

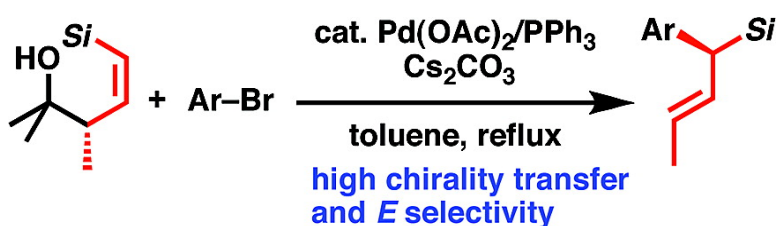
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We have reported palladium-catalyzed allyl transfer from homoallyl alcohols to aryl halides through carbon–carbon bond cleavage.<sup>1,2</sup> The allyl transfer proceeds in a regio- and stereospecific manner, reflecting the structure of homoallyl alcohols used. Here we report regiospecific and stereoselective allyl transfer reactions for the synthesis of aryl-substituted (*E*)-1- or 2-alkenylsilanes from silyl-substituted homoallyl alcohols. Alkenylsilanes are indispensable reagents in modern organic synthesis.<sup>3</sup> Developing new methods for highly selective synthesis of vinyl- and allylsilanes, including optically active ones, is thus still quite important.<sup>4</sup>

Treatment of 1-bromonaphthalene (**2a**) with **1a**, containing an allylic silane moiety, in the presence of K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> under Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/P(<sup>t</sup>Hex)<sub>3</sub> catalysis provided vinylsilane **3a'** in good yield with moderate *E* selectivity (Scheme 1). The reaction with **1b** having a bulkier <sup>t</sup>BuMe<sub>2</sub>Si group proceeded to yield **3a** with excellent selectivity of *E/Z* = 95:5. The improvement of the stereoselectivity would originate from the stronger preference of the <sup>t</sup>BuMe<sub>2</sub>Si group being at the pseudoequatorial position in the transition state of the retroallylation. It is worth noting that only one silyl group at the allylic position can be a decisive factor in determining the stereoselectivity, whereas tedious preparation of diastereomerically pure and differently 1,1,2-trisubstituted homoallyl alcohols was essential to attain high *E* selectivity in the previous report.<sup>1</sup>

The scope of aryl halides is wide enough to afford a variety of (*E*)-3-aryl-1-propenylsilanes in excellent yields (Table 1).<sup>5,6</sup> Sterically demanding (entry 1), electron-deficient (entries 2–5), and electron-rich (entry 6) aryl bromides participated in the reaction. The use of P(<sup>t</sup>Hex)<sub>3</sub> as a ligand allowed us to use aryl chlorides as substrates (entries 7 and 8).

We then focused on homoallyl alcohol **4a**, containing a (*Z*)-1-alkenylsilane moiety. The reactions of **4a** with aryl bromides in the presence of Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> under Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/PAr<sub>3</sub> catalysis provided 1-aryl-2-propenylsilanes in high yields (Table 2,<sup>5</sup> entries 1–6). P(<sup>c</sup>-Hex)Ph<sub>2</sub> was exceptionally essential to attain high yield when electron-rich aryl bromide **2g** was used (entry 7).

Interestingly, silylated homoallyl alcohols **4b–d** having one methyl group at the allylic position were converted to (*E*)-1-aryl-2-butenylsilanes stereoselectively (entries 8–16). Fortunately the allyl transfer reaction to 1-bromonaphthalene **2a** always provided the *E* isomers exclusively (entries 8, 10, and 15). The exclusive formation of the *E* isomers would result from the steric factor of the 1-naphthyl group on palladium in the transition state of the retroallylation. The Me<sub>3</sub>Si, <sup>t</sup>BuMe<sub>2</sub>Si, and Me<sub>2</sub>PhSi groups were compatible under the reaction conditions. The bulkiness of the silyl groups had little influence on stereoselectivity (entries 9 vs 11 and 13 vs 16). On the other hand, when the larger substituent, <sup>n</sup>Bu, was introduced at the allylic position, the *E* selectivity of the reaction was excellent (entry 13 vs 17). The *E* selective formation

Scheme 1

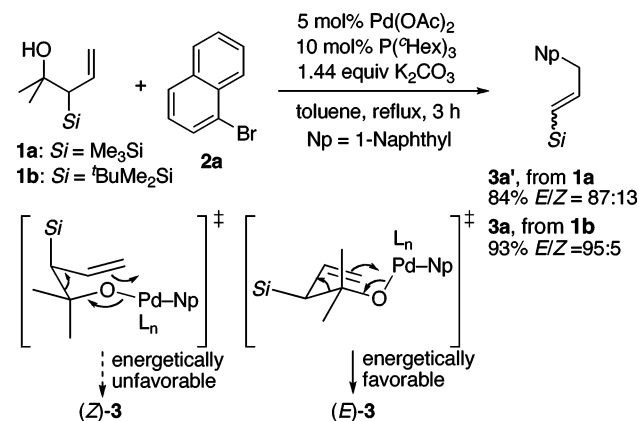


Table 1. Synthesis of (*E*)-3-Aryl-1-propenylsilanes **3a**<sup>a</sup>

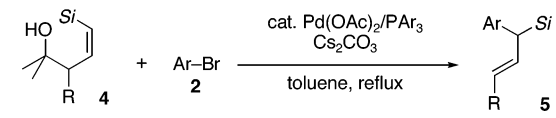
entry	Ar-X	2	3	yield (%)	<i>E/Z</i>
1	2,6-Me <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Br	<b>2b</b>	<b>3b</b>	92	93:7
2	4-CF <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Br	<b>2c</b>	<b>3c</b>	75	96:4
3	4-CH <sub>3</sub> COC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Br	<b>2d</b>	<b>3d</b>	89	95:5
4	4-HCOC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Br	<b>2e</b>	<b>3e</b>	87	96:4
5	4-EtOCOC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Br	<b>2f</b>	<b>3f</b>	97	95:5
6	4-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Br	<b>2g</b>	<b>3g</b>	92	94:6
7	4-EtOCOC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl	<b>2f-Cl</b>	<b>3f</b>	89	97:3
8	4-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl	<b>2g-Cl</b>	<b>3g</b>	92	95:5

<sup>a</sup> The reaction conditions are the same as shown in Scheme 1.

can be explained in a fashion similar to that in Scheme 1 (Scheme 2).

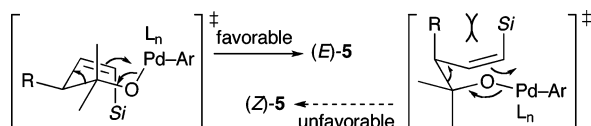
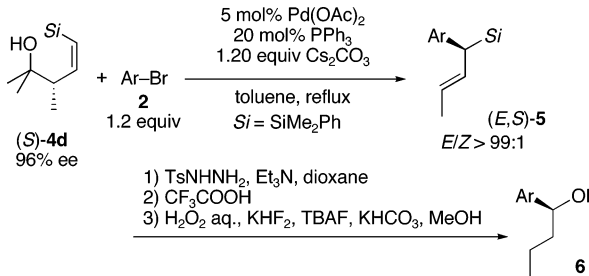
The reactions of optically active (*S*)-**4d** (96% ee) with 2-substituted aryl bromides resulted in excellent chirality transfer to (*E*)-1-aryl-2-butenylsilanes **5** (Table 3<sup>5</sup>). The enantiomeric excesses of the products were indirectly determined after converting allylsilanes **5** to the corresponding 1-aryl-1-butanols **6**. The conversion consisted of hydrogenation with hydrazine, acid-mediated conversion of the phenyl group on silicon to a trifluoroacetoxy group, and Tamao–Fleming oxidation with retention of configuration of the chiral carbon.<sup>7</sup>

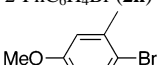
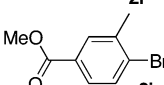
The excellent chirality transfer is rationalized as follows (Scheme 3). Comparing **7a** and **7b**, two possible chairlike transition states of the retroallylation step, **7a** would be the more preferable because the methyl group at the allylic position occupies the pseudoequatorial position. The palladium center would approach the *Re* face of the alkene moiety, which leads to the formation of **8a** having

**Table 2.** Synthesis of 1-Aryl-2-alkenylsilanes


entry	2	Si	R	4	conditions <sup>a</sup>	5	yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	<b>2a</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	H	<b>4a</b>	A <sup>c</sup>	<b>5aa</b>	88
2	<b>2b</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	H	<b>4a</b>	A	<b>5ba</b>	66
3	<b>2c</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	H	<b>4a</b>	A	<b>5ca</b>	81
4	<b>2d</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	H	<b>4a</b>	A <sup>c,d</sup>	<b>5da</b>	61
5	<b>2e</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	H	<b>4a</b>	A	<b>5ea</b>	68
6	<b>2f</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	H	<b>4a</b>	A <sup>d</sup>	<b>5fa</b>	88
7	<b>2g</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	H	<b>4a</b>	A <sup>e</sup>	<b>5ga</b>	74
8	<b>2a</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	Me	<b>4b</b>	B	<b>5ab</b>	92 (100:0)
9	<b>2d</b>	<sup>t</sup> BuMe <sub>2</sub> Si	Me	<b>4b</b>	B	<b>5db</b>	83 (89:11)
10	<b>2a</b>	Me <sub>3</sub> Si	Me	<b>4c</b>	B	<b>5ac</b>	92 (100:0)
11	<b>2d</b>	Me <sub>3</sub> Si	Me	<b>4c</b>	B	<b>5dc</b>	68 (95:5)
12	<b>2e</b>	Me <sub>3</sub> Si	Me	<b>4c</b>	B	<b>5ec</b>	46 (96:4)
13	<b>2f</b>	Me <sub>3</sub> Si	Me	<b>4c</b>	B	<b>5fc</b>	91 (96:4)
14	<b>2g</b>	Me <sub>3</sub> Si	Me	<b>4c</b>	B <sup>f</sup>	<b>5gc</b>	46 (100:0)
15	<b>2a</b>	Me <sub>2</sub> PhSi	Me	<b>4d</b>	B	<b>5ad</b>	93 (100:0)
16	<b>2f</b>	Me <sub>2</sub> PhSi	Me	<b>4d</b>	C	<b>5fd</b>	84 (94:6)
17	<b>2f</b>	Me <sub>3</sub> Si	<sup>n</sup> Bu	<b>4e</b>	C <sup>g</sup>	<b>5fe</b>	92 (100:0)

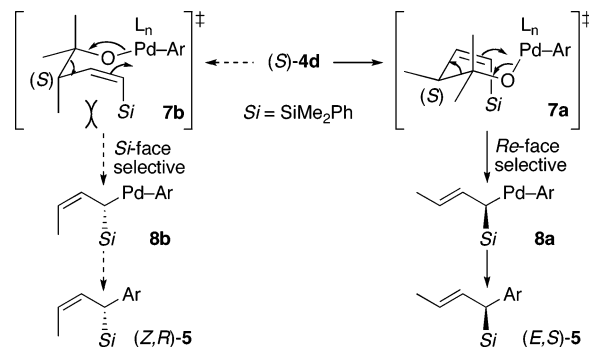
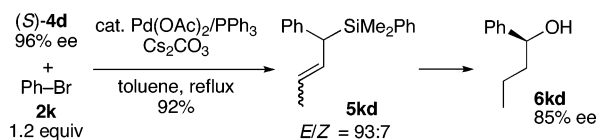
<sup>a</sup> Conditions A: 5 mol % Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, 20 mol % P(*p*-tol)<sub>3</sub>, 1.44 equiv Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, reflux, 4–15 h. Conditions B: 5 mol % Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, 20 mol % PPh<sub>3</sub>, 1.20 equiv Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, reflux, 4–7 h. Conditions C: 2.5 mol % Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, 10 mol % PPh<sub>3</sub>, 1.20 equiv Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, reflux, 45 min. <sup>b</sup> *E/Z* Ratios of **5** are in parentheses. <sup>c</sup> PPh<sub>3</sub> was used instead of P(*p*-tol)<sub>3</sub>. <sup>d</sup> Reaction run using 2.5 mol % of Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> and 10 mol % of the ligand. <sup>e</sup> P<sup>(+)</sup>(Hex)Ph<sub>2</sub> (10 mol %) was used. <sup>f</sup> P(<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub> (5 mol %) was used instead. <sup>g</sup> The reaction time was 5 h.

**Scheme 2****Table 3.** Chirality Transfer from Optically Active (*S*)-**4d** to (*E*)-1-Aryl-2-butenylsilanes


entry	2	yield of <b>5</b> (%)	ee of <b>6</b> (%)
1	<b>2a</b>	<b>5ad</b> , 92	<b>6ad</b> , 96
2	<b>2b</b>	<b>5bd</b> , 97	<b>6bd</b> , 96
3	2-PhC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Br ( <b>2h</b> )	<b>5hd</b> , 94	<b>6hd</b> , 94
4		<b>5id</b> , 90	<b>6id</b> , 96
5		<b>5jd</b> , 87	<b>6jd</b> , 95

*E,R* configuration. Immediate reductive elimination from **8a** without loss of the chirality provides (*E,S*)-**5**.

The reaction of optically active (*S*)-**4d** (96% ee) with bromobenzene provided a mixture of (*E*)- and (*Z*)-**5kd** in a ratio of 93:7 (Scheme 4). Since we could not determine the enantiomeric excess

**Scheme 3****Scheme 4**

of each isomer, the mixture was converted to 1-phenylbutanol according to the procedure described in Table 3. The enantiomeric excess of **6kd** was 85% ee. The ee value of **6kd** strongly supports that complete chirality transfer to both (*E*)- and (*Z*)-**5kd** took place according to the mechanism shown in Scheme 3.

The present method provides a new access to (arylalkenyl)silanes, including optically pure allylic silanes, from silyl-substituted homoallyl alcohol and aryl halide.

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