# Peptide Syntheses

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#### A. Introduction

do not acid

H-Phe-Phe-OH H-Met-Phe-OH H-Met-Met-OH H-Phe-Met-OH dipeptide dipeptide dipeptide dipeptide diketopiperazine symmetrical diketopiperazine unsymmetrical diketopiperazine

#### would also

impractical synthesis

*N*- protect one of the fragments and *C*- protect the other.

### Reactions Of Unprotected Amino Acids

Carboxylic acids do not combine with amines carboxylic acids to acid chlorides,

dipeptide	dipeptide	dipeptide	dipeptide	
H-Met-Phe-OH	H-Met-Met-OH	H-Phe-Phe-OH	H-Phe-Met-OH	

There are also three possible cyclic by-products, *diketopiperazines*, in the reaction above; show these:

Polymeric materials would also be produced in this reaction. Overall, this route would be a(n) impractical

To solve this problem it is necessary to *N*-protect one of the fragments and *C*-protect the other.

#### Reactions Of Protected Amino Acids

#### Illustrative Protection: BOC/tBu

N-BOC Protected Amino Acids amines amines.

with trifluoroacetic (TFA) acid.

carbocation

carbon dioxide.

amino acid

### Give the products of the following reactions

unstable carbamate

### undesirable HSiEt₃

### Tyr / Trp

Achn 
$$\stackrel{\circ}{\longrightarrow}$$
  $\stackrel{\circ}{\longrightarrow}$   $\stackrel{\circ}{\longrightarrow}$ 

#### usually

by-product cation

OBn carbocation amino acid

### C-Protection Of Amino Acids With <sup>t</sup>Bu-Groups

Ac-Met-O<sup>t</sup>Bu

#### 1-Adamantyl esters cannot are

#### **Activation Of N-Protected Amino Acids**

too *reactive* for using *carbodiimide* reagents ie dicyclohexylurea, because the by-products can be protonated and are water-soluble.

#### BOC-Phe-O

### The Epimerization Problem

epimerize) epimeric products.

difficult to separate

#### azlactone.

is driven by aromatic stabilization in the product and simultaneous loss carbamate.

#### more

### **Strategies In Solution Phase Syntheses That Avoid Epimerization**

will

will tend to



BOC-lle-Val-Ala-OBu more prone to racemization

circle the one amino acid in one of these structures that is most vulnerable to epimerization

are

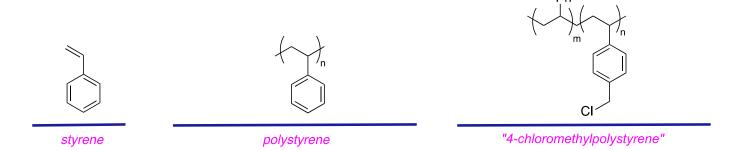
C- to N- direction

### **B. Solid Phase Peptide Syntheses**

are mixed with is usually required easier to purify advantages of

are not optimally

C-terminus.



S<sub>N</sub>2 reaction

TFA often in the presence of a scavenger; this does not

#### **N**-terminus

$$^{1}Bu$$
  $O$   $H_{2}N$   $H_{2}N$ 

BOC-Ser(O<sup>t</sup>Bu)-OH

$$H_2N$$
 $O$ 
 $O$ 
 $Bu$ 

#### **HF** and scavengers

H-GGFM-support

**BOC-LGGFM-support** 

$$\frac{\mathsf{HF}}{\mathsf{HSiEt}_3}$$

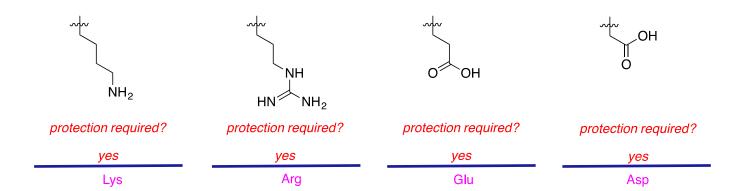
H-LGGFM-OH

### C. Side-chain Protection Of Amino Acids

may

is required.

undesirable desirable



Phe

Asn

GIn

## D. The FMOC Approach

Cys

HF

base labile

via *TFA*.

$$FMOC\text{-}Glu(^{\dagger}Bu)\text{-}OH$$

$$FMOC\text{-}Lys(BOC)\text{-}OH$$

$$FMOC\text{-}Ser(^{\dagger}Bu)\text{-}OH$$

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