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Lewis-Acid-Assisted Methyl Exchange Reactions In Silylated Aminodichloroarsanes

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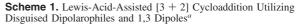
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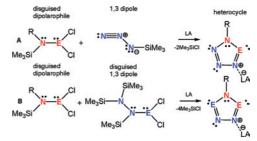
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Lewis-acid-assisted methyl/chlorine, methyl/azide, and methyl/triflate exchange reactions between silicon and arsenic centers have been studied and applied to different silylated aminoarsane species leading to a number of new methylarsane compounds: bis(trimethylsilyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**3**) was reacted with GaCl₃ yielding a bis(chlorodimethylsilyl)-tetramethyl-*cyclo*-disilazane (**4**) accompanied by the release of Me₂AsCl, while trimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**5**) (*m*-terphenyl = 2,6-Mes₂-C₆H₃, Mes = 2,4,6-Me₃C₆H₂) reacted with GaCl₃ to give dichloromethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)aminodimethylarsane (**6**). In the presence of trimethylsilylazide, trimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(dichloro)arsane displays a methyl/azide exchange triggered by the action of GaCl₃ yielding azidodimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(chloro)methylarsane (**7**). Moreover, methyl/triflate exchange reactions have been observed in the reaction of trimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**8**) and (ii) with 2 equiv of AgOTf yielding *N*-(trifluoromethylsulfonatodimethylsilyl)-*N*-(*m*-terphenyl)amino(methylsulfonatomethylarsane (**9**). All new compounds (**3**-**9**) have been fully characterized by means of vibrational spectroscopy, X-ray, CHN analysis, MS, and NMR studies. A possible reaction mechanism is discussed starting from an initial chloride abstraction and the intermediate formation of a cationic iminoarsane species. In a second step, a methyl shift from the silicon to the arsenic center occurs.

Introduction

In a series of papers, Lewis-acid-assisted Me₃Si-Cl elimination reactions followed by [3 + 2] cycloadditions¹ have been established in phosphorous/nitrogen chemistry only recently.² This reaction type was also successfully applied in arsenic/nitrogen chemistry to the reaction of silylated supermesityl(dichloro)arsane, Mes*-N(Me₃Si)AsCl₂, (Mes* = 2,4,6-*t*Bu₃C₆H₂) and Me₃Si-N₃ in the presence of GaCl₃ resulting in the formation of neutral tetrazarsole, Mes*-N₄As, stabilized as a GaCl₃ adduct (Scheme 1).³ Lewis acids





^{*a*} LA = Lewis acid = AlCl₃, GaCl₃, or B(C₆F₅)₃; E = P, As; R = N(SiMe₃)₂, *m*-terphenyl⁵ = Ar[#] = 2,6-Mes₂-C₆H₃, supermesityl⁶).

such as AlCl₃, GaCl₃, or $B(C_6F_5)_3^4$ are needed to release the "disguised" dipolarophile and 1,3-dipole by catalyzing the Me₃Si-Cl elimination.

Astonishingly, in contrast to the analogous phosphorus species, N,N',N'-[tris(trimethylsilyl)]hydrazino(dichloro)arsane, (Me₃Si)₂N-N(SiMe₃)-AsCl₂ (1), did not react to the

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Scheme 2. GaCl₃-Assisted Methyl/Chlorine Exchange in Hydrazino(dichloro)arsane, (Me₃Si)₂N-N(SiMe₃)-AsCl₂.



triazadiarsole according to Scheme 1 (reaction B), but instead **1** was transformed into the corresponding *N*-trimethylsilyl-*N'*,*N'*-bis-(dimethylchlorosilyl)hydrazinodimethylarsane (**2**) (Scheme 2).⁷ Obviously, in case of the arsenic compound (**1**), there is a second reaction channel that is faster and results in a methyl/chlorine exchange at the silicon and the arsenic centers induced by the action of the Lewis acid. The thermodynamic stabilization of this chlorinated system in **2** appears in the important antiperiplanar interactions between nitrogen/chlorine lone pairs and adjacent σ^* acceptor orbitals.

In this study, we report that this methyl/chlorine exchange reaction triggered by the action of GaCl₃ can be generalized and applied to different silylated amino(dichloro)arsane species.

Results and Discussion

Reactions with Si–C bond cleavage catalyzed by the action of GaCl₃ are known.⁸ For instance, a methyl migration from silicon to gallium was found in the reaction of GaCl₃ and SiMe₄ for which an intermediate with bridging Cl and Me between Si and Ga was suggested, finally resulting in the formation of Me₃SiCl and (MeGaCl₂)₂. In the intramolecular Me/Cl exchange reaction of **1** (Scheme 2), GaCl₃ mediates the substitution and forms an adduct (**2**) at the end of the exchange reaction. Reaction of **2** with a Lewis base, for example, 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (DMAP), yields the adduct-free hydrazinodimethylarsane,⁷ so GaCl₃ can be considered a catalyst in contrast to the Si–C bond cleavage reaction described above where methylgalliumchlorides are formed. Carmalt et al. have observed a similar Si–C bond

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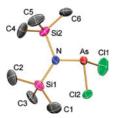
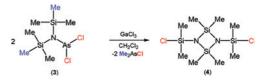


Figure 1. ORTEP drawing of the molecular structure of **3** in the crystal. Thermal ellipsoids with 50% probability at 173 K (hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity).

Scheme 3. GaCl₃-Assisted Methyl/Chlorine Exchange in Bis(trimethylsilyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**3**), Yielding *cyclo*-Disilazane (**4**) via Release of Me₂AsCl



cleavage in the reaction of GaCl₃ with (Me₃Si)₃N yielding among other things dimeric (MeGaCl₂)₂.⁹

Methyl-Exchange Reactions in Bis(trimethylsilyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (3). To gain further insight into GaCl₃assisted methyl/chlorine exchange reactions, we applied this reaction type to **3** and other arsenic species. In a modified synthetic procedure,¹⁰ bis(trimethylsilyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (Figure 1) is easily prepared from *N*-lithio-*N*,*N*-bis-(trimethylsilyl)amide and AsCl₃ in *n*-hexane at -40 °C. Filtration and removal of the solvent and the excess of AsCl₃ gave a viscous liquid of **3** (yield = 70%, mp = -11 °C, bp = 53 °C (10^{-3} mbar)).

According to Scheme 3, amino(dichloro)arsane **3** dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ was added dropwise to a solution of GaCl₃ in CH₂Cl₂ at -20 °C resulting in a yellowish solution. Removal of CH₂Cl₂ yielded a residue, which was extracted with *n*-hexane. Subsequent sublimation gave the unexpected 1,3bis(chlorodimethylsilyl)-2,2,4,4-tetramethyl-*cyclo*-disilazane (**4**) (Scheme 3) in good yields (75 %). The formation of **4** was unequivocally proven by NMR and X-ray studies, and it was fully characterized. Furthermore, the methyl/ chlorine exchange was confirmed by the identification of Me₂AsCl (¹H NMR). *cyclo*-Disilazane **4** has been reported before and was prepared, for example, in the condensation reaction of dichlorodimethylsilane, Me₂SiCl₂, with either 2,2,4,4,6,6-hexamethylcyclotrisilazane, [Me₂SiNH]₃, or 2,2, 4,4,6,6,8,8-octamethylcyclotetrasilazane, [Me₂SiNH]₄.¹¹

Presumably, the unexpected formation of **4** in the reaction of **3** with GaCl₃ is triggered by a chloride abstraction (formation of GaCl₄⁻) in the first reaction step as illustrated

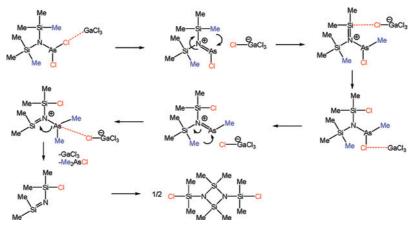
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Scheme 4. Suggested Reaction Mechanism of the GaCl₃-Assisted Methyl/Chlorine Exchange in Bis(trimethylsilyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (3), Yielding *cyclo*-Disilazane (4) via Release of Me₂AsCl



in Scheme 4. The formed cationic As–N species undergoes a shift of one methyl group from the Me₃Si unit to the cationic arsenic center. Now $GaCl_4^-$ transfers the chloride to the Me₂Si=N moiety. The same process can be discussed for the second methyl/chlorine exchange, which is followed by a release of Me₂AsCl and the dimerization of the *in situ* generated Me₂Si=N–SiMe₂Cl.

Methyl/Chlorine Exchange Reactions in Trimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)aminodichloroarsane (5). Compound 5 (Figure 2) may be regarded a "disguised" dipolarophile, since an intrinsic elimination of Me₃Si-Cl should give an imino(chloro)arsane, Ar#-N=As-Cl, which can react with a 1,3 dipole molecule such as Me_3Si-N_3 to give a tetrazarsole $(m\text{-terphenyl}^{5d} = Ar^{\#} = 2,6\text{-Mes}_2\text{-}C_6H_3, Mes = 2,4,6\text{-}$ Me₃C₆H₂).³ This at least was the idea, which worked well for the analogue phosphorus compound but not for 5.^{2f} Upon adding a solution of GaCl₃ in CH₂Cl₂ to a solution of 5 in CH₂Cl₂, the formation of an iminoarsane was not observed but again a chlorine/methyl exchange reaction occurred as displayed by ²⁹Si, ¹H, and ¹³C NMR studies. Recrystallization from toluene gave crystals suitable for an X-ray structure determination, revealing again a methyl/chlorine exchange product, now with two chlorine atoms attached to the silicon and a dimethylarsane unit according to Scheme 5 (Figure 3). Obviously, when only one Me₃Si unit is present in the molecule, a double methyl/chlorine exchange at this Si center (Scheme 5) occurs, while a single methyl/chlorine exchange at two different Si centers is observed when two Me₃Si groups are present (Schemes 2 and 3). The novel dichloromethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)aminodimethylarsane (6) is soluble

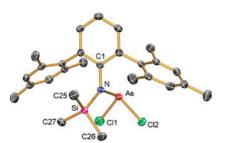
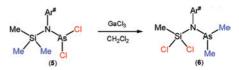


Figure 2. ORTEP drawing of the molecular structure of **5** in the crystal. Thermal ellipsoids with 50% probability at 173 K (hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity).

Scheme 5. GaCl₃-Assisted Methyl/Chlorine Exchange in Trimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**5**), Yielding Dichloromethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)aminodimethylarsane (**6**)



in toluene, CH_2Cl_2 , and ether and is thermally stable up to 156 °C. Aminodimethylarsane **6** is air- and moisturesensitive, but under argon, it is stable over a long period in both solid and common organic solvents. Interestingly, in contrast to **1**, which forms a GaCl₃ adduct **2**, compound **6** does not form an adduct presumably due to steric reasons.

Methyl/Azide Exchange Reactions in Trimethylsilyl(mterphenyl)aminodichloroarsane. Although we noticed that GaCl₃ already reacts with 5 in a methyl/chlorine exchange reaction, we changed the synthetic approach with respect to the order of adding the Lewis acid to determine whether a formal [3 + 2] cyclization^{2,3} is faster than the methyl/chlorine or methyl/azide exchange reaction. Hence, in a further experiment, a solution of GaCl₃ in CH₂Cl₂ was added to a solution of 5 and Me₃Si-N₃ in CH₂Cl₂ at -70 °C, resulting in an orange solution (Scheme 6). After being stirred at -30°C for 30 min, the solution was concentrated and recrystallized at -80 °C yielding a colorless, crystalline solid (yield = 95%). A Raman experiment immediately revealed the existence of a covalently bound azide ($v_{as} = 2141 \text{ cm}^{-1}$), and by means of X-ray structure determination, the formation of azidodimethylsilyl(m-terphenyl)amino(chloro)methylar-

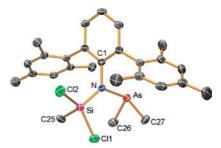


Figure 3. ORTEP drawing of the molecular structure of **6** in the crystal. Thermal ellipsoids with 50% probability at 173 K (hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity).

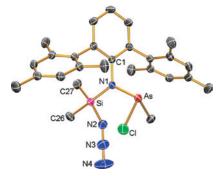
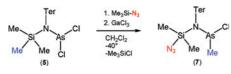


Figure 4. ORTEP drawing of the molecular structure of **7** in the crystal. Thermal ellipsoids with 50% probability at 173 K (hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity).

Scheme 6. GaCl₃-Assisted Methyl/Azide Exchange in Trimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**5**), Yielding Azidomethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(chloro)methylarsane (**7**)



sane (7) was unequivocally proven (Figure 4).¹² It is interesting to note that in the presence of Me₃Si-N₃ the Lewis acid GaCl₃ facilitates a methyl/azide exchange even at low temperatures (T always below -30 °C). Without $GaCl_3$ no reaction was observed between 5 and Me_3Si-N_3 . Interestingly, the novel azidodimethylsilyl(m-terphenyl)amino(chloro)methylarsane (7) represents one of the rare examples of structurally characterized neutral azidosilanes.¹³ Compound 7 is thermally stable to over 149 °C and is neither heat- nor shock-sensitive. Moreover, 7 is extremely air- and moisture-sensitive, but under argon, it is stable over a long period in solid at ambient temperatures and in common organic solvents (e.g., toluene, CH2Cl2, ether) at low temperatures (T < -40 °C). It is interesting to mention that when an excess of Me₃Si-N₃ was used, a Me₃Si-N₃·GaCl₃ adduct crystallizes together with 7. This adduct was first described by Kouvetakis et al.¹⁴

Azidosilanes are frequently used for the introduction of azide groups, for the generation of silylenes and the synthesis of silyl-iminophosphoranes via Staudinger reaction.^{12b,15–20}

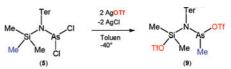
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Scheme 7. Methyl/Triflate Exchange in

Trimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**5**), Yielding *N*-(Trifluoromethylsulfonatodimethylsilyl)-*N*-(*m*-terphenyl)amino-(methyl)chloroarsane (**8**) (Utilization of 1 equiv of AgOTf)



Scheme 8. Methyl/Triflate Exchange in Trimethylsilyl(*m*-terphenyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**5**), Yielding *N*-(Trifluoromethylsulfonatodimethylsilyl)-*N*-(*m*-terphenyl)aminotrifluoromethylsulfonatomethylarsane (**9**) (Utilization of 2 equiv of AgOTf)



Methyl/Triflate Exchange Reactions in Trimethylsilyl(m-terphenyl)aminodichloroarsane. In a second series of experiments we studied the reaction of silver triflate, AgOTf (OTf = SO_3CF_3 = trifluoromethylsulfonate = triflate), with 5, again observing interesting methyl exchange reactions, this time triggered by the action of the Lewis acid Ag⁺ (Scheme 7 and 8). First, 1 equiv of AgOTf was added to a solution of 5 in CH_2Cl_2 at -30 °C under exclusion of light, resulting in the formation of N-(trifluoromethylsulfonatodimethylsilyl)-N-(m-terphenyl)amino(methyl)chloroarsane (8) (mp = 163 °C) in high yields (98 %) (Scheme 7, Figure 5). Usage of 2 equiv of AgOTf led to the formation of N-(trifluoromethylsulfonatodimethylsilyl)-N-(m-terphenyl)amino-trifluoromethylsulfonatomethylarsane (9) (yield = 96%, mp = 186 °C). Both compounds (8 and 9) have been fully characterized. As expected, when 1 equiv AgOTf was added a methyl/triflate exchange occurs at the silicon center (Scheme 7). However, when 2 equiv of AgOTf are used, again only one methyl/triflate exchange was observed. The second equivalent of AgOTf attacks the arsenic center finally forming an As-OTf bond (Scheme 8).

Both novel amino(methyl)chloroarsanes (8 and 9) are thermally stable to over 160 °C. Both crude products (of 8 and 9) are easily purified by recrystallization and are extremely air- and moisture-sensitive, but under argon they are stable over a long period.

Generalized Reaction Mechanism of Methyl Exchange Reactions in Amino Substituted Dichloroarsanes. Independent of the Lewis acid, the first reaction step is characterized by a chloride abstraction and the intermediate formation of a cationic species with the formal positive charge localized at the nitrogen atom as displayed in Scheme 9. According to NBO analysis for the cationic model compound $Me_3Si-N(R)-AsCl^+$ (R = H), the As-N bonds and the Si-N bonds are highly polarized, and the calculated partial

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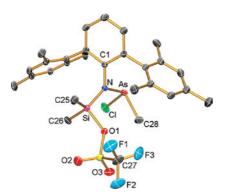
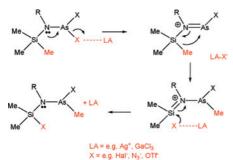


Figure 5. ORTEP drawing of the molecular structure of **8** in the crystal. Thermal ellipsoids with 50% probability at 173 K (hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity).

Scheme 9. Generalized Reaction Mechanism of Methyl Exchange Reactions in Amino-Substituted Dichloroarsanes



charges are +1.93 for Si, +1.30 for As, and -1.28 *e* for N.²¹ As further indicated by NBO analysis,²² there are significant interactions of the π (N=As) bond with two unoccupied, antibonding σ^* orbitals of the Si–C bond system.⁷ This intramolecular donor–acceptor interaction (hyperconjugation)²³ accounts for the rather long Si–C bond and describes the delocalization of the π (N=As). This rather long Si–C bond presumably facilitates the methyl group shift from the Si to the As center, while the basic anion X⁻ (X = Cl, N₃, OTf) attacks the positively charged Si atom, finally forming an As–C and a Si–X bond.

X-ray Structure Determination. The solid-state structures of the aminoarsane derivatives **3** and **5–9** are shown in Figures 1–6. Selected bond lengths and angles are listed in Table 1; crystallographic details are given in Tables 2 and $3.^{24}$ X-ray quality crystals of **4–9** were selected in Kel-F-oil (Riedel deHaen) at ambient temperatures, while an X-ray quality crystal of **3** had to be selected in Galden-HT230 oil

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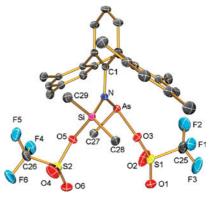


Figure 6. ORTEP drawing of the molecular structure of **9** in the crystal. Thermal ellipsoids with 50% probability at 173 K (hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity).

(Solvay Solexis) at 173 K due to the low melting point of **3** (mp = -11 °C). All samples were cooled to 173(2) K during the measurement. To the best of our knowledge, only a few silyltriflates²⁵ and dichloromethylsilanes have been structurally characterized.²⁶

In all aminoarsane derivatives, as expected, the central nitrogen atom is almost trigonal planar, the arsenic atom is trigonal pyramidal, and the silicon atom is tetrahedrally coordinated. The sum of the bond angles at the amino nitrogen atom N is always very close to 360° indicating a planar environment and hence a formal sp²-hybridization (Table 1). The sum of the bond angles at the arsenic atom ranges between $300-302^{\circ}$ for compounds 3-8, while in the triflate-subtituted aminoarsane 9 a sum of 292° is found. The R^1-As-N and R^2-As-N angles are all between 91° and 108° with the smallest angle ($\angle O-As-N = 91.42(6)^{\circ}$) and the largest ($\angle C-As-N = 107.96(8)^{\circ}$) in case of triflate substitution in compound 9. Obviously, a more electronegative substituent allows a smaller bond angle.²⁷

As depicted in Figures 2–6, in all *m*-terphenyl-substituted aminoarsanes, the N–AsR₂–Si moiety sits almost central inside the pocket formed by the m-terphenyl group but always twisted (the torsion angle between the N–Si–As plane and the central phenyl ring of the *m*-terphenyl group is always between 45° and 65°).

It should be mentioned that the AsCl₂ unit in **3** is twisted towards Si1 (\angle Si1–N–As–Cl2 = 23.03(8)°) resulting in a C_1 symmetric molecule (Figure 1). Hence the Si1–N–As angle is considerably larger (creates more space for the AsCl₂ moiety) then the Si2–N–As angle (125.37(7)° vs 112.03(6)°). Both Me₃Si groups adopt a staggered conformation.

The As-N distances are all between 1.802(1) (compound **3**) and 1.920(1) Å (compound **6**), with smaller As-N distances always found for the more electronegative R¹ and

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Table 1. Selected Bond Lengths (Å) and Angles (deg) in $(Me_3Si)_2N-AsCl_2$ (**3**) and *m*-Terphenylaminoarsanes of the Type Ter $-N(silyl)-As(R^1)R^2$ (**5**-9)

	3 , $R^1 = R^2 = Cl$	5 , $R^1 = R^2 = Cl$	6 , $R^1 = R^2 = CH_3$	7 , $R^1 = Cl$, $R^2 = CH_3$	8 , $R^1 = Cl$, $R^2 = CH_3$	9 , $R^1 = CH_3$, $R^2 = OTf$
As-N	1.802(1)	1.828(2)	1.920(1)	1.878(1)	1.877(1)	1.849(2)
As-R ¹	2.2265(8)	2.2116(7)	1.959(2)	2.2340(7)	2.2221(6)	1.946(2)
As-R ²	2.211(1)	2.2260(7)	1.965(2)	1.961(2)	1.950(2)	1.987(2)
N-Si	$1.778(1)^{a}$	1.796(2)	1.703(1)	$1.745(1)^{b}$	1.732(2)	1.747(2)
	1.781(1)			1.780(1)		
R ¹ -As-N	103.27(4)	106.66(6)	105.96(7)	100.47(3)	101.83(5)	107.96(8)
R ² -As-N	102.15(4)	99.53(6)	100.73(7)	105.86(6)	104.47(7)	91.42(6)
R^1-As-R^2	96.38(4)	94.27(3)	95.53(8)	93.67(5)	94.46(8)	93.11(8)
As-N-Si	$125.37(7)^{a}$	126.6(1)	123.82(7)	125.99(6)	127.48(8)	128.10(8)
	112.03(6)					
$\Sigma \angle N$	360.0	360.0	359.5	360.0	359.9	360.0
∑∠As	301.8	300.5	302.2	300.0	300.8	292.5
^a First valu	e corresponds to Si	1, second to Si2. ^b F	irst distance Si-N _{amin}	o, second Si-N ₃ bond.		

Table 2. Crystallographic Details of Compounds 3-5

	3	4	5
empirical formula	C ₆ H ₁₈ AsCl ₂ NSi ₂	C ₈ H ₂₄ Cl ₂ N ₂ Si ₄	C ₂₇ H ₃₄ AsCl ₂ NSi
M _r	306.21	331.55	546.46
cryst syst	triclinic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
space group	$P\overline{1}$	$P2_{1}/c$	Pbca
a (Å)	8.0250(16)	16.096(3)	16.150(3)
b (Å)	8.7700(18)	15.286(3)	17.950(4)
<i>c</i> (Å)	11.352(2)	22.432(5)	18.470(4)
α (deg)	90.53(3)	90.00	90.00
β (deg)	93.99(3)	112.20(2)	90.00
γ (deg)	117.10(3)	90.00	90.00
V (Å ³)	708.7(2)	907.5(4)	5354.3(2)
Ζ	2	2	8
D_{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	1.435	1.213	1.356
$\mu \text{ (mm}^{-1})$	2.905	0.604	1.530
λ (Mo K α) (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
$T(\mathbf{K})$	173 (2)	173 (2)	173 (2)
reflns collected	20165	23812	97966
independent reflns	5038	2062	6244
reflues with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	4454	1652	4578
$R_{\rm int}$	0.0194	0.0510	0.0735
F(000)	312	352	2272
$R_1 (R [F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)])$	0.0242	0.0389	0.0312
$wR_2 (F^2)$	0.0637	0.1141	0.0767
GOF	1.046	1.035	1.048
params	115	77	298
CCDC no.	693309	693310	693311

 R^2 (Table 1). For comparison, partial double bond character was discussed in tetrazaarsols³ with As-N distance between 1.784(2) and 1.805(2) Å or between 1.82 and 1.84 Å in cations of 1,3,2-diazaarsolenes²⁸ (cf. sum of the covalent radii $d_{cov}(N-As) = 1.91$ and $d_{cov}(N=As) = 1.71$ Å).²⁹ Hence, it can be assumed that in the case of compounds **3** and **5** ($\mathbb{R}^{1,2}$) = Cl) also partial double bond character can be discussed, which is introduced by hyperconjugation.^{2b} Since the nitrogen atom sits in a planar environment, the lone pair is localized in a pure p-type atomic orbital. As a consequence, this p-type lone pair at the N_{amino} atom (notation p-LP) is slightly further delocalized resulting in intramolecular interactions (noncovalent effects). As indicated by an investigation of the noncovalent effects,²² there are two significant interactions of the nitrogen lone pair (p-LP) with the two unoccupied localized antibonding $\sigma^*(As-Cl)$ orbitals. These intramolecular LP(N) $\rightarrow \sigma^*(As-Cl)$ donor-acceptor interactions (hyperconjugation, 15.2 and 2.5 kcal/mol in case of species **3**) account for the rather short As-N distance by introducing a small amount of π interaction (Figure S1, Supporting Information).²¹ Similar structural features with short As-N distances have already been observed in a series of aminoarsanes (R₂N-AsR¹R²; with R¹,R² = Cl or Me).^{6,7,30}

Aminoarsane 7 can also be regared as an azidosilane of which only a few have been structurally characterized. Azidotriphenylsilane is the first structurally characterized azidosilane, which was published in 1973.³¹ Furthermore, the structures of trimesitylazidosilane, 1,1-dimesityl-2,2-diphenyl-2-*tert*-butylazidodisilane,³² a 2,4-diazido-*cyclo*-disiladiazane,³³ and Me₃SiN₃•GaCl₃¹⁴ have been reported. As shown on numerous occasions,³⁴ covalently bound azide groups such as Si–NNN display a *trans*-bent configuration (regarding the Si atom) with a N–N–N bond angle of 175.4(2)° and a Si–N distance of 1.780(1) Å (cf. 175.3(2)° and 1.866–1.881 Å in Si(N₃)₆⁻).³⁵ The N–N distances d(N3-N4) = 1.130(2) and d(N2-N3) = 1.215(2) Å are substantially shorter than the sum of the covalent radii $(d_{cov}(N-N) = 1.48$ and $d_{cov}(N=N) = 1.20$,⁸ which indicates partial triple and double bond character for both N–N bonds.

Conclusion

Lewis-acid-assisted methyl exchange reactions have been established as an interesting new route to substituted silylamino(methyl)arsane compounds bearing either one or two electronegative groups R ($R = Cl, N_3$, and OTf) at the silicon atom. These novel exchange reactions were unambiguously proven by IR, Raman, NMR, and X-ray studies. A general-

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Table 3. Crystallographic Details of Compounds 6-9

	6 · (toluene)	7	8	9·(toluene)
empirical formula	C34H42AsCl2NSi	C ₂₇ H ₃₄ AsClN ₄ Si	C28H34AsClF3NO3SSi	C ₃₆ H ₄₂ AsF ₆ NO ₆ S ₂ S
M _r	638.60	553.04	660.08	865.84
cryst syst	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
space group	$P2_1/c$	$P2_1/n$	$P2_1/n$	$P2_1/n$
a (Å)	12.813(3)	10.681(2)	8.5100(17)	12.241(2)
b (Å)	12.597(3)	15.587(3)	12.946(3)	20.940(4)
c (Å)	20.432(4)	16.446(3)	28.447(6)	15.639(3)
α (deg)	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
β (deg)	98.80(3)	94.55(3)	95.70(3)	99.51(3)
γ (deg)	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
$V(Å^3)$	3259.0(11)	2729.4(9)	3118.5(11)	3953.6(14)
Ζ	4	4	4	4
D_{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	1.302	1.346	1.406	1.455
$\mu (mm^{-1})$	1.267	1.410	1.328	1.068
λ (Mo K α) [Å]	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
<i>T</i> (K)	173 (2)	173 (2)	173 (2)	173 (2)
reflns collected	46291	50108	41346	54566
independent reflns	9460	12009	9052	11496
refins with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	7386	8870	7156	9046
R _{int}	0.0362	0.0226	0.0282	0.0251
F(000)	1336	1152	1360	1784
$R_1 (R [F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)])$	0.0330	0.0355	0.0363	0.0405
wR_2 (F^2)	0.0841	0.1026	0.0919	0.1189
GOF	1.032	1.069	1.031	1.065
params	420	316	361	523
CCDC no.	693312	693313	693314	693315

ized reaction mechanism is proposed with an initial formation of an iminochloroarsenium cation followed by a shift of one methyl group from the silicon to the arsenic. In case of bis(trimethylsilyl)amino(dichloro)arsane (**3**), Me₂AsCl was eliminated finally yielding a cyclic silazane (**4**) after dimerization of the intermediate silazene Me₂Si=N-SiMe₂Cl.

As expected for silylated aminoarsanes, all considered species revealed similar structural features with respect to the N-AsR₂ moiety: The geometries at nitrogen and arsenic are distinguished by the sums of the three angles at each site, defining an almost planar geometry at each nitrogen center (almost 360°; Table 1) and a distinctly pyramidal geometry at each arsenic center (substantially less than 360°). Hence, as displayed by NBO analysis, the one lone pair at the amino nitrogen atom is localized in a pure p-type atomic orbital. Investigation of intramolecular donor-acceptor interaction displayed significant interactions of this lone pair into $\sigma^*(As-R_1)$ orbitals and into $\sigma^*(Si-C)$ orbitals.

Moreover, only a few neutral azidosilanes and aminoarsanes are known, which have been structurally characterized. Hence, the X-ray data of compounds **3** and **5**–**9**, respectively, may fill this gap.

Experimental Procedures

Caution! Due the high toxicity of organoarsenic compounds proper safety precautions are necessary. It should be noted that only the dimethylarsane compound (6) is a very malodorous substance.

General Information. All manipulations were carried out under oxygen- and moisture-free conditions under argon using standard Schlenk or drybox techniques. Dichloromethane was purified according to a literature procedure,³⁶ dried over P₄O₁₀, and freshly distilled prior to use. Diethylether and toluene were dried over Na/ benzophenone and freshly distilled prior to use. *n*-Hexane was dried over Na/benzophenone/tetraglyme and freshly distilled prior to use.

N,*N*-Bis(trimethylsilyl)amino-dichloroarsane (**3**) and *N*-trimethylsilyl-2,6-bis-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)aniline (**10**) were previously reported and were prepared according to modified literature procedures.^{37,38} 2,6-Bis-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)aniline was prepared according to a literature procedure.³⁸ Chlorotrimethylsilane (99%, Merck), trimethylsilylazide (99%, Fluka), and AsCl₃ (99.99%, Merck) were freshly distilled prior to use. GaCl₃ (99.999%, Sigma-Aldrich), AgSO₃CF₃ (99%, Fluka), *N*-lithio-*N*,*N*-bis-trimethylsilylamide (98%, Fluka) and *n*-BuLi (2.5 M, Acros) were used as recieved.

NMR. ¹⁴N{¹H}, ¹⁹F{¹H}, ²⁹Si INEPT, ¹H, and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker spectrometers AVANCE 250, 300, or 500. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR chemical shifts were referenced to the solvent signals (¹³C, $\delta_{CD_2Cl_2} = 54.0$; ¹H, $\delta_{CDHCl_2} = 5.31$). The ¹⁴N, ¹⁹F, and ²⁹Si chemical shifts are referred ($\delta = 0$) to MeNO₂, CFCl₃, and Me₄Si, respectively.

IR. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Nicolet 6700 FT-IR spectrometer with a Smart Endurance ATR device or Nicolet 380 FT-IR with Smart Orbit ATR module.

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Raman. Raman spectra were recorded on a Bruker VERTEX 70 FT-IR with RAM II FT-Raman module, equipped with a Nd: YAG laser (1064 nm).

MS. Mass spectrometry was performed with a Finnigan MAT 95-XP from Thermo Electron.

CHN Analyses. CHN analysis was carried out using Analysator Flash EA 1112 from Thermo Quest.

Melting Points. Melting points are uncorrected (EZ-Melt, Stanford Research Systems). Heating rate was 20 °C/min (clearing points are reported).

DSC. Differential scanning calorimetry was performed with a DSC 823e from Mettler-Toledo at a heating rate of 5 °C/min.

Synthesis of 3. N-Lithio-N,N-bis-(trimethylsilyl)amide (6.693 g, 40.0 mmol) was dissolved in *n*-hexane (60 mL) and filtered (F4). The colorless solution was then added dropwise to a solution of AsCl₃ (14.50 g, 80.0 mmol) in *n*-hexane (30 mL) at -40 °C over a period of 30 min. The resulting colorless suspension was stirred for 1 h at ambient temperature and was then filtered (F4), resulting in a colorless solution. Removal of solvent and excess AsCl₃ in vacuo results in a colorless, viscous liquid. Fractionated distillation *in vacuo* yields 8.590 g (28.1 mmol, 70%) of pure **3**. Mp -11 °C; bp 53 °C (10⁻³ mbar). Anal. calcd % (found): C, 23.53 (23.53); H, 5.92 (6.02); N, 4.57 (4.74). ¹⁴N NMR (36.1 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = 278.4 \ (\nu_{1/2} \approx 280 \text{ Hz}). \ ^{29}\text{Si NMR} \ (99.4 \text{ MHz}, \text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2, 25 \ ^{\circ}\text{C}):$ $\delta = 11.4$. ¹H NMR (500.13 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = 0.40$. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (125.8 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): δ = 4.8. MS (CI, positive, 70 eV (isobutane), m/z, >10 %): 71, 91 [NAsH₃]⁺. Crystals suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by cooling a neat sample of **3** slowly to -25° C.

Synthesis of 4. To a stirred solution of *N*,*N*-bis-(trimethylsilyl)amino-dichloroarsane (3) (0.612 g, 2.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL), GaCl₃ (0.387 g, 2.2mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added dropwise at -20 °C over a period of 15 min. The resulting yellowish solution was stirred for 1 h at ambient temperature resulting in a colorless solution. The solvent was removed in vacuo, resulting in a colorless crystalline solid. n-Hexane (10 mL) was added, which gave a brownish oil (which is discarded) and a colorless supernatant, which is separated. The solvent is removed in vacuo resulting in a colorless crystalline solid. Sublimation at 40 °C (10⁻³ mbar) for 1 h yields 0.631 g (1.904 mmol, 75%) of **4** as colorless crystals. Mp 67 °C. Anal. calcd % (found): C, 28.98 (29.35); H, 7.30 (7.26); N, 8.45 (8.35). ²⁹Si NMR (59.6 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = 6.4$, 7.2. ¹H NMR (500.13 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = 0.37$ (s, 12H), 0.40 (s, 12H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (125.8 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = 5.0, 5.1$. Crystals suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by sublimation of **4** at 40 °C (10^{-3} mbar).

Synthesis of 5. To a stirred solution of N-trimethylsilyl-2,6-bis-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)aniline (10) (2.008 g, 5.0 mmol) in Et₂O (50 mL), n-BuLi (2.5 M, 5.05 mmol) was added dropwise at -10 °C. The resulting golden solution was stirred for 1 h and was then added dropwise to a stirred solution of AsCl₃ (0.733 g, 6.5 mmol) in Et₂O (10 mL) at -50 °C over a period of 30 min, resulting in a pale yellowish suspension, which is stirred for 2 h at ambient temperature. The solvent is removed in vacuo, and the orange residue is extracted with benzene (15 mL) and filtered (F4). Slow removal of solvent over a period of 1 h gives a yellowish crystalline solid, which is surrounded by an orange viscous oil. Ice-cold diethyl ether (10 mL) is then added, and the resulting suspension is filtered (F4) rapidly. The pale yellowish residue is then washed by repeated back distillations of solvent. Drying in vacuo yields 1.211 g (2.21 mmol, 44%) of 5 as a colorless, crystalline solid. Mp 216 °C. Anal. calcd % (found): C, 59.34 (59.49); H, 6.27 (6.46); N, 2.56 (2.35). ²⁹Si NMR (59.6 MHz, CD_2Cl_2 , 25 °C): $\delta = 18.4$. ¹H NMR (250.13 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = -0.09$ (s, 9H, Si(CH₃)₃), 2.02 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.22 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.31 (s, 6H, CH₃), 6.93 (m, broad, 2H, CH-Mes), 6.98 (m, broad, 2H, CH-Mes), 7.07 (d, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}\text{H}-{}^{1}\text{H}) = 8.0$ Hz, *m*-Ph), 7.07 (d, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}\text{H}-{}^{1}\text{H}) = 7.0$ Hz, *m*-Ph), 7.26 (dd, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}\text{H}-{}^{1}\text{H}) = 8.0$ Hz, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}\text{H}-{}^{1}\text{H}) = 7.0$ Hz, *m*-Ph). ${}^{13}\text{C}\{{}^{1}\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.5 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = 4.7$ (Si(CH₃)₃), 21.3 (CH₃), 22.1 (CH₃), 22.2 (CH₃), 126.0 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 132.9 (CH), 136.7, 137.6, 138.3, 138.9, 140.4, 144.5. MS (CI, positive, 70 eV (isobutane), *m*/*z*, >10%): 330 [TerNH₃]⁺, 402 [M – SiMe₃Cl – Cl]⁺, 476 [M – 2Cl]⁺, 510 [M – Cl]⁺, 545 [M]⁺. Crystals suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by cooling a saturated dichloromethane solution of **5** to -25 °C.

Synthesis of 6. To a stirred solution of N-trimethylsilyl-N-[2,6bis-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)phenyl]amino-dichloroarsane (5) (0.546 g, 1.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL), GaCl₃ (0.194 g, 1.1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added dropwise at -40 °C. The resulting clear red solution was stirred at ambient temperatures for 1 h. The solvent is removed in vacuo, resulting in a red crystalline residue, which is dissolved in toluene (2 mL). Crystallization at -80 °C over a period of 1 week gives a colorless crystalline solid. Removal of supernatant by syringe and drying in vacuo yields 0.351 g (0.64 mmol, 64%) of **4** as a colorless, crystalline solid. Mp 156 °C (dec.). Anal. calcd % (found): C, 59.34 (59.14); H, 6.27 (6.26); N, 2.56 (2.22). ²⁹Si NMR (59.6 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = -4.9$. ¹H NMR $(300.13 \text{ MHz}, \text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2, 25 \text{ °C}): \delta = 0.06 \text{ (s, 3H, SiCH}_3), 0.83 \text{ (s, })$ 6H, As(CH₃)₂), 2.08 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.23 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.29 (s, 6H, CH₃), 6.91 (m, broad, 2H, CH-Mes), 6.94 (m, broad, 2H, CH-Mes), 6.99 (d, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 8.0$ Hz, *m*-Ph), 6.99 (d, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H)$ = 7.0 Hz, *m*-Ph), 7.18 (dd, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 8.0$ Hz, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H)$ = 7.0 Hz, p-Ph). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (75.5 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): δ = 11.0 (SiCH₃), 17.2 (As(CH₃)₂), 21.2 (CH₃), 22.3 (CH₃), 22.7 (CH₃), 125.0 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 132.1 (CH), 137.0, 137.8, 138.1, 138.2, 140.7, 147.2. MS (CI, positive, 70 eV (isobutane), m/z, >10 %): 330 [TerNH₃]⁺, 406, 448, 510 [M - Cl]⁺, 530 [M - CH₃]⁺, 545 [M + H]⁺. Crystals suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by cooling a saturated toluene solution of 6 to -80 °C.

Synthesis of 7. To a stirred solution of N-trimethylsilyl-N-[2,6bis-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)phenyl]amino-dichloroarsane (5) (0.546 g, 1.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL), Me₃SiN₃ (0.461 g, 4.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added dropwise at -75 °C resulting in a colorless solution. GaCl₃ (0.194 g, 1.1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added dropwise at -70 °C over a period of 10 min. The resulting orange suspension was stirred at -70 °C for 10 min and was then warmed to -50 °C. The solvent is removed in vacuo at this temperature, resulting in an orange crystalline residue, which is redissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) at -30 °C, resulting in an orange solution. After being stirred at -30 °C for 30 min, the solution is concentrated in vacuo to a volume of 3 mL. Crystallization at -80 °C over a period of 10 h gives an orange, crystalline solid. Removal of supernatant by syringe and drying in vacuo yields 0.526 g (0.95 mmol, 95%) of 7 as a colorless, crystalline solid. Mp 149 °C (dec.). Anal. calcd % (found): C, 58.64 (58.44); H, 6.20 (6.07); N, 10.13 (10.00). ¹H NMR (500.13 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, -40 °C): $\delta = -0.29$ (s, broad, 3H, SiCH₃), -0.18 (s, broad, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.85 (s, 3H, AsCH₃), 2.02 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.04 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.24 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.26 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.27 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.88 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 6.90 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 6.95 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 6.96 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 6.96 (dd, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 7.6$ Hz, ${}^{4}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 1.9$ Hz, *m*-Ph), 7.03 (dd, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 7.6$ Hz, ${}^{4}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 1.9$ Hz, *m*-Ph), 7.19 ('t', 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 7.6$ Hz, *p*-Ph). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (125.8 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, -40 °C): $\delta = 1.6$ (SiCH₃), 2.9 (broad, SiCH₃), 20.9 (CH₃), 21.0 (CH₃), 21.1 (CH₃),

21.1 (CH₃), 21.5 (CH₃), 22.3 (CH₃), 24.9 (AsCH₃), 124.8 (*p*-Ph), 128.3 (CH-Mes), 128.5 (CH-Mes), 128.7 (CH-Mes), 129.0 (CH-Mes), 130.8 (*m*-Ph), 131.9 (*m*-Ph), 136.2, 136.2, 137.1, 137.4, 137.6, 138.1 (*o*-Ph), 138.8, 138.8, 139.5, 139.5 (*o*-Ph), 145.3 (*i*-Ph). MS (EI, *m*/*z*, >10 %): 43 (35) [HN₃]⁺, 299 (16) [Ter – CH₃]⁺, 314 (45) [Ter – H]⁺, 329 (100) [TerNH₃]⁺, 370 (48) [M – N₃ – AsClCH₃ – CH₃]⁺, 385 (92), [M – N₃ – AsClCH₃]⁺, 552 (2) [M]⁺. Crystals suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by cooling a saturated CH₂Cl₂ solution of **7** to -80 °C.

Synthesis of 8. To a stirred solution of N-trimethylsilyl-N-[2,6bis-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)phenyl]amino-dichloroarsane (5) (0.546 g, 1.0 mmol) in toluene (10 mL), AgSO₃CF₃ (0.283 g, 1.1 mmol) in toluene (10 mL) was added dropwise at -30 °C under exclusion of light. The resulting colorless suspension was stirred at ambient temperatures for 3 h and was then filtered (F4), resulting in a colorless solution. The solvent was concentrated to a volume of 1 mL resulting in a pale brownish solution, which was stored at -25°C, resulting in the deposition of colorless crystals. Removal of supernatant by syringe and drying in vacuo yielded 0.648 g (0.98 mmol, 98%) of 8 as colorless, crystalline solid. Mp 163 °C. Anal. calcd % (found): C, 50.95 (50.63); H, 5.19 (5.37); N, 2.12 (2.03). ²⁹Si NMR (59.6 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = 18.3$. ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR $(282.4 \text{ MHz}, \text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2, 25 \text{ °C}): \delta = -77.3.$ ¹H NMR (500.13 MHz, CD_2Cl_2 , 25 °C): $\delta = -0.15$ (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.33 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.98 (s, 3H, AsCH₃), 2.03 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.07 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.11 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.24 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.31 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.32 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.94 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 6.96 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 6.97 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 6.98 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 7.06 (dd, 1 H, $^{3}J(^{1}$ H $^{-1}$ H) = 7.6 Hz, $^{4}J(^{1}$ H $^{-1}$ H) = 1.9 Hz, *m*-Ph), 7.14 (dd, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 7.6$ Hz, ${}^{4}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 1.9$ Hz, *m*-Ph), 7.28 ('t', 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 7.6$ Hz, p-Ph). ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H{}$ NMR (125.8 MHz, CD_2Cl_2 , 25 °C): $\delta = 3.0$ (SiCH₃), 3.6 (SiCH₃), 21.2 (CH₃), 21.3 (CH₃), 21.5 (CH₃), 22.4 (CH₃), 22.5 (CH₃), 22.7 (CH₃), 25.8 (AsCH₃), 118.8 (q, ${}^{1}J({}^{13}C-{}^{19}F) = 318$ Hz, CF₃), 126.0 (*p*-Ph), 129.1 (CH-Mes), 129.3 (CH-Mes), 129.5 (CH-Mes), 129.6 (CH-Mes), 131.9 (m-Ph), 132.5 (m-Ph), 136.0, 136.5, 137.1, 138.4, 138.6, 138.8, 139.6, 139.6, 140.0, 140.8, 145.2. MS (CI, positive, 70 eV (isobutane), m/z, >10 %): 329 [TerNH₃]⁺, 370 [M - OTf -AsClCH₃ - CH₃]⁺, 385, [M - OTf - AsClCH₃]⁺, 402, 415, 458, 520 [M – AsClCH₃ + H]⁺, 540, 624 [M – Cl]⁺, 654 [M – Cl + 2CH₃]⁺, 669 [M - Cl + 3CH₃]⁺. Crystals suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by cooling a saturated toluene solution of 8 to -25 °C.

Synthesis of 9. To a stirred solution of AgSO₃CF₃ (0.565 g, 2.2 mmol) in toluene (20 mL), *N*-trimethylsilyl-*N*-[2,6-bis-(2,4,6-

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trimethylphenyl)phenyl]amino-dichloroarsane (5) (0.546 g, 1.0 mmol) in toluene (20 mL) was added dropwise at ambient temperatures under exclusion of light. The resulting pale brownish suspension was stirred at ambient temperatures for 2 h and was then filtered (F4), resulting in a colorless solution. The solvent was concentrated to a volume of 1 mL resulting in a pale brownish solution, which was stored at -25 °C, resulting in the deposition of colorless crystals. Removal of supernatant by syringe and drying in vacuo yielded 0.745 g (0.96 mmol, 96%) of 9 as colorless, crystalline solid. Mp 186 °C (dec.). Anal. calcd % (found): C, 45.02 (44.94); H, 4.43 (4.64); N, 1.81 (1.73). ²⁹Si NMR (59.6 MHz, CD_2Cl_2 , 25 °C): $\delta = 19.4$. ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (235.4 MHz, CD_2Cl_2 , 25 °C): $\delta = -77.8, -77.3.$ ¹H NMR (500.13 MHz, CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): $\delta = -0.26$ (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.40 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 1.05 (s, 3H, AsCH₃), 2.02 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.06 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.09 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.27 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.31 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.34 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.97 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 6.98 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 7.00 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 7.06 (s, broad, 1H, CH-Mes), 7.13 (dd, 1H, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 7.6 \text{ Hz}, {}^{4}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 1.9 \text{ Hz}, m-\text{Ph}), 7.22 \text{ (dd, 1H,}$ ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 7.6 \text{ Hz}, {}^{4}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 1.9 \text{ Hz}, m-\text{Ph}), 7.36 ('t', 1H)$ ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 7.6 \text{ Hz}, p-\text{Ph}). {}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\} \text{ NMR (125.8 MHz, CD}_{2}Cl_{2},$ 25 °C): $\delta = 2.1$ (SiCH₃), 2.2 (SiCH₃), 21.2 (CH₃), 21.3 (CH₃), 21.6 (CH₃), 22.3 (CH₃), 22.4 (CH₃), 22.5 (CH₃), 25.8 (AsCH₃), 118.8 (q, ${}^{1}J({}^{13}C-{}^{19}F) = 318$ Hz, CF₃), 118.8 (q, ${}^{1}J({}^{13}C-{}^{19}F) =$ 318 Hz, CF₃), 126.9 (p-Ph), 129.6 (CH-Mes), 129.7 (CH-Mes), 129.8 (CH-Mes), 130.1 (CH-Mes), 131.5 (m-Ph), 133.1 (m-Ph), 134.9, 135.0, 137.1, 138.6, 139.0, 139.2, 139.8, 139.8, 141.4, 141.8, 143.9 (*i*-Ph). MS (CI, positive, 70 eV (isobutane), m/z, >10 %): 314, 329 [TerNH₃]⁺, 372 [M - OTf - AsClCH₃ - CH₃]⁺, 385 (92), $[M - OTf - AsClMe]^+$, 402, 520 $[M - AsClCH_3 + H]^+$, 550 [M - AsOTf]⁺, 624 [M - Cl]⁺, 654 [M - OTf + 2CH₃]⁺, $669 [M - OTf + 3CH_3]^+$, 728 $[M - CH_3 - F]^+$. Crystals suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by cooling a saturated toluene solution of 9 to -25 °C.

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