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ABSTRACT

Imino- λ^3 -iodanes are useful nitrene precursors and effective oxidants in the reactions with various organic substrates. Most of the known reactions of imino- λ^3 -iodanes are carried in the presence of transition metal catalysts, required for the in-situ generation of active metal-nitrenoid species. Recently, several groups have reported the aziridination of olefines, C-H amination of alkanes, and imination of aldehydes using imino- λ^3 -iodanes under metal-free conditions. However, the imination of sulfides using imino- λ^3 -iodanes under metal-free condition is still unknown. Herein, we report the new reaction of metal-free trans-imination reaction of sulfides using imino- λ^3 -iodanes in the presence of catalytic amounts of elemental iodine. The trans-imination reactions of various alkyl or aryl sulfides proceed at room temperature to give the corresponding sulfilimines in low to good yields. The reaction of allyl sulfides under similar conditions proceeds as [2,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement to give the corresponding allyl sulfonamides in good yields. The same condition using triphenyl phosphine instead of sulfides produced iminophosphorane in good yield, and the product was confirmed by X-ray crystallography.

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Chapter 1

1.1 Introduction

Sulfur compounds including sulfur-heteroatom ylides are well known for many reactions as important reagents¹⁻⁵. Hypervalent iodine (III) compounds are commonly known to be strong oxidants due to their high leaving group ability and also their high electron-withdrawing ability. The basic reaction involves the I(III) reacting with a substrate to oxidize the compound to the product while reducing down to I(I) compound. Another type of reaction involves ligand transfer which is the focus on this thesis. Some common iodine (III) reagents include (diacetoxyiodo) benzene, hydroxy(tosyloxy) iodobenzene, diphenyliodonium salt, aziodobenz iodoxole, and phenyl(N-tosyl) imino- λ^3 -iodane.

The first synthetic procedure for imino-iodane was introduced in 1974 by Abramovitch reacting DIB, MeSO₂NH₂ with pyridine to produce the respective product⁶. One year later Yamada introduced the most common synthetic procedure by reacting p-toluene sulfonamide with DIB in the presence of KOH to generate the iminoiodane⁷. Many reactions have been explored with imino-iodane to do aziridination reactions, α -aminations, sulfoximination, intermolecular C-H amination, and intramolecular C-H amination⁸.

1.2 Metal and Metal-free reactions of Imino- λ^3 -iodane

Metal reactions with imino-iodane have been reported for the reactions with copper to create a metal nitrenoid intermediate species⁷. Recently, several of the same products have been able to be synthesized in the presence of I₂ as catalyst generating an N,N-diiodo intermediate⁹. Uemura reported the reaction of thioanisole in the presence of CuOTf and imino- λ^3 -iodane to create the respective sulfilimine product in good yields¹⁰. Previously reported, many reactions using hypervalent halogen reagents for trans-imination under harsh or metal-catalyzed conditions¹¹⁻¹³. We have created a metal free, safe reaction for trans-imination which will be discussed in greater detail to follow⁹. Sulfilimines have many applications as they can be used in aza-Wittig reaction, used as metal catalyst ligands as sulfilimine palladacycles, N-sulfoximines, and in aziridination and epoxidation reactions¹⁴.

Chapter 2

2.1 Optimization of Sulfilimine Synthesis

Thioanisole was reacted with imino- λ^3 -iodane in the presence of I₂ as catalyst and TBAI as an iodine additive to generate the sulfilimine product in moderate to good yields shown in scheme 1. The mount of I₂, necessity of TBAI, best solvent, and reaction time were all investigated shown in Table 1. **Table 1.** Optimization of trans-imination.

Entry	Time (h)	Solvent	l ₂ (mol%)	TBAI (mol%)	Product (%) ^{a,b}
1	3	MeCN	20	10	81 (80)
2	3	Hexane	20	10	15
3	3	AcOEt	20	10	49
4	3	MeOH	20	10	77
5	3	THF	20	10	4
6	3	Et ₂ O	20	10	trace
7	3	PhH	20	10	47
8	3	CCI₄	20	10	7
9	3	CH ₂ Cl ₂	20	10	83 (83)
10	3	CH ₂ Cl ₂	20	none	84
11	3		none	10	7
12	3		none	none	5
13	(3)		10	none	72
14	(24)		(10)	none	87
15	24		5	none	91
16	24	CH ₂ Cl ₂	2	none	92 (88)
17	24	CH ₂ Cl ₂	1	none	68
18	48		1	none	66
19	24	CH ₂ Cl ₂ (dark)	2	none	77



Scheme 1. Optimization of trans-imination reaction conditions.

Throughout the testing, the solvent choice of dichloromethane was the best solvent due to high solubility of reagents and product for the reaction to proceed (entry 9). Nonpolar solvents, such as hexane lacked high solubility (entry 2). The amount of I₂ was found to be most effective at 2 mol% (entry 16). TBAI additive was not necessary for the reaction to occur. This is supported for reaction conditions with I₂ present reacting without TBAI (entry 10). However, the reaction did not occur when TBAI was present with the absence of I₂ indicating the necessity of I₂ (entry 11). Finally, the reaction occurred best at 24 hours (entry 14). This allowed the reaction to go to completion with increased time from 3 hours. The reaction, when under dark conditions, suppressed the yield slightly which indicates that the reaction mechanism is possibly radical in nature due to light not being able to aid in catalysis (entry 19).

2.2 Reactions with Substituted Thioanisoles Using Imino- λ^3 -iodanes

When different substituted thioanisoles were reacted in the presence of PhINTs and I₂ (according to scheme 1), the respective products (a-i) were produced in moderate to good yields (59-88%) shown in Table 2. The main inhibiting factor for the reactions was strong electron withdrawing groups (product i), which tend to deactivate the reaction site, as well as steric hindrance as ortho-substituted thioanisoles (product f) tended to have lower yields when compared to the respective para-substituted thioanisole.

Product	Yield (%)
NTs S (a)	88
NTs S (b)	72
NTs S C C C C C C C C	78
CI CI CI (d)	79
CI S (e)	80
CI NTS S S (f)	68
Br (g)	70
NTs NC (h)	86

Table 2. Products of suliflimines with substituted thioanisoles.



Reactions with thioanisole have also been used in the presence of different imino- λ^3 -iodanes synthesize the respective products (j-l) in moderate to good yields (51-92%) shown in Table 3. Steric hindrance inhibits the reaction greatly as product k has lower yields than products j and l. This is due to the nitro group blocking the reaction site on the imino- λ^3 -iodane.

Product	Yield (%)
N(p-Ns)	92
N(o-Ns)	51
(k) NSO ₂ Ph	67
(1)	

Table 3. Reactions	of other imino	$-\lambda^3$ -iodanes an	d thioanisole.
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2.3 Reaction of Substituted Sulfides Using PhINTs

Reactions under the optimized conditions according to scheme 1 were done with substituted sulfides and PhINTs to create the products (m-t) in low to good yields (8-97%) shown in Table 4. Steric hindrance is the main inhibiting factor, as the greater the steric hindrance of the sulfide, the lower the yield of the respective product (product t). Strong electron donating derivatives (product q) and strained sulfide rings (product r) helped to increase the reaction site, thus increasing the yield of the respective products.

Table 4. Reaction	n of substituted	sulfides using	g PhINTs.
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Product	Yield (%)
NTs S (m)	56
NTS S (n)	65
Ū. Ts S + (o)	66
NTs С ₄ H ₉ + С ₄ H ₉ (р)	79
C ₈ H ₁₇ + C ₈ H ₁₇ (q)	90

NTs S+ ⟨r)	97
NTs S + (s)	76
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2.4 Reaction of Triphenylphosphine Under Optimized Condition

The reaction of triphenylphosphine analogue in place of the respective sulfide produced the respective iminophosphorane product (u) in great yield (92%). The structure of the product was confirmed by x-ray crystallography shown in Scheme 2.



Scheme 2. Reaction of triphenylphosphine and PhINTs.

Chapter 3

3.1 Mechanistic Studies

Many blank experiments were run to check the reaction type, which has been inferred to be radical in nature. The amidyl radical generation during the reaction, as previously reported, was further investigated¹⁴. To check if the amidyl radical was generated, the reaction was done in the presence of two radical scavenger molecules, BHT and TEMPO. When the reaction occured in the presence of the radical scavengers, the yields drop to 11% yield indicating the intermediate is radical in nature. The next step was to check if the reaction generated nitrene intermediate species. This was done by reacting excess I₂ and benzene. No nitrene species were generated, indicating the reaction was radical in nature. The blank experiments are shown in Scheme 3.



Scheme 3. Blank experiment for mechanistic studies.

The proposed mechanism involves the generation of the amidyl radical from the reaction of PhINTs and I₂. The amidyl radical then reacts with the sulfide to form the radical intermediate followed by the regeneration of I₂ catalyst. Finally, the formation of the sulfilimine product is generated in the last step. The proposed mechanism can be seen in Scheme 4.



Scheme 4. Proposed radical mechanism.

Chapter 4

4.1 [2,3] - Sigmatropic Rearrangement of Sulfilimine

Under the optimized reaction conditions, allylic sulfides undergo [2,3] – sigmatropic rearrangement of the product shown in Scheme 5. Previously reported by Uemura, allylic sulfides react to form the sulfilimine intermediate, but then undergo [2,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement¹⁰. Investigation of metal-free conditions were performed and the respective products were isolated.



Scheme 5. [2,3] – sigmatropic rearrangement of allylic sulfilimines.

4.2 Optimization of [2,3] – Sigmatropic Rearrangement

Multiple solvents were tested with dichloromethane as the best solvent (entry 9). The reaction time was changed to shorter than 24 hours and the yield decreased , indicating that the reaction occurs further to completion upon increased time (entry 10). The amount of I₂ is still essential to maintain high yields (entry 11-13). The rearrangement product was again confirmed by x-ray crystallography. Optimization table can be found in table 5.

Entry	Time (h)	Solvent	l ₂ (mol%)	Product (%) ^{a,b}
1	24	MeCN	2	(93)
2	24	AcOEt	2	(92)
3	24	CHCl₃	2	(94)
4	24	MeOH	2	(40)
5	24	Heptane	2	(14)
6	24	CICH ₂ CH ₂ CI	2	(96)
7	24	PhH	2	(55)
8	24	Ether	2	(32)
9	(24)	CH ₂ Cl ₂	2	(97) 97
10	12	CH ₂ Cl ₂	2	78
11	24	CH ₂ Cl ₂	(11)	77
12	48	CH ₂ Cl ₂	0.5	73
13	24	CH ₂ Cl ₂	none	65
14	24	CH ₂ Cl ₂ (dark)	2	91

Table 5. Optimization of [2,3] – signatropic rearrangement reaction.

4.3 [2,3] – Sigmatropic Rearrangement Metal-free Products

Many allylic sulfides were reacted with PhINTs to produce the respective allylsulfenamide products (v-bb) in moderate to good yields (20-99%) shown in Table 6. The main inhibiting factor of the reaction was steric hindrance of the allylic sulfide (product aa).

Product	Yield (%)
S N Ts (v)	97
S.N. Ts (w)	99
S.N. Ts (x)	70
Тs 	82
S.N. Ts (z)	80
S _N ^I Ts (aa)	53
S-N (bb)	20

Table 6. [2,3] – sigmatropic rearrangement of allylsulfide with PhINTs.

When the reactions were run with different allylic sulfides and different imino- λ^3 -iodanes, the respective products (cc-jj) were isolated in low to good yields (3-92%) shown in Table 7. Steric hindrance of the allylic sulfides inhibited the reaction much more than the hindrance (products ff-nn) of the imino- λ^3 iodane as products dd was unaffected by the ortho-substituted derivative. Large ring opening reaction occurred at a low rate as well (product jj).

Product	Yield (%)
S p-Ns (cc)	92
S.N. (dd)	89
S _N sO ₂ Ph (ee)	89
S N p-Ns (ff)	50
S.N. J. O-Ns (gg)	18
S _N SO ₂ Ph (hh)	53
SN SO2Ph (ii)	24
S N o-Ns (mm)	24
S.N. p-Ns (nn)	53

Table 7. [2,3] – sigmatropic rearrangement of allylsulfide with PhINSO₂Ar.

p-Ns	3
(jj)	

4.4 Application of Allylsulfenamide

Reactions of allylsulfenamide were investigated in order to synthesize an allylic amine derivative. The reaction is shown in Scheme 6. The allylsulfenamide was reacted in mild basic conditions (10% KOH in MeOH) overnight to create S-N bond cleavage and the product (kk) was isolated at 81% yield.



Scheme 6. S-N bond cleavage of allylsulfenamide in mild basic condition.
4.5 [2,3] – Sigmatropic Rearrangement of Diphenylallylphosphine with PhINTs

Under the optimized reaction conditions, diphenylallylphosphine reacted with PhINTs and I₂ produce the respective rearrangement phosphine derivatized product (ll) in good yield (89%). The reaction shows an application of the investigated [2,3] – sigmatropic rearrangement reaction. The reaction is shown Scheme 7.



Scheme 7. Reaction of diphenylallylphosphine with PhINTs.

Chapter 5

5.1 General Experimental Remarks

All reactions were done under argon atmosphere and flame-dried glassware. All reagents were ACS grade and used without any further purification. Dichloromethane was distilled over CaH₂ prior to use. Melting points were obtained in an open capillary tube with a Mel-temp II melting point apparatus. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1600 series FT-IR spectrophotometer, and peaks were measured in wavenumbers (cm⁻¹). ¹H NMR were measured using a Varian Inova 500 and 300 MHz NMR spectrometer. ¹³C were also measuring using a Varian Inova 500 and 300 MHz NMR spectrometers at 125 and 75 MHz, respectively. Chemical shifts were measured in parts per million (ppm). ¹H and ¹³C chemical shifts were referenced relative to tetramethylsilane. X-ray crystal analysis was performed by Rigaku RAPID II XRD Image Plate using graphite-monochromated MoK α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å) at 173 K.

5.2 General Procedure for Imination of Sulfides

Imino- λ^3 -iodane (0.12-0.24 mmol) was added at room temperature with a mixture of sulfide (0.10-.020 mmol) and I₂ (0.02-0.004 mmol) in dichloromethane (1.0-2.0 mL). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. After the reaction, 5% aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ (2.5-5.0 mL) quenched the reaction and the solution was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under

reduced pressure. The residue was then isolated through column chromatography with Hexane-AcOEt (1:1 to 0:100) to obtain pure product.

Reaction of thioanisole (25 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 52 mg (88%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 129–130 °C (lit. [15]; mp 131.5–132 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.73 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.56–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H).



Reaction of methyl(4-tolyl) sulfide (28 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 44 mg (72%) of product, isolated as a light brown oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.72 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H).



Reaction of 4-methoxyphenyl(methyl)sulfide (31 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 51 mg (78%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 147 °C (lit. [17]; mp 146–147 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.68 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.80 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H).



Reaction of 4-chlorophenyl(methyl)sulfide (32 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 52 mg (79%) of product, isolated as a light yellow solid: mp 111–112 °C (lit. [17]; mp 112–113 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.71 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H).



Reaction of 3-chlorophenyl(methyl)sulfide (32 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 53 mg (80%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 137–138 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.68 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.53 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H).



Reaction of 2-chlorophenyl(methyl)sulfide (32 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 45 mg (68%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 149–

150 °C; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ8.12 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.52–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H).



Reaction of 4-bromophenyl(methyl)sulfide (41 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 52 mg (70%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 110–111 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H).



Reaction of 4-cyanophenyl(methyl)sulfide (30mg, 0.20mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 55mg (86%) of product, isolated as a light brown solid: mp 159–160 °C; IR (neat) cm–1: 3096, 3035, 2929, 2856, 2234, 1400, 1144, 758; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.83 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.17(d, J =8.3Hz, 2H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.3, 141.6,140.7, 133.5, 129.4, 126.6, 126.2, 117.1, 116.1, 38.8, 21.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF-positive mode): calculated for C₁₅H₁₄N₂NaO₂S₂ ([M + Na])+: 341.0394, found: 341.0382.



Reaction of 4-nitrophenyl(methyl)sulfide (34 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 40 mg (59%) of product, isolated as a yellow solid: mp 161–163°C (lit. [21]; mp150°C); ¹H NMR(500MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.33(d, J =9.0Hz, 2H), 7.93 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.92 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H).



Reaction of diphenylsulfide (37 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 40 mg (56%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 108–109 °C (lit. [16]; mp 109.0–109.5 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.74 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.52–7.41 (m, 6H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H).



Reaction of benzyl(phenyl)sulfide (20 mg, 0.1 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 24 mg (65%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 149–150°C (lit. [16]; mp 147–148°C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.62 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55–7.48 (m, 3H), 7.45–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.18 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.0

Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H).



Reaction of dibenzylsulfide (43 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 51 mg (66%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 187–189 °C (lit. [22]; mp 191–193 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36–7.26 (m, 6H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 2H), 4.06 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H).

Reaction of dibutylsulfide (29 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 52 mg (79%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 64–65 °C (lit. [20]; mp 77.5–78.5 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.88-2.78 (m, 2H), 2.77–2.68 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.59–1.46 (m, 4H), 1.36–1.22 (m, 4H), 0.82 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H).

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Ts
 $C_8H_{17} + C_8H_{17}(q).$

Reaction of dioctylsulfide (52 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 77 mg (90%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 82°C; IR (neat) cm–1: 2918, 2858, 1384, 1139, 716; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 2.89–2.80 (m, 2H), 2.73–2.64 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.64–1.58

(m, 4H), 1.34–1.12 (m, 20H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 141.6, 141.5, 129.1, 126.3, 49.0, 31.7, 28.9, 28.9, 28.3, 22.8, 22.6, 14.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF-positive mode): calculated for C₂₃H₄₂NO₂S₂ ([M + H])+: 428.2657, found: 428.2665.

NTs S⁺ (r) [23].

Reaction of thietane (15 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 47 mg (97%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 103–104 °C (lit. [23]; mp 98 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.76 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.26–4.08 (m, 2H), 3.70–3.57 (m, 2H), 2.62–2.16 (m, 5H).

Reaction of tetrahydrothiophene (18 mg, 0.20 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 45 mg (76%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp131–133 °C (lit. [24]; mp 132–134 °C); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.19–3.00 (m, 4H), 2.58–2.42 (m, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.11–1.93 (m, 2H); 13CNMR (75MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.6, 139.1, 129.5, 126.5, 54.5, 25.6, 21.5.

Reaction of di-tert-butylsulfide (29mg, 0.20mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 5mg (8%) of product, isolated as a colorless oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz,

CDCl₃): δ 7.86 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 18H); 13C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.5, 129.8, 129.5, 128.8, 49.6, 30.6, 21.7.

Reaction of thioanisole (25 mg, 0.20 mmol) with imino- λ 3-iodane (97 mg, 0.24 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 61 mg (92%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 167 °C (lit. [26]; mp 164–165 °C); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.20 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.00 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.62-7.46 (m, 3H), 2.93 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.8, 149.2, 135.1, 133.1, 130.3, 127.4, 125.9, 124.0, 39.2.



Reaction of thioanisole (25 mg, 0.20 mmol) with imino- λ 3-iodane (97mg, 0.24 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 33 mg (51%) of product, isolated as a colorless oil; IR (neat) cm-1: 3096, 3065, 3023, 2926, 1540, 1370, 1305, 1149, 1124, 852, 766; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.16 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.66–7.49 (m, 6H), 2.95 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.5, 137.1, 136.2, 132.6, 132.2, 131.8, 130.3, 130.1, 125.8, 123.7, 39.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF-positive mode): calculated for C₁₃H₁₃N₂O₄S₂ ([M + H])+: 325.0317, found: 325.0319.



Reaction of thioanisole (25 mg, 0.20 mmol) with imino- λ 3-iodane (86 mg, 0.24 mmol) according to the general procedure afforded 38 mg (67%) of product, isolated as a white solid: mp 89–90°C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.57-7.32 (m, 6H), 2.85 (s, 3H).

5.3. Large Scale Reaction

Imino- λ^3 -iodane (448 mg, 1.20 mmol) was added at room temperature to a stirred mixture of thioanisole (124 mg, 1.00 mmol) and I₂ (5 mg, 0.02 mmol) in dichloromethane (10.0mL). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. After reaction, 5% aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ (25 mL) was added to the mixture and the solution was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was separated by column chromatography using the Hexane-EtOAc (1:1) to afford the pure product a in 76% (223 mg).



Isolated as a white solid: mp 190 °C (lit. [28]; mp 185.5–186.2 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.44 (dd, J = 12.3 Hz, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 7.50 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (dt, J = 7.8 Hz, 3.0 Hz, 6H), 7.00 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H).



Isolated as a light yellow oil at 38 mg (53%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.19 (t, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.79-5.69 (m, 1H), 4.98-4.76 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.98-1.52 (m, 6H).



Isolated as a colorless oil at 2 mg (3%): IR (neat) cm-1: 3106, 2924, 2883, 1606, 1526, 1381, 1146,854, 746; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.15 (d, 8.8 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d, 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.77-5.68 (m, 1H), 5.39-5.33 (m, 2H), 4.05 (dd, 15.0 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.25-3.17 (m, 1H) 3.18-3.06 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.50 (m, 2H), 2.32-2.23 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.92 (m, 1H).

Isolated as white powder: mp 62.9-64.4°C (lit 68-69°C); IR (neat) cm–1: 3026, 2932, 2853, 1652, 1599, 1351, 1162, 937, 747; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (d, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.02-5.83 (m, 2H), 4.36-4.02 (m, 2H), 2.92-2.82 (m, 2H), 2.62-2.36 (m, 5H) 1.88 (quint, 6.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.7, 136.5, 135.5, 129.5, 128.1, 128.0, 51.0, 38.4, 30.3, 24.4, 21.6.

Isolated as yellow oil at 35 mg (81%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.76 (d, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.77-5.67 (m, 1H), 5.17 (dd, 15.5 Hz, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (dd, 10.5 Hz, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (s, 1H), 3.61-3.55 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.5, 136.9, 132.0, 129.7, 127.1, 117.7, 45.8, 21.5.



Isolated as light yellow oil at 19 mg (24%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ8.19 (d, 25 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.36 (d, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.11 (m, 2H), 5.91-5.84 (m, 1H), 5.44-5.38 (m, 1H), 5.07-5.00 (m, 1H), 2.06-1.89 (m, 3H), 1.81-1.59 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.8, 138.1, 132.9, 132.6, 131.5, 128.7, 127.5, 125.5, 124.0, 60.2, 29.1, 24.3, 21.2.



Isolated as light yellow oil at 41 mg (53%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.36 (d, 8.3 Hz, 2H), 8.17 (d, 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.84-5.79 (m, 1H), 5.01-4.95 (m, 2H), 2.01-1.87 (m, 3H), 1.79-1.71 (m, 1H), 1.69-1.52 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.3, 145.5, 138.1, 133.4, 129.0, 128.9, 127.4, 126.3, 124.3, 60.5, 28.7, 24.2, 21.1.



Isolated as light yellow oil at 8 mg (11%): IR (neat) cm–1: 3090, 2929, 2856, 1641, 1540, 1365, 1348, 1169, 929, 854, 742: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.20 (d, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.37-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.16 (m, 2H), 5.95-5.78 (m, 1H), 5.32-5.18 (m, 2H), 4.34 (d, 6.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): 147.8, 135.7, 134.1, 132.9, 132.6, 131.6, 129.1, 129.0, 128.0, 127.0, 124.2, 12.2, 57.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF-positive mode): calculated for C₁₅H₁₆N₂O₄S₂ ([M + H])+: 351.0473, found: 3513.0485.



Isolated as light yellow oil at 17 mg (24%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.98 (d, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (t, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.45 (d, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.35-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.20 (t, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.78-5.71 (m, 1H), 4.99-4.90 (m, 2H), 2.00-1.84 (m, 3H), 1.75-1.68 (m, 1H), 166-1.50 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 140.0, 139.3, 133.1, 132.6, 129.1, 128.8, 127.7, 126.9, 126.7, 60.0, 28.6, 24.2, 21.2.



Isolated as white solid at 35 mg (50%): mp 104.5-105.8°C (lit 107.0-109.0°C); IR (neat) cm⁻¹: 3112, 3070, 2923, 1531, 1350, 1312, 1169, 929, 857, 739; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.35 (d, 8.9 Hz, 2H), 8.11 (d, 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.28 (m, 3H), 5.82-5.65 (m, 1H), 5.28-5.16 (m, 2H), 4.23 (d, 6.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (150

MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.3, 144.9, 135.8, 131.7, 129.2, 128.3, 127.3, 124.2, 120.4, 57.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF-positive mode): calculated for C₁₅H₁₅N₂O₄S ([M + H])+: 351.0473, found: 351.0475.

Isolated as light brown oil at 29 mg (47%): IR (neat) cm–1: 3066, 3020, 2987, 2923, 2859, 1643, 1349, 1169, 930, 738; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.93 (d, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.64-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.39 (d, 6.9 Hz, 2H) 7.35-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.20 (m, 1H), 5.82-5.64 (m, 1H), 5.18 (dd, 13.8 Hz, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (dd, 6.5 Hz, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (dd, 6.5 Hz, 1.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 139.2, 136.9, 133.1, 132.2, 129.1, 129.0, 127.8, 127.6, 126.5, 119.8, 56.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF-positive mode): calculated for C₁₅H₁₅NO₂S₂ + Na ([M + Na])+:328.0442, found: 328.0450.



Isolated as amorphous brown oil at 47 mg (82%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (d, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.90-5.67 (m, 2H) 5.26-5.12 (m, 4H), 4.07 (d, 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.52 (d, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): 143.8, 136.2, 133.1, 131.4, 129.5, 127.9, 119.9, 119.1, 57.8, 43.7, 21.6; HRMS (ESI-TOFpositive mode): calculated for C₁₃H₁₇NO₂S₃ ([M + H])+: 284.0779, found: 284.0787.



Isolated as white solid at 53 mg (92%): mp 111.2-112.7°C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.37 (d, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 8.11 (d, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.86-5.76 (m, 1H), 5.27 (dd, 18.0 Hz, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, 11.0 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (dd, 6.5 Hz, 1.0 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.2, 144.6, 132.4, 129.1, 124.1, 120.0, 57.1, 24.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF-positive mode): calculated for C₁₀H₁₂N₂O₄S₂ ([M])+: 288.0238, found: 288.0245.



Isolated as a colorless oil: at 52 mg (89%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.25 (d, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77-7.66 (m, 3H), 6.00-5.89 (m, 1H), 5.37 (d, 17.0 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (d, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.8, 134.0, 133.5, 132.8, 131.9, 131.5, 124.2, 120.0, 57.0, 23.0.



Isolated as light yellow oil at 43 mg (89%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.92 (d, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (t, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.49 (m, 2H), 5.88-5.77 (m, 1H), 5.25 (d, 17.0 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 139.0, 133.1, 133.0, 128.9, 127.7, 119.3, 56.5, 23.7.



Isolated as a light yellow oil at 51 mg (80%): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81 (d, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.35-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.26-7.20 (m, 1H), 5.76-5.65 (m, 1H), 5.17 (dd, 17 Hz, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (dd, 11.5 Hz, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d, 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.0, 137.1, 136.2, 132.4, 129.6, 128.9, 127.8, 127.4, 126.3, 59.7, 56.9, 21.6.



Isolated as yellow oil at 40 mg (70%): IR (neat) cm−1: 3087, 2971, 2935, 2877, 1649, 1340, 1155, 928, 707; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.80 (d, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.82-5.70 (m, 1H), 5.24-5.12 (m, 2H), 4.04 (d, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.86 (t, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.68-1.56 (m, 2H), 0.98 (t, 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): 143.8, 136.0, 133.1, 128.4, 127.9, 119.2, 57.7, 42.2, 21.6, 20.6, 13.3; HRMS (ESI-TOFpositive mode): calculated for C₁₃H₁₉NO₂S₂ + H ([M + H])+: 286.0935, found: 286.0944.



Isolated as brown oil at 53 mg (99%): IR (neat) cm−1: 3093, 2978, 2929, 2871, 1647, 1329, 1159, 925, 712; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (d, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.82-5.68 (m, 1H), 5.24-5.12 (m, 2H) 4.04 (d, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (q, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.22 (t, 25 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.8, 136.0, 133.1,
129.4, 127.8, 119.2, 52.8, 34.0, 21.5, 12.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF-positive mode): calculated for C₁₂H₁₈NO₂S₂ ([M + H])+: 272.0779, found: 272.0789.

Isolated as a brown solid at 41 mg (80%): mp 65.5-66.5° (lit [32] 68.5-69.5°C); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (d, 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.88-5.77 (m, 1H), 5.25 (dd, 17.5 Hz, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (d, 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.8, 136.1, 133.2, 129.5, 127.8, 119.2, 56.4, 23.6, 21.6.

Chapter 6

6.1 Conclusion

In conclusion, a new metal-free method for trans-imination has been created for reactions of sulfides, triphenylphosphine, allylic sulfides, and allylic phosphines in the presence of catalytic amount of I₂ using imino- λ^3 -iodanes. The general procedure gives the respective products in moderate to good yields. The reaction mechanism most likely involves the amidyl radical species, which is supported through the blank reaction studies with radical scavengers. Allylic sulfides and phosphines can also react under [2,3] – sigmatropic rearrangement to give the rearranged final products as well.

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