would be expected to attack C5 first, **C1** or C2 next, and C9 last, based on substitution patterns¹⁹ and asymmetry in Pt–C bond lengths. $^{20\mathtt{a},\mathtt{b}}$

The results at hand suggest that CH,O- could attack **4a** first at platinum to form an intermediate analogous to **23** $(R' = \text{CH}_3\text{O}^{-})$, which then undergoes intramolecular insertion in a manner similar to R' = aryl or alkyl discussed above. However, we have not yet been able to demonstrate Pt-OCH, bonding prior to insertion, nor can we at this time rule out attack at C5 followed by $C5\rightarrow C9$ interchange.²¹

Conclusion

The goal of this work was the synthesis of a group of molecules of structure **23,** followed by a thorough mechanistic study of the R' migration **(as** in **2).** The need for such a base-line study of this type of reaction has been noted before.^{5f,k,q-s} The exocyclic double bond in coordi-

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in low polarity conditions. Additional preliminary results indicate that
pyridines attack C5 of 4a, with rapid C5 \rightarrow C9 migration. nated 5-methylenecyclooctene is clearly strongly activated toward ligand migration; however, due to the demonstrated extensive dissociation of the exocyclic double bond in the η^2 dimers and to the R' cis to endocyclic double bond in the η^4 monomers, we must infer structures 23 as reactive intermediates which are undetected prior to R' migration. We continue our search for "in-plane" olefin- $Pt(II)$ systems in which we can observe the single step analogous to **2.**

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Synthesis and Reactivity of Functionalized Rhenium Silyl Complexes (\$-C,H,)Re(NO) (**PPh,)** (**SiR2X). Anionic Rearrangements Leading to the Disilametallacycle** $(n^5$ -C₅H₄SI(CH₃)₂)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(SI(CH₃)₂)

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Reaction of Li⁺[(η^5 -C₅H₅)Re(NO)(PPh₃)]⁻ (3) with silicon electrophiles (CH₃)₃SiOTf, (CH₃)₂SiHCl, (CH₃)₂Si(CH=CH₂)OTf, and Cl(CH₃)₂SiSi(CH₃)₂Cl gives functionalized silyl complexes (n^5 -C₅H₅)Re- (NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₂X) (X = CH₃ (4), H (5), CH=CH₂ (6), and Si(CH₃)₂Cl (7)) in 83-21% yields workup. Reaction of 4 and *n*-BuLi/TMEDA gives, as assayed by ³¹P NMR, lithiocyclopentadienyl complex
(η^5 -C₅H₄Li)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₃) (8), which rapidly rearranges at –78 °C to silylcyclopentadienyl comp Li⁺[(η ⁵-C₅H₄Si(CH₃),₃)Re(NO)(PPh₃)]⁻ (9). Addition of CH₃OTf gives methyl complex (η ⁵-C₅H₄Si- (CH₃)₃)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(CH₃)₋ (10, 72%). Similar reaction of **7** and *n*-BuLi/TMEDA gives ($\text{Re}(\text{NO})(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{Si}(CH_3)_2\text{Si}(CH_3)_2\text{Cl})$ (13), which rearranges at -24 °C to Li⁺[(η^5 -C₅H₄Si(CH₃)₂Si- $(CH_3)_2Cl)Re(NO)(PPh_3)$ ⁻ (14). Upon warming, 14 cyclizes to disilametallacycle $(\eta^5-C_5H_4Si(CH_3)_2)Re-$

 $(NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₂)$ (15, 53%).

There has been a great deal of interest in the syntheses and reactions of functionalized metal-silyl complexes, L_nMSiR_2X .¹ Such compounds have attracted attention as precursors to complexes of unsaturated organosilicon ligands. At the same time, lithiocyclopentadienyl silyl complexes, $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄Li)MSiR₃, have been found to undergo unusual metal-to-carbon silatropic shifts, as shown in eq $1.^{2-5}$ This gives metal-centered anions of the general This gives metal-centered anions of the general

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The chiral, electron-rich rhenium fragment $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)$ - $Re(NO)(PPh₃)⁺$ makes stable complexes with a variety of unsaturated organic ligands (e.g., $=CH_2$, $=C=CH_2$, $-$ CHO).⁶ Hence, we sought to prepare functionalized rhenium-silyl complexes $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(SiR₂X) for study as precursors to complexes of unsaturated organosilicon ligands. Metal-silyl complexes are frequently synthesized from metal anions and silicon electrophiles.' We recently showed that reaction of hydride complex $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(H) (1) and *n*-BuLi first gives lithiocyclopentadienyl complex $(\eta^5-C_5H_4Li)Re(NO)$ - $(PPh₃)(H)$ (2; eq 2) and then, by a prototropic shift, rhe-

nium-centered anion $Li^+[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)]$ ⁻ (3).⁸ Hence, we set out to study reactions of anion **3** with functionalized silicon electrophiles. We further sought to deprotonate the target silyl complexes to the corresponding lithiocyclopentadienyl complexes and compare the migratory aptitudes of silyl ligands with that of the hydride ligand in 2.

Results

Hydride complex $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(H) (1) and n-BuLi were reacted (THF, -15 "C) to give rhenium-centered anion **Li+[(05-C6H5)Re(NO)(PPh3)]- (3;** 45.2 ppm, 31P NMR).⁸ Subsequent addition of silyl chloride $(CH₃)₃SiCl$ (2-5 equiv, -78 °C) was monitored by ³¹P NMR. A 38.2 ppm intermediate cleanly and rapidly formed but decomposed to a multitude of products upon warming to room temperature. In contrast, addition of silyl triflate $(CH₃)₃SiOTf (2.0 equiv, -78^oC) clearly gave a 24.8 ppm$ product. No decomposition occurred upon warming, and workup gave trimethylsilyl complex $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Re(NO)$ -(PPh,)(Si(CH,),) **(4;** Scheme I) in 42% yield. The structure of **4** followed readily from its spectroscopic properties, which are summarized in Table I. Satisfactory microanalyses were obtained for all new complexes (Experimental Section).

Reactions of functionalized silicon electrophiles were examined next. Treatment of anion 3 with $(CH_3)_2$ SiHCl, $(CH₃)₂Si(CH=CH₂)₀Tr, and Cl(CH₃)₂SiSi(CH₃)₂Cl$ $(1.1-2.0 \text{ equity}, -78 \text{°C})$ followed by workup gave silyl complexes $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₂H) (5, 83%), $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₂CH=CH₂)^{(6,21%), and} $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₂Si(CH₃)₂Cl) (7, 55%), respectively (Scheme I). These reactions appeared quantitative when monitored by 31P NMR. Treatment of **3** with $(CH₃)₂Si(Cl)$ OTf (1.2-1.4 equiv) also appeared to cleanly give silyl complex $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₂Cl) ⁽³¹P **NMR,** 25.8 ppm). However, the product could only be

Scheme 11. Formation of a Silylcyclopentadienyl Ligand via a Metal-to-Ligand Silatropic Shift

isolated as a viscous oil (26.0 ppm), the mass and appearance of which suggested contamination by a THF polymer.

Reactions of silyl complexes with base were studied next. First, complex 4 was treated with 1.2 equiv of n -BuLi/ TMEDA in THF at -78 °C. After 1.5 h, CH₃OTf (3.8) equiv) was added. This gave silylcyclopentadienyl complex **(q5-C5H4Si(CH3),)Re(NO)(PPh3)(CH3)** (10; Scheme **11)** in 72% yield upon workup. The structure of 10 followed from its ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra, which showed resonances characteristic of a monosubstituted cyclopentadienyl ligand⁹ and a ReCH₃ moiety (Table I). Complex 10 was independently synthesized in 66% yield by reaction of methyl complex $(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)(CH_3)$ (11; Scheme II)^{6a} with n-BuLi/TMEDA (1.0 equiv, -78 °C) to give lithiocyclopentadienyl complex $(\eta^5-C_5H_4Li)Re(NO)$ - $(PPh_3)(CH_3)$ (12),¹⁰ followed by addition of $(CH_3)_3$ SiOTf.

The reaction sequence leading from silyl complex **4** to methyl complex 10 was monitored by 31P NMR. **A** spectrum was recorded 15 min after the addition of n -BuLi/ TMEDA to **4.** This showed some starting **4** (24.9 ppm, ca. *55%),* a sharp resonance with a chemical shift characteristic of rhenium-centered anions $Li^+[(\eta^5-C_5H_4X)Re (NO)(PPh_3]$ ⁻ (44.8 ppm, ca. 40%),^{8,10} and a resonance slightly downfield from that of 4 (28.6 ppm, *ca.* 5%). Small downfield 31P NMR shifts occur upon cyclopentadienyl ligand lithiation in $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₆)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(X) complexes.^{8,10-12} The 44.8 ppm resonance intensified as the others

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diminished. After 1 h, only the 44.8 ppm resonance remained, and addition of CH30Tf gave methyl complex **10** (25.4 ppm). These data suggest that **4** is slowly deprotonated to lithiocyclopentadienyl complex $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄Li)- $Re(NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₃)$ (8) at -78 °C and that 8 undergoes a rapid subsequent silatropic rearrangement to give anion $Li^+[(\eta^5-C_5H_4Si(CH_3)_3)Re(NO)(PPh_3)]^-$ (9).

The reaction of disilyl complex **7** (25.2 ppm) and *n-*BuLi/TMEDA was similarly monitored by 31P NMR. A new species with a 31P NMR resonance at 27.9 ppm slowly appeared at -78 "C and was assigned to lithiocyclopentadienyl complex **(q5-C5H4Li)Re(NO)(PPh3)(Si-** $(\mathrm{CH}_3)_2\mathrm{Si}(\mathrm{CH}_3)_2\mathrm{Cl}$) (13). The reaction was kept at -45 °C for 1 h, **after** which time resonances of equal intensity were present at 25.7, 28.0, and 45.1 ppm. These were assigned to 7, 13, and the rhenium-centered anion $Li^+[(\eta^5 -$ **C5H4Si(CH3)2Si(CH3)2C1)Re(NO)(PPh3)]- (14),** respectively. The reaction was kept at -15 °C for 45 min. A new resonance appeared at 24.3 ppm and intensified with time. After 2-3 h, only the 24.3 ppm resonance remained. The corresponding species was isolated in 53% yield in a preparative experiment and on the basis of ${}^{1}\text{H}$ and ${}^{13}\text{C}$ NMR data (Table I) was assigned the disilametallacycle

structure $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄Si(CH₃)₂)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(Si(CH₃)₂)(15). Hence, the sluggish deprotonation of disilyl complex **7** is followed by a slow silatropic shift to give anion **11,** which subsequently cyclizes to disilametallacycle **15** (Scheme 111).

Discussion

The above data show that the rhenium anion Li^+ ^{[$(n^5$} $C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)$ ⁻ (3) reacts with a variety of silicon electrophiles to give functionalized silyl complexes. However, as noted in the reaction of 3 and (CH₃)₃SiCl, a product with a 31P NMR resonance in the 34-38 ppm region sometimes cleanly forms instead. This appears to happen less with silyl triflates than silyl chlorides.¹³ We speculate that these may be nitrosyl ligand silylation products, $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(\equiv NOSiR₃)(PPh₃). However, in all cases a multitude of decomposition products are generated upon warming.

Reactions involving migrations of silyl ligands to lithiocyclopentadienyl ligands were first observed by Berryhill.^{2a} He found that addition of *n*-BuLi or LiNR_2 to iron silane complex $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Fe(CO)₂(Si(CH₃)₃) at -78^{\circ}C gave anion $Li^+[(\eta^5-C_5H_4Si(CH_3)_3)Fe(CO)_2]$, which was characterized spectroscopically and by alkylation reactions. Earlier, Graham had reported an analogous reaction of germyl complex $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Mo(CO)₃(GePh₃).¹⁴ Subsequent studies by Berryhill,^{2b} Malisch,³ Pasman and Snel,⁴ and Pannell⁵ have extended the scope of this rearrangement to several other systems. However, only with complexes **4** and **7** has it proved possible to spectroscopically observe the lithiocyclopentadienyl intermediate prior to silyl ligand migration.

Comparison of Schemes I1 and I11 with eq 2 indicates that silyl ligands have better migratory aptitudes than hydride ligands. This is in agreement with observations of Pasman and Snel, who reacted the rhenium silyl hydride complex $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Re(CO)₂(SiPh₃)(H) and t-BuCH₂Li at -78 °C.⁴ Only the *silyl* ligand migration product Li⁺- $[(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄SiPh₃)Re(CO)₂(H)⁻ formed, as assayed spectroscopically and by protonation reactions. Our data further show that the trimethylsilyl ligand, $-Si(CH₃)₃$, migrates faster than the disilyl ligand $-Si(CH_3)_2Si(CH_3)_2CI$.

In other studies, we have shown that acyl ligands have slightly better migratory aptitudes than silyl ligands.¹⁰ In contrast, halide and alkyl ligands in lithiocyclopentadienyl complexes $(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄Li)Re(NO)(PPh₃)(X) and $(\eta^5$ - $C_5H_4Li)Re(NO)(PPh_3)(R)$ show no tendency to migrate.^{10,12} This gives the following order of ligand migratory aptitudes: acyl > silyl > hydride >> halide *2* alkyl. Berryhill has proposed that vacant silicon d orbitals play a key role in these reactions.2b Accordingly, acyl ligands, which have low-lying π^* -acceptor orbitals, also migrate readily.

The disilametallacycle **15** is to our knowledge a new type of ring system, and the reactivity of the silicon linkage is under investigation. Carbocyclic analogues of **15,** *(q5-* $C_5H_4CH_2$) $M(L)_n(CH_2)$, have been prepared and undergo a variety of bridge reactions.¹⁵ Interestingly, lithiocyclopentadienyl complex **13** (Scheme 111) can in principle directly cyclize to **15.** However, we see no evidence by NMR for this reaction pathway. ,

In summary, we have shown that functionalized silyl complexes can be prepared from anion **3** and that the corresponding lithiocyclopentadienyl complexes undergo facile metal-to-ligand silatropic shifts. Additional reactions of these functionalized silyl complexes will be described in future reports.16

Experimental Section

General Data. All reactions were conducted under a dry N_2 atmosphere. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1500 (FT) spectrometer. NMR spectra were recorded on Varian XL-**300** (IH, 13C) and FT-80A (,lP) spectrometers **as** outlined in Table I. Mass spectra were obtained on a VG **770** spectrometer. Microanalyses were conducted by Galbraith Laboratories.

Solvents were purified as follows: THF, ether, and benzene, distilled from Na/benzophenone; hexane, heptane, and toluene, distilled from Na; CH₂Cl₂, distilled from P₂O₅, ethyl acetate, used as received; C_6D_6 , vacuum transferred from CaH_2 ; CD_2Cl_2 and CDCl₃, vacuum transferred from P_2O_5 .

Base n-BuLi (Aldrich) was standardized 17 before use. Reagents were purified as follows: $CH₃OTf$ (Aldrich), $(CH₃)₃SiOTf$ (Petrarch), $(CH_3)_2$ SiHCl (Petrarch), $(CH_3)_2$ Si(CH= CH_2)Cl (Petrarch), and TMEDA (Aldrich), distilled from CaH₂; Cl(CH₃)₂- $Sisi(CH₃)₂Cl$, prepared by a literature procedure (16-h reaction time)18 and purified by preparative GLC; AgOTf (Aldrich), used as received.

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Preparation of $(CH_3)_2Si(CH=CH_2)OTf.$ **A Schlenk flask** was charged with AgOTf (3.85 g, 15 mmol), ether (50 mL), and a stir bar. The solution was cooled to 0 "C and stirred. Then $(CH_3)_2Si(CH=CH_2)Cl$ (1.53 g, 2.04 mL, 15 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The mixture was stirred for 6 h and allowed to slowly warm to room temperature. The flask was transferred to a N_2 atmosphere glovebox. The reaction mixture was filtered, and solvent was removed from the filtrate by rotary evaporation. The remaining liquid was vacuum distilled $(40 °C, 0.1 mmHg)$ into a N₂-cooled receiving flask to give $(CH_3)_2Si(CH=CH_2)OTr$ (3.2 g, 14 mmol, 95%). ¹H NMR (δ, 500 MHz, C₆D₆): 5.79 (dd, *J* = 20, 14 Hz, 1 H), 5.71 (dd, *J* = 14, 4 Hz, 1 H), 5.55 (dd, *J* = 20, 4 Hz, 1 H), 0.04 (s, 2CH3).

Preparation of $(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)(Si(CH_3)_3)$ **(4).** A Schlenk tube was charged with $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)(H)$ (1, 0.35 g, 0.63 mmol), THF (15 mL), and a stir bar. The yellow solution was cooled to **-15** "C and stirred. Then n-BuLi (0.36 mL, 2.5 M in hexane) was added, and the solution turned dark red. After 0.5 h, the solution was cooled to -98 °C, and $(CH₃)₃SiOTf (0.29 g, 1.3 mmol) was added. After 0.5 h, the yellow$ solution was warmed to room temperature, and solvents were removed in vacuo. The flask was transferred to a N_2 atmosphere glovebox, and the residue was extracted with hexane. The extract was filtered, and the filtrate was kept at -40 °C for 3 days. Light orange crystals formed, which were collected by filtration and dried in vacuo to give 4 (0.17 g, 0.27 mmol, 42%), mp 155-157 "C dec. Anal. Calcd for $C_{26}H_{29}NOPReSi: C, 50.63; H, 4.74.$ Found: C, 50.63; H, 4.87.

Preparation of $(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)(Si(CH_3),H)$ (5). Complex 1 (0.064 g, 0.12 mmol), THF (4 mL), and n-BuLi (0.064 mL, 2.4 M in hexane) were combined as described in the preparation of **4.** After 0.5 h, the solution was cooled to -78 "C, and $(CH₃)₂SiHCl$ (0.036 g, 0.39 mmol) was added. After 0.5 h, the dark yellow solution was warmed to room temperature, and solvents were removed in vacuo. The flask was transferred to a N_2 atmosphere glovebox, and the residue was extracted with benzene. The extract was filtered through a 2-cm plug of silica gel, and the filtrate was concentrated to an orange oil by rotary evaporation. The resulting oil was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL), heptane was added (20 mL), and the solvents were removed by rotary evaporation. The resulting yellow powder was collected and dried in vacuo to give $5(0.054 \text{ g}, 0.96 \text{ mmol}, 83 \%)$, mp $124-125$ °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{27}NOPReSi: C$, 49.82; H, 4.52. Found: C, 50.10; H, 4.46.

Preparation of $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)(Si(CH_3)_2CH=CH_2)$ **(6).** Complex **1** (0.74 g, 1.4 mmol), THF (5 mL), and n-BuLi (0.72 mL, 2.0 M in hexane) were combined as described in the preparation of 4. Then $(CH_3)_2Si(CH=CH_2)$ OTf (0.35 g, 1.5 mmol) was added (-78 °C) . After 15 min, the solution was warmed to room temperature and solvents were removed in vacuo. The flask was transferred to a N_2 atmosphere glovebag. The dark residue was extracted with a minimum of CH_2Cl_2 . The extract was loaded on a preparative TLC plate (silica gel **G)** and eluted with **50:50** (v/v) CH₂Cl₂/hexane. A leading yellow-orange band was collected and transferred to a N_2 atmosphere glovebox. The product was washed from the silica gel with benzene. The benzene was removed by rotary evaporation, and the resulting orange residue was dissolved in ether. Slow evaporation gave small waxy orange plates. These were collected and vacuum dried to give 6 (0.19 g, 0.30 mmol, 21%). Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{29}NOPReSi: C$, 52.93; H, 4.77; Si, 5.23. Found: C, 52.59; H, 4.81; Si, 5.06.

Preparation of $(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)(Si(CH_3)_2Si-$ **(CH₃)₂Cl) (7).** Complex 1 (0.53 g, 0.98 mmol), THF (25 mL), and n-BuLi (0.50 mL, 2.4 M in hexane) were combined as described in the preparation of 4. Then $Cl(CH_3)_2SiSi(CH_3)_2Cl$ (0.30 g, 1.6 mmol) was added $(-78 °C)$. After 1 h, the dark yellow solution was warmed to room temperature and solvents were removed in vacuo. The flask was transferred to a N_2 atmosphere glovebox and the residue was extracted with benzene. The extract was filtered, and solvent was removed from the filtrate by rotary evaporation. The resulting dark residue was washed with cold toluene (2 **X** 10 mL) and filtered. The resulting yellow powder was dried in vacuo to give **7** (0.37 g, **0.54 mmol,55%).** The powder was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL), layered with hexane, and kept at -40 "C for 2 days to give yellow crystals of **7,** mp 151-154 "C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{32}$ CINOPReSi₂: C, 46.64; H, 4.64. Found: C, 46.32; H, 4.56.

Preparation of $(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_4Si(CH_3)_3)Re(NO)(PPh_3)(CH_3)$ **(10). A.** A Schlenk tube was charged with 4 (0.085 g, 0.14 mmol), THF (4 mL), and a stir bar. The solution was cooled to -78 °C, and TMEDA (0.021 g, 0.18 mmol) and n-BuLi (0.075 mL, 2.5 M in hexane) were added with stirring. After 2 h, CH₃OTf (0.087 g, 0.53 mmol) was added to the dark red solution. After **5** min, the resulting orange solution was transferred to a round-bottom flask, and solvents were removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was extracted with benzene. The extract was filtered, and solvent was removed from the filtrate by rotary evaporation. The resulting red oil was chromatographed on a 12 **X** 2.5 cm silica gel column with 10:90 (v/v) ethyl acetate/hexane. The yellow band was collected and concentrated to an oil. The oil was dissolved in ca. 10 mL of hexane and kept at -24 °C for 3 days. Orange crystals formed, which were collected by filtration and dried in vacuo to give **10** (0.061 g, 0.10 mmol, 72%), mp 173-175 "C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{31}NOPResi$: C, 51.41; H, 4.95. Found: C, 51.65; H, 4.91. **B.** A Schlenk tube was charged with $(\eta^5 - C_5H_5)Re(NO)(PPh_3)$ - $(CH₃)^{6a}$ (0.31 g, 0.58 mmol), THF (15 mL), and a stir bar. The solution was cooled to -78 °C, and *n*-BuLi (0.42 mL, 1.4 M in hexane) was added with stirring. After 0.5 h, $\text{(CH}_3)_3\text{SiOTf}$ (0.14 mL, 0.77 mmol) was added, and the solution was stirred for 1 h. The solution was warmed to room temperature, and solvents were removed in vacuo. The flask was transferred to a N_2 atmosphere glovebox, and the orange oil was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The extract was loaded on a preparative TLC plate (silica gel **G)** and eluted with 50:50 (v/v) CH_2Cl_2/h exane. A leading orange band **was** collected, and the product was washed from the silica gel with benzene. The benzene was removed by rotary evaporation. The resulting oil was dissolved in hexane and kept at -24 °C for 2 days. Orange crystals of 10 formed and were collected by filtration and dried in vacuo (0.23 g, 0.38 mmol, 66%).

Preparation of $(\eta^5 \text{-} C_5H_4\text{Si}(\text{CH}_3)_2)\text{Re}(\text{NO})(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{Si} (\text{CH}_3)_2$) (15). A Schlenk tube was charged with 7 $(0.22 \text{ g}, 0.31$ mmol), THF (15 mL), and a stir bar. The solution was cooled to -78 "C, and TMEDA (0.42 g, 0.36 mmol) and n-BuLi (0.23 mL, 1.5 M in hexane) were added with stirring. The solution was warmed to room temperature over 1 h and then stirred an additional hour. The solvents were removed in vacuo, and the flask was transferred to a N_2 atmosphere glovebox. The residue was extracted with benzene. The extract was filtered, and solvent was removed from the filtrate by rotary evaporation. The resulting orange oil was dissolved in pentane (25 mL). Slow evaporation of the pentane gave small orange crystals. The crystals were collected by filtration and vacuum dried at 78 "C to give 15 (0.11 g, 0.16 mmol, 53%), mp 155-157 "C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{31}NOPResi_2$: C, 49.22; H, 4.74. Found: C, 49.35; H, 4.53.

Monitoring of Reactions by ³¹P NMR. The following experiment is representative. A 5-mm NMR tube was charged with 4 (0.032 g, 0.052 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL) and capped with a septum. A ³¹P NMR spectrum was recorded at -78 °C (24.9 ppm). The tube was immersed in a -78 °C bath. Then TMEDA (0.007) g, 0.63 mmol) and n-BuLi (0.028 mL, 2.0 M in hexane) were added. The sample was shaken and immediately transferred back to the -78 °C NMR probe. Sharp singlets were observed at 44.8, 28.6, and 24.9 ppm (55:5:40). After 30 min, a spectrum was recorded, and a sharp singlet was observed at 44.8 ppm. The tube was immersed in a -78 °C bath. Then CH₃OTf (0.012 g, 0.073 mmol) was added, and the sample was shaken. A 31P NMR was immediately recorded $(-78 °C)$, and a sharp singlet was observed at 25.4 ppm.

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