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A Versatile and Efficient Hydrosilylation Route to Functionalized Polyferrocenylsilanes

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Experimental Part

Materials. All manipulations were performed under an inert atmosphere using standard Schlenk techniques or an N₂ filled glove box. Solvents, silanes, amines and alcohols were purchased from commercial vendors, dried by standard methods and distilled prior to use. Karstedt's catalyst (2.1 – 2.4 wt-% Pt in xylenes), *n*-butyllithium (1.6 M in hexanes) and sodium cyclopentadiene (NaCp) (2 M in THF) were used as received. Compounds **1a**, **1d**, and **2** were synthesized as reported elsewhere.^[1,2]

Equipment. NMR spectra were taken on either Varian Gemini 200 or 300, Varian Mercury 300 or 400 or Unity 500 spectrometers. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR chemical shifts were referenced internally to residual solvent peaks, and ²⁹Si-NMR chemical shifts were referenced externally to Si(CH₃)₄. All NMR data are reported for C₆D₆ solutions. Molecular weights were estimated by gel permeation chromatography (GPC) using equipment as described elsewhere,^[3] and are reported relative to polystyrene standards. Mass spectra were obtained with a VG 70-250S mass spectrometer operating in electron impact (EI) mode. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) was performed using equipment as described elsewhere.^[4]

Hydrosilylation Reactions. Hydrosilylation reactions were carried out using 50 – 100 mg of polymer in toluene solution, with a 2 – 3 fold excess of silane, and using ca. 0.2 – 0.3 mol-% Pt, relative to olefinic groups, as catalyst. Reactions with the chlorosilanes were performed at r.t., and those with Et₃SiH were performed at 60 °C. NMR characterization data are given only for those products which were 100 % hydrosilylated.

Reaction of 4 with Et₃SiH. To a solution of **4** (80 mg, 0.28 mmol) in toluene (3 mL), Et₃SiH (65 μL, 0.76 mmol) and Karstedt's catalyst (6 μL) were added. The mixture was stirred overnight at 60 °C, concentrated, precipitated into methanol and pumped dry to give 81mg (75%) of a red solid. ¹H NMR analysis indicated 76 % conversion of the olefin groups. GPC: *M_n* = 17 100; *M_w* = 41 600; PDI = 2.43.

Reaction of 4 with Ph₂ClSiH. A toluene (8 mL) solution of **4** (80 mg, 0.28 mmol), Ph₂ClSiH (100 μL, 0.48 mmol) and Karstedt's catalyst (6 μL) was stirred overnight at room temperature, concentrated, precipitated into hexanes and pumped dry to give 73 mg (52 %) of a red solid.

¹H-NMR: δ 0.65 (s, 3H, Si-CH₃); 1.34 (s, 2H, Si-CH₂); 1.80 (s, 2H, Si-CH₂-CH₂); 3.64 (s, 2H, Si-O-CH₂), 4.1-4.45 (m, 8H, Cp-H); 7.02 (m, 4H, *m*-Ph); 7.50 (m, 4H, *o*-Ph); 7.62 (m, 2H, *p*-Ph)). ¹³C-NMR: δ -1.34 (Si-CH₃); 13.48 (Si-CH₂); 27,14 (Si-CH₂-CH₂); 65.71 (Si-O-CH₂); 70.08 (Cp: Si-C); 72.85 (Cp: C², C⁵); 74.66 (Cp: C³, C⁴); 128.91 (*ipso*-Ph); 131.57 (*o,p*-Ph); 135.21 (*m*-Ph). ²⁹Si-NMR: δ 2.70 (1Si, SiCp₂); 11.38 (1Si, SiPh₂).

Reaction of 4 with MeCl₂SiH. Performed similar to that above, using a solution of **4** (65 mg, 0.23 mmol), MeCl₂SiH (150 μL, 0.97 mmol) and Karstedt's catalyst (10 μL) in toluene (3 mL). ¹H NMR analysis indicated that 100 % conversion of the olefin groups occurred during the hydrosilylation reaction.

$^1\text{H-NMR}$: δ 0.45 (s, 3H, CpSi-CH₃); 0.73 (s, 3H; Cl₂Si-CH₃); 1.00 (s, 2H, Si-CH₂); 1.67 (s, 2H, Si-CH₂-CH₂); 3.62 (s, 2H, Si-O-CH₂); 4.05-4.65 (m, 8H, Cp-H). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$: δ -1.43 (Si-CH₃); 5.30 (Si-(CH₃)₂); 18.43 (Si-CH₂); 26.41 (Si-CH₂-CH₂); 64.90 (Si-O-CH₂); 69.99 (Cp: Si-C); 72.92 (Cp: C², C⁵); 74.36 (Cp: C³, C⁴). $^{29}\text{Si-NMR}$: δ 2.99 (1Si, SiCp₂); 33.41 (1Si, SiCl₂).

Reaction of 5 with Et₃SiH. A toluene (3 mL) solution of **5** (75 mg, 0.28 mmol), Et₃SiH (65 μL , 0.79 mmol) and of Karstedt's catalyst (6 μL) was stirred overnight at 60 °C, concentrated, precipitated into methanol and pumped dry to give 65 mg (64%) of a red solid. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ analysis of the product indicated that ca. 12 % conversion of the allyl groups had occurred.

Reaction of 5 with Ph₂ClSiH. A solution of **5** (75 mg, 0.28 mmol), Ph₂ClSiH (100 μL , 0.48 mmol) and Karstedt's catalyst (6 μL) in toluene (3 mL) was stirred overnight at room temperature, concentrated, precipitated into hexanes and pumped dry to give 82 mg (64%) of a red solid. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ analysis of the product indicated 38 % conversion of the allyl groups.

Reaction of 5 with MeCl₂SiH. A solution of 50mg of **5** (50 mg, 0.19 mmol), MeCl₂SiH (100 μL , 0.65 mmol) and Karstedt's catalyst (6 μL) in toluene (2 mL) was stirred overnight at room temperature, concentrated, precipitated into hexanes and pumped dry to afford a red gum. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ analysis indicated 75 % conversion of the allyl groups in the hydrosilylation reaction.

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