

## TRANSITION-METAL CATALYZED SILYLMETALATION OF ALLENES

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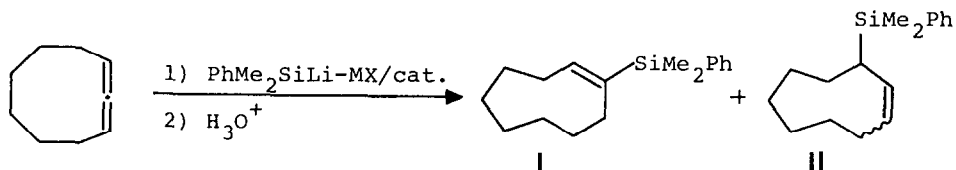
Abstract: Addition of  $\text{PhMe}_2\text{SiMgMe}$ ,  $(\text{PhMe}_2\text{Si})_2\text{Zn}$ , or  $\text{PhMe}_2\text{SiAlEt}_2$  to allenes proceeds in the presence of various transition-metal catalysts. Whereas copper catalyzed silylmagnesation of 1,2-cyclononadiene gives 1-dimethylphenylsilyl-1-cyclononene exclusively, palladium catalyzed silylaluminum affords 3-dimethylphenylsilyl-1-cyclononene preferentially with high degrees of regioselectivity.

The recently reported silylmetalation of terminal acetylenes proceeds in the presence of various transition-metal catalysts with high regio- and stereoselectivity.<sup>1</sup> Further extension of this reaction to allenes as substrates<sup>2</sup> has provided a novel synthesis of vinylsilanes and allylsilanes,<sup>3</sup> respectively, under good control of the regioselectivity.

Silylmagnesation of 1,2-cyclononadiene in the presence of  $\text{CuI}$  catalyst, followed by aqueous quenching, produces exclusively 1-dimethylphenylsilyl-1-cyclononene (**I**) in which the  $\text{PhMe}_2\text{Si}$  group is attached to the central carbon of the allene. Among many combinations examined, a part of which has been given in Table 1, the  $\text{PhMe}_2\text{SiAlEt}_2\text{-PdCl}_2(\text{P}(o\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4)_3)_2$  system was found to afford the isomeric 3-dimethylphenylsilyl-1-cyclononene (**II**) predominantly.<sup>4</sup> Ligands of palladium catalysts play an important role to control the product distributions. The reaction of 1,2-cyclononadiene with  $\text{PhMe}_2\text{SiAlEt}_2$  in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$  gave a mixture of **I** and **II** in a 55:45 ratio.

Some electrophiles smoothly reacted with the allylic Grignard intermediates derived from  $\text{CuI}$  catalyzed silylmagnesation of 1,2-cyclononadiene (Table 2) and 1,2-propadiene (Table 3). Thus, methyl iodide, allyl bromide, trialkylchlorosilanes, and aldehydes gave the corresponding silylalkenes carrying the electrophilic partners E.

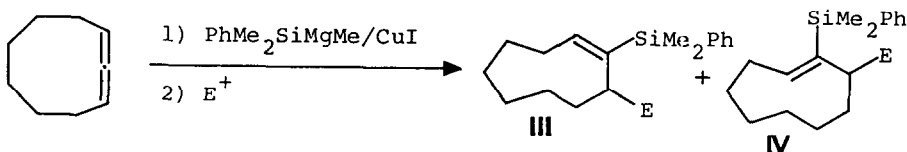
An ethereal solution of methylmagnesium iodide (1.3 M, 9.8 ml, 13.0 mmol) was added to a THF solution of dimethylphenylsilyllithium (0.82 M, 15.9 ml, 13.0 mmol) at 0°C under an argon atmosphere. After stirring for 15 min,  $\text{CuI}$  (95 mg, 5 mol%) was added and the resulting solution was stirred for an additional 5 min. A solution of 1,2-cyclononadiene (1.22 g, 10.0 mmol) in THF (7 ml) was added and the whole was stirred for 10 min at 0°C.

Table 1. Transition-metal catalyzed silylmetalation<sup>a</sup>

| Entry | Reagent   | Catalyst   | Conditions |         | Yield (%) | Ratio of I/II |    |
|-------|---|--|------------|---------|-----------|---------------|----|
|       |   |  | Temp(°C)   | Time(h) |           | I             | II |
| 1     | PhMe <sub>2</sub> SiMgMe                            | CuI  | 0          | 0.2     | 74        | >95           | <5 |
| 2     | (PhMe <sub>2</sub> Si) <sub>2</sub> Zn <sup>b</sup> | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (PBU <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>                                   | 0          | 2       | 70        | 50            | 50 |
| 3     | (PhMe <sub>2</sub> Si) <sub>2</sub> Zn <sup>b</sup> | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (P(o-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> | 0          | 1.5     | 40        | 30            | 70 |
| 4     | PhMe <sub>2</sub> SiAlEt <sub>2</sub>               | Pd(PPh <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub>   | 80         | 4       | 41        | 55            | 45 |
| 5     | PhMe <sub>2</sub> SiAlEt <sub>2</sub>               | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (P(o-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> | 25         | 15      | 36        | 10            | 90 |

<sup>a</sup> Two mol of PhMe<sub>2</sub>Si-Mtl reagent, one mol of 1,2-cyclononadiene, and 5 mol% of catalyst were employed. <sup>b</sup> A reagent was produced by mixing the silyllithium with ZnBr<sub>2</sub> in a 2:1 ratio.

Table 2. Transition-metal catalyzed silylmetalation of 1,2-cyclononadiene followed by reaction with electrophiles

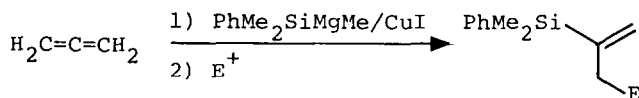


| Entry | Electrophile                          | Conditions |         | Yield (%) | Ratio <sup>a</sup> of III/IV |                |
|-------|---------------------------------------|------------|---------|-----------|------------------------------|----------------|
|       |                                       | Temp(°C)   | Time(h) |           | III                          | IV             |
| 1     | MeI                                   | 0          | 0.1     | 88        | 100                          | 0              |
| 2     | CH <sub>2</sub> =CHCH <sub>2</sub> Br | 0          | 0.1     | 94        | 100                          | 0              |
| 3     | PhMe <sub>2</sub> SiCl                | 0          | 0.2     | 91        | 15                           | 85             |
| 4     | Me <sub>3</sub> SiCl                  | 0          | 0.2     | 84        | 0                            | 100            |
| 5     | PhCHO                                 | -78        | 0.2     | 56        | 23                           | 77             |
| 6     | CH <sub>3</sub> CHO                   | -78        | 0.5     | 67        | 100                          | 0              |
| 7     | CH <sub>2</sub> =CHCHO                | -78        | 0.5     | 71        |                              | - <sup>b</sup> |
| 8     | CH <sub>3</sub> CH=CHCHO              | -78        | 1.0     | 91        |                              | - <sup>b</sup> |

<sup>a</sup> The ratios were determined by the examination of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of the mixtures according to the reported data. See ref. 2. <sup>b</sup> Major products were III. Exact isomeric ratio could not be determined because of the complexity of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra. 1,2-Adduct was obtained exclusively.

The mixture was cooled at  $-78^{\circ}\text{C}$  and treated with a solution of crotonaldehyde (1.05 g, 15.0 mmol) in THF (4 ml). Purification by silica gel column chromatography gave 3-(1-hydroxy-2-butenyl)-2-dimethylphenylsilyl-1-cyclononene<sup>5</sup> (3.0 g) in 91% yield.

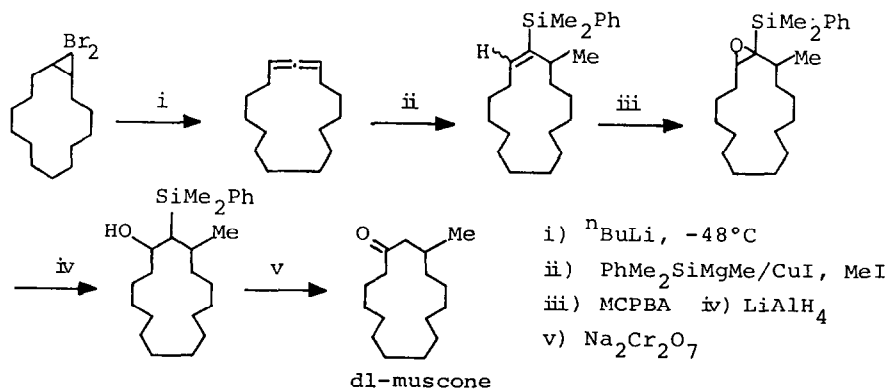
Table 3. Transition-metal catalyzed silylmetalation of 1,2-propadiene followed by reaction with electrophiles<sup>a</sup>



| Entry | Electrophile                          | Yield <sup>b</sup> (%) |
|-------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1     | H <sub>2</sub> O                      | 60                     |
| 2     | CH <sub>2</sub> =CHCH <sub>2</sub> Br | 30                     |
| 3     | PhCHO                                 | 62                     |
| 4     | CH <sub>3</sub> CH=CHCHO              | 48                     |
| 5     | Me <sub>3</sub> SiCl                  | 47                     |

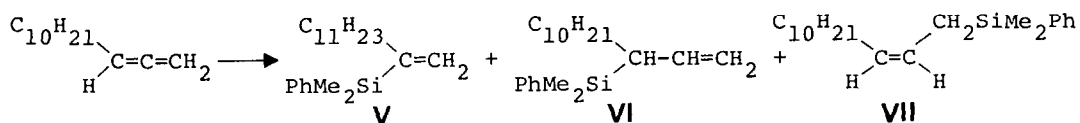
<sup>a</sup> One mol of PhMe<sub>2</sub>SiMgMe reagent, excess of 1,2-propadiene, and 5 mol% of catalyst were employed. <sup>b</sup> Based on the reagent, PhMe<sub>2</sub>SiMgMe.

This new method has provided us with a simple route to dl-muscone.<sup>6</sup> Silylmagnesation of 1,2-cyclopentadecadiene followed by quenching with MeI gave 3-methyl-2-dimethylphenylsilyl-1-cyclopentadecene<sup>7</sup> in 77% yield. Epoxidation (97%) and oxirane ring opening<sup>8</sup> (47%) gave hydroxysilane. Final oxidation of the hydroxysilane produced dl-muscone (96%).<sup>9</sup>



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4. Acyclic allene gave the similar results as cyclic ones. For instance, CuI catalyzed silylmagnesation of 1,2-tridecadiene provided 2-dimethylphenylsilyl-1-tridecene (V) exclusively (68%). In contrast, PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> promoted silylaluminumation gave an isomeric mixture (V:VI:VII = 40:35:25, 55%) and silylzincation in the presence of PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> afforded the mixture (V:VI:VII = 30:22:48, 81%).



5. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CCl<sub>4</sub>) δ 0.31 (s, 1.4H), 0.37 (s, 2.6H), 0.40 (s, 2.0H), 1.0-1.8 (m + d (δ 1.58, J = 4.8 Hz, 2.0H, one of diastereomers) + d (δ 1.66, J = 4.8 Hz, 1.0H, one of diastereomers), totally 14H), 2.0-2.9 (m, 3H), 3.6-3.9 (m, 1H), 5.2-5.5 (m, 2H), 5.91 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 0.65H), 6.05 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 0.35H), 7.1-7.6 (m, 5H); IR (neat) 3450, 1255, 1105 cm<sup>-1</sup>.
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7. bp 150-155°C (bath temp, 1 Torr); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.25 (s, 1.5H), 0.35 (s, 1.5 H), 0.38 (s, 3H), 0.7-1.6 (m + d (δ 0.88, J = 4.8 Hz, 1.5H) + d (δ 0.96, J = 4.8 Hz, 1.5H), totally 25H), 1.6-2.8 (m, 3H), 5.67 (dd, J = 5.7, 7.6 Hz, 0.5H), 5.95 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 0.5H), 7.1-7.5 (m, 5H); IR (neat) 1255, 1110 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (%) 356 (M<sup>+</sup>, 3), 341 (2), 135 (100). Found: C, 80.84, H, 11.25%. Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>40</sub>Si: C, 80.82; H, 11.30%.
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