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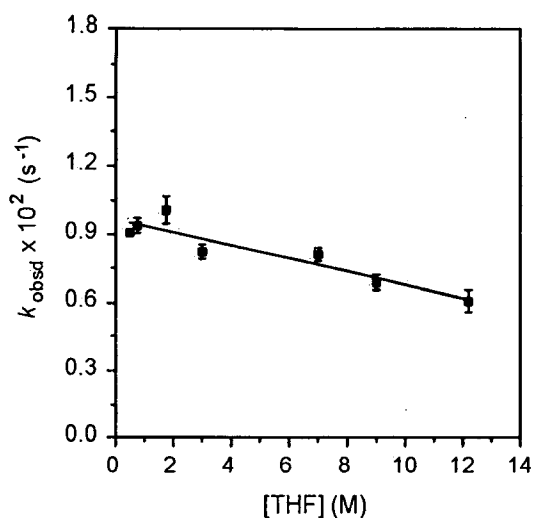
Lithium 2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidide-Mediated
 α - and β -Lithiations of Epoxides:
Solvent-Dependent Mechanisms

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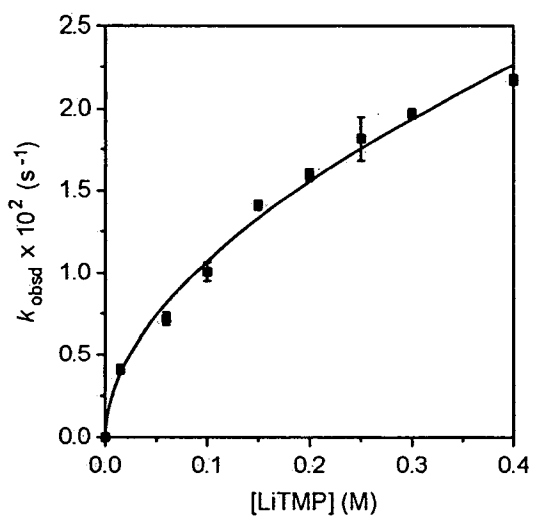
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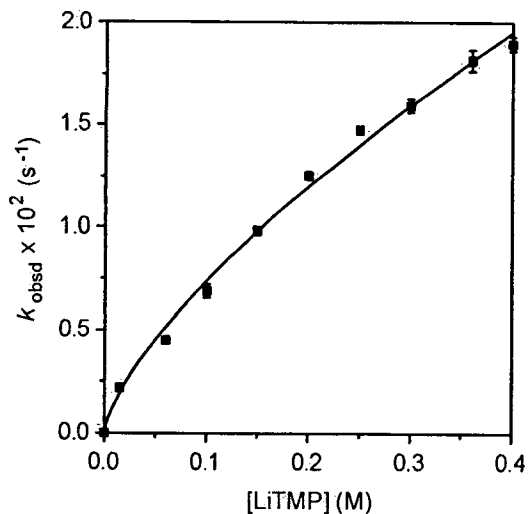
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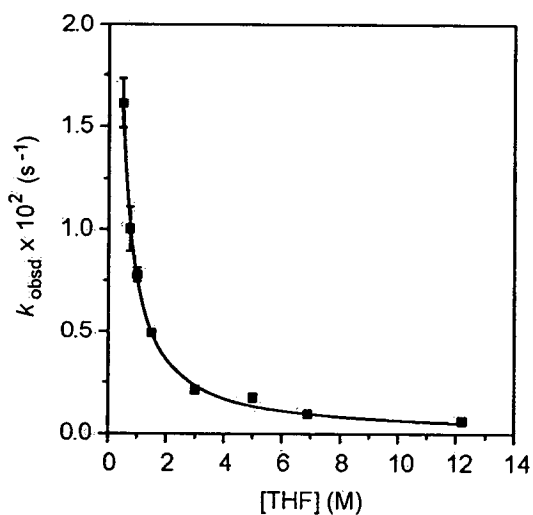
I. Plot of k_{obsd} vs [THF] in pentane cosolvent for the β -lithiation of 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene oxide (**3**, 0.004 M) by LiTMP (0.10 M) at 0 °C. The curve depicts an unweighted least-squares fit to $k_{\text{obsd}} = k[\text{THF}] + k'$ ($k = -2.9 \pm 0.5 \times 10^{-4}$, $k' = 9.7 \pm 0.3 \times 10^{-3}$).



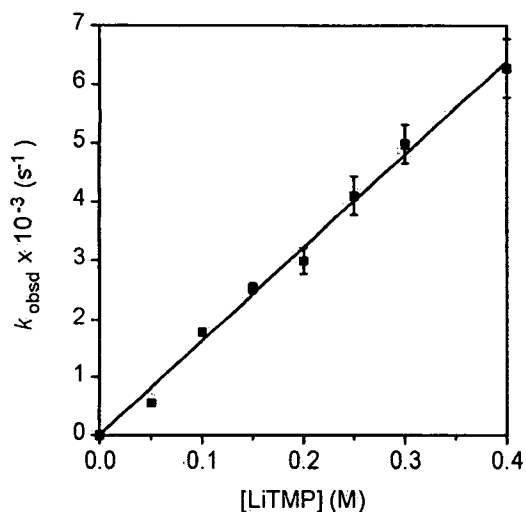
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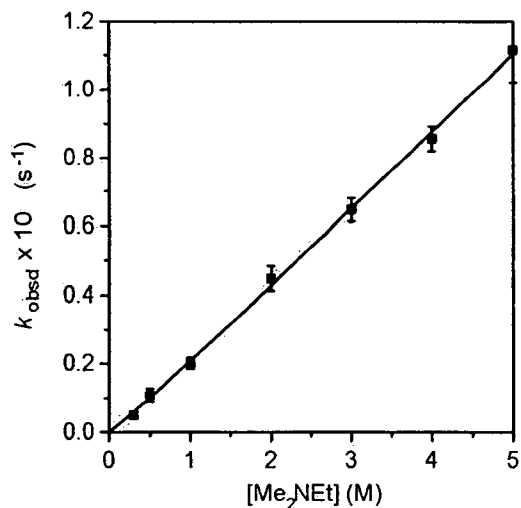
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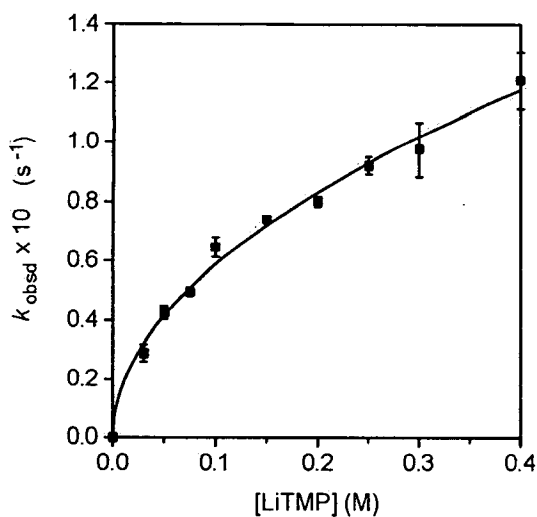
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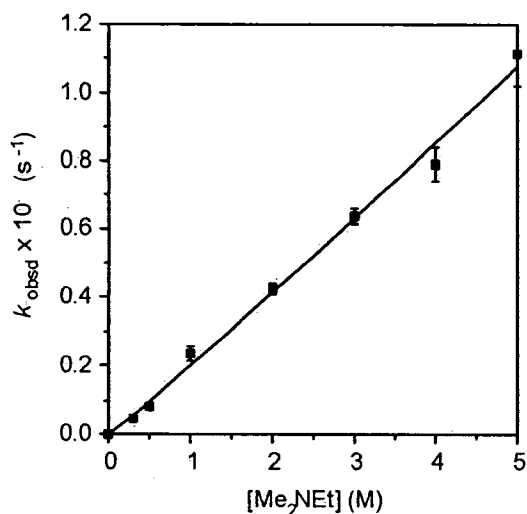
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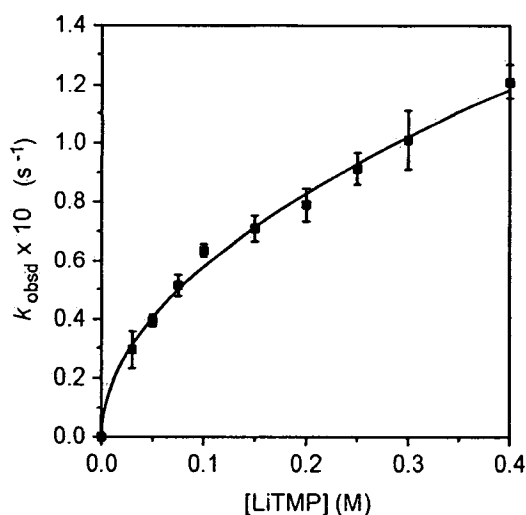
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VII. Plot of k_{obsd} vs $[\text{LiTMP}]$ in Me_2NEt (3.0 M) and pentane cosolvent for the β -lithiation of 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene oxide (**3**, 0.004 M) at 0 °C. The curve depicts an unweighted least-squares fit to $k_{\text{obsd}} = k[\text{LiTMP}]^n$ ($k = 0.18 \pm 0.01$, $n = 0.50 \pm 0.02$).



VIII. Plot of k_{obsd} vs $[\text{Me}_2\text{NEt}]$ in pentane cosolvent for the α -lithiation of *cis*-cyclooctene oxide (**1**, 0.004 M) by LiTMP (0.10 M) at 0 °C. The curve depicts an unweighted least-squares fit to $k_{\text{obsd}} = k[\text{Me}_2\text{NEt}]^n$ ($k = 2.0 \pm 0.2 \times 10^{-2}$, $n = 1.04 \pm 0.06$).



IX. Plot of k_{obsd} vs [LiTMP] in Me₂NEt (3.0 M) and pentane cosolvent for the α -lithiation of *cis*-cyclooctene oxide (**1**, 0.004 M) at 0 °C. The curve an unweighted least-squares fit to $k_{\text{obsd}} = k[\text{LiTMP}]^n$ ($k = 1.9 \pm 0.1 \times 10^{-1}$, $n = 0.51 \pm 0.02$).

X. Table of data for plot in Section I

[THF] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$	$k_{\text{obsd}2} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$	$k_{\text{obsd}} \text{ (avg) (s}^{-1}\text{)}$
0.50	$0.0091 \pm 7\text{E-4}$	$0.0090 \pm 3\text{E-4}$	$0.0091 \pm 1\text{E-4}$
0.75	$0.0092 \pm 5\text{E-4}$	$0.0096 \pm 8\text{E-4}$	$0.0094 \pm 3\text{E-4}$
1.75	$0.0105 \pm 8\text{E-4}$	$0.010 \pm 1\text{E-3}$	$0.010 \pm 1\text{E-3}$
3.00	$0.0080 \pm 4\text{E-4}$	$0.0085 \pm 7\text{E-4}$	$0.0082 \pm 3\text{E-4}$
7.00	$0.0079 \pm 8\text{E-4}$	$0.0083 \pm 9\text{E-4}$	$0.0081 \pm 3\text{E-4}$
9.00	$0.0066 \pm 3\text{E-4}$	$0.0071 \pm 2\text{E-4}$	$0.0069 \pm 3\text{E-4}$
12.2	$0.0057 \pm 5\text{E-4}$	$0.0064 \pm 5\text{E-4}$	$0.0061 \pm 5\text{E-4}$

XI. Table of data for plot in Section II

[LiTMP] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$	$k_{\text{obsd}2} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$	$k_{\text{obsd}} \text{ (avg) (s}^{-1}\text{)}$
0.015	$0.0039 \pm 2\text{E-4}$	$0.0042 \pm 2\text{E-4}$	$0.0041 \pm 2\text{E-4}$

0.060	$0.0074 \pm 3E-4$	$0.0069 \pm 2E-4$	$0.0071 \pm 4E-4$
0.10	$0.0105 \pm 8E-4$	$0.010 \pm 1E-3$	$0.010 \pm 1E-3$
0.15	$0.0143 \pm 5E-4$	$0.0139 \pm 5E-4$	$0.0139 \pm 3E-4$
0.20	$0.016 \pm 1E-3$	$0.0157 \pm 9E-4$	$0.0159 \pm 3E-4$
0.25	$0.0172 \pm 8E-4$	$0.019 \pm 2E-3$	$0.018 \pm 1E-3$
0.30	$0.019 \pm 2E-3$	$0.020 \pm 2E-3$	$0.0197 \pm 3E-4$
0.40	$0.0215 \pm 6E-4$	$0.022 \pm 2E-3$	$0.0217 \pm 3E-4$

XII. Table of data for plot in Section III

[LiTMP] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s^{-1})	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s^{-1})	k_{obsd} (avg) (s^{-1})
0.015	$0.0021 \pm 2E-4$	$0.0023 \pm 1E-4$	$0.0022 \pm 1E-4$
0.060	$0.0044 \pm 2E-4$	$0.0046 \pm 2E-4$	$0.0045 \pm 1E-4$
0.10	$0.0066 \pm 3E-4$	$0.0071 \pm 2E-4$	$0.0069 \pm 3E-4$
0.15	$0.0097 \pm 5E-4$	$0.0099 \pm 1E-4$	$0.0098 \pm 1E-4$
0.20	$0.012 \pm 1E-3$	$0.0127 \pm 8E-4$	$0.0125 \pm 2E-4$
0.25	$0.0147 \pm 9E-4$	$0.015 \pm 1E-3$	$0.0147 \pm 1E-4$
0.30	$0.016 \pm 1E-3$	$0.0157 \pm 7E-4$	$0.0159 \pm 3E-4$
0.35	$0.0185 \pm 8E-4$	$0.018 \pm 2E-3$	$0.0181 \pm 5E-4$
0.40	$0.019 \pm 2E-3$	$0.0187 \pm 8E-4$	$0.0189 \pm 3E-4$

XIII. Table of data for plot in Section IV

[THF] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s^{-1})	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s^{-1})	k_{obsd} (avg) (s^{-1})
0.50	$0.015 \pm 1E-3$	$0.017 \pm 2E-3$	$0.016 \pm 1E-3$
0.75	$0.011 \pm 1E-3$	$0.0093 \pm 8E-4$	$0.010 \pm 1E-3$
1.0	$0.0075 \pm 8E-4$	$0.0080 \pm 8E-4$	$0.0078 \pm 3E-4$
1.5	$0.0049 \pm 3E-4$	$0.0050 \pm 5E-4$	$0.0049 \pm 1E-4$
3.0	$0.0022 \pm 1E-4$	$0.0021 \pm 1E-4$	$0.0021 \pm 1E-4$
5.0	$0.00173 \pm 7E-5$	$0.0018 \pm 2E-4$	$0.00177 \pm 6E-5$
6.9	$0.00094 \pm 7E-5$	$0.00097 \pm 1E-5$	$0.00096 \pm 2E-5$
12.2	$0.00064 \pm 6E-5$	$0.00060 \pm 4E-5$	$0.00062 \pm 3E-5$

XIV. Table of data for plot in Section V

[LiTMP] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s^{-1})	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s^{-1})	k_{obsd} (avg) (s^{-1})
0.05	$0.00054 \pm 5\text{E-}5$	$0.00059 \pm 5\text{E-}5$	$0.00057 \pm 4\text{E-}5$
0.10	$0.00173 \pm 7\text{E-}5$	$0.0018 \pm 2\text{E-}4$	$0.00177 \pm 6\text{E-}5$
0.15	$0.0025 \pm 2\text{E-}4$	$0.0026 \pm 1\text{E-}4$	$0.00252 \pm 8\text{E-}5$
0.20	$0.0028 \pm 2\text{E-}4$	$0.0031 \pm 2\text{E-}4$	$0.0030 \pm 2\text{E-}4$
0.25	$0.0039 \pm 1\text{E-}4$	$0.0043 \pm 3\text{E-}4$	$0.0041 \pm 3\text{E-}4$
0.30	$0.0047 \pm 5\text{E-}4$	$0.0052 \pm 4\text{E-}4$	$0.0050 \pm 3\text{E-}4$
0.40	$0.0059 \pm 6\text{E-}4$	$0.0066 \pm 5\text{E-}4$	$0.0063 \pm 5\text{E-}4$

XV. Table of data for plot in Section VI

[Me ₂ NEt] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s^{-1})	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s^{-1})	k_{obsd} (avg) (s^{-1})
0.30	$0.0045 \pm 5\text{E-}4$	$0.0056 \pm 6\text{E-}4$	$0.0050 \pm 8\text{E-}4$
0.50	$0.0095 \pm 8\text{E-}4$	$0.012 \pm 1\text{E-}3$	$0.011 \pm 2\text{E-}3$
1.00	$0.019 \pm 2\text{E-}3$	$0.021 \pm 2\text{E-}3$	$0.020 \pm 2\text{E-}3$
2.00	$0.042 \pm 3\text{E-}3$	$0.047 \pm 5\text{E-}3$	$0.045 \pm 3\text{E-}3$
3.00	$0.062 \pm 5\text{E-}3$	$0.067 \pm 5\text{E-}3$	$0.065 \pm 3\text{E-}3$
4.00	$0.09 \pm 1\text{E-}2$	$0.083 \pm 7\text{E-}3$	$0.086 \pm 4\text{E-}3$
5.00	$0.10 \pm 1\text{E-}2$	$0.12 \pm 1\text{E-}2$	$0.111 \pm 9\text{E-}3$

XVI. Table of data for plot in Section VII

[LiTMP] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s^{-1})	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s^{-1})	k_{obsd} (avg) (s^{-1})
0.030	$0.027 \pm 3\text{E-}3$	$0.031 \pm 3\text{E-}3$	$0.029 \pm 3\text{E-}3$
0.050	$0.044 \pm 3\text{E-}3$	$0.041 \pm 3\text{E-}3$	$0.043 \pm 2\text{E-}3$
0.075	$0.0488 \pm 9\text{E-}4$	$0.051 \pm 4\text{E-}3$	$0.050 \pm 1\text{E-}3$
0.10	$0.062 \pm 5\text{E-}3$	$0.067 \pm 5\text{E-}3$	$0.065 \pm 3\text{E-}3$

0.15	$0.073 \pm 7E-3$	$0.075 \pm 7E-3$	$0.074 \pm 1E-3$
0.20	$0.079 \pm 8E-3$	$0.081 \pm 6E-3$	$0.080 \pm 2E-3$
0.25	$0.09 \pm 1E-2$	$0.09 \pm 1E-2$	$0.09 \pm 3E-3$
0.30	$0.091 \pm 8E-3$	$0.10 \pm 1E-2$	$0.097 \pm 9E-3$
0.40	$0.13 \pm 1E-2$	$0.11 \pm 1E-2$	$0.12 \pm 1E-2$

XVII. Table of data for plot in Section VIII

[Me ₂ NEt] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s ⁻¹)	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s ⁻¹)	k_{obsd} (avg) (s ⁻¹)
0.30	$0.0043 \pm 5E-4$	$0.0052 \pm 6E-4$	$0.0047 \pm 6E-4$
0.50	$0.0087 \pm 6E-4$	$0.0081 \pm 6E-4$	$0.0084 \pm 4E-4$
1.00	$0.022 \pm 1E-3$	$0.025 \pm 2E-3$	$0.023 \pm 2E-3$
2.00	$0.041 \pm 3E-3$	$0.043 \pm 2E-3$	$0.042 \pm 2E-3$
3.00	$0.062 \pm 4E-3$	$0.065 \pm 6E-3$	$0.064 \pm 2E-3$
4.00	$0.076 \pm 7E-3$	$0.082 \pm 7E-3$	$0.079 \pm 5E-3$
5.00	$0.12 \pm 1E-2$	$0.105 \pm 8E-3$	$0.111 \pm 9E-3$

XVIII. Table of data for plot in Section IX

[LiTMP] (M)	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s ⁻¹)	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s ⁻¹)	k_{obsd} (avg) (s ⁻¹)
0.030	$0.025 \pm 3E-3$	$0.034 \pm 3E-3$	$0.029 \pm 6E-3$
0.050	$0.038 \pm 4E-3$	$0.041 \pm 3E-3$	$0.040 \pm 2E-3$
0.075	$0.049 \pm 5E-3$	$0.054 \pm 5E-3$	$0.051 \pm 4E-3$
0.10	$0.062 \pm 4E-3$	$0.065 \pm 6E-3$	$0.064 \pm 2E-3$
0.15	$0.068 \pm 7E-3$	$0.074 \pm 7E-3$	$0.071 \pm 4E-3$
0.20	$0.075 \pm 7E-3$	$0.083 \pm 9E-3$	$0.079 \pm 6E-3$
0.25	$0.087 \pm 9E-3$	$0.095 \pm 9E-3$	$0.091 \pm 5E-3$
0.30	$0.09 \pm 1E-2$	$0.108 \pm 9E-3$	$0.10 \pm 1E-2$
0.40	$0.12 \pm 1E-2$	$0.12 \pm 1E-2$	$0.12 \pm 1E-2$

XIX. Table of data for k_{obsd} in various ligands (0.5 M) and pentane cosolvent for the β -lithiation of 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene oxide (**3**, 0.004 M) at 0 °C.

	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s ⁻¹)	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s ⁻¹)	k_{obsd} (avg) (s ⁻¹)
THF	0.0091 ± 7E-4	0.0090 ± 3E-4	0.0091 ± 1E-4
Me ₂ NEt	0.0095 ± 8E-4	0.012 ± 1E-3	0.011 ± 2E-3
2,2-Me ₂ THF	0.00346 ± 8E-5	0.0037 ± 4E-4	0.0036 ± 1E-4
<i>n</i> -BuOMe	0.0054 ± 3E-4	0.0060 ± 5E-4	0.0057 ± 4E-4
<i>t</i> -BuOMe	0.00193 ± 8E-5	0.0018 ± 2E-4	0.00188 ± 6E-5
Et ₃ N	0.00097 ± 7E-5	0.0009 ± 1E-4	0.00093 ± 6E-5
<i>n</i> -Pr ₃ N	0.00042 ± 5E-5	0.00047 ± 5E-5	0.00044 ± 4E-5
MeOCH ₂ CH ₂ NMe ₂	0.022 ± 2E-3	0.020 ± 1E-3	0.021 ± 1E-3

XX. Table of data for k_{obsd} in various ligands (0.5 M) and pentane cosolvent for the α -lithiation of *cis*-cyclooctene oxide (**1**, 0.004 M) at 0 °C.

	$k_{\text{obsd}1}$ (s ⁻¹)	$k_{\text{obsd}2}$ (s ⁻¹)	k_{obsd} (avg) (s ⁻¹)
THF	0.015 ± 1E-3	0.017 ± 2E-3	0.016 ± 1E-3
Me ₂ NEt	0.0087 ± 6E-4	0.0081 ± 6E-4	0.0084 ± 4E-4
2,2-Me ₂ THF	0.0071 ± 7E-4	0.0075 ± 8E-4	0.0073 ± 3E-4
<i>n</i> -BuOMe	0.00771 ± 7E-5	0.0069 ± 1E-4	0.0073 ± 5E-4
<i>t</i> -BuOMe	0.0034 ± 1E-4	0.00312 ± 8E-5	0.0033 ± 2E-4
Et ₃ N	0.0013 ± 1E-4	0.0015 ± 1E-4	0.0014 ± 1E-4
<i>n</i> -Pr ₃ N	0.00115 ± 7E-5	0.0013 ± 1E-4	0.00120 ± 1E-4
MeOCH ₂ CH ₂ NMe ₂	0.0072 ± 5E-4	0.0077 ± 2E-4	0.0075 ± 3E-4

XXI. Calculated energies of reactants and transition structures for the β - and α -lithiation of *cis*-2,3-butene oxide using Gaussian 98W at the B3LYP level of density functional theory with the 6-31(d) basis set.

	<u>E (Hartrees)</u>
<i>Cis</i> -2,3-butene oxide	-232.30846
Me ₂ O	-154.94045
Me ₃ N	-174.34784
(Me ₂ NLi) ₂ (Me ₂ O) ₂	-594.01449
(Me ₂ NLi) ₄	-568.21992
16 ; [(Me ₂ NLi)(Me ₂ O)(15)] [‡]	-529.28830
17 ; [(Me ₂ NLi)(Me ₂ O)(15)] [‡]	-529.28004
18 ; [(Me ₂ NLi)(Me ₃ N)(15)] [‡]	-548.69440
19 ; [(Me ₂ NLi)(Me ₃ N)(15)] [‡]	-548.68676
20 ; [(Me ₂ NLi) ₂ (Me ₂ O)(15)] [‡]	-671.34230
21 ; [(Me ₂ NLi) ₂ (Me ₂ O)(15)] [‡]	-671.34470
22 ; [(Me ₂ NLi) ₂ (Me ₂ O)(15)] [‡]	-671.34342
23 ; [(Me ₂ NLi) ₂ (Me ₂ O)(15)] [‡]	-671.34729
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25 ; [(Me ₂ NLi) ₂ (Me ₃ N)(15)] [‡]	-690.75123
26 ; [(Me ₂ NLi) ₂ (Me ₃ N)(15)] [‡]	-690.75317
27 ; [(Me ₂ NLi) ₂ (Me ₃ N)(15)] [‡]	-690.75741