

More than 10 years ago, a graduate student in the M. E. Jung's Lab @ UCLA synthesized allyl alcohol 2 by DIBAL-H reduction of 1. The spectroscopic data for 2 were identical to those they reported earlier. However, when compound 2 was allowed to stand without solvent at 21 °C for 5 days, it completely rearranged to a new compound 3, which could be isolated in a highly pure state in 52% yield. *Propose a mechanism for the rearrangement.* They assumed that there must had been traces of either AI (III) salts or acid present in the sample of 2 resulting from the DIBAL-H reduction.



To prove the structure of **3**, the graduate student decided to prepare an authentic sample of a simple derivative. Since compound **4** was known in the literature, he decided to prepare its methylated derivative **5** and compare it to the product of simple debromination of **3**. Methylation of **4** proved to be successful to give the 5-methyl enone **5**; However, when the bromide **3** was treated with AIBN and Bu_3SnH in refluxing benzene, he isolated a compound **6** that was clearly different from the expected product **3**. *Propose a structure of the compound* **6** *and the mechanism for its formation*.



¹H-NMR data for **6**: δ 2.73 (dd, 1H, *J* = 18.1, 6.7 Hz), 2.35 (m, 1H), 2.14 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.08 (dd, 1H, *J* = 18.1, 2.2 Hz), 2.03 (s, 3H), 1.40 (tq, 2H, *J* = 7.5, 7.4 Hz), 1.15 (d, 3H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.87 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.4 Hz). ¹³C-NMR data for **6**: δ 212.3, 168.5, 139.4, 40.9, 39.7, 25.2, 21.8, 17.3, 16.9, 14.2.

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