



by reduction or vice versa, of the 16-electron CpMoMe- $(PMe_2Ph)_2$ complex. This molecule could undergo oxidative addition of one of the ortho C-H bonds, followed by reductive elimination of methane, to produce another 16-electron intermediate, CpMo(o-C₆H₄PMe₂)(PMe₂Ph) (Scheme II). This molecule is less sterically congested than CpMoMe(PMe₂Ph)₂ and can thus accept a third phosphine molecule in the coordination sphere to form the observed product.

Conclusions

The different stability and reactivity of 17-electron compounds of the $CpMoX_2L_2$ class (X = electronegative

 π -donor ligand (halide) or less electronegative π -neutral ligand (methyl)) has been given a simple molecular orbital interpretation based on the π -acidic properties of the phosphine ligands and the synergic stabilization due to the contemporary presence of π acids and π bases. The structural distortions observed for the ortho-metalated phosphine molecule CpMo(o-C₆H₄PMe₂)(PMe₂Ph)₂ are in agreement with the π -acidic nature of the phosphine in this molecule.

Further synthetic and mechanistic studies of the alkylation reaction of 17-electron $CpMoX_2L_2$ (X = halogen, L = phosphine) compounds are in progress.

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Relative Consecutive–Competitive Rate Constants in the Synthesis of Organoalkoxysilanes Using Molten Sodium

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Relative specific rate constants for replacing successive alkoxy groups with phenyl groups on $R_xSi(OR')_{4-x}$ (R = Me, Ph; R' = Me, Et; x = 0-2) to make industrially important phenylalkoxysilanes were determined by addition of chlorobenzene to a dispersion of molten sodium in the alkoxysilanes. For (MeO)₄Si, the relative values of $k_4/k_3/k_2/k_1$ are 1/23/72/65. For MeSi(OMe)₃, the values $k_4/k_3/k_2$ are 1/5.9/9.8. For Me₂Si(OEt)₂, the values of k_4/k_3 are 1/3.6. Syntheses are much easier to carry out if a mixture of chlorobenzene containing 1 equiv of a chlorosilane is added to the molten sodium. The chlorosilane did not change the relative rate constants, and quantitative yields of phenylalkoxysilanes were obtained not only with PhCl but also with PhBr and PhI. The same procedure formed organo-functional alkoxysilanes in excellent yields when CH=CH₂CH₂Cl, F₃CCH₂CH₂Br, p-Me₂NC₆H₄Br, p-(Me₃Si)₂NC₆H₄Cl, 2chlorothiophene, PhCH₂Cl, or EtOCH₂Cl mixed with 1 eqiv of a chlorosilane was added to molten sodium dispersed in alkoxysilanes.

Introduction

We recently used a procedure patented 45 years ago^1 to prepare phenylalkoxysilanes and then used improvements in that procedure patented by Tiganik 40 and 30 years $ago.^{2a-c}$ The procedure proved to be superb, but no references could be found to its use in the last 30 years.

Addition of an organic halide to molten sodium dispersed in an alkoxysilane leads to vigorously exothermic reactions that quantitatively produce organoalkoxysilanes. Use of an organic halide mixed with 1 equiv of a chlorosilane² forms the same quantitative yield of organoalkoxysilane in a mixture that is much easier to stir and filter. Organic halides react with molten sodium extremely rapidly.

$$RX + 2Na \rightarrow RNa + NaX\downarrow$$

RNa reacts with the surrounding medium of alkoxysilanes.

A chlorosilane then reacts to re-form an alkoxysilane.

$$= \operatorname{SiOR'R} + = \operatorname{SiCl} \rightarrow = \operatorname{SiR} + = \operatorname{SiOR'} + \operatorname{NaCl}$$

The number of equivalents of alkoxysilyl groups remains constant in this system.

A slurry of finely divided NaX and NaCl is formed that remains easily stirrable and from which the solids are easily filtered. The distribution of organoalkoxysilanes that are

⁽¹⁾ Bondy, C.; Reiser, K. Brit. Patent 573, 906, Dec 12, 1945. (2) (a) Tiganik, L. U.S. Patent 2,521,267, Sept 5, 1950. (b) Tiganik, L. Brit. Patent 668,532, March 18, 1952. (c) Tiganik, L. Can. Patent 598,441, May 24, 1960.

	mole percentage					
n	(MeO) ₄ Si	PhSi(OMe) ₃	$Ph_2Si(OMe)_2$	Ph ₃ SiOMe		
0.156	88.5	8	2.5	0		
0.5	61.0	29	11	0		
0.871	43.0	31.7	21	4.6		
1.0	34.5	35	26	6		
1.19	26.8	36	28	9		
2.00	4.0	16	50	30		
2.37	1.0	6	46.3	46.3		

formed is determined by the molar ratio, n, of RX added to the alkoxysilane and by the relative rates of reaction of each alkoxysilane, $R_x Si(OR')_{4-x}$, as the values of x change from 0 to 3. No references could be found for such relative rates for any polyfunctional silane reacting with any organometallic reagent.

The relative rate constants for PhCl reacting with Si- $(OMe)_4$, PhSi $(OMe)_3$, MeSi $(OMe)_3$, and Me₂Si $(OEt)_2$ were determined.

Discussion

Consecutive-competitive reactions take place when PhCl is dripped into a stirred dispersion of molten sodium in an alkoxysilane. For example, with tetramethoxysilane these reactions can be written

$$(MeO)_4Si + PhCl + 2Na \xrightarrow{k_1} PhSi(OMe)_3 + NaOMe + NaCl (1)$$

$$\frac{PhSi(OMe)_{3} + PhCl + 2Na \xrightarrow{k_{2}}}{Ph_{2}Si(OMe)_{2} + NaOMe + NaCl (2)}$$

 $Ph_2Si(OMe)_2 + PhCl + 2Na \xrightarrow{k_3}$ $Ph_3SiOMe + NaOMe + NaCl (3)$

$$Ph_3SiOMe + PhCl + 2Na \xrightarrow{k_4} Ph_4Si + NaOMe + NaCl (4)$$

The rates of formation of the phenylsilanes at any time are then

d/dt [PhSi(OMe)₃] =

 $k_1[(MeO)_4Si][PhCl][Na] - k_2[PhSi(OMe)_3][PhCl][Na]$

 $d/dt [Ph_2Si(OMe)_2] = k_2[PhSi(OMe)_3][PhCl] \times [Na] - k_3[Ph_2Si(OMe)_2][PhCl][Na]$

$$d/dt$$
 [Ph₃SiOMe] = k_3 [Ph₂Si(OMe)₂][PhCl][Na] - k_4 [Ph₃SiOMe][PhCl][Na]

When the change in concentration of a product is zero

$$k_2/k_1 = [(MeO)_4Si]/[PhSi(OMe)_3]$$
 (5)

$$k_3/k_2 = [\text{PhSi}(\text{OMe})_3] / [\text{Ph}_2\text{Si}(\text{OMe})_2]$$
(6)

$$k_4/k_3 = [Ph_2Si(OMe)_2]/[Ph_3SiOMe]$$
(7)

This treatment of four consecutive competitive reactions was described by Fuoss.³ The mole fractional distribution of alkoxysilanes was determined as a function of the equivalents of chlorobenzene added to moles of Si(OMe)₄, PhSi(OMe)₃, MeSi(OMe)₃, and Me₂Si(OEt)₂. Data for different alkoxysilanes are found in the following tables:

Table II

PhSi(OMe)₃ + *n*PhCl + 2*n*Na → Ph_{x+1}Si(OMe)_{3-x} + *n*NaCl + *n*NaOMe

	mole percentage					
n	PhSi(OMe) ₃	$Ph_2Si(OMe)_2$	Ph ₃ SiOMe	Ph ₄ Si		
0.16	87.9	7.7	4.3	0.0		
0.5	58.0	35.0	7.1	0.0		
0.96	24.0	55.0	21.0	0.0		
1.47	4.0	46.0	51.0	1.0		
1.78	1.0	21.5	78.5	2.0		
1.92	0.5	12.5	83.0	4.4		
2.1	0.0	2.9	85.0	11.6		

Table III

 $\frac{\text{MeSi(OMe)}_{3} + n\text{PhCl} + 2n\text{Na}}{\text{MePh}_{x}\text{Si(OMe)}_{3-x} + n\text{NaCl} + n\text{NaOMe}}$

	mole percentage				
n	MeSi(OMe) ₃	MePhSi- (OMe) ₂	MePh ₂ SiOMe	MePh ₃ Si	
0.2	81.0	16.0	2.5	0	
0.687	41.0	45.0	14.0	0	
0.75	42.7	40.5	16.0	.9	
0.857	35.0	44.7	19.0	1.0	
0. 9 37⁴	30.0	47.8	21.0	1.3	
1.0	30.8	41.2	25.7	2.0	
1.16	25.8	42.2	27.7	4.3	
1.15 ^b	24.4	41.0	30.2	4.5	
1.43	8.0	44.0	42.0	4.0	
1.97	2.3	15.2	65.4	17.0	
2.19	1.0	8.0	60.0	31.0	

^a PhBr was used instead of PhCl. ^b No toluene.

Table IV

 $\frac{Me_2Si(OEt)_2 + nPhCl + 2nNa}{Me_2Ph_2Si(OEt)_{2-x} + nNaCl + nNaOMe}$

	mole percentage			
n	$Me_2Si(OEt)_2$	Me ₂ PhSiOEt	Me ₂ Ph ₂ Si	
0.45	57.0	40.4	2.3	
0.656	39.0	55.0	6.0	
0.860	28.0	58.0	14.0	
1.060	16.0	61.0	23.0	
1.187	8.8	63.5	27.6	
1.440	3.0	49.6	47.3	



Figure 1. Distribution of alkoxysilanes versus equivalents of chlorobenzene for Si(OMe)₄ + nPhCl + 2nNa \rightarrow Ph_xSi(OMe)_{4-x} + nNaCl + nNaOMe.

Si(OMe)₄, Table I; PhSi(OMe)₃, Table II; MeSi(OMe)₃, Table III; Me₂Si(OEt)₂, Table IV.

Plots of the distribution of alkoxysilanes versus equivalents of chlorobenzene were made from values in these tables. Figure 1 illustrates such a plot from Tables I and

⁽³⁾ Fuoss, R. M. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1943, 66, 2406.

Table V. Miscellaneous Syntheses					
reagents		n	products	% yield	mass spectra
Si(OMe)	F ₂ C(CH ₂) ₂ Br	1.73	F ₃ C(CH) ₂ Si(OMe) ₃ ^{a,b}	50	141 ($M^+ - F_2C_3H_3$, 72), 121 ($M^+ - F_3C_3H_4$, 100)
			$(F_3C(CH_2)_2)_2Si(OMe)_2^{a,b}$	30	155 ($M^+ - F_3C_3H_4 - CH_4O$, 28), 125 ($M^+ - F_3C_3H_4 - 2$ MeO, 47)
			(F ₃ C(CH ₂) ₂) ₃ SiOMe ^c	20	253 $(M^+ - F_3C_3H_4, 6)$
	p-(Me ₂ Si) ₂ NC ₆ H ₄ Cl	0.14	p-(Me ₃ Si) ₂ NC ₆ H ₄ Si(OMe) ₃	82	357 (M ⁺ , 29), 342 (M ⁺ - Me, 100)
	Me ₂ CCl	1.0	Me ₃ CSi(OMe) ₃	65 ^d	178 (M^+ , 2), 121 ($M^+ - C_4 H_9$, 100)
MeSi(OMe) ₃	F ₃ C(CH ₂) ₂ Br	0.21	$F_3C(CH_2)_2MeSi(OMe)_2^b$	75	125 $(M^+ - F_2C_3H_3, 47), 105 (M^+ - F_3C_3H_4, 100)$
	- 0 - (2/2		(F ₃ C(CH ₂) ₂) ₂ MeSiOMe	8	$171 (M^+ - F_3C_3H_4, 3)$
	D-Me_NC_HBr	0.22	$p-Me_2NC_6H_4MeSi(OMe)_2$	92°	225 (M^+ , 71), 210 (M^+ – Me, 100)
	CH ₂ =CHCH ₂ Cl	0.21	CH ₂ -CHCH ₂ MeSi(OMe) ₂	74	131 (M^+ – CH_3 , 3), 105 (M^+ – $CH_2CH=CH_2$, 100)
	• •		(CH ₂ =CHCH ₂) ₂ MeSiOMe	24	156 (M ⁺ , 1), 115 (M ⁺ – CH ₂ CH= $\ddot{C}H_2$, 100)
	2-chlorothiophene	0.13	C ₄ H ₄ SMeSi(OMe) ₂	60	188 (M ⁺ , 38), 173 (M ⁺ - Me, 100)
	•		(C ₄ H ₄ S) ₂ MeSiOMe	16	292 (M ⁺ , 19), 277 (M ⁺ - Me, 100)
	PhCH ₂ Cl	0.16	PhCH ₂ MeSi(OMe) ₂	91	196 (M ⁺ , 11), 105 (M ⁺ - $C_8H_5CH_2$, 100), 91 (M ⁺ - MeSi(OMe) ₂ , 20)
	•		(PhCH ₂) ₂ MeSiOMe	4	256 (M ⁺ , 10), 165 (M ⁺ $- C_{6}H_{5}CH_{2}$, 100)
	Me2CHBr	0.23	Me ₂ CHMeSi(OMe) ₂	40 ^d	148 (M^+ , 1), 105 ($M^+ - Me_2C$, 100)
Si(OEt)	p-(Me ₃ Si) ₂ NC ₆ H ₄ Cl	0.23	p-(Me ₃ Si) ₂ NC ₆ H ₄ Si(OEt) ₃	63	399 (M ⁺ , 65), 384 (M ⁺ - Me, 100)
	PhCl	1.70	PhSi(OEt) ₃ ^b	52^{e}	240 (M ⁺ , 20), 195 (M ⁺ – OEt, 49), 163 (M ⁺ – C ₆ H ₅ , 11)
			Ph ₂ Si(OEt) ₂ ^b	17^{e}	272 (M ⁺ , 6), 227 (M ⁺ – OEt, 16), 195 (M ⁺ – C ₆ H ₅ , 58)
			Ph.SiOEt ^b	17^{e}	304 (M ⁺ , 36), 259 (M ⁺ – OEt, 17), 227 (M ⁺ – \tilde{C}_6H_5 , 71)
	PhI	0.44	PhSi(OEt), ^b	60	
			Ph ₂ Si(OEt) ₂ ^b	28	
			Ph _s SiOEt ^b	5	
	EtOCH _o Cl	0.30	EtOCH ₂ Si(OEt) ₃	51 ^f	193 (M^+ – Et, 50), 163 (M^+ – CH ₂ OEt, 66)
			(EtOCH ₂) ₂ Si(OEt) ₂	7	207 ($M^+ - Et$, 12), 177 ($M^+ - CH_2OEt$, 49)
			(EtOCH ₂) ₂ SiOEt	4.5	191 ($M^+ - CH_2OEt$)
			(EtOCH ₂) ₄ Si	37/	235 (M^+ – Et, 3), 205 (M^+ – CH ₂ OEt, 76)
F ₃ C(CH ₂) ₂ Si- (OMe) ₃	$F_3C(CH_2)_2Br$	0.70	$(F_3C(CH_2)_2)_2Si(OMe)_2$	68	· · · · · ·
(/)			(F ₂ C(CH ₂) ₂) ₃ SiOMe	28	
		0.50	(F ₃ C(CH ₂) ₂ Si(OMe) ₂	>80	
	PhCl	0.38	F ₃ C(CH ₂) ₂ PhSi(OMe) ₂	72	$167 (M^+ - F_3 C_3 H_4, 100)$
$\frac{\text{Me}_2\text{Si}(\text{O-}n\text{-}}{\text{C}_6\text{H}_{13})_2}$		0.38	$PhMe_2SiO-n-C_6H_{13}$	100	221 ($M^+ - CH_3^-, 73$), 135 ($M^+ - OC_6H_{13}, 45$)

^aDescribed by: McBee, E.; Roberts, C.; Judd, G.; Chao, T. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1955, 77, 1292. ^bAvailable from Petrarch Systems, Bristol, PA 19007. ^cDescribed by: Kupnova, N.; Chugunov, V.; Klebanskii, A. Zh. Obschch. Khim. 1965, 35, 2022. ^dGases were liberated, presumably isobutylene and propylene. ^cMade from p-Me₂NC₆H₄Li in 31% yield by: Rosenberg, S. D.; Rochow, E. G. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1953, 77, 2907. ^fIsolated yields after distillation.

II. The relative specific rate constants for Si(OMe)₄ were taken as the ratios of the mole fractions of the alkoxysilanes shown in eqs 5-7. In this example, $k_4/k_3 = 0.043$, $k_3/k_2 = 0.32$, and $k_2/k_1 = 1.1$. When a value of 1 is assigned to k_4 , the relative rate constants $k_4/k_3/k_2/k_1$ are 1/23/72/65. The second phenyl substituent is attached slightly faster than the first, but the third and especially the fourth are much less rapidly attached. For MeSi-(OMe)₃, $k_4/k_3 = 0.17$ and $k_3/k_2 = 0.6$. These values give $k_4/k_3/k_2 = 1/5.9/9.8$. For Me₂Si(OEt)₂, k_4/k_3 is 0.28 and $k_4/k_3 = 1/3.6$. The procedure employed to determine these relative

The procedure employed to determine these relative competitive rate constants was used to synthesize organoalkoxysilanes from PhBr, PhI, PhCH₂Cl, CH₂==CHC-H₂Cl, $F_3CCH_2CH_2Br$, EtOCH₂Cl, 2-chlorothiophene, *p*-Me₂NC₆H₄Br, and *p*-(Me₃Si)₂NC₆H₄Cl, all with remarkable success. See Table V.

Experimental Section

Consecutive-Competitive Relative Rate Constants. Carefully measured amounts of chlorobenzene were dripped into a stirred dispersion of sodium in a known amount of refluxing tetramethoxysilane (bp 122 °C). After an increment of chlorobenzene was added, the liquid mixture was analyzed with an F and M Model 810 chromatograph interfaced with a Perkin-Elmer Sigma 10 integrator-minicomputer. The column used was $^3/_{16}$ in. × 10 ft stainless steel packed with 16.6% OV210 on Chromosorb P. Known mixtures of authentic samples were injected to determine the response factors to convert area percent into mole percent from the computer. The GLC curves were remarkably free of any detectable byproducts.

Sodium (202.5 g, 8.81 mol) was dispersed in refluxing tetraethoxysilane (305.8 g, 1.47 mol) and heptane (485 mL) at 102 °C. A mixture of chlorobenzene (495.7 g, 4.41 mol) and tetrachlorosilane (187.7 g, 1.105 mol) was added in 77 min. The mixture was then cooled to 50 °C, filtered free of NaCl, and analyzed by GC to contain Si(OEt)₄ (0.27 mol), PhSi(OEt)₃ (0.56 mol), Ph₂Si(OEt)₂ (1.15 mol), Ph₃SiOEt (0.39 mol), and Ph₄Si (0.03 mol). The mole fractions are as follows: Si(OEt)₄, 0.11; PhSi(OEt)₃, 0.23; Ph₂Si(OEt)₂, 0.48; Ph₃SiOEt, 0.16; Ph₄Si, 0.01. These values fall very close to the curves in Figure 1 if n is taken as 4.41/(1.47 + 1.105) = 1.71. Thus, it appears that the use of an inert solvent (heptane) and the mixture of PhCl/SiCl₄ had little or no effect upon relative competitive rate constants. Because the tetra-chlorosilane was converted to tetraethoxysilane, the number of moles of alkoxysilane used to calculate n in this example was the sum of the number of moles of (EtO)₄Si + SiCl₄.

Typical Syntheses. The structures of compounds for which authentic samples were not available were confirmed by NMR. All ¹H NMR were recorded on a Varian EM-390 spectrometer in CDCl₃ solvent with CHCl₃ as internal standard. All chemical shifts were reported relative to CHCl₃ at 7.24 ppm. GC/MS data were obtained from a Hewlett-Packard 5790 GC with 20 mm × 0.2 mm i.d. cross-linked methylsilicone capillary collum and a 5970 mass-selective detector. GC data were obtained from a Hewlett-Packard 5710 GC equipped with a 20 ft × ¹/₈ in. 10% SE30 on Chromosorb W HP 90/100-mesh column and a thermal conductivity detector. A Hewlett-Packard 3380 recording integrator was used for quantification. All alkoxysilanes were distilled from sodium prior to use to remove residual silanol, chloride, and alcohol.

Sodium (15.2 g, 0.66 mol) was dispersed in refluxing tetramethoxysilane (16.82 g, 0.11 mol) and toluene (125 mL) at 103 °C. A mixture of 3,3,3-trifluoropropyl bromide (58.5 g, 0.33 mol) and tetrachlorosilane (14.2 g, 0.083 mol) was added dropwise in 24 min. The mixture was filtered at 50 °C through a coarse glass sintered disk. The solids were washed twice with toluene. All the liquids were combined and analyzed by GLC/MS. The products were 50% F₃CCH₂CH₂Si(OMe)₃, 30%(F₃CCH₂CH₂)₂Si(OMe)₂, and 20% (F₃CCH₂CH₂)₃SiOMe with a detectable trace of (F₃CCH₂CH₂)₄Si. *n* in this example was calculated as 0.33 mol/(0.11 + 0.083) mol = 1.7.

Sodium (69 g, 3 mol) was dispersed in refluxing (3,3,3-trifluoropropyl)trimethoxysilane (130.3 g, 0.6 mol) and isooctane (2750 mL). A mixture of 3,3,3-trifluoropropyl bromide (264.7 g, 1.5 mol) and (3,3,3-trifluoropropyl)trichlorosilane (115.9 g, 0.5 mol) was added dropwise in 99 min, which kept the mixture gently refluxing with no external heat. The products were worked up as above, and GC analysis indicated the presence of $F_3CCH_2CH_2Si(OMe)_3$ (4%), ($F_3CCH_2CH_2Si(OMe)_2$ (68%), and ($F_3CCH_2CH_2SiOMe$ (28%). n = 1.5 mol/(0.6 + 0.5) mol = 1.36.

Sodium (1.88 g, 0.082 mol) was dispersed in refluxing (3,3,3-trifluoropropyl)trimethoxysilane (16.54 g, 0.076 mol) and isooctane (25 mL). A mixture of 3,3,3-trifluoropropyl bromide (7.26 g, 0.041 mol) and trimethylchlorosilane (4.42 g, 0.041 mol) was added. GC analysis indicated the products were trimethylmethoxysilane (25%), $F_3CCH_2CH_2Si(OMe)_3$ (45.3%), $(F_3CCH_2CH_2)_2Si(OMe)_2$ (21%), and $(F_3CCH_2CH_2CH_2)_3SiOMe$ (5.5%). No $F_3CCH_2CH_2SiMe_3$ was detected. n = 0.041 mol/0.076 mol = 0.7. Me₃SiOMe did not enter into competitive reactions.

Sodium (152.8 g, 6.65 mol) was dispersed in refluxing (104 °C) methyltrimethoxysilane (2040 g, 15 mol). A mixture of allyl chloride (281.14 g, 3.67 mol, 10% excess) and methyltrichlorosilane (166 g, 1.11 mol) was added in 115 min, which was the maximum rate at which the condenser could condense the boil up. The products from several such runs were combined and distilled to recover allyl chloride and methyltrimethoxysilane followed by CH_2 =CHCH₂MeSi(OMe)₂ (bp 128 °C; 366 g, 2.5 mol) and (CH₂=CHCH₂)₂MeSi OMe (bp 153 °C; 66 g, 0.42 mol), leaving a small undistilled residue containing mostly what appeared to be (CH₂=CHCH₂)₂MeSi and small amounts of several highboiling unidentified compounds believed to be siloxanes. n = 3.30 mol/(0.5 + 1.1) mol = 0.21.

Sodium (2.82 g, 0.12 mol) was dispersed in dimethyldi-*n*-hexoxysilane (34.3 g, 0.13 mol) at 104 °C, and a mixture of chlorobenzene (6.9 g, 0.06 mol) and dimethyldichlorosilane (4 g, 0.03 mol) was added. The temperature rose to 170 °C in 1 min. The mixture was cooled with an ice bath and kept at about 130 °C until the addition was completed in 7 min. Analysis by GC/MS indicated 100% yield of Me₂Ph SiO-*n*-Hex. n = 0.06 mol/(0.13 + 0.03) = 0.38. Some of the products were needed at Dow Corning for miscellaneous applications, and these were scaled up and distilled to isolate alkoxysilanes that were more than 98% pure by GC analyses. Such examples include the allyl-, (trifluoropropyl)-, (ethoxymethyl)-, and phenylethoxysilanes. In each of these, yields by analytical distillation were in very good agreement with GC analysis.

Only 1 equiv of any chlorosilane should be mixed with the organic halide, and the organic groups on the chlorosilane should be the same as those on the alkoxysilane. If an excess of chlorosilane is used, the products contain chlorosilane impurities that are exceedingly difficult to separate. If the organic groups on the chlorosilane are not the same as those on the alkoxysilane, the products will be a mixture of organoalkoxysilanes with the different organo groups.

A convenient exception to this is the use of Me_3SiCl , which can be used in any case because it forms Me_3SiOR' , which is volatile, easily separated from the other products, and slow to react with RNa to form Me_3SiR .

Data of Compounds Isolated Pure by Distillation. EtOCH₂Si(OEt)₃: bp 72 °C (10 mm); ¹H NMR δ 3.87 (6 H, q), 3.46 (2 H, q, 3.2 (2 H, s), 1.29 (12 H, t). (EtOCH₂)₄Si: bp 112 °C (10 mm); ¹H NMR δ 3.41 (8 H, s), 1.23 (12 H, t). CH₂= CHCH₂MeSi(OMe)₂: bp 128 °C (1 atm); ¹H NMR δ 5.75 (1 H, m), 3.5 (2 H, s), 1.64 (2 H, d), 0.13 (3 H, s). (CH₂= CHCH₂)₂MeSiOMe: bp 153 °C (1 atm); ¹H NMR δ 5.83 (2 H, d), 4.9 (4 H, m), 3.5 (3 H, s), 1.73 (4 H, d), 0.22 (3 H, s). CH₂= CHCH₂Me₂SiOMe: ¹H NMR δ 5.7 (1 H, m), 4.86 (2 H, d), 0.18 (6 H, s). (F₃CCH₂CH₂)₃SiOMe: bp 133 °C (71 mm); ¹H NMR δ 3.55 (3 H, s), 2.1 (6 H, m), 0.9 (4 H, m). (F₃CCH₂CH₂)₂Si(OMe): bp 103 °C (76 mm); ¹H NMR δ 3.57 (6 H, s), 2.1 (4 H, m), 0.9 (4 H, m). F₃CCH₂CH₂PhSi(OMe)₂: bp 107 °C (12 mm); ¹H NMR δ 7.4 (5 H, m), 3.5 (6 H, s), 2.0 (2 H, m).

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Investigation of Substituent Effects in Substituted (η^5 -Cyclopentadienyl)dicarbonylrhodium Compounds Using ¹⁰³Rh NMR and IR Data

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The effect of substituents on a series of ring-substituted (η^5 -cyclopentadienyl)dicarbonylrhodium complexes was investigated by means of changes in C–O stretching frequencies as well as ¹⁰³Rh NMR chemical shifts. The effect of electron-donating and -withdrawing substituents on the ¹⁰³Rh NMR shift and CO stretching frequencies was found to be qualitatively consistent with the traditional model of d π electron back-donation. The effect of the substituents was found to be neither a purely resonance or inductive phenomenon.

Introduction

¹⁰³Rh NMR spectroscopy has been used to gain information about the metal center in a variety of complexes.¹⁻⁶ The ¹⁰³Rh nucleus has a natural abundance of 100% and a nuclear spin of 1/2. The combination of the resulting narrow resonance bands and very large chemical shift

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