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# Chemo- and Regioselectivity in the Lewis Acid-Induced Reaction of Sterically Unhindered Isocyclic Allylsilanes with 3-Butyn-2-one.

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Abstract: The primordial influence of the ring size in the Lewis acid-promoted reaction of sterically unhindered isocyclic allylsilanes with 3-butyn-2-one is reported. In all the cases, the classical Sakurai-Hosomi reaction is, for the most part or fully, suppressed. With cyclohexanic frameworks, allyltrimethylsilanes like 1a-c afford mainly or solely H-ene components. This chemoselectivity is quite different from the one of cyclopentanic core compounds 1d-f which act primarily as [2+2] cycloaddition agents at the expense of the H-ene products procedure. Furthermore, the regioselectivity of the H-ene products formation is opposite for the two skeletons. Using Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl, the [2+2] cyloaddition of five carbon atoms isocyclic allylsilanes proceeds with complete chemoselectivity and provides an efficient synthesis of functionalized bicyclo [3, 2, 0] heptenes. Copyright © 1996 Elsevier Science Ltd

### INTRODUCTION

The catalysed conjugate addition of allylsilanes to  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -enones, called Sakurai-Hosomi reaction, is of wide scope for carbon-carbon bond construction in organic synthesis<sup>1</sup>. However, the Lewis acid-mediated [3+2] cycloaddition of allylsilanes to  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -insaturated carbonyl compounds is presently considered as an efficient method for the synthesis of silyl- substituted cyclopentanes<sup>2a-f</sup>. The aim is the suppression of the classical Sakurai-Hosomi reaction by using sterically hindered allylsilanes, *e.g.* allyltriisopropyl or allyltriphenylsilanes.

The allylsilane serves as the synthetic equivalent of a 2-silyl-substituted 1,3-dipole and the process is believed to involve an intermediate silicon stabilized delocalized cation<sup>2d</sup> (Scheme 1).

$$+ \bigcup_{\text{Si(iPr)}_3} \left( \equiv \bigoplus_{\Theta} -\text{Si(iPr)}_3 \right) \xrightarrow{\text{TiCl}_4} - \bigcup_{\Theta} -\text{Si(iPr)}_3$$

Scheme 1

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In 1993, during the course of our studies on the H-ene reaction<sup>3</sup> of cyclohexanic core allylsilanes with 3-butyn-2-one<sup>4</sup>, we reported, a contrario of these well established facts, the formation of minor amounts of a cyclobutene by-product by a competitive ZnI<sub>2</sub> catalysed [2+2] cycloaddition<sup>5,6</sup>. Recently, two papers concerning the [2+2] cycloaddition of allyltriisopropylsilane to electrophilic olefins<sup>7</sup> and unsaturated esters<sup>8</sup> have been published. For all of these approaches, when sterically unhindered allylsilanes were employed, e.g. allyltrimethylsilane, very poor yields of the expected products were obtained<sup>9</sup>.

Herein, we report in full on our studies of the Lewis acid-promoted reactions of six and five carbon atoms isocyclic allylsilanes sterically unhindered at the silicon atom with 3-butyn-2-one and show the primordial influence of the ring size on the progress of the reaction.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Our results are presented in the general Scheme 2.

Scheme 2

- Synthesis of ally lsilanes  $\mathbf{1a-c}$  (n=2) and  $\mathbf{1d-f}$  (n=1).

Their preparation was efficiently achieved in two steps based on the procedure of Kumada<sup>10</sup>.

$$\begin{array}{c} n = 2 \\ n = 1 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} 1 - LDA \text{ then CIPO(OEt)}_2 \\ 2 - ClMgCH_2SiMe_3 \text{ , Ni(acac)}_2 \\ 63 - 66\% \text{ overall yields} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{la} \\ \text{ld} \end{array}$$
 
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Scheme 3

The treatment of commercially available cycloalkanones (cycloalkenones) by LDA (Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi) then ClPO(OEt)<sub>2</sub> led to the corresponding enol phosphates. A modified<sup>11</sup> Kumada experimental sequence (ClMgCH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub> added in small portions during 10 hours rather than in one portion alone) applied to the enol phosphates gave the allylsilanes in good overall yield (Scheme 3).

- Reactivity of cyclohexanic core allylsilanes 1a-c (n = 2) and cyclopentanic core allylsilanes 1d-f (n = 1). Our initial attempts using different kinds of strong Lewis acids, which are generally used in the Sakurai-Hosomi reaction at low temperature (TiCl<sub>4</sub>, SnCl<sub>4</sub>, BF<sub>3</sub>.OEt<sub>2</sub>), were unsuccessful because complex mixtures were obtained. Therefore, we focused our attention on the use of milder Lewis acids.

- In a first typical procedure, a mixture of allylsilanes 1 (1 equiv), anhydrous ZnI<sub>2</sub> (1.5 equiv), butynone (2 equiv) and molecular sieves 4Å (in the case of 1b, c) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction was monitored by TLC showing the formation of three compounds for 1a, mainly one for 1b, solely one for 1c, but always three compounds for 1d-f (Table 1, ZnI<sub>2</sub>).

In the absence of MS 4Å, the ZnI<sub>2</sub>-induced reaction proceeded smoothly but provided significant isomerisation of the double bond of the starting materials 1b or 1c, leading to unwanted rearranged products.

- In a second procedure, the reaction was catalysed by Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl which is also a mild Lewis acid and a proton scavenger<sup>12</sup>. In this case, the reaction went to completion more quickly (20 min), with less equivalent of reagents (1.1 equiv of butynone; 1.2 equiv of Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl) and at a lower temperature (-30°C). The highest reactivity of this Lewis acid allowed the reaction to be more selective and so provided a sole product for 1a-c and for 1d-f (Table 1, Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl).

The different products were separated by column chromatography on silica gel. Each structure was established by relevant spectroscopic data (IR, <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR, DEPT experiment) and microanalysis always included.

Compounds	L. A.	2+2	H-ene	Sakurai	Overall
		% <b>2</b>	% (3:4)	% 5	Yield
n = 2:	-				
1a	$ZnI_2$	19	70 (1 : 3)	11	70
1 b	"	4	93 (1:3)	3	72
1c	n	+	100 (1 : 3)	-	77
n = 1:					
1 d	ZnI <sub>2</sub>	63	21 (3 : 1)	16	85
1e	"	66	22 (4:1)	12	84
1f	11	74	16 (4:1)	10	88
n = 2:					
1a	Me <sub>2</sub> AlCl	-	100 (0:1)	-	92
1b	"	-	100 (0:1)	-	93
1 c	11	-	100 (0 : 1)	-	90
n = 1:					
1 d	Me <sub>2</sub> AlCl	100	-	-	93
1 e	"	100	-	-	91
1f	"	100	-	-	91

Table 1: Lewis Acid-induced Reaction of Allysilanes  $\mathbf{1a}$ - $\mathbf{c}$  ( n=2 ) and  $\mathbf{1d}$ - $\mathbf{f}$  (n = 1) with 3-butyn-2-one. Ratios of products were determined by capillary GLC analysis.

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### - Structure Determination:

The structure of 2a as a bicyclo [4.2.0] octene derivative has been previously determined<sup>5</sup>; the structures of the products 2d-f (n = 1) as bicyclo [3.2.0] heptenes are proved in the same manner. Both <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C chemical shifts of the -CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub> are consistent with a direct bonding to the Si atom (Table 2). A two-dimensional C, H correlation experiment<sup>13</sup> (COLOC) ran for 2d (R<sub>1</sub> = R<sub>2</sub> = H) showed three bond cross-peaks from the H (-Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>) to C (-CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>) and conversely from the H (-CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>) to C (-Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). In the case of 2e, the allylic proton on the ring juncture resonated as a broad singlet at  $\delta_H$  = 2.39. The absence of significant coupling constants showed clearly the *trans* relationship with the tertiary one in  $\alpha$  position.

Products	2d	2 e	2 f
<sup>1</sup> H -C <u>H</u> <sub>2</sub> SiMe <sub>3</sub>	1.17	1.34 and 0.93	1.31 and 0.89
	s	(AB, J=-14.7 Hz)	(AB, J=-14.8 Hz)
<sup>13</sup> C - <u>C</u> H <sub>2</sub> SiMe <sub>3</sub>	24.1	25.5	25.5

Table 2: Selected <sup>1</sup>H (200 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C (50 MHz) NMR data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the bicyclo [3.2.0] heptenes **2d-f**.

The structural assignments and ratios of the unseparable mixture of H-ene products 3a-c /4a-c and 3d-f / 4d-f were also established by means of careful <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C studies<sup>14</sup>. The major 4a-c and minor 4d-f allylsilanes were characterized by an upfield -CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub> signal as an AB system (Table 3).

Products	<sup>1</sup> H -C <u>H</u> <sub>2</sub> SiMe <sub>3</sub>	<sup>13</sup> C - <u>C</u> H <sub>2</sub> SiMe <sub>3</sub>
n = 2:		
4a	1.23 and 1.40 (AB, J=-13.2 Hz)	18.3
4 b	1.21 and 1.37 (AB, J=-13.0 Hz)	25.7
4 c	1.20 and 1.35 (AB, J=-13.8 Hz)	23.0
n = 1:		
4d	1.30 and 1.45 (AB, J=-14.2 Hz)	19.3
4 e	1.28 and 1.42 (AB, J=-14.0 Hz)	20.4
4f	impossible data shift	20.0

Table 3 : Selected  $^{1}$ H (200 MHz) and  $^{13}$ C (50 MHz) NMR data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>  $\delta$  values) of the major allylsilanes **4a-c** (n=2) and minor allysilanes **4d-f** (n = 1).

In the  $^{13}$ C NMR spectra, regioisomers 3a-c / 4a-c (n = 2) and 3d-f / 4d-f (n = 1) were identified by the chemical shifts of the quaternary sp<sup>2</sup>-hybridized carbons which are quite different. Those of the vinylic isomers 3a-c and 3d-f gave more downfield signals than those of the allylic isomers 4a-c and 4d-f (Table 4).

Products	13C δ C <sub>quat</sub> (sp <sup>2</sup> ) (Vinylsilanes)	Products	13C δ C <sub>quat</sub> (sp <sup>2</sup> ) (Allylsilanes)
n = 2:	n = 2:		
3a	157.6	4a	134.2
3 b	157.1	4b	133.2
3с	156.5	4 c	133.4
n = 1:		n = 1:	
3 d	161.8	4d	142.0
3 e	162.3	4 e	141.2
3f	162.5	4 f	141.6
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Table 4:  $^{13}$ C (50 MHz) NMR data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>  $\delta$  values) for  $C_{quat}(sp^2)$  in the mixture 3a-c / 4a-c (n=2) and 3d-f / 4d-f (n = 1).

- NOESY analysis of 3a / 4a indicated for the minor vinylic isomer 3a a NOE effect between the exocyclic vinylic hydrogen ( $\delta_H$  = 5.29 ppm) and the equatorial allylic proton of the cycle ( $\delta_H$  = 2.20-2.10 ppm). In the same way, in the mixture 3d / 4d, the major vinylic isomer 3d displayed a significant NOE between the signal of the exocyclic vinylic hydrogen ( $\delta_H$  = 5.52 ppm) and the signal of the cyclic allylic hydrogens ( $\delta_H$  = 2.09-2.31 ppm). This showed the Z configuration of the exocyclic double bond for 3a and 3d.
- We also established the stereochemistry of compounds 3b / 4b and 3e / 4e. For this purpose, exposure of each mixture of regioisomers to catalytic amounts of p-toluenesulfinic acid using wet refluxing acetonitrile as the solvent  $^{14}$  gave a single product, 5b and 5e, respectively (Scheme 4). The  $^{1}$ H NMR spectra indicated that 5b (and so 3b / 4b) is consistent with the *trans* relative configuration of the methyl group and the enone chain borne by the cycle. The bisallylic proton  $H_a$  resonated as a broad triplet ( $\delta = 2.45$  ppm) with coupling constants  $J_{ab} = J_{ac} = 10.2$  Hz. Among the possible conformations and configurations, only the *trans* diequatorial geometry of the methyl and enone groups is consistent with this fact  $^{15}$ : the dihedral angle between the two hydrogens  $H_a$  and  $H_b$  is ~180°.

Scheme 4

This analysis is not possible for 5e. In this case the relative stereochemistry of the substituents of the cycle was determined by a NOESY experiment. A NOE plot for the bisallylic hydrogen  $H_a$  ( $\delta = 2.35$  ppm) and the methyl hydrogens ( $\delta = 0.77$  ppm) established the close proximity of these protons and therefore the *trans* relationship of the methyl group and the enone chain (Schema 4).

# Regioselectivity of the ene-reaction

We suggested that the H-ene reaction reverse regioselectivity can be explained by the geometry of the intermediate zwitterion. The Lewis acid-promoted *anti*  $S_{E'}$  approach of allylsilane and butynone, followed by the nucleophilic addition of the allylsilane at the  $\beta$ -ynone position (regardless of unsaturated bonds orientation) produced the  $\beta$ -silyl cation which can act in different ways (Scheme 5).

Scheme 5

In the case of a six membered cycle like 1a, a molecular model examination showed that the completion of the H-ene reaction is favoured with a well positioned endocyclic axial hydrogen via a chair-like transition-state (A). The stereoelectronic effects and the steric accessibility of this hydrogen are important determining factors 17: when a butynone-Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl complex was used, the reaction was rapid and this conformation provided 4a as the sole product because the endocyclic axial C-H bond and the  $\sigma$  C-Si bond were each coplanar with the empty carbon p-orbital. With the milder complexant ZnI<sub>2</sub>, the reaction time was far longer and the reaction could progress partly through a more stable intermediate with the enolate chain in equatorial position (B). In this intermediate the  $\alpha$ -silyl hydrogen alone had the correct geometry for the reaction and provided minor 3a.

Reversely, with cyclopentanic core allylsilane like 1d, the endocyclic hydrogen was in a disfavourable position with respect to the enolate chain (C). There is a favourable proximity only with a methylene hydrogen in the exocyclic  $\alpha$ -silylated position (D): the vinylic compound 3d was obtained in higher amount than the allylic one 4d. However, in the transition state this C-H bond must turn coplanar with the empty carbon p-orbital and consequently must perturb the  $\sigma$  C-Si bond hyperconjugaison<sup>18</sup>: the stereoelectronic effects are disfavourable and the same intermediate collapsed to give the [2+2] cycloadducts which were the major (ZnI<sub>2</sub>) or sole (Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl) products. This result runs in agreement with the easier formation of a [3.2.0] heptane *versus* a [4.2.0] octane by [2+2] cycloaddition; in the case of TiCl<sub>4</sub>-promoted [2+2] cycloaddition of ethyl propiolate and *ter*-BuMe<sub>2</sub>Si enol ethers, the yield is good when cyclopentanone enol ether is used but a correspondingly lower yield is obtained with cyclohexanone enol ether<sup>19</sup>.

# **CONCLUSION**

In summary the present work pointed out two major facts.

- \* The chemoselectivity is completely different when cyclohexanic (1a-c) or cyclopentanic (1d-f) framework allylsilanes are used. With the former, the [2+2] cycloaddition is only a marginal pathway and the practically (ZnI<sub>2</sub>-induced) or entirely (Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl-induced) sole products are the H-ene reaction components. On the opposite, with the latter, the [2+2] cycloaddition is always the main (ZnI<sub>2</sub>-induced) or exclusive (Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl-induced) process. In the two cases, a crowded Si functionality is not a necessary condition for the almost or fully complete suppression of the Sakurai-Hosomi reaction. So, with 1d-f, even sterically small trimethylsilyl compounds can act as [2+2] cycloaddition agents<sup>7,8</sup> and furnish cyclobutene derivatives.
- \* The regioselectivity of the H-ene reaction products formation depends dramatically upon the cyclic core. With the cyclohexanic structure, the H-ene regioselectivity is preferentially ( $ZnI_2$ -induced) or entirely ( $Me_2AlCl_1$ -induced) for the methylene hydrogen-shift from the endocyclic non-silylated position (4 a-c > 3 a-c). On the other hand, with the cyclopentanic one, the major H-ene type compound is obtained via the hydrogen-shift preferentially from the  $\alpha$ -silyl position (3 d-f > 4 d-f).

In the continuation of this work, complementary mechanistic and experimental studies are going to be investigated and the results will be reported in a further publication.

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### **EXPERIMENTAL SECTION**

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> solution on either Brucker AMX-400 or Brucker AM-200 spectrometers using TMS as internal reference. Infrared spectra were obtained as film using a Perkin-Elmer 257 Infrared Spectrophotometer. Routine monitoring of reactions was performed using Merck 60F 254 silicagel, aluminium supported TLC plates. Column chromatogaphy was performed using Silica-gel 60 (230-400 mesh). GLC analyses were carried out on a Chrompack 9001 using WCOT Fused Silica column (25 m x 0.32 mm i.d.; CP-Wax-52 CB stationary phase). Microanalyses were performed on a Technicon CHN Analyser at our University. CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was distilled from powdered CaH<sub>2</sub>.

# Typical procedures:

- Using ZnI2:

A mixture of isocyclic allylsilane 1a-f (4 mmol, 1 equiv), anhydrous ZnI<sub>2</sub> (6 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and butynone (8 mmol, 2 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (15 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. After filtration and removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the components ratio was determined by GLC analysis of the crude product (column temperature was initiated at 70°C and raised to 200°C at a rate of 10°C/ min). The residue was then chromatographed on silica gel (gradient pentane / ether). In the case of allylsilanes 1b and 1c, molecular sieves 4A (0,6 g) were added to prevent a significant isomerisation of the double bond of the starting materials leading to rearranged products. 1a-c: yields 70-77%; 1d-f: yields 84-88%.

- Using Me2AlCl:

To a solution of allylsilane 1a-f (4 mmol, 1 equiv) and butynone (4.4 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) at - 30°C was added dropwise Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl (1M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 4.8 mL, 1.2 equiv). After 20 minutes, the reaction was quenched by addition of saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O solution. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 10mL). The organic extracts were dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentred *in vacuo*. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (pentane / ether 50 : 1). 1a-f: yields 90-93%.

# Products data:

(Cyclohex-1-enylmethyl)-trimethyl-silane 1a<sup>10</sup>.

(3-methyl-cyclohex-1-enylmethyl)-trimethyl-silane 1b.

Anal %: calcd C 72.44 H 12.16 found C 72.57 H 12.12. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1660, 1250, 860 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.00 (s, 9H), 0.93 (d, 3H, J = 7.0), 1.02-1.16 (m, 1H), 1.39 (s, 2H), 1.44-1.82 (m, 3H), 1.77-1.93 (m, 2H), 2.15 (m, 1H), 5.06 (br s, 1H). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  -1.2 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.5 (CH), 31.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 125.8 (CH), 134.6 (C).

(3,3-dimethyl-cyclohex-1-enylmethyl)-trimethyl-silane 1c.

Anal %: calcd C 73.38 H 12.32 found C 73.20 H 12.27. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3020, 1660, 1260, 860 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.01 (s, 9H), 0.95 (s, 6H), 1.38 (s, 2H), 1.32-1.45 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.77-1.90 (m, 2H), 4.95 (br s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  -1.0 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.7 (2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.0 (C), 37.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 130.3 (CH), 132.9 (C).

(Cyclopent-1-enylmethyl)-trimethyl-silane 1d10.

(3-methyl-cyclopent-1-enylmethyl)-trimethyl-silane 1e.

Anal %: calcd C 71.34 H 11.97 found C 71.40 H 11.92. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3045, 1660, 1250, 870 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.03 (s, 9H), 0.97 (d, 3H, J = 7.4), 1.24-1.43 (m, 1H), 1.49 (s, 2H), 1.95-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.12-2.27 (m, 2H), 2.73 (m, 1H), 5.09 (d, 1H, J = 1.6). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  -1.2 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.5 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 140.8 (C).

(3.3-dimethyl-cyclopent-1-enylmethyl)-trimethyl-silane 1f.

Anal %: calcd C 72.44 H 12.16 found C 72.28 H 12.20. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1660, 1250, 870 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.00 (s, 9H), 1.08 (s, 6H), 1.46 (d, 2H, J = 0.9), 1.66 (t, 2H, J = 7.2), 2.23 (br t, 2H, J = 7.0), 4.99 (d, 1H, J = 0.9). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  -1.2 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.1 (2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 37.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.3 (C), 133.7 (CH), 138.8 (C).

1-(5-trimethylsilanymethyl-bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-6-en-6-yl)-ethanone 2d.

Anal %: calcd C 70.21 H 9.97 found C 70.36 H 9.94. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3020, 1680, 1630, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  - 0.01 (s, 9H), 1.17 (s, 2H), 1.41-1.86 (m, 6H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 2.73 (d, 1H, J = 6.1), 6.56 (d, 1H, J = 0.9). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.3 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 34.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.9 (CH), 56.7 (C), 144.1 (CH), 150.9 (C), 194.2 (CO).

1-(2-methyl-5-trimethylsilanymethyl-bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-6-en-6-yl)-ethanone 2e.

Anal % : calcd C 71.12 H 10.23 found C 71.00 H 10.25. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat) : 3020, 1680, 1630, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  - 0.10 (s, 9H), 0.83 (d, 3H, J = 7.2), 0.93 and 1.34 (AB, 2H, J = -14.7), 1.18-1.91 (m, 5H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.39 (br s, 1H), 6.55 (d, 1H, J = 1.0). 

<sup>1</sup>3C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  0.0 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 25.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.3 (CH), 56.9 (C), 57.9 (CH), 144.8 (CH), 150.0 (C), 194.2 (CO).

1-(2,2-dimethyl-5-trimethylsilanymethyl-bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-6-en-6-yl)-ethanone 2f.

Anal %: calcd C 71.93 H 10.46 found C 71.83 H 10.51. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3020, 1680, 1630, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  - 0.01 (s, 9H), 0.90 (s, 3H), 0.95 (s, 3H), 0.89 and 1.31 (AB, 2H, J = - 14.8), 1.17-1.45 (m, 3H), 1.72-1.90 (m, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.25 (br s, 1H), 6.62 (d, 1H, J = 1.0). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.0 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 25.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.3 (2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.4 (C), 37.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 57.2 (C), 61.5 (CH), 143.8 (CH), 150.8 (C), 194.0 (CO).

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### 4-(2-trimethylsilanylmethylene-cyclohexyl)-but-3-en-2-one 3a.

Anal %: calcd C 71.12 H 10.23 found C 71.33 H 10.19. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1675, 1620, 1250, 845 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.04 (s, 9H), 2.10-2.20 (m, 2H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 3.39 (m, 1H), 5.29 (d, 1H, J = 0.9), 6.04 (dd, 1H, J = 16.1, 1.9), 6.85 (dd, 1H, J = 16.1, 4.8). 

<sup>1</sup>G-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.1 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.4 (CH), 124.9 (CH), 131.6 (CH), 150.6 (CH), 157.6 (C), 197.8 (CO).

### 4-(6-methyl-2-trimethylsilanylmethylene-cyclohexyl)-but-3-en-2-one **3b**.

Anal %: calcd C 71.93 H 10.46 found C 71.72 H 10.50. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1680, 1620, 1250, 840 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.00 (s, 9H), 0.82 (d, 3H, J = 7.0), 2.19 (s, 3H), 3.10 (m, 1H), 5.35 (d, 1H, J = 1.0), 5.99 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 1.6), 6.56 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 8.9). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.4 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 35.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.5 (CH), 49.2 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 147.3 (CH), 150.4 (CH), 157.1 (C), 197.5 (CO).

# 4-(2,2-dimethyl-6-trimethylsilanylmethylene-cyclohexyl)-but-3-en-2-one 3c.

Anal %: calcd C 72.66 H 10.67 found C 72.69 H 10.70. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1670, 1620, 1250, 840 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.06 (s, 9H), 0.86 (s, 3H), 0.92 (s, 3H), 2.00-2.20 (m, 2H), 2.86 (d, 1H, J = 8.7), 5.28 (s, 1H), 6.04 (d, 1H, J = 15.9), 6.99 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 8.9). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.6 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.8 (2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.9 (C), 34.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 56.5 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 131.9 (CH), 147.5 (CH), 156.5 (C), 198.4 (CO).

# 4-(2-trimethylsilanylmethylene-cyclopentyl)-but-3-en-2-one 3d.

Anal %: calcd C 70.21 H 9.97 found C 70.05 H 10.01. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1675, 1620, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.08 (s, 9H), 1.32-1.41 (m, 3H), 1.58-1.66 (m, 1H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 2.09-2.31 (m, 2H), 3.13 (br t, 1H, J = 6.6), 5.52 (q, 1H, J = 1.8), 6.02 (br d, 1H, J = 16.0), 6.53 (dd, 1H, J = 16.0, 6.6). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.1 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.9 (CH), 122.9 (CH), 130.7 (CH), 149.4 (CH), 161.8 (C), 196.3 (CO).

### 4-(5-methyl-2-trimethylsilanylmethylene-cyclopentyl)-but-3-en-2-one **3e**.

Anal %: calcd C 71.12 H 10.23 found C 71.31 H 10.19. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3035, 1680, 1620, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.07 (s, 9H), 0.80 (d, 3H, J = 6.6), 0.96-1.13 (m, 1H), 1.43-1.72 (m, 2H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 2.12-2.36 (m, 2H), 2.65 (m, 1H), 5.54 (br q, 1H, J = 1.9), 6.02 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 1.2), 6.53 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 7.4). 

<sup>1</sup>SC-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.3 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.8 (CH), 54.6 (CH), 123.7 (CH), 131.0 (CH), 148.8 (CH), 162.3 (C), 195.8 (CO).

### 4-(2,2-dimethyl-5-trimethylsilanylmethylene-cyclopentyl)-but-3-en-2-one 3f.

Anal %: calcd C 71.93 H 10.46 found C 71.99 H 10.47. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1670, 1620, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.09 (s, 9H), 0.77 (s, 3H), 0.83 (s, 3H), 1.31-1.50 (m, 2H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 2.18-2.43 (m, 2H), 2.72 (br d, 1H, J = 8.5), 5.52 (br q, 1H, J = 1.5), 6.04 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 0.9), 6.60 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 8.5). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.2 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 34.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.9 (C), 58.4 (CH), 124.4 (CH), 131.8 (CH), 146.7 (CH), 162.5 (C), 195.9 (CO).

# 4-(2-trimethylsilanylmethyl-cyclohex-2-enyl)-but-3-en-2-one 4a.

Anal %: calcd C 71.12 H 10.23 found C 71.33 H 10.19. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1695, 1675, 1620, 1250, 845 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  - 0.02 (s, 9H), 1.23 and 1.40 (AB, 2H, J = - 13.2), 1.40-1.78 (m, 4H), 1.86-2.03 (m, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 2.68 (m, 1H), 5.30 (t, 1H, J = 3.0), 5.98 (d, 1H, J = 15.9), 6.67 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 8.1). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  -1.3 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 18.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.6 (CH), 121.9 (CH), 131.6 (CH), 134.2 (C), 151.2 (CH), 198.9 (CO).

# 4-(6-methyl-2-trimethylsilanylmethyl-cyclohex-2-enyl)-but-3-en-2-one 4b.

Anal % : calcd C 71.93 H 10.46 found C 71.72 H 10.50. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat) : 3040, 1690, 1680, 1620, 1250, 840 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  - 0.08 (s, 9H), 0.90 (d, 3H, J = 6.7), 1.21 and 1.37 (AB, 2H, J = -13.0), 1.48-1.70 (m, 3H), 1.85-2.05 (m, 2H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 2.32 (m, 1H), 5.30 (td, 1H, J = 3.7, 0.9), 5.96 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 0.7), 6.52 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 8.9). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  -1.1 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 25.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.9 (CH), 50.7 (CH), 121.4 (CH), 132.3 (CH), 133.2 (C), 151.0 (CH), 198.0 (CO).

# 4-(6,6-dimethyl-2-trimethylsilanylmethylcyclohex-2-enyl)-but-3-en-2-one 4c

Anal % :calcd C 72.66 H 10.67 found C 72.69 H 10.70. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat) : 3040, 1695, 1675, 1620, 1250, 840 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  - 0.03 (s, 9H), 0.81 (m, 3H), 0.92 (m, 3H), 1.20 and 1.35 (AB, 2H, J = - 13.8), 1.22-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.96-2.07 (m, 2H), 2.14 (d, 1H, J = 8.0), 2.23 (s, 3H), 5.30 (t, 1H, J = 3.8), 5.99 (d, 1H, J = 15.9), 6.58 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 8.9). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  -1.0 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.7 (2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.6 (C), 54.3 (CH), 120.4 (CH), 132.4 (CH), 133.4 (C), 149.6 (CH), 198.8 (CO).

### 4-(2-trimethylsilanylmethyl-cyclopent-2-enyl)-but-3-en-2-one 4d.

Anal % :calcd C 70.21 H 9.97 found C 70.05 H 10.01. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat) : 3040, 1700, 1675, 1620, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) :  $\delta$  - 0.05 (s, 9H), 1.30 and 1.45 (AB, 2H, J = - 14.2), 1.32-1.41 (m, 1H), 1.49-1.58 (m, 1H), 1.87 (s, 3H), 2.09-2.31 (m, 2H), 2.99 (br q, 1H, J = 7.8), 5.21 (br s, 1H), 6.01 (d, 1H, J = 15.9), 6.44 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 9.0). 

<sup>1</sup>G-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) :  $\delta$  -1.2 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.5 (CH), 124.2 (CH), 131.2 (CH), 142.0 (C), 149.4 (CH), 196.5 (CO).

## 4-(5-methyl-2-trimethylsilanylmethyl-cyclopent-2-enyl)-but-3-en-2-one 4e.

Anal % : calcd C 71.12 H 10.23 found C 71.31 H 10.19. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat) : 3035, 1695, 1680, 1620, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) :  $\delta$  - 0.04 (s, 9H), 0.93 (d, 3H, J = 6.9), 1.28 and 1.42 (AB, 2H, J = -14.0), 1.89 (s, 3H), 2.40-2.48 (m, 2H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 5.16 (m, 1H), 6.04 (br d, 1H, J = 15.8), 6.43 (dd, 1H, J = 15.8, 9.4). 

13C-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) :  $\delta$  -1.1 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 39.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.0 (CH), 60.9 (CH), 123.2 (CH), 131.7 (CH), 141.2 (C), 149.0 (CH), 196.3 (CO).

### 4-(5,5-dimethyl-2-trimethylsilanylmethyl-cyclopent-2-enyl)-but-3-en-2-one 4f.

Anal %: calcd C 71.93 H 10.46 found C 71.99 H 10.47. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3040, 1690, 1670, 1620, 1250, 850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  - 0.02 (s, 9H), 0.86 (s, 3H), 0.90 (s, 3H), 1.87 (s, 3H), 2.53 (br d, 1H, J = 9.9), 5.18 6696 H. Monti *et al.* 

(s, 1H), 5.98 (d, 1H, J = 15.8), 6.48 (dd, 1H, J = 15.8, 9.9).  $^{13}$ C-NMR ( $^{\circ}$ C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) :  $\delta$  -1.1 (3 CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.8 (C), 63.6 (CH), 123.0 (CH), 132.5 (CH), 141.6 (C), 147.2 (CH), 196.4 (CO).

# 4-(2-methylene-cyclohexyl)-but-3-en-2-one 5a.

Anal % : calcd C 80.44 H 9.82 found C 80.59 H 9.87. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat) : 3050, 1680, 1650, 1620, 895 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  1.30-1.85 (m, 6H), 1.98-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.22-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.87 (m, 1H), 4.51 and 4.72 (2 br s, 2H), 6.06 (dd, 1H, J = 16.1, 1.2), 6.86 (dd, 1H, J = 16.1, 7.4). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  24.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 34.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.2 (CH), 107.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 131.1 (CH), 149.6 (CH), 149.7 (C), 198.3 (CO).

# 4-(6-methyl-2-methylene-cyclohexyl)-but-3-en-2-one 5b.

Anal % : calcd C 80.85 H 10.18 found C 80.97 H 10.15. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat) : 3050, 1680, 1650, 1620, 895 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  0.89 (d, 3H, J = 5.8), 1.05-1.35 (m, 4H), 1.30-1.50 (m, 1H), 1.70-2.25 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.45 (br t, 1H, J = 10.2), 4.49 and 4.75 (br s, 2H), 6.06 (dd, 1H, J = 16.3, 0.9), 6.75 (dd, 1H, J = 16.3, 9.2). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  20.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.5 (CH), 53.6 (CH), 107.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 132.5 (CH), 148.8 (CH), 149.4 (C), 197.6 (CO).

# 4-(2-methylene-cyclopentyl)-but-3-en-2-one 5d.

Anal %: calcd C 79.96 H 9.39 found C 80.11 H 9.36. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3050, 1680, 1650, 1620, 895 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  1.12-1.71 (m, 4H), 1.87 (s, 3H), 2.00-2.23 (m, 2H), 2.76 (q, 1H, J = 8.4), 4.74 and 4.91 (d, 2H, J = 2.0), 5.96 (d, 1H, J = 15.8), 6.42 (dd, 1H, J = 15.8, 8.4). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  24.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 47.8 (CH), 107.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 131.4 (CH), 148.4 (CH), 153.5 (C), 196.4 (CO).

# 4-(5-methyl-2-methylene-cyclopentyl)-but-3-en-2-one 5e.

Anal %: calcd C 80.44 H 9.82 found C 80.31 H 9.79. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3050, 1680, 1650, 1620, 895 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.77 (d, 3H, J = 6.3), 1.33-1.68 (m, 3H), 1.88 (s, 3H), 2.00-2.30 (m, 2H), 2.35 (t, 1H, J = 8.9), 4.72 and 4.89 (br q, 2H, J = 2.3), 5.98 (d, 1H, J = 15.8), 6.38 (dd, 1H, J = 15.8, 8.9). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  18.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.6 (CH), 56.3 (CH), 107.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 132.9 (CH), 147.6 (CH), 154.0 (C), 196.0 (CO).

### 4-(2,2-dimethyl-5-methylene-cyclopentyl)-but-3-en-2one **5f**.

Anal %: calcd C 80.85 H 10.18 found C 80.66 H 10.25. IR  $\upsilon$  (neat): 3050, 1680, 1650, 1620, 895 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.63 (s, 3H), 0.79 (s, 3H), 1.14-1.40 (m, 2H), 1.87 (s, 3H), 2.13-2.30 (m, 2H), 2.43 (br d, 1H, J = 9.5), 4.75 and 4.90 (br q, 2H, J = 1.9), 6.00 (d, 1H, J = 15.8), 6.48 (dd, 1H, J = 15.8, 9.5). 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  22.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.8 (C), 59.3 (CH), 108.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 133.6 (CH), 146.9 (CH), 153.7 (C), 198.2 (CO).

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