

Ga-As bond lengths of 2.432 (2)-2.464 (1) Å. The long Ga-As bond lengths in the dimers are primarily the result of ring strain due to endocyclic bond angles of 83-96° and steric repulsion. In $[\text{Br}_2\text{GaAs}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2]_3$, the Ga-As bond length is short since the ring strain is minimal, with endocyclic bond angles ranging from 103 to 121°. The Ga-As bond length is also reduced by electronic effects due to the electronegative bromide on the gallium. Electronic effects leading to bond shortening can be seen in the Ga-As and Ga-Sb bond lengths in $[\text{Br}_2\text{GaAs}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2]_3$ and $[\text{Cl}_2\text{GaSb}(t\text{-Bu})_2]_3$,²⁰ which are consistent with the sum of their covalent radii. In contrast, the In-As bond length in $[\text{Me}_2\text{InAsMe}_2]_3$ ²⁰ of 2.669 (3)-2.679 (2) Å is slightly longer than the sum of their covalent radii (2.64 Å). A more dramatic shortening of the Ga-As bond is seen in $[(\text{THF})\text{Br}_2\text{Ga}]_3\text{As}$,²¹ which has the shortest known Ga-As distance of 2.404 (4) Å.

The Newman projection (Figure 2) of 1 down the Ga-As bond clearly shows that the lone pair on arsenic must be orthogonal to the unoccupied p orbital on gallium, which precludes the possibility of Ga-As double-bond character. The stabilization of the monomeric unit is due to the fact that the Ga and As atoms are effectively shielded from intermolecular association by the bulky *tert*-butyl substituents on both gallium and arsenic. Therefore, the yellow to yellow-orange color observed in these monomeric arsinogallanes must originate from charge-transfer processes. In contrast, associated compounds in which charge transfer cannot occur, containing tetracoordinated gallium and arsenic, are colorless solids.

$(t\text{-Bu})_2\text{GaAs}(t\text{-Bu})_2$ was heated to 150 °C for 10 min without decomposition but decomposed to red oligomers and/or polymers at 188-190 °C. Pyrolysis of 1 under a He atmosphere with a cool yellow flame (~400 °C) resulted in crystalline GaAs and an approximately 1:1 mole ratio of 2-methylpropane and 2-methylpropene.²² The decomposition can be rationalized by a β -elimination followed by alkane elimination (Scheme I), a free-radical mechanism (Scheme II), or both.

β -Elimination in group III-V chemistry is not new. The thermal decomposition²³ of Et_3Ga occurs by this route to give Et_2GaH and ethylene, and $t\text{-BuPH}_2$ decomposes to give PH_3 , 2-methylpropene, and 2-methylpropane.²⁴ In a recent pyrolysis study of diorganotellurium compounds, it was demonstrated that $(t\text{-Bu})_2\text{Te}$ decomposes by both β -elimination and free-radical mechanisms to give 2-methylpropene and 2-methylpropane.²⁵ Both mechanisms may also be involved in the pyrolytic decomposition of 1.

Single-source organometallic precursors have been utilized to prepare epitaxial films of GaP,²⁶ GaAs,²⁷ and

InP .^{27,28} Volatile monomeric mono(arsino)gallanes, such as $(t\text{-Bu})_2\text{GaAs}(t\text{-Bu})_2$, may be better source compounds for the metal-organic chemical vapor deposition of GaAs. The expected advantages of $(t\text{-Bu})_2\text{GaAs}(t\text{-Bu})_2$ are as follows: (1) the lower vapor pressure and reduced air sensitivity¹⁴ reduces the toxicity (AsH_3) and safety hazards (flammability of Me_3Ga) in GaAs film deposition; (2) the incorporation of *tert*-butyl groups, which can undergo β -elimination reactions, could result in lower carbon incorporation into the GaAs film; (3) highly crystalline GaAs films can be prepared at less than 550 °C; (4) high-purity source compounds can be achieved through multiple sublimations; (5) the correct stoichiometry of Ga to As is always maintained.

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Convenient Synthesis of β -Trichlorostannyl Ketones from α,β -Unsaturated Ketones and Their Facile Conversion to β -Trialkylstannyl Ketones

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Summary: Reaction of α,β -unsaturated ketones with tin(II) chloride dihydrate ($\text{SnCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$) and chlorotrimethylsilane in ether afforded β -trichlorostannyl ketones in good yields. These underwent chemoselective alkylation at Sn to give the corresponding β -trialkylstannyl ketones by the reaction with 3 equiv of Grignard reagents at -78 °C.

In the course of our study on the utilization of β -metallo ketones as synthetic intermediates,¹ we required a variety of β -trichlorostannyl ketones. While the ring-opening reaction of siloxycyclopropanes 1 with tin(IV) chloride (SnCl_4), which we have recently reported,² gives the β -

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(22) A sealed flask equipped with a Teflon valve containing 0.1 g of $(t\text{-Bu})_2\text{GaAs}(t\text{-Bu})_2$ under He was heated with a cool yellow flame for 10 min. The volatile products and 0.5 mL of deuterated toluene were condensed into an NMR tube at 10^{-4} Torr, and the tube was sealed. The molar ratio of 2-methylpropene to 2-methylpropane was 0.74, but this does not account for the products in the gas phase of the NMR sample. Energy-dispersive X-ray analysis of the GaAs powder showed a 53:47 Ga:As atom ratio. The error associated with SEM-EDX analysis is 5-6%. The sample was confirmed to be highly crystalline GaAs by the X-ray diffraction powder pattern (Gandolfi method).

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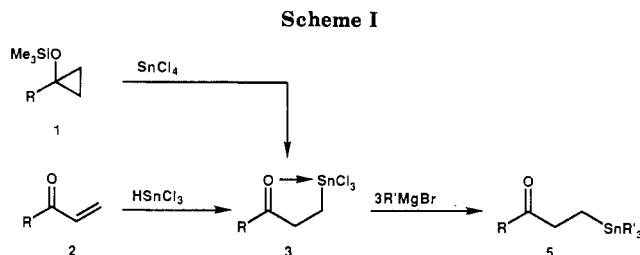
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trichlorostannyl ketones **3** having an unsubstituted methylene group next to the Sn atom, this method cannot be applied to the synthesis of those ketones with an alkyl substituent at the α -carbon. In this context we have also been interested in another method, the *hydrotrichlorostannation* of α,β -unsaturated ketones **2** (Scheme I). This reaction, first demonstrated in 1976,^{3,4} however, has not been tested thoroughly, and only limited examples are available. Furthermore, we felt that the procedure for "HSnCl₃", which involved bubbling an excess of HCl gas into a mixture of tin(II) chloride (SnCl₂) and the enone, should be altered. We have found that the combination of SnCl₂·2H₂O with Me₃SiCl affords "HSnCl₃" efficiently and that this makes the overall procedure quite facile. We report herein a convenient preparation of β -trichlorostannyl ketones **3** according to this *one-pot* procedure and the conversion of **3** to the corresponding β -trialkylstannyl ketones **5**, which was achieved by chemoselective alkylation with 3 equiv of a Grignard reagent at -78°C .

Hydrotrichlorostannation of α,β -unsaturated ketones **2** was carried out according to the following typical procedure. To a stirred suspension of SnCl₂·2H₂O (2.26 g, 10 mmol) in ether (10 mL) was added chlorotrimethylsilane (1.52 mL, 12 mmol) at 25°C . On the addition of Me₃SiCl an exothermic reaction took place, and the mixture separated into two layers. After 10 min, methyl vinyl ketone (**2a**) (0.701 g, 10 mmol) was added to the mixture in one portion, which caused a slight exotherm. The resulting mixture was stirred at 25°C for 1 h. After removal of the solvent and the hexamethylsiloxane formed as a byproduct, the residual oil was dried under reduced pressure and recrystallized from *n*-pentane/chloroform to give **3a** (2.55 g, 86%).

As one can see in Table I, the procedure can be applied to a variety of enones with the exception of cyclic enone **2h**. Yields of **3** are generally high. Lower frequency shifts in IR spectroscopy indicated strong coordination of the carbonyl group to the Sn atom in **3**. Hydrotrichlorostannation of (*R*)-(+)-pulegone (**2f**) gave the β -trichlorostannyl ketone **3f** in 90% yield (entry 6).⁶ 3-Methylene-2-norbornanone (**2g**) was converted to the exo form **3g** in 79% yield (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy).

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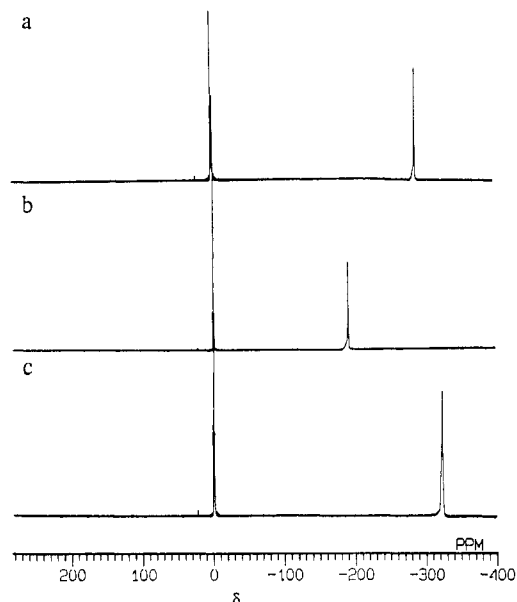
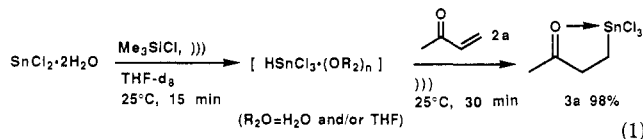


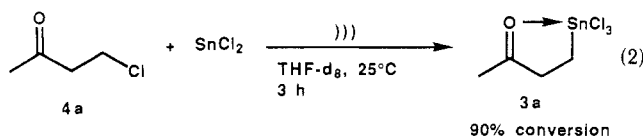
Figure 1. ¹¹⁹Sn NMR spectra at 25°C (100 MHz, Me₄Sn as an external standard) of (a) SnCl₂·2H₂O in THF, (b) HSnCl₃·*n*OR₂ prepared from SnCl₂·2H₂O and Me₃SiCl in THF, and (c) β -trichlorostannyl ketone **3a** by further treatment with methyl vinyl ketone (**2a**).

To clarify the reaction path, the reaction of **2a** with SnCl₂·2H₂O/Me₃SiCl was monitored by ¹H and ¹¹⁹Sn NMR spectroscopy (eq 1). Treatment of SnCl₂·2H₂O (64 mg,



0.29 mmol) with Me₃SiCl (36 μL , 0.29 mmol) in THF-*d*₃ at 25°C under ultrasonic irradiation gave a two-layer mixture instantly. The ¹H NMR spectrum of the lower layer showed two peaks at δ 0.06 (s) and 9.04 (br s) ppm with a 9:4 intensity ratio.⁷ On the addition of **2a** (20 mg, 0.29 mmol) to this solution, the reaction ended within 30 min to give **3a**. In ¹¹⁹Sn NMR measurements,⁸ three signals (δ -284.9, -190.1, and -322.3 ppm) that were ascribed to SnCl₂·2H₂O, HSnCl₃·*n*OR₂, and β -trichlorostannyl ketone **3a** were observed (Figure 1).

A possible competitive reaction path, which involves the initial formation of 1-chlorobutan-3-one (**4a**) from **2a** and HCl and a subsequent reaction with SnCl₂, proved to be less important since the reaction of **4a** with SnCl₂ in THF-*d*₃ proceeded fairly sluggishly (3 h for 90% conversion as determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) (eq 2).⁹




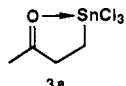
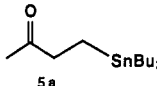
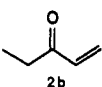
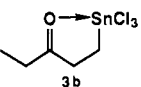
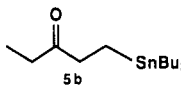

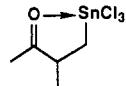
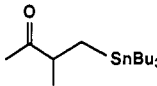
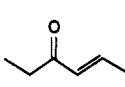
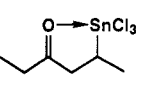
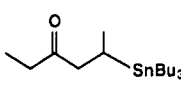
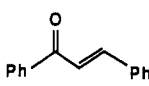
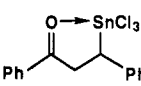
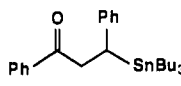
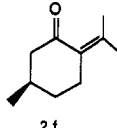
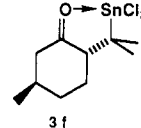
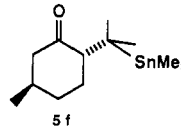
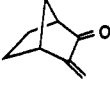
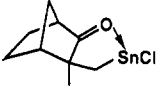
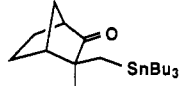
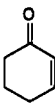
We also examined the conversion of **3** to the β -trialkylstannyl ketones **5**, which are useful intermediates in

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(8) The intermediacy of HSnCl₃·*n*OR₂ is also supported by its trapping with *n*-BuMgBr, affording *n*-Bu₃SnH, although the yield was modest.

(9) Bulten and Hurk indicated that hydrotrichlorostannation of methyl acrylate proceeded much faster than hydrochlorination.^{4c}

Table I. Preparation of β -Trichlorostannyl Ketones^a and β -Trialkylstannyl Ketones^b

entry	substrate 2	β -trichlorostannyl ketone 3	mp, °C IR(ν C=O), cm^{-1}	yield ^c %	β -trialkylstannyl ketone 5	yield ^d %
1			76-77 1663	86		88
2			82-83 1660	87		86
3			95-96 1654	81		85
4			96-97 1660	70		81
5			145-147 1621	75		81
6			118-119 ^e 1673	90 ^f		84 ^g
7			205-206 1680	86 ^h		79 ^h
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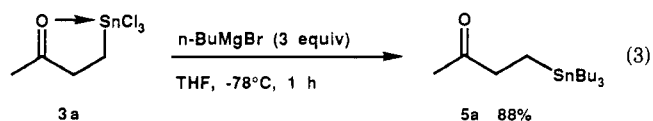
^a Generally reactions were carried out on a 10-mmol scale; see text. ^b Each reaction is carried out by treating 3 with 3 equiv of *n*-BuMgBr or MeMgBr at -78°C for 1 h in THF followed by the standard workup with 1 N HCl, NaHCO₃, and water. ^c Isolated yields after purification by recrystallization or reprecipitation. ^d Isolated yields after purification by column chromatography. ^e Measured for 92/8 (*E/Z*) isomers obtained by repeated recrystallization from CHCl₃/*n*-pentane. ^f *E/Z* = 75/25 for the sample obtained by reprecipitation in *n*-pentane (determined by 270-MHz ¹H NMR spectroscopy). ^g *E/Z* = 75/25 (determined by GLC). ^h Characterized as the exo form by ¹H NMR spectroscopy. ⁱ Examined in THF-*d*₈ as a solvent. After 12 h the measurement of ¹H NMR spectra showed 98% recovery of 2h.

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metallic reagents at Sn would afford 5. Although attempted alkylation of 3a with use of alkyllithiums afforded a mixture of the γ -trialkylstannyl alcohol and the β -trialkylstannyl ketone, selective alkylation of 3a leading to 5a could be effected by using Grignard reagents (3 equiv) at -78°C (eq 3). Some other results are also shown in Table I.



In summary, hydrotrichlorostannation of α,β -unsaturated ketones 2 with HSnCl₃ generated in situ from SnCl₂·2H₂O and Me₃SiCl in ether provides a convenient procedure for the preparation of the β -trichlorostannyl ketones 3, which can be further elaborated to the β -trialkylstannyl ketones 5. This method for 3 complements the method involving siloxycyclopropane cleavage. We are presently studying applications of 3 and 5 to useful syn-

thetic transformations. Our results will be published in due course.

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Platinum-Complex-Catalyzed Double Silylation of Ethylene and Norbornene with Disilanes

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Summary: Double silylation of ethylene with disilanes was found to proceed in the presence of platinum phosphine complexes to give 1,2-bis(silyl)ethanes. The reactivity was enhanced by electronegative and sterically less demanding substituents on the silicon atom. The reaction of norbornene suggested cis addition of disilanes to the C=C bond.

Exploitation of silicon-containing polymers has been a subject of growing interest owing to their physical properties and chemical reactivities.¹ In this respect, double silylation of unsaturated carbon compounds with disilanes appears to be a good prospect since it provides a convenient way to synthesize α,ω -bis(silyl) compounds that are possible monomers for silicon-containing polymers. Thus, acetylenes and 1,3- and 1,2-dienes successfully undergo double silylation with disilanes to give 1,2-bis(silyl)ethenes, 1,4-bis(silyl)-2-butenes, and 2,3-bis(silyl)-1-propenes, respectively.² In addition, very recent publications by Ito

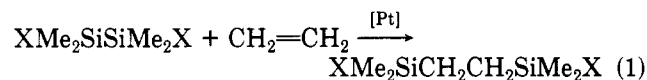
Table I. Catalytic Double Silylation of Ethylene with XMe₂SiSiMe₂X in the Presence of Pt(PPh₃)₄^a

X	electro- neg of X	yield/% ^b	X	electro- neg of X	yield/% ^b
F	3.93	95.0	<i>p</i> -CF ₃ C ₆ H ₄		16.4
CH ₃ O	3.70	52.6	C ₆ H ₅	2.70	4.3
Cl	3.19	48.7	<i>p</i> -CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄		3.8
CH ₃	2.30	18.0			

^a Conditions: XMe₂SiSiMe₂X, 1 mmol; Pt(PPh₃)₄, 0.04 mmol; benzene, 3 mL; ethylene, 5 atm at room temperature; 150 °C; 22 h.
^b GC yield.

et al. have disclosed insertion of isocyanides into Si-Si linkages, a new useful variation of double silylation.³ In spite of the renewed interest along this line, however, successful double silylation of simple olefinic compounds has never been reported. Now, we have found that double silylation of ethylene with disilanes proceeds in the presence of platinum phosphine complexes to give 1,2-bis(silyl)ethanes.

In a typical experiment, a benzene (3 mL) solution of 1,2-difluoro-1,1,2,2-tetramethyldisilane (1 mmol) and Pt(PPh₃)₄ (0.04 mmol) was treated with ethylene (5 atm at room temperature) in an autoclave (27 mL) at 150 °C for 22 h. GC analysis showed that 1,2-bis(fluorodimethylsilyl)ethane was formed in 95.0% yield. The product was phenylated (80.0% GC yield) with phenyllithium, and 1,2-bis(dimethylphenylsilyl)ethane⁴ was isolated in 68.5% yield.



Other *sym*-tetramethyldisilanes were also subjected to the reaction. The results summarized in Table I reveal that disilanes with more electronegative groups attached to the silicon atom more readily underwent the double-silylation reaction, as was observed with palladium catalysts in the reactions of acetylenes or dienes.^{2b-e,j,k} Steric factors also appear to be important, since 1,1,2,2-tetramethyl-1,2-diphenyldisilane, which should have been more reactive than hexamethyldisilane in view of the higher electronegativity of the phenyl group, in fact exhibited very low reactivity. The enhanced reactivity of 1,2-bis(*p*-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)tetramethyldisilane as compared with that of the parent phenyl analogue is again associated with the trifluoromethyl group being strongly electron withdrawing.

The performance of the platinum complexes in the double silylation of ethylene with 1,1,2,2-tetramethyl-1,2-diphenyldisilane was improved when a more electron donating and sterically less demanding ligand was used; i.e.,

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