# <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>29</sup>Si NMR study of $\alpha$ - and $\beta$ -silylstyrenes and their adducts with dichlorocarbene

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#### Abstract

<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>29</sup>Si NMR spectra for the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -silylstyrenes (*E*)-PhCH=CHSiR<sub>3</sub> (I) and PhC(SiR<sub>3</sub>)=CH<sub>2</sub> (II) (R = Cl, Me, Ph), and those for some dichlorocarbene adducts of I and II (R = Me, Ph), were examined. From the <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, the phenyl substituent in the molecules I and II enhances the electronic effects of the organosilicon substituent at C<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>, and weakens these effects on the C<sub> $\beta$ </sub> resonance. The degree to which polarization of the vinyl C=C bond is polarized increases with increased electron-withdrawing properties of substituent R in the SiR<sub>3</sub> group in compounds I and II, and correlates with the reduced reactivity of the bond toward electrophilic dichlorocarbene. Several long-range coupling constants (CC) in the molecules I, II and in their adducts with :CCl<sub>2</sub> were measured. The estimated CC is a useful aid for the study of electronic effects in organosilicon compounds.

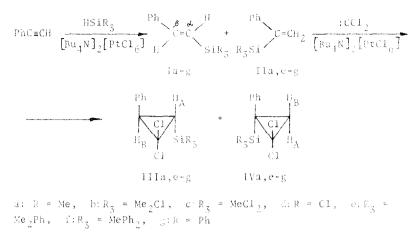
# Introduction

<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>29</sup>Si NMR spectroscopy has been extensively applied to structural studies of organosilicon compounds including alkenylsilanes, and to the study of electronic effects due to the presence of a silicon atom [1-6]. To gain more detailed information on these subjects it is worthwhile to compare a wide range of structurally related compounds differing only in the nature of substituents at the silicon atom [2,4-6]. Here we describe the synthesis and multinuclear NMR spectroscopy of the silyl-styrenes (*E*)-PhCH=CHSiR<sub>3</sub> and PhC(SiR<sub>3</sub>)=CH<sub>2</sub> (R = Cl, Me, Ph) and some of their dichlorocarbene adducts.

#### **Results and discussion**

Silylstyrenes (Ia-g and IIa,e-g) were prepared by the hydrosilylation, i.e. reaction of phenylacetylene with various silanes in the presence of bis(tetrabutylammonium)hexachloroplatinate at 80-140 °C during 1-3 h by a published procedure

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Scheme 1

[7] (Scheme 1). The overall yield of the hydrosilylation products was nearly quantitative. The reaction of PhC=CH with triorganosilanes in the presence of the same catalyst affords a mixture of  $\beta$ -trans- and  $\alpha$ -silylstyrenes I and II. whereas chlorine-containing silanes add to phenylacetylene to give predominantly  $\beta$ -trans isomers (95–98%) [7].

1,1-Dichloro-2-triorganosilylcyclopropanes (IIIa,e-g,IVa,e-g) were obtained from mixtures of Ia,e-g and IIa,e-g by a published procedure [8], viz. the addition of dichlorocarbene generated in the two-phase system  $CHCl_3/50\%$  aq. NaOH in the presence of the same catalyst as that used for hydrosilylation (Scheme 1). The process occurs quantitatively at room temperature during 1-4 h depending on the silyl group R substituent in compounds I and II. Dichlorocarbene generated in this way is a singlet [9], hence the reaction of alkenylsilanes I. 1 with : $CCl_2$  proceeds *cis*-stereospecifically and results in a mixture of the appropriate adducts III and IV, the ratio of  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -isomers being retained. Products III have the *trans*-configuration,  ${}^{3}J(H_{A}-H_{B})$  10.5-11.0 Hz. The cyclopropanes IIIa,f,g, IVa,f,g are novel.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral parameters for the synthesized silylstyrenes la-g, IIa,e-g (Table 1) closely resemble those reported in the literature [7,10,11]. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compounds IIIe and IVe (Table 1) are identical with those reported previously [8]. NMR spectra for compounds I–IV on other nuclei had not been studied systematically earlier.

The <sup>1</sup>H. <sup>13</sup>C. <sup>29</sup>Si NMR spectral parameters for the entire set of compounds, prepared according to Scheme 1 are listed in Tables 1–3. Qualitatively, the shielding behaviour of nuclei in the molecules I–IV tends to coincide and so can be exemplified by compound I. To clarify the effect of the phenyl group at the double bond in silylstyrene molecules we compared vinylic <sup>13</sup>C chemical shifts (CS) in compounds I (Table 2) with known values [4] for the vinylsilanes  ${}^{B}CH_{2}={}^{a}CHSiR_{3}$  (Va–f). The two values appear to be linearly correlated:

(1)  $\delta ({}^{13}C_{\alpha})^{1} = -45.96 + 1.26\delta ({}^{13}C_{\alpha})^{\vee}$  r = 0.998, s = 1.2, n = 6

(2) 
$$\delta {\binom{13}{\Gamma_{\beta}}}^{I} = +28.29 + 0.89 \delta {\binom{13}{\Gamma_{\beta}}}^{V}$$
  $r = 0.998, s = 0.9, n = 6$ 

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>29</sup>Si chemical shifts (ppm) and <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H CC (Hz) for silylstyrenes and silyldichlorocyclopropanes

Ph H <sub>A</sub>	Ph	HB	Ph H	l l	Ph H <sub>B</sub>	
H <sub>B</sub> SiF	R <sub>3</sub> R <sub>3</sub> Si	≺, <sup>H</sup> A	C1		3Si Cl II <sub>A</sub>	
(I)	(11	)	(111)		(IV)	
Compound	SiR <sub>3</sub>	δ( <sup>29</sup> Si)	$\delta(^{1}H_{A})$	$\delta({}^{1}H_{B})$	δ( <sup>1</sup> H-CH <sub>3</sub> )	$J(H_A-H_B)$
Ia	Si(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	$-6.33^{a}$	6.49	6.88	0.17	19.16
Ib	Si(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl	+ 19.01	6.44	7.06	0.57	19.12
Ic	Si(CH <sub>3</sub> )Cl <sub>2</sub>	+17.72	6.41	7.22	0.90	18.90
Id	SiCl <sub>3</sub>	- 2.16	6.38	7.34		18.76
Ie	$SiPh(CH_3)_2$	-10.41	6.60	6.99	0.44	19.25
If	SiPh <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	-13.72	6.78	7.00	0.73	19.14
Ig	SiPh <sub>3</sub>	-16.61	7.00	7.03	-	19.05
IIa	Si(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	-4.31	5.61	5.83	0.18	3.14
IIe	$SiPh(CH_3)_2$	-8.36	5.67	5.99	0.42	2.93
IIf	SiPh <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	- 10.97	5.62	6.16	0.68	2.83
IIg	SiPh <sub>3</sub>	- 14.60	5.72	6.30	-	2.90
IIIa	Si(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	+ 2.36	1.32	2.77	0.24	11.00
IIIe	SiPh(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	-2.69	1.43	2.84	0.53 and 0.46	10.55
IIIf	SiPh <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	-7.40	1.75	2.92	0.76	10.48
IIIg	SiPh <sub>3</sub>	- 11.84	2.08	2.90	-	10.61
IVa	Si(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	+ 6.60	1.95	1.79	0.08	6.20
IVe	$SiPh(CH_3)_2$	+0.65	1.93	1.75	0.42 and 0.36	6.10
IVf	SiPh <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	-4.43	2.07	1.90	0.56	5.86
IVg	SiPh <sub>3</sub>	- 9.98	2.13	2.02		5.78

<sup>a</sup> - 6.49 in [20].

It can be seen from the NMR data that the SiR<sub>3</sub> group exhibits electronwithdrawing properties with respect to the  $\pi$ -bond [2,4–6]. By comparing the slopes of the correlation equations (1) and (2) it can be deduced that the effect of the phenyl substituent in compounds Ia–g manifests itself by the enhancement of SiR<sub>3</sub> group electronic effects on C<sub>a</sub>, and by weakening those on the C<sub>β</sub>-resonance. This is consistent with the direction of C=C bond polarization in the styrenes, i.e. the CH<sub>2</sub>-carbon is shielded to a greater extent than CH- [12]. Additionally, the presence of a SiR<sub>3</sub> group at the C=C bond in styrene molecules (as in the case of vinylsilanes) substantially reduces the net charge over this bond as revealed by the sum of vinylic <sup>13</sup>C CS (Table 4). This is an indication of the acceptor properties of the organosilicon substituent. The extent of vinylic C=C bond polarization in these molecules rises with growing electron-withdrawing properties of substituents R in the SiR<sub>3</sub> group of compounds I, II. As judged by the difference in <sup>13</sup>C<sub>a</sub> and <sup>13</sup>C<sub>β</sub> CS (Table 2), charge partition increases \* in the following sequence: SiMe<sub>3</sub> < SiMe<sub>2</sub>Ph < SiMe<sub>2</sub>Cl ≈ SiPh<sub>2</sub>Me < SiPh<sub>3</sub> < SiMeCl<sub>2</sub> < SiCl<sub>3</sub>. These findings are consistent

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<sup>\*</sup> This approach does not take into account differences introduced by the  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -effects of substituent SiR<sub>3</sub> into C<sub>a</sub> and C<sub>b</sub> shielding.

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		C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	C,	138.95	137.76	136.71	135.82	138.98		138.57		138.57	
R <sub>3</sub> Si	(17)	С <sub>К</sub>		-0.76	2.56	60.9	I	$-1.97(CH_3)$ ,	138.71( <i>C<sub>i</sub></i> ), 134.42( <i>C<sub>o</sub></i> ), 128.37( <i>C<sub>m</sub></i> ), 129.57( <i>C<sub>m</sub></i> )	– 3.11(CH <sub>3</sub> ), 136.95(C <sub>i</sub> ),	135.41(C <sub>o</sub> ), 128.40(C <sub>m</sub> ), 129.86(C <sub>n</sub> )	135.05(C <sub>1</sub> ) 136.57(C <sub>0</sub> )	$126.49(C_m)$ 130.13( $C_p$ )
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E and E	(11)	$C_{\mu}$		144.17	147.14	149.70	151.99	145.97		141.79		149.46	
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 $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  Chemical shifts (ppm) for silyl styrenes and silyl dichlorocyclopropanes c<sub>6115</sub>

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IIf	149.41	127.56	I	$-2.96(CH_3)$ , 136.55(C.)	144.34	128.84	128.34	127.14
				135.68(C <sub>o</sub> ), 128.40(C <sub>m</sub> ), 129.86(C <sub>0</sub> )				
IIg	149.46	128.00	I	134.77(C <sub>i</sub> )	144.47	128.65	128.35	127.30
				136.92(C <sub>o</sub> ), 128.46(C <sub>m</sub> ), 130.05(C <sub>-</sub> ),				
IIIa a	26.99	39.10	66.78	-0.87	136.39			
IIIe a	26.42	39.30	66.42	-2.26(CH <sub>3</sub> ),	135.98			
				137.33(C <sub>i</sub> )				
a JIII	25.63	39.44	66.72	- 3.40(CH <sub>3</sub> ),	135.82			
				135.42(C <sub>i</sub> )				
'IIIg "	24.91	39.63	65.89	133.50(C <sub>i</sub> )	135.67			
IVa <sup>a</sup>	32.46	30.87	67.51	-0.71	140.94			
IVe "	35.26	31.16	69.69	-1.78(CH <sub>3</sub> ),	140.67			
				$136.30(C_i)$				
a IVI a	35.96	31.18	66.13	-1.76(CH <sub>3</sub> ),	140.32			
				135.40(C <sub>i</sub> )				
IVg a	30.22	31.83	66.15	133.23(C <sub>i</sub> )	139.85			
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Table 3 <sup>29</sup> Si <sup>-11</sup> H. <sup>29</sup> Si <sup>-11</sup> JC, <sup>113</sup> C, <sup>111</sup> C,	$^{13}C^{-1}HCC(H)$ $C_{6}H_{5}$ $R_{3}S_{1}$ (11)	(1111) (z) for sitylstyrenes $H_B$ $C_6H_5$ $H_5$ $H_A$ $H_B$ $C_1$ $H_A$ $H_B$ $C_1$ $C_1$ $H_A$ $H_B$ $C_1$ $C_1$ $H_A$ $H_B$ $C_1$ $C_$	and silyldichlor $H_A = \frac{C_6 H_5}{C_1}$ $S_1 R_3 R_3 S_1 = \frac{C_1}{C_1}$	H <sub>5</sub> H <sub>1</sub> C1 C1 H <sub>A</sub> C1 H <sub>A</sub>					
Compound	<sup>29</sup> Si-H <sub>A</sub>	<sup>29</sup> Si-H <sub>B</sub>	$^{29}Si - C_{\alpha}$	<sup>29</sup> Si-C <sub>R</sub>	<sup>13</sup> C-H <sub>A</sub>	<sup>13</sup> C-H <sub>B</sub>	<sup>29</sup> Si-H <sub>R</sub>	<sup>13</sup> C-H <sub>R</sub>	
la	4.86	7.70	65.4	54.0	135.5	150.7	6.67	118.8	
lb	7.05	9.19	76.5	59.8	138.2	151.7	7.03	121.6	
lc	9.75	11.21	93.1	71.3	143.8	153.8	7.75	123.7	
Id	12.96	13.99	118.1	4	148.5	155.2	1	1	
Ie	4.69	7.42	67.6	54.2(CH <sub>3</sub> )	135.1	152.0	6.59	119.0	
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5	4,98		8.60	55.5(СН <sub>3</sub> ) 69.4(С.)	137.0	6.701	0.04	120.8	
Ig	5.00	7.58	72.2	71.2(C,)	a	9	ł	1	
IIa	7.23	13.42	۲	a	160.1	152.0	6.67	119.6	
IIe	7.55	13.70	a	ą	158.3	154.4	6.59	120.2	
IIf	7.52	14.26	а	а	159.3	153.8	6.64	120.6	
IIg	7.55	14.80	v	ŋ	a	17	I	¢	
IIIa	2.12	5.27	58.3	53.3	e	n	6.67	a	
IIIe	2.05	5.80	59.9	55.2(CH <sub>3</sub> )	IJ	T	6.67	a	
				69.1(C <sub>1</sub> )					
IIIf	1.91	6.23	62.4	56.9(CH <sub>3</sub> ) 70.7(C,)	U	77	6.59	3	
IIIg	2.41	6.44	64.4	73.1(C, )	п	r		4	
IVa	6.04	4.13	59.4	53.8	n	a	6.54	12	
IVe	6.52	4.03	58.8	55.2(CH <sub>3</sub> )	17	11	6.59	12	
				69.2(C <sub>1</sub> )					
IVf	6.67	3.88	63.2	57.6(CH <sub>3</sub> ) 70.9(C)	u	۲	6.30	2	
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Compound	$\Sigma \delta(^{13}C)$	Ref.	
CH <sub>2</sub> =CH <sub>2</sub>	246.6	12	
Me <sub>3</sub> SiCH=CH <sub>2</sub>	268.9 <sup>a</sup>	2	
(E)-Me <sub>3</sub> SiCH=CHSiMe <sub>3</sub>	300.0	3	
$(Me_3Si)_2C=CH_2$	279.0	3	
PhCH=CH <sub>2</sub>	249.9	12	
(E)-PhCH=CHSiMe <sub>3</sub>	274.2	this work	
$Ph(SiMe_3)CH=CH_2$	272.0	this work	

The sum of vinylic <sup>13</sup>C chemical shifts in alkenylsilanes

<sup>a</sup> 270.03 [4], 270.1 [5], 268.27 [6a].

Table 4

with the reactivity data obtained for the styrylsilanes Ia,e-g and IIa,e-g by treating them with dichlorocarbene having electrophilic properties. Upon substitution of the methyl groups for phenyl ones in the radical SiR<sub>3</sub> the rate at which I and II convert to the dichlorocyclopropane adducts III, IV declines. When  $R_3 = Me_3$  complete conversion occurs within 1 h, with  $R_3 = Ph_3$  within 4 h, and with  $R_3 = Me_2Ph$  and MePh<sub>2</sub> at 3 and 3.5 h, respectively.

The electronic effects of the  $SiR_3$  groups are transmitted over considerable distances as indicated by substantial changes in phenyl carbon CS at the C=C bond (Table 2).

In order to assess the character of electronic effects exerted by the silvl groups using the known correlations [13], we estimated the reactivity constants,  $\sigma_R^0$  and  $\sigma_I$ , for bulky organosilicon substituents in the molecules I and II, the latter being viewed as monosubstituted benzenes (Table 5). It follows from the  $\sigma$  estimates that substitution of the chlorine atom at silicon for a phenyl group affects the resonance component of the electronic effect of the group. At the same time, according to the inductive mechanism, the substituent -CH=CHSiR<sub>3</sub> acts as acceptor with respect to the benzene ring regardless of the nature of substituent R at the silicon atom. The SiR<sub>3</sub> group, being closer to the benzene cycle in the *gem*-isomers II, affects the inductive constant  $\sigma_I$  more appreciably, i.e. the entire substituent serves as a  $\sigma$ -donor with respect to the benzene cycle. The substituent attached directly to the silicon atom, as in other cases [13], displays  $\sigma$ -donor and  $\pi$ -acceptor properties (Table 5).

Variation in electronic properties of  $SiR_3$  substituents also affects <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>29</sup>Si CS (Table 1). Enhanced acceptor properties of the  $SiR_3$  group in the molecules I–IV bring about a downfield shift of <sup>1</sup>H resonances for the vicinal protons and SiCH<sub>3</sub> group. The influence of substituents at silicon on the geminal to silicon proton CS in compounds I–IV is more complex: an increase in the number of chlorine atoms at silicon causes a slight upfield shift of resonance signals, while the presence of phenyl groups leads to a downfield resonance displacement for these protons.

<sup>29</sup>Si CS bear a U-shaped relationship to the charge on the silicon atom [1] and hence are difficult to interpret. An additive upfield displacement of <sup>29</sup>Si resonances with increasing number of phenyl groups in substituent SiR<sub>3</sub> (Table 1) may be attributable to the paramagnetic component of shielding and is due to the increased positive charge on the silicon atom. An increase in the number of chlorine atoms at Si is accompanied by a gain in CC values  ${}^{1}J({}^{29}Si-{}^{13}C)$  (Table 3). According to

-CH=	CH=CHSiMe <sub>3-n</sub> Cl <sub>n</sub>	-CH=CHS	H=CHSiMe <sub>3-n</sub> Ph <sub>n</sub>	CH₂=C <s< th=""><th>CH<sub>2</sub>=C SiMe<sub>3-</sub>, Ph</th><th>FnCH=CH</th><th>SiMe2."Ph"</th><th>CH<sub>2</sub>=C&lt;<sup>Ph</sup> SiMe<sub>2.</sub>, Ph</th><th>.Ph `SiMe<sub>2. "</sub>Pf</th></s<>	CH <sub>2</sub> =C SiMe <sub>3-</sub> , Ph	FnCH=CH	SiMe2."Ph"	CH <sub>2</sub> =C< <sup>Ph</sup> SiMe <sub>2.</sub> , Ph	.Ph `SiMe <sub>2. "</sub> Pf
n o <mark>r</mark>	٥١	$\sigma_R^{\circ}$	αl°	σ°	αı	0 R	σI	σRo	ο <sup>1</sup>
-0.02	0.12	0.02	0.12	- 0.04	-0.14	0.06	- 0.11	0.06	0.11
0.01	0.20	-0.10	0.07	-0.07	-0.20	0.07	- 0.09	0.07	-0.0-
0.05	0.28	- 0.09	0.09	-0.06	0.20	0.08	- 0.06	0.08	- 0.06
0.08	0.35	-0.09	0.12	- 0.05	-0.19	1	48-m	I	atu

Reactivity constants for bulky silicon-containing substituents

Table 5

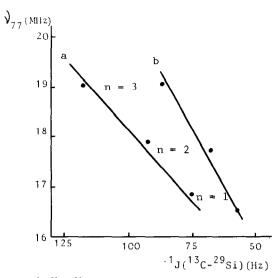


Fig. 1.  ${}^{1}J({}^{2}\text{Si}-{}^{13}\text{C})$  CC in compounds Ib-d as a function of NQR frequency  $\nu_{77}$  in the Si-Cl bond of chlorosilanes. a: Me<sub>3-n</sub>Cl<sub>n</sub><sup>29</sup>Si-{}^{13}\text{CH}=CH\_2, b: Me<sub>3-n</sub>Cl<sub>n</sub><sup>29</sup>Si-{}^{13}\text{CH}\_3.

Bent's hypothesis [14], this is consistent with enhanced Si–C bond s-character and decreased Si–Cl bond s-character. However, for the phenyl-containing compounds Ie–g, IIIe–g and IVe–g the  ${}^{1}J({}^{29}\text{Si}{-}^{13}\text{C})$  value for all of the four Si–C bonds tends to increase relative to the corresponding trimethylsilyl derivatives Ia, IIIa and IVa (Table 3), which fails to comply with Bent's rule and is apparently due to the increased positive charge on the silicon atom. This is consistent both with the  ${}^{29}\text{Si}$  resonance shift to higher fields in compounds I–IV (e–g) (Table 1), and with increased CC values  ${}^{1}J({}^{13}\text{C}{-}^{1}\text{H})$  (Table 3).

The increase in positive charge on the silicon atom in compounds PhCH=CHSi(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3-n</sub>Cl<sub>n</sub> with *n* varying from 1 to 3 also follows from the dependence of our values  ${}^{1}J({}^{29}\text{Si}-{}^{13}\text{C})$  on the nuclear quadrupole resonance frequencies for the bond Si-Cl in the series CH<sub>2</sub>=CHSi(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3-n</sub>Cl<sub>n</sub> and CH<sub>3</sub>Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3-n</sub>Cl<sub>n</sub> [15] (Fig. 1). Symbatic variation of these values suggests that enhanced Si-C bond *s*-character for the value  ${}^{1}J({}^{29}\text{Si}-{}^{13}\text{C})$  is accompanied by diminished ionic character of the bond Si-Cl (an increase in NQR frequencies).

The  ${}^{1}J({}^{29}\text{Si}-{}^{13}\text{C})$  values for Ia-g and the sum of Pauling's electronegativity of substituents in SiR<sub>3</sub> are linearly correlated:

$${}^{1}J({}^{29}\text{Si}{-}^{13}\text{C}) = -149.6 + 28.4\Sigma\Delta E$$
  $r = 0.987, s = 1.4, n = 7$ 

Long-range coupling constants involving vinylic <sup>29</sup>Si and <sup>1</sup>H nuclei have received only scant attention. The measurements of  ${}^{n}J({}^{29}\text{Si}{}^{-1}\text{H})$  in asymmetric multispin systems are limited by data reported previously [16–18]. Recently, we proposed a method for multiquantum coherence transfer which permits <sup>29</sup>Si-coupled <sup>1</sup>H spectra to be recorded with efficiently suppressed proton signals coupled to <sup>28</sup>Si [19]. This approach has been used by us for the measurement of several long-range <sup>29</sup>Si-<sup>1</sup>H CC. It follows from the data given in Table 3 that the value  ${}^{3}J({}^{29}\text{Si}{}^{-1}\text{H})$  is always greater for the *trans*-disposition of the interacting nuclei as compared to that for the *cis*-orientation. The <sup>29</sup>Si–<sup>1</sup>H CC are substantially lower in the cyclopropane system of III and IV, than that for the vinyl moiety in I and IL It is likely that the double bond  $\pi$ -electrons play a crucial part in the transfer of spin information between the <sup>29</sup>Si and <sup>1</sup>H nuclei. Similarly, the <sup>n</sup>J(<sup>29</sup>Si–<sup>1</sup>H) values are dependent on the properties of substituents at the silicon atom: an increase in electron-withdrawing properties brings about a marked increase in the absolute value of the <sup>n</sup>J(<sup>29</sup>Si–<sup>1</sup>H) CC. This means that when sufficient experimental data has been accumulated, the values of long-range CC <sup>n</sup>J(<sup>29</sup>Si–<sup>1</sup>H) could be extended to the analysis of electronic effects in organosilicon compounds.

# Experimental

<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>29</sup>Si NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker WM-360 spectrometer at 360, 90.5 and 71.5 MHz, respectively, using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent. Chemical shifts are relative to tetramethylsilane used as internal standard. Measurements were accurate to within  $\pm 0.01$  ppm for  $\delta({}^{1}\text{H})$ ,  $\pm 0.03$  ppm for  $\delta({}^{13}\text{C})$  and  $\delta({}^{29}\text{Si})$ ,  $\pm 0.03$  Hz for  $J({}^{29}\text{Si}{-}^{1}\text{H})$ ,  $\pm 0.1$  Hz for  $J({}^{29}\text{Si}{-}^{13}\text{C})$  and  $J({}^{13}\text{C}{-}^{1}\text{H})$ .

The silanes used in this study were purchased from Fluka products, except for HSiMe<sub>3</sub>, which was purchased from Petrarch. Phenylacetylene was purified by distillation under vacuum before use. Bis(tetrabutylammonium)hexachloroplatinate was prepared as described elsewhere [7].

# Preparation of silvistyrenes (Ia-g + Ha-g). (General procedure)

5 mmol of the silane HSiR<sub>3</sub>, 0.005 mmol of the catalyst [Bu<sub>4</sub>N]<sub>2</sub>[PtCl<sub>6</sub>] and 5 mmol of PhC=CH in a Pierce reaction-vial (5 cc) was stirred at 80 °C (HSiMe<sub>3</sub> and chlorosilanes), 120 °C (Me<sub>2</sub>PhSiH and MePh<sub>2</sub>SiH) or 140 °C (HSiPh<sub>3</sub>) for 1–3 h. The course of the reaction was monitored by GLC on a Chrom-4 chromatograph in a 1.2 m × 3 mm glass column, 5% OV-17/Chromosorb W-HP (80–100 mesh) as sorbent, helium as carrier gas (60 ml/min) at 120–200 °C. depending on the mixture composition, and by GC/MS spectrometry (Cratos MS-25, 70 eV). Upon complete conversion of the starting compounds, the NMR spectra were recorded for the resulting silylstyrenes without prior treatment.

#### *Dichlorocyclopropanation of silv1styrenes Ia,e-g and Ha,e-g. (General procedure)*

To mixtures of  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -triorganosilylstyrenes (Ia,e-g + IIa,e-g) prepared as outlined above and containing the catalyst [Bu<sub>4</sub>N]<sub>2</sub>[PtCl<sub>6</sub>], was added chloroform (50 mmol). A 50% aqueous alkali solution (50 mmol NaOH) was added dropwise to the resulting solution and then stirred at room temperature until the starting silylstyrenes had disappeared completely (monitored by GLC and GC/MS analysis). The reaction mixture was diluted with water, the organic layer was removed, washed with water, and dried with anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>. Chloroform was removed by distillation and the NMR spectra of the resultant adducts (III, IV) were recorded.

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