# **Supporting Information**

# Radical 1,2-aryl migration in $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -diaryl allylic alcohols

# toward $\beta$ -silyl ketones

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# **1** General experimental detail

Chemicals were used as received without special purification unless stated otherwise. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded at ambient temperature on a 400 MHz NMR spectrometer (100 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C NMR). NMR results were reported in  $\delta$  units, parts per million (ppm), and were referenced to CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  7.26 or 77.0 ppm) as the internal standard. The coupling constants *J* are given in Hz. IR spectra were recorded on a spectrometer using KBr discs.

### **General Procedure:**

A sealed tube was charged with  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha$ -diaryl allylic alcohol (0.2 mmol), silane (1.4 mmol), DTBP (0.8 mmol), Cu<sub>2</sub>O (0.01 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.25 equiv), benzene (1.5 mL). The mixture was purged with nitrogen and kept stirring under nitrogen at 110 °C for 15 h. The mixture was concentrated in vacuum and the residue was purified by preparative TLC on GF254 (petroleum/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired product.

# **2** Screening the Conditions

	HO Ph Ph	HSiPh <sub>3</sub>		Ph	SiPh <sub>3</sub>
	1a	2a		3aa	
Entry	Catalyst (mol%)	Base (equiv)	Peroxide (equiv)	$T(^{\circ}C)$	Yield $(\%)^b$
1	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (5.0)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	DTBP (4.0)	110	67
2	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (15)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	DTBP (4.0)	110	77
3	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	DTBP (3.0)	110	62
4	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	DTBP (5.0)	110	76
5	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.15)	DTBP (4.0)	110	60
6	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.35)	DTBP (4.0)	110	64
7	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	DTBP (4.0)	100	68
8	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	DTBP (4.0)	120	75
9	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	TBHP (4.0)	110	< 5
10	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	BPO (4.0)	110	< 5

 Table 2. Screening the Optimal Conditions.<sup>a</sup>

11	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	$K_2S_2O_8(4.0)$	110	< 5
12	Cu <sub>2</sub> O (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (0.25)	DDQ (4.0)	110	< 5

<sup>*a*</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (1.4 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N, Cu<sub>2</sub>O, oxidant in benzene (1.5 mL) at 110 °C under N<sub>2</sub> for 15 h in sealed tube. <sup>*b*</sup> Isolated yields.

# **3** Mechanistic Experiments

### **3.1 Free radical capture experiments**





# Residual time of 3ad: 11.511 min.









A sealed reaction tube was charged with **1a** (0.2 mmol), triethylsilane (1.4 mmol), DTBP (0.8 mmol), Cu<sub>2</sub>O (0.01 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.25 equiv), TEMPO (2.0 equiv.), benzene (1.5 mL). The mixture was purged with nitrogen and kept stirring under nitrogen at 110  $^{\circ}$ C for 15 h. The reaction mixture was analyzed using GC-MS spectrometer, as shown in Figure S2.



Figure S2

Add 2.0 equiv of BHT to the reaction mixture



A sealed reaction tube was charged with **1a** (0.2 mmol), triethylsilane (1.4 mmol), DTBP (0.8 mmol), Cu<sub>2</sub>O (0.01 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.25 equiv), BHT (2.0 equiv), benzene (1.5 mL). The mixture was purged with nitrogen and kept stirring under nitrogen at 110  $^{\circ}$ C for 15 h. The reaction mixture was analyzed using GC-MS spectrometer, as shown in Figure S3.



Figure S3

#### **3.2** Competitive experiments

A sealed tube were charged with 1a/1,1-bis(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-en-1-ol (1: 1, 0.2 mmol), <math>2a (1.4 mmol), DTBP (0.8 mmol), Cu<sub>2</sub>O (0.01 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.25 equiv), benzene (1.5 mL). The mixture was purged with nitrogen and kept stirring under nitrogen at 110 °C for 2 h. The mixture was concentrated in vacuum and the residue was purified by preparative TLC on GF254 (petroleum/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired product. The mixture was analyzed using <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrometer. As shown in Figure S4, the ratio of **3ea** and **3aa** is nearly 1.05.



#### **Figure S4**

A sealed tube were charged with 1a/1,1-di-*p*-tolylprop-2-en-1-ol (1: 1, 0.2 mmol), 2a (1.4 mmol), DTBP (0.8 mmol), Cu<sub>2</sub>O (0.01 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.25 equiv), benzene (1.5 mL). The mixture was purged with nitrogen and kept stirring under nitrogen at 110 °C for

2 h. The mixture was concentrated in vacuum and the residue was purified by preparative TLC on GF254 (petroleum/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired product. The mixture was analyzed using <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrometer. As shown in Figure S5, the ratio of **3aa** and **3ba** is nearly 1.03.



Figure S5

# 4 Characterization data for the products

1,2-diphenyl-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3aa):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (73.0 mg, 78% yield) as a yellowish oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.58-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.46 (m, 6H), 7.34-7.24 (m, 10H), 7.20-7.18 (m, 6H), 7.14-7.10 (m, 1H), 4.80-4.76 (m, 1H), 2.70-2.63 (m, 1H), 1.94-1.89 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  199.4, 141.8, 136.4, 135.7, 134.5, 132.3, 129.4, 128.9, 128.4, 128.0, 128.0, 127.8, 126.8, 49.1, 18.6. MS (EI): 468 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 491.1802, found 491.1808. IR (KBr) *v* 3068, 2926, 1682, 1597, 1492, 1447, 1428, 1332, 1257, 1223, 1176, 1110, 1028 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1,2-di-p-tolyl-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ba):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (73.4 mg, 74% yield) as a yellowish oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.51-7.45 (m, 8H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.23 (m, 6H), 7.06-7.04 (m, 2H), 7.00-6.96 (m, 4H), 4.73 (q, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd,  $J_I = 8.4$  Hz,  $J_2 = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 1.89 (dd,  $J_I = 5.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 10.0$  Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  199.1, 142.9, 139.0, 136.3, 135.7, 134.7, 134.0, 129.5, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 127.7, 48.5, 21.5, 21.0, 18.5. MS (EI): 496 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>32</sub>NaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 519.2115, found 519.2123. IR (KBr) v 3068, 2855, 1682, 1607, 1511, 1455, 1428, 1256, 1229, 1175, 1110, 1029 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1,2-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ca):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (71.6, mg, 71% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.48-7.45 (m, 7H), 7.36-7.25 (m, 8H), 7.19-7.11 (m, 6H), 7.08-7.06 (m, 2H), 4.67 (q, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.61-2.55 (m, 1H), 1.90-1.85 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  198.0, 139.7, 139.0, 135.7, 135.4 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 30.6$  Hz), 134.2, 132.9, 132.7 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 147.6$  Hz), 129.5, 129.2 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 23.1$  Hz), 129.1 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 131.1$  Hz), 127.9, 127.5 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 13.5$  Hz), 48.5, 18.5. MS (EI): 504 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>26</sub>F<sub>2</sub>NaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 527.1613, found 527.1619. IR (KBr) v 3069, 2925, 1683, 1589, 1489, 1428, 1400, 1253, 1174, 1013 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1,2-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3da):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (60.0 mg, 56% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.59-7.55 (M, 2H), 7.48-7.46 (m, 5H), 7.35-7.24 (m, 10H), 7.13-7.10 (m, 2H), 6.91-6.84 (m, 4H), 4.70 (q, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 8.4 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.89 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 5.6 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 9.6 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  197.9, 135.7, 134.3, 131.0, 130.9, 129.5, 129.5, 129.4, 127.9, 115.9, 115.6, 115.3, 115.1, 48.2, 18.7. MS (EI): 536 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>27</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>OSi (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 537.1203, found 537.1202. IR (KBr) *v* 3069, 2923, 1683, 1597, 1428, 1229, 1155, 1110, 1014 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1,2-bis(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ea):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (80.9 mg, 67% yield) as a

colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.80 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.49 (m, 6H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.21 (m, 12H), 4.83-4.80 (m, 1H), 2.71-2.63 (m, 1H), 1.98-1.93 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  197.8, 141.9, 136.5, 135.7, 135.2, 133.9, 131.4 (d,  $J_{C-F}$  = 32.0 Hz), 131.3, 130.8 (d,  $J_{C-F}$  = 32.8 Hz), 129.7, 129.2 (d,  $J_{C-F}$  = 66.9 Hz), 128.0, 125.2 (m), 124.8 (m), 124.1 (m), 49.2, 18.8. MS (EI): 604 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>25</sub>F<sub>6</sub>OSi (M-H)<sup>-</sup> 603.1584, found 603.1581. IR (KBr) *v* 3070, 2928, 1691, 1611, 1590, 1487, 1429, 1328, 1167, 1127, 1073 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 2-phenyl-1-(*p*-tolyl)-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3fa + 3fa'):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (**3fa** + **3fa**' = 68.4 mg, 2.3: 1, 71% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.58-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 7H), 7.34-7.23 (m, 10H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 4H), 7.13-7.05 (m, 2H), 7.01-6.97 (m, 2H), 4.77-4.73 (m, 1H), 2.67-2.61 (m, 1H), 2.26 (s, 2.08H), 2.23 (s, 0.92H), 1.93-1.87 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  199.5, 199.1, 143.0, 142.0, 138.8, 136.5, 135.7, 134.6, 133.9, 132.3, 129.6, 129.3, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 126.7, 48.9, 48.7, 21.5, 20.9, 18.6, 18.5. MS (EI): 482 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>30</sub>NaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 505.1958, found 505.1961. IR (KBr) *v* 3067, 2922, 1679, 1605, 1428, 1457, 1227, 1175, 1110, 1028 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-phenyl-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ga + 3ga'):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (**3ga** + **3ga**' = 70.0 mg, 2.5: 1, 72% yield) as a yellow oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.59-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 6H), 7.34-7.24 (m, 10H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 3H), 7.15-7.10 (m, 2H), 6.87-6.81 (m, 2H), 4.76 (q, J = 6.0 Hz, 0.27H), 4.72 (q, J = 4.8 Hz, 0.68H), 2.68 (q, J = 9.2 Hz, 0.67H), 2.60 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 0.27H), 4.72 (q, J = 4.8 Hz, 0.68H), 2.68 (q, J = 9.2 Hz, 0.67H), 2.60 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 0.27H), 4.72 (q, J = 4.8 Hz, 0.68H), 2.68 (q, J = 9.2 Hz, 0.67H), 2.60 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 0.27H), 4.72 (q, J = 4.8 Hz, 0.68H), 2.68 (q, J = 9.2 Hz, 0.67H), 2.60 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 0.27H), 4.72 (q, J = 4.8 Hz, 0.68H), 2.68 (q, J = 9.2 Hz, 0.67H), 2.60 (q, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.74 (q, J = 4.8 Hz, 0.68H), 2.68 (q, J = 9.2 Hz, 0.67H), 2.60 (q, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.75 (q, J = 4.8 Hz), 4.75 (q, J = 4.8

0.3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  197.8, 166.4, 141.7, 135.7, 135.7, 134.4, 134.4, 132.7 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 25.9$  Hz), 131.0 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 9.1$  Hz), 129.7 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 8.0$  Hz), 129.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.3 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 42.7$  Hz), 127.9, 127.8, 127.8, 127.0, 115.6 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 21.3$  Hz), 115.1 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 21.6$  Hz), 49.2, 48.2, 18.6, 18.6. MS (EI): 486 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>27</sub>FNaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 509.1707, found 509.1714. IR (KBr)  $\nu$  3068, 2922, 1683, 1598, 1505, 1428, 1335, 1229, 1156, 1110 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-phenyl-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ha + 3ha'):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (**3ha** + **3ha**<sup>2</sup> = 77.3 mg, 3.0: 1, 77% yield) as a yellowish oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.58-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 6H), 7.35-7.14 (m, 13H), 7.13-7.07 (m, 3H), 4.77 (q, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 0.73H), 4.71 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 0.24H), 2.71-2.65 (m, 0.23H), 2.63-2.57 (m, 0.74H), 1.94-1.88 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  199.2, 198.1, 141.5, 140.0, 138.6, 136.1, 135.7, 135.6, 134.7, 134.4, 134.2, 132.7, 132.6, 129.8, 129.4, 129.4, 129.0, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.8, 127.8, 127.0, 49.3, 48.3, 18.5. MS (EI): 502 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>27</sub>CINaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 525.1412, found 525.1418. IR (KBr) *v* 3068, 1683, 1589, 1489, 1428, 1253, 1222, 1110, 1014 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 2-phenyl-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ia + 3ia'):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (61.1 mg, 57% yield) as a yellow oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.60-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.45 (m, 5H), 7.41-7.31 (m, 7H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 9H), 7.21-7.20 (m, 1H), 4.87-4.84 (m, 1H), 2.62-2.57 (m, 1H), 1.97-1.92 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  199.0, 145.3, 136.0, 135.6 134.1, 132.8, 129.6, 129.1 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 32.3 Hz), 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 125.7 (m), 124.0 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 270.4 Hz), 48.7, 18.6. MS (EI): 536 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>27</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 559.1675, found 559.1675.

IR (KBr) v 3069, 2926, 1683, 1616, 1428, 1325, 1259, 1166, 1109, 1069, 1018 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

1-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-2-phenyl-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ja + 3ja'):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (**3ja** + **3ja**' = 67.5 mg, 1.1: 1, 68% yield) as a yellow oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.60-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.46 (m, 6H), 7.34-7.20 (m, 11H), 7.19-7.07 (m, 5H), 6.95-6.89 (m, 2H), 4.77-4.70 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.59 (d, 1H), 2.17 (s, 2H), 2.14-2.13 (m, 3H), 2.11 (s, 1H), 1.94-1.91 (m, 0.51H), 1.90-1.88 (m, 0.54H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  199.6, 199.5, 142.0, 141.8, 139.1, 137.0, 136.5, 136.3, 135.8, 135.1, 134.7, 134.6, 134.4, 132.2, 130.1, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.5, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.7, 126.7, 126.2, 125.4, 48.9, 48.7, 19.8, 19.7, 19.6, 19.3, 18.6, 18.5. MS (EI): 496 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>32</sub>NaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 519.2115, found 519.2124. IR (KBr)  $\nu$  3068, 2920, 1679, 1605, 1491, 1428, 1257, 1110, 1029 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2-phenyl-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ka):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (58.8 mg, 54% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.58 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.24 (m, 12H), 7.22-7.13 (m, 5H), 7.09-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.80-6.73 (m, 2H), 5.08-5.05 (m, 1H), 2.63-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.09-2.04 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  198.3, 144.3, 136.1, 136.0, 135.7, 135.4, 135.2, 132.6, 129.5, 128.5, 128.1, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 126.8, 125.3, 124.7, 43.5, 19.5. MS (EI): 544 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>33</sub>OSi (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 545.2295, found 545.2296. IR (KBr) *v* 3068, 2922, 1684, 1596, 1428, 1233, 1110, 1028 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 2-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3la + 3la'):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:10) give the product (**3la** + **3la**' = 46.4 mg, 2.1: 1, 45% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.64-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.41-7.21 (m, 16H), 7.06-6.93 (m, 3H), 6.89-6.83 (m, 1H), 6.71-6.64 (m, 2H), 5.18-5.15 (m, 0.68H), 4.72-4.68 (m, 0.29H), 3.74 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 1H), 2.63-2.54 (m, 1H), 1.91-1.86 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  197.5, 197.5, 163.1, 160.5, 158.3 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 47.6 Hz), 136.1 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 20.8 Hz), 135.7, 135.2, 135.0, 134.7, 134.4, 133.6, 131.0 (dd), 130.6, 130.1, 129.5, 129.3, 129.1, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 127.7, 127.4, 124.6 (dd), 123.9 (dd), 116.2 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 23.7 Hz), 115.4 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 22.7 Hz), 114.0, 113.3, 55.3, 55.1, 39.6, 39.5, 18.0, 17.8 MS (EI): 516 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>29</sub>FNaO<sub>2</sub>Si (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 539.1813, found 539.1814. IR (KBr)  $\nu$  3068, 2930, 1677, 1600, 1510, 1487, 1428, 1254, 1176, 1110,1030 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1-phenyl-2-(pyridin-3-yl)-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one: (3ma):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:10) give the product (51.6 mg, 55% yield) as a yellowish oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.40-8.35 (m, 2H), 7.58-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.51-7.47 (m, 6H), 7.41-7.32 (m, 4H), 7.30-7.21 (m, 8H), 7.10-7.07 (m, 1H), 4.84-4.80 (m, 1H), 2.61 (dd,  $J_1 = 8.0$  Hz,  $J_2 = 7.2$  Hz ,1H), 1.95-1.90 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  198.9, 149.5, 148.2, 137.1, 135.8, 135.6, 135.3, 134.0, 132.8, 129.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 123.7, 46.1, 18.5. MS (EI): 469 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NOSi (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 470.1935, found 470.1954. IR (KBr)  $\nu$  3068, 2924, 1682, 1596, 1427, 1229, 1110, 1024 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1-phenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-3-(triphenylsilyl)propan-1-one (3na):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (71.1 mg, 75% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.66-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.51-7.47 (m, 6H), 7.39-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.19 (m, 12H), 4.85-4.82 (m, 1H), 2.67-2.62 (m, 1H), 2.02-1.97 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  199.5, 140.7, 139.8, 135.7, 134.5, 132.4, 129.4, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.8, 127.6, 126.9, 48.7, 18.6. MS (EI): 474 (M+); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>25</sub>OSSi (M-H)<sup>-</sup> 473.1401, found 473.1401. IR (KBr) *v* 3068, 2924, 1682, 1597, 1485, 1427, 1326, 1252, 1223, 1174, 1109, 1028 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 3-(methyldiphenylsilyl)-1,2-diphenylpropan-1-one (3ab):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (50.3 mg, 62% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.74-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.42-7.32 (m, 4H), 7.31-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.22-7.11 (m, 5H), 4.64 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.19-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.74-1.69 (m, 1H), 0.29 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  200.0, 141.2, 136.7, 136.5, 136.5, 134.6, 134.4, 132.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 127.8, 126.9, 49.0, 19.5, -0.40. MS (EI): 406 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 429.1645, found 429.1648. IR (KBr) *v* 3067, 2955, 1683, 1598, 1447, 1250, 1226, 1112 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 3-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-1,2-diphenylpropan-1-one (3ac):

SiMe<sub>2</sub>Ph

TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (50.9 mg, 74% yield) as a yellow oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.83-7.79 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 5H) 7.23-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.17-7.12 (m, 1H), 4.60 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.79 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.6 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 7.2 Hz ,1H), 1.42 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.6 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 7.2 Hz ,1H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.12 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  200.2, 141.3, 138.5, 136.5, 133.6, 132.6, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 126.9,

49.2, 21.2, -2.5, -2.7. MS (EI): 344 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>23</sub>OSi (M-H)<sup>-</sup> 343.1524, found 343.1523. IR (KBr) *v* 3067, 2956, 1682, 1597, 1491, 1427, 1254, 1176, 1111, 1028 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1,2-diphenyl-3-(triethylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ad):

TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (43.4 mg, 67% yield) as a yellow oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.97-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 1H), 4.69 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.58 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.6 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.18 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.2 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 9H), 0.49-0.33 (m, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  200.3, 141.9, 136.7, 132.7, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 126.8, 49.0, 17.0, 7.3, 3.5. MS (EI): 324 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>29</sub>OSi (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 325.1982, found 325.1986. IR (KBr) *v* 3062, 2952, 1683, 1598, 1447, 1415, 1224, 1175, 1016 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1,2-diphenyl-3-(triisopropylsilyl)propan-1-one (3ae):

TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (46.8 mg, 64% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.96-7.94 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.33 (m, 4H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 1H), 4.84-4.81 (m, 1H), 1.90 (dd,  $J_I = 8.4$  Hz,  $J_2 = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 1.05-0.97 (m, 22H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  199.9, 142.7, 136.8, 132.6, 128.9, 128.5, 128.5, 127.9, 126.7, 49.0, 18.7, 14.9, 11.2. MS (EI): 366 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>35</sub>OSi (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 367.2452, found 367.2452. IR (KBr)  $\nu$  2941, 2865, 1683, 1598, 1463, 1447, 1400, 1366, 1354, 1223, 1176, 1028, 1015 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1,2-diphenyl-3-(trihexylsilyl)propan-1-one (3af):



TLC on GF254 (ethyl acetate: petroleum, 1:30) give the product (60.0 mg, 61% yield) as a colorless oily liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.97-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 1H), 4.68 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.54 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.2 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.28-1.14 (m, 31H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  200.4, 144.8, 136.7, 132.6, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 126.8, 49.1, 33.5, 31.5, 23.7, 22.6, 18.0, 14.1, 12.7. MS (EI): 492 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>52</sub>NaOSi (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 515.3680, found 515.3690. IR (KBr) *v* 3061, 2922, 1685, 1598, 1454, 1410, 1377, 1224, 1177, 1100 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

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