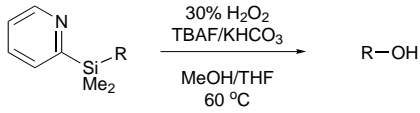
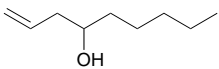
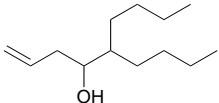
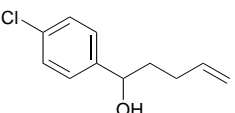
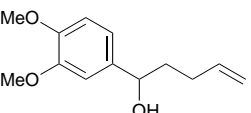
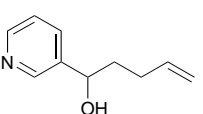


with D₂O; this indicates the reactivity of the resulting α -silyl organomagnesium compound in subsequent reactions.

Having established that intermolecular carbomagnesation across vinylsilane is efficiently directed by a 2-pyridyl group on silicon, we further investigated the three-component coupling reaction of a Grignard reagent, the vinylsilane, and an electrophile (Table 1). Electrophiles such as allyl bromide (entries 1–4) and an iminium salt (entry 5) can be used for the three-component coupling reaction. Interestingly, aryl and heteroaryl halides were also excellent electrophiles when [Pd(PPh₃)₄] was used as catalyst (entries 6–11).^[13]

Finally, the three-component coupling adducts were converted into the corresponding alcohols by tetrabutylammonium fluoride (TBAF) mediated H₂O₂ oxidation.^[7, 14, 15] Representative results are shown in Table 2. In all cases, oxidation proceeded in good to excellent yields.

Table 2. Oxidation of the coupling products with H₂O₂.^[a]

			
Entry	Coupling adduct	Oxidation product	Yield [%]
1	2bc		89
2	4bc		89
3	2dg		94
4	2dh		91
5	2di		67

[a] All reactions were performed with 30% H₂O₂ (30 equiv), TBAF (6.0 equiv), and KHCO₃ (2.0 equiv) in MeOH/THF (1/1) at 60 °C.

In summary, we have developed a novel strategy for intermolecular carbomagnesation across vinylsilanes by exploiting the 2-PyMe₂Si group as a removable directing group. By using this protocol, facile addition of primary alkyl Grignard reagents to vinylsilanes was realized for the first time. The extension to other carbometalation processes is currently under investigation.

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Pentacoordination of Silicon by Four Covalent Si–S Bonds and One Covalent Si–C Bond**

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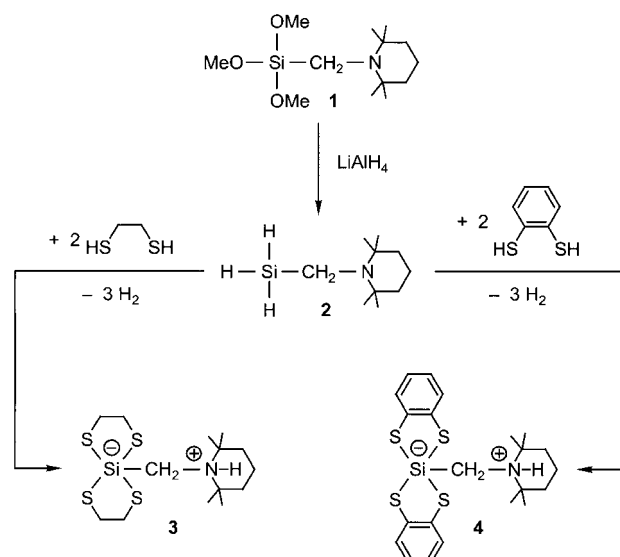
Compared to the well-established silicon–oxygen chemistry, significantly less is known about silicon–sulfur chemistry.^[1, 2] Except for a preliminary report on two pentacoordinate silicates with SiO₂S₂C skeletons,^[3] only tetracoordinate silicon compounds with Si–S bonds have been described. In a series of recent studies, we have realized several hitherto unknown bonding situations of pentacoordinate silicon by

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incorporating the pentacoordinate (formally negatively charged) silicon atom in a molecular framework bearing a tetracoordinate (formally positively charged) nitrogen atom, which leads to formation of zwitterionic species.^[3] By means of this approach, we have now synthesized the first pentacoordinate silicon compounds with SiS₄C frameworks. We report here on the synthesis and structural characterization of the zwitterionic pentacoordinate silicates **3** and **4**.

Compounds **3** and **4** were synthesized from **1**^[4] by two-step procedures (Scheme 1). Treatment of the trimethoxysilane **1** with lithium aluminum hydride in diethyl ether gave the



Scheme 1. Synthesis of the zwitterionic pentacoordinate silicates **3** and **4**.

trihydridosilane **2** (67% yield), which reacted with 1,2-ethanedithiol or 1,2-benzenedithiol in acetonitrile to give the respective zwitterionic pentacoordinate silicates **3** (83% yield) and **4** (74% yield). Both compounds were isolated as crystalline solids, and their identities were established by elemental analyses (C, H, N), crystal structure analyses, NMR spectroscopic studies in solution (¹H, ¹³C, ²⁹Si; only compound **4**), and solid-state ²⁹Si VACP/MAS NMR experiments.^[5, 6]

The zwitterions crystallize in the space groups *P*2₁2₁ (**3**) and *P*2₁/*c* (**4**) with one molecule each in the asymmetric unit. The Si coordination polyhedra of **3** and **4** in the crystal are slightly distorted trigonal bipyramids with sulfur atoms in the two axial positions (Figures 1 and 2). The equatorial Si–S distances (2.16–2.17 Å) are very similar to those observed for a variety of silicon–sulfur compounds with tetracoordinate silicon atoms and fit with the calculated value for a covalent Si–S single bond (2.17 Å).^[1b] The values for the Si–C bonds (1.93–1.94 Å) are in the upper range of the Si–C bond lengths reported so far for zwitterionic pentacoordinate silicates.^[3] The axial Si–S distances (2.29–2.34 Å)^[7] are 6–8% longer than the equatorial ones, but they are still significantly shorter than the sum of the van der Waals radii of silicon and sulfur (3.90 Å). A similar degree of bond lengthening is observed for other axial and equatorial silicon–element bonds (e.g., Si–O and Si–F) of pentacoordinate silicon compounds with a trigonal-bipyramidal structure.^[3] Considering all these struc-

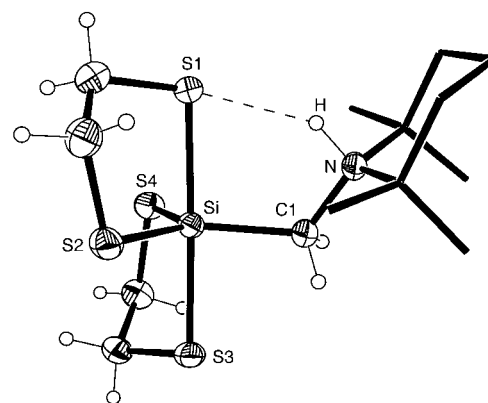


Figure 1. Molecular structure of **3** in the crystal (probability level of displacement ellipsoids 50%; tetramethylpiperidinio moiety represented as stick model for clarity). Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°]: Si–S1 2.3366(12), Si–S2 2.1634(14), Si–S3 2.2915(12), Si–S4 2.1675(13), Si–C1 1.939(4); S1–Si–S2 90.99(5), S1–Si–S3 178.47(6), S1–Si–S4 87.43(4), S1–Si–C1 94.45(10), S2–Si–S3 88.03(5), S2–Si–S4 121.50(6), S2–Si–C1 121.81(12), S3–Si–S4 92.08(5), S3–Si–C1 87.07(10), S4–Si–C1 116.60(12); N–H...S1 hydrogen bond: N–H 0.98(4), H...S1 2.29(4), N...S1 3.080(3) Å, N–H...S1 137(3)°.

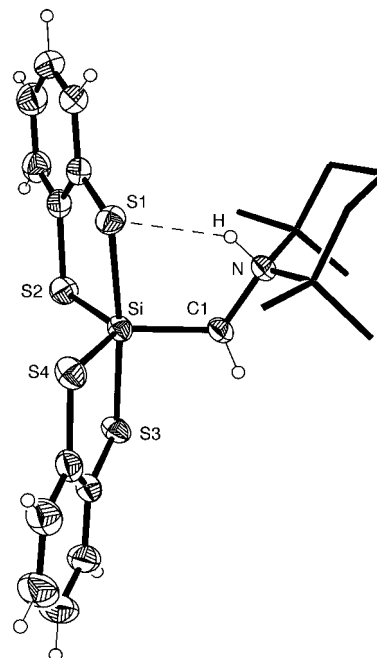


Figure 2. Molecular structure of **4** in the crystal (probability level of displacement ellipsoids 50%; tetramethylpiperidinio moiety represented as stick model for clarity). Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°]: Si–S1 2.3280(7), Si–S2 2.1592(9), Si–S3 2.2871(7), Si–S4 2.1588(9), Si–C1 1.929(2); S1–Si–S2 90.84(3), S1–Si–S3 173.89(3), S1–Si–S4 85.36(3), S1–Si–C1 96.54(6), S2–Si–S3 86.19(3), S2–Si–S4 124.92(3), S2–Si–C1 118.48(7), S3–Si–S4 91.96(3), S3–Si–C1 89.58(6), S4–Si–C1 116.54(7); N–H...S1 hydrogen bond: N–H 0.93(3), H...S1 2.30(3), N...S1 3.1017(18) Å, N–H...S1 145(2)°.

tural data, it is concluded that the SiS₄C skeletons of **3** and **4** are built up by five covalent bonds and do not involve a bond system in the sense of a [4+1] coordination. This is somewhat surprising in view of the relatively low electronegativity of both carbon and sulfur (Allred–Rochow values: C 2.50, S 2.44). Generally, pentacoordination of silicon is favored by ligand atoms with high electronegativity, such as fluorine, oxygen, and nitrogen atoms.^[3, 8] Hence, a theoretical analysis of the bond systems of **3** and **4** is very challenging.

The ^{29}Si chemical shift of **4** ($\delta = -57.2$) in CDCl_3 is similar to the isotropic chemical shifts determined by solid-state ^{29}Si VACP/MAS NMR experiments on **3** ($\delta = -53.0$) and **4** ($\delta = -61.0$), and this indicates that **4** also exists in solution.^[9] This is further supported by the detection of a signal for the NH group in the ^1H NMR spectrum of **4** ($\delta = 7.8$). At room temperature an A_2X spin system was observed for the $\text{SiC}(\text{H}_A)_2\text{NH}_X$ protons of **4**, which indicates that the Λ and Δ enantiomers are not configurationally stable on the NMR time scale. As shown by variable-temperature ^1H NMR studies (solvent CD_2Cl_2 ; temperature range 23 to -100°C ; 300.1 MHz), the Berry-type Λ/Δ enantiomerization becomes slower on cooling, and coalescence was observed at -95°C . However, the energy barrier for this dynamic process could not be determined, since the expected ABX spin system could not be resolved up to -100°C .

The surprising stability of the covalent Si_4C skeletons of **3** and **4** justifies the speculation that further hitherto unknown spirocyclic pentacoordinate silicate frameworks (e.g., $\text{Si}_2\text{N}_2\text{C}$ and Si_4C) may also be stable. The hydrogen-elimination route used for the synthesis of **3** and **4** offers a promising approach to the preparation of such compounds.

Experimental Section

2: A solution of **1**^[4] (6.00 g, 21.8 mmol) in diethyl ether (20 mL) was added at 0°C over 1 h to a vigorously stirred suspension of lithium aluminum hydride (1.00 g, 26.3 mmol) in diethyl ether (20 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at 20°C for 18 h and then heated under reflux for another 4 h. After filtration, the solvent of the filtrate was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude product distilled in vacuo. Yield: 2.71 g (14.6 mmol, 67 %); b.p. $55^\circ\text{C}/0.1$ Torr; ^1H NMR (C_6D_6): $\delta = 1.06$ (s, 12 H, CCH_3), 1.42–1.52 (m, 6 H, CCH_2C), 2.12 (q, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 3.4$, $^2J(\text{Si,H}) = 4.3$ Hz, 2 H, SiCH_2N), 3.94 (t, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 3.4$, $^1J(\text{Si,H}) = 191.6$ Hz, 3 H, SiH); ^{13}C NMR (C_6D_6): $\delta = 18.1$ (NCCCH_2C), 25.9 (NCCCH_2C), 27.0 (CCH_3), 41.4 (SiCH_2N), 55.2 (NCC_3); ^{29}Si NMR (C_6D_6): $\delta = -54.2$ (tq, $^1J(\text{Si,H}) = 191.6$, $^2J(\text{Si,H}) = 4.3$ Hz); elemental analysis (%) calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{23}\text{NSi}$ ($M_r = 185.4$): C 64.79, H 12.51, N 7.56; found: C 64.4, H 12.4, N 7.7.

3: Compound **2** (504 mg, 2.72 mmol) was added dropwise at 20°C over 5 min to a stirred solution of 1,2-ethanedithiol (514 mg, 5.46 mmol) in acetonitrile (40 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at 20°C for 2 h, the solvent removed in vacuo, and the solid crude product recrystallized from acetonitrile by cooling a saturated solution from 20 to -20°C to give **3** (834 mg, 83 %) as a colorless crystalline solid. M.p. 116°C (decomp); ^{29}Si VACP/MAS NMR: $\delta = -53.0$; elemental analysis (%) calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{29}\text{NS}_4\text{Si}$ ($M_r = 367.7$): C 45.73, H 7.95, N 3.81; found: C 45.9, H 7.6, N 3.8.

4: The synthesis was carried out analogously to that of **3** (**2**, 935 mg, 5.04 mmol; 1,2-benzenedithiol, 1.44 g, 10.1 mmol; acetonitrile, 20 mL) to give **4** (1.73 g, 74 %) as a colorless crystalline solid. M.p. 173°C (decomp); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): $\delta = 1.21$ (s, 6 H, CCH_3), 1.28 (s, 6 H, CCH_3), 0.91–1.93 (m, 6 H, CCH_2C), 2.92 (d, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 3.6$ Hz, 2 H, SiCH_2N), 6.76–6.82 and 7.16–7.18 (m, 8 H, $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{S}_2$), 7.8 (brs) NH; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): $\delta = 15.9$ (NCCCH_2C), 21.4 (CCH_3), 30.0 (CCH_3), 39.1 (NCCCH_2C), 45.6 (SiCH_2N), 64.6 (NCC_3), 124.2 (C_4/C_5 , $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{S}_2$), 126.3 (C_3/C_6 , $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{S}_2$), 139.2 (C_1/C_2 , $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{S}_2$); ^{29}Si NMR (CDCl_3): $\delta = -57.2$; ^{29}Si VACP/MAS NMR: $\delta = -61.0$; elemental analysis (%) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{29}\text{NS}_4\text{Si}$ ($M_r = 463.8$): C 56.97, H 6.30, N 3.02; found: C 57.1, H 6.4, N 3.1.

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