

Regio- and Stereoselective Hydrosilylation of 1,4-Bis(trimethylsilyl)-3-buten-1-yne

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Four kinds of regio- and stereoisomers of hydrosilylation products of 1,4-bis(trimethylsilyl)-3-buten-1-yne (**1**) could be independently prepared in over 93% selectivities by proper choice of catalysts and *cis* and *trans* geometries of **1**.

Catalytic hydrosilylation of conjugated enynes has been investigated by several research groups and shown to give allenylsilanes and dienylsilanes, which are useful intermediates in organic synthesis.¹ We have been interested in the use of *cis* and *trans* isomers of 1,4-bis(trimethylsilyl)-3-buten-1-yne (*cis*-**1** and *trans*-**1**, respectively) as substrates of catalytic hydrosilylation, because both isomers are readily accessible from a common starting material, (trimethylsilyl)acetylene.^{1c,2,3} It has been expected that the difference in the geometry of starting enynes (*cis* or *trans*) would be reflected in the regio- and stereochemistries of the reaction, leading to the selective synthesis of isomers of hydrosilylation products. We report herein that such reactions could be realized in high selectivities by proper choice of hydrosilylation catalysts.

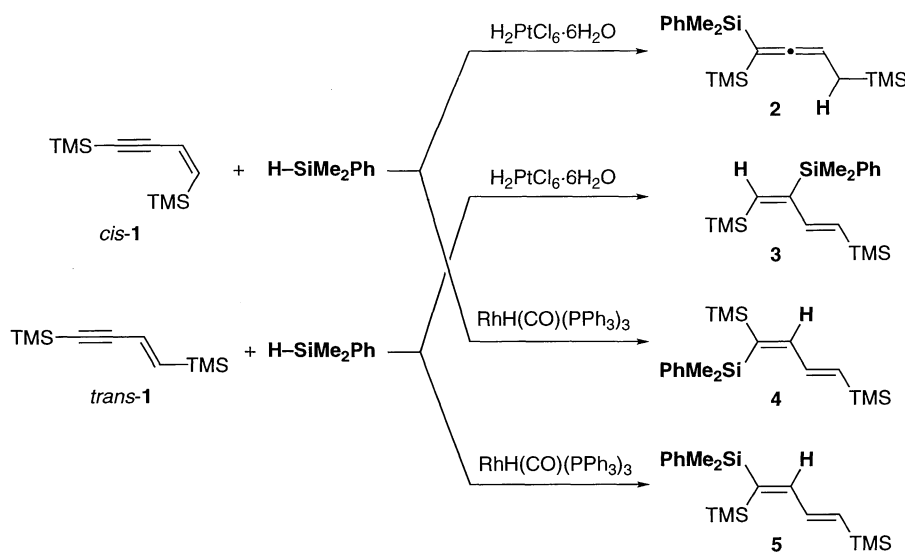
Scheme 1 outlines the results. One of the most interesting findings in this study is an alteration in the regiochemistry (1,4- or 1,2-addition) depending on the *trans* and *cis* geometries of enynes, that was observed for the platinum-catalyzed reactions. Another point should be noted is clear dependence of the stereochemistry upon the geometries in the rhodium-catalyzed reactions; *cis*-**1** and *trans*-**1** gave *anti*- and *syn*-addition products **4** and **5**, respectively.

The representative data are listed in Table 1. Treatment of *cis*-**1** with HSiMe₂Ph (1.1 equiv.) in the presence of a catalytic amount of H₂PtCl₆·6H₂O (0.5 mol%) led to 1,4-addition of hydrosilane across the enyne skeleton to give allenylsilane **2** in

96% selectivity (Entry 1). Almost the same selectivity for allenylsilane formation was observed with HSiMePh₂ in place of HSiMe₂Ph, though the reactivity of HSiMePh₂ was considerably lower than that of HSiMe₂Ph.^{4,5} On the other hand, the platinum-catalyzed hydrosilylation of *trans*-**1** with HSiMe₂Ph mainly provided 1,2-addition product **3** (Entry 2).⁶

In the rhodium-catalyzed reactions, 1,2-addition of hydrosilane across the triple bond took place for both enyne isomers (Entries 3–5). It was noted that the orientation of addition observed for the rhodium-catalyzed systems was opposite to the platinum-catalyzed 1,2-addition of *trans*-**1** (Entry 2). The selectivity was highly sensitive to the sort of catalyst employed and RhH(CO)(PPh₃)₃ was the only rhodium complex that provides over 90% selectivities.⁷ Although the reaction of *trans*-**1** with HSiMe₂Ph gave only 81% selectivity of **5** (Entry 4), the selectivity could be improved to 96% by using HSiMePh₂ (Entry 5).

The stereochemical courses of the rhodium-catalyzed hydrosilylation were clearly dictated by the *cis* and *trans* geometries of starting enynes. Of the reaction courses shown in Scheme 1, the *syn*-addition to *trans*-**1** giving **5** is a commonly observed process for the catalytic hydrosilylation of acetylene derivatives. On the other hand, the *anti*-addition to *cis*-**1** to give **4** deserves a discussion. It should be noted that the *anti*-addition involved *cis* to *trans* isomerization of the ene part of *cis*-**1**. This phenomenon can be reasonably understood by the hydrosilylation process in Scheme 2. The first step is *syn*-addition of a silylrhodium species to the triple bond of *cis*-**1** to afford a methylene- π -allyl complex **6**, which has a bulky trimethylsilyl group at the *anti* position of the π -allyl moiety. The steric demand in the *anti*- π -allyl complex **6** may be



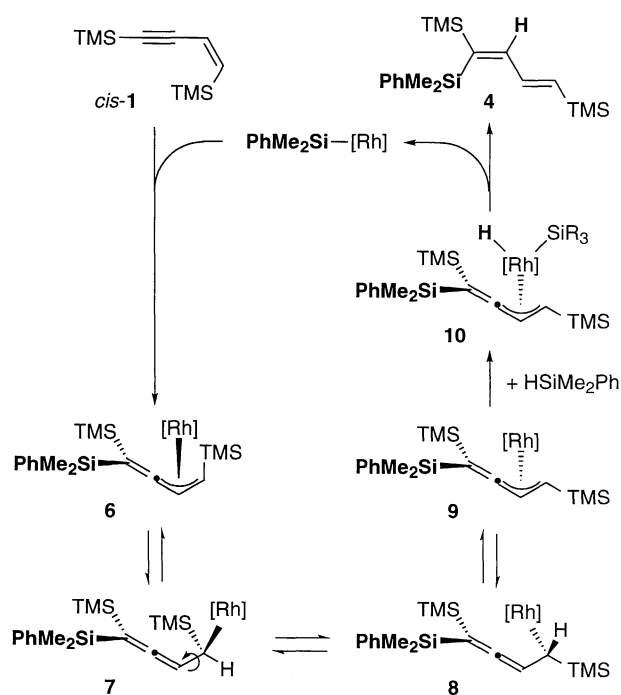
Scheme 1.

Table 1. Catalytic hydrosilylation of *trans*- and *cis*-1,4-bis(trimethylsilyl)-3-buten-1-yne (**1**) with HSiMe₂Ph^a

Entry	Enyne	Catalyst	Reaction time/h	Product ratio ^b				Total yield /%
				2	3	4	5	
1	<i>cis</i> - 1	H ₂ PtCl ₆ ·6H ₂ O	2	96	4	0	0	93
2	<i>trans</i> - 1	H ₂ PtCl ₆ ·6H ₂ O	3	0	93	0	7	100
3	<i>cis</i> - 1	RhH(CO)(PPh ₃) ₃	19	0	0	95	5	98
4	<i>trans</i> - 1	RhH(CO)(PPh ₃) ₃	19	10	0	9	81	96
5 ^c	<i>trans</i> - 1	RhH(CO)(PPh ₃) ₃	24	4	0	0	96	99

^aAll reactions were examined with 0.5 mol% of catalyst and 1.1 equivalents per **1** of HSiMe₂Ph at 80 °C without solvent. ^bDetermined by ¹H NMR analysis of a mixture of the reaction products after separation of catalyst by column chromatography (Al₂O₃, hexane). ^cThe reaction was performed with HSiMePh₂ in place of HSiMe₂Ph.

effectively reduced by its isomerization to the *syn*- π -allyl isomer **9** via allenylmethyl intermediates **7** and **8**. As seen from the scheme, the rhodium moiety is shifted from the *syn* position to the *anti* position with respect to the R₃Si group during the isomerization. Therefore, after the oxidative addition of hydrosilane to **9** followed by the reductive elimination of the methylene- π -allyl and hydrido ligands from **10**, the *anti*-addition product **4** is produced with the *cis* to *trans* isomerization of the ene part.

**Scheme 2.**

Supplementary Material (4 pages) including experimental procedures and spectroscopic data of new compounds are available on request to the author by facsimile (+81-6-605-2978).

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- The reaction of *cis*-**1** with HSiMePh₂ (1.1 equiv.) at 80 °C for 69 h in the presence of the platinum catalyst (0.5 mol%) gave 1-(diphenylmethylsilyl)-1,4-bis(trimethylsilyl)-1,2-butadiene in 94% selectivity.
- The predominant formation of allenylsilane **2** was also observed with RuHCl(CO)(PPh₃)₃ catalyst, though the catalytic activity was much lower than the platinum catalyst. For example, the reaction of *cis*-**1** with HSiMe₂Ph (1.5 equiv.) in the presence of 2.5 mol% of RuHCl(CO)(PPh₃)₃ at 80 °C for 134 h gave **2** in 86% selectivity, together with **4** (6%) and **5** (8%).
- The catalytic hydrosilylation of *cis*-**1** and *trans*-**1** could be conducted in almost the same selectivities as in Entries 1 and 2 using phosphine-free platinum catalysts such as Pt(cod)₂ and PtCl₂(cod), while the selectivity was low when PPh₃-coordinated complexes (PtCl₂(PPh₃)₂ and Pt(PPh₃)₄) were employed as catalysts.
- The product ratio in the hydrosilylation of *trans*-**1** with HSiMePh₂ at 80 °C catalyzed by other rhodium complexes: RhCl(PPh₃)₃, **2/4/5** = 17/11/68; [Rh(cod)₂]BF₄, **2/3/5** = 5/44/51, [Rh(cod)(dppp)]BF₄, **2/3/5** = 2/48/50; TpRh(cod), **2/3/5** = 4/21/75.