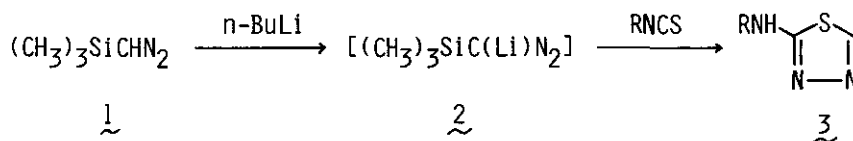


TRIMETHYLSILYLDIAZOMETHANE: A NEW SYNTHON FOR THE PREPARATION  
OF 2-AMINO-1,3,4-THIADIAZOLES

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We have already reported that the lithium salt of trimethylsilyldiazomethane ( $\text{TMSCHN}_2$ ,  $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{SiCHN}_2$ , 1) reacts with methyl esters of carboxylic acids and various nitriles to give tetrazoles<sup>1)</sup> and 1,2,3-triazoles<sup>2)</sup>, respectively. Very recently, lithium trimethylsilyldiazomethane (2) was found to react with  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated nitriles and isocyanates to give pyrazoles<sup>3)</sup> and 5-hydroxy-1,2,3-triazoles<sup>4)</sup>, respectively.

As an extension of the utilization of  $\text{TMSCHN}_2$  as a [C-N-N] synthon for the preparation of azoles, we now found that 2-amino-1,3,4-thiadiazoles (3) have been conveniently prepared by the reaction of 2 with isothiocyanates under mild reaction conditions. For example, 2 was treated with phenyl isothiocyanate in diethyl ether at 0°C for 2 h to give 2-phenylamino-1,3,4-thiadiazole in good yield. Various examples for this new azole synthesis will be presented.



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