

## Regioselective Opening of Terminal Epoxides with 2-(Trialkylsilyl)allyl Organometallic Reagents

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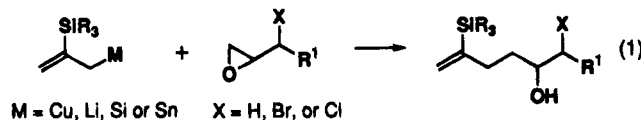
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Terminal epoxides react with 2-(trialkylsilyl)allyl organometallics (Sn, Si, Li, Cu) with varying degrees of efficiency depending upon the nature of the epoxide. The combination of [2-(trimethylsilyl)allyl]tributylstannane (**4**) and EtAlCl<sub>2</sub> is optimum and provides 1-substituted 4-(trimethylsilyl)-4-penten-1-ol products in good yield.

Nucleophilic ring opening of epoxides with organometallic reagents has found widespread application in the formation of carbon-carbon  $\sigma$  bonds.<sup>1</sup> Among the most common reagents employed are organomagnesium, organolithium, organocopper, organozinc, organoaluminum, and organoboron compounds.<sup>2</sup> In some cases, the basicity of these reagents can promote undesired side reactions. A useful alternative, which often avoids these problems, is the Lewis acid-promoted addition of less basic carbon nucleophiles.<sup>2b</sup> For the specific case of allylation, a limited number of allylsilanes<sup>3</sup> and allylstannanes<sup>4</sup> are reported to react with epoxides under Lewis acidic conditions to give bishomoallylic alcohols in useful yields.

In our recent synthesis of the marine acetogenin, (+)-isolaurepinnacin, we were faced with the task of opening an  $\alpha$ -bromo 1,2-epoxide with a 2-(trimethylsilyl)allyl organometallic (eq 1, X = Br).<sup>5</sup> During these studies we



investigated the reaction of several 2-silylallyl organometallics with terminal epoxides (eq 1). Detailed herein are the results of these studies, which highlight particular advantages of the EtAlCl<sub>2</sub>-promoted reaction of epoxides with allylstannanes.

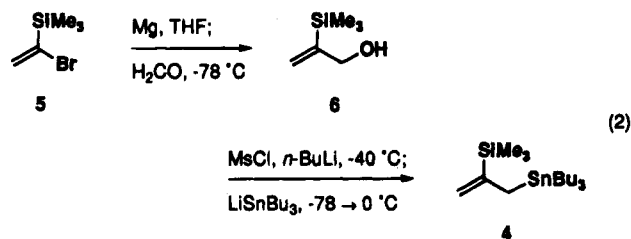
### Results and Discussion

Our studies focused on the reactions of the allylic nucleophiles 1-4 with representative epoxides. The allylcuprate **1** and allyllithium **2** were explored initially. The general procedure of Fleming for silylcupration of allene was employed to generate allylcuprate **1** conveniently in multigram quantities.<sup>6</sup> The allyllithium re-

agent **2** was prepared from the allylstannane **4**. Although similar allylstannanes have been reported in the literature,<sup>7</sup> the existing methods for their synthesis proved difficult to scale up.



A readily scaled synthesis of allylstannane **4** is outlined in eq 2. An improvement of the method of Chan<sup>8</sup> was employed to prepare 2-(trimethylsilyl)-2-propen-1-ol (**6**).



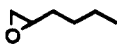
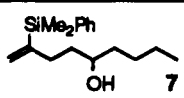
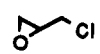
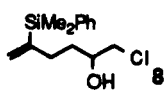
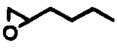
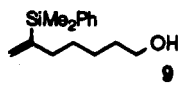
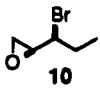
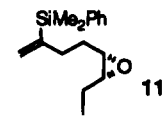
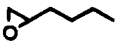
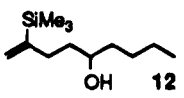
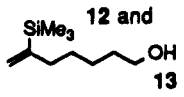
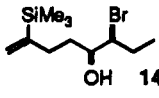
In this procedure, a standardized solution of monomeric formaldehyde in THF was prepared as described by Schlosser,<sup>9</sup> and a slight deficiency of this reagent was then added at  $-78$  °C to the Grignard reagent derived from **5**. These conditions minimized the formation of polyether byproducts, which are difficult to separate from **6**. After some optimization, generation of the mesylate derivative of **6** at low temperature,<sup>10</sup> followed by reaction of this intermediate with LiSnBu<sub>3</sub>, provided stannane **4** in 54% overall yield from the commercially available bromide **5**. Stannane **4** was easily purified in multigram quantities by reversed-phase column chromatography on C-18 silica gel.<sup>11</sup>

Results of the reactions of the higher order cyanocuprate **1** and the allyllithium reagent **2** with a representative set of epoxides are summarized in Table 1. Allylcuprate **1** reacted smoothly with 1,2-epoxyhexane to afford **7** and in moderate yield with epichlorohydrin to

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Table 1. Reaction of the Higher Order Cuprate 1 and Allyllithium Reagent 2 with Terminal Epoxides

epoxide	product(s)	reaction conditions <sup>a</sup>			
		nucleophile	temp, °C	additive, eq	yield, %
		1	-78 → 25	none	81
		1	-40	none	60
		1	-78 → -30	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> , 1.0	53
		1	-78 → -40	none	36
		2	-78	none	62
		2	-78	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> , 1.4	12: 55 13: 12
	12	2 <sup>b</sup>	-78	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> , 1.4	40
10		2	-78	none	37
10	14 and 13	2	-78	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> , 1.3	14: 50 13: 16
10	14	2 <sup>b</sup>	-78	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> , 1.3	51

<sup>a</sup> One equiv of the allylic nucleophile was employed, and the solvent was THF unless noted otherwise. Reactions were performed at least three times, and mean yields are reported. <sup>b</sup> Solvent was 2,5-dimethyltetrahydrofuran.

provide 8. Addition of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub><sup>12</sup> to this latter reaction resulted in ring opening of THF to provide 9. The β-bromo alkoxide generated from the reaction of bromo epoxide 10<sup>5</sup> with 1 was apparently not stable even at low temperature, since the rearranged epoxide 11 was isolated in 36% yield when this reaction was conducted at -78 → -40 °C. Epoxide 11 was also formed when this reaction was carried out solely at -78 °C.

The allyllithium reagent 2 also reacted smoothly with 1,2-epoxyhexane to give a moderate yield of alcohol 12, while in the presence of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> the yield of 12 was decreased slightly due to competitive opening of THF (Table 1). Utilization of the more stable 2,5-dimethyltetrahydrofuran as the solvent shut down this undesired side reaction; however, the yield of 12 was still low. Qualitatively similar results were obtained in the reaction of lithium reagent 2 with bromo epoxide 10.

Results obtained from the reaction of several epoxides with the allylsilane 3<sup>13</sup> and allylstannane 4 are collected

in Table 2. Attempted reaction of 1,2-epoxyhexane with allylsilane 3 in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at -78 °C in the presence of 1 equiv of TiCl<sub>4</sub> resulted only in chloride opening to form chlorohydrin 15<sup>14</sup> in 55% yield. However, treatment of epichlorohydrin with 3 under the same conditions (or with EtAlCl<sub>2</sub>) provided the allylated chlorohydrin 16 in high yield. This result is consistent with the earlier success of Imai and Nishida<sup>4</sup> in reacting α-chloro epoxides with simple allylsilanes. Perhaps most surprisingly, reaction of 3 with epibromohydrin in the presence of TiCl<sub>4</sub> provided, in 90% yield, only the product of chloride opening, 3-bromo-2-chloropropan-1-ol (17).<sup>15</sup> Similarly, the α-bromo epoxide 10<sup>5</sup> experienced only chloride opening to form 18 when treated with allylsilane 3 and TiCl<sub>4</sub>. In an attempt to minimize chloride opening, we examined less reactive Lewis acids such as TiCl<sub>4</sub>-Ph<sub>3</sub>P, (3:1) TiCl<sub>4</sub>-

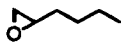
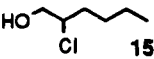

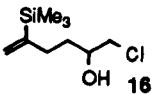

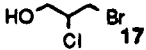
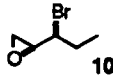
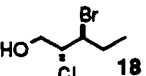
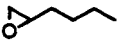


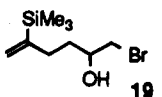
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Table 2. Reaction of the Allylsilane **3** and the Allylstannane **4** with Terminal Epoxides

epoxide	product(s)	reaction conditions <sup>a</sup>		
		nucleophile, eq	additive, eq	yield, %
	 <b>15</b>	<b>3</b> , 0.9	TiCl <sub>4</sub> , 1.0	55
	 <b>16</b>	<b>3</b> , 0.9	TiCl <sub>4</sub> , 1.0	85
	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b> , 0.9	EtAlCl <sub>2</sub> , 1.0	87
	 <b>17</b>	<b>3</b> , 0.9	TiCl <sub>4</sub> , 1.0	90
 <b>10</b>	 <b>18</b>	<b>3</b> , 10.0	TiCl <sub>4</sub> , 1.0	77
<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b> , 10.0	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> , 2.0	24
	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b> , 1.5	EtAlCl <sub>2</sub> , 1.1	92
	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b> , 1.5	EtAlCl <sub>2</sub> , 1.1	100
	 <b>19</b>	<b>4</b> , 1.5	EtAlCl <sub>2</sub> , 1.1	90
<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b> , 1.5	EtAlCl <sub>2</sub> , 1.1	88
<b>10</b>	<b>14</b> and <b>18</b>	<b>4</b> , 2.0	TiCl <sub>4</sub> , 1.0	<b>14</b> : 39 <b>18</b> : 25
<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b> , 2.0	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> , 2.0	37
<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b> , 2.0	SnCl <sub>4</sub> , 1.0	95

<sup>a</sup> Reactions were performed in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at -78 °C at least three times, and mean yields are reported.

Ti(O*i*Pr)<sub>4</sub>, and EtAlCl<sub>2</sub>; however, only **18** was produced in each case. By using 10 equiv of the allylsilane nucleophile and BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> as the Lewis acid, the desired allylated product **14** was formed, albeit in low yield.

As expected, the more reactive<sup>4,16</sup> allylstannane nucleophile **4** minimized competitive epoxide opening with chloride. As summarized in Table 2, reactions of 1,2-epoxyhexane, epichlorohydrin, epibromohydrin, and bromo epoxide **10** with [2-(trimethylsilyl)allyl]tributyltin (**4**) in the presence of 1.1 equiv of EtAlCl<sub>2</sub> proceeded in excellent yield to provide the allylated products **12**, **16**,

**19**, and **14**. Advantages of using EtAlCl<sub>2</sub> to promote the reaction of allylstannane **4** with epoxides is apparent in the results in the study of the reaction of **4** with **10**. Use of SnCl<sub>4</sub>, rather than EtAlCl<sub>2</sub>, resulted in a 95% recovery of the starting epoxide **10**, while use of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> provided **14** in low yield only. With TiCl<sub>4</sub>, **14**, and the product of chloride opening **18** were formed in a 8:5 ratio.

In summary, highly functionalized vinylsilane alcohols and vinylsilane halohydrins can be prepared in high yields from the reaction of [2-(trimethylsilyl)allyl]tributyltin (**4**) with terminal epoxides and terminal α-halo epoxides. EtAlCl<sub>2</sub> is the optimum Lewis acid for these reactions. Although our studies focused solely on [2-(tri-

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methylsilyl)allyl]stannanes, we anticipate that the allyl-stannane-EtAlCl<sub>2</sub> combination will be generally useful for epoxide allylations.

### Experimental Section

**Preparation of 1-Chloro-5-(dimethylphenylsilyl)-5-hexen-2-ol (8) from the Reaction of Epichlorohydrin with Higher Order Allyl Cuprate 1.** Following the general procedure of Fleming,<sup>6</sup> 2.95 g (10.0 mmol) of chlorodimethylphenylsilane was treated with an excess of lithium shot (0.17 g, 24.0 mmol) in dry THF (20 mL) at 0 °C. The rapidly stirred mixture was allowed to warm to 23 °C over 18 h. The resulting dark red mixture was filtered under argon through a Schlenk filter, and the filtrate was cooled to -78 °C in a dry ice/acetone bath. This solution was then cannulated into a -78 °C slurry of 448 mg (5.00 mmol) of CuCN and dry THF (7 mL). The resulting mixture was warmed to 0 °C with stirring over 30 min. The resulting solution was cooled to -78 °C, and 0.50 mL (10 mmol) of allene was added. The resulting solution was maintained at -78 °C for 1 h. Epichlorohydrin 0.32 mL (4.1 mmol) was then added, and the solution was warmed to -35 °C. After 4 h, the solution was quenched at -35 °C with saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution (pH 8 with NH<sub>4</sub>OH). The layers were separated, and the H<sub>2</sub>O layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. The resulting yellow residue was purified on silica gel (3:1 hexane-Et<sub>2</sub>O) to yield 0.40 g (60%) of **8** as a colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.53-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 3H), 5.72-5.71 (m, 1H), 5.47-5.46 (m, 1H), 3.70-3.66 (m, 1H), 3.47 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.36-2.13 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.59-1.50 (m, 2H), 0.39 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 149.5, 138.1, 133.9, 129.1, 127.8, 126.5, 70.9, 50.3, 33.3, 31.7, -2.95, -3.10; IR (film) 3406, 3050, 2956, 1588, 1431, 1250, 1113, 1063; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m/e* calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>26</sub>ClNOSi 286.1394, found 286.1394 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>), 253, 191, 155, 135.

**General Procedure for the Reaction of Epoxides with Allyllithium 2. Preparation of 2-(Trimethylsilyl)-1-nonen-5-ol (12).** A solution of stannane **4** (240 mg, 0.58 mmol) in dry THF (1.2 mL) was cooled to -78 °C, and a solution of *n*-BuLi (0.27 mL, 0.58 mmol, 2.2 M in hexanes) was added dropwise. The resulting yellow solution was maintained at -78 °C for 15 min, after which time it was transferred by cannula into a -78 °C solution of 1,2-epoxyhexane (56 μL, 0.47 mmol) and 0.3 mL of dry THF. The resulting solution was maintained for 1 h at -78 °C and then was quenched at this temperature with H<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL). The layers were separated, and the H<sub>2</sub>O layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (2 × 5 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. Purification of the residue on silica gel (3:1 pentane-Et<sub>2</sub>O) provided 62 mg (62%) of **12** as a colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.58 (apparent t, *J* = 2.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.64-3.56 (m, 1H), 2.35-2.12 (m, 2H), 1.65-1.25 (m, 9H), 0.91 (br t, *J* = 7.1, 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.09 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 152.2, 124.0, 71.8, 37.2, 36.6, 32.1, 27.8, 22.7, 14.1, -1.44; IR (film) 3381, 2956, 2931, 2863, 1638, 1456, 1406, 1250, 1050; MS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>23</sub>OSi 199.1518, found 199.1519 (M - Me), 181, 130, 91, 75. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>26</sub>OSi: C, 67.22; H, 12.22. Found: C, 67.10; H, 12.20.

**General Procedure for the Reaction of Epoxides with Allylsilane 3. Preparation of 1-Chloro-5-(trimethylsilyl)-5-hexen-2-ol (16).** To a solution of epichlorohydrin (0.10 mL, 1.3 mmol), allylsilane **3**<sup>13</sup> (0.20 g, 1.1 mmol), and dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2.2 mL) at -78 °C was added TiCl<sub>4</sub> (1.3 mL, 1.3 mmol, 1 M in THF) over a period of 30 min. The resulting yellow solution was maintained at -78 °C for 2.5 h, at which time the reaction was quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O (5 mL). The layers were separated, and the H<sub>2</sub>O layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (5 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified on silica gel (2:1 pentane-Et<sub>2</sub>O) to give 190 mg (85%) of **16** as

a colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.59 (s, 1H), 5.36-5.35 (m, 1H), 3.84-3.80 (m, 1H), 3.65 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.36-2.18 (m, 2H), 2.00-1.80 (br s, 1H), 1.70-1.62 (m, 2H), 0.10 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 151.3, 124.4, 71.1, 50.4, 33.3, 31.6, -1.50; IR (film) 3419, 2956, 1636, 1431, 1250, 1063; MS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClOSi 191.0659, found 191.0661 (M - Me), 191, 115, 93, 81, 75.

**General Procedure for the Reaction of Epoxides with Allylstannane 4. Preparation of (5S,6S)-6-Bromo-5-hydroxy-2-(trimethylsilyl)-1-octene (14).** To a -78 °C solution of allylstannane **4** (310 mg, 1.9 mmol), epoxide **10**<sup>5</sup> (1.13 g, 2.80 mmol), and dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) was added EtAlCl<sub>2</sub> (0.22 mL, 2.1 mmol), and the resulting solution was maintained at -78 °C for 19 h. The reaction then was quenched at -78 °C with saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (5.0 mL) and allowed to warm to 23 °C over 1 h. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 × 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. Purification of the residue on silica gel (9:1 pentane-Et<sub>2</sub>O) provided 460 mg (88%) of **14**, as a light yellow oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.58 (s, 1H), 5.35 (s, 1H), 4.03-3.99 (m, 1H), 3.54-3.48 (m, 1H), 2.34-2.27 (m, 1H), 2.23-2.17 (m, 1H), 1.95 (apparent quint, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.86 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 1.75-1.62 (m, 2H), 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.09 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 151.5, 124.4, 73.2, 67.2, 35.0, 31.8, 29.1, 12.6, -1.44; IR (film) 3450 (broad), 2956, 2899, 2879, 1248, 924, 837, 757, 690 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>24</sub>BrOSi 278.0701, found 278.0696 (M), 199, 157, 139, 109, 73; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> -12.4°, [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>17</sup> -11.3°, [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>14</sup> -12.3°, [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>13</sup> -21.5°, [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>10</sup> -25.2° (c 1.10, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BrOSi: C, 47.31; H, 8.30. Found: C, 47.36; H, 8.31.

**Preparation of [2-(Trimethylsilyl)allyl]tributylstannane (4).** To a -50 °C solution of the alcohol **6'** (4.00 g, 31 mmol) and dry THF (50 mL) was added *n*-BuLi (2.5 M in hexane, 12.3 mL, 31 mmol) dropwise. The reaction then was maintained at -50 °C for 30 min, methanesulfonyl chloride (2.4 mL, 31 mmol) was then added, and the reaction was maintained for an additional 30 min at -50 °C.

According to the procedure of Still,<sup>17</sup> (*n*-Bu)<sub>3</sub>SnLi was prepared from freshly prepared (*n*-Bu)<sub>3</sub>SnH<sup>18</sup> (8.30 mL, 31 mmol) and *n*-BuLi (2.5 M in hexane, 12.3 mL, 31 mmol) in dry THF (100 mL) at 0 °C. The stannyl lithium solution was then cooled to -78 °C and cannulated into the cold solution of crude mesylate. The resulting solution was allowed to warm to 23 °C over several hours and then was quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL). The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 25 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. Purification of the residue on reversed-phase silica gel<sup>11</sup> (4:1 MeCN-CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> → 3:2 MeCN-CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) provided 8.80 g (71%) of **4** as a clear liquid: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.36-5.32 (m, 1H), 5.09-5.04 (m, 1H), 1.89 (t, *J* = 31.5 Hz, 2H), 1.55-1.26 (m, 12H), 0.90-0.83 (m, 15H), 0.07 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 152.0, 120.0, 29.1, 27.4, 17.1, 13.7, 9.70, -1.61; IR (film) 2960, 2926, 2870, 1601, 1462, 1418, 1245, 1073; MS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>40</sub>-SiSn - Me 389.1686, found 389.1691 (M - Me), 347, 291, 235, 177, 121.

**2-(Dimethylphenylsilyl)-1-nonen-5-ol (7):** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.54-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 3H), 5.73-5.71 (m, 1H), 5.45-5.44 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.51-3.47 (m, 1H), 2.32-2.10 (m, 2H), 1.52-1.42 (m, 2H), 1.39-1.21 (m, 7H), 0.89 (br t, 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.39 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 150.3, 138.3, 133.9, 129.0, 127.8, 126.0, 71.6, 37.1, 36.6, 32.0, 27.8, 22.7, 14.0, -2.88; IR (film) 3356, 3050, 2956, 2931, 2863, 1425, 1250, 1113, 1050; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m/e* calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>32</sub>-NOSi 294.2253, found 294.2253 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>), 261, 199, 192, 161, 135.

**6-(Dimethylphenylsilyl)-6-hepten-1-ol (9):** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.53-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.34 (m, 3H), 5.68 (t, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.13 (br t, *J* = 7.8, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.53-1.43 (m, 2H), 1.39-

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1.24 (m, 5H), 0.37 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  150.2, 138.4, 133.9, 128.9, 127.7, 125.8, 62.9, 35.9, 32.5, 28.5, 25.4, -2.96; IR (film) 3356, 3050, 2938, 2863, 1431, 1250, 1113, 1050; MS (EI)  $m/e$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{21}\text{OSi}$  233.1362, found 233.1364 (M - Me), 191, 173, 137, 75.

**(3R, 4S)-7-(Dimethylphenylsilyl)-3,4-epoxy-7-octene (11):**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.52-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.35 (m, 3H), 5.73-5.72 (m, 1H), 5.47-5.46 (m, 1H), 2.88-2.81 (m, 2H), 2.35-2.18 (m, 2H), 1.62-1.35 (m, 4H), 0.99 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 3H), 0.39 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  149.4, 138.0, 133.9, 129.0, 127.8, 126.1, 58.4, 56.9, 32.3, 27.1, 21.0, 10.6, -3.05; IR (film) 2969, 1456, 1431, 1250, 1113; MS (EI)  $m/e$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{21}\text{OSi}$  245.1362, found 245.1364 (M - Me), 183, 141, 135, 75;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} -2.65^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{577} -3.07^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{546} -3.99^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{435} -5.23^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{405} -6.13^\circ$  (c 1.68,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ). Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{24}\text{OSi}$ : C, 73.79; H, 9.29. Found: C, 73.88; H, 9.28.

**6-(Trimethylsilyl)-6-hepten-1-ol (13):**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  5.55-5.54 (m, 1H), 5.31-5.30 (m, 1H), 3.65 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.14 (br t,  $J = 7.6, 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 1.63-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.49-1.33 (m, 5H), 0.08 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  152.3, 123.8, 63.0, 36.0, 32.7, 28.8, 25.6, -1.44; IR (film) 3419, 2938, 2863, 1638, 1419, 1338, 1250, 1050; MS (EI)  $m/e$  calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{19}\text{OSi}$  171.1205, found 171.1208 (M - Me), 153, 143, 81, 75. Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{22}\text{OSi}$ : C, 64.45; H, 11.90. Found: C, 64.52; H, 11.87.

**1-Bromo-5-(trimethylsilyl)-5-hexen-2-ol (19):**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  5.58 (apparent d,  $J = 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 5.36 (apparent d,  $J = 2.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.83-3.76 (m, 1H), 3.55 (dd,  $J = 10.0, 3.3$  Hz, 1H), 3.40 (dd,  $J = 10.0, 7.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.38-2.15

(m, 3H), 1.71-1.64 (m, 2H), 0.09 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  151.3, 124.4, 70.7, 40.5, 34.3, 31.7, -1.47; IR (film) 3419, 2956, 1688, 1425, 1250, 1050; MS (EI)  $m/e$  calcd for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{16}\text{BrOSi}$  235.0154, found 235.0155 (M - Me), 195, 171, 155, 81, 75.

**(2R, 3S)-3-Bromo-2-chloro-1-pentanol (18):**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  4.30 (apparent dt,  $J = 6.7, 6.4, 2.6, 2.3$  Hz, 1H), 4.11-4.06 (m, 1H), 4.03-3.91 (m, 2H), 2.04-1.86 (m, 3H), 1.07 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  64.7, 63.5, 59.1, 29.7, 11.3; IR (film) 3318, 2975, 2938, 2881, 1638, 1463, 1238, 1069, 1038; MS (EI)  $m/e$  calcd for  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{BrO}$  163.9837, found 163.9841 (M - HCl), 134, 103, 85, 67, 55;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +37.9^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{577} +39.1^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{546} +44.7^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{435} +76.7^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{405} +92.6^\circ$  (c 2.03,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).

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