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Alkyne 8. To a stirred solution of potassium *tert*-butoxide (0.27 mL, 1.0 M THF soulution) in THF (0.5 mL) at -78 °C was added a solution of (diazomethyl)phosphonate (40.2 mg, 1.25 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL). After 5 min, a solution of 5 (110 mg, 0.21 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was added dropwise, and the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 12 h. The mixture was then warmed to room temperature and was quenched with satd. aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. The aqueous layer was extracted with 3 x 5 mL portions of Et<sub>2</sub>O, and the combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), concentrated *in vacuo*, and purified by chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, 5% Et<sub>2</sub>O/hexane) to give 8 (85 mg, 80%) as colorless crystals:  $[\alpha]_D^{24}$  -24.1 (c 1.12, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); mp 52-54 °C; IR (film) 3310 2951, 2927, 2883, 2854, 1743, 1691,1472,1254,1089, 990, 837, 775 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 4.45 (1H, dd, J = 3.1, 7.5 Hz), 3.76 (1H dd, J = 2.1, 6.4 Hz), 3.65 (1H, s), 3.33 (1H, qn, J = 7.5) 2.40-2.26 (3H, m), 2.06 (1H, s), 1.24 (3H, s), 1.18 (3H, d, J = 6.9 Hz), 1.17 (3H, 3H), 1.07 (3H, d, J = 7.0 Hz), 0.92 (9H, s), 0.86 (9H, s), 0.08 (3H, s), 0.07 (3H, s), 0.00 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 218.6, 172.3, 85.6, 75.7, 73.3, 70.8, 53.9, 46.5, 32.1, 26.1, 23.7, 18.7, 18.5, 18.2, 15.8, -3.3, -3.9, -4.5, -4.7; HRMS (CI) calcd. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>52</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (M+H<sup>+</sup>) 512.3353, found 512.3342.

Enyne 9. To a stirred solution of 8 (70.0 mg, 0.135 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (1.0 mL) and DMF (0.4 mL) at room temperature was added Et<sub>3</sub>N (18.8 μL, 0.135 mmol) and CuI (25.7 mg, 0.135 mmol). After the mixture turned clear (approximately 5 min), a solution of 7 (29.1 mg, 0.068 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (1.0 mL) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 18 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with satd aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (5 mL) and was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 x 2 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), concentrated *in vacuo*, and purified by flash chromatography over silica gel (50-60% CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexanes) to give 9 (35.6 mg, 60%) as a colorless oil:  $[\alpha]_0^{23}$  –16.7 (*c* 1.01); IR (film) 2927, 2857, 2371, 2341, 1743, 1683, 1648, 1482, 1251, 991, 837 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 6.91(1H, s), 6.46 (1H, s), 5.36 (1H, t, J = 4.7 Hz), 4.45 (1H, dd, J = 3.1, 6.9), 4.11 (1H, t, J = 6.6), 3.76-3.72 (1H, m), 3.74-3.67 (1H, m), 3.67 (3H, s), 3.36-3.31 (1H, qn, J = 6.8), 2.71 (3H, s), 2.41-2.25 (7H, m), 2.01 (3H, s), 1.80 (3H, s), 1.24 (3H, s), 1.16 (3H, s), 1.12 (3H, d, J = 7.0), 1.05 (3H, d, J = 6.8), 0.92 (9H, s), 0.88 (9H, s), 0.87 (9H, s), 0.09 (3H, s), 0.06 (6H, s), 0.04 (3H, s), 0.01 (3H, s), -0.00 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): δ 218.0, 172.4, 164.3, 153.2, 142.5, 132.2, 122.2, 118.6, 118.9, 83.1, 80.2, 78.6, 75.9, 73.5, 53.7, 51.6, 46.3, 40.4, 35.7, 32.6, 29.7, 29.2, 26.1, 26.0, 25.8, 23.8, 21.7, 19.2, 18.9, 18.4, 18.2, 16.2, 15.7,

© 1999 American Chemical Society, Org. Lett., White ol990248x Supporting Info Page 2 13.9, -3.3, -3.9, -4.4, -4.6, -4.7, -4.9; HRMS (CI) calcd. for C<sub>46</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Si<sub>3</sub>SN (M+H+) 862.5327, found 862.5325.

Triene 6. A supension of 9 (10 mg, 0.011 mmol) and Lindlar catalyst (1.35 mg, 5% Pd) was stirred at room temperature under an atmosphere of  $H_2$  for 28 h. The suspension was filtered through silica gel ( $Et_2O$  rinse), concentrated *in vacuo*, and purified by flash chromatography over silica gel (40-60% CH $_2Cl_2$ /hexane) to give 6 (6.8 mg, 68%) as a colorless oil: [ $\alpha$ ] $_D^{23}$  + 3.6 (c 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) 1743, 1699 cm $^{-1}$ ;  $^{1}$ H NMR ( $^{3}$ 00 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $^{3}$ 6.91 (1H, s),  $^{6}$ .45 (1H, s),  $^{5}$ .58 (1H, t,  $^{5}$ 1 = 9.2 Hz),  $^{5}$ .2 - 5.35 (1H, m),  $^{5}$ .16 (1H, t,  $^{5}$ 1 =  $^{6}$ 6 Hz),  $^{5}$ 4.39 (1H, dd,  $^{5}$ 1 =  $^{3}$ 1,  $^{6}$ 9 Hz),  $^{5}$ 4.09 (1H, t,  $^{5}$ 1 =  $^{6}$ 6 Hz),  $^{5}$ 8.3 -  $^{5}$ 9 (1H, m),  $^{5}$ 8.6 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.03 (1H, qn,  $^{5}$ 1 =  $^{6}$ 7 Hz),  $^{5}$ 9.10 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.10 (3H, d),  $^{5}$ 9.11 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.10 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.10 (3H, d),  $^{5}$ 9.10 (3H, d),  $^{5}$ 9.11 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.12 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.12 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.13 (3H, d,  $^{5}$ 9.14 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.15 (3H, m),  $^{5}$ 9.16 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.16 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.17 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.18 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.18 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.19 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.20 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.20 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.20 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.20 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.21 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.21 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.22 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.23 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.24 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.25 (3H, m),  $^{5}$ 9.26 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.27 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.28 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.28 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.28 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.29 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.29 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.29 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.20 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.21 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.21 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.22 (3H, s),  $^{5}$ 9.23 (3H