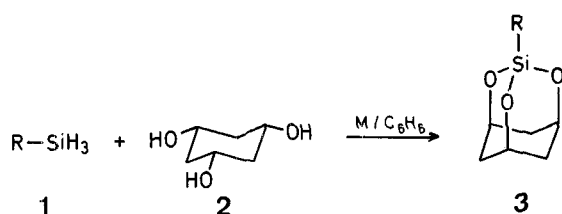


A Novel Synthesis of 2,4,10-Trioxa-3-silaadamantanes¹

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It has been recently found that a variety of adamantyl derivatives reveal unique physiological activities². In this connection, the preparation of silicon-containing heteroadamantanes and related cage compounds such as silatranes is of interest³ and some of them have already been obtained by the isomerization of silicon-containing cyclic compounds catalyzed by aluminum chloride⁴ or the base-catalyzed condensation of a triol with trialkoxysilanes⁵. We now report a novel method for preparing 2,4,10-trioxa-3-silaadamantanes **3** by the dehydrogenative condensation between trihydrosilanes **1** and *cis*-phloroglucitol (**2**) in the presence of a homogeneous transition metal catalyst.



For the purpose of condensation between phenylsilane **1a** and **2**, transition metal complexes such as chloroplatinic acid, dichlorobis[triphenylphosphine]platinum or chlorotris[triphenylphosphine]rhodium were effective and gave the expected silaadamantane **3a**⁵. However, use of dichlorobis[triphenylphosphine]nickel or dichlorobis[triphenylphosphine]palladium as catalyst did not give a satisfactory result (Table 1). Among these catalysts, it has been found that the yield of **3a** with the Wilkinson catalyst was best (62% after sublimation). The yield of **3** depends on the ratio of **1** to **2** and it is remarkable that a high ratio of **1** to **2** gives rather satisfactory results. This is the first example of preparing a cage compound by the "one-pot" dehydrogenative intermolecular condensation between three reaction sites of two reagents catalyzed by a transition metal.

It is also noteworthy that the substituent effect of **3** on the ²⁹Si-N.M.R. chemical shift shows a similar trend, though to a small extent, to that of aryltriethoxysilanes⁶ (Table 1).

The synthetic utility of the present method for the preparation of cage compounds **3** is seen in the ready accessibility of the starting materials and simple experimental manipulation.

Alkyl- and Arylsilanes **1**:

The trihydrosilanes **1** (Table 2) were obtained by reduction of the corresponding trichlorosilanes⁷⁻¹⁵ with lithium aluminum hydride in ether according to the reported procedure¹⁶.

cis-Phloroglucitol (**2**):

This compound was prepared according to the literature procedure¹⁷; m.p. 182°C (Lit.¹⁷, m.p. 185°C).

¹³C-N.M.R. (acetone-*d*₆): δ = 66.71 (d), 46.22 ppm (t).

3-Alkyl- and 3-Aryl-2,4,10-trioxa-3-silaadamantanes **3**; General Procedure:

The trihydrosilane **1** (10–30 mmol, see Table 2) is added dropwise to a suspension of *cis*-phloroglucitol (**2**; 1.32 g, 10 mmol) and the catalyst tris[triphenylphosphine]rhodium(I) chloride²⁵ (46 mg, 0.05 mmol) in benzene (400 ml). After 15–18 h, the mixture is concentrated to ~30 ml and transferred to a sublimation apparatus. After the solvent is evaporated under reduced pressure, the residue is subjected to sublimation at 100°C/0.005 torr. The sublimate is recrystallized from *n*-hexane to give **3** (Table 1).

Table 1. 3-Alkyl- and 3-Aryl-2,4,10-trioxa-3-silaadamantanes **3** prepared^a

Product No.	Molar ratio 1 / 2	Yield [%]	m.p. [°C]	Molecular formula or Lit. data	M.S. (70 eV) <i>m/e</i> for M ⁺ (calc.)	¹ H-N.M.R. (CCl ₄ /TMS) δ [ppm]	¹³ C-N.M.R. (CDCl ₃ /TMS) δ [ppm]	²⁹ Si-N.M.R. (CDCl ₃) δ [ppm]
3a	1.3 ^b 3.0 1.3 ^d	13 ^c 62 49 ^e	194°	172.5–173° ⁵	234	1.7 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 14 Hz); 2.7 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 14 Hz); 4.5 (br. s, 3H); 7.2–7.7 (m, 5H)	37.47 (t); 71.28 (d); 125.4 (s); 128.07 (d); 132.12 (d); 134.08 (d)	–41.97
3b	2.6	40	188°	C ₁₂ H ₁₃ ClO ₃ Si (268.8)	268.0312 ^g (268.0322)	1.8 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 15 Hz); 2.7 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 15 Hz); 4.7 (br. s, 3H); 7.6 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 9 Hz); 7.7 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 9 Hz)	37.4 (t); 71.41 (d); 123.7 (s); 128.47 (d); 135.52 (d); 138.46 (s)	–41.97
3c	2.1	43	223°	C ₁₃ H ₂₂ O ₃ Si ₂ ^h (306.5)	306	0.3 (s, 9H); 1.8 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 14 Hz); 2.73 (d, <i>J</i> = 14 Hz, 3H); 4.58 (br. s, 3H); 7.3–7.7 (m, 4H)	1.44 (q); 37.4 (t); 71.22 (d); 125.46 (s); 132.71 (d); 133.04 (d); 145.44 (s)	–41.97
3d	2.3	54	205°	C ₁₃ H ₁₆ O ₃ Si ^h (248.4)	248	1.86 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 14 Hz); 2.4 (s, 3H); 2.83 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 14 Hz); 4.75 (br. s, 3H); 7.2–7.8 (m, 4H)	21.80 (q); 37.47 (t); 71.22 (d); 121.97 (s); 128.86 (d); 134.08 (d); 142.4 (s)	–41.48

Table 1. (Continued)

Prod- uct No.	Molar ratio 1/2	Yield [%]	m.p. [°C]	Molecular formula or Lit. data	M.S. (70 eV) <i>m/e</i> for M^+ (calc.)	^1H -N.M.R. (CCl_4/TMS) δ [ppm]	^{13}C -N.M.R. (CDCl_3/TMS) δ [ppm]	^{29}Si -N.M.R. (CDCl_3) δ [ppm]
3e	2.0	55	258°	$\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3\text{Si}^{\text{h}}$ (290.4)	290	1.4 (s, 9H); 1.9 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 2.82 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 4.7 (br. s, 3H); 7.4–7.8 (m, 4H)	30.94 (q); 34.79 (s); 37.34 (t); 71.09 (d); 122.0 (s); 124.87 (d); 133.88 (d); 155.29 (s)	–41.56
3f	1.4	32 ⁱ	166°	$\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4\text{Si}^{\text{h}}$ (264.4)	264	1.43 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 2.65 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 3.75 (s, 3H); 4.28 (br. s, 3H); 6.91 (d, 2H, $J = 9$ Hz); 7.62 (d, 2H, $J = 9$ Hz)	37.47 (t); 55.03 (q); 71.22 (d); 113.84 (d); 116.52 (s); 135.91 (d); 162.67 (s)	–41.31
3g	1.9	34	218°	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_3\text{Si}$ (277.5)	277.1117 ^g (277.1132)	1.73 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 2.7 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 3.0 (s, 6H); 4.53 (br. s, 3H); 6.55 (d, 2H, $J = 8$ Hz); 7.37 (d, 2H, $J = 8$ Hz)	37.34 (q); 39.69 (t); 70.96 (d); 109.93 (s); 111.23 (d); 135.12 (d); 152.62 (s)	–40.49
3h	1.0	25 ⁱ	108°	$\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$ (248.4)	248.0859 ^g (248.0867)	1.68 (d, 3H, $J = 13$ Hz); 2.22 (s, 2H); 2.53 (d, 3H, $J = 13$ Hz); 4.42 (br. s, 3H); 7.0–7.2 (m, 5H)	—	—
3i	1.0	29	130°	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$ (262.4)	262.1022 ^g (262.1023)	1.1 (t, 2H, $J = 9$ Hz); 1.76 (d, 3H, $J = 13$ Hz); 2.64 (d, 3H, $J = 13$ Hz); 2.75 (t, 2H, $J = 9$ Hz); 4.52 (br. s, 3H); 7.13 (s, 5H)	—	—
3j	1.0	10	76°	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$ (262.4)	262.1020 ^g (262.1023)	1.37 (d, 3H, $J = 8$ Hz); 1.65 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 2.26 (q, 1H, $J = 8$ Hz); 2.53 (t, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 4.83 (br. s, 3H); 7.2–7.4 (m, 5H)	—	—
3k	1.5	56 ^j	oil	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$ (270.5)	270.1648 ^g (270.1649)	0.5–1.4 (m, 17H); 1.68 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 2.79 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 4.25 (br. s, 3H)	—	—
3l	1.1	33	64° ^f	$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$ (240.4)	240.1176 ^g (240.1181)	0.7–1.9 (m, 14H); 2.52 (d, 3H, $J = 14$ Hz); 4.48 (br. s, 3H)	—	—
3m	2.0	52	65° ^f	$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4\text{Si}$ (292.4)	292.1129 ^g (292.1129)	0.83 (t, 2H, $J = 7$ Hz); 1.70 (d, 3H, $J = 12$ Hz); 2.52 (q, 2H, $J = 7$ Hz); 2.84 (d, 3H, $J = 12$ Hz); 3.87 (t, 2H, $J = 7$ Hz); 4.38 (br. s, 3H); 6.5–7.2 (m, 5H)	—	—

^a All reactions were carried out in benzene for 15–18 h at reflux in the presence of tris(triphenylphosphine)rhodium(i) chloride (0.4–0.7 mol %) unless otherwise stated.

^b Hydrogen hexachloroplatinate (iv) (0.1 mol %) was used as catalyst in dichloromethane at reflux for 70 h.

^c After sublimation.

^d Bis(triphenylphosphine)platinum(n) chloride (0.5%) was used as catalyst.

^e Determined by G.L.C.

^f Decomposition.

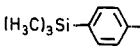
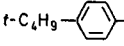
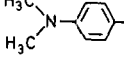
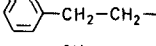
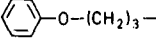
^g Reproducible microanalyses were not obtained because of the instability of the products. Molecular formula was confirmed by high resolution MS.

^h Satisfactory microanalyses obtained: C ± 0.22 , H ± 0.3 .

ⁱ Recrystallized from *n*-hexane after sublimation.

^j After molecular distillation.

Table 2. Trihydrosilanes **1** prepared

Product No. ^a	R	Yield [%]	b.p. [°C]/torr	Molecular formula ^b or Lit. b.p. [°C]/torr	M.S. <i>m/e</i> (relative intensity, %)	¹ H-N.M.R. (CCl ₄) δ [ppm]
1a		84	118°	120°/760 ¹⁶	108 (M ⁺ , 100); 107 (98)	4.27 (s, 3H); 7.2–7.4 (m, 5H)
1b		84	99°/121	65–66.5°/30 ¹⁸	142 (M ⁺ , 60); 63 (100)	4.26 (s, 3H); 7.31 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 8 Hz); 7.52 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 8 Hz)
1c		64	80°/13	C ₉ H ₁₀ Si ₂ (174.4)	180 (M ⁺ , 14); 165 (100)	0.33 (s, 9H); 4.24 (s, 3H); 7.4–7.6 (m, 4H)
1d		83	146°	147–148°/760 ¹⁹	122 (M ⁺ , 75); 91 (100)	2.32 (s, 3H); 4.04 (s, 3H); 7.09 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 7 Hz); 7.48 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 7 Hz)
1e		77	78°/15	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ Si (164.3)	164 (M ⁺ , 26); 149 (100)	1.4 (s, 9H); 4.25 (s, 3H); 7.3–7.6 (m, 4H)
1f		69	84–86°/45	75–76°/21 ²⁰	138 (M ⁺ , 76); 59 (100)	3.77 (s, 3H); 4.2 (s, 3H); 6.8 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 9 Hz); 7.43 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 9 Hz)
1g		68	106–108°/15	81°/5 ²¹	151 (M ⁺ , 100); 121 (97)	2.85 (s, 6H); 4.12 (s, 3H); 6.48 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 8 Hz); 7.27 (d, 2H, <i>J</i> = 8 Hz)
1h		66	48–49°/50	84°/93 ²²	—	2.22 (q, 2H, <i>J</i> = 4 Hz); 3.7 (t, 3H, <i>J</i> = 4 Hz); 6.9–7.4 (m, 5H)
1i ^c		27	77–79°/20 ^d	163.8°/743 ²³	—	0.8–1.3 (m, 2H); 2.6–2.9 (m, 2H); 3.36 (t, 3H, <i>J</i> = 8 Hz); 7.0–7.3 (m, 5H)
1j ^c		—	—	171.5°/743 ²³	—	1.45 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 8 Hz); 2.2–2.4 (m, 1H); 3.65 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 4 Hz); 7.0–7.5 (m, 5H)
1k	<i>n</i> -C ₈ H ₁₇	84	60°/10	61°/20 ²⁴	—	0.4–1.6 (m, 17H); 3.47 (t, 3H, <i>J</i> = 4 Hz)
1l		77	94°	119.5°/739.5 ²⁰	—	1.0–1.9 (m, 11H); 3.36 (d, 3H, <i>J</i> = 4 Hz)
1m		27 ^e	51–52°/0.9	C ₉ H ₁₄ OSi ^f (166.3)	166 (M ⁺ , 57); 94 (100)	0.7–1.1 (m, 2H); 1.7–2.1 (m, 2H); 3.57 (t, 3H, <i>J</i> = 4 Hz); 3.87 (t, 2H, <i>J</i> = 6 Hz); 6.6–7.3 (m, 5H)

^a All compounds show a characteristic band in I.R. spectra due to $\nu_{\text{Si-H}}$ around 2160 cm⁻¹.

^b Satisfactory microanalyses obtained: C $\pm$ 0.4, H $\pm$ 0.14

^c **1i** and **1j** were isolated by preparative G.L.C.

^d B.p. of a mixture of **1i** and **1j**.

^e Overall yield of hydrosilylation followed by reduction with lithium aluminium hydride.

^f High resolution M.S.: *m/e* of M⁺ = 166.0812 (calc. 166.0813).

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