

Preparation of Novel (Fluoroaryl)silanes and Their Applications in the Organoyttrium-Catalyzed Hydrosilylation of Alkenes and Oxidation to Alcohols

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The synthesis of novel (fluoroaryl)silanes from the respective aryl Grignard reagents and silyl triflates is reported. The new silanes were used in the hydrosilylation of alkenes catalyzed by the organoyttrium complex $\text{Cp}^*\text{YMe}\cdot\text{THF}$ (THF = tetrahydrofuran). (Fluoroaryl)silanes were found to react faster than phenylsilane and in good to near quantitative yields. The resulting [(fluoroaryl)silyl]alkane products were found to be labile under very mild oxidative conditions, with both disubstituted alkenes and silyl-protected alcohol functionalities tolerating the oxidation.

Introduction

Organolanthanide and group 3 complexes have been widely investigated¹ as highly efficient catalysts for a variety of transformations, including the hydrosilylation² of alkenes and alkynes as well as the cyclization/silylation³ of polyunsaturated organic compounds. This protocol allows the selective and rapid construction of complex organosilanes while tolerating a variety of functional groups including hindered alkenes, silyl-protected alcohols, and tertiary amines.^{2b} The organosilane products of alkene hydrosilylation reactions can be oxidized to alcohols,⁴ making the hydrosilylation/oxidation protocol the equivalent of the classic hydroboration/oxidation reaction. The hydrosilylation/oxidation protocol also has a particularly useful advantage: the alkylsilane resulting from the hydrosilylation reaction is stable in the presence of oxygen, but an organoborane intermediate is not. This allows the resulting organosilane to be easily purified and even carried through several synthetic operations before revealing the latent alcohol by oxidation.

The utility of the synthesis of alcohols from alkenes using a hydrosilylation/oxidation protocol can be limited, however, by the reaction conditions used in the oxidation. Organolanthanide and group 3 complexes are used in conjunction with arylsilanes which are not typically used in other hydrosilylation protocols.^{2f} The use of arylsilanes in place of more readily oxidized alkoxy-silanes requires the use of a protodesilylation protocol to remove the arylsilane moiety under strongly acidic conditions.⁴ Basic oxidation protocols have also been developed for the cleavage of phenylsilanes, but they, like their acidic counterparts, require harsh conditions and long reaction times.⁵ Many functional groups are not compatible with these oxidation methods.⁶ Mild protocols exist but are typically useful only when there is an allyl group or heteroatom bonded to the silicon atom.⁶ These classes of silanes are not compatible with organolanthanide or group 3 catalysts.⁷

By modifying the nature of the aryl group bonded to silicon, it seemed reasonable that the oxidative lability of the hydrosilylated product could be enhanced without the introduction of a heteroatom. By increasing the lability of the organosilane, it was hoped that milder oxidation conditions and shorter reaction times could be used. Mechanistic work by Tamao has demonstrated that the addition of electron withdrawing groups to an aryl unit bonded to silicon increases its rate of cleavage under oxidizing conditions.⁸ We therefore envisioned that the installation of fluorine atoms or trifluoromethyl groups on the aromatic ring of an arylsilane would increase the reactivity of the organosilane products toward oxidizing agents.

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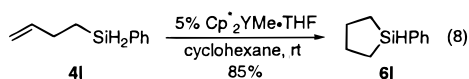
Table 4. Oxidation Reactions (Equation 9)^a

entry	(arylsilyl)decane	method ^b	% isolated yield of 1-decanol
1	6	A	45
2	6	C	42
3	6a	A	93
4	6a	C	77
5	6d	A	86
6	6d	B	73
7	6d	D	89
8	6e	A	57
9	6e	B	43
10	6e	D	46
11	6g	D	59
12	6h	B	80
13	6h	C	78
14	6h	D	70
15	6i	A	74
16	6i	B	65
17	6i	C	73
18	6i	D	73
19	6k	A	70
20	6k	B	75
21	6k	D	57

^a All reactions were performed at room temperature and were found to be complete within 2–3 h as indicated by GC analysis. ^b Method A: Purified (arylsilyl)decane oxidation with KF. Method B: Crude (arylsilyl)decane oxidation with KF. Method C: Purified (arylsilyl)decane oxidation without KF. Method D: Crude (arylsilyl)decane oxidation without KF.

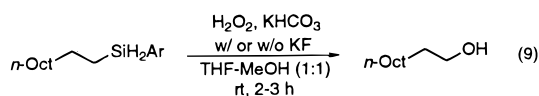
less activated than those of **4c**. Outside of some unknown silane–catalyst interaction, we are unable to suggest a plausible reason for the lack of formation of bisalkylation products with silanes **4c–e**.

A useful application of the silyl triflate method and catalytic hydrosilylation reaction is in the preparation and cyclization of **4l** (eq 8). The silacyclopentane product **6l** was accessed via an intramolecular hydrosilylation reaction in excellent yield in less than 1 h using catalyst **1**. Silacycloalkanes can be oxidized to produce diols and are therefore useful as masked diols in a synthetic scheme.^{4b} Silacycloalkanes have been prepared stereoselectively using chiral rhodium catalysts.^{4b}



[(Fluoroaryl)silyl]decane Oxidation Reactions.

The hydrosilylated products from the test reactions were oxidized to 1-decanol under two different sets of conditions. The second step of a Fleming–Tamao type oxidation protocol^{4d,e} was used as an initial test with either purified or crude (arylsilyl)decane products (eq 9). Because there were no alkoxy silanes present in our silane products, we chose to perform a set of experiments without the use of potassium fluoride. The results of these various oxidations are summarized in Table 4.



Very mild oxidation protocols were determined to be sufficient for the oxidation of [(fluoroaryl)silyl]decanes. Even (phenylsilyl)decane **6** can be oxidized in fair yield (45%) without the use of acidic reagents such as Hg(OAc)₂ or BF₃.⁴ The results of the current study also suggest that both electron rich and electron poor aryl

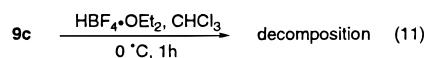
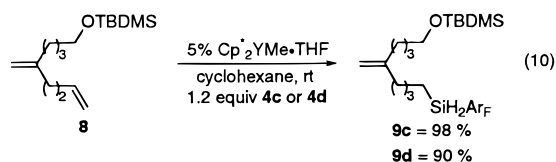
groups oxidize to provide better yields of 1-decanol than the parent compound **6**. These reactions are complete within 2–3 h at room temperature. This constitutes a significant improvement over other methods, most of which require reaction times on the order of days at room temperature and/or elevated temperatures.^{4,6}

The results in Table 4 also show that the yields for oxidation reactions without potassium fluoride were good, although in several cases they were slightly lower than the reactions with a fluoride source. This is an improvement over methods that require a fluoride source because fluoride ion can be problematic for molecules containing other labile silicon-containing functional groups, particularly silyl-protected alcohols.¹⁶

Finally, there appears to be only a slight advantage in using purified (arylsilyl)decanes. In most of the examples studied, the yields of oxidations using crude products were comparable to those that were purified. This adds to the simplicity of the hydrosilylation/oxidation protocol because the hydrosilylated material does not need to be purified before proceeding with the oxidation step.

Application of the Hydrosilylation/Oxidation Protocol. As a demonstration of the utility of this method, we prepared several new silanes and exposed them to various oxidation conditions. A useful substrate should contain sensitive groups that have been shown not to withstand the usual silane oxidation procedures. We chose the alkene starting material 9-(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-5-methylenon-1-ene (**8**) for several reasons. The *tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy (TBDMS) protecting group in **8** has been shown to be quite labile under typical oxidation conditions using either acidic or basic protocols.^{3b,7} Also, a 1,1-disubstituted alkene was used because such alkenes can be incompatible with mercury- or boron-based oxidation protocols.⁶ Finally, we have demonstrated previously that catalyst **1** does not react with disubstituted alkenes^{2e} and tolerates *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-protected alcohols.^{2b}

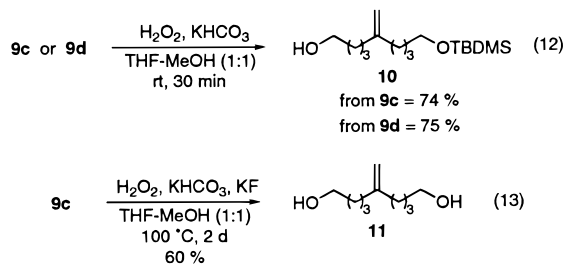
Hydrosilylation of **8** with catalyst **1** using the (fluoroaryl)silanes **4c,d** provided the products **9c,d** in excellent yield (eq 10). Both the disubstituted alkene and the protected alcohol were unaffected by the reaction conditions. An initial oxidation of **9c** with the method of Bosnich^{4b} resulted in decomposition of the starting material, presumably through an acid-promoted reaction of the alcohol with the 1,1-disubstituted alkene (eq 11).



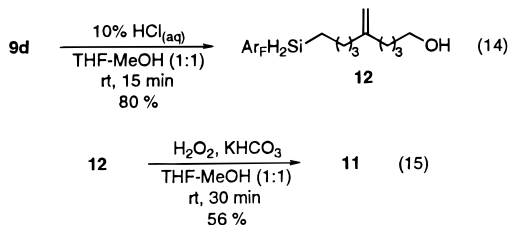
When **9c,d** were oxidized with H₂O₂/KHCO₃, the desired monoprotected alcohol **10** was obtained in good yield in 30 min (eq 12). As in the hydrosilylation reaction, both the disubstituted alkene and protected

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alcohol functionalities remained unaffected. When **9c** was treated with $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{KHCO}_3/\text{KF}$ at 100°C over a period of 2 days, the alcohol protecting group was cleaved and the silane was oxidized, providing the diol **11** in 60% isolated yield (eq 13).



An alternate route to diol **11** was also realized by cleavage of the *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-protected alcohol followed by silane oxidation. When silane **9d** was stirred with 10% HCl, removal of the protecting group was complete within 15 min, furnishing the alcohol **12** in 80% isolated yield (eq 14). Alcohol **12** was easily converted to diol **11** in 56% isolated yield by stirring over $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{KHCO}_3$ for 30 min (eq 15). This short synthesis demonstrates the power of this oxidation protocol in allowing one to reveal sterically identical alcohols in any order desired.



Conclusions

The utility of silyl triflates as useful intermediates for the synthesis of (fluoroaryl)silanes has been demonstrated. The silyl triflate protocol provided new silanes in good yield from the appropriate Grignard reagent in one pot. The new (fluoroaryl)silanes were shown to be compatible with the organoyttrium catalyst **1** in hydrosilylation reactions of 1-decene. The hydrosilylation reactions provided the corresponding [(fluoroaryl)silyl]decenes in very high yields with short reaction times. The [(fluoroaryl)silyl]decenes were found to be more labile than (phenylsilyl)decane under very mild oxidative conditions. These conditions tolerated disubstituted alkenes and silyl-protected alcohols while other protocols did not.

Experimental Section

All NMR spectra were recorded on a 300 or 500 MHz spectrometer. All ^{19}F NMR spectra are reported relative to C_6F_6 at 14.8 ppm (CFCl_3 at 0 ppm) as an internal standard. Because of complex C–F coupling in the ^{13}C NMR, we denote a doublet of multiplets as “dm” with an approximate direct C–F coupling constant given as determined from the center of each multiplet. All distillations were performed at atmospheric pressure (approximately 640 mmHg) unless otherwise indicated. All catalytic experiments were performed in a nitrogen-filled Vacuum Atmospheres glovebox or in a sealed reaction vessel initially prepared in the glovebox. The organo-lanthanide complex **1** was prepared according to the literature

procedure.¹⁷ The following compounds were synthesized according to their literature procedures: phenylchlorosilane,¹⁸ phenylfluorosilane,¹⁹ and (2,4,6-trifluoromethylphenyl)lithium.¹⁵ Dichloromethane was distilled from CaH_2 immediately before use. Cyclohexane was distilled from sodium/benzophenone ketyl and stored in the glovebox. Et_2O and THF were distilled from sodium/benzophenone ketyl immediately before use. THF and MeOH were used in oxidation reactions without purification. Phenylsilane (Aldrich) and 1-decene (Chem-sampco) used in catalytic reactions were freeze–pump–thaw–degassed as received and stored in the glovebox. Trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (Aldrich), phenylsilane, phenylmethylsilane (Gelest), and diphenylsilane (Gelest) were used as received in the preparation of silyl triflates. All Grignard solutions were prepared in the usual manner from the corresponding aryl bromides in Et_2O or THF and titrated with 0.1 N HCl immediately before use. All catalytic reactions used 2–6 mol % precatalyst loadings, 0.2–0.4 M 1-decene solutions, and 1.1–1.4 equiv of (fluoroaryl)silane unless otherwise stated. Authentic 1-decanol (Aldrich) was used as received for GC and NMR comparisons with the products of [(fluoroaryl)silyl]decane oxidations. All products synthesized were found to be >95% pure by capillary GC analysis.

Preparation of Pentafluorophenylsilane (**4a**) [General Procedure for the Preparation of (fluoroaryl)silanes].

A predried, argon-filled Schlenk flask capped with a rubber septum containing phenylsilane (7.01 g, 64.8 mmol) was charged with CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) and cooled to 0°C before trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (10.0 g, 67.1 mmol) was carefully added via syringe over 10 min. (**Caution!** The formation of silyl triflate is exothermic. Disproportionation of silyl triflate and concomitant formation of SiH_4 will occur if the mixture is allowed to heat up excessively.⁵ Avoid exposing the reaction media to air because SiH_4 is explosive in the presence of oxygen.) After 2 h at 0°C the mixture was added via cannula over 30 min to a rapidly stirred 0.608 M Et_2O solution of $\text{C}_6\text{F}_5\text{-MgBr}$ (105 mL, 63.8 mmol) also at 0°C . The resulting mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature overnight. The mixture was cooled to 0°C , and 2-propanol (10 mL) was slowly added via syringe before adding H_2O (1 mL). The reaction was diluted with pentane (200 mL), filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and distilled to give the title compound in 47% yield: bp $108\text{--}111^\circ\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 4.19 (t, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 149.10 (dm, $J \approx 244$ Hz), 142.99 (dm, $J \approx 257$ Hz), 137.40 (dm, $J \approx 254$ Hz), 100.94–101.43 (m). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 51.71 (t, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 2F), 27.30 (t, $J = 19.8$ Hz, 1F), 16.04–15.92 (m, 2F). IR (neat): 2192.6 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{F}_5\text{Si}$: 197.9924. Found: 197.9923. LRMS (EI): m/z 198 (83), 168 (37), 47 (100). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{F}_5\text{Si}$: C, 36.37; H, 1.53. Found: C, 36.72; H, 1.55.

(Pentafluorophenyl)methylsilane (4b**).** A predried, argon-filled Schlenk flask capped with a rubber septum containing phenylmethylsilane (6.20 g, 50.7 mmol) was charged with CH_2Cl_2 (25 mL) and cooled to 0°C before trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (7.78 g, 51.8 mmol) was carefully added via syringe over 10 min. After 15 min at 0°C the mixture was added via cannula over 15 min to a rapidly stirred 0.658 M Et_2O solution of $\text{C}_6\text{F}_5\text{MgBr}$ (70 mL, 46 mmol) also at 0°C . The resulting mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature overnight. The mixture was cooled to 0°C , and Et_3N (10 mL) was slowly added via syringe before diluting with pentane (200 mL). The mixture was dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and distilled to give the title compound in 53% yield: bp $132\text{--}134^\circ\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ

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4.38–4.61 (m, 2H), 0.43–0.49 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 149.10 (dm, $J \approx 238$ Hz), 142.64 (dm, $J \approx 256$ Hz), 137.30 (dm, $J \approx 253$ Hz), 105.31–105.86 (m), –8.15 (s). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 50.20 (t, $J = 16.8$ Hz, 2F), 26.27 (t, $J = 16.8$ Hz, 1F), 15.69–15.82 (m, 2F). IR (neat): 2182.7 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_5\text{F}_5\text{Si}$: 212.0081. Found: 212.0061. LRMS (EI): m/z 212 (100), 168 (24), 44 (82).

(Pentafluorophenyl)phenylsilane (5).²⁰ A 1.6 M solution of *n*-butyllithium in hexanes (22.5 mL, 36.0 mmol) was cannulated over 15 min to a predried, argon-filled Schlenk flask containing pentafluorobromobenzene (8.67 g, 35.1 mmol) and Et_2O (75 mL) at -78°C . After the mixture was stirred for 15 min, phenylchlorosilane (5.11 g, 35.8 mmol) was added as an Et_2O solution (10 mL) via cannula over 10 min. The reaction was stirred for 1 h at -78°C before removing the cold bath and allowing the resulting light yellow slurry to stir at room temperature for 18 h. The reaction was quenched with H_2O (0.5 mL) and diluted with pentane (200 mL). The slurry was dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and Kugelrohr distilled to give the title compound in 85% yield: bp 133–137 $^\circ\text{C}/36$ –38 mmHg. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.65–7.67 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.49 (m, 1H), 7.40–7.46 (m, 2H), 5.04 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 148.89 (dm, $J \approx 245$ Hz), 142.89 (dm, $J \approx 256$ Hz), 137.31 (dm, $J \approx 235$ Hz), 135.41 (s), 130.75 (s), 128.44 (s), 127.96 (s), 104.08–105.54 (m). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 51.19 (dt, $J = 4.6$, 18.3 Hz, 2F), 27.15 (t, $J = 19.8$ Hz, 1F), 16.20–16.32 (m, 2F). IR (neat): 2183.9 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{F}_5\text{Si}$: 274.0237. Found: 274.0225. LRMS (EI): m/z 274 (95), 106 (100), 78 (57), 47 (85). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{F}_5\text{Si}$: C, 52.55; H, 2.57. Found: C, 52.93; H, 2.72.

(3,5-Difluorophenyl)silane (4c) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a**. The reaction was quenched at 0°C with a 1:1 H_2O :saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (10 mL), diluted with pentane (200 mL), dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and distilled to give the title compound in 37% yield: bp 105–107 $^\circ\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.07 (dt, $J = 4.6$, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (tt, $J = 9.0$, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.78 (dd, $J = 253$, 10.6 Hz), 132.71 (t, $J = 6.2$ Hz), 117.95 (dd, $J = 17.7$, 5.3 Hz), 105.40 (t, $J = 24.7$ Hz). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 66.96 (t, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 2F). IR (neat): 2164.1 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{F}_2\text{Si}$: 144.0207. Found: 144.020. LRMS (EI): m/z 144 (100), 143 (70), 77 (79).

(3,4,5-Trifluorophenyl)silane (4d) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a**. Distillation gave the title compound in 62% yield: bp 112–114 $^\circ\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.11–7.17 (m, 2H), 4.17 (d, $J = 0.7$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 151.24 (ddd, $J = 211$, 8.8, 2.7 Hz), 140.99 (dt, $J = 255$, 15.0 Hz), 124.77 (dd, $J = 9.7$, 4.4 Hz), 119.35 (dd, $J = 15.0$, 5.3 Hz). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 42.42–42.48 (m, 2F), 18.46–18.57 (m, 1F). IR (neat): 2168.1 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}_3\text{Si}$: 162.0113. Found: 162.0102. LRMS (EI): m/z 162 (38), 94 (24).

(2,4,6-Trifluorophenyl)silane (4e) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a**. The reaction was quenched as in the preparation of **5** and distilled to give the title compound in 45% yield: bp 107–109 $^\circ\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 6.60–6.65 (m, 2H), 4.12 (t, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 166.36 (ddd, $J = 246$, 16.8, 15.0 Hz), 165.43 (dt, $J = 252$, 15.9 Hz), 99.88–100.36 (m), 99.54 (td, $J = 34.4$, 4.4 Hz). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 82.97 (s, 2F), 72.28–72.35 (m, 1F). IR (neat): 2184.3 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}_3\text{Si}$: 162.0113. Found: 162.0115. LRMS (EI): m/z 162 (85), 94 (100), 95 (90).

[4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]silane (4f) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a**. Distillation gave the title compound in 53% yield. The ^1H NMR spectrum closely matched the data reported in the literature.⁹

[2,4-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]silane (4g) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a**. The reaction was quenched as in the preparation of **4b** and distilled to give the title compound in 46% yield: bp 122–125 $^\circ\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.91 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (q, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 139.32 (s), 137.08 (q, $J = 31.8$ Hz), 133.14 (s), 132.82 (q, $J = 33.6$ Hz), 127.62 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz), 124.04 (q, $J = 274$ Hz), 123.30 (q, $J = 272$ Hz), 122.69 (t, $J = 4.4$ Hz). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 116.17 (d, $J = 4.6$, 3F), 113.32 (s, 3F). IR (neat): 2182.5 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{F}_6\text{Si}$: 244.0143. Found: 244.0130. LRMS (EI): m/z 244 (2), 195 (100).

[3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]silane (4h) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a**. The reaction was quenched with H_2O (0.5 mL), diluted with pentane (200 mL), dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and distilled to give the title compound in 56% yield: bp 119–123 $^\circ\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.03 (s, 2H), 7.90 (s, 1H), 4.29 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 135.60 (s), 132.07 (s), 131.29 (q, $J = 33.6$ Hz), 123.71–123.79 (m), 123.36 (q, $J = 273$ Hz). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 113.66 (s, 6F). IR (neat): 2172.4 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_5\text{F}_6\text{Si}$ ($\text{M} - \text{H}^+$): 243.0065. Found: 243.0047. LRMS (EI): m/z 244 (7), 195 (100).

[2,4,6-Tris(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]silane (4i) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a** using [2,4,6-tris(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]lithium as the nucleophile. The reaction was quenched as in the preparation of **5** and distilled to give the title compound in 57% yield: bp 125–130 $^\circ\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.14 (s, 2H), 4.41–4.29 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 139.75 (q, $J = 31.8$ Hz), 134.00 (s), 132.95 (q, $J = 35.3$ Hz), 125.70 (s), 123.30 (q, $J = 275$ Hz), 122.55 (q, $J = 273$ Hz). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 118.51 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 6F), 113.02 (s, 3F). IR (neat): 2223.2 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_5\text{F}_9\text{Si}$: 312.0017. Found: 312.0032. LRMS (EI): m/z 263 (86), 244 (100), 187 (64).

1,1'-Biphen-4-ylsilane (4j) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a**. The reaction was quenched at 0°C with a 1:1 H_2O :saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (10 mL), diluted with Et_2O , washed with 1:1 H_2O :saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (2×25 mL), dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and purified by flash chromatography to give the title compound in 67% yield. Melting point data closely matched that reported in the literature:²¹ R_f 0.5 (hexanes); mp 94.5–96.5 $^\circ\text{C}$ (lit. mp, 93–95 $^\circ\text{C}$). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.68 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 4H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.26 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 142.63 (s), 140.73 (s), 136.34 (s), 128.82 (s), 127.61 (s), 127.14 (s), 126.86 (s), 126.83 (s).

[4-(*N,N*-Dimethylamino)phenyl]silane (4k) was prepared according to the general procedure given for **4a**. The reaction was quenched at 0°C with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (5 mL), diluted with Et_2O (200 mL), washed with 10% NaOH (3×25 mL), dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and purified by flash chromatography to give the title compound in 65% yield. Melting point and NMR spectra closely matched the data reported in the literature:^{10a} R_f 0.3 (10:1 hexanes:ethyl acetate); mp 46.5–49.5 $^\circ\text{C}$ (lit. mp, 48 $^\circ\text{C}$).

1-(Phenylsilyl)but-3-ene (4l). A predried, argon-filled Schlenk flask capped with a rubber septum containing diphenylsilane (7.46 g, 40.5 mmol) was charged with CH_2Cl_2 (25 mL) at room temperature. Trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (6.25 g, 41.6 mmol) was carefully added via syringe over 10 min and stirred for an additional 15 min. The mixture was then added via cannula over 15 min to a rapidly stirred 0.351 M Et_2O

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solution of 3-butenylmagnesium bromide (96 mL, 34 mmol) at 0 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred for 15 min before removing the cold bath and stirring at room temperature overnight. The reaction was quenched as in the preparation of **4c** and distilled to give the title compound in 81% yield: bp 194–196 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.57–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.42 (m, 3H), 5.85–5.93 (m, 1H), 5.01–5.05 (m, 1H), 4.94–4.96 (m, 1H), 4.32 (t, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 2H), 2.19–2.24 (m, 2H), 1.03–1.08 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 140.16 (s), 135.22 (s), 132.28 (s), 129.57 (s), 127.98 (s), 113.67 (s), 29.00 (s), 9.22 (s). IR (neat): 2134.7 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₄Si: 162.0864. Found: 162.0876. LRMS (EI): *m/z* 162 (8), 107 (100), 105 (70).

1-(Phenylsilyl)decane (6) (Representative Procedure for the Hydrosilylation of 1-Decene with Catalyst **1**). In a nitrogen-filled glovebox, catalyst **1** (16 mg, 1.8 mol %) was dissolved in cyclohexane (5.0 mL). To this solution was added 1-decene (276 mg, 1.97 mmol) and phenylsilane (260 mg, 2.40 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 24 h.²² The reaction was filtered through a small plug of silica, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and Kugelrohr distilled to give the title compound in 97% yield. The NMR data closely match literature data.^{2e}

1-[(Pentafluorophenyl)silyl]decane (6a) was prepared in a sealed tube according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6** in the nitrogen-filled glovebox using 10 mol % of **1**. The reaction was immediately removed from the glovebox and heated to 50 °C in an oil bath. The reaction was stopped after 3 h. The crude material was Kugelrohr distilled twice to give the title compound in 56% yield: ot 75–85 °C/0.1 mmHg. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 4.31–4.35 (m, 2H), 1.37–1.42 (m, 2H), 1.30–1.34 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 12H), 0.94–0.99 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 148.88 (dm, *J* ≈ 248 Hz), 141.02 (dm, *J* ≈ 256 Hz), 137.20 (dm, *J* ≈ 253 Hz), 104.77–105.26 (m), 32.53 (s), 31.90 (s), 29.57 (s), 29.46 (s), 29.31 (s), 29.15 (s), 24.79 (s), 22.68 (s), 14.10 (s), 9.10 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 50.66 (d, *J* = 18.3 Hz, 2F), 26.28 (t, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1F), 15.76–15.83 (m, 2F). IR (neat): 2176.1 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₃F₅Si: 338.1489. Found: 338.1459. LRMS (EI): *m/z* 99 (63), 93 (100).

1-[(3,5-Difluorophenyl)silyl]decane (6c) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after <30 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 83% yield: ot 75–90 °C/0.1 mmHg. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.02–7.04 (m, 2H), 6.77–6.81 (m, 1H), 4.25 (t, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 2H), 1.39–1.45 (m, 2H), 1.29–1.34 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 12H), 0.89–0.94 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.75 (dd, *J* = 253, 10.6 Hz), 137.45 (t, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 117.22 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 5.3 Hz), 104.93 (t, *J* = 24.7 Hz), 32.75 (s), 31.91 (s), 29.61 (s), 29.50 (s), 29.33 (s), 29.21 (s), 24.84 (s), 22.70 (s), 14.12 (s), 9.65 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 66.46 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 2F). IR (neat): 2142.2 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₆F₂Si: 284.1772. Found: 284.1763. LRMS (EI): *m/z* 284 (2), 143 (90), 113 (61), 99 (100).

1-[(3,4,5-Trifluorophenyl)silyl]decane (6d) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after <30 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 96% yield: ot 75–90 °C/0.1 mmHg. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.24 (t, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 2H), 1.38–1.42 (m, 2H), 1.29–1.35 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 12H), 0.88–0.93 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.15 (ddd, *J* = 254, 7.1, 2.7 Hz), 140.64 (dt, *J* = 254, 15.0 Hz), 129.30 (q, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 118.60 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 4.4 Hz), 32.73 (s), 31.91 (s), 29.61 (s), 29.50 (s), 29.34 (s), 29.20 (s), 24.77 (s), 22.70 (s), 14.10 (s), 9.74 (s). ¹⁹F

NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 41.77–41.83 (m, 2F), 17.53–17.64 (m, 1F). IR (neat): 2144.5 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₄F₃Si (M - H⁺): 301.1599. Found: 301.1588. LRMS (EI): *m/z* 302 (1), 161 (88), 113 (78), 99 (100).

1-[(2,4,6-Trifluorophenyl)silyl]decane (6e) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after <30 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 96% yield: ot 70–80 °C/0.1 mmHg. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.57–6.63 (m, 2H), 4.26–4.29 (m, 2H), 1.35–1.43 (m, 2H), 1.29–1.33 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 12H), 0.91–0.95 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.27 (ddd, *J* = 320, 15.0, 2.7 Hz), 165.03 (dt, *J* = 252, 15.9 Hz), 103.49 (td, *J* = 35.3, 4.4 Hz), 99.73–100.20 (m), 32.61 (s), 31.92 (s), 29.61 (s), 29.51 (s), 29.34 (s), 29.22 (s), 24.95 (s), 22.70 (s), 14.11 (s), 9.39 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 82.24 (dd, *J* = 16.4, 5.3 Hz, 2F), 71.23–71.30 (m, 1F). IR (neat): 2169.7 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₄F₃Si (M - H⁺): 301.1599. Found: 301.1609. LRMS (EI): *m/z* 99 (100), 113 (59).

1-[(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)silyl]decane (6f) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after <10 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by flash chromatography gave the title compound in 97% yield: *R_f* 0.8 (hexanes). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.63 (dd, *J* = 42.6, 7.5 Hz, 4H), 4.30 (t, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 2H), 1.40–1.46 (m, 2H), 1.32–1.35 (m, 2H), 1.24 (s, 12H), 0.92–0.97 (m, 2H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 137.91 (s), 135.46 (s), 131.46 (q, *J* = 32.7 Hz), 124.42 (q, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 124.13 (q, *J* = 272 Hz), 32.78 (s), 31.91 (s), 29.61 (s), 29.51 (s), 29.33 (s), 29.22 (s), 24.95 (s), 22.69 (s), 14.11 (s), 9.71 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 113.52 (s, 3F). IR (neat): 2140.0 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₆F₃Si (M - H⁺): 315.1756. Found: 315.1768. LRMS (EI): *m/z* 315 (0.2), 175 (77), 127 (100).

1-[(2,4-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)silyl]decane (6g) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after <30 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 99% yield: ot 70–82 °C/0.1 mmHg. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.81 (dd, *J* = 65.7, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.37–4.42 (m, 2H), 1.36–1.42 (m, 2H), 1.31–1.33 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 12H), 0.94–0.98 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 137.36 (s), 138.73 (s), 136.54 (q, *J* = 31.8 Hz), 132.15 (q, *J* = 33.6 Hz), 127.28 (s), 124.80 (q, *J* = 91.9 Hz), 122.98–122.26 (m), 122.62 (q, *J* = 90.1 Hz), 32.71 (s), 31.91 (s), 29.60 (s), 29.50 (s), 29.32 (s), 29.19 (s), 24.93 (s), 22.69 (s), 14.10 (s), 10.06 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 116.79 (s, 3F), 113.29 (s, 3F). IR (neat): 2149.0 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆F₆Si: 384.1708. Found: 384.1720. LRMS (EI): *m/z* 243 (64), 193 (75), 139 (76), 119 (100).

1-[(3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)silyl]decane (6h) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after <5 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 62% yield: ot 80–95 °C/0.1 mmHg. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.97 (s, 2H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 4.35 (t, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 2H), 1.41–1.47 (m, 2H), 1.32–1.37 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 12H), 0.96–1.01 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 136.50 (s), 134.92 (s), 130.96 (q, *J* = 32.7 Hz), 122.35–124.52 (m), 123.43 (q, *J* = 273 Hz), 32.67 (s), 31.89 (s), 29.58 (s), 29.47 (s), 29.31 (s), 29.16 (s), 24.79 (s), 22.68 (s), 14.10 (s), 9.47 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 113.63 (s, 6F). IR (neat): 2147.9 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₅F₆Si (M - H⁺): 383.1630. Found: 383.1612. LRMS (EI): *m/z* 383 (8), 243 (100), 176 (80), 99 (93).

1-[(3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)decylsilyl]decane (7h) was isolated as a minor product from the preparation of **6h**. Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 18% yield: ot 125–135 °C/0.1 mmHg. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃):

(22) A 1/10th scale reaction was performed to gauge the speed of the reaction, and it was found to be complete within 1 h.

δ 7.91 (s, 2H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 4.30–4.33 (m, 1H), 1.22–1.38 (m, 32H), 0.84–0.89 (m, 10H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 139.90 (s), 134.31 (s), 130.73 (q, $J = 32.7$ Hz), 123.55 (q, $J = 273$ Hz), 122.88–123.04 (m), 33.04 (s), 31.89 (s), 29.60 (s), 29.49 (s), 29.31 (s), 29.17 (s), 24.24 (s), 22.68 (s), 14.10 (s), 11.45 (s). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 113.70 (s, 6F). IR (neat): 2122.7 cm^{-1} . LRMS (EI): m/z 524 (4.3), 523 (5.4), 383 (75), 311 (64), 243 (75), 176 (60), 85 (100). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{46}\text{F}_6\text{Si}$: C, 64.09; H, 8.84. Found: C, 64.21; H, 8.86.

1-[(2,4,6-Tris(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)silyl]decane (6i) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after 18 h as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 83% yield: ot 75–88 $^\circ\text{C}/0.1$ mmHg. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.12 (s, 2H), 4.39–4.46 (m, 2H), 1.43–1.49 (m, 2H), 1.32–1.35 (m, 2H), 1.25 (s, 12H), 0.97 (s, 2H), 0.86 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 139.38 (q, $J = 31.8$ Hz), 138.36 (s), 132.47 (q, $J = 34.5$ Hz), 125.73 (s), 123.43 (q, $J = 275$ Hz), 122.64 (q, $J = 272$ Hz), 32.61 (s), 31.92 (s), 29.62 (s), 29.50 (s), 29.34 (s), 29.20 (s), 25.04 (s), 22.70 (s), 14.10 (s), 10.23 (s). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 119.09 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 6F), 113.05 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 3F). IR (neat): 2201.3 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{25}\text{F}_9\text{Si}$: 452.1582. Found: 452.1582. LRMS (EI): m/z 311 (18), 187 (100).

1-[1,1'-Biphen-4-ylsilyl]decane (6j) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after <30 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 84% yield: ot 130–150 $^\circ\text{C}/0.1$ mmHg. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.63–7.65 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.61 (m, 4H), 7.42–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.37 (m, 1H), 4.32 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.44–1.51 (m, 2H), 1.34–1.39 (m, 2H), 1.25 (s, 12H), 0.94–0.99 (m, 2H), 0.87 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 142.24 (s), 140.92 (s), 135.69 (s), 131.50 (s), 128.78 (s), 127.47 (s), 127.14 (s), 126.66 (s), 32.87 (s), 31.92 (s), 29.63 (s), 29.55 (s), 29.34 (s), 29.27 (s), 25.10 (s), 22.70 (s), 14.12 (s), 10.07 (s). IR (neat): 2131.0 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{32}\text{Si}$: 324.2273. Found: 324.2258. LRMS (EI): m/z 324 (8), 183 (37), 154 (100).

1-[(4-(*N,N*-Dimethylamino)phenyl)silyl]decane (6k) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after <30 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 71% yield: ot 115–130 $^\circ\text{C}/0.1$ mmHg. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.41–7.43 (m, 2H), 6.71–6.73 (m, 2H), 4.24 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.96 (s, 6H), 1.41–1.47 (m, 2H), 1.30–1.35 (m, 2H), 1.25 (s, 12H), 0.86–0.91 (m, 5H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 151.28 (s), 136.28 (s), 117.26 (s), 111.99 (s), 40.15 (s), 32.92 (s), 31.92 (s), 29.64 (s), 29.57 (s), 29.34 (s), 29.31 (s), 25.15 (s), 22.70 (s), 14.12 (s), 10.57 (s). IR (neat): 2119.0 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{33}\text{NSi}$: 291.2382. Found: 291.2368. LRMS (EI): m/z 291 (25), 150 (72), 121 (100).

1-Phenylsilyldecane (6l) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6**. The reaction was complete after 1 h as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by flash chromatography gave the title compound²³ in 85% yield: R_f 0.6 (hexanes). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.59–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.42 (m, 3H), 4.56–4.58 (m, 1H), 1.71–1.79 (m, 4H), 1.03–1.09 (m, 2H), 0.86–0.93 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 136.24 (s), 134.52 (s), 129.31 (s), 127.87 (s), 27.55 (s), 10.37 (s). IR (neat): 2123.0 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{14}\text{Si}$: 162.0864. Found: 162.0872. LRMS (EI): m/z 162 (34), 105 (98), 84 (100).

Oxidation of Purified 6d. Representative Procedure for the Oxidation of Purified [(Fluoroaryl)silyl]decanes with KF. Method A. To a solution of **6d** (67 mg, 0.22 mmol)

in 1:1 THF:MeOH (4 mL) at room temperature was added KF (67 mg, 1.2 mmol), KHCO_3 (137 mg, 1.4 mmol), and 30% H_2O_2 (0.6 mL, 5.3 mmol). The reaction was complete after 3 h as indicated by GC analysis. The reaction mixture was concentrated by rotary evaporation to 0.5 mL, diluted with Et_2O (25 mL), and stirred over 10% NaOH (2 mL) for 30–60 min. The reaction was extracted with Et_2O (3×10 mL), dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and purified by flash chromatography (5:1 ethyl acetate:hexanes) to give 1-decanol (30 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 86% yield. The ^1H NMR spectrum was identical to that of authentic 1-decanol.

Oxidation of Crude 6d. Representative Procedure for the Oxidation of Crude [(Fluoroaryl)silyl]decanes with KF. Method B. The general procedure for the preparation of **6** was used to prepare crude **6d** (theoretical yield: 148 mg, 0.49 mmol), which was dissolved in 1:1 THF:MeOH (10 mL) at room temperature. To the solution was added KF (150 mg, 2.6 mmol), KHCO_3 (310 mg, 3.1 mmol), and 30% H_2O_2 (1.2 mL, 10.6 mmol). The reaction was complete after 2 h as indicated by GC analysis. Workup as in method A and purification by flash chromatography (5:1 ethyl acetate:hexanes) gave 1-decanol (57 mg, 0.36 mmol) in 73% yield. The ^1H NMR spectrum was identical to that of authentic 1-decanol.

Oxidation of Purified 6e. Representative Procedure for the Oxidation of Purified [(Fluoroaryl)silyl]decanes without KF. Method C. To a solution of **6e** (113 mg, 0.25 mmol) in 1:1 THF:MeOH (4 mL) at room temperature was added KHCO_3 (120 mg, 1.20 mmol) and 30% H_2O_2 (0.25 mL, 2.2 mmol). The reaction was complete after 3 h as indicated by GC analysis. Workup as in method A and purification by flash chromatography (5:1 ethyl acetate:hexanes) gave 1-decanol (29 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 73% yield. The ^1H NMR spectrum was identical to that of authentic 1-decanol.

Oxidation of Crude 6d. Representative Procedure for the Oxidation of Crude (Fluoroaryl)decylsilanes (without KF). Method D. The general procedure for the preparation of **6** was used to prepare crude **6d** (theoretical yield: 109 mg, 0.36 mmol), which was dissolved in 1:1 THF:MeOH (6 mL) at room temperature. To the solution was added KHCO_3 (180 mg, 1.8 mmol) and 30% H_2O_2 (0.4 mL, 3.5 mmol). The reaction was complete after 2 h as indicated by GC analysis. Workup as in method A and purification by flash chromatography (5:1 ethyl acetate:hexanes) gave 1-decanol (50 mg, 0.32 mmol) in 89% yield. The ^1H NMR spectrum was identical to that of authentic 1-decanol.

1-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-9-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)silyl]-5-methylenonane (9c) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6** from 9-(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-5-methylenon-1-ene and **4c**. The reaction was complete after 2 h as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 98% yield: ot 120–140 $^\circ\text{C}/0.1$ mmHg. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.03 (dt, $J = 5.4, 2.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.79 (tt, $J = 9.1, 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.25 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.59 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2H), 1.98 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 4H), 1.39–1.50 (m, 8H), 0.91–0.96 (m, 2H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.03 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.79 (dd, $J = 252, 11.0$ Hz), 149.42 (s), 137.30 (t, $J = 5.5$ Hz), 117.22 (dd, $J = 17.9, 4.7$ Hz), 108.96 (s), 104.97 (t, $J = 24.7$ Hz), 63.03 (s), 35.73 (s), 35.51 (s), 32.53 (s), 30.81 (s), 25.97 (s), 24.62 (s), 23.98 (s), 18.35 (s), 9.58 (s), –5.29 (s). ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 66.50 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2F). IR (neat): 2143.0 cm^{-1} . HRMS. Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{29}\text{F}_2\text{OSi}_2$ ($M - t\text{-Bu}^+$): 355.1725. Found: 355.1727. LRMS (EI): m/z 355 (17), 217 (55), 75 (100).

1-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-9-[(3,4,5-trifluorophenyl)silyl]-5-methylenonane (9d) was prepared according to the general procedure for the preparation of **6** from 9-(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-5-methylenon-1-ene and **4d**. The reaction was complete after <30 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 90% yield: ot 125–145 $^\circ\text{C}/0.1$ mmHg. ^1H

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NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.11 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.67 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 4.24 (t, J = 3.8 Hz, 2H), 3.59 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.98 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.39–1.50 (m, 8H), 0.90–0.94 (m, 2H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.03 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.19 (ddd, J = 254, 9.6, 2.7 Hz), 149.40 (s), 140.69 (dt, J = 254, 15.0 Hz), 129.17 (dd, J = 5.3, 4.3 Hz), 118.61 (dd, J = 4.8, 4.3 Hz), 108.98 (s), 63.03 (s), 35.73 (s), 35.48 (s), 32.53 (s), 30.78 (s), 25.96 (s), 24.53 (s), 23.98 (s), 18.35 (s), 9.66 (s), –5.30 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 41.81–41.87 (m, 2F), 17.60–17.71 (m, 1F). IR (neat): 3073.6, 2144.9 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₈F₃OSi₂ (M – *t*-Bu⁺): 373.1631. Found: 373.1620. LRMS (EI): m/z 373 (17), 75 (100).

9-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-5-methylenenon-1-ol (10) was prepared according to the general oxidation method C from **9c**. The reaction was complete after 30 min as indicated by GC analysis. Workup and purification by flash chromatography gave the title compound in 75% yield: R_f 0.25 (5:1 hexanes:ethyl acetate). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 4.69 (d, 2H), 3.63 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.59 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (q, J = 7.7 Hz, 4H), 1.41–1.58 (m, 9H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.02 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.45 (s), 109.01 (s), 63.07 (s), 62.87 (s), 35.70 (s), 35.67 (s), 32.52 (s), 32.47 (s), 25.97 (s), 23.95 (s), 23.87 (s), 18.36 (s), –5.28 (s). IR (neat): 3353.8 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₆H₃₅O₂Si (M + H⁺): 287.2406. Found: 287.2397. LRMS (EI): m/z 130 (25), 95 (100), 81 (96), 75 (93).

Preparation 5-Methylenenonane-1,9-diol (11). To a solution of **9c** (169 mg, 0.41 mmol) in 1:1 THF:MeOH (6 mL) and H₂O (1 mL) at room temperature was added KF (240 mg, 4.14 mmol), KHCO₃ (248 mg, 2.48 mmol), and 30% H₂O₂ (0.5 mL, 4.41 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 12 h at which time conversion to the *tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy-monoprotected diol was complete by GC analysis. The mixture was then heated to 100 °C for 48 h. The reaction was allowed to cool to room temperature, concentrated by rotary evaporation to approximately 2 mL, saturated with NaCl, extracted with Et₂O (4 × 20 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and purified by flash chromatography to give the title compound in 60% yield. Alternatively, the title compound may be prepared from **12** using oxidation method C. The reaction was stirred for 30 min at which time no starting material could be detected by GC

analysis. Workup and purification by flash chromatography followed by Kugelrohr distillation gave the title compound in 56% yield: R_f 0.23 (3:1 ethyl acetate:hexanes). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 4.69 (s, 2H), 3.61 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 4H), 2.01 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 1.80 (s, 2H), 1.44–1.56 (m, 8H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.24 (s), 109.17 (s), 62.70 (s), 35.63 (s), 32.36 (s), 23.84 (s). IR (neat): 3330.5 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₈O (M – H₂O⁺): 154.1358. Found: 154.1366. LRMS (EI): m/z 154 (4), 81 (82), 55 (96), 41 (100).

Preparation of 9-(3,4,5-Trifluorophenylsilyl)-5-methylenenon-1-ol (12). To a solution of **9d** (199 mg, 0.46 mmol) in 1:1 THF:MeOH (4 mL) at 0 °C was added 10% HCl (0.9 mL, 0.94 mmol). The reaction was stirred for 5 min before removing the cold bath. The reaction was stirred for 15 min at room temperature at which time no starting material could be detected by GC analysis. The crude mixture was concentrated by rotary evaporation to approximately 1 mL, extracted with Et₂O (4 × 20 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, concentrated by rotary evaporation, and purified by flash chromatography to give the title compound in 80% yield: R_f 0.13 (5:1 hexanes:ethyl acetate). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.08–7.13 (m, 2H), 4.68 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.23 (t, J = 3.6 Hz, 2H), 3.62 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.99 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.37–1.57 (m, 9H), 0.89–0.94 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.14 (ddd, J = 254, 9.5, 2.6 Hz), 149.16 (s), 140.64 (dt, J = 254, 15.0 Hz), 129.04–129.23 (m), 118.59 (dd, J = 14.1, 4.4 Hz), 109.09 (s), 62.79 (s), 35.67 (s), 35.45 (s), 32.42 (s), 30.72 (s), 24.48 (s), 23.86 (s), 9.62 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 41.82–41.88 (m, 2F), 17.64–17.72 (m, 1F). IR (neat): 3354.2, 2144.3 cm⁻¹. HRMS. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₂F₃OSi (M – H⁺): 315.1392. Found: 315.1407. LRMS (EI): m/z 315 (2), 177 (65), 161 (100), 55 (91), 41 (86).

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