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Sodium triethylborohydride as a catalyst for dehydrogenative silylation of terminal alkynes with hydrosilanes

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Experimental procedures

1.1 General remarks

All reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware under argon atmosphere. Toluene was purified by MBraun SPS-8400 system and degassed after collection. Other solvents were dried by distillation over calcium hydride.

Gas chromatography was performed on a Bruker Scion 436-GC with a 30 m Agilent VF5-ms 0.53 mm Megabore column and a TCD detector. The temperature program was as follows: 60 °C (3 min), 20 °C/min, 280 °C (20 min). Decane was used as a reference. GC-MS analyses were performed on a Bruker Scion 436-GC with a 30 m Varian DB-5 0.25 mm capillary column and a Scion SQ-MS mass spectrometry detector. The temperature program was as follows: 60 °C (3 min), 10 °C/min, 250 °C (15 min). NMR analyses were performed on a Bruker Fourier 300 spectrometer.

1.2 General procedure of dehydrogenative silylation catalyzed by NaHBEt₃

0.5 mmol of silane, 1 mL of toluene, 0.5 mmol of alkyne, and 0.1 mL of decane were placed in previously evacuated Schlenk bomb flask fitted with a plug valve. A reference sample was taken. Next, 0.05 mL of 1M solution of NaHBEt₃ (0.05 mmol) in toluene was added, reaction vessel was closed and heated at 100 °C with stirring.

After specified time, reaction mixture was cooled down to the room temperature and analyzed using GC and GC-MS.

Products of dehydrogenative silvlation were isolated by first evaporating toluene on a rotary evaporator, then extraction with 1 mL of hexane followed by column chromatography of concentrated extract (SiO₂, hexane as eluent).

Analytical data of isolated products

2.1. Diphenyl(phenylethynyl)silane 1; colorless oil, yield: 87 mg (31%)



¹H NMR (300MHz, CDCl₃): δ7.78-7.66 (m, 4H), 7.60-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.28 (m, 9H), 5.3 (s, 1H)

 ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta135.24,\ 132.24,\ 132.18,\ 130.16,\ 129.17,\ 128.33,\ 128.17,\ 122.52,\ 109.56,\ 87.15$

MS (*70 eV*): *m/z* (%): 206 (100), 284 (82), 129 (66), 205 (56), 207 (54), 105 (53), 181 (46), 178 (27), 180 (26), 204 (26), 283 (23), 285 (22), 103 (21), 130 (16), 53 (16), 179 (14), 208 (13), 182 (12), 106 (11), 155 (11).

Conforms to the literature analytical data.1

1.2. 1,1,1,3,5,5,5-heptamethyl-3-(phenylethynyl)trisiloxane **2**; colorless oil, yield: 103 mg (32%)



¹H NMR (300MHz, CDCl₃): 7.34-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.06 (m,3H), 0.07 (s,3H), 0.00 (s,18H) ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): 130.25, 127.02, 126.52, 121.07, 99.97, 90.75, 0.06, 0.00 MS (70 eV): m/z (%): 307 (100), 159 (47), 308 (34),73 (25),309 (14),146 (12). HRMS (ESI TOF) calcd for $C_{15}H_{26}O_2Si_3Na$: 345,1138, found: 345,1132 **1.3.** (3,3-dimethylbut-1-yn-1-yl)diphenylsilane **3**; colorless oil, yield: 53 mg (20%)



¹H NMR (300MHz, CDCl₃): δ7.70-7.61 (m, 4H), 7.43-7.32 (m, 6H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 1.31 (s, 9H)

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ135.09, 133.06, 129.84, 128.00, 121.08, 75.16, 30.79, 28.54

MS (70 eV): m/z (%): 207 (100), 186 (99), 171 (52), 105 (49), 129 (45), 208 (31), 181 (23), 187 (22), 145 (21), 53 (20), 130 (20), 143 (18), 264 (17), 172 (15), 221 (13), 121 (12), 51 (11), 84 (11), 183 (11), 188 (11), 67 (10).

Conforms to the literature analytical data.²

1.4. (cyclohexylethynyl)diphenylsilane 4; colorless oil, yield: 87 mg (30%)



 ^1H NMR (300MHz, CDCl_3):7.72-7.59 (m, 4H), 7.45-7.30 (m, 6H), 5.25-5.03 (s, 1H), 2.61-2.44 (m, 1H), 1.92-1.68 (m, 4H), 1.62-1.25 (m, 6H)

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃):135.10, 133.01, 129.88, 128.02, 116.96, 76.94, 32.38, 30.26, 25.83, 24.76

MS (70 eV): m/z (%): 212 (100), 105 (95), 183 (56), 181 (54), 207 (53),208 (44), 106 (34), 53 (33), 131 (30), 209 (30), 189 (27), 129 (26), 133 (24), 107 (24), 134 (24), 130 (23), 144 (21), 213 (20), 79 (19), 169 (18), 182 (18), 190 (17), 155 (16), 121 (15), 157 (13), 171 (12), 132 (12), 103 (11), 222 (11), 158 (10), 55 (10).

Conforms to the literature analytical data.³

1.5. 3-(cyclohexylethynyl)-1,1,1,3,5,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxane **5**; colorless oil, yield: 118 mg (36%)



 ^1H NMR (300MHz, CDCl_3): 2.44-2.32 (m, 1H), 1.87-1.63)m, 4H), 1.54-1.22(m, 6H), 0.20-0.08 (m, 21H)

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): 106.85, 81.10, 30.57, 27.96, 24.12, 23.05, 0.21, 0.00

MS (70 eV): m/z (%): 313 (100), 73 (92), 207 (75), 231 (41), 314 (34), 208 (18), 315 (17), 133 (15), 83 (13), 189 (11), 59 (11), 191 (11), 232 (11), 74 (10), 209 (10).

HRMS (ESI TOF) calcd for C₁₅H₃₂O₂Si₃Na: 351,1608, found: 351,1598

1.6. ((*Diphenylsilyl*)*ethynyl*)*dimethyl*(*phenyl*)*silane* **6**; colorless oil, yield: 68 mg (20%)



¹H NMR (300MHz, CDCl₃): 7.74-7.64 (m, 6H), 7.46-7.35 (m, 9H), 5.21 (s, 1H), 0.51 (s, 6H)

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃):137.27, 136.21, 135.87, 135.33, 134.77, 132.85, 131.15, 130.59, 129.13, 128.95, 118.52, 109.18, 0.00

MS (70 eV): m/z (%): 105 (100), 197 (87), 327 (77), 135 (63), 264 (48), 86 (42), 78 (36), 57 (35), 209 (33), 106 (33), 77 (31), 342 (31), 23 (30), 206 (30), 249 (29), 119 (29), 283 (26), 59 (24), 266 (23), 107 (22), 198 (22), 51 (22), 73 (22), 158 (20), 147 (20), 181 (20), 328 (20), 195 (18), 165 (17), 132 (17), 259 (17), 159 (16), 109 (16), 91 (16), 146 (15), 152 (15), 180 (15), 87 (14), 211 (14), 97 (13), 186 (13), 343 (13), 341 (12), 50 (12), 171 (12), 60 (12), 129 (12), 163 (12), 81 (12), 149 (11), 288 (10), 136 (10).

1.7. ((diphenylsilyl)ethynyl)trimethylsilane, 7; colorless oil, yield: 118 mg (42%)



¹H NMR (300MHz, CDCl₃): 7.75-7.65 (m, 4H), 7.48-7.39 (m, 6H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 0.28 (s, 9H)

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): 135.42, 132.25, 130.33, 128.34, 120.11, 106.22, 0.00

MS (70 eV): m/z (%): 135 (100), 265 (85), 202 (74), 187 (73), 105 (56), 197 (29), 73 (27), 280 (27),245 (26), 266 (23), 181 (22), 207 (20), 53 (19), 203 (19), 129 (17), 188 (16), 107 (14), 159 (12),143 (12), 221 (11), 131 (11), 51 (10), 182 (10), 195 (10), 136 (10).

Conforms to the literature analytical data⁴

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2. Spectra of products







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