Aromatic C–H silylation of arenes with 1-hydrosilatrane catalyzed by an iridium(I)/2,9-dimethylphenanthroline (dmphen) complex

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General. All the experiments were carried out under a nitrogen atmosphere. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ solutions using a JEOL JNM-A400II spectrometer (400 or 100 MHz) and Me₄Si or residual protiated solvent as an internal standard. Low- and high-resolution mass spectra were obtained on a JEOL JMS-DX303. GC analyses were conducted on a Hitachi G-3500 instrument equipped with a glass column (OV-101 on Uniport B, 2 m). [Ir(OMe)(cod)]₂,¹ 2,9-diisopropyl-1,10phenanthroline.² 2.9-di-*tert*-butyl-1.10-phenanthroline.² 1-hvdro-2.8.9-trioxa-5-aza-1silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane,³ and 2.9-dimethyl-4.7-dichloro-1,10-phenanthroline⁴ were synthesized by the reported procedure. 2,9-Dimethyl-4,7-bis(dimethylamino)-1,10-phenanthroline and 2,9-dimethyl-4,7-dimethoxy-1,10-phenanthroline were prepared by the methods similar to those for 4,7bis(dimethylamino)-1,10-phenanthroline⁵ and 4,7-dimethoxy-1,10-phenanthroline,⁵ respectively. 2.9-Dimethyl-4,7-bis(trifluoromethyl)-1,10-phenanthroline was obtained by chlorine-iodine exchange⁶ of 2,9-dimethyl-4,7-dichloro-1,10-phenanthroline and coupling⁷ of the iodide with in situ generated (trifluoromethyl)copper. Arenes were purified by distillation from appropriate drying agents. All of other compounds were used as received.

2,9-Dimethyl-4,7-bis(dimethylamino)-1,10-phenanthroline. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.84 (s, 6H), 3.03 (s, 12H), 6.88 (s, 2H), 7.89 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ 26.32, 44.11, 109.93, 119.85, 120.64, 147.34, 157.72, 158.92; LRMS (EI) m/z 294 (M⁺, 100), 279 (9.5), 263 (6.3), 250 (4.9), 236 (3.6), 147 (5.9), 139 (4.5); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₈H₂₂N₄ 294.1844, found 294.1833.

2,9-Dimethyl-4,7-dimethoxy-1,10-phenanthroline. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.89 (s, 6H), 4.07 (s, 6H), 6.86 (s, 2H), 8.08 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.63, 55.66, 102.74, 117.95, 119.42, 145.97, 160.26, 162.28; LRMS (EI) m/z 268 (M⁺, 100), 253 (14.1), 225 (22.8), 210 (4), 182 (7.5), 134 (4.9); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₆H₁₆N₂O₂ 268.1212, found 268.1207.

2,9-Dimethyl-4,7-bis(trifluoromethyl)-1,10-phenanthroline. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.05 (s, 6H), 7.86 (s, 2H), 8.19 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.13, 120.81 (q, *J* = 5.2 Hz),

121.90 (q, J = 1.7 Hz), 122.78 (q, J = 1.7 Hz), 123.30 (q, J = 274.2 Hz), 134.74 (q, J = 319.4), 146.09, 159.94; LRMS (EI) m/z 344 (M⁺, 100), 325 (4.7), 274 (6.7), 172 (5.5), 40 (9.3); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₆H₁₀N₂F₆ 344.0748, found 344.0750.

General procedure for the C–H silylation (Table 2). An oven-dried flask fitted with a condenser and a nitrogen bubbler was charged with 1-hydrosilatrane (1.0 mmol), $[{Ir(OMe)(cod)}_2]$ (0.015 mmol) and dmphen (0.03 mmol), and then flushed with nitrogen. Under a positive flow of nitrogen, an arene (60 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at 120°C for 32 h. The product was isolated by Kugelrohr distillation to give an analytically pure sample.

1-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3b).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.92(t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 3.89 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 50.95, 57.48, 129.22, 131.23, 131.28, 133.57, 136.19, 143.66; LRMS (EI) m/z 319 (M⁺, 8), 174 (100); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₂H₁₅NO₃SiCl₂ 319.0198, found 319.0198.

1-(5-Indanyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3c).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.94-2.01 (m, 2 H), 2.81-2.90 (m, 7 H), 3.88 (t. *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.59 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.31, 32.76, 32.81, 51.08, 57.80, 123.33, 129.81, 131.82, 138.77, 142.82, 143.61; LRMS (EI) m/z 291 (M⁺, 19.7), 174 (100); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₁NO₃Si 291.1291, found 291.1293.

1-(6-Tetralinyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3d).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.72-1.75 (m, 4 H), 2.69 (br s, 2 H), 2.75 (br s, 2 H), 2.89 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 3.88 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.41 (s, 1 H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.45, 23.56, 29.40, 29.49, 51.18, 57.86, 128.10, 131.14, 134.74, 135.65, 136.63, 137.98; LRMS (EI) m/z 305 (M⁺, 18.5), 174 (100); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₃NO₃Si 305.1447, found 305.1449.

1-(2,3-dihydrobenzo[b][1,4]dioxin-6-yl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3e).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.90 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 3.88 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 4.20 (s, 3 H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.20 (dd, J = 1.5 and 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.25 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 51.06, 57.72, 64.26, 64.53, 116.28, 123.06, 127.38, 134.79, 142.78, 143.42; LRMS(EI) m/z 311 (M⁺, 59.2), 174 (100); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₄H₂₁NO₅Si 309.1032, found 309.1031.

1-(3,4-Dimethylphenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3f).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.19 (s, 3 H), 2.29 (s, 3 H), 2.87 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 6 H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 (s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.68, 19.79, 51.11, 57.83, 128.66, 131.67, 134.96, 135.28, 135.85, 138.67; LRMS (EI) m/z 279 (M⁺, 23), 236 (3.2), 206 (3.1), 174 (100), 119 (3); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₄H₂₁O₃NSi 279.1291, found 279.1301.

1-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3g).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.92 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6 H), 3.84 (s, 3 H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 3.91 (s, 3 H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 7.8, 1 H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 1.4 and 7.8 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100

MHz, CDCl₃) δ 51.09, 55.59, 55.68, 57.81, 110.78, 116.65, 127.11, 133.67, 147.98, 148.88; LRMS(EI) m/z 311 (M⁺, 59.2), 174 (100); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₄H₂₁NO₅Si 311.1189, found 311.1194.

1-[3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3h).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.95 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6 H), 3.92 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6 H), 7.71 (s. 1 H), 8.18 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 50.97, 57.44, 121.09-121.25 (m), 124.18 (q, *J* = 272.3 Hz), 129.45 (q, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 134.25-134.50 (m), 146.26; LRMS (EI) m/z 387 (M⁺, 3.2), 174 (100); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₄H₁₅NO₃F₆Si 387.0725, found 387.0722.

1-(3,5-Dichlorophenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3a).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.94 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6 H), 3.91 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6 H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 51.01, 57.49, 127.42, 132.31, 133.93, 147.25; LEMS (EI) m/z 319 (M⁺, 5.4), 174 (100), 130 (3); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₂H₁₅NO₃SiCl₂ 319.0198, found 319.0204.

1-(3,5-Dimetylphenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3i).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.27 (s, 6 H), 2.90 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 6.88 (s, 1 H), 7.35 (s, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.45, 51.09, 57.82, 129.58, 131.68, 136.26, 141.12; LRMS (EI) m/z 279 (M⁺, 19), 174 (100), 148 (3.1), 119 (3.1), 105 (3.2); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₄H₂₁O₃NSi 279.1291, found 279.1298.

1-(3-Chloro-5-trifluoromethylphenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3j).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.93 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6 H), 3.91 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 7.44 (s, 1 H), 7.87 (s, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 50.94, 57.44, 124.01 (q, *J* = 272.3 Hz), 124.26 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 128.97 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 130.53 (q, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 133.59, 137.68, 147.12; LRMS (EI) m/z 353 (M⁺, 4), 174 (100); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₅NO₃F₃SiCl 353.0462, found 353.0461.

1-(3-Chloro-5-methylphenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (3k).



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.28 (s, 3 H), 2.92 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 6 H), 7.02 (s, 1 H), 7.40 (s, 1 H), 7.51 (s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.20, 50.98, 57.60, 128.28, 131.04, 132.83, 133.20, 138.38, 144.61; LRMS (EI) m/z 299 (M⁺, 10.3), 174 (100); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₈NClO₃Si 299.0744, found 299.0737.

Cross-coupling of 1-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane with 4-iodoacetophenone (Scheme 3). A mixture of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol), PPh₃ (0.2 mmol), 1-(3,4dimethylphenyl)-2,8,9-trioxa-5-aza-1-silabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane (2.0 mmol), 4-iodoacetophenone (1.0 mmol), and DMF (10 ml) was stirred at r.t. for 10 min. 1.0 M TBAF in THF (2.0 mmol) was added and the resulting mixture was stirred at 90 °C for 2 h. Isolation by column chromatography over silica gel gave an analytically pure sample.

4-(3,4-Dimethylphenyl)acetophenone 4.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.32 (s, 3 H), 2.35 (s, 3 H), 2.63 (s, 3 H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 2.0 and 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 2.0 and 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 8.02 (dt, J = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 8.02

2.0 and 8.8 Hz, 2 H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.48, 19.90, 26.61, 124.59, 126.92, 128.43, 128.84, 130.22, 135.50, 136.89, 137.16, 137.38, 145.84, 197.74; HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₆H₁₆O 224.1201, found 224.1199.

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