

(Me)₃Cl₃ (0.20 g, 0.49 mmol) was dissolved in cold (-30 °C) dichloromethane (8 mL). Pyridine (10 μL, 1.2 mmol) was added, and the reaction was warmed to room temperature. After 20 min the solvent was removed in vacuo and the lime green solid was washed with pentane, dried in vacuo, and recrystallized from dichloromethane by adding ether: ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -20 °C) δ 9.02 (d, 4, py, sym isomer), 8.62 and 8.52 (d, 2 each, py, asym isomer), 7.80, 7.67, 7.41 and 7.15 (all other py resonances combined), 4.11 (s, 6, CMe, asym isomer), 3.72 (s, 6, CMe, sym isomer), 1.16 (s, 9, CMe₃, asym isomer), 0.99 (s, 9, CMe₃, sym isomer); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 171.8, 144.6, 143.1 and 126.2 (CMe₃ and CMe), 153.3, 152.6, 151.0, 140.1, 139.3, 138.3, 125.1, 124.3, and 123.4 (py), 398.2 (CCMe₃), 32.3 and 32.1 (CCMe₃), 30.1 (CCMe), 16.5 and 13.6 (CMe). Anal. Calcd for WCl₃H₂₅N₂Cl₃: C, 39.92; H, 4.41; N, 4.90. Found: C, 40.23; H, 4.51; N, 5.19.

W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)](Me₂NCH₂CH₂CH₂NMe₂)Cl₃. A procedure similar to that used to make W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)](py)₂Cl₃ is employed in this reaction: ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C) δ 4.61 (s, 6, CMe), 2.86 and 2.69 (s with broad resonances underneath, 8 each, Me₂N(CH₂)₂NMe₂), 1.27 (s, 9, CMe₃); ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -70 °C) δ 4.53 and 4.36 (br, s, 3 each, CMe), 2.76 and 2.61 (br s, 16 total, Me₂N(CH₂)₂NMe₂), 1.15 (s, 9, CMe₃); ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 162.4 (s, CMe₃), 127.6 (br s, CMe), 63.8 (t, J_{CH} = 141 Hz, NCH₂), 58.5 (t, J_{CH} = 137 Hz, NCH₂), 54.2 (q, J_{CH} = 139 Hz, (CH₃)₂N), 51.4 (q, J_{CH} = 138 Hz, (CH₃)₂N), 39.0 (s, CMe₃), 32.9 (q, J_{CH} = 127 Hz, CMe₃), 12.9 (q, J_{CH} = 130 Hz, CMe). Anal. Calcd for WC₁₅H₃₁N₂Cl₃: C, 34.01; H, 5.90; N, 5.29. Found: C, 34.50; H, 5.91; N, 5.27.

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Registry No. W[C₃Me₂(CMe₃)](Me₂N(CH₂)₂NMe₂)Cl₃, 91230-63-6; W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)]Cl₃, 83487-37-0; W[C(CMe₃)C(Et)C(Et)]Cl₃, 83487-36-9; W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)]-

(OCMe₃)Cl₂, 83487-38-1; W[C(CMe₃)C(Et)C(Et)](OCMe₃)Cl₂, 91230-60-3; W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)](O-2,6-C₆H₃(i-Pr)₂)Cl₂, 91229-81-1; W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)](OCMe₂CMe₂O)Cl, 91238-46-9; W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)](O-2,6-C₆H₃(i-Pr)₂)₂Ch, 91229-82-2; W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)](OCMe₂CMe₂O)(OCMe₃), 83487-39-2; W(C₃Et₃)(OCMe₂CMe₂O)(OCMe₃), 83487-40-5; W-(C₃Et₃)[O-2,6-C₆H₃(i-Pr)₂]₃, 91229-77-5; W(C₃Pr₃)[O-2,6-C₆H₃(i-Pr)₂]₃, 91229-78-6; W(C₃Et₃)[OCH(CF₃)₂]₃, 91202-82-3; W[C(CMe₃)C(Et)C(Et)][OCH(CF₃)₂]₃, 91202-81-2; W(C₃Pr₃)[OCH(CF₃)₂]₃, 91202-83-4; W(C₃Me₃)[OCMe(CF₃)₂]₃, 91202-84-5; W(C₃Et₃)[OCMe(CF₃)₂]₃, 91208-74-1; W(CHCMe₃)-(OCMe₂CMe₂O)(OCMe₃)₂, 91230-61-4; {W[η⁵-C₅Me₄(CMe₃)]Cl₄}₂, 83511-04-0; W[η⁵-C₅Me₄(CMe₃)](MeC≡CMe)Cl₂, 83511-02-8; W[η⁵-C₅Et₄(CMe₃)](EtC≡CEt)Cl₂, 83511-01-7; {W[η⁵-C₅Et₄(CMe₃)]Cl₄}₂, 83511-03-9; W[η⁵-C₅Me₄(CMe₃)](OCMe₃)₂, 91230-64-7; W(η⁵-C₅Et₅)(OCMe₃)₂, 91230-65-8; W-(η⁵-C₅Me₂Et₃)(OCMe₃)₂, 91230-66-9; W[η⁵-C₅Me₂Et₂(CMe₃)](OCMe₃)₂ (isomer A), 91230-67-0; W[η⁵-C₅Me₂Et₂(CMe₃)](OCMe₃)₂ (isomer C), 91230-68-1; {W[η⁵-C₅Me₂Et₂(CMe₃)]Cl₄}₂ (isomer A), 91230-69-2; {W[η⁵-C₅Me₂Et₂(CMe₃)]Cl₄}₂ (isomer C), 91230-76-1; W[η⁵-C₅Me₂Et₂(CMe₃)](CCMe₃)Cl₂ (isomer A), 91230-70-5; W[η⁵-C₅Me₂Et₂(CMe₃)](CCMe₃)Cl₂ (isomer C), 91230-71-6; W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)](py)₂Cl₃ (sym isomer), 91230-72-7; W[C(CMe₃)C(Me)C(Me)](py)₂Cl₃ (asym isomer), 91279-92-4; W(CHMe₃)(OCMe₃)₂Cl₂, 91230-62-5; W-(η⁵-C₅Et₃Me₂)(O)Cl₃, 91230-73-8; W(η⁵-C₅Et₃Me₂)Cl₄(PMe₃), 91230-74-9; W(η⁵-C₅Et₃Me₂)Me₄, 91230-75-0; W(CCMe₃)(dme)Cl₃, 83416-70-0; W(CEt)(OCMe₃)₃, 82228-88-4; W(CCMe₃)(OCMe₃)₃, 78234-36-3; Zn(CH₂CMe₃)₂, 54773-23-8; ZnMe₂, 544-97-8; 2-butyne, 503-17-3; 3-hexyne, 928-49-4.

Supplementary Material Available: A table of anisotropic thermal parameters for W[C₃Me₂(CMe₃)](Me₂N(CH₂)₂NMe₂)Cl₃, a list of observed and calculated structure factor amplitudes for W[C₃Me₂(CMe₃)](Me₂N(CH₂)₂NMe₂)Cl₃, a detailed description of the preparation of W(η⁵-C₅Et₃Me₂)Me₄ from W(η⁵-C₅Et₃Me₂)(OCMe₃)₂ and its crystal structure, including a figure, crystal data, final positional and thermal parameters, and final observed and calculated structure factors (25 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

Communications

A New Procedure for the Synthesis of α-Silylated Esters and Lactones. Migration of Silicon from Oxygen to Carbon at High Pressure¹

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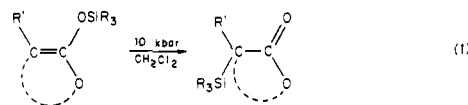
Summary: High pressure (10 kbar) induces migration of silicon of O-silylated ketene acetals from oxygen to α-carbon, giving α-silylated esters and lactones in high yields.

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α-Silylated esters and lactones are becoming increasingly important as a new class of synthetic intermediates, and several synthetic methods have been developed as witness for example the recent elegant method of Larson.² We now wish to report an entirely new approach to this problem: high pressure (ca. 10 kbar) induces the migration of silicon in O-silylated ketene acetals from oxygen to α-carbon (eq 1). The results are summarized in Table I.



The rearrangement proceeds smoothly at room temperature (entries 1, 4, 6, 8, and 10). Control experiments reveal that such rearrangement does not occur at room temperature in CH₂Cl₂ at atmospheric pressure. The migration occurs even in a ketene acetal disubstituted at

(2) Larson, G. L.; Fuentes, L. M. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1981, 103, 2418. All previous approaches are listed in this paper.

Table I. Rearrangement of O-Silylated Ketene Acetals to α -Silylated Esters at High Pressure

entry	O-silylated ketene acetal	reactn conditns	α -silylated ester or lactone	yield, ^a %
1		10 kbar, 25 °C, 1 day		80
2		10 kbar, 50 °C, 7 days		80
3		10 kbar, 70 °C, 7 days		82
4		10 kbar, 25 °C, 1 day		88
5		8 kbar, 50 °C, 7 days		85
6		10 kbar, 25 °C, 1 day		80
7		10 kbar, 60 °C, 3 days		80
8		10 kbar, 25 °C, 1 day		90
9		9 kbar, 50 °C, 7 days		88
10		10 kbar, 25 °C, 1 day		80
11		10 kbar, 60 °C, 3 days		81
12		10 kbar, 60 °C, 7 days		15 ^d

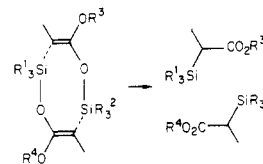
^a Isolated yield by Kugelrohr distillation except entry 12. ^b Two stereoisomers are produced in a ratio of ca. 4:6. ^c Two stereoisomers may be produced, but the ratio is not determined. ^d By ¹H NMR analysis.

the migration terminus (entry 3). Although the tri-*n*-butylsilyl derivatives undergo a facile migration (entries 6, 7, 10, and 11), the rearrangement of the *tert*-butylsilyl derivative is quite sluggish (entry 12). We also applied the high pressure methodology³ to silyl enol ethers such as isopropenoxytrimethylsilane and 1-phenyl-1-(trimethylsilyloxy)-1-propene, but the starting materials were recovered without change after 7 days at 60 °C at 10 kbar.⁴

The O-silylated ketene acetal (2 mmol) and dry CH₂Cl₂ (ca. 1 mL) were placed in a Teflon capsule of 1.5-mL capacity. High-pressure experiments were carried out in a stainless-steel die at room temperature. The die was compressed via a piston, kept at an appropriate temperature for the indicated times, and then depressurized. The reaction mixture was concentrated and analyzed by ¹H NMR and GLPC. The rearrangement was complete except in the case of entry 12, in which a large portion of the starting O-silylated compound was recovered. Normally, α -silylated materials were produced along with small amounts (<5%) of the corresponding desilylated compounds.⁵

We examined the high-pressure reaction of an equimolar mixture of 1 and 7 in order to learn whether the novel migration reaction proceeds intramolecularly⁶ or inter-

Scheme I. Intermolecular Silicon Migration from Oxygen to Carbon



molecularly. The pressure (10 kbar) was released after 3 days at 60 °C. GLPC examination revealed that the migration goes to completion and the silyl groups are scrambled almost completely; the ratio of 2:4:6:8 was 1:0.8:1:1.1.⁷ Similarly, an equimolar mixture of 3 and 5 produced 2, 4, 6 and 8 in a ratio of 1:1:1.1:1.1.⁷ Although an equimolar mixture of 2 and 8 was compressed under similar conditions, the starting materials were recovered without change. It was also confirmed that the scrambling between 4 and 6 does not occur at high pressure. An equimolar mixture of 1 and 7 was compressed at room temperature, and then the pressure was released immediately. ¹H NMR and GLPC analyses of the recovered ketene acetals revealed that the scrambling of the silyl groups does not occur in the substrate. Taken together, these results suggest that the migration proceeds intermolecularly. A possible transition state is depicted in Scheme I. In conclusion, the present findings provide not only a new method for the synthesis of α -silylated esters and lactones

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(4) For synthesis of α -silylated ketones, see: Sato, S.; Matsuda, I.; Izumi, Y. *Tetrahedron Lett.* 1983, 3855 and references cited therein.

(5) The reason for the formation of the desilylated compound is not clear. In the reaction of tri-*n*-butylsilyl derivatives, column chromatography with silica gel was employed prior to distillation to remove the tri-*n*-butylsilyl residue which was formed by the desilylation process.

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(7) These ratios indicate that the total material balances with respect to the silyl groups and the lactone moieties are not in good agreement, presumably owing to the desilylation.

but also new insight into the silicon migration from oxygen to carbon, which has previously thought to proceed intramolecularly.⁸

Registry No. 1, 51425-66-2; 2, 57025-69-1; 3, 91390-63-5; 4, 91390-59-9; 5, 74477-44-4; *cis*-6, 91390-60-2; *trans*-6, 91390-65-7; 7, 91390-64-6; *cis*-8, 91390-61-3; *trans*-8, 91390-66-8; (*E*)-[(1-ethoxy-1-propenyl)oxy]trimethylsilane, 73967-97-2; [(1-methoxy-2-methyl-1-propenyl)oxy]trimethylsilane, 31469-15-5; ethyl 2-(trimethylsilyl)propanoate, 13950-55-5; methyl 2-methyl-2-(trimethylsilyl)propanoate, 55499-73-5; dimethyl[(1-methoxy-ethenyl)oxy]*tert*-butylsilane, 77086-38-5; methyl (dimethyl-*tert*-butyl)silyl)acetate, 91390-62-4.

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Carbonylation of $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{CH}_2\text{P}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2$: Formation of a Dinuclear Zirconocene(IV) Phosphine Complex via Intermolecular Proton Transfer

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Summary: Carbonylation of $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{CH}_2\text{PPh}_2$ results in the formation of Ph_2PCH_3 and $(\text{Cp}_2\text{ZrCl})_2(\mu\text{-Ph}_2\text{PCH}=\text{CO})$. The latter has been characterized by IR and NMR, and the structure has been determined by X-ray diffraction. A mechanism is proposed involving cleavage of an alkyl-Zr bond by a methylene proton of a simple acyl. Bridging by oxygen and phosphorus then leads to the observed product.

In a recent report Choukroun and Gervais describe the carbonylation of $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{CH}_2\text{PPh}_2$ (1) as leading to the normal acyl product $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{COCH}_2\text{PPh}_2$ (2).¹ In the course of our work in this area^{2,3} we had attempted to carry out the same reaction but were puzzled by both the unexpected insolubility of the carbonylation product as well as by its anomalously low infrared CO stretching frequency ($\nu_{\text{CO}} = 1520 \text{ cm}^{-1}$). Typical values for $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{COR}$ are $\nu_{\text{CO}} > 1550 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.⁴ Via a modified carbonylation technique we have recently succeeded in crystallizing a carbonylation product of 1. Herein we describe the structure of this material, an unusually bridged dinuclear complex the formation of which has significant implications on other recent studies of the carbonylation of group 4 metallocene derivatives.

We have carried out carbonylation reactions on 1 in several different ways. Bubbling dry CO through a THF or benzene solution 0.01–0.1 M in 1, or stirring, or shaking such a solution under 1 atm of CO gives rise first to a deep reddish solution showing numerous new NMR resonances in the Cp region. Over a period of hours, the color of the

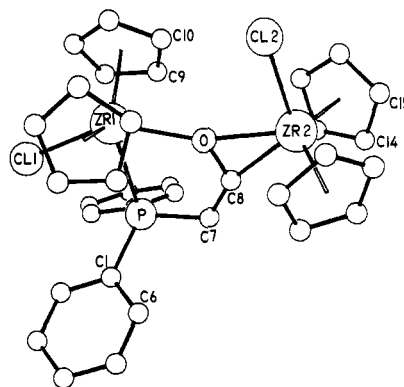


Figure 1. Computer drawn representation of 3. A mirror plane containing atoms Zr(1), Zr(2), Cl(1), Cl(2), P, O, C(7), and C(8) bisects the molecule; thus the two Cp rings on Zr(1) are identical, as are the two Cp rings on Zr(2) and the two phenyl groups on P. In this figure the top of the mirror plane is tilted toward the viewer.

Table I. Selected Bond Lengths (Å) and Angles (deg) for 3

Bond Distances			
Zr(1)–Cl(1)	2.564 (3)	Zr(2)–C(8)	2.231 (9)
Zr(1)–P	2.752 (3)	P–C(7)	1.776 (12)
Zr(1)–O	2.303 (8)	C(7)–C(8)	1.313 (14)
Zr(2)–Cl(2)	2.563 (3)	C(8)–O	1.330 (16)
Zr(2)–O	2.278 (7)		
Bond Angles			
Cl(1)–Zr(1)–P	74.1 (1)	Zr(1)–P–C(7)	101.6 (4)
P–Zr(1)–O	69.7 (2)	Zr(1)–O–C(8)	127.1 (5)
Cl(2)–Zr(2)–O	83.2 (2)	Zr(2)–C(8)–C(7)	159.9 (11)
O–Zr(2)–C(8)	34.3 (4)	Zr(2)–C(8)–O	74.8 (5)
Zr(1)–O–Zr(2)	161.9 (4)	P–C(7)–C(8)	116.3 (10)

solution fades as the insoluble, white powdery carbonylation product appears. The material is sufficiently soluble in CDCl_3 to allow the collection of the following 360-MHz NMR data: δ 5.19 (d, $J = 1.5 \text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 6.06 (s, 10 H), 6.12 (d, $J = 0.8 \text{ Hz}$, 10 H), 7.45 (m, 6 H), 7.86 (m, 4 H), clearly inconsistent with structure 2. The elemental analysis, even given the usual problems associated with analyses of zirconocene alkyls, is also at odds with a simple acyl.⁵ In an attempt to generate crystals of sufficient quality for X-ray analysis, the space above a concentrated THF solution of 1 in an NMR tube was gently flushed and filled with CO, and the system left undisturbed to permit slow diffusion of the gas into the solution. This experiment resulted in the formation of small but suitable crystals for X-ray examination.

Crystals of this material are monoclinic of space group $C2/m$ with $a = 16.762$ (4) Å, $b = 16.366$ (4) Å, $c = 11.488$ (3) Å, $\beta = 112.65$ (2)°, $V = 2908$ (1) Å³ ($T = 140 \text{ K}$), and $Z = 4$. The structure, determined from 1347 graphite-monochromatized Mo $K\alpha$ reflections ($\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ Å}$) measured at 140 K for which $I > 3\sigma(I)$, was solved by direct methods (program SHELXTL, version 3). Blocked cascade least-squares refinement of 193 parameters (non-hydrogen atoms anisotropic, hydrogen atoms in calculated positions with fixed geometry) gave final $R = R_w = 0.039$.

The compound is thus identified as an oxygen-bridged dinuclear species with two distinct Cp_2ZrCl fragments also linked by a PCC bridge (Figures 1 and 2 and structure 3). In the bridge, the PCC bond angle is 116°, the OCC bond

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(5) Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{ClOPZr}$ (simple acyl): C, 59.54; H, 4.58; Cl, 7.32; P, 6.40. Calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{31}\text{Cl}_2\text{OPZr}_2$ (actual product): C, 55.19; H, 4.22; Cl, 9.58; P, 4.19. Found: C, 53.07; H, 4.20; Cl, 8.83; P, 3.46. The actual purity of 3 as isolated has been determined by NMR of a fully dissolved sample (CD_2Cl_2 , 500 MHz): 3, 97.6%; $(\text{CpZrCl})_2\text{O}$, 2.4%; Cp_2ZrCl_2 , undetectable (<0.3%). No other non-solvent-derived signals are present.