

Titanium Tetrachloride-Induced Three-Component Coupling Reaction of α -Haloacysilane, Allylsilane, and Carbonyl Compound

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There has been considerable interest in the chemistry of acylsilanes¹ and many procedures have been developed for the preparation of many functionalized acylsilanes.² Only a few reports, however, have been published for the synthesis of α -haloacysilanes.³ Recently we have reported a facile approach to α -haloacysilanes based on the rearrangement of α -haloepoxysilane and their use for triethylborane-mediated Reformatsky type reaction giving β -hydroxyacylsilane.⁴ Here we describe another application of α -haloacysilanes to organic synthesis. Treatment of an α -chloroacysilane with titanium tetrachloride in the presence of allylsilane⁵ afforded a β,γ -unsaturated ketone⁶ or α -silyl- β',γ' -unsaturated ketone⁷ in good yield.

Treatment of a dichloromethane solution of α -chloroacysilane **1a** ($R' = \text{Me}$, 0.23 g, 1.0 mmol) and allyltrimethylsilane (0.16 mL, 1.0 mmol) with titanium tetrachloride⁸ (1.0 M dichloromethane solution, 2.0 mL, 2.0

mmol) at -78°C for 30 min gave 1-undecen-4-one **2** (0.16 g) in 98% yield. The use of α -chloroacysilane **1b** ($R' = \text{Ph}$) in place of **1a** also gave **2** in 76% yield, while **1c** ($R' = t\text{-Bu}$) afforded 5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-1-undecen-4-one (**3a**) (0.22 g)⁹ in 78% yield upon treatment with TiCl_4 in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane (Scheme 1). Whereas the trimethylsilyl and dimethylphenylsilyl groups of the acylsilane moiety have been lost completely under the reaction conditions, the *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl group remained on the products.

The partial isomerization of the product **2** into the α,β -unsaturated ketone took place after prolonged stirring of the reaction mixture at -78°C . For instance, stirring a mixture of **1a**, titanium tetrachloride, and allyltrimethylsilane at -78°C for 3 h provided 2-undecen-4-one (25%) in addition to **2** (73%). Coexistence of α -halogen with acylsilane moiety was essential for the formation of β,γ -unsaturated ketone. In fact, treatment of acylsilane ($n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{SiMe}_2\text{Ph}$) or α -chloroaldehyde ($n\text{-C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{CHClCHO}$) with TiCl_4 in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane afforded homoallylic alcohol ($n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{OH})\text{SiMe}_2\text{PhCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$) or chlorohydrin ($n\text{-C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{CHClCH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$) in 85% or 95% yield, respectively.¹⁰

Crotyldimethylphenylsilyl, cinnamyl dimethylphenylsilyl, methallyldimethylphenylsilyl, and prenyldimethylphenylsilyl reacted at the γ -position exclusively to provide the corresponding α -(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)- β',γ' -unsaturated ketones **3b**, **3c**, **3d**, **3e** in 52%, 50%, 66%, and 33% yields, respectively upon treatment with TiCl_4 in the presence of **1c** (Scheme 2). The reaction of **1c** with 2,4-pentadienyldimethylphenylsilyl afforded 7-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-1,3-tridecadien-6-one (**3f**) exclusively in 63% yield.¹¹

On the basis of these findings, we are tempted to assume the following reaction mechanism (Scheme 3). The chloro substituent coordinates titanium to give a carbonium ion¹² at the α position of the acylsilane which is stabilized by a silicon atom. Participation of silicon atom might produce a cationic intermediate **4** in which the silicon bridges^{13–15} both the carbonyl carbon and the neighboring carbon atom. Nucleophilic attack of allyl-

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(9) TiCl_4 was added at 0°C instead of -78°C , and the resulting mixture was stirred for 30 min at 25°C . The reaction at -78°C gave **3** (53%) along with the recovered starting acylsilane **1c** (39%).

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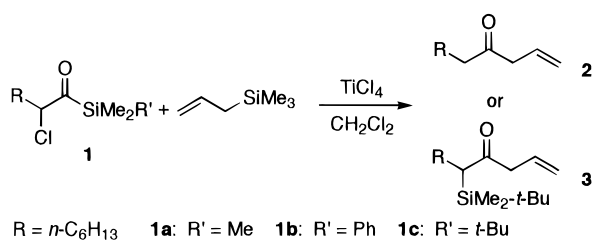
(12) Treatment of α -iodoacysilane ($n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{CHIC}(\text{O})\text{SiMe}_2\text{-}t\text{Bu}$) with silver tetrafluoroborate in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane also provided **3a** in 67% yield. In this case, the use of iodide was critical for the successful reaction. The reaction of **1c** with AgBF_4 in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane resulted in complete recovery of starting material **1c**.

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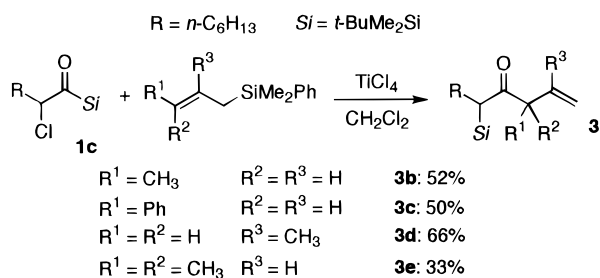
(14) The possibility of ketene formation was suggested by a reviewer. The reaction of α -chloroacysilane **1c** with TiCl_4 in the presence of $\text{PhCH}=\text{N-}n\text{-Pr}$ did not give any lactam. Thus we assume that ketene is not an intermediate. In contrast, the reaction with a fluoride source might proceed via ketene intermediate, since treatment of α -chloroacysilane with $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NF}$ in the presence of alcohol ($R'\text{OH}$) afforded ester $\text{RCH}_2\text{COOR}'$ in 76% ($R' = \text{PhCH}_2$) or 75% ($R' = \text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2$) yield.

(15) The following crossover experiment was performed. Treatment of a 1:1 mixture of **1** ($R = n\text{-C}_3\text{H}_7$, $R' = t\text{-Bu}$) and **1b** ($R = n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{13}$, $R' = \text{Ph}$) with TiCl_4 in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane provided only two products, $n\text{-C}_3\text{H}_7\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_2\text{-}t\text{Bu})\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ and $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{CH}_2\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ which suggested that the silane remained attached to the carbon skeleton throughout the reaction.

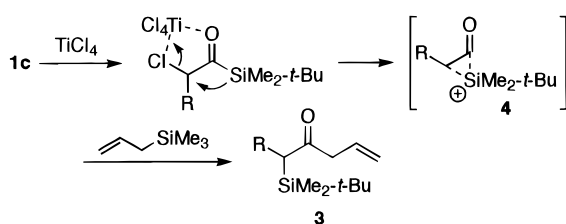
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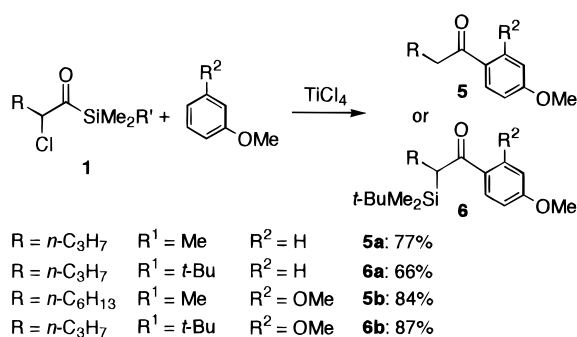
Scheme 2



Scheme 3



Scheme 4



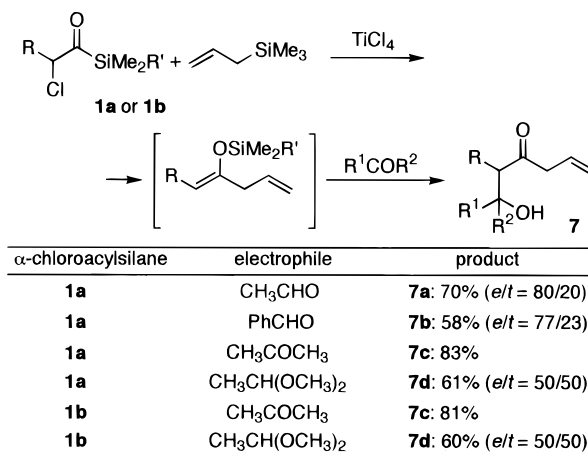
silane on the carbonyl carbon affords β,γ -unsaturated ketone **3** which is apparently produced by migration of silyl group¹⁶ to adjacent carbon followed by allylation.

The intermediary acyl cation equivalent **4** has been expected to react with electron-rich aromatic compounds such as methoxybenzene or *m*-dimethoxybenzene via Friedel–Crafts type reaction. This was indeed the case, and an addition of these aromatic compounds instead of allylsilane gave the corresponding acylated products (Scheme 4). Trimethylsilyl group was lost under the reaction conditions and *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl group remained on the products as in the case of the reaction with allylsilane. Thiophene could be used as a trapping reagent of acyl cation to give the corresponding adduct in moderate yield (46%) upon treatment with **1a** and

TiCl₄. The use of furan instead of methoxybenzene furnished only poor yield of Friedel–Crafts type adduct (<4%).

The loss of the trimethylsilyl and dimethylphenylsilyl groups during the reaction might be attributed to a facile transformation^{17,18} of the α -silyl ketone to the corresponding silyl enol ether under the reaction conditions, which then collapsed to β,γ -unsaturated ketone or heptyl 2,4-dimethoxyphenyl ketone upon aqueous workup. Thus, it was anticipated that the sequential treatment of **1a** or **1b** with allyltrimethylsilane in the presence of TiCl₄ followed by carbonyl compounds would provide three-component coupling products. The representative results which realized this expectation are shown below (Scheme 5). For instance, an addition of acetaldehyde to the reaction mixture derived from **1a** and allyltrimethylsilane gave aldol type product **7a** in 70% yield, and therefore, α -chloroacylsilane **1a** or **1b** can be regarded as a synthon of $^-C-C^+(=O)$.

Scheme 5



* *e* = erythro *t* = threo

In summary, a simple procedure has been devised for the preparation of an α -silylacyl cation equivalent. Additionally, a convenient and efficient three component coupling reaction of α -chloroacylsilane, allyltrimethylsilane and carbonyl compound has been achieved which further enhances the synthetic utility of α -haloacylsilanes.

Experimental Section

Preparation of α -Chloroacylsilanes. 2-Chloro-1-(trimethylsilyl)-1-octanone (**1a**), 2-chloro-1-(dimethylphenylsilyl)-1-octanone (**1b**), 2-chloro-1-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-1-octanone (**1c**), and 2-chloro-1-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-1-pentanone (**1d**) were prepared according to the reported procedure.⁴ 1-(Dimethylphenylsilyl)-1-octanone was produced following the literature.^{2a} The physical data are as follows.

1-(Dimethylphenylsilyl)-1-octanone: 1.2 g, 80% yield; Bp 113 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2954, 2924, 2852, 1643, 1429, 1250, 1111 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.48 (s, 6H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.06–1.34 (m, 8H), 1.43 (m, 2H), 2.55 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.34–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.52–7.59 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -4.76, 14.02, 22.13, 22.53, 29.03, 29.12, 31.59, 48.84, 128.13, 129.84, 133.98, 134.63, 246.78. Found: C, 73.23; H, 10.14%. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₆OSi: C, 73.22; H, 9.98%.

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2-Chloro-1-(trimethylsilyl)-1-octanone (1a)^{3a} Diisobutylaluminum hydride (18.7 mL, 105 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of 1-(trimethylsilyl)-1-octyne (17.3 g, 95 mmol) in ether (95 mL) at 25 °C under argon atmosphere. The mixture was heated at reflux for 3 h. The resulting solution was cooled to -15 °C (dry ice-ethylene glycol) and *N*-chlorosuccinimide (14.0 g, 105 mmol) was added portionwise. Exothermic reaction took place. After completion of the addition, the mixture was warmed to 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. Then the mixture was poured into ice-cold 1 M HCl. Extraction with hexane followed by purification by silica gel column (hexane) chromatography gave (*E*)-1-(trimethylsilyl)-1-chloro-1-octene (18.5 g, 85 mmol). *m*-Chloroperoxybenzoic acid (19.4 g, 80% purity, 90 mmol) was added to a solution of (*E*)-1-(trimethylsilyl)-1-chloro-1-octene (18.5 g) in dichloromethane (100 mL) at 25 °C, and the resulting mixture was stirred for 8 h. The mixture was poured into saturated NaHCO₃ and extracted with hexane (60 mL × 3). Concentration of the dried combined organic layers followed by silica gel column chromatography afforded α -chloroepoxysilane (17.3 g, 74 mmol) in 78% overall yield from 1-(trimethylsilyl)-1-octyne. A catalytic amount of zinc chloride (3 g, 22 mmol) was added to a solution of α -chloroepoxysilane (17.3 g, 74 mmol) in ether (50 mL) at 0 °C and the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 1 h. Extractive workup (EtOAc-H₂O) followed by purification by silica gel column chromatography provided the title compound (16.6 g, 71 mmol) in 96% yield.

2-Chloro-1-(dimethylphenylsilyl)-1-octanone (1b): 15.3 g, 53% overall yield; Bp 137 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2952, 2926, 2856, 1652, 1466, 1429, 1251, 1111, 838, 820, 784, 734, 699, 646 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.58 (s, 3H), 0.59 (s, 3H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.00-1.39 (m, 8H), 1.61 (m, 1H), 1.80 (m, 1H), 4.29 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.48 (m, 3H), 7.56-7.62 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -3.66, -3.60, 13.95, 22.42, 25.77, 28.56, 31.41, 31.74, 68.28, 128.14, 130.07, 134.03, 134.18, 235.25. Found: C, 65.02; H, 8.82%. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₆OSiCl: C, 64.73; H, 8.49%.

2-Chloro-1-(tert-butyltrimethylsilyl)-1-octanone (1c): 20 g, 65% overall yield; Bp 98 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2952, 2926, 2856, 1652, 1465, 1251, 839, 824, 778 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.24 (s, 3H), 0.26 (s, 3H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 1.17-1.51 (m, 8H), 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.87 (m, 1H), 4.31 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 8.5 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -5.88, 14.00, 16.97, 22.49, 26.05, 26.46, 28.74, 31.26, 31.51, 67.12, 236.30. Found: C, 61.00; H, 10.82%. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₉OSiCl: C, 60.72; H, 10.56%.

2-Chloro-1-(tert-butyltrimethylsilyl)-1-pentanone (1d): 15 g, 60% overall yield; Bp 45 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2954, 2930, 2854, 1651, 1465, 1365, 1252, 839, 823, 811, 779, 679 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.26 (s, 3H), 0.28 (s, 3H), 0.939 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.943 (s, 9H), 1.28-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.85 (m, 1H), 4.34 (dd, *J* = 5.3, 8.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -5.90, -5.86, 13.51, 16.96, 19.36, 26.46, 33.23, 66.79, 236.26. Found: C, 56.29; H, 10.06%. Calcd for C₁₁H₂₃OSiCl: C, 56.26; H, 9.87%.

General Procedure for the Reaction of 1 and Allyltrimethylsilane in the Presence of TiCl₄. The reaction of **1a** with allyltrimethylsilane is representative. Under an argon atmosphere, a dichloromethane solution of TiCl₄ (1.0 M, 2.0 mL, 2.0 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of α -chloroacrylsilane **1a** (0.24 g, 1.0 mmol) and allyltrimethylsilane (0.16 mL, 1.0 mmol) in dichloromethane (5 mL) at -78 °C. After being stirred for 30 min at the same temperature, the mixture was poured into saturated aqueous NaCl. Extraction with EtOAc (20 mL × 3) followed by purification by silica-gel column chromatography afforded 1-undecen-4-one (**2**, 165 mg) in 98% yield: Bp 110 °C (13 Torr); IR (neat) 2954, 2924, 2852, 1718, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.12-1.47 (m, 8H), 1.57 (m, 2H), 2.42 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.16 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 5.13 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (ddt, *J* = 10.2, 17.1, 6.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.92, 22.48, 23.59, 28.95, 29.04, 31.56, 42.31, 47.65, 118.72, 130.84, 209.26. Found: C, 78.23; H, 12.09%. Calcd for C₁₁H₂₀O: C, 78.51; H, 11.98%.

5-(tert-Butyltrimethylsilyl)-1-undecen-4-one (3a): 0.22 g, 78% yield; Bp 112 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2954, 2926, 2856, 1693, 1466, 1252, 834, 823, 807, 771 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ -0.04 (s, 3H), 0.03 (s, 3H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (s, 9H), 1.02-1.46 (m, 9H), 1.97 (m, 1H), 2.51 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 16.2 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.91

(ddt, *J* = 10.2, 17.1, 6.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -7.17, -5.83, 14.02, 17.82, 22.58, 26.81, 28.38, 29.16, 30.90, 31.64, 44.68, 49.89, 118.26, 131.23, 210.55. Found: C, 72.19; H, 12.42%. Calcd for C₁₇H₃₄OSi: C, 72.27; H, 12.13%.

5-(tert-Butyltrimethylsilyl)-3-methyl-1-undecen-4-one (3b): 0.15 g, 52% yield; Bp 108 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2952, 2926, 2854, 1694, 1466, 1257, 1135, 915, 839, 822, 769 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ -0.05 (s, 3H), 0.02 (s, 3H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H, major), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H, minor), 0.93 (s, 9H, minor), 0.94 (s, 9H, major), 1.08-1.43 (m, 12H, including 1.12 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H, major), 1.18 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, minor)), 1.99 (m, 1H), 2.61 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 11.7 Hz, 1H, minor), 2.73 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 11.7 Hz, 1H, major), 3.10 (m, 1H), 5.00-5.23 (m, 2H), 5.59 (ddd, *J* = 8.7, 9.9, 17.4 Hz, 1H, major), 6.02 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 10.5, 17.1 Hz, minor); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -7.24, -7.18, -5.99, -5.22, 14.04, 14.83, 17.59, 17.91, 22.61, 26.79, 26.90, 28.33, 28.57, 29.21, 29.31, 30.77, 31.15, 31.69, 42.96, 43.73, 52.28, 53.50, 115.33, 117.23, 137.90, 138.18, 212.08, 213.94. Found: C, 72.98; H, 12.09%. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₆OSi: C, 72.90; H, 12.23%.

5-(tert-Butyltrimethylsilyl)-3-phenyl-1-undecen-4-one (3c): 0.18 g, 50% yield; Bp 150 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2952, 2926, 2854, 1692, 1466, 1455, 1253, 1132, 1079, 914, 823, 806, 699 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ -0.13 (s, 3H, minor), 0.02 (s, 3H, minor), 0.05 (s, 6H, major), {0.74-1.55 (m, 13H) including 0.77 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, major), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, minor), 0.92 (s, 9H, minor), 0.96 (s, 9H, major)}, 1.93 (m, 1H), 2.56 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 11.7 Hz, 1H, major), 2.78 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 11.7 Hz, 1H, minor), 4.19 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, major), 4.29 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H, minor), 4.94-5.25 (m, 2H), 6.02 (ddd, *J* = 9.3, 9.6, 16.8 Hz, 1H, minor), 6.40 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 10.2, 17.1 Hz, major), 7.20-7.37 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -7.17, -7.05, -5.22, 13.99, 14.05, 17.90, 17.95, 22.38, 22.60, 26.83, 26.86, 27.82, 28.60, 28.96, 29.23, 29.49, 30.98, 31.57, 31.67, 43.44, 43.80, 64.82, 65.16, 116.43, 117.82, 126.92, 127.31, 128.34, 128.61, 128.73, 128.79, 128.86, 136.96, 137.69, 209.42, 209.83. Found: C, 76.98; H, 10.65%. Calcd for C₂₃H₃₈OSi: C, 77.03; H, 10.68%.

5-(tert-Butyltrimethylsilyl)-2-methyl-1-undecen-4-one (3d): 0.20 g, 66% yield; Bp 104 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2952, 2926, 2854, 1691, 1466, 1252, 890, 833, 823, 808, 770 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ -0.01 (s, 3H), 0.04 (s, 3H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.99-1.43 (m, 9H), 1.76 (s, 3H), 1.96 (m, 1H), 2.59 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 4.91 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -7.17, -5.67, 14.03, 17.88, 22.58, 22.72, 26.81, 28.29, 29.16, 30.73, 31.67, 43.97, 54.41, 114.71, 139.47, 210.10. Found: C, 72.64; H, 12.16%. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₆OSi: C, 72.90; H, 12.23%.

5-(tert-Butyltrimethylsilyl)-3,3-dimethyl-1-undecen-4-one (3e): 0.10 g, 33% yield; Bp 118 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2954, 2926, 2854, 1683, 1466, 1254, 1137, 1067, 1006, 916, 841, 822, 810, 788, 769, 687 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ -0.10 (s, 3H), 0.03 (s, 3H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (s, 9H), 1.16-1.49 (m, 15H, including 1.18 (s, 3H), 1.21 (s, 3H)), 1.90 (m, 1H), 2.90 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 11.7 Hz, 1H), 5.10-5.18 (m, 2H), 6.00 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 17.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -6.91, -4.45, 14.05, 18.26, 22.60, 23.47, 24.40, 27.09, 29.34, 31.07, 31.43, 31.69, 38.06, 51.20, 113.81, 143.59, 216.72. Found: C, 73.29; H, 12.53%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₈OSi: C, 73.48; H, 12.33%.

7-(tert-Butyltrimethylsilyl)-1,3-tridecadien-6-one (3f): 0.19 g, 63% yield; Bp 118 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2952, 2926, 2854, 1693, 1466, 1252, 1087, 1003, 835, 824, 805, 770 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ -0.04 (s, 3H), 0.03 (s, 3H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 1.10-1.46 (m, 9H), 1.97 (m, 1H), 2.52 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 16.5 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 16.5 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (dt, *J* = 15.3, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 15.3 Hz, 1H), 6.34 (ddd, *J* = 9.9, 10.2, 16.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -7.32, -5.93, 13.94, 17.72, 22.50, 26.71, 28.36, 29.06, 30.81, 31.58, 44.61, 48.61, 116.47, 126.74, 134.32, 136.73, 210.61. Found: C, 73.99; H, 11.83%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₆OSi: C, 73.95; H, 11.76%.

5-(tert-Butyltrimethylsilyl)-2-undecyn-4-one (3g): 0.22 g, 33% yield; Bp 120 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2952, 2926, 2854, 2216, 1651, 1467, 1252, 1167, 838, 825, 810, 770 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.06 (s, 3H), 0.07 (s, 3H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 1.14-1.52 (m, 9H), 2.00 (s, 1H), 2.08 (m, 1H), 2.54 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 11.7 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -6.82, -6.38, 3.95, 14.03, 17.96, 22.54, 26.75, 28.00, 29.05, 30.76, 31.58, 48.69, 81.30, 88.97, 190.68. Found: C, 72.53; H, 11.41%. Calcd for C₁₇H₃₂OSi: C, 72.79; H, 11.50%.

4-(Dimethylphenylsilyl)-1-undecen-4-ol: 0.26 g, 85% yield; Bp 127 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2926, 2852, 1429, 1248, 1112, 914, 831, 812, 772, 734, 701, 648 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.38 (s, 3H), 0.39 (s, 3H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.11 (bs, 1H), 1.15–1.35 (m, 10H), 1.52 (m, 2H), 2.33 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.03–5.12 (m, 2H), 5.79 (ddt, *J* = 10.2, 16.8, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.33–7.42 (m, 3H), 7.56–7.63 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -4.52, -4.45, 14.03, 22.58, 23.46, 29.12, 30.28, 31.74, 37.78, 41.58, 68.14, 118.44, 127.73, 129.18, 133.80, 134.59, 137.05. Found: C, 75.03; H, 10.72%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₂OSi: C, 74.93; H, 10.59%.

1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-1-pentanone (5a): 0.15 g, 77% yield; Bp 113 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2956, 1679, 1602, 1577, 1510, 1460, 1311, 1259, 1213, 1171, 1031, 840 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.40 (tq, *J* = 7.8, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.70 (tt, *J* = 7.5, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.91, 22.50, 26.70, 37.99, 55.42, 113.64, 130.19, 130.32, 163.30, 199.30. Found: C, 74.84; H, 8.58%. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₆O₂: C, 74.97; H, 8.39%.

2-(tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-pentanone (6a): 0.20 g, 66% yield; Bp 145 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2928, 2854, 1651, 1602, 1509, 1464, 1260, 1246, 1209, 1171, 835, 824 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ -0.26 (s, 3H), 0.03 (s, 3H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (s, 9H), 1.10–1.43 (m, 2H), 1.53 (m, 1H), 2.21 (m, 1H), 3.37 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -7.27, -5.83, 14.04, 18.12, 24.04, 27.02, 31.19, 38.15, 55.36, 113.54, 130.19, 132.81, 162.92, 202.25. Found: C, 70.60; H, 10.11%. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₀O₂Si: C, 70.53; H, 9.86%.

1-(2,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-1-octanone (5b): 0.22 g, 84% yield; Bp 140 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2926, 2852, 1665, 1602, 1576, 1465, 1293, 1262, 1212, 1163, 1030 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.20–1.39 (m, 8H), 1.85 (tt, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 6.45 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (dd, *J* = 2.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.94, 22.50, 24.50, 29.09, 29.35, 31.64, 43.57, 55.35, 55.41, 98.37, 104.98, 121.51, 132.64, 160.68, 164.25, 201.22. Found: C, 72.92; H, 9.24%. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₄O₃: C, 72.69; H, 9.15%.

1-(2,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyl)-1-pentanone (6b): 0.29 g, 87% yield; Bp 154 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2954, 2928, 1644, 1602, 1465, 1255, 1212, 1162, 1135, 1028, 823 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ -0.23 (s, 3H), -0.03 (s, 3H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.16–1.53 (m, 3H), 2.23 (m, 1H), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (dd, *J* = 2.4, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ -7.13, -5.75, 14.10, 18.06, 23.82, 27.03, 31.22, 43.08, 55.27, 55.40, 98.54, 104.75, 124.00, 132.94, 159.86, 163.53, 203.25. Found: C, 67.74; H, 9.73%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₂O₃Si: C, 67.81; H, 9.58%.

1-Thienyl-1-pentanone: 77 mg, 46% yield; Bp 122 °C (13 Torr); IR (neat) 2956, 2930, 2868, 1661, 1519, 1417, 1266, 1209, 856, 721 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.41 (tq, *J* = 7.5, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.73 (tt, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (m, 1H), 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.71 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.76, 22.35, 26.78, 39.08, 128.10, 131.73, 133.39, 144.64, 193.76. Found: C, 64.05; H, 7.15%. Calcd for C₉H₁₂OS: C, 64.25; H, 7.19%.

General Procedure for Three-Component Coupling Reaction. The reaction of **1a**, allyltrimethylsilane, and acetaldehyde was representative. TiCl₄ (2.0 mmol) was added to a dichloromethane solution of **1a** (1.0 mmol) and allyltrimethylsilane (1.0 mmol) at -78 °C. After being stirred for 15 min, acetaldehyde (44 mg, 0.06 mL, 1.0 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture and the whole was stirred for another 25 min at -78 °C. The resulting mixture was poured into saturated aqueous NaCl. Extractive workup followed by purification by silica-gel column chromatography gave 5-(1-hydroxyethyl)-1-undecen-4-one (**7a**, 149 mg) in 70% yield; Bp 158 °C (13 Torr); IR (neat) 3404, 2954, 2924, 2854, 1707, 1459, 1378, 1143, 1109, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.13–

1.35 (m, 10H, including 0.16 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H, *erythro*) 0.20 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H, *threo*)), 1.48–1.76 (m, 3H), 2.25 (bs, 1H, *erythro*), 2.42 (bs, 1H, *threo*), 2.54–2.65 (m, 1H, mainly, 2.62, ddd, *J* = 4.5, 4.8, 9.2 Hz, *erythro*), 3.21 (dq, *J* = 6.9, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 3.29 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (m, 1H, *threo*), 3.96 (dq, *J* = 4.8, 6.3 Hz, 1H, *erythro*), 5.09–5.21 (m, 2H), 5.83–5.97 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.91, 20.47, 21.68, 22.46, 26.85, 27.16, 27.87, 29.10, 29.34, 29.45, 31.49, 49.06, 49.21, 57.32, 58.05, 67.89, 68.56, 119.04, 119.08, 130.24, 213.32. Found: C, 73.46; H, 11.44%. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₄O₂: C, 73.54; H, 11.39%.

erythro-5-(1-Hydroxy-1-phenylmethyl)-1-undecen-4-one (7b): 0.16 g, 58% combined yield (*erythro* and *threo* isomers); Bp 153 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 3396, 2952, 2924, 2854, 1710, 1455, 1053, 918, 763, 701 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.05–1.33 (m, 8H), 1.57–1.83 (m, 2H), 2.67 (bs, 1H), 2.84–3.08 (m, 3H), 4.84 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (dddd, *J* = 7.1, 7.1, 10.2, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 7.24–7.38 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.90, 22.42, 27.33, 27.65, 29.36, 31.43, 49.46, 58.62, 74.21, 119.12, 126.23, 127.82, 128.51, 129.93, 142.01, 212.94. Found: C, 78.83; H, 9.70%. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆O₂: C, 78.79; H, 9.55%.

threo-5-(1-Hydroxy-1-phenylmethyl)-1-undecen-4-one (7b): Bp 153 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 3448, 2952, 2924, 2854, 1711, 1455, 916, 764, 700 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.74 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.00–1.24 (m, 8H), 1.42–1.56 (m, 2H), 2.73 (bs, 1H), 2.85 (ddd, *J* = 4.8, 7.5, 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (m, 1H), 3.08 (m, 1H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (dddd, *J* = 6.9, 6.9, 10.2, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 7.15–7.29 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.85, 22.35, 27.09, 29.14, 29.39, 31.36, 49.80, 57.98, 75.76, 118.92, 126.28, 127.95, 128.58, 130.09, 142.61, 213.86. Found: C, 78.58; H, 9.35%. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆O₂: C, 78.79; H, 9.55%.

5-(1-Hydroxy-1-methylethyl)-1-undecen-4-one (7c): 0.19 g, 83% yield; Bp 94 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 3436, 2954, 2926, 2854, 1703, 1467, 1378, 1152, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H), 1.13–1.36 (m, 14H, including 1.19 (s, 3H) and 1.21 (s, 3H)), 1.47–1.80 (m, 2H), 2.64 (dd, *J* = 3.3, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (bs, 1H), 3.23 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 17.5 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 17.5 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (dddd, *J* = 6.9, 6.9, 10.2, 17.1 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.92, 22.47, 26.86, 28.26, 28.32, 29.49, 29.60, 31.49, 51.35, 59.96, 72.04, 119.05, 130.15, 215.59. Found: C, 74.16; H, 11.83%. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₆O₂: C, 74.29; H, 11.58%.

erythro-5-(1-Methoxyethyl)-1-undecen-4-one (7d): 0.14 g, 61% combined yield (*erythro* and *threo* isomers); *R*_f 0.50 (hex/AcOEt = 10/1); Bp 90 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2924, 2854, 1712, 1459, 1379, 1143, 1116, 1096, 917 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H), 1.09–1.34 (m, 8H), 1.43 (m, 1H), 1.65 (m, 1H), 2.76 (ddd, *J* = 4.2, 6.3, 9.8 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (s, 3H), 3.39 (dq, *J* = 6.3, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 17.4 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (ddt, *J* = 10.5, 17.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.91, 16.05, 22.45, 27.55, 28.38, 29.35, 31.51, 49.53, 56.42, 78.06, 118.56, 130.76, 211.19. Found: C, 74.54; H, 11.79%. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₆O₂: C, 74.29; H, 11.58%.

threo-5-(1-Methoxyethyl)-1-undecen-4-one (7d): *R*_f 0.46 (hex/AcOEt = 10/1); Bp 90 °C (0.5 Torr); IR (neat) 2924, 2854, 2820, 1717, 1465, 1379, 1145, 1116, 1095, 992, 915 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.08–1.39 (m, 12H, including 1.21 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H)), 1.55 (m, 1H), 2.60 (ddd, *J* = 3.6, 8.8, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 17.4 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 3.27 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 17.4 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dq, *J* = 8.8, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (ddt, *J* = 10.5, 17.1, 6.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 13.91, 16.46, 22.45, 27.34, 28.29, 29.37, 31.47, 49.30, 56.52, 58.05, 78.91, 118.39, 130.91, 212.20. Found: C, 74.30; H, 11.75%. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₆O₂: C, 74.29; H, 11.58%.

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