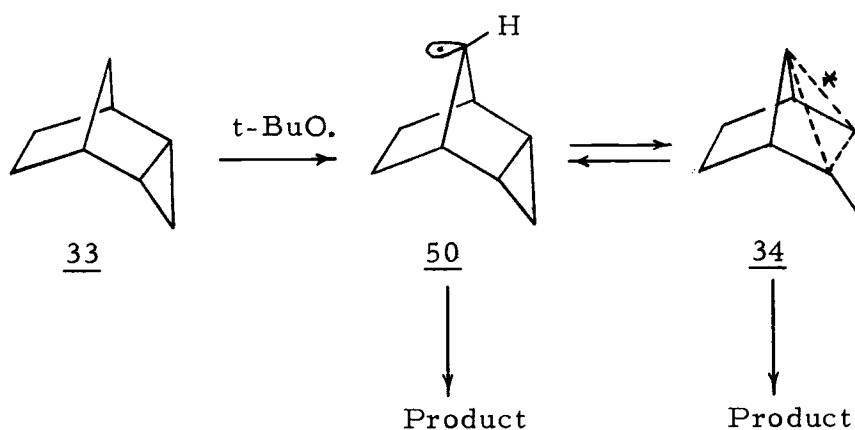
A pair of classical species equilibrating rapidly might engender a "wind-shield wiper" effect, thereby preventing or minimizing capture from the syn-face in 47 and from the exo-face in 48. This type of explanation was originally advanced by Brown (see Chapter I) for explaining the stereospecific formation of products from carbonium

ions as an alternative to the non-classical mesomeric species. But this hypothesis did not find favor with the chemists who doubted whether such an explanation could convincingly account for the nearly 100% stereospecificity of the carbonium ion products (91). In the present case, it is easily seen that the reaction of the unrearranged radical is, although perhaps not completely ($\geq 66/2$), predominantly from the anti-side. The rearranged radical however undergoes chain transfer almost completely from the endo-direction ($\geq 27/2$). Inspection of molecular models shows that the sterically more favorable direction for reaction is the exo-side. This is amply borne out by the observation that lithium aluminum hydride reduction of the rearranged ketone 49 yields exclusively the rearranged endo-alcohol 15, demonstrating that hydride attack occurs exclusively from the



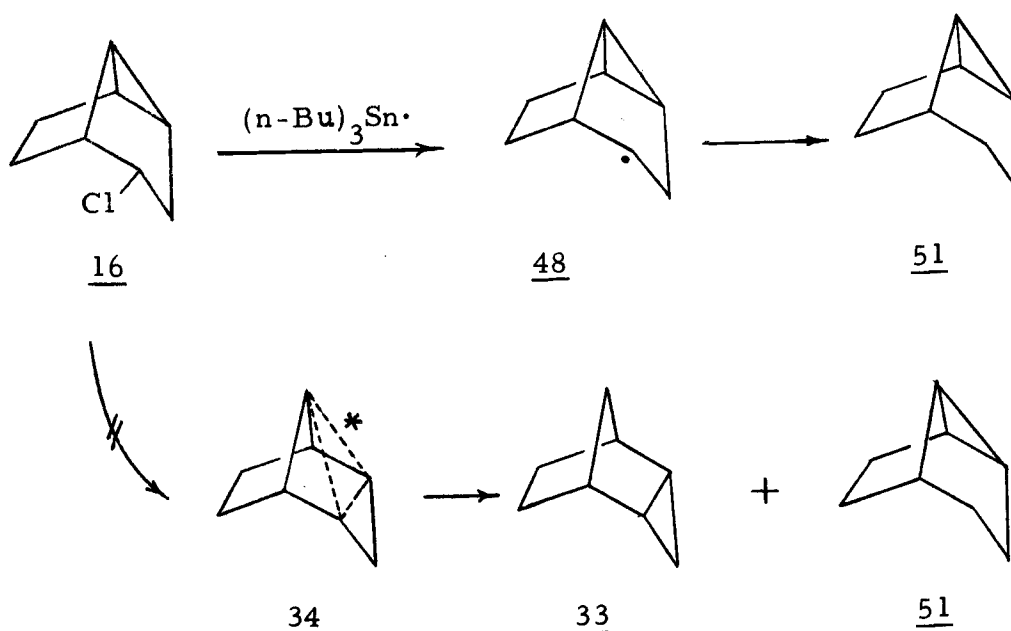
exo-direction (17). In the light of these facts, we have to infer that the chain transfer of the rearranged radical is not governed by simple steric considerations. It is possible to explain the experimental observation by suggesting a rapidly equilibrating pair of classical radicals. Although we have eliminated the non-classical radical as a single product-determining intermediate, it may be that we cannot

rule out a role for it as one of the intermediates. The stereospecific reaction of the rearranged radical may represent one of the rare instances where transannular participation of a β -cyclopropane ring is chemically significant. The initially formed intermediate with a radical center at the 8-position (50) could well be a pyramidal radical whose inversion would be expected to be slow on account of the unfavorable bond angle at this position. This radical could then go over to or be in equilibrium with the delocalized radical 34.

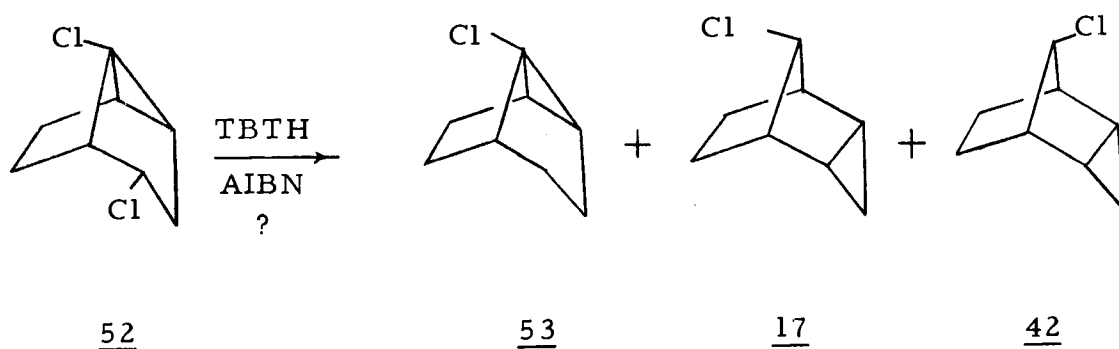


In the fitness of things, it was but desirable to generate the rearranged radical by other independent routes and follow the course of its destiny. It appeared that this objective could be most conveniently accomplished by dispossessing the rearranged endo-chloride of its chloro substituent by employing tri-n-butyltin hydride (TBTH). Accordingly this chloride was reduced with TBTH with AIBN initiation at $95 \pm 2^\circ$. Analysis by vpc, ir and nmr showed the presence of only one hydrocarbon product in a yield of 65% (versus cyclohexane

standard). The sole product was identified as tricyclo[3.3.0.^{4,6}]-octane 51 by comparison of vpc retention time, ir, and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample. We could not detect any of the endo-hydrocarbon 33. This result only bears further testimony to the conclusion drawn earlier that a single non-classical intermediate can be ruled out.



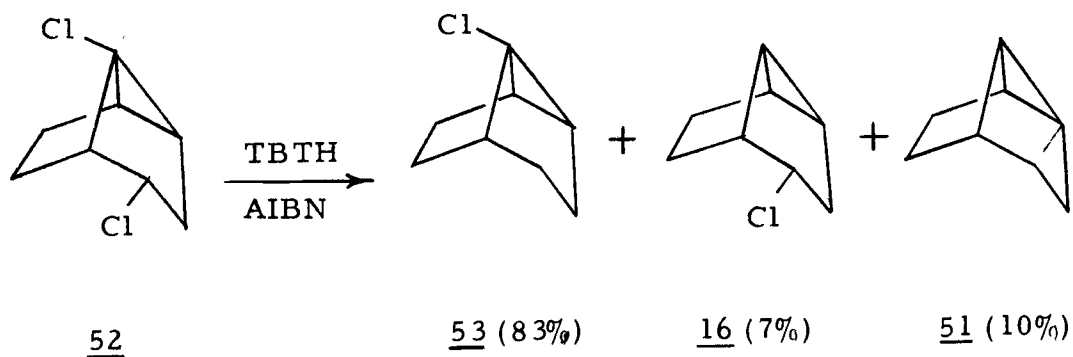
Another facile route to the rearranged radical was the radical reduction of the rearranged dichloride 52 (whose synthesis is described later in this chapter) with TBTH. It is common knowledge that cyclopropyl radicals are formed very sluggishly, relative to other radicals. It would hence be expected that in the dichloride 52 the chlorine that would be susceptible to facile removal under radical conditions would be the one at the secondary position and this would result in the generation of the desired radical intermediate.



An attractive, but seemingly remote, possibility was that a reverse rearrangement of this radical might yield the syn- and anti-chlorides (42 and 17) which had thus far eluded all attempts at synthesis. With a view to testing these possibilities, the dichloride was submitted to an AIBN-initiated reduction with TBTH at $95 \pm 2^\circ$. Vpc analysis of the products showed that the products were composed of three components in the ratio 10:83:7 in the order of increasing retention times, in a total yield of 84% (versus cyclohexane internal standard). The 10% and 7% components were identified as tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane 51 and the rearranged endo-chloride 16 respectively by comparison of ir and nmr spectra with those of authentic samples. The 83% component gave the correct elemental analysis for $C_8H_{11}Cl$ and the mass spectrum showed parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144. The ir spectrum lacked bands in the region $1500-1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$, showing the absence of C=C double bonds. There were bands at 3040 cm^{-1} (cyclopropyl C-H stretching) and 765 cm^{-1} (C-Cl stretching). Its nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) had resonance signals at τ 7.25 (triplet, 1H), 7.65-8.05 (multiplet, 4H), 8.2 (doublet, 2H), and

8.45-8.9 (complex multiplets, 4H). The absence of an α -chloro proton showed that it was a tertiary chloride. The only conclusion that could be drawn from these data is that this chloride is 6-chloro-tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane 53. The assignment of the signals is as follows (in the order of increasing τ values): the bridgehead proton (C_1), the exo-protons on C_2 , C_3 , C_7 , and C_8 , the cyclopropyl protons on C_4 and C_5 , and the endo-protons on C_2 , C_3 , C_7 and C_8 .

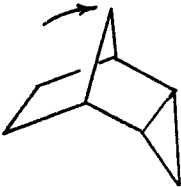
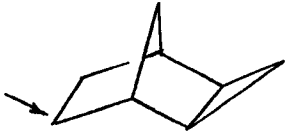
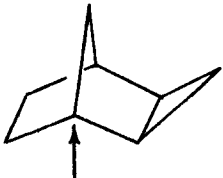
Thus the final results of analysis of the radical reduction of the dichloride with TBTH are as follows:



Neither the syn- nor the anti-chloride was detectable. The lack of reverse rearrangement of the radical intermediate is in keeping with a similar observation made earlier in the case of the radical reduction of the rearranged endo-chloride 16. The low proportion of the rearranged endo-chloride resulting from reduction of the tertiary chloride and the predominant formation of the tertiary chloride 53 only bear out the general belief that cyclopropyl radicals are much more slowly formed than simple alkyl radicals.

With experimental observations in hand militating against the direct formation of a single non-classical radical intermediate, it was still of considerable importance to determine the degree of anchimeric assistance in radical formation in abstraction from endo-tricyclooctane 33 and relate it to hydrogen abstraction rates in exo-tricyclooctane 29. Following the method of Walling and Jacknow (83), we allowed the hydrocarbons to compete with cyclohexane for the t-butoxy radical in order to calculate relative reactivities. The data are summarized in Table 3.

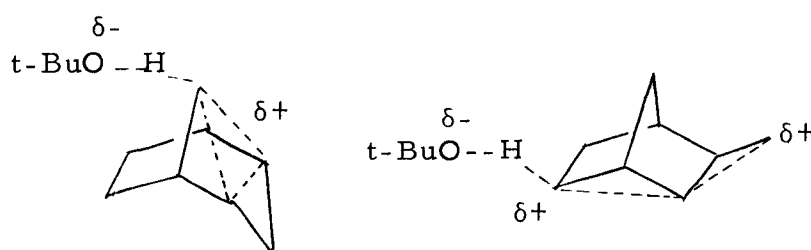
Table 3. Relative rates of hydrogen abstraction vs. cyclohexane at $40 \pm 0.5^\circ$

Position of Abstraction	Relative Rate ^a	Number of Hydrogens	Relative Rate per Hydrogen ^a
	0.919 ± 0.033^b	1	11.03 ± 0.40^b
	0.405 ± 0.036	2	2.43 ± 0.22
	0.087 ± 0.008	2	0.52 ± 0.05

^a Arithmetic mean and standard deviation of three runs.

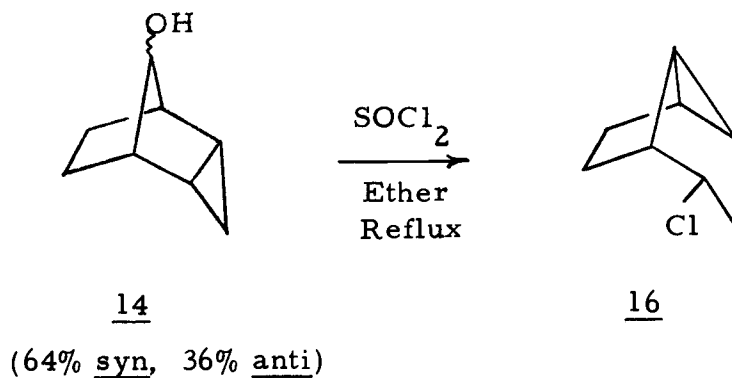
^b Assuming that 93% abstraction occurs at C₈.

It is seen that in both the exo- and endo-hydrocarbons the major positions of abstraction correspond to the major positions of carbonium ion stability in these systems. This is in keeping with the trend observed in the bicyclo[3.1.0]hexane (44) and bicyclo[4.1.0]heptane (46) systems. Freeman's rationalization of this trend in the bicyclo[3.1.0]hexane system would apply in the present case also. Since the t-butoxy radical is an electronegative species, the transition state for hydrogen abstraction would be expected to be polarized, conferring some carbonium ion character on the developing hydrocarbon fragment. Thus, a possible rationalization is that there is trishomo-cyclopropenyl anchimeric assistance to abstraction of the anti-C₈ hydrogen in the endo-system and end-on participation in the exo-system. The radical formed after complete removal of the hydrogen is a classical species.

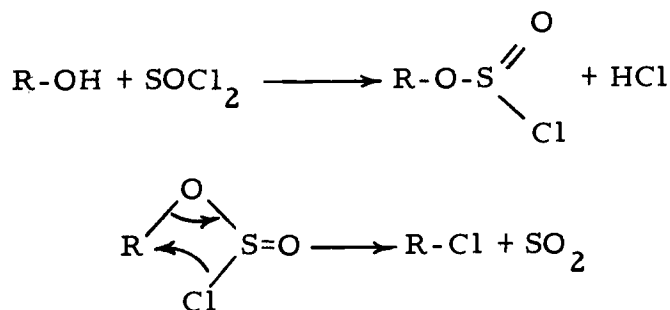


At this point it was felt that in view of the rather high stereospecificity of the chloride products from the radical center generated at C₈ in the endo-system, an unambiguous independent synthesis of the endo-syn-8- and endo-anti-8-chlorides would help to clarify the situation further. The first method tried was the reaction of a

mixture of the syn- and anti-alcohols 14 (64% syn-, 36% anti-) with thionyl chloride in ether. Work-up followed by vpc analysis showed that there was only one product in a yield of 80%. The vpc retention time and ir spectrum of this sole product were identical to those of an authentic sample of the rearranged endo-chloride 16. Neither the syn- nor the anti-chloride was detectable. A few comments on the mechanism of the reaction would now be appropriate. The

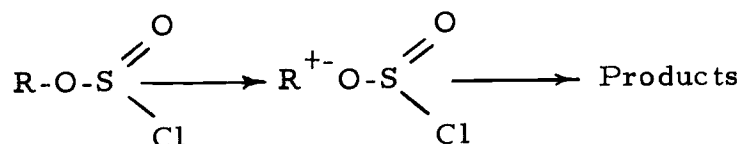
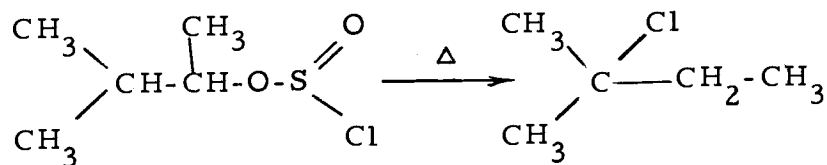


reaction of alcohols with thionyl chloride in inert solvents, commonly referred to as an S_N^i reaction (substitution, nucleophilic, internal) was, for a long time, thought to be a one-step process. However, after

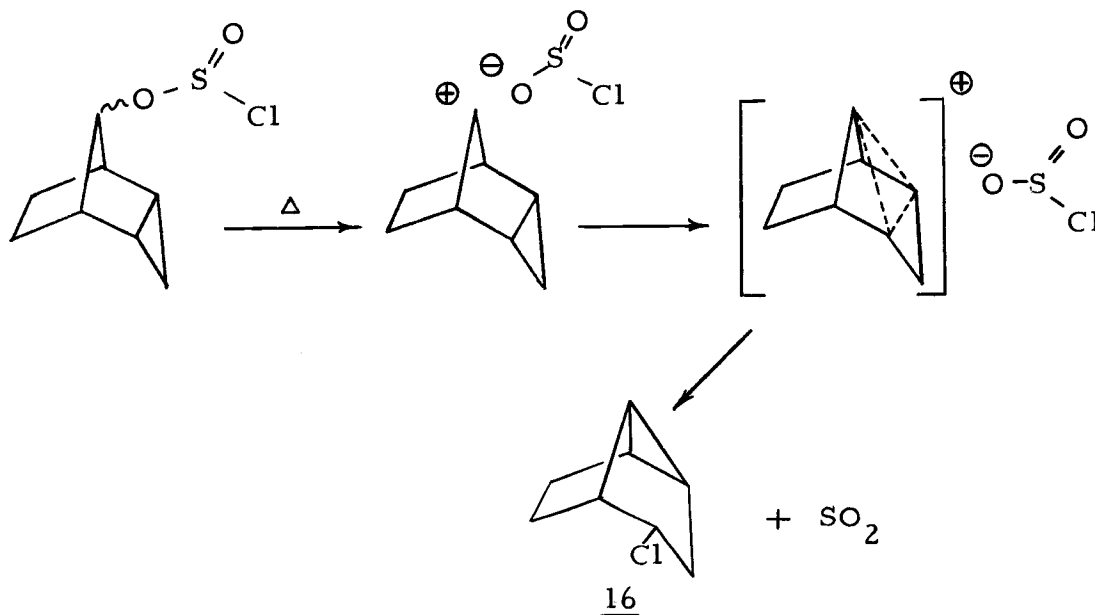


reports by several workers (92, 93), of the obtention of rearranged product in this reaction, chemists have been entertaining the notion

that an ion pair intercedes in the reaction. It is not surprising then

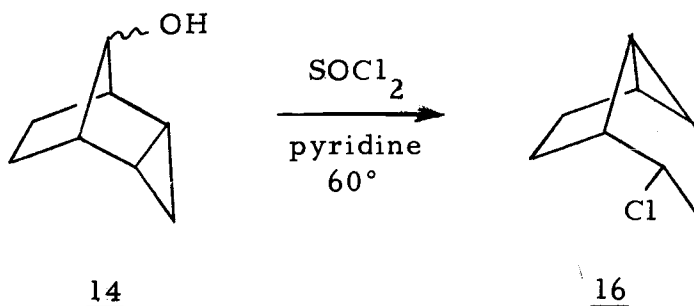


that we observed the formation of the rearranged chloride exclusively.



It is a matter of general observation that the addition of pyridine to a mixture of alcohol and thionyl chloride culminates in the formation of alkyl halide with inverted configuration. Inversion is a consequence of the reaction of pyridine with ROSOCl to give $\text{ROSONC}_5\text{H}_5^+$ before anything further can occur. The Cl^- ion

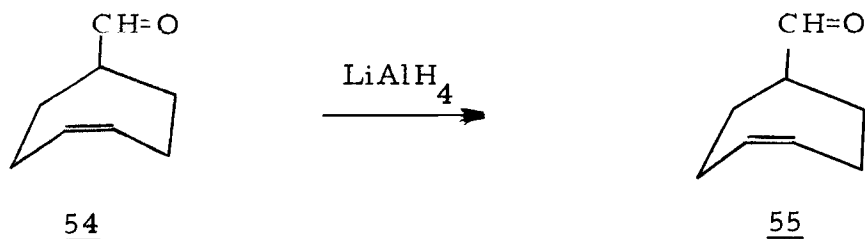
formed in this process now attacks from the backside. Such a procedure, if carried out on a mixture of the syn- and anti-alcohols 14, could possibly yield a mixture of the anti- and syn-chlorides. This possibility was tested by heating the mixture with alcohols in the presence of a slight molar excess of pyridine, with thionyl chloride at 60°. Work-up followed by vpc analysis showed that there was only one product, formed in a yield of 64%. The ir and nmr spectra were identical to those of an authentic sample of the rearranged endo-chloride 16. Apparently, the S_N1 process had occurred to the



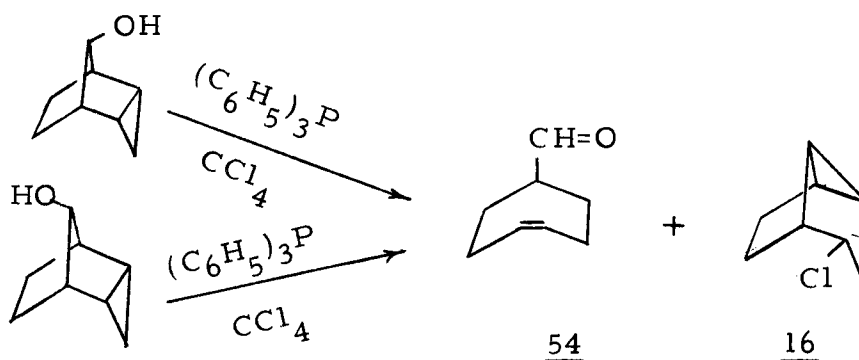
exclusion of the S_N2 process, thus frustrating our effort.

A third approach was suggested by the recent reports of Weiss and Snyder (86-88) on the conversion of alcohols to chlorides using triphenylphosphine and carbon tetrachloride. The mixture of alcohols 14 was separated by preparative vpc and each of the individual alcohols was stirred with triphenylphosphine and carbon tetrachloride at room temperature followed by removal of solvent at reduced pressure and pyrolysis of the phosphorane ester at 140-150°.

The products from the syn-alcohol were found by vpc analysis to be composed of two major components in the ratio 32:48 in the order of increasing retention times in a yield of 41%. About five small fractions accounted for the remaining 20% of the products. The 32% component had vpc retention time, ir, and nmr spectra identical to those of an authentic sample of the rearranged endo-chloride 16. The 48% component seemed to be undergoing slow decomposition on prolonged exposure to air. Its elemental analysis corresponded to the formula $C_8H_{12}O$. Its ir spectrum showed the presence of a C=C double bond (a weak band at 1640 cm^{-1} , a medium-sized band at 3029 cm^{-1}) and of an aldehyde group (a medium-sized band at 2719 cm^{-1} , characteristic of aldehydic C-H stretching), and a strong band at 1716 cm^{-1} (attributable to carbonyl group). The nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) contained resonance signals at $\tau 0.45$ (singlet, 1H), 4.3 (unresolved triplet, 2.0 H) and $\tau 7.4-8.8$ (complex multiplets, 9 H). The signal at $\tau 0.45$ confirmed that the compound was an aldehyde. The spectrum appeared to belong to a compound of symmetrical structure. The absence of cyclopropane ring suggested that this compound should have arisen from a deep-seated rearrangement of the starting tricyclic system. A structure that would nicely fit the spectral data is Δ^4 -cycloheptenylcarboxaldehyde 54. Convincing proof of this assignment was secured by

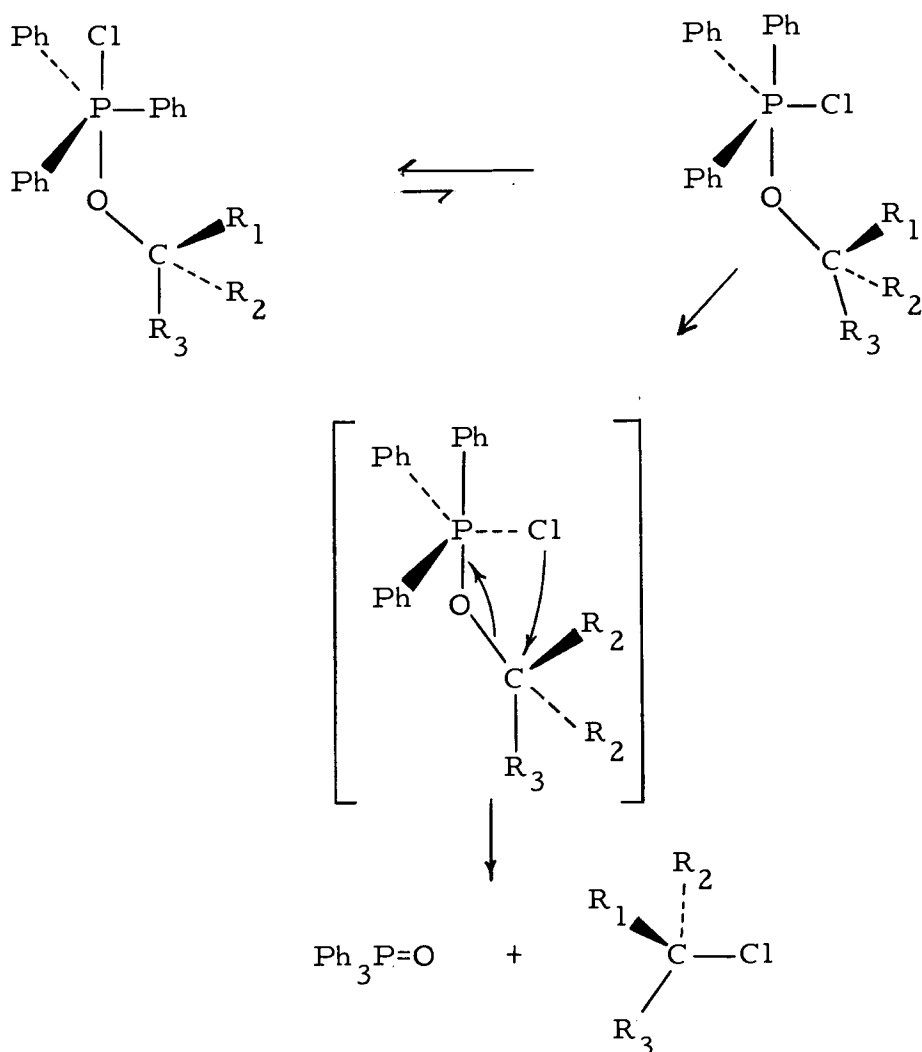


reduction of this aldehyde with lithium aluminum hydride which yielded Δ^4 -cycloheptenylmethyl alcohol 55, identified by comparison of vpc retention time, ir, and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample (94). The anti-alcohol on subjection to similar treatment gave 45% of the aldehyde 54 and 55% of the rearranged endo-chloride 16 in a yield of 39%.



The possibility that the rearranged chloride 16 could be the result of rearrangement of the anti-chloride 17 was dismissed by the observation that 17 did not suffer any detectable change on submission to the reaction conditions.

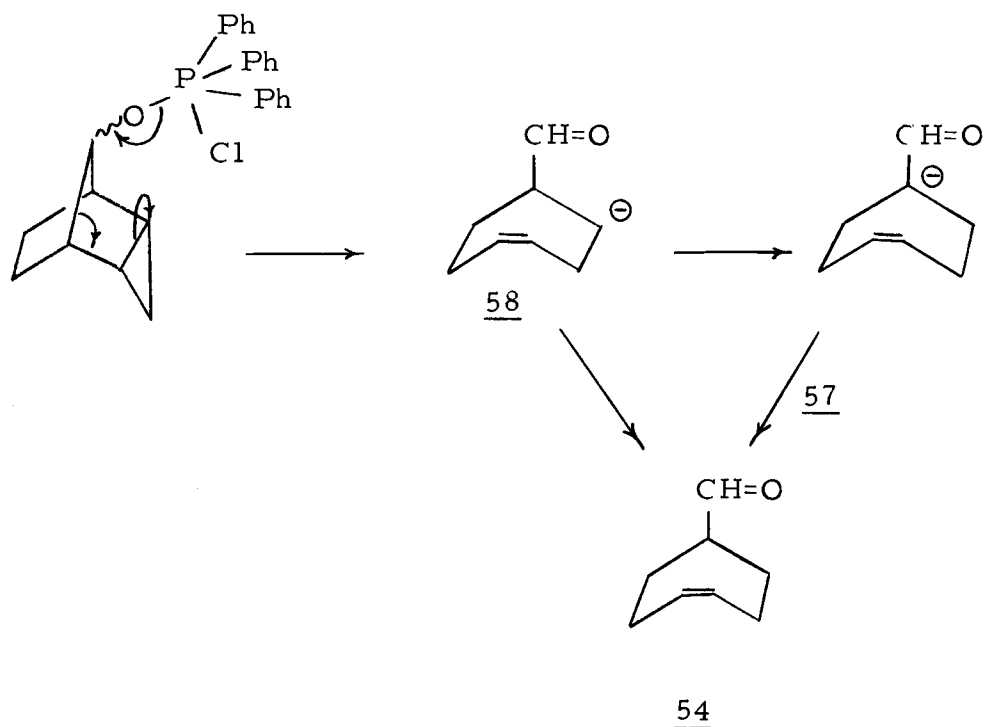
A few comments on the mechanism of this reaction would not be out of place here. Observing that the decomposition of the phosphorane ester shows first order kinetics and that external nucleophiles do not compete with chloride, Weiss and Snyder (87, 88)



suggest that the product (inverted chloride) could be formed by a reasonably concerted, intramolecular decomposition of the phosphorane ester having the pentacovalent phosphorus as a trigonal bipyramid with the chlorine or oxygen in the equatorial conformation and that P-Cl bond cleavage could precede somewhat C-O bond cleavage in a very tight ion pair. The authors also noted that this inversion pathway occurs either predominantly or significantly, competing with the carbonium ion process. The former requires

precedence of C-Cl bond breakage over C-O cleavage while the latter requires a reversal of this order. The exclusive formation of the rearranged chloride in our case clearly implicates a carbonium ion (or ion pair) pathway as the sole route to the chloro product. This is very similar to the case of the reaction of the syn- and anti-alcohols with thionyl chloride in ether which yielded the rearranged chloride exclusively. Clearly when a very stable carbonium ion can be formed, the inversion pathway may be completely excluded. Contradicting Snyder's claim, this is the first recorded instance of the total exclusion of the inversion pathway in this reaction.

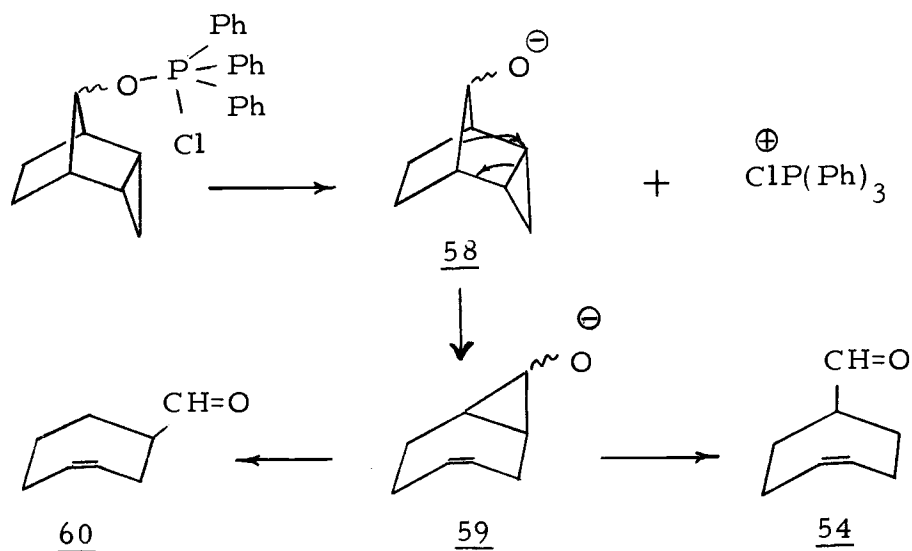
Adverting to the formation of Δ^4 -cycloheptenyl carboxaldehyde from both the syn- and anti-alcohols, it may be observed that there is no precedent for the formation of an aldehyde in the reaction of alcohols with triphenylphosphine and carbon tetrachloride. The formation of the aldehyde from both the syn- and anti-alcohols requires that the decomposition of the oxyphosphorane ester also simultaneously traverses another mechanistic route. The experimental observation could possibly be accommodated by the following mechanism.



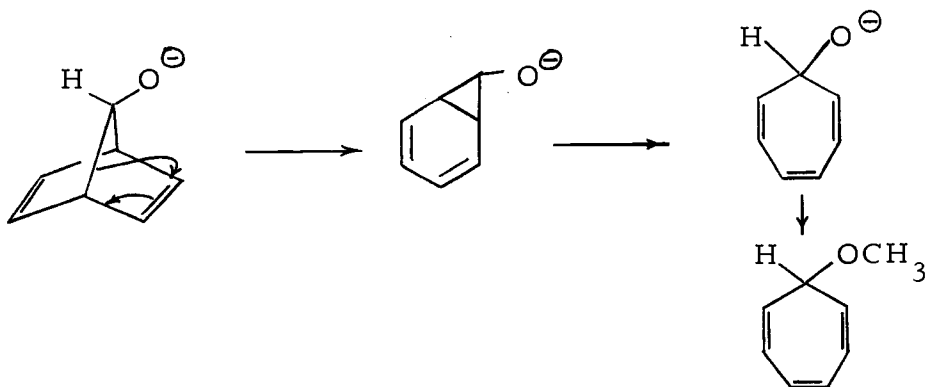
This mechanism invoking P-O bond cleavage is however entirely speculative and bristles with difficulties. It is not clear, for example, why aldehyde formation arising from this type of cleavage has not been observed in the other systems studied so far. Another ticklish question pertains to the origin of the proton needed for the neutralization of the carbanion 56 or 57.

Another possible mechanism for the formation of the aldehyde involves formation of the alkoxide 58 from the phosphorane ester followed by a concerted, symmetry-allowed 1,3-sigmatropic shift of C_8 , with inversion at C_8 , to give the alkoxide anion 59. The alkoxide anion 59 could then rearrange by cyclopropane ring opening

to the aldehydes 54 or 60.



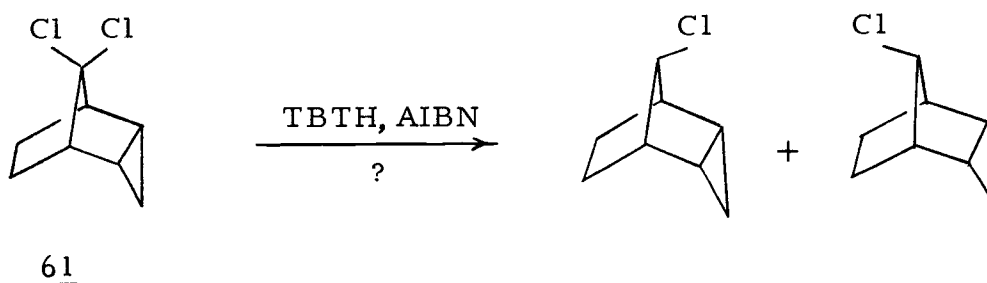
This mechanism is similar to the first stage of the mechanism suggested by Franzus and his coworkers (95) for the formation of methyl tropyl ether in the reaction of 7-acetoxynorbornadiene with methoxide or hydroxide ions.



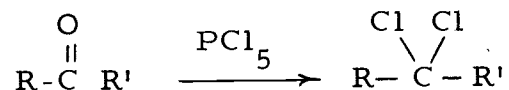
However, the obtention of only one aldehyde product in the present case would seem to argue against this mechanism which predicts the formation of two aldehydes. The possibility that the aldehyde 60 is

unstable to the reaction conditions or vpc could not be tested due to its non-availability and consequently the failure to observe this product would not suffice to rule out this mechanism. Clearly further work will be needed in order to elucidate the mechanism of this interesting process.

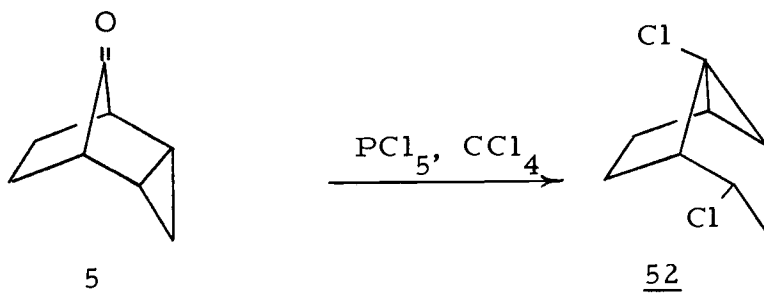
The exclusive formation of the rearranged product that besets any process proceeding through a carbonium ion (or ion pair) at the 8-position in this system led us to devise a process involving a free radical intermediate. It was felt that removal of a chlorine atom by radical reduction of 8,8-dichloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane 61 with tri-n-butyltin hydride (TBTH) might yield the desired result, if the reduction is halted at the monoreduction stage.



A well-known route to gem-dichlorides involves the reaction of ketones with phosphorus pentachloride (96). In pursuance of this approach, the endo-ketone 5 was allowed to react with phosphorus pentachloride in carbon tetrachloride solution at reflux temperature.

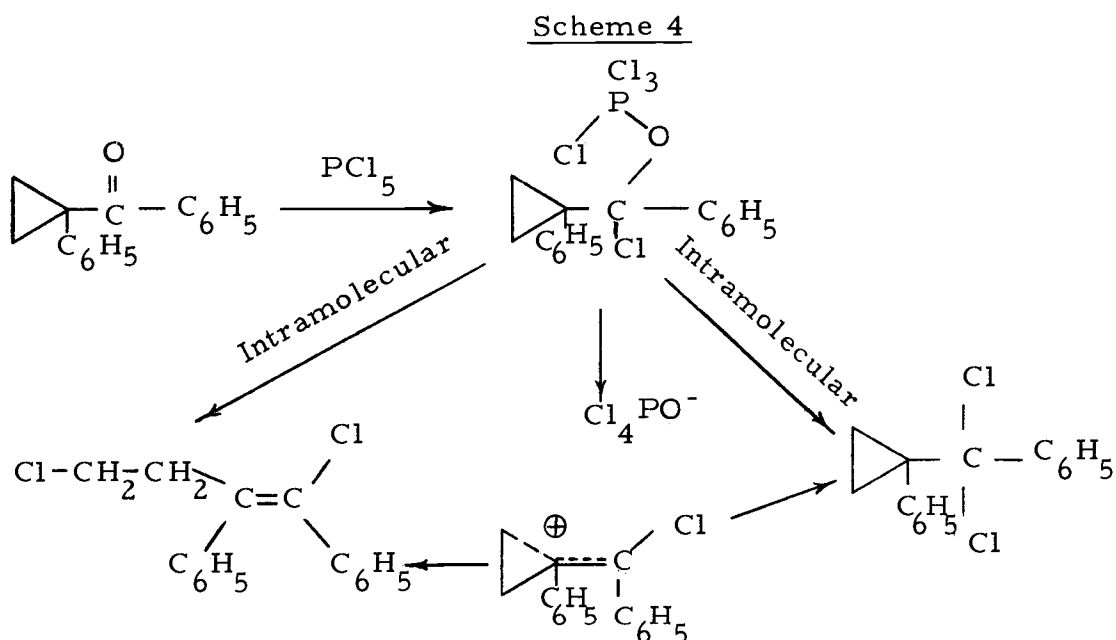


Work-up followed by vpc analysis revealed the presence of only one product, formed in a yield of 60.5%. The ir spectrum of this product was devoid of bands in the region $1500\text{--}1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$ showing the absence of C=C double bond. A weak band at 3048 cm^{-1} indicated the presence of cyclopropane ring. Intense bands at 812 and 75 cm^{-1} revealed the presence of C-Cl linkage. The nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) showed a six-peak one proton signal at $\tau 5.48\text{--}5.73$, identical in its splitting pattern to that of the α -chloro proton in the rearranged endo-chloride 16. Complex multiplets between $\tau 7.05$ and 8.7 integrating to nine protons accounted for the remainder of the spectrum. The presence of the α -chloro proton and the absence of cyclopropane methylene protons leave no doubt that the dichloride in question is the rearranged dichloride 52 and not the gem-dichloride 61.



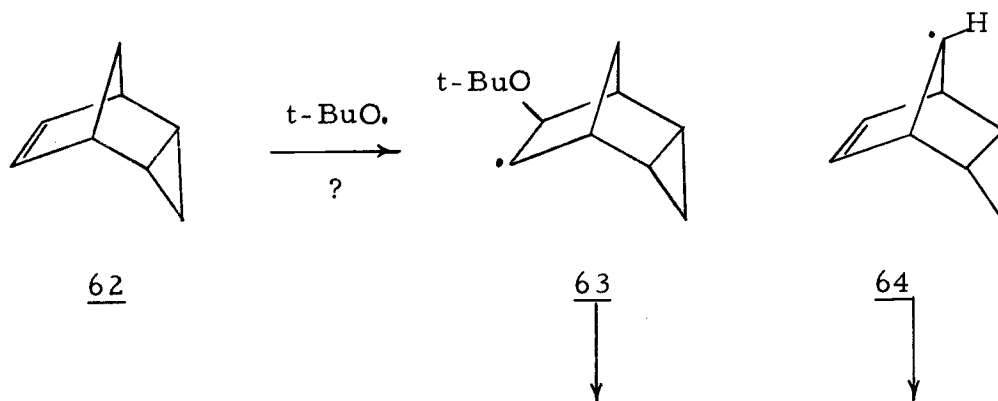
The mechanism of the reaction of ketones with phosphorus pentachloride is the subject of a recent report by Newman (97). According to Newman, the ketone reacts with phosphorus

pentachloride to form a complex which could then collapse by a concerted intramolecular process or by a carbonium ion (or ion pair) process to give unrearranged and/or rearranged dichloride (Scheme 4). In view of the proclivity of our system to form the carbonium ion (or ion pair), it is small wonder then that we observed the formation of the rearranged dichloride exclusively.



The disturbing crop of failures resulting from the synthetic efforts prompted the feeling that any further attempt in this direction might turn out to be futile and that a return to the free radical study would be more profitable. At this point it was felt that it would help to characterize the radical intermediates more thoroughly if they could be generated by other independent routes. It was reported by Toeblér and his co-workers (57) that the reaction of norbornene with

t-butylhypochlorite results in both addition and substitution, addition predominating. Encouraged by this report, we felt that the reaction of the endo-olefin 62 with t-butylhypochlorite might enable us to accomplish this objective.

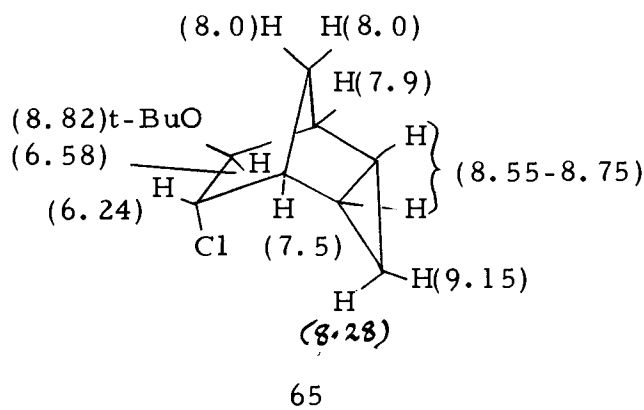


Radical addition to the double bond might generate a radical center at the 6-position--a feature that was missed in the abstraction study. Hydrogen abstraction might concurrently occur--at C₈ by analogy to the saturated hydrocarbon.

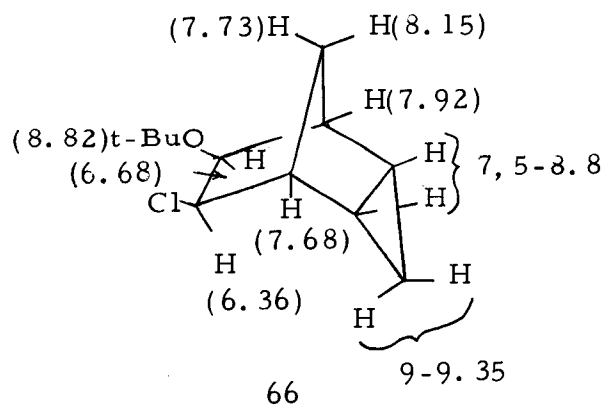
When the endo-olefin was irradiated with t-butylhypochlorite using a 2:1 molar ratio of olefin to the hypochlorite in carbon tetrachloride solution at 40°, the products on vpc analysis were found to consist of two components in the ratio 43:57 in the order of increasing retention times, in a yield of 59%. The retention times of the two components were much longer than would be expected of monochlorides, suggesting that these were possibly the free radical adducts. The monochloro region in the chromatogram was

conspicuously free of peaks, indicating absence of hydrogen abstraction.

The ir spectrum of the 43% component (Figure 15) showed weak bands at 3096 and 3040 cm^{-1} (cyclopropyl C-H stretching), intense bands at 1190, 1125, 1096, 1065, and 1045 cm^{-1} (C-O stretching) and somewhat weak bands at 783, 770, 748, and 736 cm^{-1} (C-Cl stretching). The nmr spectrum (Figure 16, 100 MHz, CCl_4) exhibited resonance signals at τ 6.24 (doublet of a triplet, J -3.4 Hz, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (broad singlet, $W_{1/2} = 5$ Hz, 1H), 7.5 (envelope, 1H), 7.9 (envelope, 1H), 8.0 (a broad singlet, 2H), 8.28 (a pair of overlapping triplets of a doublet, J =7 Hz, 3 Hz, 1H), 8.55-8.75 (multiplet, 2H), 8.82 (singlet, 9H), and 9.15 (multiplet, 1H). The spectrum is consistent with the structure of the trans-adduct, exo-6-t-butoxy-endo-7-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 65 with the assignment of the signals as shown.

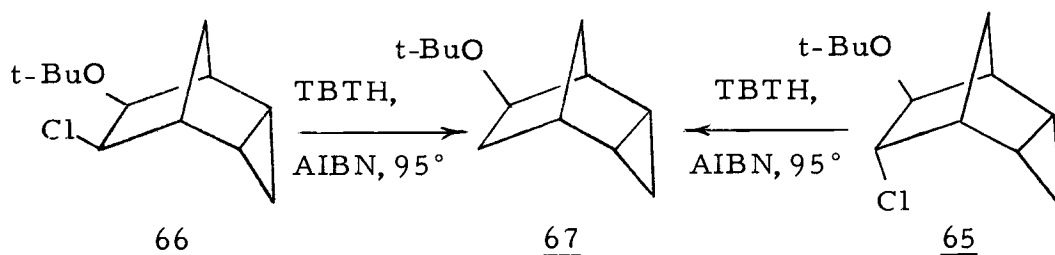


(absence of C=C double bands), intense bands at 1190, 1114, 1104, 1075, 1042, and 1000 cm^{-1} (C-O stretching, the last two also assignable to cyclopropane ring deformation), intense bands at 780, 770, 757, 750 and 718 cm^{-1} (C-Cl stretching). The nmr spectrum (Figure 18, 100 MHz, CCl_4) had signals at $\tau 6.36$ (doublet of a doublet, $J=5.6\text{ Hz}$, 1.7 Hz , 1H), 6.68 (doublet of a doublet, $J=5.6\text{ Hz}$, 1.7 Hz , 1H), 7.68 (envelope, 1H), 7.73 (A component of an AB pattern, $J=9.5\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 7.92 (envelope, 1H), 8.15 (multiplet of the B doublet of the AB pattern, $J=9.5\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 8.60-8.80 (multiplet, 2H), 8.82 (singlet, 9H) and 9-9.35 (complex multiplet, 2H). The spectrum is consistent with the structure of the cis-adduct, exo-6-*t*-butoxy-exo-7-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane, 66, with the assignment of the signals as shown.



A very convenient verification of these structure assignments was possible by the TBTH reduction of the two adducts. Radical

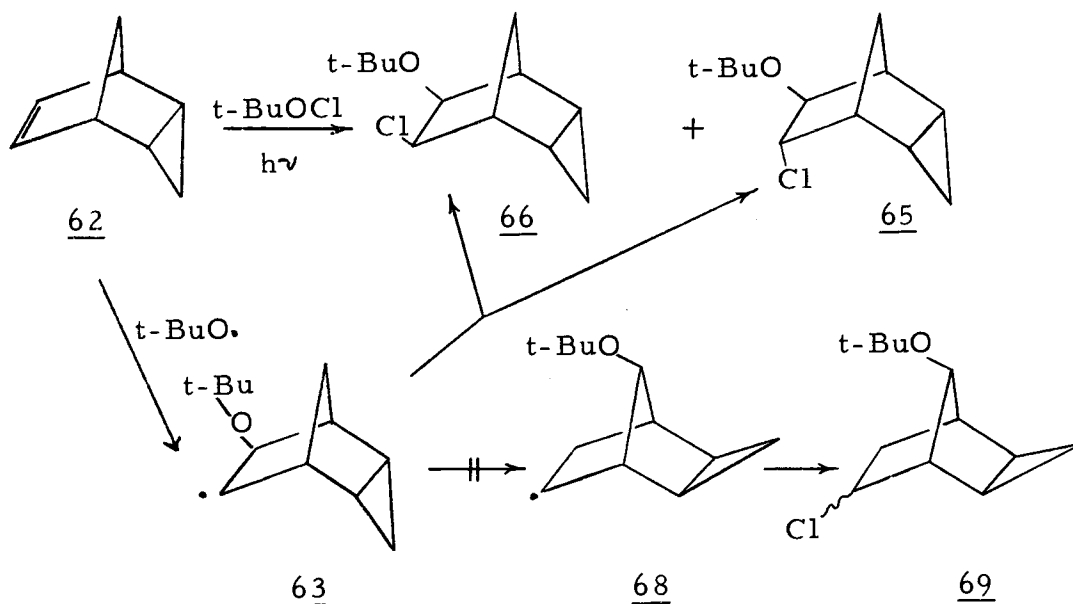
reduction of both the adducts followed by vpc analysis showed that the same exclusive product, viz., exo-6-t-butoxy-endo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane 67 resulted from both in yields of 75% from the trans-adduct and 97% from the cis-adduct.



The ir spectrum (Figure 19) of the product from both the adducts showed absorptions at 3064 cm^{-1} (weak) and 3016 (shoulder), both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, and 1194 (s), 1086 (s), and 1030 (s), all three assignable to C-O stretching. The nmr spectrum (Figure 20, 100 MHz, CCl_4) showed signals at $\tau 6.74$ (doublet of a doublet, $J=6.4\text{ Hz}$, 3.0 Hz , 1H, the α -t-butoxy proton), 7.8 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 8.0 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, the other bridgehead proton), 8.2 (broad singlet, 2H, the C_8 protons), 8.6 - 8.85 (complex multiplets, 4H, the protons on C_7 , C_2 , and C_4), 8.9 (singlet, 9H, the t-butoxy protons) and 9.1 - 9.45 (complex multiplets, 2H, the C_3 protons). The spectrum showed striking similarity to that of exo-6-hydroxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane. Thus the final analysis of the

products of the reaction of the endo-olefin with t-butyloxyhypochlorite is outlined in Scheme 5 below.

Scheme 5



The behavior of the adduct radical is in striking contrast to that of the carbonium ion. While the carbonium ion is observed to give exclusively rearranged products in a stereospecific fashion (89), the radical equivalent fails to display this tendency. A comparison with the norbornene-*t*-butoxy adduct radical would be appropriate. The latter yields the trans- and cis-adducts in the ratio 4:1 (57). The predominance of the trans-adduct was explained as due to the steric blocking of the exo-face by the *t*-butoxy group. In the present case, in addition to the steric shielding of the exo-face by the *t*-butoxy group, we also have the endo-cyclopropane ring blocking the endo-face. These are apparently nearly evenly balanced, thus giving rise

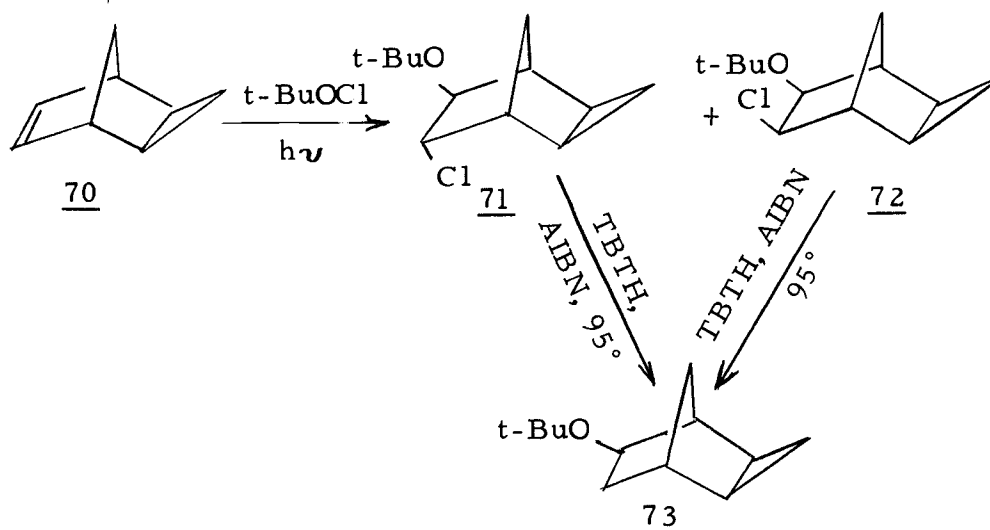
to the observed product proportions. Finally it is to be observed that the lack of stereospecific chain transfer coupled with the conspicuous absence of skeletal rearrangements makes the representation of the radical intermediate as a classical radical mandatory. The failure of the olefin to evince abstraction at C_8 reveals that this process could not compete with the fast addition pathway which leads to relief of strain of a double bond in a rigid tricyclic system.

When the exo-olefin was irradiated with t-butylhypochlorite in carbon tetrachloride at 40° , the products were found by vpc analysis to be composed of two adducts in the ratio 78:22 in the order of increasing retention times in a yield of 56%. These were identified as the trans- and the cis-adducts on the basis of their spectral data. The ir spectrum of the trans-adduct (Figure 21) showed bands attributable to cyclopropane ring (3088 and 3032 cm^{-1} , both weak), C-O stretching (1190 , 1116 , 1064 , and 1030 cm^{-1} , all strong), and C-Cl stretching (806 cm^{-1} , strong, and 755 cm^{-1} , medium). The nmr spectrum (Figure 22, 100 MHz , CCl_4) had resonance signals at $\tau 6.23$ (doublet of a doublet, $J = 2.9\text{ Hz}$, 2.0 Hz , 1 H , the α -chloro proton), 6.61 (triplet, $J = 2.0\text{ Hz}$, 1 H , the α -t-butoxy proton), 7.63 (unresolved multiplet, 1 H , the bridgehead proton β to chlorine), 7.94 (singlet, 1 H , the bridgehead proton β -t-butoxy), $8.5\text{--}8.9$ (multiplets with a large singlet at 8.86 , 11 H , the anti- C_8 proton, and the C_4 proton) 9.08 (a poorly resolved multiplet of a doublet of the AB pattern,

$J=12$ Hz, 1 H, the syn- C_8 proton), 9.2-9.5 (multiplets, 2 H, the C_2 proton and the syn- C_4 proton), and 9.65-9.92 (a four-peak signal with a spacing of 7 Hz between each consecutive pair of peaks, 1 H, the anti- C_3 proton). The ir spectrum of the cis-adduct (Figure 23) showed characteristic bands at 3092 and 3032 cm^{-1} (cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 1195, 1110, 1090, 1080 and 1030 cm^{-1} (C-O stretching), and 745 and 712 cm^{-1} (C-Cl stretching). The nmr spectrum (Figure 24, 100 MHz, CCl_4) showed resonance signals at τ 6.23 (doublet of a doublet, $J=6$ Hz, 2.3 Hz, 1 H, the α -chloro proton), 6.51 (doublet of a doublet, $J=6$ Hz, 1.9 Hz, 1 H, the α -t-butoxy proton), 7.69 (singlet, 1 H, the bridgehead proton β to chlorine), 7.96 (singlet, 1 H, the bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 8.55 (a doublet of the AB pattern, $J=11$ Hz, 1 H, the anti- C_8 proton), 8.83 (a large singlet, 9 H, the t-butoxy proton), 9.25 (an unresolved multiplet of a doublet of the AB pattern, $J=11$ Hz, 1 H, the syn- C_3 proton), and 9.7-9.9 (multiplet, 1 H, the anti- C_3 proton).

Both the trans- and the cis-adducts on reduction with TBTH at 95° gave exclusively exo-6-t-butoxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-octane 73. The ir spectrum of the sole product (Figure 25) showed principal bands at 3092, and 3016 cm^{-1} (cyclopropyl C-H stretching), and 1195, 1155, 1088, 1060 and 1025 cm^{-1} (C-O stretching). The nmr spectrum (Figure 26, 100 MHz, CCl_4) had resonance signals at τ 6.54 (doublet of a doublet of a doublet, $J=7.0$ Hz, 3 Hz, 1 Hz, 1 H,

the α -butoxy proton), 7.87 (poorly resolved multiplet, 1 H, the bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 7.95 (singlet, 1 H, the other bridgehead proton), 8.35 (a doublet of a doublet of a doublet of the AB pattern, $J=12.5$ Hz, 7.0 Hz, 2.2 Hz, 1 H, the endo-C₇ proton), 8.75 (triplet of a doublet, of the AB pattern, $J=12.5$ Hz, 3 Hz, 1 H, the exo-C₇ proton), 8.86 (singlet, 9 H, the t-butoxy protons), 8.96 (a poorly resolved doublet of a doublet of the AB pattern, $J=12$ Hz, 1 H, the anti-C₈ proton), 9.28 (a poorly resolved multiplet of a doublet of the AB pattern, $J=12$ Hz, 1 H, the syn-C₈ proton), 9.35-9.6 (multiplet, 3 H, the C₂ and C₄ protons and the syn-C₃ proton) and 9.85-10.09 (multiplet, 1 H, the anti-C₃ proton). The spectrum showed a remarkable resemblance to that of exo-6-hydroxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.



The results of the free radical addition study only lend further support to the conclusion drawn from the abstraction study that a single non-classical radical intermediate can be ruled out. Further,

in the present exo-tricyclooctene case the ratio of the trans:cis-adducts is similar to the value found in the case of the norbornene-*t*-butylhypochlorite adducts (5:1). No skeletal rearrangement of the adduct radical was observed by us--a distinct contrast to the behavior of the carbonium ion. Also significant is the absence of monochlorides resulting from hydrogen abstraction.

No less different was the picture that emerged from the irradiation of a solution of deltacyclene with *t*-butylhypochlorite under conditions identical to those employed for the other olefins. The products were found by vpc analysis to consist of two adducts, the trans- and the cis-adducts in the ratio 85:15 in a yield of 37%. No significant amounts of monochlorides ($\geq 2\%$ could have been detected) were observable. Both the adducts gave satisfactory microanalytical data. The ir spectrum of the trans-adduct showed the presence of cyclopropane ring (a weak band at 3056 cm^{-1}), ether C-O linkage (intense absorptions at 1185, 1152, 1060, and 1021 cm^{-1}), and C-Cl linkage (strong bands at 790 cm^{-1} and weak bands at 775 and 733 cm^{-1}), and a nortricyclene ring (a strong band at 800 cm^{-1}). The nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) showed signals at $\tau 6.07$ (doublet of a doublet, $J=4.0\text{ Hz}$, 2.0 Hz , 1 H, the α -chloro proton), 6.24 (poorly resolved doublet, $J=2\text{ Hz}$, 1 H, the α -*t*-butoxy proton), 7.8 (unresolved multiplet, 1 H, the bridgehead proton β to chlorine), 7.88 (unresolved multiplet, 1 H, the bridgehead proton β to *t*-butoxy), 8.15

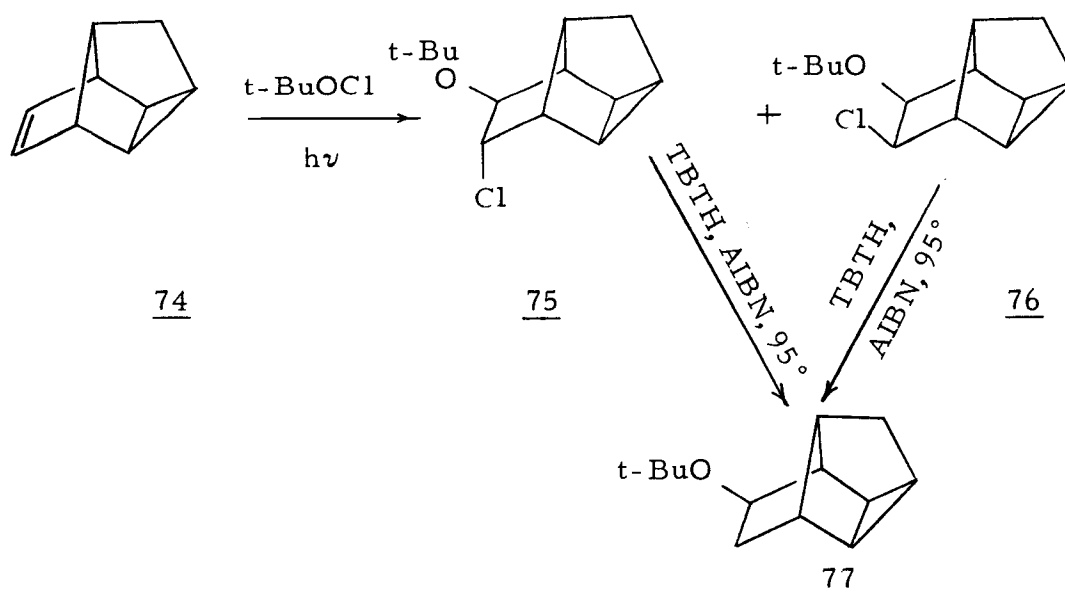
(unresolved triplet, 1 H, the C₆ proton) 8.42 (singlet, 2 H, the C₅ protons) 8.74 (singlet, 2 H, the C₂ and C₃ protons), 8.82 (singlet, 9 H, t-butoxy protons), 9-9.15 (a doublet of a doublet of a doublet, J=11 Hz, 6 Hz, 2 Hz, 1 H, the C₄ proton). The cis-adduct was contaminated to the extent of 32% by an unidentified, inseparable material. The ir spectrum showed bands at 3056 cm⁻¹ (weak, assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 1185 and 1086 cm⁻¹ (medium and strong respectively, both assignable to C-O stretching), 800 cm⁻¹ (strong, assignable to nortricyclene ring), and 765 and 715 cm⁻¹ (both weak, assignable to C-Cl stretching). The nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl₄) contained signals of τ5.9 (doublet J=6 Hz), 6.15 (doublet, J=6 Hz), 7.35 (poorly resolved multiplet), 7.64 (envelope), 7.88 (envelope), 8-8.3 (multiplets), 8.48 (a broad singlet), 8.52-8.98 (multiplets with a large singlet, at 8.85), 9.05-9.22 (multiplet). Integration data were misleading due to contamination of the sample. For the same reason, assignment of most of the signals was rendered difficult.

Both the adducts on reduction with TBTH at 95° gave the same product, exo-8-t-butoxydeltacyclane 77. The cis-adduct, in addition to this ether, gave 32% of an unidentified product, probably due to its contaminant. The elemental analysis of the reduction product from both the adducts was satisfactory for the expected C₁₃H₂₀O formula. The ir spectrum showed the presence of cyclopropane ring (a weak band at 3056 cm⁻¹), and C-O linkage (strong

bands at 1190, 1178, 1070, and 1040 cm^{-1}). The nmr spectrum (100 MHz, CCl_4) contained resonance signals at $\tau 6.2$ (poorly resolved multiplet of a doublet, $J=6.6\text{ Hz}$, 1 H, the α -t-butoxy proton), 8.0-8.25 (a series of poorly resolved multiplets, 5 H, the bridgehead C_1 and C_7 protons, the exo- and endo-protons on C_9 , and the C_6 proton), 8.46 (singlet, 2 H, the C_5 protons), 8.85 (a large singlet with a poorly resolved multiplet buried under it, 10 H, the t-butoxy and one of the tertiary cyclopropyl protons), and 9.25 (doublet of a triplet, $J=4\text{ Hz}$, 1 Hz, 2 H, the remaining cyclopropyl protons). The spectrum showed marked similarity to that of exo-8-hydroxy-deltacyclane.

Thus the final analysis of the products of the deltacyclene-t-butylhypochlorite reaction is as shown in Scheme 6.

Scheme 6



In this case also the absence of stereospecificity of the products and the lack of skeletal rearrangements are in marked contrast to the behavior of the cationic analog (30-32). The products can be satisfactorily accounted for entirely in terms of a classical radical whose direction of chain transfer is determined by steric factors. Another noteworthy feature is that even abstraction of a cyclopropyl carbinyl hydrogen is not able to compete with the addition pathway. This is perhaps the most eloquent testimony to the relief of strain that attends the formation of the adduct radical in these bridged polycyclic systems.

III. EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

All melting points were determined using a Büchi melting point apparatus and are corrected. All boiling points are uncorrected. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Beckman Model IR-8 Infrared Spectrophotometer. Nmr spectra were recorded on a Varian Associates A-60 or HA-100 Nmr Spectrometer. Mass spectra were recorded using an Atlas CH7 Mass Spectrometer. Elemental analyses were performed by Alfred Bernhardt, Mikroanalytisches Laboratorium, 5251 Elbach über Engelskirchen, Fritz-Pregl-Straße 14-16, West Germany, or Dornis U. Kolbe, 433 Mulheim a.d. Ruhr, Hohenweg 17, West Germany. Vpc analysis were carried out using an F and M Model 700 Chromatograph equipped with dual columns and thermal conductivity detectors or a Varian Aerograph series 1200 Chromatograph equipped with a flame ionization detector. The following columns were employed:

1. 32 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 20% Carbowax 20 M plus 2% XF-1150 on Anakrom 70-80 ABS.
2. 29 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 13% TCEP on 30-60 Chromosorb PAW.
3. 18 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 15% QF-1 on Anakrom 70-80 ABS.
4. 18 ft. x 0.125 in. stainless steel containing 10% UCW-98 (methyl

vinyl) on 80-100 Diatoport S.

5. 28 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 9% FFAP on Anakrom
70-80 ABS.
6. 7 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 9% FFAP on Anakrom
70-80 ABS.
7. 10 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 10% Carbowax 20 M on
Anakrom 70-80 ABS.
8. 10 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 15% QF-1 on Anakrom
70-80 ABS.
9. 32 ft. x 0.125 in. copper containing 5% Carbowax 20 M
plus 0.5% XF-1150 on 60-80 Firebrick.
10. 20 ft. x 0.375 in. aluminum containing 12% Carbowax 20 M on
Anakrom 70-80 ABS.
11. 18 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 13% TCEP on 30-60
Chromosorb W.
12. 23 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 13% TCEP on 30-60
Chromosorb P.
13. 3.5 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 10% SE-30 on Anakrom
110-120 AS.
14. 20 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 15% DC-200 on Anakrom
70-80 ABS.
15. 12 ft. x 0.25 in. aluminum containing 13% TCEP on Chromosorb
30-60 PAW.

Product ratios and percentage yields calculated from chromatographic data are based on relative peak areas and are uncorrected for the variations of thermal conductivity with molecular weight. Glassware used in reactions requiring anhydrous conditions was previously dried at ca. 110° in a drying oven for several hours. Sodium methoxide used in tosylhydrazone decompositions was dried at 50-60° in vacuum (0.5 mm Hg) for several hours. Diglyme used in tosylhydrazone decompositions was initially dried over anhydrous calcium chloride and then over lithium aluminum hydride and then distilled repeatedly from the hydride until the infrared spectrum indicated total exclusion of moisture. All reported reaction temperatures must be regarded as approximate unless otherwise stated. All tosylhydrazones were dried in vacuum at elevated temperatures prior to their use in base-catalyzed decompositions.

Preparation of 5, 5-Dimethoxy-1, 2, 3, 4-
tetrachlorocyclopentadiene

The method of Newcomer and McBee (98) was used. Hexachlorocyclopentadiene (158.8 g, 0.0476 mol) was dissolved in 500 ml of absolute methanol in a three-necked two-liter flask provided with a stirrer and a water condenser. Reagent grade potassium hydroxide (85.5 g, 1.52 mol) dissolved in 400 ml of absolute methanol was added through an addition funnel over a period of 2.5 hr. The mixture

was then stirred for a period of 6 hr. After dilution with 700 ml of distilled water, the mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel. The lower heavy yellow oil was separated, washed with 3 x 200 ml of water, dried (MgSO_4) and filtered under suction, giving 111.5 g (0.422 mol, 72.6% yield) of the title compound (>95% pure by vpc), b.p. 55-57° /0.3 mm.

Reaction of 5, 5-Dimethoxy-1, 2, 3, 4-tetrachlorocyclopentadiene with Cyclopropene. A solution of the ketal (17 g, 0.064 mol) in 50 ml of ether was treated at 0° with a slight excess of cyclopropene (from 30 g of sodium amide (0.769 mol) and 58.9 g (0.77 mol) of allyl chloride) generated by the method of Closs and Krantz (67). Removal of the solid residue by filtration followed by removal of volatile materials by rotary evaporation gave 18.58 g (0.061 mol, 95% yield) of the Diels-Alder adduct as orange red crystals. Recrystallized from methanol-water, m.p. 68.5-69.5°, lit. (65, 66) 69.5-70°.

Dechlorination of 1, 5, 6, 7-Tetrachloro-8, 8-dimethoxy-*endo*-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene with Lithium. The procedure described by Gassman and Pape (99) was followed with minor experimental modifications. The chlorinated ketal (20 g, 0.066 mol) was treated with 76.1 g (1.03 mol) of commercial anhydrous t-butanol and 500 ml of reagent grade tetrahydrofuran in a three-necked one liter flask provided with a nitrogen inlet, mechanical stirrer, a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride drying tube. The flask was cooled by an ice

bath and the solution stirred. Finely scissored lithium ribbon (11.4 g, 1.64 g. atom) was added and the stirring continued. In about 1 hr, a highly exothermic reaction began to occur (caution: the reaction may become uncontrollable if the flask is not cooled sufficiently in advance). After stirring for 2 hr, the ice bath was replaced by a heating mantle and the mixture was maintained at a gentle reflux for 18 hr. The flask was then cooled by an ice bath and the excess lithium destroyed by cautious addition of 200 ml of absolute methanol. The resulting mixture was poured into 2 l of ice-water, which resulted in a clear brown solution. Repeated ether extraction of this solution, followed by drying (MgSO_4) and removal of ether on a rotary evaporator, gave 8.22 g (74% yield) of pure 8,8-dimethoxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

Hydrolysis of 8,8-Dimethoxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

Following the procedure of Pincock and Haywood-Farmer (17) with minor experimental modifications, the saturated ketal (8.2 g, 0.049 mol) was treated with 62 ml of glacial acetic acid in a 250 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser. The flask was placed in an oil bath maintained at 70-80° for 30 hr. At the end of this period, the flask was cooled by an ice bath and diluted with 100 ml of pentane. After neutralization of the acetic acid by careful addition of a solution of 63.5 g of sodium hydroxide in 250 ml of water, the mixture was extracted with 5 x 100 ml of pentane. The combined

pentane extracts were washed repeatedly with water, dried (MgSO_4) and stripped of pentane by rotary evaporation at room temperature, giving 5.15 g (86% yield) of the crude endo-ketone. The crude ketone obtained thus was used without further purification in subsequent experiments.

Preparation of endo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one Tosylhydrazone. The general procedure of Bamford and Stevens (100) was adapted to the preparation of this tosylhydrazone. To 5.15 g (0.0422 mol) of the endo-ketone in a 100 ml flask, provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser, was added 45 ml of 95% ethanol, followed by 7.85 g (0.0422 mol) of tosylhydrazine and 2 drops of concentrated HCl. A white flocculent precipitate formed in about 5 min. The mixture was gently heated at reflux for 2.5 hr. The flask was then cooled to room temperature and the solid product filtered and dried by suction, giving 7.25 g. An additional 0.3 g of the product was obtained by refrigerating the filtrate overnight. The total yield of the tosylhydrazone was 7.55 g (0.026 mol, 61.6% yield). Recrystallization from absolute ethanol gave the tosylhydrazone with mp 172-173° dec., lit. (66), 172-173° dec. (from methanol), ir (KBr pellet), 3200 cm^{-1} (m, N-H, stretching), 3080 (shoulder, cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 3056 (shoulder, cyclopropyl C-H stretching or aromatic C-H stretching), 3040 (medium, cyclopropyl C-H stretching or aromatic C-H stretching), 1668 (m, aromatic C=C

stretching), 1582 (m, aromatic C-H stretching), 1160 (s, SO_2 -N stretching).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$: C, 62.05; H, 6.24. Found: C, 61.96; H, 6.16.

Decomposition of *endo*-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one Tosylhydrazone in the Presence of Excess Sodium Methoxide. In a three-necked 250 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer, a nitrogen inlet, and a vigreux column heated to 80° by means of a heating tape, was placed 4.92 g (0.0911 mol) of dry sodium methoxide and 140 ml of anhydrous diglyme. The vigreux column was connected to two dry ice - 95% ethanol traps in series and then to a gas bubbler. The flask was heated to 82° by an oil bath and the tosylhydrazone (4.61 g, 0.0159 mol) was added. The temperature was then raised to and maintained at 150-155° for 4.5 hr. At the end of this period, the vigreux column was washed with pentane and the washings were added to the liquid collected in the traps. The pentane solution (ca. 35 ml) was washed repeatedly with water, dried (MgSO_4) and concentrated by distillation to about 1.3 g. Vpc analysis of this concentrate (col 1, 125°, 80 ml/min) showed that this material consisted almost exclusively of pentane.

The cloudy diglyme suspension in the pot was diluted with 200 ml of water and extracted with 5 x 50 ml of pentane. The combined pentane extracts were washed with 3 x 80 ml of water and dried

(MgSO_4). Near-complete removal of pentane by distillation using a vigreux column yielded 1.897 g of a pale yellow liquid. Vpc analysis of this liquid under conditions identical to those used previously revealed that the liquid consisted of, besides traces of pentane and diglyme, 4 components in the ratio 4:33:11:51 in the order of increasing retention times plus about 1% of unisolable products in a total yield of approximately 80%.

The 4% component was identified as tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]oct-2-ene by comparison of its ir and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample obtained by Zirner and Winsten (68) and by Roth and Peltzer (69).

The 33% component had vpc retention time, ir, nmr, and mass spectra identical to those of an authentic sample of tetracyclo[3.3.0.0^{2,8}.0^{4,6}]octane, reported by Freeman, Kuper and Rao (70, 33).

The 11% component was identified as anti-8-methoxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane on the basis of its spectral data: mass spectrum: parent peak at m/e 138; ir (neat): 3090 cm^{-1} (w), 3030 (m) and 3010 (m) (all assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 1195 (s), 1120 (shoulder) and 1110 (s) (all assignable to C-O stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4): τ 6.5 (unresolved triplet, 1H, the α -methoxy proton), 6.85 (singlet, 3H, the methoxy protons) 7.8-8.0 (multiplet, 2H, the bridgehead protons), and 8.4-9.75 (complex multiplets, the

protons on C₆, C₇, C₂, C₄ and C₃). The structure assignment was confirmed by an independent synthesis of this compound.

Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₁₄O: C, 78.21; H, 10.21. Found: C, 78.02; H, 10.37.

The 51% component was identified as endo-2-methoxytricyclo-[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane on the basis of its spectral data and confirmation by an independent synthesis: mass spectrum, parent peak at m/e 138; ir (neat), 3035 cm⁻¹ (s), assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 1115 (s) and 1097 (s) (assignable to C-O stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄), τ 6.1-6.55 (six-peak signal, 1H, the α -methoxy proton), 6.85 (singlet, 3H, the methoxy protons), and 7.3-9.1 (multiplets, 10 H, the remaining protons). The spectrum shows a striking similarity to those of endo-2-chloro- and endo-2-hydroxytricyclo-[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane.

Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₁₄O: C, 78.21; H, 10.21. Found: C, 78.15; H, 10.28.

Lithium Aluminum Hydride Reduction of the endo-Ketone.

Lithium aluminum hydride (3.5 g, 0.092 mol) was suspended in 40 ml of anhydrous ether in a three-necked 200 ml flask, provided with a reflux condenser and calcium chloride tube, an overhead mechanical stirrer and a pressure-compensated addition funnel. The flask was cooled by an ice bath and the contents stirred. A solution of the endo-ketone (4.5 g, 0.036 mol) in 20 ml of anhydrous ether was

added dropwise through the addition funnel to the stirred suspension. On completion of the ketone addition, the ice bath was removed and the flask was warmed externally by means of a heating mantle to obtain a gentle reflux for about 15 hr. The flask was then cooled by an ice bath and the excess hydride destroyed by cautious addition of a saturated solution of ammonium chloride in water. Ether extraction, drying of the ether extracts (MgSO_4), and subsequent removal of ether on a rotary evaporator gave 3.47 g (76% yield) of the syn- and the anti-alcohols in the ratio 64:36 (Col 10, 140° , 230 ml/min) as previously reported (17). The crude mixture of alcohols obtained thus was used without further purification in subsequent reactions.

Preparation of syn- and anti-8-Methoxy-endo-tricyclo-
[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane. A mixture of the syn- and the anti-alcohols (1.06 g, 0.0855 mol) in ether solution was added dropwise to a suspension of sodium hydride (1.14 g, 0.0272 mol) in pentane, in a nitrogen atmosphere, in a three-necked 150 ml flask provided with a reflux condenser and calcium chloride tube, a pressure-compensated addition funnel, a nitrogen inlet and a magnetic stirrer. When the alcohol addition was complete, 9.39 g (0.0661 mol) of methyl iodide was added and the mixture stirred for 16 hr. An additional 7.82 g (0.0552 mol) of methyl iodide was added about 13 hr after the commencement of the reaction. Any unreacted sodium hydride was destroyed by addition of anhydrous methanol. A clear yellow solution

resulted which was taken up in 40 ml of ether. The solution was repeatedly washed with water and then dried (MgSO_4). Removal of ether by rotary evaporation at room temperature gave 0.55 g (47% yield) of a yellow liquid. Vpc analysis (for conditions vide supra) revealed that this liquid consisted of two methyl ethers in the ratio 37:63 in the order of increasing retention times. The 37% ether had vpc retention time, ir, and nmr spectra identical to those of the 11% component of the tosylhydrazone decomposition products.

The 63% ether which must be the syn-ether gave spectral data consistent with the expected structure: ir (neat), 3095 (w), 3060 (w), 3030 (shoulder) (all assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 1209 (s), 1135 (s) and 1107 (s), all assignable to C-O stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4): τ 6.25 (unresolved triplet, 1H, the α -methoxy proton), 6.73 (singlet, 3H, the methoxy protons), 7.85 (unresolved triplet, 2H, the bridgehead protons), and 8.47-9.2 (complex multiplets, 8H, the remaining protons).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{14}\text{O}$: C, 78.21; H, 10.21. Found: C, 78.12; H, 10.35.

Methanolysis of anti-8-Chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-octane. The anti-chloride (0.31 g, 22 mmol) was treated with 3 ml of anhydrous methanol and 0.22 g (22 mmol) of anhydrous calcium carbonate in a 10 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser. The mixture was heated to reflux for 13 hr.

After cooling to room temperature, the solid residue was filtered off and the filtrate subjected to vpc analysis (Col 1, 130°, 75 ml/min). The solvolysis was not complete. The only solvolysis product that was present had vpc retention time and ir spectrum identical to those of endo-2-methoxytricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane obtained in the methoxide ion-induced decomposition of the tosylhydrazone.

Study of the Effect of Added Methanol-O-d on the Composition of the Products in the Decomposition of the endo-Ketone Tosylhydrazone. Several runs were made in which the decomposition of the tosylhydrazone was carried out at 145-150° in the presence of different amounts of added methanol-O-d (83% d₁) and excess sodium methoxide (0.44 g, 0.008149 mol), methanol-O-d (45.5 mg, 1.38 mmol) in 20 ml of anhydrous diglyme. The products were composed of 2% of the rearranged olefin 9, 21% of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon 10, 14% of the endo-anti-ether 11, and 64% of the rearranged endo-ether 12.

(ii) The tosylhydrazone (0.40 g, 0.001377 mol) was decomposed with sodium methoxide (0.44 g, 8.2 mmol) and methanol-O-d (0.233 g, 7.06 mmol) in 20 ml of anhydrous diglyme. The products were composed of 1% of the rearranged olefin, 9% of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon, 13% of the endo-anti-ether, and 78% of the rearranged endo-ether.

(iii) The tosylhydrazone (2 g, 7 mmol) was decomposed with

sodium methoxide (2.14 g, 39.6 mmol) and methanol-O-d (2.70 g, 81.8 mmol) in 100 ml of anhydrous diglyme. The products consisted of 1% of the rearranged olefin, 7% of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon, 11% of the endo-anti-ether and 81% of the rearranged endo-ether.

(iv) The tosylhydrazone (0.1040 g, 0.358 mmol) was decomposed with sodium methoxide (0.1200 g, 2.2 mmol) and methanol-O-d (0.9650 g, 29.2 mmol) in 7 ml of anhydrous diglyme. The products were composed of 0% (< 1%) of the rearranged olefin, 3% of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon, 16% of the endo-anti-ether, and 81% of the rearranged endo-ether.

Effect of Change of Methoxide Ion Concentration on the Relative Proportions of the Products in the Decomposition of the Tosylhydrazone. Several runs were made in which the tosylhydrazone was decomposed with varying amounts of sodium methoxide in diglyme in a nitrogen atmosphere at 140-150° and the products worked up and analyzed as above (Col 1).

(i) The tosylhydrazone (0.50 g, 1.7 mmol) was decomposed with dry sodium methoxide (0.28 g, 5.2 mmol) in 30 ml of anhydrous diglyme. The products consisted of 4% of the rearranged olefin 9, 32% of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon 10, 13% of the endo-anti ether 11, and 51% of the rearranged endo-ether 12.

(ii) The tosylhydrazone (0.50 g, 1.7 mmol) was decomposed with dry sodium methoxide (1.20 g, 2.2 mmol) in 30 ml of anhydrous

diglyme. The products were found to be composed of 4% of the rearranged olefin, 31% of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon, 12% of the endo-anti-ether and 53% of the rearranged endo-ether.

(iii) The tosylhydrazone (0.50 g, 1.7 mmol) was decomposed with dry sodium methoxide (1.68 g, 31.1 mmol) in 30 ml of anhydrous diglyme. The products were composed of 4% of the rearranged olefin, 32% of the tetracyclic hydrocarbon, 11% of the endo-anti-ether, and 52% of the rearranged endo-ether.

Preparation of Norbornan-7-one Tosylhydrazone. Norbornan-7-one (3.21 g, 0.0292 mol), prepared by the method of Gassman and Pape (99) was treated with tosylhydrazine (5.54 g, 29.8 mmol) and 50 ml of reagent grade methanol in a 100 ml flask, fitted with a magnetic stirrer, a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube. Three drops of concentrated HCl were added and the mixture refluxed gently for 6 hr. A clear, pale yellow solution resulted which on cooling to room temperature deposited white crystals (2.01 g), mp. 141-143°. The crystals were collected by filtration and the filtrate refrigerated overnight at which point an additional 1.83 g of the product crystallized from solution. The total yield of the tosylhydrazone was 3.83 g (13.8 mmol, 47% yield). Recrystallization from methanol gave material with mp. 146-148°, lit. (24) mp. 152-153° from methanol.

Anal. Calcd. for $C_{14}H_{18}N_2O_2S$: C, 60.40; H, 6.52. Found:

C, 60.27, H, 6.33.

Decomposition of Norbornan-7-one Tosylhydrazone. The tosylhydrazone (0.555 g, 2 mmol) was decomposed with dry sodium methoxide (0.6250 g, 116 mmol) in 30 ml of anhydrous diglyme at 150-155° for 4.5 hr in a nitrogen atmosphere. The experimental set-up was similar to that used previously in the case of endo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one tosylhydrazone. Work-up in the usual manner gave 0.46 g of a colorless liquid. Vpc analysis (Col 1, 125-130°, 68 ml/min) showed that the products were composed of 4 components in the ratio 6:38:4:51 in the order of increasing retention times in a total yield of 97%. The 6%, 38% and 4% components were in the hydrocarbon region and were not identified further. The 51% component was identified as 7-methoxynorbornane by comparison of its vpc retention time and ir spectrum with those of an authentic sample, synthesized as described below.

Reduction of Norbornan-7-one with Lithium Aluminum Hydride.

To a stirred suspension of lithium aluminum hydride (1.00 g, 26 mmol) in 30 ml of anhydrous ether in a three-necked 200 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer, reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube, and a pressure-compensated addition funnel, was added a solution of norbornan-7-one (1.19 g, 10.8 mmol) in 10 ml of anhydrous ether over a period of 25 min. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 hr. At the end of this period, the excess

hydride was destroyed by cautious addition, with simultaneous cooling by an ice bath, of a saturated solution of ammonium chloride in water. The ether layer was decanted off and the aqueous layer extracted with 3 x 20 ml of ether. The ether extracts were combined and dried (MgSO_4). Removal of ether by distillation using a vigreux column gave 0.81 g (7.2 mmol, 67% yield) of norbornan-7-ol. The crude alcohol obtained thus was used without further purification in the next step.

Treatment of Norbornan-7-ol with Sodium Hydride and Methyl Iodide. A sodium hydride dispersion (1g, 57.2% concentration) in mineral oil was washed repeatedly with anhydrous ether to rid it of mineral oil in a three-necked 200 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer, a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube, and a pressure-compensated addition funnel. To the sodium hydride, free of mineral oil, was added 20 ml of anhydrous ether, and the suspension stirred. A solution of norbornan-7-ol (0.52 g, 4.6 mmol) in 10 ml of anhydrous ether was added slowly, followed by 20 g (140 mmol) of methyl iodide. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 14 hr. The excess sodium hydride was then destroyed by slow addition of 15 ml of anhydrous methanol. After addition of 20 ml of water the two-phase liquid mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel. The lower aqueous phase was discarded and the ether layer was washed repeatedly with water (5 x 20 ml) and dried (CaCl_2).

Removal of ether by distillation using a vigreux column gave 0.5 g (85% yield) of 7-methoxynorbornane; ir (neat), 1205 (s), 1185 (s), 1160 (m), 1145 (s), 1110 (s), 1100 (s) and 1000 (s) (all assignable to C-O stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4): τ 6.55 (singlet, 1H, the α -methoxy proton), 6.75 (singlet, 3H, the methoxy protons), 7.9 (unresolved multiplet, 2H, the bridgehead protons), 8.2 (unresolved multiplet, 2H, the exo-protons on C_2 and C_3 syn to the methoxy group), 8.45 (unresolved multiplet, 2H, the exo-protons on C_5 and C_6 anti- to the methoxy group) and 8.8 (complex multiplet, 4H, the endo-protons on C_2 , C_3 , C_5 , and C_6).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{14}\text{O}$: C, 76.14; H, 11.18. Found: C, 76.43; H, 11.35.

Preparation of endo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one Tosylhydrazone-N-d₁. The tosylhydrazone (4 g) was shaken mechanically for 3 days with 20 ml of deuterium oxide (99.8% D_2O) and a catalytic amount of sodium methoxide in a 100 ml flask. The tosylhydrazone was then recovered by filtration and dried in vacuo (1.5 mm Hg, 60° for 24 hr). Analysis by ir showed about 50-70% deuterium incorporation. Thereupon this partially deuterated tosylhydrazone (0.73 g) was mixed with 0.40 g of the undeuterated sample and suspended in 10 ml of methylene chloride in a 50 ml flask fitted with a tight-fitting glass stopper and a magnetic stirrer. A trace of sodium methoxide, 16 ml of D_2O , and 3 drops of Aliquat 336 (methyl

tricaprylyl ammonium chloride) were added. The flask was tightly stoppered and the contents stirred for 14 hr. The stirring bar was then removed and the flask shaken by hand for 2 hr. The tosylhydrazone was filtered off using a Buchner funnel with its mouth covered by aluminum foil. Analysis by ir showed 70-80% deuterium incorporation. Resubmission of this sample to the above treatment followed by drying in vacuo (0.2 mm Hg) at 80-100° for 24 hr gave the tosylhydrazone which had its imino hydrogen replaced almost completely by deuterium. The extent of deuteration was estimated to be $\geq 97\%$ by quantitative ir analysis.

Decomposition of *endo*-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one Tosylhydrazone-N-d₁ with Excess Sodium Methoxide. The deuterated tosylhydrazone (0.3640 g, 1.25 mmol) was decomposed at 150-155° with dry sodium methoxide (0.3940 g, 7.30 mmol) in 20 ml of anhydrous diglyme for 4.5 hr in a nitrogen atmosphere. The experimental set-up consisted of a three-necked 200 ml flask provided with a nitrogen inlet, reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube, and a magnetic stirrer. Work-up in the usual manner (dilution with water, extraction with pentane, thorough washing of the pentane extracts with water, drying (MgSO₄) and near-complete removal of pentane by distillation using a vigreux column) gave a colorless liquid which on vpc analysis (Col 9, 120°, 25 ml/min) was found to consist of, besides pentane, the rearranged olefin (10%), the

tetracyclic hydrocarbon (81%), the endo-anti-ether (3%), and the rearranged endo-ether (6%). No attempt was made to estimate the yield of the products.

The tetracyclic hydrocarbon which was now the major product was submitted to mass spectral analysis to estimate the deuterium content. The M-1 peak was eliminated using a low ionizing potential (14.8 meV) to enable the percentage of deuterium to be computed. Three runs were made and the percentage of deuterium was calculated to be 26%, 22% and 21%. The average of the three determinations was 23%. The calculation was based on the method of Biemann (101).

Test for Deuterium Exchange of Tetracyclo[3.3.0.0^{2,8}.0^{4,6}]-octane. A pure sample of the title hydrocarbon (0.0780 g, 0.74 mmol) was treated with sodium methoxide (0.20 g, 3.7 mmol), methanol-O-d (99% d₁, 0.029 g, 0.88 mmol) and 4 ml of anhydrous diglyme in a three-necked 25 ml flask, provided with a magnetic stirrer, a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube. The flask was maintained at 150-155° for 4.5 hr by means of an oil bath. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was diluted with 40 ml of water and extracted with 4 x 20 ml of pentane. The combined pentane extracts were washed with water repeatedly and dried (MgSO₄). The solution was then concentrated to about 0.5 ml by distillation using a vigreux column and submitted directly to mass spectral analysis. No

deuterium incorporation was detectable. The limit of detection was about 2–3%. Also no detectable isomerization to the rearranged olefin was observed by vpc and mass spectral analysis.

Preparation of *exo*-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane. This compound was prepared by the addition of methylene to norbornene by the Simmons-Smith procedure (82). Cupric acetate (0.56 g, 3.1 mmol) was dissolved in 56 ml of boiling glacial acetic acid in a 250 ml Erlenmeyer flask. To the hot solution was added 34 g (0.52 mol) of 30-mesh granular zinc and the flask swirled for 3 min. The acetic acid was decanted off and the zinc-copper couple washed with 56 ml of boiling glacial acetic followed by 3 x 60 ml of anhydrous ether. The ether-moistened zinc-copper couple was transferred to a three-necked 500 ml flask, provided with a magnetic stirrer, an addition funnel and a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube. About 150 ml of anhydrous ether was added. A small quantity of the total amount of methylene iodide was added and the mixture stirred and gently warmed to reflux. To the refluxing mixture, a solution of 23 g (0.245 mol) of norbornene and 106 g (0.396 mol) of methylene iodide was added slowly over a period of 80 min. External warming was discontinued on completion of the addition. The mixture was stirred for a total period of 49 hr. The zinc-copper couple was then filtered off and the clear ether solution washed with 100 ml of ice-cold 1 N HCl followed by 3 x 100 ml of water, dried (MgSO₄) and relieved of

ether by distillation using a vigreux column. Further distillation afforded 10.52 g (0.0974 mol, 40% yield) of the title hydrocarbon.

Preparation of *endo*-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene. The method of Closs and Krantz (67) was used. A solution of freshly cracked and distilled cyclopentadiene (5.85 g, 88.7 mmol) in 30 ml of pentane was treated at 0° with a slight excess of cyclopropene, generated from sodium amide (35 g, 0.90 mol) and allyl chloride (90 g, 1.18 mol). Filtration to remove a small amount of solid residue, followed by removal of pentane by distillation using a vigreux column gave 7.41 g (79% yield) of *endo*-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-oct-6-ene.

Hydrogenation of *endo*-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene. A solution of 15.05 g (0.1420 mol) of the *endo*-olefin in 170 ml of 95% ethanol was treated with a pinch of 10% palladium on powdered charcoal in a shaker bottle and placed in a Paar hydrogenation apparatus. The hydrogen pressure was adjusted to 30 psi. In about 30 min the hydrogenation was complete and the pressure dropped to and remained steady at 16 psi. The bottle was removed and the mixture, after removal of the catalyst by filtration, was transferred to a separatory funnel, diluted with 400 ml of water and extracted repeatedly with pentane. Drying of the pentane extracts (MgSO₄) followed by removal of pentane by distillation gave 13.74 g (0.1273 mol, 90% yield) of the saturated hydrocarbon.

Preparation of t-Butylhypochlorite. The method described by Teeter and Bell (102) was followed with minor experimental modifications. To a solution of 25 g of sodium hydroxide in 140 ml of water, was added 23.15 g (0.313 mol) of commercial t-butanol in 140 ml of water in a three-necked 500 ml flask provided with a mechanical stirrer, a gas inlet and a gas outlet. The flask was maintained at 10-15° by means of an ice water bath. Chlorine gas was rapidly passed through the mixture for 0.5 hr and then at a slow rate for 0.5 hr. The upper golden yellow oily layer was separated, washed with 3 x 45 ml of 10% sodium carbonate solution followed by 4 x 35 ml of water, dried (CaCl_2) and distilled, yielding 24.5 g (0.226 mol, 72% yield) of t-butylhypochlorite.

Preparation of Tri-n-butyltin Hydride (TBTH). The method of Kuivila and Beumel (84) was used with minor experimental modifications. To an ice bath-cooled suspension of 2.20 g (0.058 mol) of lithium aluminum hydride in 150 ml of anhydrous ether in a 500 ml three-necked flask provided with an overhead mechanical stirrer, a pressure-compensated addition funnel, a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube, was added dropwise a solution of tri-n-butyltin chloride (15 g, 0.046 mol) in 60 ml of anhydrous ether over a period of 75 min. A slow stream of nitrogen was admitted through the addition funnel all the time. On completion of the chloride addition, the ice bath was removed and the mixture stirred at room temperature

for 8 hr. The excess hydride was destroyed by cautious, dropwise addition of water, with simultaneous cooling of the flask by an ice bath. The clear upper ether layer was decanted off, washed with ice-water (2 x 100 ml), dried (MgSO_4), and stripped of ether by distillation. On application of vacuum, a clear, colorless liquid which turned water-white after a few min distilled over, b.p. $90-91^\circ / 1.5-1.7$ mm. The yield of the tin hydride was 9.57 g (0.0329 mol, 71.4%). The hydride was preserved in the refrigerator in a tightly stoppered flask, covered with aluminum foil to avoid exposure to light.

Photochlorination of *exo*-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with *t*-Butylhypochlorite. To a solution of 10.6 g (0.0931 mol) of the *exo*-hydrocarbon in 20 ml of reagent grade carbon tetrachloride in a 50 ml flask, provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser, was added 5.05 g (0.0465 mol) of *t*-butylhypochlorite and the flask placed in a $40 \pm 2^\circ$ oil bath. The solution was irradiated with a 300 watt Sylvania light bulb for 20 min from a distance of 1 in. The solution was stirred for an additional five min after discontinuance of irradiation. The solution, which was yellow to start with, was now colorless due to the color of the *t*-butylhypochlorite having been discharged. After partial removal of solvent by distillation, the products were analyzed by vpc (col 2, 135° , 75 ml/min) and found to be composed of four monochlorides in the ratio 4:17:67:12 in the order of increasing retention times in a total yield of 27%. No dichlorides were detectable by vpc. The 4% component was too small to permit its isolation and characterization. The other three components were isolated by vpc collection and each was found to show only one peak on rejection, thus indicating their

stability to interconversion on the column under the conditions of analysis.

The 67% component was identified as exo-6-chloro-exo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane on the basis of its spectral data and its identity was confirmed by comparison with an authentic sample synthesized by two independent methods: ir (neat), 3080 (w), 3020 (m) both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), assignable to cyclopropyl ring deformation), and 750 (m) and 733 (s) (both attributable to C-Cl stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄): τ 6.45 (triplet of a doublet, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2.0 Hz, 1H, the α -chloro proton), 7.6 (envelope, 1H, the bridgehead proton), 8.05 (a doublet of a doublet of a doublet, $J = 13$ Hz, 7 Hz, 2.5 Hz, 1H, the endo-C₇ proton), 8.8 (doublet, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1H, the anti-C₈ proton), 9.1 (multiplet of a doublet, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1H, the syn-C₈ proton), 9.45 (complex multiplet, 3H the cyclopropyl protons on C₂, C₄, and the syn-C₃ proton) and 9.9 (multiplet, 1H, the anti-C₃ proton); mass spec: parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144.

Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₁₁Cl: C, 67.38; H, 7.78. Found: C, 67.36; H, 7.89.

The 12% component was assigned the structure endo-6-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane on the basis of its spectral data. This assignment was confirmed by an independent synthesis of this compound: ir (neat), 3105 (w), 3040 (m) (both assignable to cyclopropyl

C-H stretching), 1034 (m) (cyclopropane ring deformation), 757 (s) and 732 (m) (both assignable to C-Cl stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4): τ 5.88 (triplet of a doublet, $J = 9$ Hz, 3.5 Hz, 1H, the α -chloro proton), 7.55 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to chlorine), 7.71 (envelope, 1H, the remaining bridgehead proton), 7.95 (multiplet, 1H, the endo- C_7 proton), 8.53-8.8 (multiplet, 2H, the exo- C_7 proton and the cyclopropyl proton on C_4), 8.85-9.4 (multiplets, 3H, the cyclopropyl proton on C_2 and the C_8 protons), 9.6 (An overlapping pair of triplets, $J = 3$ Hz, 1H, the syn- C_3 proton) and 9.94 (quartet, $J = 7$ Hz, 1H, the anti- C_3 proton); mass spec, parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144.

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}$: C, 67.38; H, 7.78. Found: C, 67.19; H, 7.78.

The 17% component was identified as 1-chloro-exo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane on the basis of its spectral data: ir (neat): 3100 (w), 3030 (w) (both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 1035 (w), 1000 (s) (both assignable to cyclopropane ring deformation), and 733 (s) assignable to C-Cl stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4): τ 7.84 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, the bridgehead proton), 8.1-8.60 (complex overlapping multiplets, 4H, the exo- and the endo-protons on C_6 and C_7), 8.67 (doublet $J = 11$ Hz, 1H, the anti- C_8 proton), 8.89 (doublet, $J = 11$ Hz, 1H, the syn- C_8 proton), 8.90-9.24 (complex multiplets, 2H, the C_2 and C_4 protons), 9.37 (a five-peak signal with a spacing

of 3 Hz between each pair of peaks, 1H, the syn-C₃ proton) and 9.87 (a four-peak signal with a spacing of 7 Hz between each pair of peaks, 1H, the anti-C₃ proton); mass spec, parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144.

Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₁₁Cl: C, 67.38; H, 7.78. Found: C, 67.20; H, 7.90.

Test for Stability of exo-6-Chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-octane to the Photochlorination Conditions. A pure sample of the title chloride (0.0385 g, 0.271 mmol) was treated with t-butanol (0.117 g, 1.58 mmol), acetone (40 μl), and carbon tetrachloride (50 μl) and irradiated at 40° for 20 min. Analysis by vpc (col 3, 140°, 60 ml/min) and ir revealed that the starting chloride had not suffered any detectable change.

Addition of Hydrogen Chloride to exo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-oct-6-ene. Hydrogen chloride gas was passed in a slow, steady stream through a solution of the exo-olefin (1.49 g, 0.014 mol) in 6 ml of methylene chloride for 20 min. After removal of the solvent by rotary evaporation at room temperature, the products were analyzed by vpc (col 15, 115-120°, 60 ml/min). Monochlorides accounting for 54% of the mixture were found to be present in a yield of 33%. The monochloride fraction consisted of two components in the ratio 48:52. The 52% component was the expected exo-6-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane and was identical to the 67% component

of the photochlorination products as observed by comparison of ir and nmr spectra. The 48% component was an olefinic chloride and was not completely characterized.

Reaction of *exo*-6-Hydroxy-*exo*-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with Triphenylphosphine and Carbon Tetrachloride. The alcohol (0.0920 g, 0.74 mmol) was stirred with triphenylphosphine (0.273 g, 1.04 mmol) and carbon tetrachloride (3 ml) in a tightly-stoppered flask for 24 hr. After removal of solvent and any volatile materials at reduced pressure (2 mm), the phosphorane ester was pyrolyzed at 90-130° at 2.0 mm and the pyrolysate collected in a receiver cooled by a bath of dry ice. Analysis of the pyrolysate (0.033 g) by vpc (col 2, 150°, 60 ml/min) showed that the products were composed of four components in the ratio 3:15:64:18 in a yield of 31%. The 3% component was too small to permit its collection and identification.

The 64% and 18% components were the expected *exo*- and *endo*-6-chlorides and were identical respectively to the 67% and 12% components of the photochlorination products from *exo*-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane. The 15% component was identified as nortricyclymethyl chloride on the basis of its spectral data: mass spec, parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144; ir (neat), 3080 (s)(cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 800 (s) (nortricyclene ring) and 730 (s) (C-Cl stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄): τ 6.74 (complex multiplet, 2H, the

α -chloroprotons), 8.05 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, the bridgehead proton on the carbon γ to chlorine), 8.18 (complex multiplet, 1H, the β -chloro proton) and 8.5-9.5 (complex multiplets, 7 H, the remaining protons).

Anal. Calcd. for $C_8H_{11}Cl$: C, 67.38; H, 7.78. Found: C, 67.53; H, 7.96.

Reduction of the Photochlorination Products with TBTH. A mixture of the three monochlorides from the photochlorination of exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane was isolated by vpc collection (0.0880 g, 0.62 mmol) and treated with TBTH (ca. 170 μ l, 0.1860 g, 0.64 mmol) and cyclohexane (80 μ l) in a small tube. Approximately 20 μ l was removed for later analysis as starting material. Two crystals of AIBN were added and the tube sealed and placed in a $95 \pm 2^\circ$ oil bath for 24 hr. Vpc analysis (col 3, 145° , 46 ml/min) showed the presence of only one hydrocarbon product in a yield of 60% (versus cyclohexane internal standard). The hydrocarbon was identified as exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane by comparison of its vpc retention time, ir, and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample.

Reduction of 1-Chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with TBTH. About 8 μ l of the chloride (0.0090 g, 0.063 mmol) was reduced with TBTH (0.0310 g, 0.107 mmol). About 8 μ l of cyclohexane was added. About 3 μ l was withdrawn for later analysis. A crystal of AIBN was added and the tube sealed and placed in 125 - 130° bath for 48 hr. After cooling to room temperature, the tube was opened and the contents analyzed by vpc

(Col 3) and mass spectroscopy. The sole hydrocarbon product had vpc retention time and mass spectrum identical to those of an authentic sample of exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

Photochlorination of endo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with t-Butylhypochlorite. A 1.56 molal solution of the endo-hydrocarbon in carbon tetrachloride (22.4 g of solution) was treated with t-butylhypochlorite (1.43 g, 0.0132 mol, 0.68 m) in a 50 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser. The flask was placed in an oil bath maintained at $40 \pm 2^\circ$ and irradiated for 20 min with a 300 watt Sylvania light bulb from a distance of 1 in. The solution was stirred for five more min after discontinuance of irradiation. The solution became colorless due to the color of the t-butylhypochlorite having been discharged. After partial removal of solvent at reduced pressure, the products were analyzed by vpc (Col 2, 120° , 55 ml/min). Three peaks were seen in the monochloro region, the first two being poorly separated from each other and the last one being well separated from the first two. The first two peaks and the last peak were in the ratio 95:5. Nmr analysis (100 MHz, CCl_4) in the α -chloro region of the first two peaks collected together showed that this was actually a mixture of three chlorides in the ratio 69.4:28.4:2.2. So the final analysis was that the photochlorination products consisted of four monochlorides in the ratio 66:27:2:5, estimated to be formed in a total yield of 33%. The 2% component did not lend

itself to isolation and characterization.

The 66% component was isolated by repeated vpc collection and identified as anti-8-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane on the basis of its spectral data: ir (neat), 3088 (w), 3040 (w), 3020 (w) (all assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 785 (m), 760 (s), and 732 (m) (all assignable to C-Cl stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄), τ 6.28 (complex multiplet, 1H, the α -chloro proton), 7.63 (unresolved multiplet, 2H, the bridgehead protons), 7.86-8.13 (complex multiplet, 2H, the exo-protons on C₆ and C₇), 8.19-8.42 (complex multiplet, 2H, the endo-protons on C₆ and C₇), 8.51-8.67 (complex multiplet, 2H, the two cyclopropyl methine protons) and 9.17-9.37 (complex multiplet, 2H, the cyclopropyl methylene protons); mass spec, parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144. The structure assignment was confirmed by the stereospecific methanolysis of this chloride to endo-2-methoxy-tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane.

Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₁₁Cl: C, 67.38; H, 7.78. Found: C, 67.22; H, 7.92.

The 27% component was identified as the rearranged endo-chloride, endo-2-chlorotricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane 16, by comparison of its ir and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample supplied by Tanida (71).

Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₁₁Cl: C, 67.38; H, 7.78. Found: C, 67.58; H, 7.88.

The 5% component was not completely characterized. Its spectral data, however, showed that it could not be the rearranged exo-chloride, the endo-syn-8 chloride, the endo-syn-3-chloride, the endo-anti-3-chloride or the exo- or endo-6-chloride; ir (neat), 3120 (w), 3050 (m) (both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 783 (s), 772 (s) and 725 (s) (all assignable to C-Cl stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4), τ 5.95 (triplet of a doublet, $J = 11 \text{ Hz}, 4 \text{ Hz}$, finer splitting of each of the lines to about 1 Hz was also observable, 1H), 7.52 (envelope, 1 H), 7.66 (envelope, 1H), 7.8-8.03 (complex multiplet, 2H), 8.05-8.23 (complex multiplet, 2H), 8.28-8.83 (complex multiplet, 3H), and 8.88-9.13 (doublet of a quartet, $J = 6.5 \text{ Hz}$, 2 Hz, 1H); mass spec, parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144.

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}$: C, 67.38; H, 7.78. Found: C, 67.48; H, 7.67.

Test for the Stability of the endo-anti-8-Chloride 17 to the Reaction Conditions. A pure sample of the anti-chloride (0.0245 g, 0.172 mmol) was treated with anhydrous t-butanol (0.059 g, 0.798 mmol), reagent grade acetone (25 μl) and carbon tetrachloride (36 μl) in a 10 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube. The flask was placed in a $40 \pm 2^\circ$ oil bath and irradiated for 20 min with a 300 watt Sylvania light bulb from a distance of 1 in. Vpc analysis (Col 2, 130° , 50-55 ml/min) showed only one monochloride peak, identical in retention time and

nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4) spectrum to that of the starting anti-chloride.

Test for the Homogeneity of the endo-anti-8-Chloride 17 by Vpc.

Pure samples of the anti-chloride were injected into several vpc columns of divergent polarity (Col 1-5). Only one peak was seen in each case. No detectable isomerization was observed on any of the columns tried.

Test for Stability of the Rearranged endo-Chloride 16 to the Photochlorination Conditions. A pure sample of the title chloride (0.0190 g, 0.134 mmol) was treated with t-butanol (0.0880 g, 1.19 mmol), acetone (30 μl), and carbon tetrachloride (40 μl) and irradiated at 40° for 20 min by means of a 300 watt Sylvania light bulb. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was analyzed by vpc (col 3, 140° , 60 ml/min). There was only one monochloride peak which was found to have retention time and ir spectrum identical to those of the starting chloride.

Effect of Changing the Concentration of t-butylhypochlorite on the Relative Proportions of the Monochlorides.

1) A 1.56 molal solution of the endo-hydrocarbon in carbon tetrachloride (22.74 g of solution) was treated with t-butylhypochlorite (1.03 g, 0.49 m) and irradiated for 20 min with a 300 watt Sylvania light bulb at $40 \pm 2^\circ$. After removal of most of the solvent at reduced pressure, the products were analyzed by vpc (col 2, 130° , 50-55 ml/min) and nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4). The monochlorides were composed

of 63% of the endo-anti-8-chloride, 28% of the rearranged endo-chloride, 6% of the incompletely characterized chloride, and 3% of the unidentified chloride.

2) A 1.56 molal solution of the endo-hydrocarbon in carbon tetrachloride was treated with t-butylhypochlorite (0.55 g, molality = 0.26) and irradiated for 20 min at $40 \pm 2^\circ$. Analysis of the products (vpc and nmr) showed that the monochlorides were composed of 32% of the endo-anti-8-chloride, 41% of the rearranged endo-chloride, 11% of the incompletely characterized chloride, and 16% of the unidentified chloride.

3) The endo-hydrocarbon (1.71 g, 0.0158 mol) in 21.7 g of carbon tetrachloride (molality of hydrocarbon = 0.73) was treated with t-butylhypochlorite (0.42 g, 0.00387 mol, molality = 0.18) and irradiated at $40 \pm 2^\circ$ for 20 min. Analysis as above showed that the monochlorides were composed of 11% of the endo-anti-8-chloride, 56% of the rearranged endo-chloride, 15% of the incompletely characterized component, and 18% of the unidentified component.

Reaction of a Mixture of the endo-syn-8- and endo-anti-8-ols 14 with Thionyl Chloride in Ether. A 64:36 mixture of the endo-syn-8-ol and the endo-anti-8-ol 14 (2.94 g, 0.0237 mol) in 16 ml of anhydrous ether was treated with thionyl chloride (16.7 g, 0.14 mol) in 25 ml of anhydrous ether in a three-necked 50 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer, a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride

tube. The mixture was stirred and heated at reflux for 14 hr. Unreacted thionyl chloride was removed by rotary evaporation. 70 ml of water was added and the mixture extracted repeatedly with ether. The combined ether extracts were dried (MgSO_4) and the ether evaporated, yielding 2.71 g (80% yield) of a brown liquid which showed only one peak on vpc analysis (col 2, 140° , 100 ml/min). The sole product was collected and identified as the rearranged endo-chloride 16 by comparison of its vpc retention time and ir spectrum to those of an authentic sample.

Reaction of a Mixture of the endo-syn-8- and the endo-anti-8-ols 14 with Thionyl Chloride and Pyridine. A 64:36 mixture of the endo-syn- and the endo-anti-alcohols 14 (1.725 g, 0.0139 mol) was treated with anhydrous pyridine (1.225 g, 0.0155 mol) and thionyl chloride (2.18 g, 0.0183 mol) in a 50 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube. The flask was cooled by an ice bath during the addition of thionyl chloride. A dark brown semi-solid material formed almost immediately. The ice bath was then replaced by an oil bath and the temperature maintained at ca. 60° for 1.5 hr. The flask was then placed in a 40° bath and connected to an aspirator to remove unreacted thionyl chloride. 50 ml of water was added, with simultaneous cooling by an ice bath, and a dark brown liquid resulted. Extraction with 5 x 30 ml of ether, drying of the combined ether extracts (MgSO_4)

and removal of ether by rotary evaporation at 40-50° gave 1.27 g (64% yield) of a dark brown liquid which showed only one peak on vpc analysis (col 2, 125-130°, 55 ml/min and col 1, 135°, 75 ml/min). The sole peak was collected and identified as the rearranged endo-chloride 16 by comparison of ir and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample.

Reaction of the endo-syn-8-ol 14a with Triphenylphosphine and Carbon Tetrachloride. The endo-syn-8-ol (0.94 g, 7.5 mmol) was treated with triphenylphosphine (2.08 g, 7.94 mmol) and carbon tetrachloride (6 ml) in a 50 ml flask fitted with a magnetic stirrer and a tight-fitting glass stopper. The mixture was stirred in the closed flask for 24 hr at room temperature. After removal of solvent at reduced pressure (20 mm), the phosphorane ester was pyrolyzed at 140-150° at 1-2 mm Hg pressure and the pyrolysate collected in a receiver cooled by a bath of dry ice. The pyrolysate, 0.56 g of a pale yellow liquid, on vpc analysis (col 2, 130-135°, 86 ml/min) was found to consist chiefly of two components in the ratio 32:48 in the order of increasing retention times in a yield of 41%. The remainder consisted of about five unidentified, minor peaks.

The 32% component was identified as the rearranged endo-chloride 16 by comparison of its vpc retention time, ir and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample.

The 48% component was identified as Δ^4 -cycloheptenyl carboxaldehyde on the basis of its spectral data and its reduction with lithium aluminum hydride to Δ^4 -cycloheptenylmethyl alcohol. The spectral data for the aldehyde component are: ir (neat), 3029 (m) (assignable to olefinic C-H stretching), 1640 (w) (C=C bond), 2719 (m) (characteristic of aldehydic C-H stretching) and 1716 (s) (C=O stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4), τ 0.45 (singlet, 1H, the aldehydic proton), 4.3 (unresolved triplet, 2H, the olefinic protons), and 7.4-8.8 (complex multiplets, 9H, the remaining protons).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{O}$: C, 77.38; H, 9.75. Found: C, 77.20; H, 9.91.

Reduction of Δ^4 -cycloheptenyl carboxaldehyde with Lithium Aluminum Hydride. To a suspension of lithium aluminum hydride (0.04 g, 1.06 mmol) in 1 ml of anhydrous ether, was added slowly a solution of the aldehyde (0.0210 g, 0.17 mmol) in 1 ml of anhydrous ether and the mixture stirred for 4 hr. The excess hydride was destroyed by cautious addition of a saturated solution of ammonium chloride in water. Ether extraction, drying of the ether extracts (MgSO_4) and removal of ether by rotary evaporation gave 0.0140 g (66% yield) of Δ^4 -cycloheptenylmethyl alcohol, identified by comparison of its vpc retention time (col 3), ir and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample, supplied by Schick (94).

Reaction of the endo-anti-Alcohol with Triphenylphosphine and Carbon Tetrachloride. The reaction of the anti-alcohol with carbon tetrachloride ((4.1 ml) (0.67 g, 5.4 mmol) and triphenylphosphine (1.50 g, 5.73 mmol) was carried out and the products analyzed under conditions identical to those employed in the case of the syn-alcohol. The products were found to be composed of the rearranged endo-chloride (55%) and Δ^4 -cycloheptenyl carboxaldehyde (45%) in a yield of 39%.

Test for the Stability of the endo-anti-Chloride 17 to the Triphenylphosphine, Carbon Tetrachloride Reaction Conditions. A sample of the endo-anti-chloride (ca. 10 μ l, 0.0113 g, 0.0796 mmol) was treated in an nmr tube with carbon tetrachloride (150 μ l), tetramethyl silane (ca. 2 μ l), triphenylphosphine oxide (0.0385 g, 0.139 mmol), triphenylphosphine (0.0300 g, 0.115 mmol) and chloroform (15 μ l). The tube was then cooled in a bath of acetone-dry ice and sealed. After allowing the tube to stand at room temperature for 24 hr, it was placed in an oil bath maintained at 140-150° for 1 hr. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was analyzed by 100 MHz nmr. There was no change in the spectrum of the endo-anti-chloride. No detectable isomerization or rearrangement was observed (>1% could have been detected).

Test for the Stability of the Rearranged endo-Chloride 16 to Heat. A pure sample of the rearranged endo-chloride (ca. 10 μ l) was

placed in a small glass tube and the tube sealed and placed in a 200-210° oil bath for 1 hr. After cooling to room temperature, the chloride was analyzed by 100 MHz nmr. There was no detectable isomerization of the chloride ($> 1\%$ could have been detected).

Attempted Epimerization of the Rearranged endo-Chloride 16
to the Rearranged exo-Chloride 43. A pure sample of the rearranged endo-chloride 16 (0.77 g, 5.4 mmol) was treated with a solution of 5 g of lithium chloride in 35 ml of anhydrous dimethylformamide (the inorganic chloride took several hours to go into solution completely at room temperature) in a 50 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube. The flask was placed in an oil bath at 85-90° and the contents stirred for 39 hr. The flask was then allowed to cool to room temperature and the mixture diluted with 100 ml of water. Repeated ether extraction, washing of the ether extracts with water, followed by drying (MgSO_4) and removal of ether by rotary evaporation yielded 0.45 g of a brown liquid which was found by vpc (col 3), ir, and nmr analysis to consist almost exclusively of the starting endo-chloride. This represents a 58% recovery.

Reduction of the Rearranged endo-Chloride 16 with TBTH. A pure sample of the rearranged endo-chloride (0.073 g, 0.51 mmol) was treated with TBTH (0.1560 g, 0.536 mmol) and ca. 50 μl of cyclohexane in a small tube. Approximately 5 μl was removed for

later analysis. A crystal of AIBN was added and the tube sealed and placed in a $95 \pm 2^\circ$ oil bath for 12 hr. After cooling to room temperature, the tube was opened and analyzed by vpc (col 3, 125° , 50 ml/min). There was only one hydrocarbon product, formed in a yield of 65% (versus cyclohexane internal standard). The vpc retention time, ir and nmr spectra of this sole hydrocarbon product were identical to those of an authentic sample of tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]-octane.

Reaction of *endo*-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one with Phosphorus Pentachloride. The procedure described by Jacobs (96) was followed with minor experimental modifications. A sample of the *endo*-ketone (1.23 g, 0.01 mol) in 5 ml of carbon tetrachloride was treated with 2.86 g (0.0137 mol) of phosphorus pentachloride in a 25 ml flask provided with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser and a calcium chloride tube. The mixture was maintained at a gentle reflux and stirred for 4.5 hr. The flask was then cooled to room temperature and stripped of volatile materials at reduced pressure (36 mm), leaving a yellow semi-solid material. This material was stirred with pentane (17 ml) and filtered. The clear filtrate was washed with water repeatedly, dried (MgSO_4) and stripped of pentane by rotary evaporation at room temperature, giving 1.07 g of a yellow oil which on vpc analysis (col 12, 130 - 135° , 26 ml/min, col 13, 100° , 40 ml/min) showed only one peak which was collected and identified

as endo-2-chloro-5-chlorotricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane on the basis of its spectral data: ir (neat), 3048 (w), 3016 (shoulder) (both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), and 820 (s), 812 (s) and 750 (s) (all three assignable to C-Cl stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄): 5.48-5.73 (six-peak signal, 1H, the α -chloroproton) and 7.05-8.7 (complex multiplets, 9H, the remaining protons).

Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₁₀Cl₂: C, 54.24; H, 5.70. Found: C, 54.29; H, 5.73.

Reduction of endo-2-Chloro-5-chlorotricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane with TBTH. A pure sample of the title dichloride (ca. 180 μ l, 0.2260 g, 1.28 mmol) was treated with TBTH (ca. 750 μ l, 0.8450 g, 2.91 mmol) and cyclohexane (ca. 200 μ l) in a small tube. About 10 μ l was removed for later analysis. After addition of two crystals of AIBN, the tube was sealed and placed in a 95 \pm 2° bath for 12 hr. After cooling to room temperature, the tube was opened and the contents analyzed by vpc (col 3, 137°, 100 ml/min). Three products were found to be present in the ratio 10:83:7 in the order of increasing retention times in a yield of 84% (versus cyclohexane internal standard). The 10% component was identified as tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane by comparison of ir and nmr spectra with those of an authentic sample. The 7% product was identified as the rearranged endo-chloride by comparison of its vpc retention time and ir spectrum with those of an authentic sample.

The 83% component was identified as 5-chlorotricyclo-[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane on the basis of its spectral data: ir (neat), 3040 (m) (cyclopropyl C-H stretching), and 800 (m) and 765 (m) (both assignable to C-Cl stretching); nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄), 7.25 (triplet, 1H), the bridgehead proton on C₁, 7.65-8.05 (multiplet, 4H, the exo-protons on C₂, C₃, C₇, and C₈), 8.2 (doublet, 2H, the cyclopropyl protons on C₄ and C₅) and 8.45-8.9 (complex multiplets, 4H, the endo-protons on C₂, C₃, C₇, and C₈); mass spec, parent peaks at m/e 142 and 144.

Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₁₁Cl: C, 67.38; H, 7.78. Found: C, 67.44; H, 7.68.

Reaction of exo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene with t-Butylhypochlorite. The title olefin (1.40 g, 13.2 mmol) was dissolved in 4 ml of carbon tetrachloride in a flask provided with a reflux condenser, a drying tube and a magnetic stirrer. The flask was covered with aluminum foil to avoid exposure to light. After addition of t-butyl hypochlorite (0.71 g, 6.5 mmol), the foil was removed and the flask placed in a 40±2° bath and irradiated for 20 min with a 300 watt Sylvania light bulb from a distance of 1 in. After partial removal of volatile components at reduced pressure (20 mm), the mixture (1.37 g) was analyzed by vpc (col 3, 140°, 40 ml/min). The products were found to be composed of 2 components in the ratio 78:22 (in the order of increasing retention times) in a yield of 56%.

The 78% component was identified as exo-6-t-butoxy-endo-7-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (trans-adduct) on the basis of its spectral data: ir (neat), 3088 and 3032 cm⁻¹ (w, cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 1190 (s), 1116 (s), 1064 (s), 1030 (s), all attributable to C-O stretching 806 (s) and 755 (m), both assignable C-Cl stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄), τ 6.22 (poorly resolved doublet of doublet, J = 2.9 Hz, 2 Hz, 1H, α -chloro proton), 6.61 (triplet, J = 2 Hz, 1H, α -butoxy proton), 7.63 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, bridgehead proton β to chlorine), 7.94 (singlet, 1H, the bridgehead proton β -t-butoxy), 8.5-8.9 (multiplets with a large singlet at 8.86, 11 H, the anti-C₈ proton, the t-butoxy protons, and the C₄ proton), 9.08 (a poorly resolved multiplet of a doublet of the AB pattern, J = 12 Hz, 1H, the syn-C₈ proton), 9.2-9.5 (multiplets, 2H, the C₂ proton and the syn-C₄ proton), and 9.65-9.92 (a four-peak signal with a spacing of 7 Hz between each consecutive pair of peaks, 1H, the anti-C₃ proton).

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₉OCl: C, 67.13; H, 8.92. Found: C, 67.29; H, 9.07.

The 22% component was identified as exo-6-t-butoxy-exo-7-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (cis-adduct) on the basis of its spectral data: ir (neat), 3092 (w) and 3032 (s), both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1195 (s), 1110 (s), 1090 (s), 1080 (s), 1030 (s), all attributable to C-O stretching, 745 (s), 712 (s), both assignable to C-Cl stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄), τ 6.23 (doublet

of a doublet, $J = 6.0$ Hz, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H, α -chloro proton), 6.51 (doublet of a doublet, $J = 6$ Hz, 1.9 Hz, 1H, the α -t-butoxy proton), 7.69 (singlet, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to chlorine), 7.96 (singlet, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 8.55 (a doublet of the AB pattern, $J = 11$ Hz, 1H, the anti-C₈ proton), 8.83 (a large singlet, 9H, the t-butoxy proton), 9.25 (an unresolved multiplet of a doublet of the AB pattern, $J = 11$ Hz, 1H, the syn-C₈ proton), 9.3-9.5 (multiplet, 3H, the C₂ and C₄ protons and the syn-C₃ proton), and 9.7-9.9 (multiplet, 1H, the anti-C₃ proton).

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₉OCl: C, 67.13; H, 8.92. Found: C, 67.05; H, 8.72.

Reduction of the trans-Adduct, exo-6-t-Butoxy-endo-7-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with TBTH. A sample of the trans-adduct (ca. 110 μ l, 0.12 g, 0.56 mmol) was combined with TBTH (ca. 150 μ l, 0.17 g, 0.58 mmol) and a crystal of AIBN in a small tube and the tube sealed and placed in a 95° bath. After 12 hr the tube was cooled and opened and the contents analyzed by vpc (col 5, 155°, 40 ml/min). There was only one product, estimated to be formed in a yield of ca. 90%. The product was identified as exo-6-t-butoxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane on the basis of its spectral data and on the basis of the similarity of its nmr spectrum to that of exo-6-hydroxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane: ir (neat), 3092 (w), 3016 (m), both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1195 (s), 1185 (s), 1155 (s),

1088 (s), 1060 (s), 1025 (s), all attributable to C-O stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4); τ 6.54 (doublet of a doublet of a doublet, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3 Hz, 1 Hz, 1H, the α -t-butoxy proton), 7.87 (poorly resolved multiplet, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 7.95 (singlet, 1H, the other bridgehead proton), 8.35 (a doublet of a doublet of a doublet of the AB pattern, $J = 12.5$ Hz, 7.0 Hz, 2.2 Hz, 1H, the endo- C_7 proton), 8.75 (triplet of a doublet, of the AB pattern, $J = 12.5$ Hz, 1H, the exo- C_7 proton), 8.86 (singlet, 9H, the t-butoxy protons), 8.96 (a poorly resolved doublet of a doublet of the AB pattern, $J = 12$ Hz, 1H, the anti- C_8 proton), 9.28 (a poorly resolved multiplet of a doublet of the AB pattern, $J = 12$ Hz, 1H, the syn- C_8 proton), 9.35-9.6 (multiplet, 3H, the C_2 and C_4 protons and the syn- C_3 proton) and 9.85-10.09 (multiplet, 1H, the anti- C_3 proton).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}$: C, 79.91; H, 11.19. Found: C, 79.93; H, 11.15.

Reduction of the cis-adduct, exo-6-t-Butoxy-exo-7-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with TBTH. The cis-adduct (0.044 g, 0.21 mmol) was reduced with TBTH (0.0575 g, 0.198 mmol) with AIBN initiation under conditions identical to those employed for the trans-adduct. Vpc analysis (col 5, 155°, 40 ml/min) showed only one product, in a yield of ca. 64%, which had retention time and ir spectrum identical to those of the product obtained from the trans-adduct.

Reaction of endo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-6-ene with t-Butylhypochlorite. The endo-olefin (3.13 g, 29.5 mmol) in 6 ml of carbon tetrachloride was irradiated with t-butylhypochlorite (1.57 g, 14.5 mmol) for 20 min at 40±2° with a 300 watt Sylvania light bulb as in

the case of the exo-olefin. After partial removal of solvent at reduced pressure, the mixture was analyzed by vpc (col 3, 140°, 40 ml/min). Two adducts were observed in the ratio 43:57 in the order of increasing retention times, formed in a yield of 59%. There was no peak in the monochloro region.

The 43% component was identified as exo-6-t-butoxy-endo-7-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (trans-adduct) on the basis of its spectral data: ir (neat), 3096 (w), 3040 (w), both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1190 (s), 1125 (s), 1096 (s), 1065 (s), 1040 (s), all assignable to C-Cl stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄), τ 6.24 (doublet of a triplet, $J = 3.4$ Hz, 0.7 Hz, 1H, the α -chloro proton), 6.58 (broad singlet, may be a poorly resolved doublet, $W_{\frac{1}{2}} = 5$ Hz, 1H, the α -t-butoxy proton), 7.5 (envelope, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to chlorine), 7.9 (envelope, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 8.0 (a broad singlet, 2H, the C₈ protons), 8.28 (a pair of overlapping triplets of a doublet, $J = 7$ Hz, 3 Hz, 1H, the syn-C₃ proton), 8.55-8.75 (multiplet, 2H, the C₂ and C₄ protons), 8.82 (singlet, 9H, the t-butoxy protons), and 9.15 (multiplet, 1H, the anti-C₃ proton).

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₉OCl: C, 67.13; H, 8.92. Found: C, 67.10; H, 8.89.

The 57% component was identified as exo-6-t-butoxy-exo-7-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane on a consideration of its

spectral data: ir (neat), 3080 (shoulder), 3032 (shoulder), (both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching), 1190 (s), 1114 (s), 1104 (s), 1042 (s), 1000 (m), all assignable to C-O stretching, 780 (s), 770 (s), 757 (m), 750 (s), 718 (s), all assignable to C-Cl stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl_4), τ 6.36 (doublet of a doublet, $J = 5.6$ Hz, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H, α -chloro proton), 6.68 (doublet of a doublet, $J = 5.6$ Hz, $J = 0.8$ Hz, 1H, α -t-butoxy proton), 7.68 (envelope, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to chlorine) 7.73 (a component of an AB pattern, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H, the anti- C_8 proton), 7.92 (envelope, 1H, the bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 8.15 (multiplet of the B doublet of the AB pattern, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H, the syn- C_8 proton), 8.60-8.80 (multiplet, 2H, the C_2 and C_4 protons), 8.82 (singlet, 9 H, the t-butoxy protons), and 9.0-9.35 (complex multiplet, 2H, the C_3 protons).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{19}\text{OCl}$: C, 67.13; H, 8.92. Found: C, 67.11; H, 8.90.

Reduction of the trans-Adduct, exo-6-t-Butoxy-endo-7-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with TBTH. The trans-adduct (ca. 65 μl , 0.081 g, 0.38 mmol) was treated with TBTH (0.114 g, 0.392 mmol) and cyclohexane (60 μl) in a small tube. Approximately 5 μl was removed for later analysis. A crystal of AIBN was added and the tube sealed and placed in a 95° bath for 12 hr. Vpc analysis (col 5, 155° , 40 ml/min) showed only one product, formed in a yield of 75% (versus cyclohexane internal standard). The product

was identified as exo-6-t-butoxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane on the basis of its spectral data and on the basis of the similarity of its nmr spectrum to that of exo-6-hydroxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-octane; ir (neat), 3064 (w), 3016 (shoulder), both assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1194 (s), 1086 (s) and 1030 (s), all assignable to C-O stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄), τ 6.74 (doublet of doublets, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 3.0 Hz, finer splitting of each of the lines to about 0.5 Hz was also observable, 1H, α -t-butoxy proton), 7.8 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 8.0 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, the other bridgehead proton), 8.2 (broad singlet, 2H, the C₈ protons), 8.6-8.85 (complex multiplets, 4H, protons on C₇, C₂ and C₄), 8.9 (singlet, 9 H, t-butoxy protons), 9.1-9.45 (complex multiplets, 2H, protons on C₃).

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₂₀O: C, 79.91; H, 11.19. Found: C, 79.80; H, 11.00.

Reduction of the cis-Adduct, exo-6-t-Butoxy-exo-7-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane with TBTH. A sample of the cis-adduct (ca. 130 μ l, 0.152 g, 0.709 mmol) was reduced with TBTH (ca. 185 μ l, 0.212 g, 0.729 mmol), cyclohexane (130 μ l) and a crystal of AIBN under conditions identical to those used for the trans-isomer. Vpc analysis (col 5, 155°, 40 ml/min) showed only one product in a

yield of ca. 97% (versus cyclohexane internal standard). The sole product was identical to the one obtained from the trans-adduct as observed by comparison of vpc retention times and ir spectra.

Reaction of Deltacyclene with t-Butylhypochlorite. The reaction of deltacyclene, synthesized by the method of Katz et al. (103, 104) (4.00 g, 34 mmol) in carbon tetrachloride (11 ml) with t-butylhypochlorite (1.84 g, 17 mmol) was performed exactly as above for the other olefins. Vpc analysis of the products (col 3, 155°, 45 ml/min) after partial removal of solvent at reduced pressure (20 mm), showed 4 peaks in the ratio 12.5:4.5:66:17 in the order of increasing retention times. The 12.5% component showed a multiplicity of signals including aromatic proton signals in the nmr and possibly arose from indene, a contaminant in deltacyclene. The 4.5% component on further vpc analysis was found to be a mixture of 4 components none of which showed the correct molecular weight for the monochloride or the t-butylhypochlorite addition product on mass spectral analysis.

The 66% and 17% components were identified as the trans- and cis-adducts on the basis of their spectral data and on the basis of their reduction to exo-8-t-butoxydeltacyclane. The trans-adduct (66% component) had the following spectral characteristics: ir (neat), 3056 (w), assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1185 (s), 1152 (m), 1060 (s), 1021 (s), all assignable to C-O stretching, 800 (s), 790 (s), 775 (m), 733 (m), all assignable to C-Cl stretching; nmr

(100 MHz, CCl_4): τ 6.07 (doublet of a doublet, $J = 4$ Hz, $J = 2$ Hz, 1H, α -chloroproton), 6.24 (poorly resolved doublet, $J = 2$ Hz, 1H, α -t-butoxy proton), 7.8 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, bridgehead proton β to chlorine), 7.88 (unresolved multiplet, 1H, bridgehead proton β to t-butoxy), 8.15 (unresolved triplet, 1H, C-6 proton), 8.42 (singlet, 2H, C-5 protons), 8.74 (singlet, 2H, C-2 and C-3 protons), 8.82 (singlet, 9H, t-butoxy protons), 9-9.15 (a doublet of a doublet of a doublet, $J = 11, 6, 2$ Hz, 1H, C-4 proton).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{OCl}$: C, 68.85; H, 8.45. Found: C, 68.58; H, 8.23.

The cis-adduct (17% component) was contaminated to the extent of about 32% by an unidentified material; ir (neat), 3056 (w), assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1185 (m), 1086 (s), both assignable to C-O stretching, 800 (s), assignable to nortircyclene ring, 765 (w), 715 (w), both assignable to C-Cl stretching; nmr (100 Mz, CCl_4), τ 5.9 (doublet, $J = 6.0$ Hz), 6.15 (doublet, $J = 6$ Hz), 7.35 (poorly resolved multiplet), 7.64 (envelope), 7.88 (envelope), 8.0-8.3 (multiplets), 8.48 (a broad singlet), 8.52-8.98 (multiplets with a large singlet at 8.85), and 9.05-9.22 (multiplet). Integration data were misleading due to contamination of the sample.

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{OCl}$: C, 68.85; H, 8.45. Found: C, 68.50; H, 8.23.

Reduction of the trans-Adduct, exo-8-t-Butoxy-endo-9-chloro-deltacyclane with TBTH. A sample of the trans-adduct (0.1780 g, 0.786 mmol) was treated with TBTH (ca. 210 μ l, 0.247 g, 0.849 mmol) and cyclohexane (ca. 100 μ l) in a small tube. Approximately 4 μ l was removed for later analysis. A crystal of AIBN was added and the tube sealed and placed in a 95° bath for 10 hr. After cooling to room temperature, the tube was opened and the contents analyzed by vpc (col 5, 155°, 40 ml/min). There was only one product (ca. 81% yield versus cyclohexane internal standard) which was identified as exo-8-t-butoxy deltacyclane on the basis of its spectral data and on the basis of the similarity of its nmr spectrum to that of exo-8-hydroxydeltacyclane; ir (neat), 3056 (w), assignable to cyclopropyl C-H stretching, 1190 (s), 1178 (s), 1136 (m), 1070 (s), 1040 (s), all assignable to C-O stretching; nmr (100 MHz, CCl₄); τ 6.2 (poorly resolved multiplet of a doublet, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, α -t-butoxy proton), 8-8.25 (a series of poorly resolved multiplets, 5H, bridgehead protons on C-1 and C-7, exo- and endo- protons on C-9 and the proton on C-6), 8.46 (singlet, 2H, C-5 protons), 8.85 (large singlet with a poorly resolved multiplet varied under it, 10H, t-butoxy and one of the tertiary cyclopropyl protons) and 9.25 (doublet of a triplet, J = 4 Hz, J = 1 Hz, 2H, the remaining cyclopropyl protons).

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₃H₂₀O: C, 81.17; H, 10.49. Found: C, 81.30; H, 10.62.

Reduction of the cis-Adduct, exo-8-t-Butoxy-exo-9-chloro-deltacyclane with TBTH. The cis-adduct (0.0490 g, 0.22 mmol) was reduced with TBTH (0.0680 g, 0.23 mmol), cyclohexane (ca. 40 μ l) and a crystal of AIBN at 95° for 10 hr. Vpc analysis (col 5, 155°, 40 ml/min) showed 2 products in the ratio 68:32 in a yield of ca. 67% versus cyclohexane internal standard). The 68% component was identical (retention time and ir) to the sole product obtained on reduction of the trans-adduct. The 32% component could not be isolated in sufficient quantities to enable its characterization.

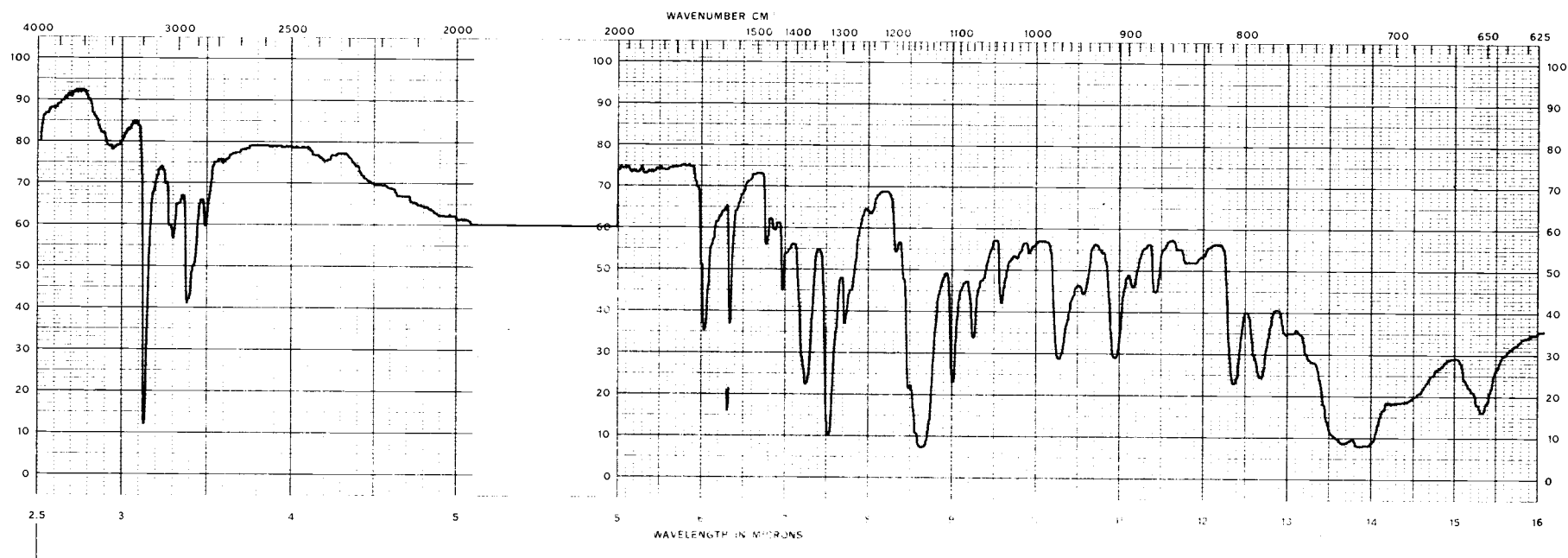


Figure 1. Infrared Spectrum of endo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one Tosylhydrazone (KBr pellet).

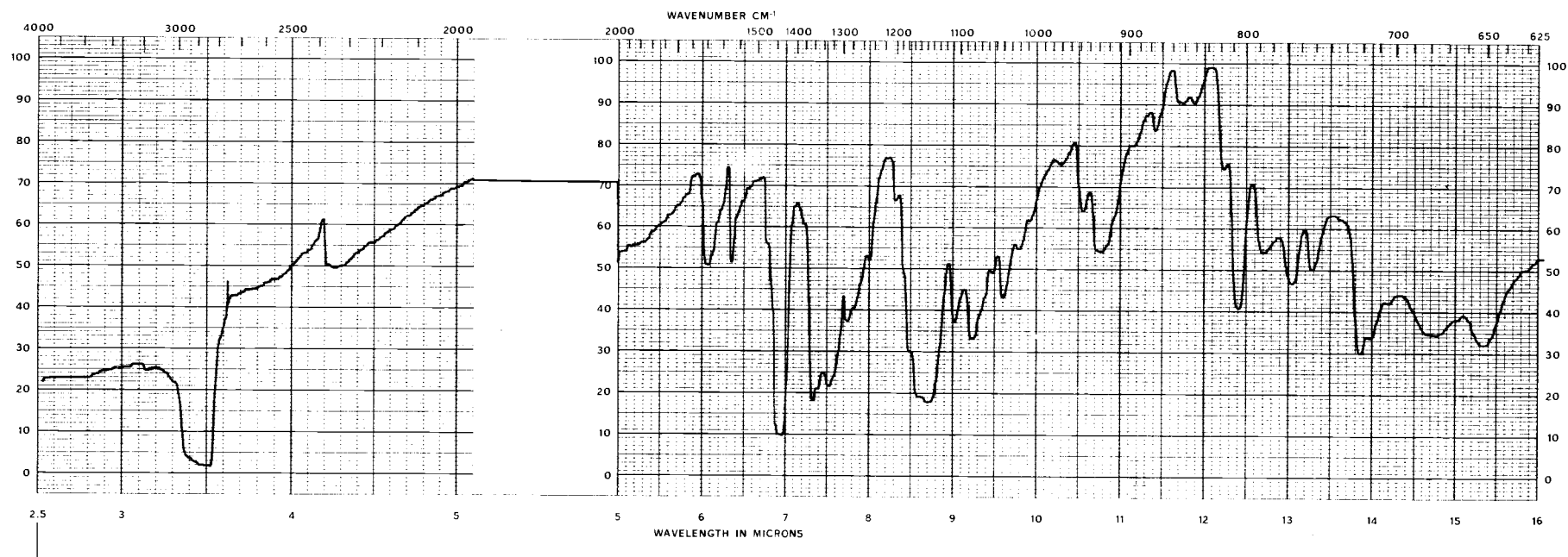


Figure 2. Infrared Spectrum of endo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-8-one Tosylhydrazone-N-d₁
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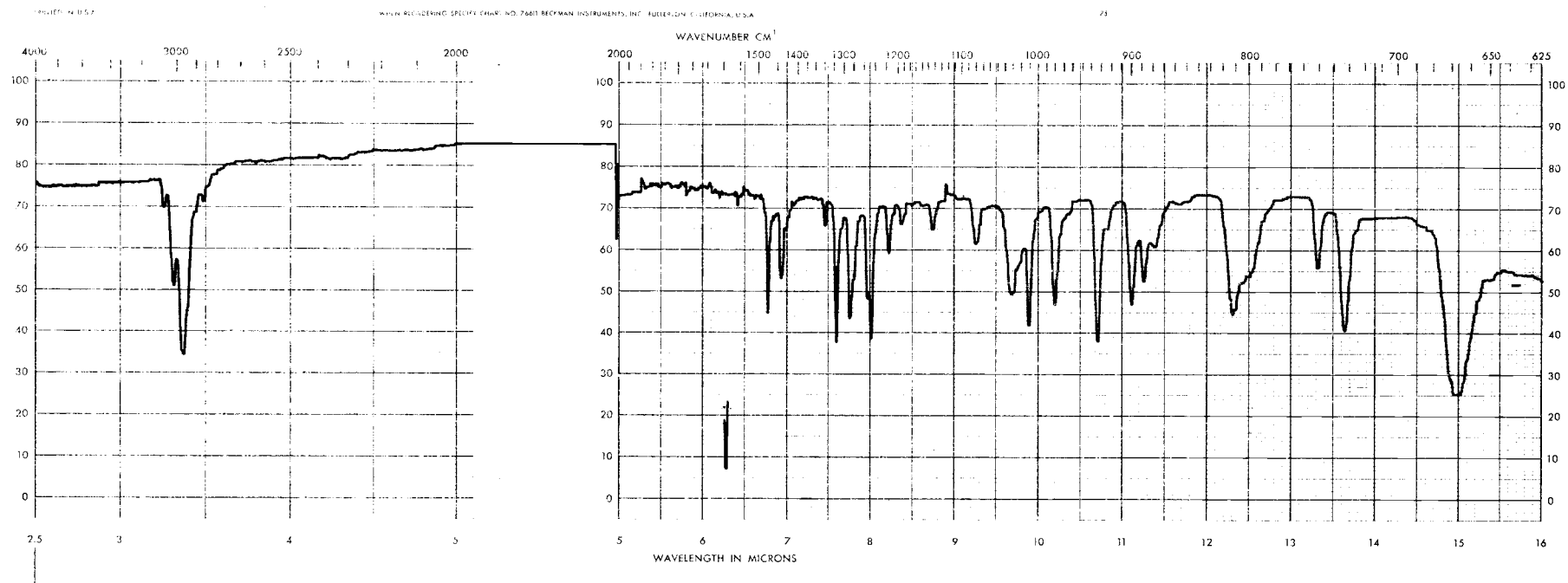


Figure 3. Infrared Spectrum of exo-6-Chloro-exo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (neat, salt plates).

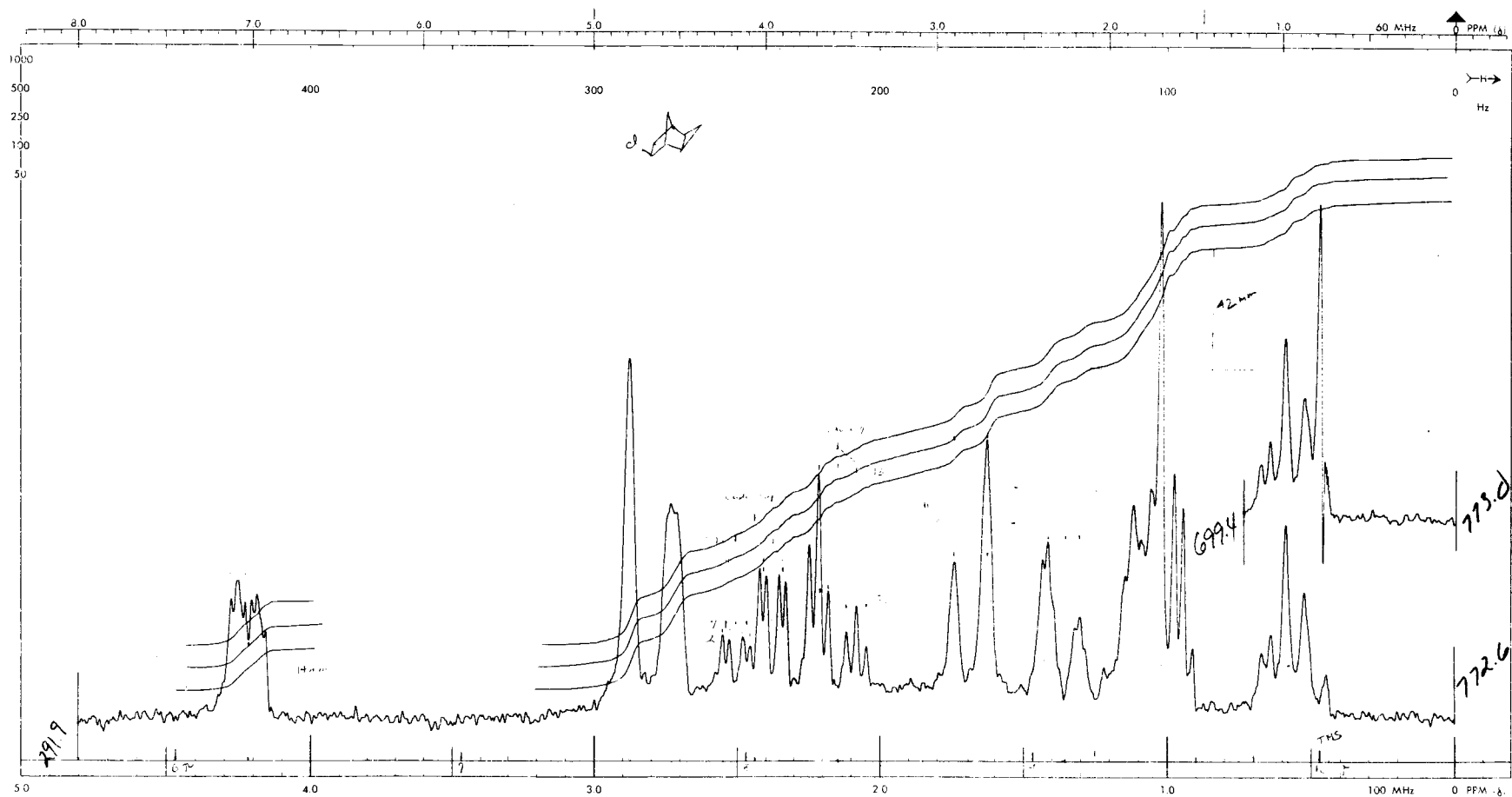


Figure 4. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl₄) of *exo*-6-Chloro-*exo*-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

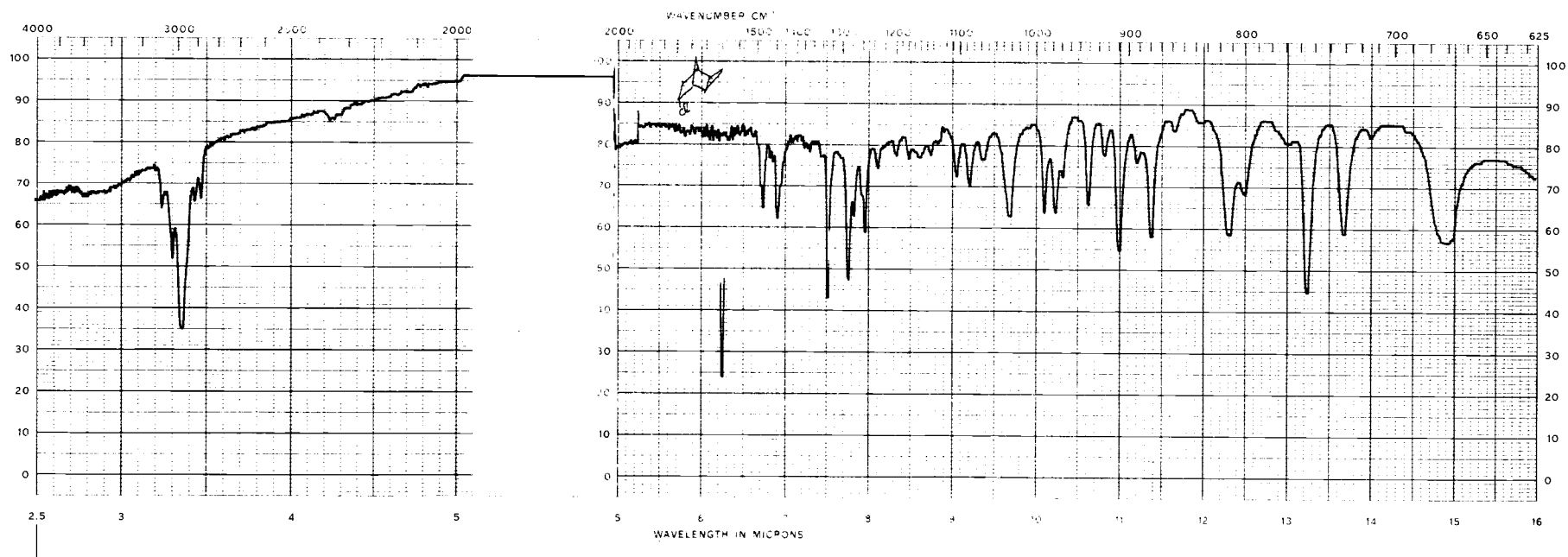


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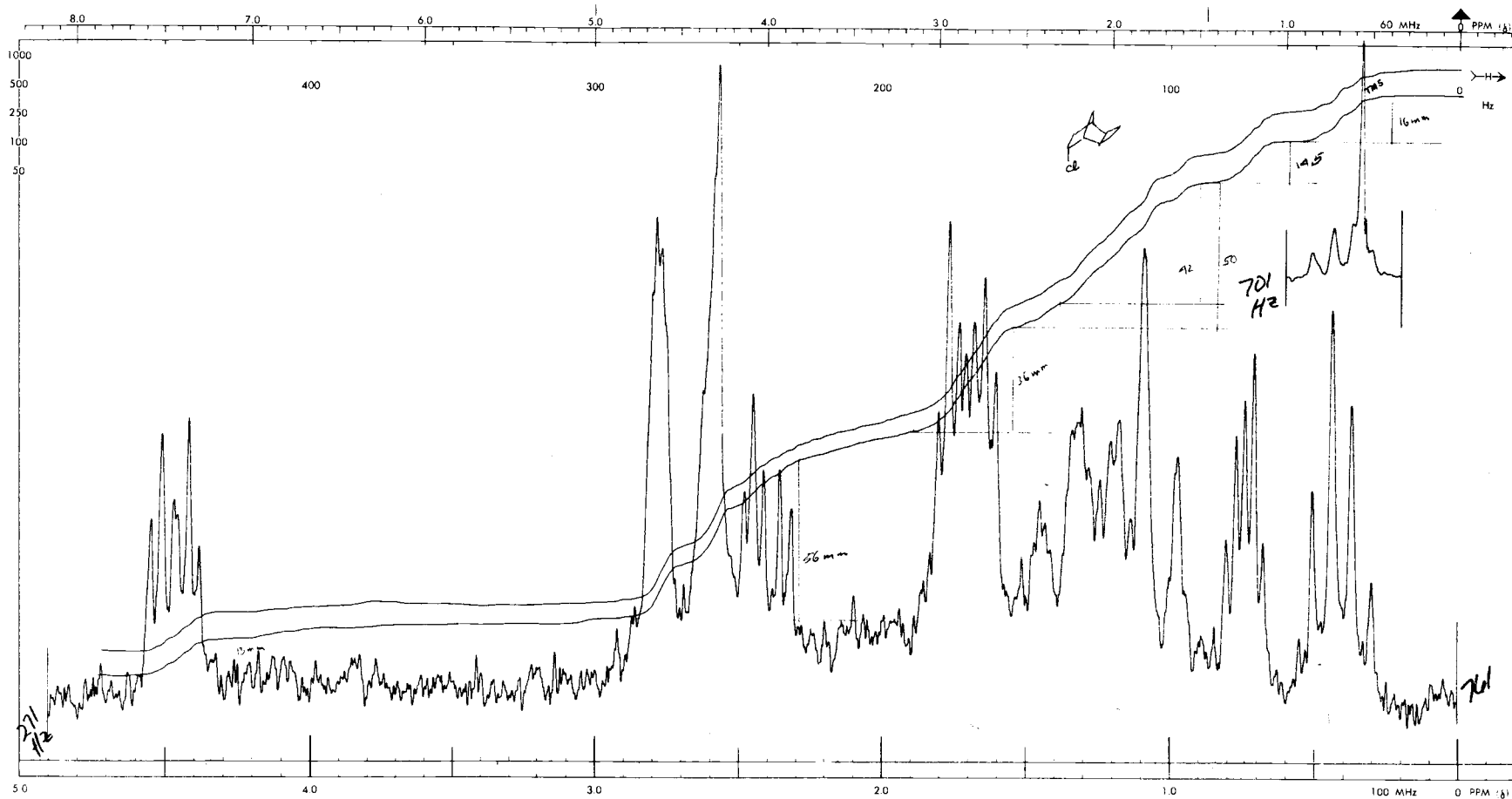


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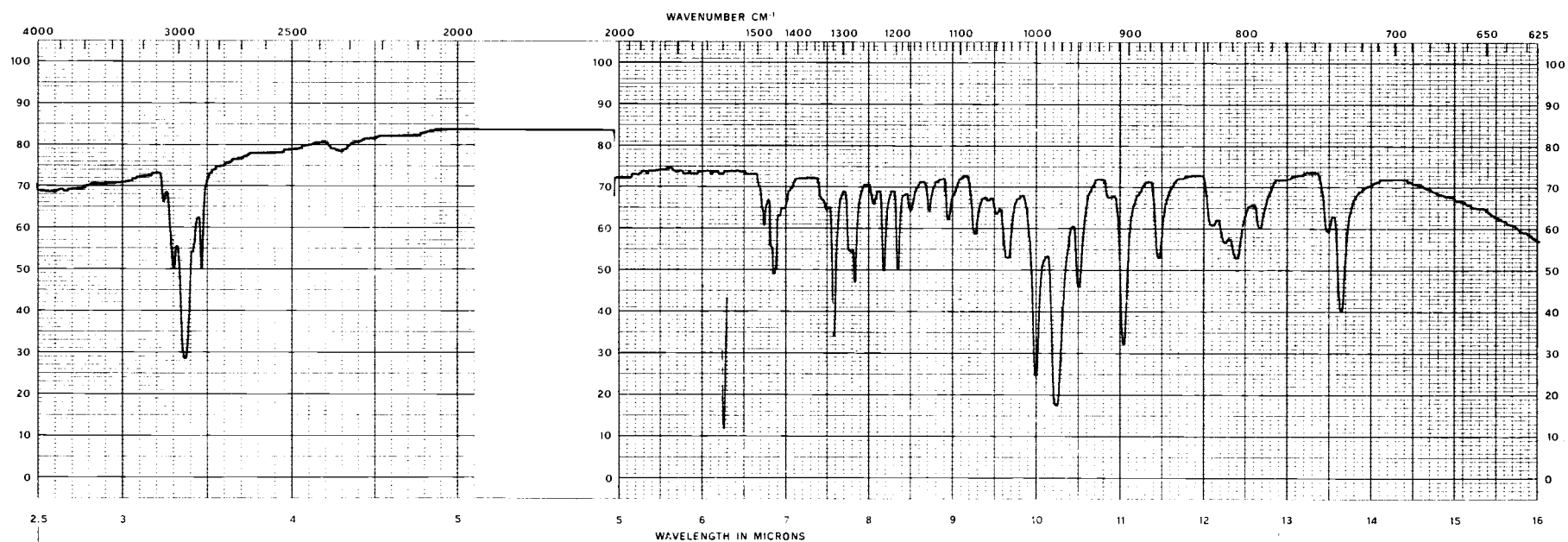


Figure 7. Infrared Spectrum of 1-Chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (neat, salt plates).

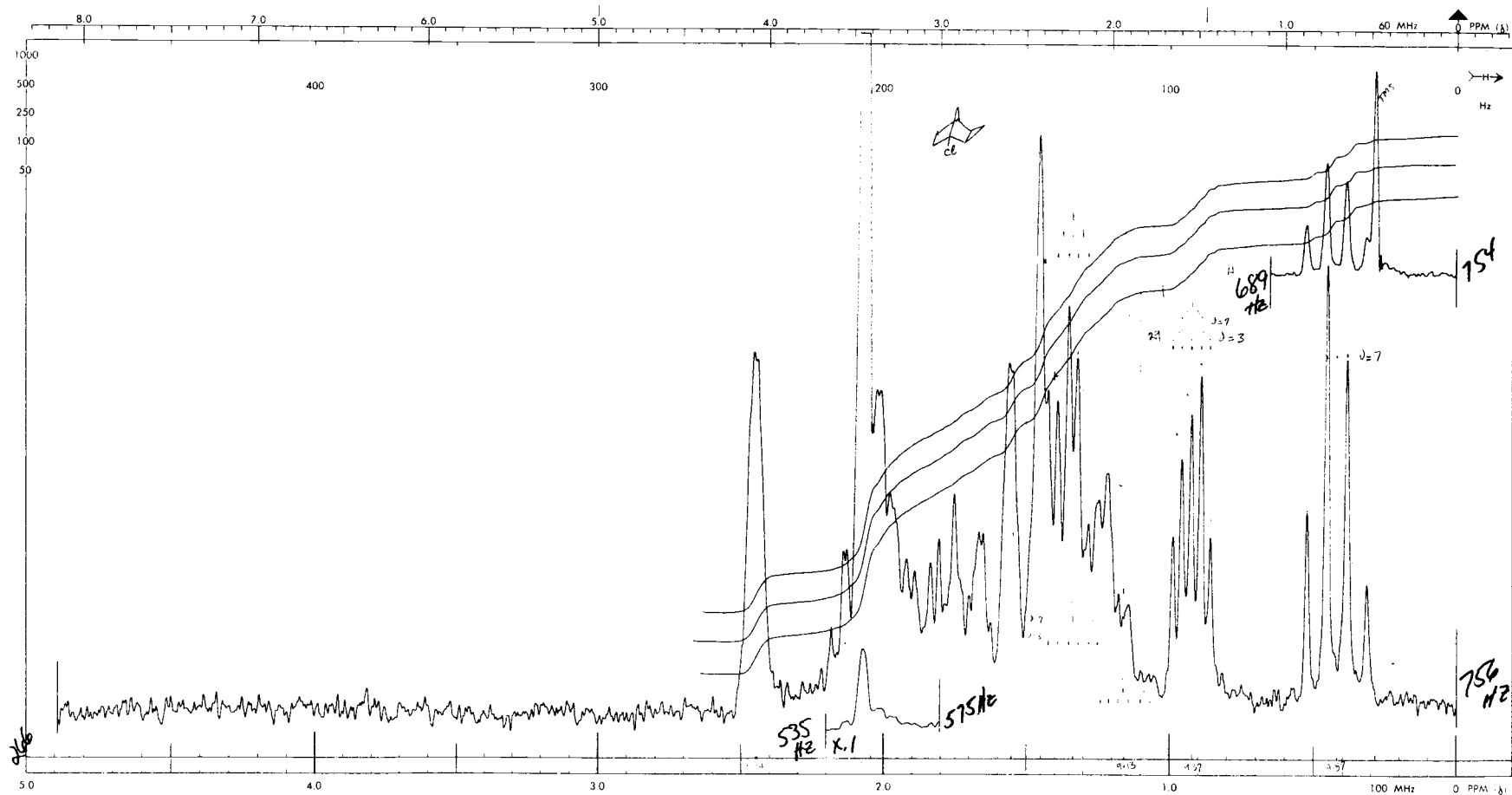


Figure 8. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl₄) of 1-Chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

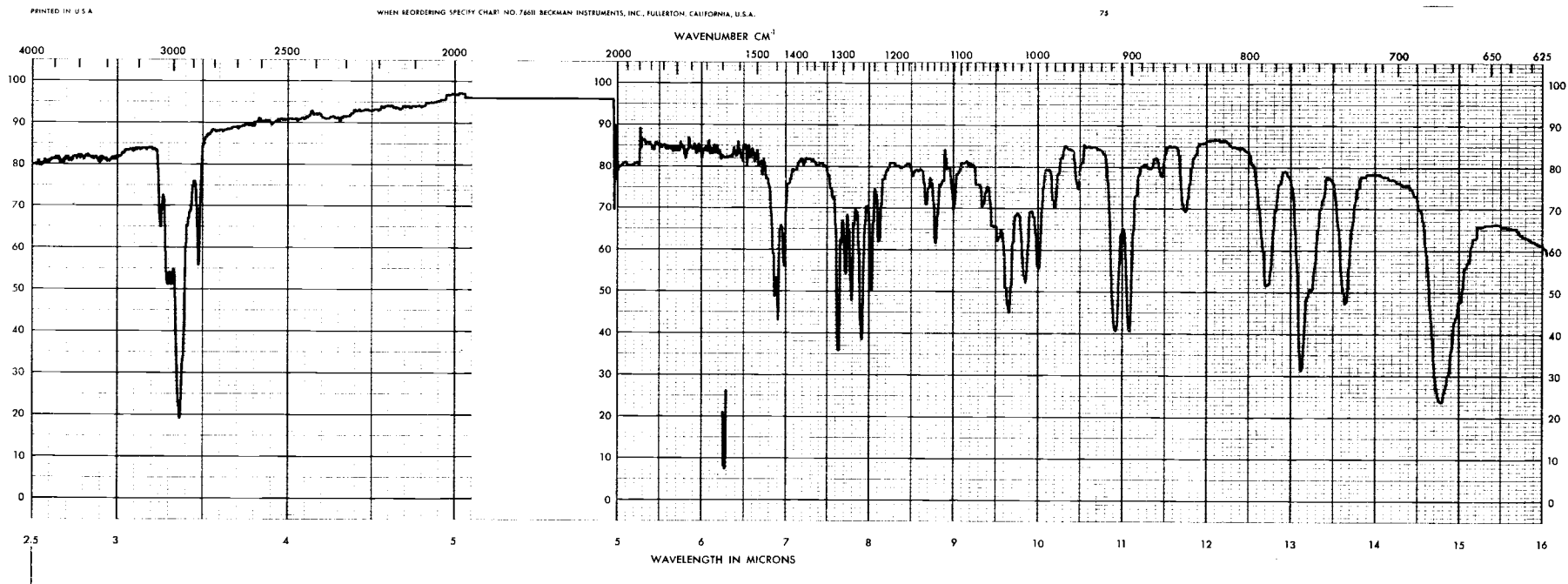


Figure 9. Infrared Spectrum of anti-8-Chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (neat, salt plates).

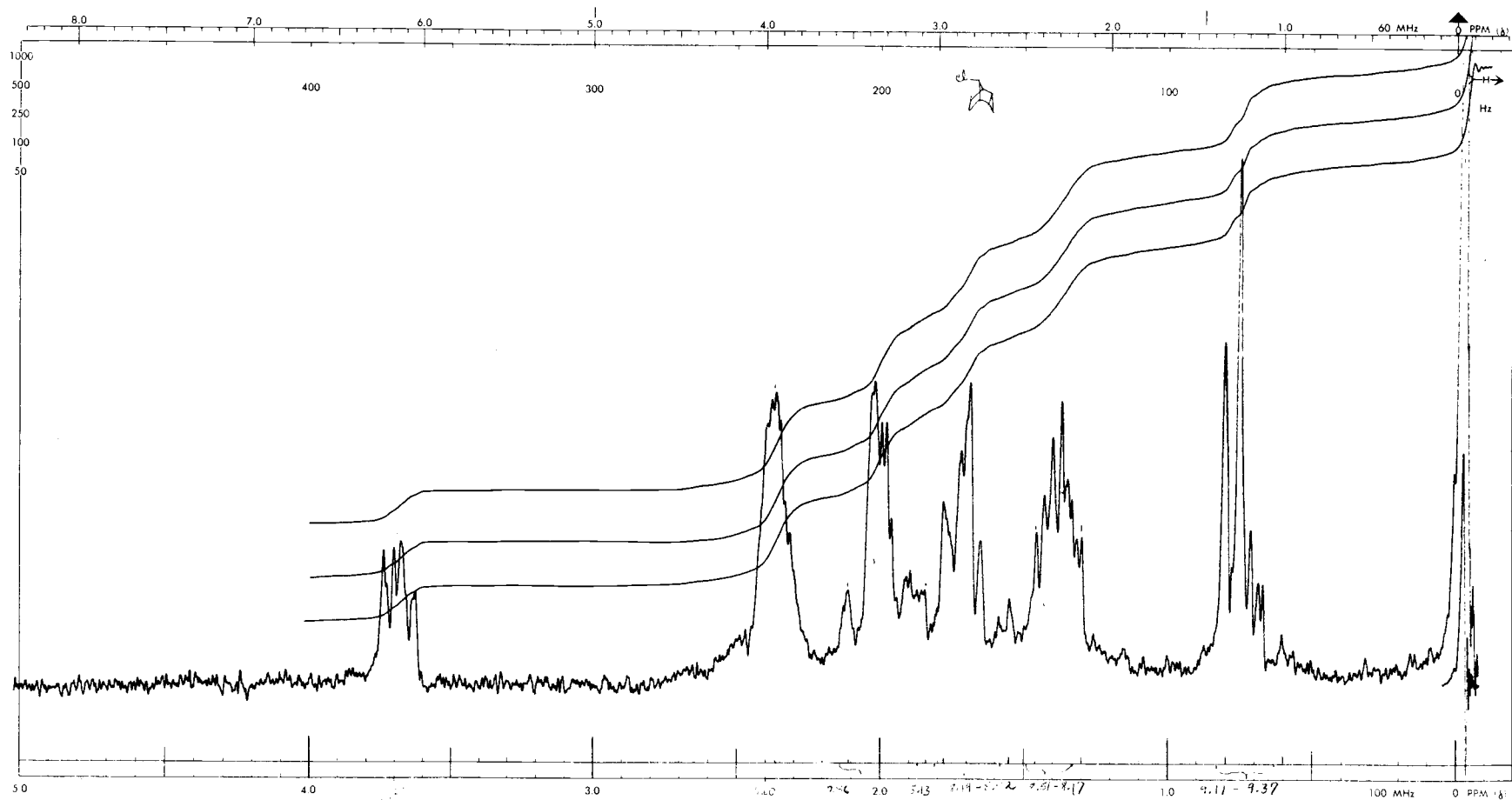


Figure 10. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl_4) of anti-8-Chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

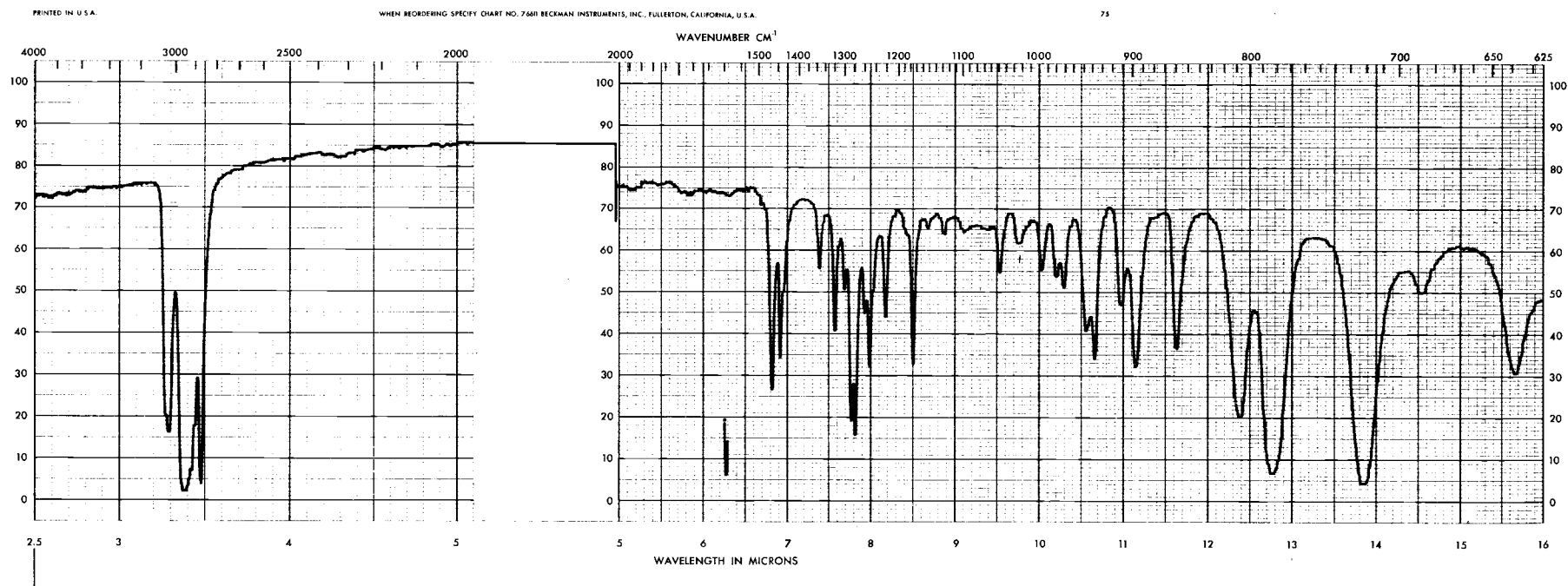


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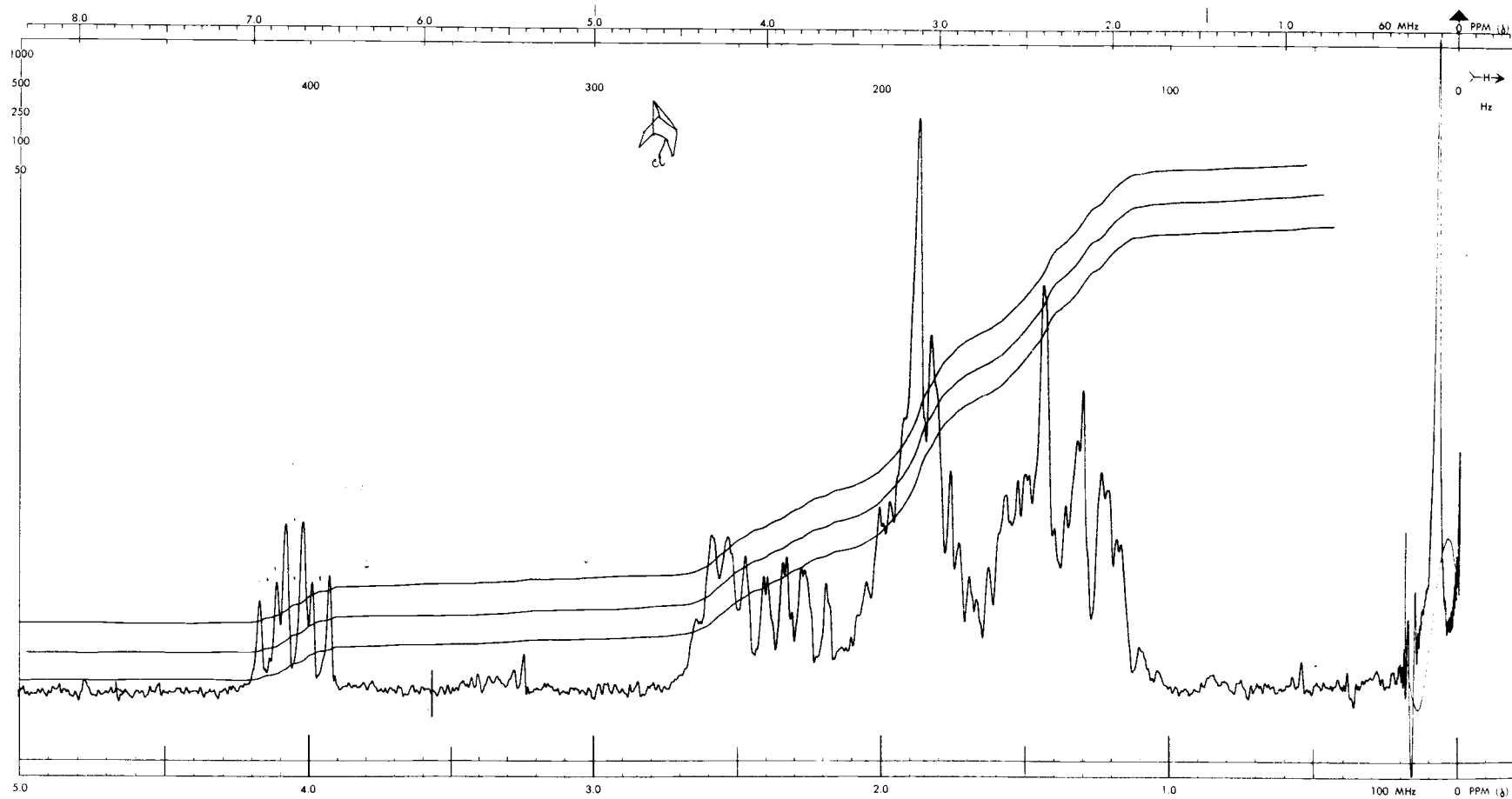


Figure 12. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl_4) of endo-2-Chloro-tricyclo[3.3.0.0^{4,6}]octane.

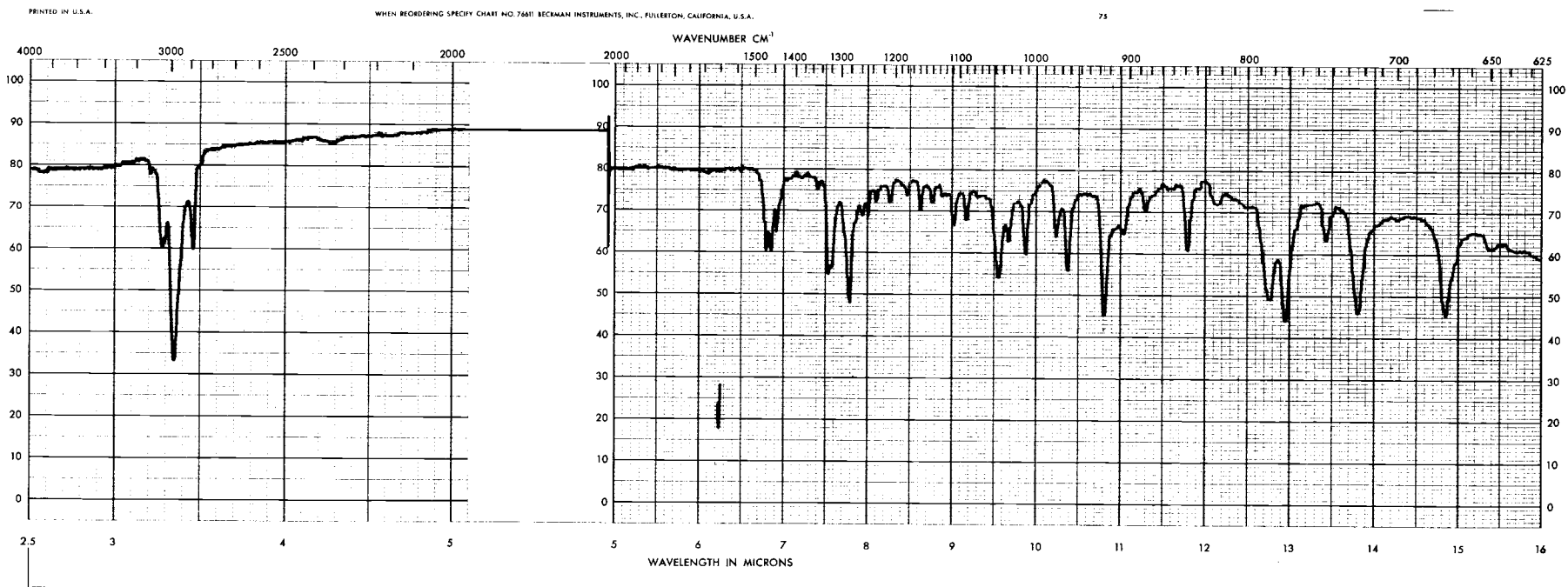


Figure 13. Infrared Spectrum of Unidentified Monochloride Product in the Photochlorination of endo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (neat, salt plates).

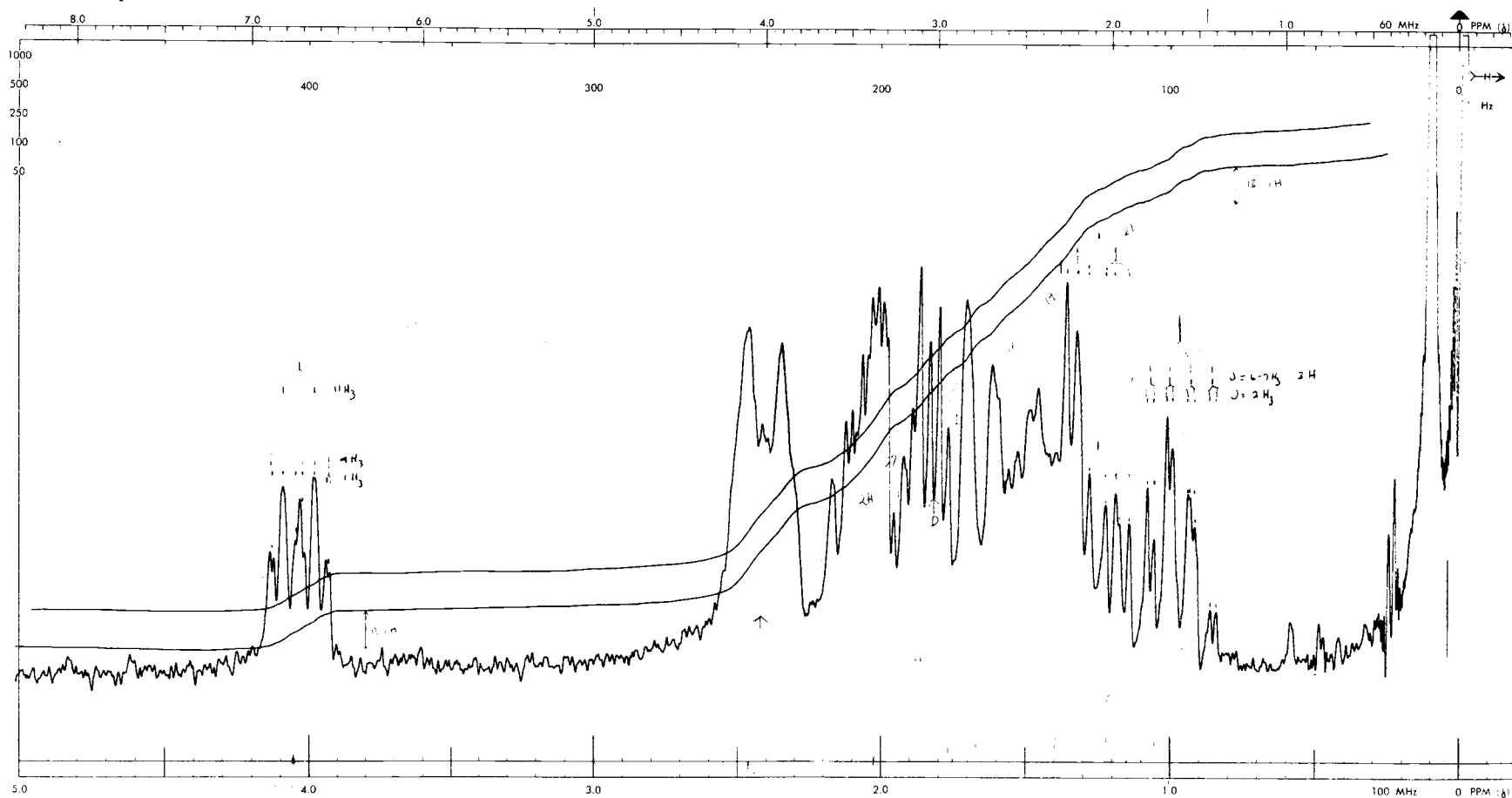


Figure 14. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl_4) of Unidentified Monochloride Product in the Photochlorination of endo-Tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

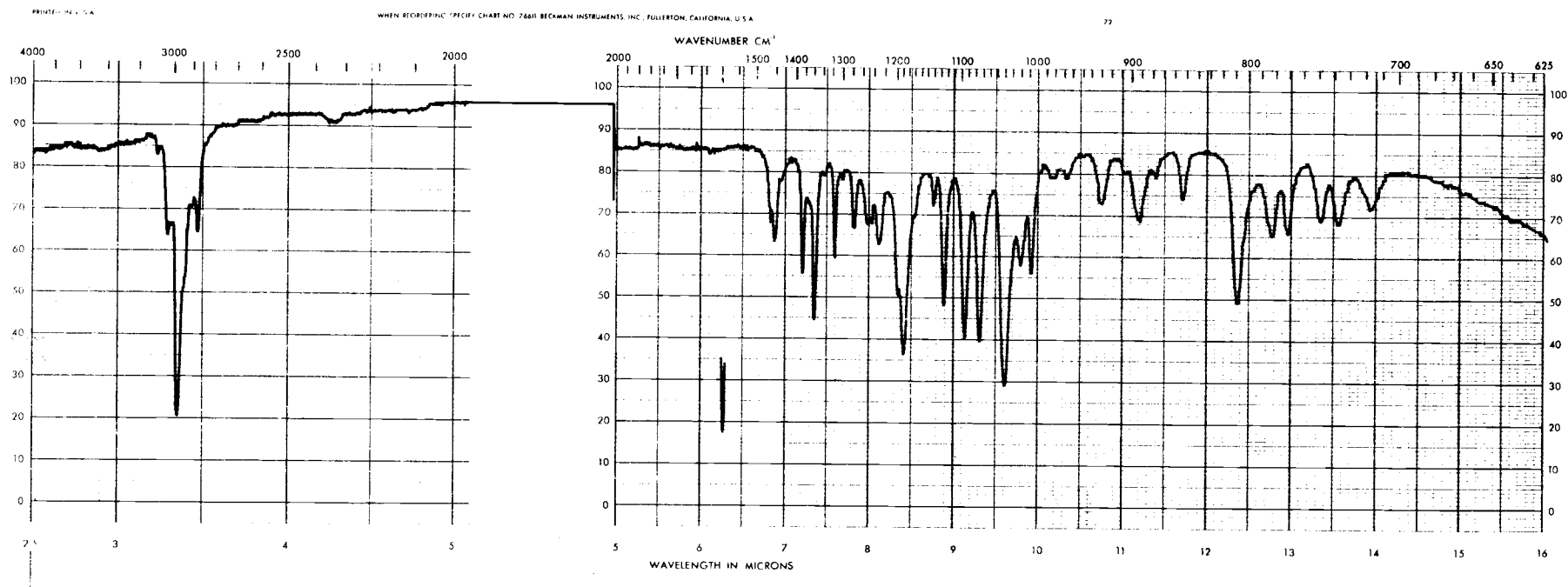


Figure 15. Infrared Spectrum of exo-6-t-Butoxy-endo-7-chloro-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (neat, salt plates).

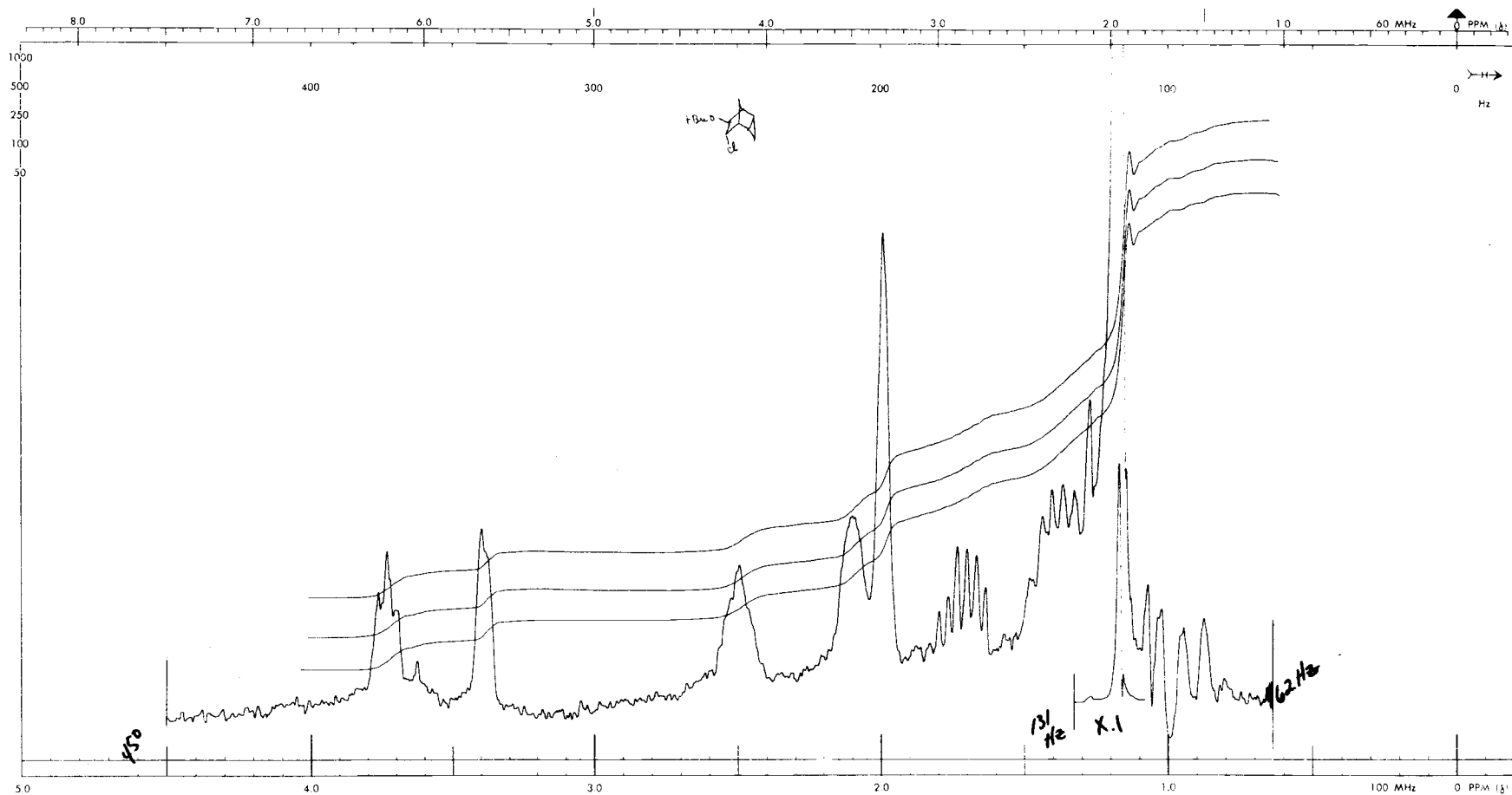


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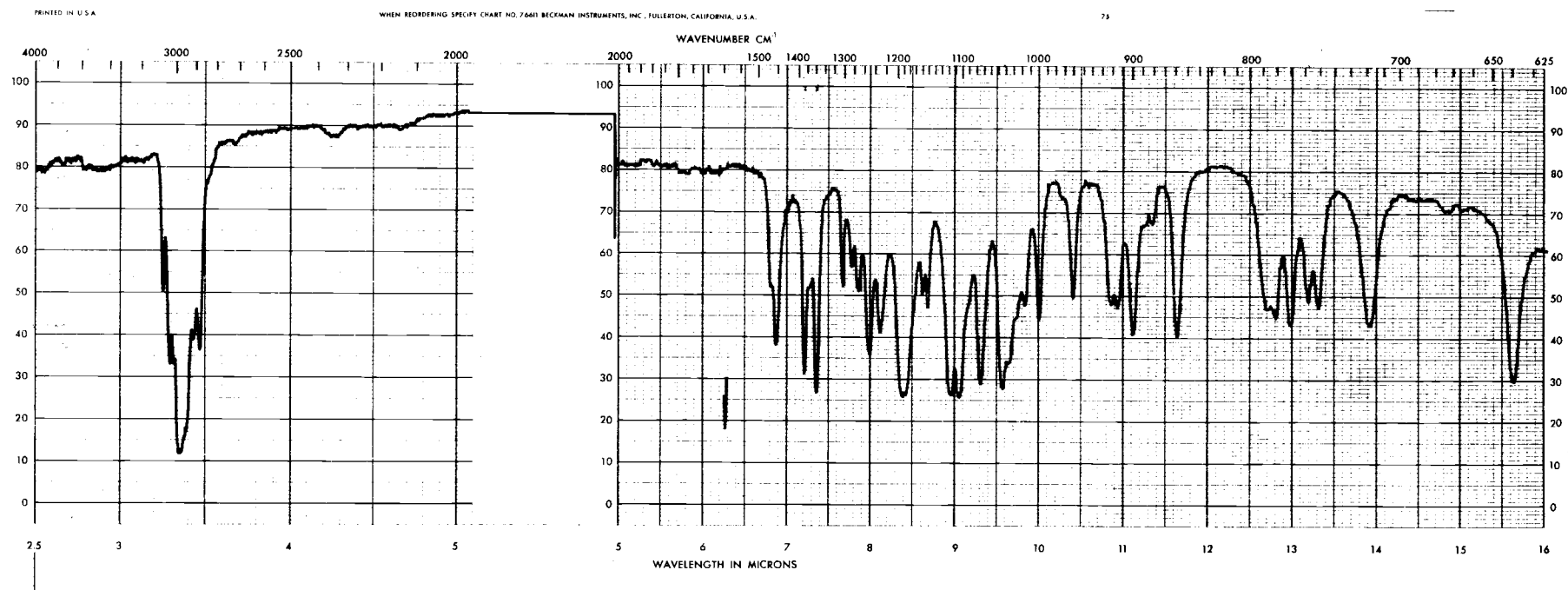


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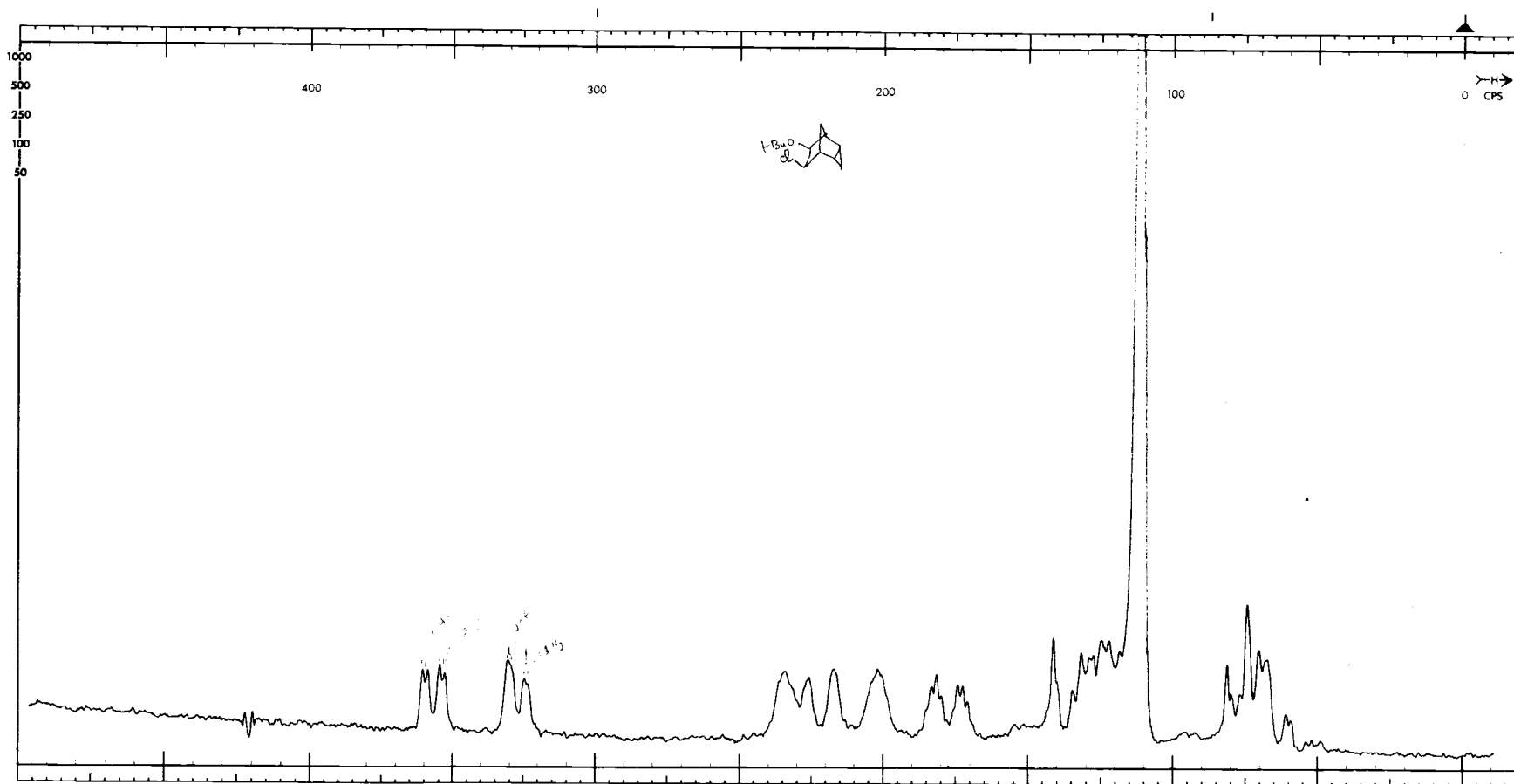


Figure 18. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl_4) of exo-6-t-Butoxy-exo-7-chloro-endo-tricyclo-[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

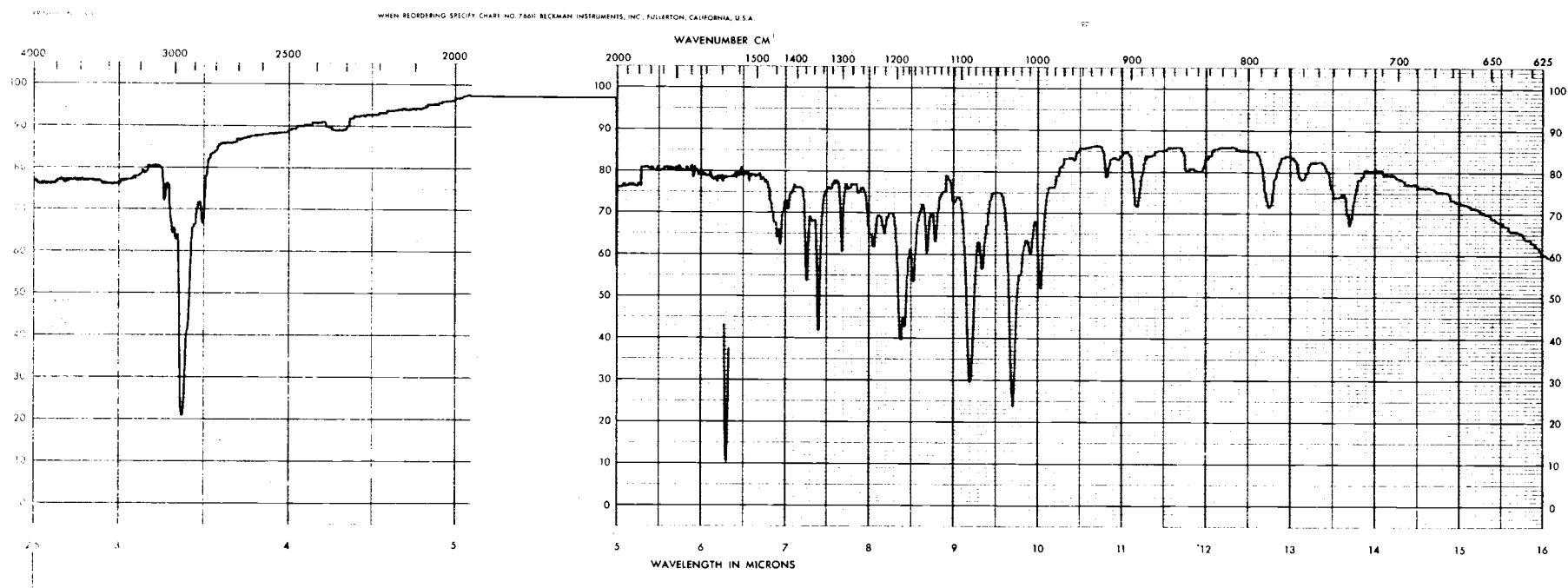


Figure 19. Infrared Spectrum of exo-6-t-Butoxy-endo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane (neat, salt plates).

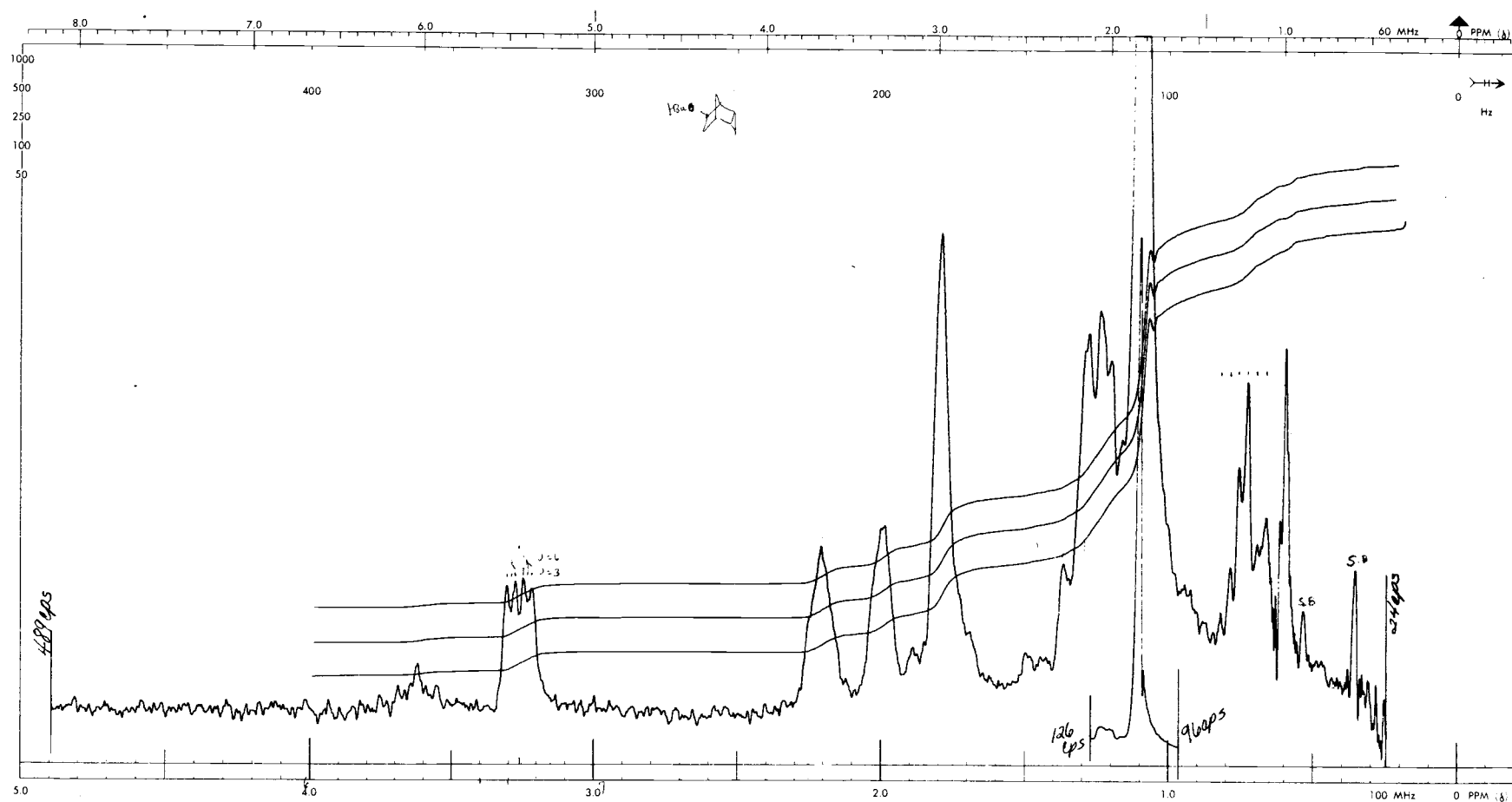


Figure 20. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl₄) of exo-6-t-Butoxy-endo-tricyclo 3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

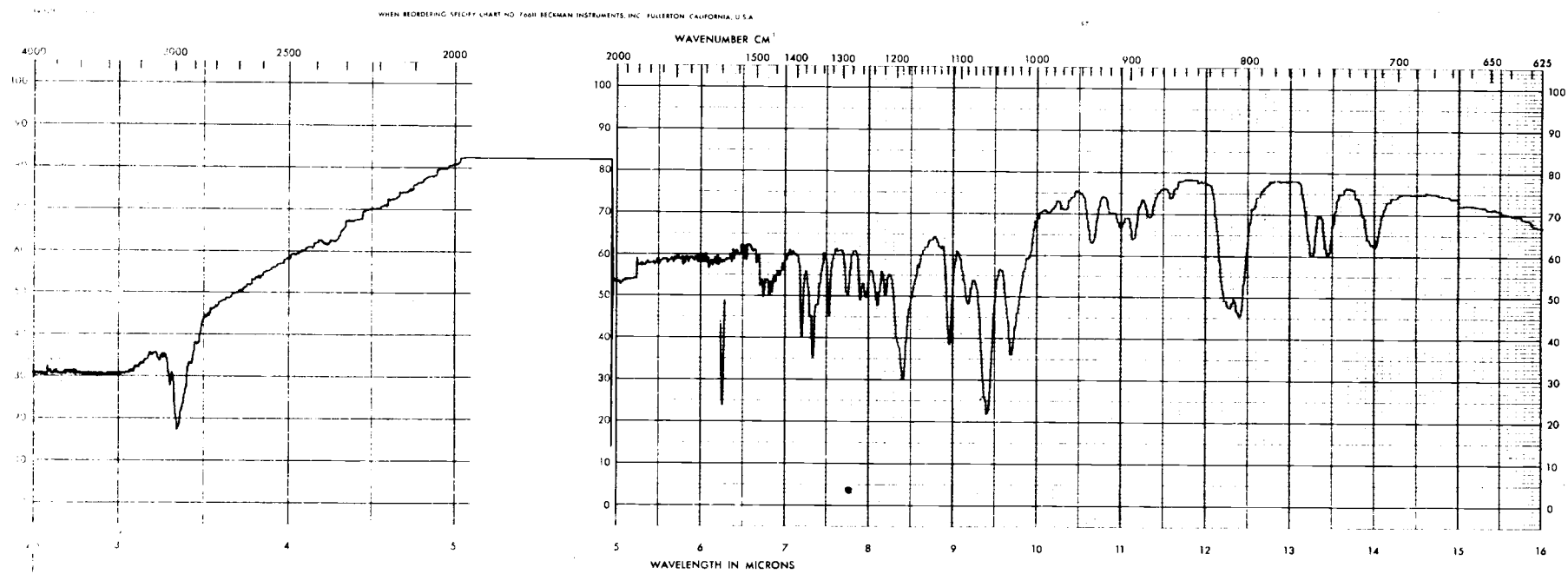


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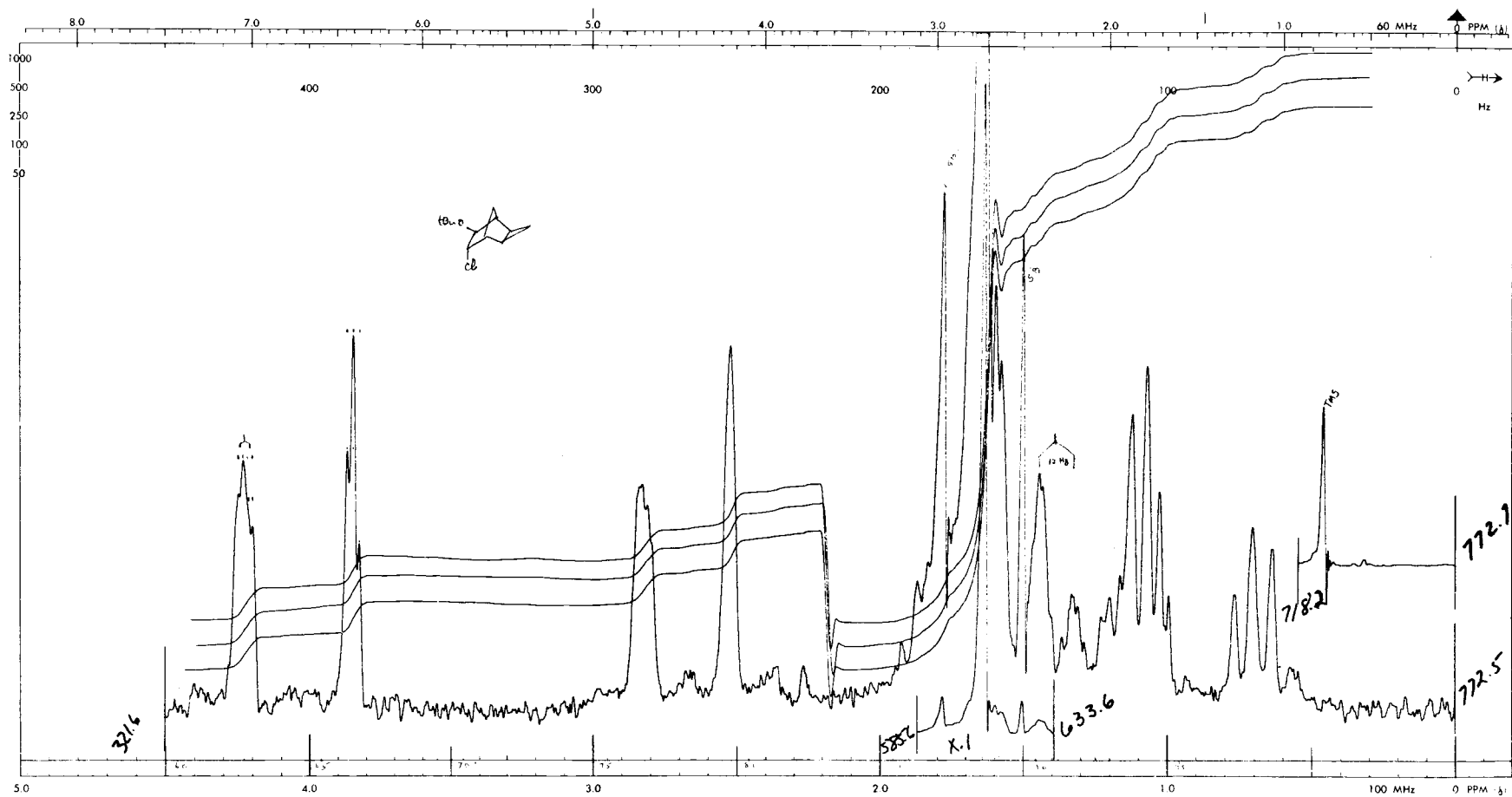


Figure 22. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl₄) of exo-6-*t*-Butoxy-endo-7-chloro-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-octane.

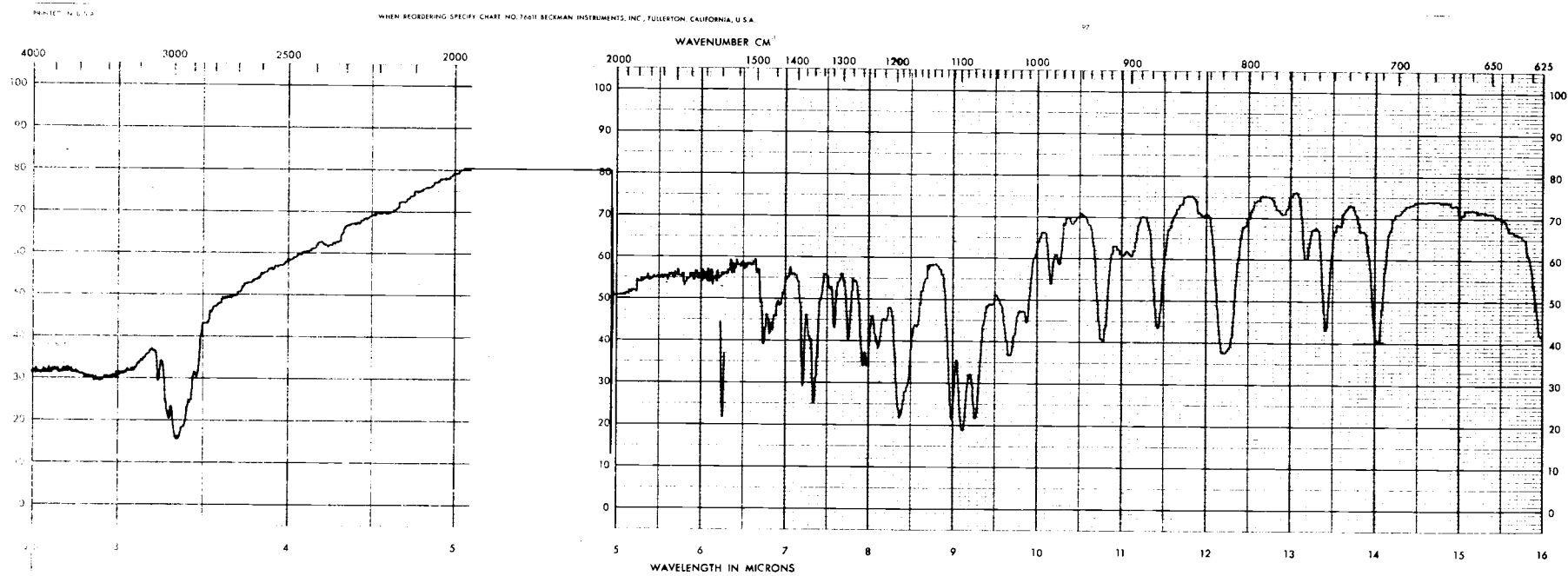


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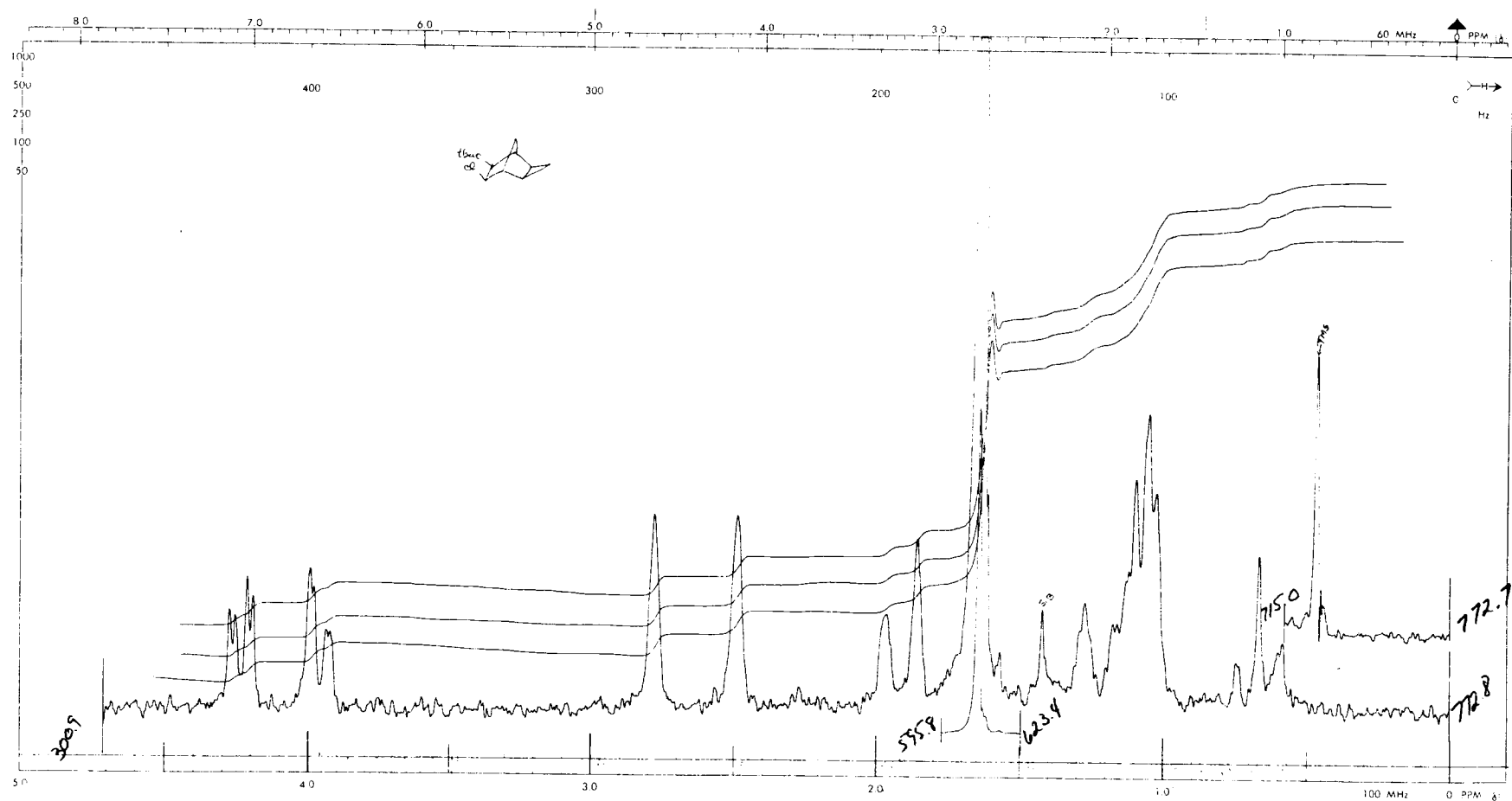


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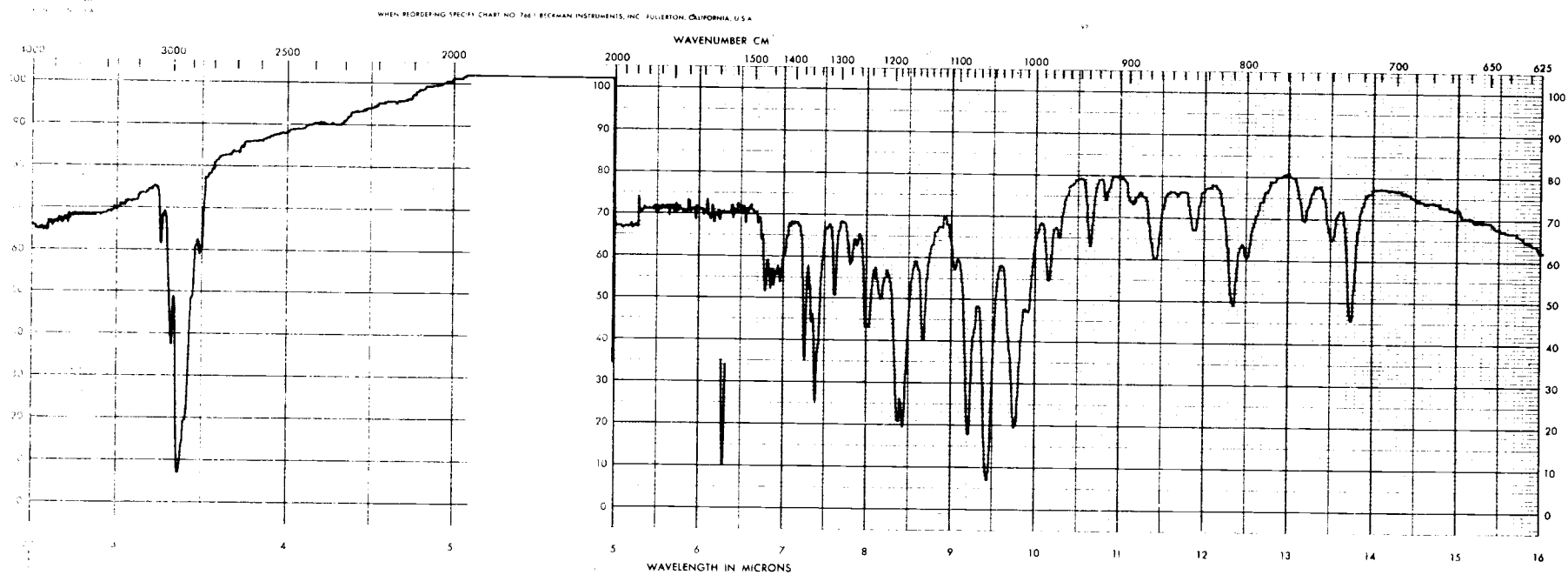


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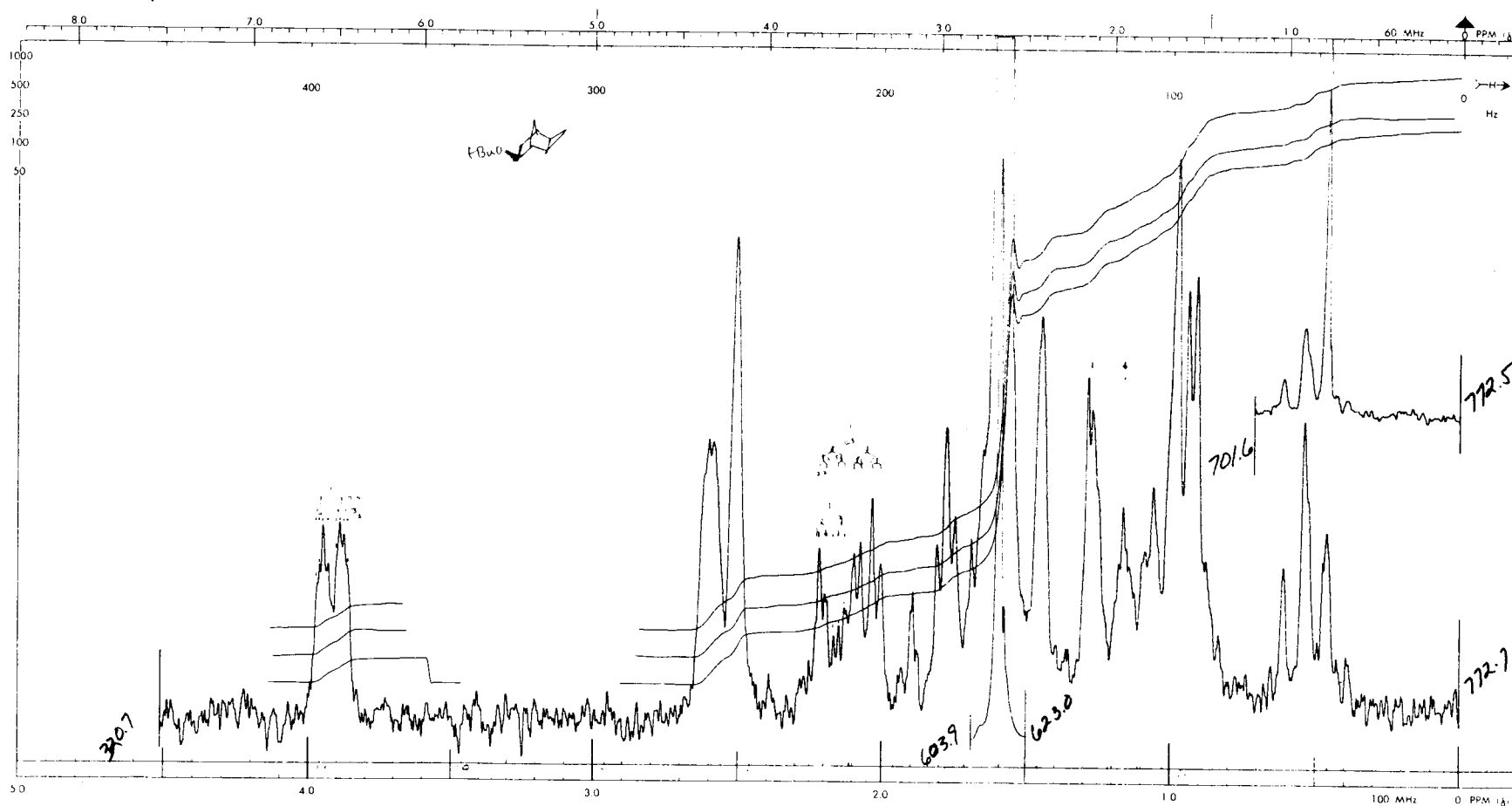


Figure 26. 100 MHz nmr Spectrum (CCl_4) of exo-6-t-Butoxy-exo-tricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane.

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