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# Cross-metathesis reaction. Generation of highly functionalized olefins from unsaturated alcohols<sup>☆</sup>

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#### Abstract

A cross-metathesis reaction was achieved between acid- and base-sensitive functionalized olefins and electron-deficient olefins or allylsilane by using the recyclable ruthenium catalyst V at room temperature. The cross-metathesis products are isolated in moderate to good yield. Ratios of E and Z cross-metathesis products depend upon substituents on the electron-deficient coupling partner. © 2001 Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

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### 1. Introduction

During recent years, olefin metathesis has gained a position of increasing significance [1]. This method of carbon-carbon double bond formation has been stimulated by the development of new catalysts such as  $(CF_3)_2Me(CO)_2(ArN)-Mo=CH(tBu)$  (I) [2] and  $P(Cy_3)_2Cl_2Ru=CHPh$  (II) [3]. The ruthenium carbene (PCy<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C1<sub>2</sub>Ru=CHPh (II) developed by Grubbs et al. constitutes a highly efficient metathesis pre-catalyst tolerating most functional groups. This catalyst has evolved into a versatile and reliable tool for advanced organic synthesis. As a consequence, many investigations have been reported which aim at expanding its application profile and fine-tuning of its reactivity and specificity. In this context, catalysts III [4], IV [5] and V [6] have been synthetized (Scheme 1).

The generation of olefins with vinylic functionality through the use of the cross-metathesis reaction has met with limited success. For example, acrylonitrile participates in cross-metathesis reactions with a variety of terminal olefins by using molybdenum catalyst I [7],

patible with I and fail to react with II [7]. On the contrary, catalyst III was found to catalyze the crossmetathesis reaction of 1,1-geminally disubstituted olefins and a recent publication from Grubbs et al. features the cross-metathesis of olefins with  $\pi$ -conjugated compounds with moderate stereoselectivity [8]. More recently, good stereoselectivities were obtained when catalyst III was prepared in situ in the presence of ethereal HCl [9]. However, acid sensitive protecting groups can be cleaved under these acidic conditions, posing a limitation in the use of catalyst III.

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# 2. Results and discussion

Here, we would like to disclose our results concerning the cross-metathesis between  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes, esters, allylsilane (olefins **B**) and functionalized unsaturated alcohols **A** in the presence of catalyst **V** which produces compounds of type **7** and/or homodimers of type **C**.

All cross-metathesis reactions were performed under argon, at room temperature in methylene chloride, in the presence of 2.5 mol% of catalyst V, one equivalent of olefin A and three equivalents of various electrondeficient olefins B (Scheme 2). Under these conditions,

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Scheme 1. Ruthenium catalysts.

acrolein participates in cross-metathesis with terminal olefin 1 to generate the disubstituted unsaturated aldehyde 7a in good yield (80%) and with excellent stereoselectivity as the (E)-stereomer was the only product detected by NMR spectroscopy and GC/MS (Table 1, entry a). This positive result led us to examine the cross-metathesis reaction of various olefins with various electron-deficient olefins such as alkyl acrylates and acrylonitrile. Excellent yields ( > 70%) and (E)-stereoselectivities were attained when the reaction was conducted with different terminal olefins of type A and acrolein or alkyl acrylates as the cross-metathesis products were the only detectable compounds (Table 1, entries b, c, g, i, j). A considerably lower coupling yield was obtained when acrylonitrile was used instead of acrolein. When olefin 2 and acrylonitrile were treated with catalyst V, the cross-coupling product 7d and the homodimer 8 were formed in 20% and 49% yield, respectively. Interestingly, the cross-metathesis product 7d was obtained as the (Z)-stereomer and the homodimer 8 was formed as a mixture of E/Z stereomers in a ratio of 4/1. This high Z selectivity observed in acrylonitrile cross-metathesis is intriguing since related cross-metathesis reactions with acrolein and alkyl acrylates proceed with a high degree of E selectivity. This Zselectivity must be kinetically controlled (as the E compound is more stable) and is probably related to either the small size or to the electron-withdrawing properties of the cyano substituent.

The presence of a methyl group on the electron deficient olefin, amplifies the formation of homodimers of type C (yield > 20%) and, only traces of crossmetathesis compounds of type 7 were detected by NMR and GC/MS (2%). Furthermore, the conversion was not complete (50–70%) (Table 1, entries e, f, h). It is worth noting that when compound 6 and methyl 2-methacrylate were treated with catalyst V, no coupling product was observed and 6 was recovered quantitatively, suggesting that under these conditions the cross-metathesis reaction is very sensitive to steric hindrance.

From a preparative point of view, the cross-metathesis with allyltrimethylsilane is interesting as functionalized allylsilane adducts could be used for nucleophilic addition to electrophilic centers. The reaction of compound 2 with allyltrimethylsilane (0.9 equivalents) in the presence of catalyst V led to the cross-coupling products 10E/10Z in a ratio of 3/1 (yield 76%) (Scheme 3).

#### 3. Conclusion

The use of catalyst V, which is not air sensitive, demonstrates the applicability of cross-metathesis for the synthesis of unsymmetrical functionalized disubstituted olefins with good stereoselectivity under mild conditions.

A variety of functional groups can be tolerated including non-protected alcohols and acid- or base-sensitive groups. The cross-metathesis reaction with catalyst V can replace advantageously the Wittig or Wittig-Horner reactions when base-sensitive substrates are present. Application of this reaction to the synthesis of biologically active compounds is currently under investigation and will be reported in due course.

#### 4. Experimental

#### 4.1. General considerations

All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of argon. Methylene chloride was dried by distillation over CaH<sub>2</sub>. Flash chromatography: Merck silica gel 60 (230–400 mesh), plates eluting with the solvents indicated, visualized by a 254 nm UV lamp, and stained with ethanolic solution of *p*-anisaldehyde. Nuclear magnetic resonnance spectra were acquired in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, on a Bruker spectrometer at 300 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H and 75 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C. Optical rotations were obtained on a Perkin–Elmer 241 mc polarimeter (Na d line) using a microcell with a 1-dm path length. Concentrations are reported in g/100 ml.

#### 4.2. Preparation of compound 7a

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with 5-acetoxy-1-hexene (1) (0.1 g, 0.7 mmol, one

$$R \xrightarrow{\ } H \xrightarrow{\ } E \xrightarrow{\ } C_{H_2Cl_2} \xrightarrow{\ } R \xrightarrow{\ } F \xrightarrow{\ } H \xrightarrow{\ } F \xrightarrow{\ } F \xrightarrow{\ } R \xrightarrow{\ } F \xrightarrow{\ } F$$



		Electron-deficient		·
		olefin (3 equiv.)		
		(•••••••••	Conversion	R EWG + R
entry	R	EWG	of $\mathbf{A}$ (b)	<sup>н</sup>   н <sup>-</sup>
	A	1		R' = H ou Me
		$\mathbf{R}' = \mathbf{H}$ or $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{R}}$		7 (yield, <i>E</i> / <i>Z</i> ) C (yield, <i>E</i> / <i>Z</i> )
				CHO + homodimer
a		Сно	100% (24)	AcO' = C' = C' = CO'
			100% (36)	0% OH
b				
		CHO		<b>7b</b> (75%) E(7 = 50(1)) 0%
	ОН			QH
c	РМРО		100% (36)	PMPO CO <sub>2</sub> Et + homodimer
				7c(70% E/7 > 50/1) 0%
		CN		QH QH
d			80% (36)	
L				7d (20%, Z) 8 (49%, $E/Z = 4/1$ )
e	OH PMPO	$\downarrow$	50% (36)	
	2 <sup>b</sup>	Г СНО		$\overline{OH}$ $\overline{OH}$ $\overline{A}$ $\overline{OH}$ $\overline{A}$
f		CO <sub>2</sub> Me	50% (36)	<u></u>       
				PMPO
				+
				7f (0%) 8 (51%, <i>E/Z</i> = 4/1)
		Сно	100% (36)	Cl2CeH2Q
l g				
				/g (90%, E/Z > 50/1) 0%
		сно	70% (36)	Tray CHO Tray day
h				$H_2$ + $H_2$ · $I_2OTr$
				<b>7h</b> (2%, $E/Z > 30/1$ ) <b>9</b> (25%, $E/Z = 4/1$ )
i		CO <sub>2</sub> Et	100% (36)	OH OH
				TrOCO2Et + homodimer
				<b>7i</b> (80%, $E/Z > 50/1$ ) 0%
		CO <sub>2</sub> Me	100% (36)	OTBS OH
j				CO <sub>2</sub> Me + homodimer
				7j (70%, <i>E/Z</i> > 50/1) 0%
k			0% (48)	<b>no n</b> 41
		CO <sub>2</sub> Me		no reaction
	6 <sup>d</sup>	<b>2</b> -		

Table 1							
Cross-metathesis	between	A	and	electron-deficient	olefins	at	$25^{\circ}C^{a}$

(a) Reaction with 2.5 mol% of V. (b) PMP: p-methoxyphenol. (c) Tr: trityl. (d) TBDPS: tert-butyldiphenylsilyl.



Scheme 3. Cross-metathesis with allyltrimethylsilane.

equivalent), acrolein (0.118 g, 2.10 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (3 ml). Catalyst V (11 mg, 0.0175 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 24 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 9/1) affords compound **7a** as a colorless oil (95.7 mg, 80%). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $\delta$ : 9.50 (d, J = 8.2Hz, 1H), 6.91 (dt, J = 7.0 and 15.5 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (ddt, J = 1.5, 8.1 and 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (m, 2H), 2.38 (m, 2H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.70–1.50 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR  $\delta$ : 193.8 (d), 170.9 (s), 157.6 (d), 133.1 (d), 63.7 (t), 32.0 (t), 27.9 (t), 24.1(t), 20.8 (q).

#### 4.3. Preparation of compound 7b

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 2 (0.5 g, 2.4 mmol, one equivalent), acrolein 7.2 mmol, three equivalents) (0.4)g, and dichloromethane (10 ml). Catalyst V (38 mg, 0.06 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ ethyl acetate: 7/3) affords compound 7b as a colorless oil (0.425 g, 75%).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = +5.3$  (c 0.97, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $\delta$ : 9.48 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (dt, J = 7.1 and 15.5 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (m, 4H), 6.11 (ddt, J = 1.5, 8.1 and 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (m, 1H), 3.90 (m, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.45 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.52 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR  $\delta$ : 194.1 (d), 154.3 (d), 154.0 (s), 152.3 (s), 134.6 (d), 115.5 (2d, Ar), 114.6 (2d, Ar), 72.1 (t), 68.6 (d), 55.5 (q), 36.5 (t). MS m/z 236 ([M<sup>+</sup>], 53), 218 (2), 166 (13), 137 (6), 124 (100), 109 (45).

#### 4.4. Preparation of compound 7c

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 2 (0.20 g, 0.96 mmol, one equivalent), ethyl acrylate (0.29 g, 2.88 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (5 ml). Catalyst V (15 mg, 0.024 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ ethyl acetate: 7/3) affords compound 7c as a yellow oil (0.188 g, 70%).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = -9.9$  (c 3, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $\delta$ : 7.01 (dt, J = 7.3, 15.5 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (m, 4H), 5.92 (dt, J = 1.5, 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (m, 1H), 3.90 (m, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.70 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.52 (m, 2H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR  $\delta$ : 166.1 (s), 154.1 (s), 152.4 (s), 144.0 (d), 123.9 (d), 115.5 (2d, Ar), 114.6 (2d, Ar), 72.0 (t), 68.8 (d), 60.2 (t), 55.5 (q),

36.0 (t), 14.1 (q). MS *m*/*z* 280 ([M<sup>+</sup>], 46), 217 (2), 166 (3), 149 (2), 137 (3), 124 (100), 109 (28).

#### 4.5. Preparation of compounds 7d and 8

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 2 (0.10 g, 0.48 mmol, one equivalent), acrylonitrile (0.08 g, 1.44 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (3 ml). Catalyst V (7.50 mg, 0.012 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ ethyl acetate: 1/1) affords of mixture compounds 7d (22.4 mg, 20%) and 8 (91.3 mg, 49%). For 7d: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $\delta$ : 6.75 (m, 4H), 6.62 (dt, J = 7.3 and 11.0 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (d, J = 11.0, 13.0 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (m, 1H), 3.90 (m, 2H),3.72 (s, 3H), 2.71 (m, 2H), 2.50 (bs, 1H, OH). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR  $\delta$ : 154.2 (s), 152.2 (s), 150.5 (d), 115.7 (s, CN), 115.5 (2d, Ar), 114.6 (2d, Ar), 101.6 (d), 72.1 (t), 68.7 (d), 55.5 (q), 35.4 (t). MS m/z 233 ([M<sup>+</sup>], 49), 166 (4), 149 (4), 137 (3), 124 (100), 109 (41). For 8: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR minor isomer Z  $\delta$ : 6.80 (m, 8H), 5.67 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H, CH=CH), 4.00 (m, 2H), 3.90-3.71 (m, 4H), 3.73 (s, 6H), 2.45 (bs, 2H, 2OH), 2.40–2.34 (m, 4H); major isomer E  $\delta$ : 6.80 (m, 8H), 5.63 (t, J 3.7 Hz, 2H, CH=CH E), 4.00 (m, 2H), 3.90–3.71 (m, 4H), 3.73 (s, 6H), 2.45 (bs, 2H, 2OH), 2.40–2.34 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR minor isomer Z  $\delta$ : 154.1 (2s), 152.6 (2s), 127.6 (2d), 115.4 (4d, Ar), 114.6 (4d, Ar), 72.0 (2t), 69.5 (2d), 55.5 (2q), 31.0 (2t); major isomer  $E \delta$ :153.9 (2s), 152.6 (2s), 128.9 (2d), 115.5 (4d, Ar), 114.5 (4d, Ar), 72.1 (2t), 69.4 (2d), 55.5 (2q), 36.6 (2t). HRMS [Cl<sup>+</sup>] Calc. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>0<sub>6</sub> 388.1886. Found 388.1885.

#### 4.6. Preparation of compounds 7e and 8

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 2 (0.10 g, 0.48 mmol, one equivalent), methacrolein (0.1 g, 1.44 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (3 ml). Catalyst V (7.50 mg, 0.012 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ ethyl acetate: 1/1) affords compounds 7e (traces) and 8 (74.5 mg, 40%).

#### 4.7. Preparation of compounds 7f and 8

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 2 (0.10 g, 0.48 mmol, one equivalent), methyl 2-methacrylate (0.144 g, 1.44 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (3 ml). Catalyst V (7.5 mg,

0.012 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 1/1) affords only compound **8** (95.1 mg, 51%).

#### 4.8. Preparation of compound 7g

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 3 (0.10 g, 0.355 mmol, one equivalent), acrolein (0.06 g, 1.06 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (3 ml). Catalyst V (7.50 mg, 0.012 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 7/3) affords compound 7g as a yellow solid (98.9 mg, 90%), m.p. 112-110°C.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = +126 (c 4.4, CHCl_{3})$ . <sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $\delta$ : 9.58 (d, J 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 6.97 (dt, J = 7.1 and 15.4 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (ddt, J = 1.5, 8.1 and 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (m, 1H), 4.10-3.92 (m, 2H), 2.70 (m, 2H), 1.75 (bs, 1H, OH). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR  $\delta$ : 193.5 (d), 152.7 (s), 152.6 (d), 135.1 (d), 131.3 (s), 130.9 (d), 125.0 (s), 122.1 (s), 115.2 (d), 73.0 (t), 68.3 (d), 36.2 (t). MS m/z 309 ([M<sup>+</sup>], 11), 240 (7), 209 (13), 196 (100), 181 (8), 167 (10), 145 (7), 95 (11), 70 (19).

## 4.9. Preparation of compounds 7h and 9

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 4 (0.30 g, 0.83 mmol, one equivalent), methacrolein (0.176 g, 2.55 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (3 ml). Catalyst V (13 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ ethyl acetate: 1/1) affords a mixture of compounds **7h** (traces) and 9 (144.1 mg, 25%). For 9: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR minor isomer Z  $\delta$ : 7.21 (m, 30H), 5.58 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H, CH=CH), 3.75 (m, 2H), 3.41-3.10 (m, 6H), 2.15 (m, 4H), 1.70 (m, 4H); major isomer  $E \delta$ : (m, 30H), 5.49 (t, J = 4 Hz, 2H, CH=CH), 3.75 (m, 2H), 3.41-3.10 (m, 6H), 2.15 (m, 4H), 1.70 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$   $\delta$ : 143.7 (6s), 129.3 (2d), 128.4 (12d, Ar), 127.9 (12d, Ar), 126.9 (6d, Ar), 87.1 (2s), 70.4 (2d), 62.2 (2t), 40.5 (2t), 36.1 (2t).

#### 4.10. Preparation of compound 7i

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 5 (16.5 mg, 0.04 mmol, one equivalent),

ethyl acrylate (12.8 mg, 0.127 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (1 ml). Catalyst V (0.62 mg,  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 6/4) affords compound 7i as a colorless oil (15.7 mg, 80%).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = +2.5$  (c 1.4, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).<sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $\delta$ : 7.25 (m, 15H), 6.95 (dt, J = 7.3and 15.8 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (dt, J = 1.5 and 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (q, J = 7.0, 2H), 4.10–3.95 (m, 2H), 3.15 (m, 2H), 2.65 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.55 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.35 (m, 2H), 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.0, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR  $\delta$ : 166.1 (s), 144.7 (d), 143.5 (3s), 128.4 (6d, Ar), 127.8 (6d, Ar), 127.0 (3d, Ar), 123.8 (d), 86.7 (s), 68.2 (d), 67.4 (d), 67.3 (t), 60.1(t), 40.1(t), 38.5 (t), 14.1(q). HRMS (FAB + -NBA + Na) Calc. for  $C_{29}H_{32}O_5Na [M + Na] 483.2147$ . Found 483.2138.

#### 4.11. Preparation of compound 7j

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 6 (70 mg, 0.126 mmol, one equivalent), methyl acrylate (32.5 mg, 0.378 mmol, three equivalents) and dichloromethane (1.5 ml). Catalyst V (2 mg,  $3 \times 10^{-5}$  mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 7/3) affords compound 7j as a colorless oil (54.1 mg, 70%).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = +11$  (c 1.25, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).<sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $\delta$ : 7.60–7.30 (m, 10 H), 7.07 (dt, J = 7.3 and 15.8 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 3.85-3.68 (m, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.58 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.48 (m, 1H), 2.40 (m, 1H), 2.15 (m, 1H), 1.86 (m, 1H), 1.09 (s, 9H), 1.01 (d, *J* = 7.3, 3H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 7.0, 3H), 0.91 (d, J = 7.0, 3H), 0.82 (s, 9H), 0.03 (s, 3H), -0.90 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR  $\delta$  :166.9 (s), 152.9 (d), 135.5 (d), 133.5 (2s), 129.5 (4d, Ar), 127.5 (4d, Ar), 120.4 (2d, Ar), 79.9(d), 74.5 (d), 66.2 (t), 51.2 (q), 40.6 (d), 39.9 (d), 34.2 (d), 26.7 (3q), 25.9 (3q), 19.1 (s), 17.9 (s), 15.6 (q), 13.2 (q), 11.9 (q), -4.0 (q), -4.5 (q). HRMS [C1<sup>+</sup>] Calc. for  $C_{35}H_{57}O_5Si_2$ , [M + 1] 613.3745. Found 613.3743.

#### 4.12. Preparation of compound 10

A flame-dried round-bottomed flask was charged with olefin 2 (0.20 g, 0.96 mmol, one equivalent), allyltrimethylsilane (0.098 g, 0.86 mmol, 0.9 equivalents) and dichloromethane (6 ml). Catalyst V (15 mg, 0.024 mmol, 0.025 equivalents) was subsequently added as a solid, producing a light green solution which was stirred for 36 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was then concentrated in vacuo to a dark brown oil. Purification of this residue by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 8/2) affords compound **10** as a colorless oil (214.8 mg, 76%). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $\delta$ : 6.80 (m, 4H), 5.56 (m, 1H), 5.35 (m, 1H), 4.10–3.80 (m, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.34 (m, 3H), 1.48 (m, 2H), 0.01 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR minor isomer  $Z \delta$ : 154.0 (s), 152.7 (s), 128.9 (d), 121.5 (d), 115.4 (2d, Ar), 114.5 (2d, Ar), 72.2 (t), 70.0 (d), 55.5 (q), 30.9 (t), 18.6 (t), -1.9 (3q); major isomer  $E \delta$ : 153.9 (s), 152.6 (s), 130.5 (d), 123.0 (d), 115.4 (2d, Ar), 114.5 (2d, Ar), 72.1 (t), 69.8 (d), 55.5 (q), 36.8 (t), 22.8 (t), -2.0 (3q). MS m/z 294 ([M<sup>+</sup>], 32), 196 (16), 181(18), 166 (3), 150 (5), 124 (100), 109 (16), 73 (47).

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