

# Formation of organosilicon compounds. 114 [1]. Investigations concerning the amination of Si-chlorinated 1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantanes and formation of bis(1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantyl)methylamine

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**Summary** – The reaction of a mixture of Si-chlorinated 1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantanes (products of the gas phase pyrolysis of  $\text{Me}_3\text{SiCl}$ ) with  $\text{LiMe}$  yields  $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}$  **2** and  $\text{Cl}_2\text{Me}_2\text{Ad}$  **3** (Ad = skeleton of 1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantane), the starting compounds for an investigation of the related silylamines. In contrast to reactions with  $\text{NH}_3$ , where no defined compounds could be isolated, the reaction of **2** with  $\text{MeNH}_2$  leads to  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$  **5** and the reaction of **3** with  $\text{MeNH}_2$  leads to  $\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})_2\text{Ad}$  **6**. The NMe-bridged  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NMe}$  **7** is formed when heating **5** to  $300^\circ\text{C}$ . Analogously **6** yields  $[\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}]_2\text{NMe}$  **8** and other compounds.  $\text{BrMe}_3\text{Ad}$  **4** with  $\text{NaNH}_2$  forms the products  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NH}_2)\text{Ad}$  **9**,  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NH}$  **10** and higher molecular compounds. The reaction of  $\text{Cl}_4\text{Ad}$  with  $\text{MeNH}_2$  produces  $(\text{NHMe})_4\text{Ad}$  **11**. Compound **7** forms triclinic crystals in the space group  $P\bar{1}$  with the lattice parameters  $a = 959.6$  pm,  $b = 1331.7$  pm,  $c = 1371.5$  pm,  $\alpha = 117.92^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 89.98^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 103.23^\circ$  and two formula units in the unit cell.

NMe-substituted 1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantane / crystal structure of bis(1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantyl)methylamine

## Introduction

1,3,5,7-Tetrachloro-1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantane was first obtained in 1961 in small amounts (0.1% yield) from the reaction of  $\text{Me}_3\text{SiCl}$  and  $\text{SiCl}_4$  with  $\text{AlCl}_3$  at more than  $500^\circ\text{C}$  [2]. Preparative scale syntheses of tetrasiladamantanes were later designed using by gas phase pyrolysis of  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$  and  $\text{Me}_3\text{SiCl}$  [3], the reaction of  $(\text{Me}_2\text{Si}-\text{CH}_2)_3$  with  $\text{AlCl}_3$  [4], and reactions of substituted 1,3,5-trisilacyclohexanes with  $\text{AlBr}_3$  [5]. Si-substituted derivatives with the group  $\text{SiX}$  ( $\text{X} = \text{Cl}$ ,  $\text{H}$ ,  $\text{OH}$ ,  $\text{NEt}_2$ ,  $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2$ ,  $\text{NEt}_2$  [6]) and Si-fluorinated and C,Si-chlorinated derivatives, such as  $\text{F}_4\text{AdCl}_{12}$  and  $\text{Cl}_4\text{AdCl}_{12}$  [7], were also synthesized and the crystal structure of  $\text{Me}_4\text{Ad}$  [8] and its vibrational spectra were determined [9]. Investigations concerning the basicity of the  $\text{NEt}_2$  derivatives  $\text{Me}_2(\text{NEt}_2)\text{XAd}$  ( $\text{X} = \text{Me}$ ,  $\text{Ph}$ ) [10] also exist.

Further derivatives of the parent substance bearing various substituents at the Si and even the C atoms of the Ad skeleton were isolated from the gas phase pyrolysis of  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ . These products were accompanied by higher condensed siladamantanes [11].

In the context of our investigations into  $\text{CH}_2$ -linked adamantanes of this type [12], we first intended to synthesize the compounds  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$ ,  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NH}_2)\text{Ad}$  and  $\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})_2\text{Ad}$  and examine their properties. Moreover, we aimed to use these compounds to synthesize N-bridged 1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantanes.

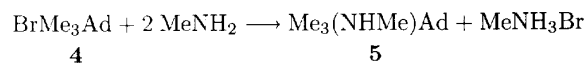
## Synthetic investigations

*Synthesis of  $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}$  (1-chloro-3,5,7-trimethyl-1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantane) **2** and  $\text{Cl}_2\text{Me}_2\text{Ad}$  1,3-dichloro-3,5,7-trimethyl-1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantane **3** in the reaction of  $\text{Cl}_n\text{Me}_{4-n}\text{Ad}$  with  $\text{LiMe}$*

The product mixture resulting from the pyrolysis of  $\text{Me}_3\text{SiCl}$  [3] contains the compounds  $\text{Cl}_n\text{Me}_{4-n}\text{Ad}$  **1** in a ratio of  $\text{Cl}_4\text{Ad}/\text{Cl}_3\text{MeAd}/\text{Cl}_2\text{Me}_2\text{Ad}/\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}/\text{Cl}_3\text{HAd} = 3.1:3.7:1.5:0.2:1.5$  as determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopy. The synthesis and isolation of  $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}$  **2** and  $\text{Cl}_2\text{Me}_2\text{Ad}$  **3** by reacting **1** with  $\text{LiMe}$  are described in the *Experimental section*.

*Synthesis of  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$  (1,3,5-trimethyl-7-methylamino-1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantane) **5***

Compound **5** can be synthesized by passing gaseous  $\text{MeNH}_2$  through a solution of  $\text{BrMe}_3\text{Ad}$  **4** [4, 5] in THF:



However, in nonpolar solvents such as hexane  $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}$  **2** reacts very slowly with  $\text{MeNH}_2$  and the

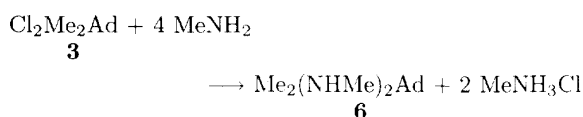
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reaction does not reach completion. In THF, the reaction rate is much faster but there is a considerable formation of siloxanes. In the reaction system  $\text{BrMe}_3\text{Ad}/\text{MeNH}_2/\text{THF}$ , this side reaction is even more predominant.

The reaction of  $\text{BrMe}_3\text{Ad}$  **4** with  $\text{NH}_3$  in THF led spontaneously to white, solid products together with a small amount of  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NH}_2)\text{Ad}$  **9** and  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NH}$  **10**. The white, solid products have not yet been identified.

*Synthesis of  $\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})_2\text{Ad}$  (1,3-bis-methylamino-5,7-dimethyl-1,3,5,7-tetrasilaadamantane) **6***

Compound **6** can be synthesized in the following manner, and was isolated in a yield of 61% as white crystals.

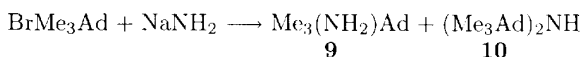


*Synthesis of  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NMe}$  [bis(3,5,7-trimethyl-1,3,5,7-tetrasilaadamantan-1-yl)methylamino] **7***

An important aim of our investigations was the synthesis of  $\text{NH}$ - or  $\text{NMe}$ -linked 1,3,5,7-tetrasilaadamantanes starting from monoadamantylamines. As no  $\text{NH}_2$ -substituted adamantane was available, **5** and **6** were heated and indeed yielded the linked products by eliminating volatile groups. Heating **5** for 72 h at  $300^\circ\text{C}$  in a sealed glass ampoule led to the formation of a mixture of  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$  **5** and  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NMe}$  **7** in the ratio 1:5. After 24 h, only a 1:1 ratio was found. From a solution of the reaction products in *n*-pentane, a mixture of crystalline compounds precipitated at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$ . Sublimation of this mixture between  $130$  and  $150^\circ\text{C}$  and  $10^{-6}$  torr yielded the compounds  $\text{Me}_4\text{Ad}$ ,  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$  **5** and  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NMe}$  **7** as a first fraction, and  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NMe}$  **7** as a second, together with small amounts of a siloxane. Recrystallization of the second fraction from *n*-pentane ( $-30^\circ\text{C}$ ) led to crystals of **7** suitable for X-ray structural analysis.

The following reactions were also investigated:

- A reaction of  $\text{BrMe}_3\text{Ad}$  with  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$  **5** and  $\text{NEt}_3$  under elimination of  $\text{HBr}$  as  $\text{NEt}_3 \cdot \text{HBr}$  yields no **7**.
- The reaction of  $\text{BrMe}_3\text{Ad}$  and  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$  **5** with  $\text{Na/K}$  leads to some  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NMe}$  **7**, but the reaction is not complete.
- $\text{BrMe}_3\text{Ad}$  reacts with  $\text{NaNH}_2$  in the following manner:



Several further products were formed but no  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_3\text{N}$  was identified.

*Thermal properties of  $\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})_2\text{Ad}$  **6***

Heating compound **6** in a sealed evacuated glass ampoule for three days at  $300^\circ\text{C}$  yields a glass-like substance of unknown structure as the main product, which

is insoluble in common solvents. Heating of **6** at  $180^\circ\text{C}$  in a mass spectrometer yields  $[\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}]_2\text{NMe}$  **8**.

**X-ray structural analysis of **7****

Crystals of the colorless compound **7** were examined with X-ray structural analysis (Stoe-Stadi IV four circle diffractometer  $\text{Mo-K}\alpha$ -radiation, graphite monochromator). The programs SHELXS-86 and SHELXL-93 [13] on a IBM 550 were used for evaluation. The crystallographic data are listed in table I, the atomic coordinates in table II and the bond lengths and bond angles in table III. Further information concerning the X-ray structural analysis are available from the Fachinformationszentrum Karlsruhe, Gesellschaft für Wissenschaftlich-Technische Informationen mbH, D-76344 Eggenstein-Leopoldshafen, Germany, under specification of the deposition number CSD 58897, the names of the authors and the citation of the journal.

**Table I.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **7**.

Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{45}\text{NSi}_8$
Formula weight	512.28
Temperature	203 (2) K
Wavelength	0.71069 Å
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	$P\bar{1}$
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 9.596$ (4) Å, $\alpha = 117.92$ (2) deg $b = 13.317$ (3) Å, $\beta = 89.98$ (2) deg $c = 13.715$ (4) Å, $\gamma = 103.23$ (2) deg
Volume	1495.9 (9) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z	2
Density (calculated)	1.137 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	0.367 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	556
$\theta$ range for data collection	1.69–25.00°
Index ranges	$0 \leq h \leq 9, -15 \leq k \leq 15,$ $-16 \leq l \leq 16$
Reflections collected	5171
Independent reflections	4823 [ $R$ (int) = 0.0209]
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on $F^2$
Data/restraints/parameters	4823/0/253
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.062
Final $R$ indices [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R1 = 0.0300, wR2 = 0.0826$
$R$ indices (all data)	$R1 = 0.0352, wR2 = 0.0868$
Largest diff peak and hole	0.290 and $-0.264 \text{ e.Å}^{-3}$

*Description of the structure*

Compound **7** forms triclinic crystals in  $P\bar{1}$  with the lattice parameters  $a = 959.6$  pm,  $b = 1331.7$  pm,  $c = 1371.5$  pm,  $\alpha = 117.92^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 89.98^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 103.23^\circ$ . The elementary unit contains two formula units. Figure 1 shows the structure of the molecule **7** in the crystal lattice.

The investigation of the structure verifies the linkage of two 3,5,7-trimethyl-1,3,5,7-tetrasilaadamantane units with an  $\text{NMe}$  bridge in **7**. This is in agreement with the results from mass spectrometry and

**Table II.** Atomic coordinates ( $\times 10^{-4}$ ) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^{-2} \times 10^{-3}$ ) for **7**.  $U(\text{eq})$  is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U_{ij}$  tensor.

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> (eq)
Si(1)	2 919(1)	6 172(1)	5 779(1)	37(1)
Si(2)	4 873(1)	8 577(1)	6 162(1)	36(1)
Si(3)	3 275(1)	6 708(1)	3 785(1)	30(1)
Si(4)	1 532(1)	8 039(1)	5 702(1)	45(1)
Si(5)	2 316(1)	1 993(1)	337(1)	31(1)
Si(6)	2 504(1)	4 683(1)	1 363(1)	27(1)
Si(7)	1 690(1)	3 001(1)	−1 212(1)	31(1)
Si(8)	−502(1)	2 809(1)	408(1)	31(1)
N(1)	3 406(2)	6 111(1)	2 366(1)	31(1)
C(1)	4 610(2)	7 369(2)	6 543(2)	41(1)
C(2)	3 026(2)	5 563(2)	4 245(2)	34(1)
C(3)	1 349(2)	6 849(2)	6 100(2)	48(1)
C(4)	4 943(2)	7 900(2)	4 626(2)	36(1)
C(5)	3 253(2)	9 183(2)	6 479(2)	48(1)
C(6)	1 712(2)	7 386(2)	4 178(2)	41(1)
C(7)	2 685(3)	4 977(2)	6 172(2)	57(1)
C(8)	6 555(2)	9 778(2)	6 939(2)	50(1)
C(9)	−56(3)	8 682(3)	6 036(2)	74(1)
C(10)	2 636(2)	4 514(2)	−69(1)	32(1)
C(11)	2 446(2)	1 894(2)	−1 064(2)	36(1)
C(12)	3 269(2)	3 530(2)	1 418(2)	33(1)
C(13)	525(2)	4 320(2)	1 506(2)	32(1)
C(14)	−255(2)	2 710(2)	−988(2)	35(1)
C(15)	349(2)	1 727(2)	525(2)	36(1)
C(16)	1 914(3)	2 916(2)	−2 599(2)	49(1)
C(17)	3 140(2)	891(2)	431(2)	47(1)
C(18)	−2 473(2)	2 518(2)	585(2)	42(1)
C(19)	3 979(2)	6 991(2)	1 995(2)	44(1)

**Table III.** Bond lengths [pm] and angles [deg] for **1**.

Si(1)–C(7)	187.4(2)	C(7)–Si(1)–C(3)	111.00(11)
Si(1)–C(3)	187.8(2)	C(7)–Si(1)–C(1)	111.40(10)
Si(1)–C(1)	187.8(2)	C(3)–Si(1)–C(1)	108.22(10)
Si(1)–C(2)	188.0(2)	C(7)–Si(1)–C(2)	110.51(10)
Si(2)–C(5)	187.2(2)	C(3)–Si(1)–C(2)	107.45(9)
Si(2)–C(4)	187.2(2)	C(1)–Si(1)–C(2)	108.13(9)
Si(2)–C(8)	187.7(2)	C(5)–Si(2)–C(4)	108.31(10)
Si(2)–C(1)	187.8(2)	C(5)–Si(2)–C(8)	110.18(10)
Si(3)–N(1)	174.2(2)	C(4)–Si(2)–C(8)	110.72(10)
Si(3)–C(2)	187.5(2)	C(5)–Si(2)–C(1)	107.79(11)
Si(3)–C(6)	187.6(2)	C(4)–Si(2)–C(1)	107.59(9)
Si(3)–C(4)	188.1(2)	C(8)–Si(2)–C(1)	112.10(10)
Si(4)–C(9)	186.9(2)	N(1)–Si(3)–C(2)	111.57(8)
Si(4)–C(5)	187.4(2)	N(1)–Si(3)–C(6)	112.10(8)
Si(4)–C(6)	187.7(2)	C(2)–Si(3)–C(6)	107.13(9)
Si(4)–C(3)	187.8(2)	N(1)–Si(3)–C(4)	111.19(8)
Si(5)–C(11)	186.9(2)	C(2)–Si(3)–C(4)	107.77(9)
Si(5)–C(17)	187.2(2)	C(6)–Si(3)–C(4)	106.82(9)
Si(5)–C(12)	187.7(2)	C(9)–Si(4)–C(5)	111.27(11)
Si(5)–C(15)	188.1(2)	C(9)–Si(4)–C(6)	111.33(11)
Si(6)–N(1)	174.7(2)	C(5)–Si(4)–C(6)	107.83(10)
Si(6)–C(10)	187.7(2)	C(9)–Si(4)–C(3)	110.63(13)
Si(6)–C(12)	187.8(2)	C(5)–Si(4)–C(3)	107.53(10)
Si(6)–C(13)	188.4(2)	C(6)–Si(4)–C(3)	108.09(9)
Si(7)–C(16)	186.7(2)	C(11)–Si(5)–C(17)	110.12(10)
Si(7)–C(14)	187.3(2)	C(11)–Si(5)–C(12)	108.33(8)
Si(7)–C(11)	187.4(2)	C(17)–Si(5)–C(12)	110.97(9)
Si(7)–C(10)	188.3(2)	C(11)–Si(5)–C(15)	107.12(9)
Si(8)–C(14)	187.5(2)	C(17)–Si(5)–C(15)	111.80(9)
Si(8)–C(15)	187.9(2)	C(12)–Si(5)–C(15)	108.36(9)
Si(8)–C(18)	188.1(2)	N(1)–Si(6)–C(10)	110.31(8)

Si(8)–C(13)	188.3(2)	N(1)–Si(6)–C(12)	112.84(8)
N(1)–C(19)	148.2(2)	C(10)–Si(6)–C(12)	107.01(8)
		N(1)–Si(6)–C(13)	112.03(8)
		C(10)–Si(6)–C(13)	106.84(8)
		C(12)–Si(6)–C(13)	107.50(8)
		C(16)–Si(7)–C(14)	111.78(10)
		C(16)–Si(7)–C(11)	111.35(9)
		C(14)–Si(7)–C(11)	107.18(9)
		C(16)–Si(7)–C(10)	110.19(9)
		C(14)–Si(7)–C(10)	107.49(9)
		C(11)–Si(7)–C(10)	108.70(8)
		C(14)–Si(8)–C(15)	108.27(9)
		C(14)–Si(8)–C(18)	110.45(9)
		C(15)–Si(8)–C(18)	111.64(9)
		C(14)–Si(8)–C(13)	108.16(8)
		C(15)–Si(8)–C(1)	107.06(9)
		C(18)–Si(8)–C(13)	111.12(9)
		C(19)–N(1)–Si(3)	114.53(12)
		C(19)–N(1)–Si(6)	118.37(12)
		Si(3)–N(1)–Si(6)	124.71(9)
		Si(2)–C(1)–Si(1)	112.29(10)
		Si(3)–C(2)–Si(1)	113.17(9)
		Si(4)–C(3)–Si(1)	112.28(11)
		Si(2)–C(4)–Si(3)	113.33(10)
		Si(2)–C(5)–Si(4)	112.65(10)
		Si(3)–C(6)–Si(4)	113.43(10)
		Si(6)–C(10)–Si(7)	113.53(9)
		Si(5)–C(11)–Si(7)	112.76(9)
		Si(5)–C(12)–Si(6)	113.20(10)
		Si(8)–C(13)–Si(6)	113.43(9)
		Si(7)–C(14)–Si(8)	112.46(10)
		Si(8)–C(15)–Si(5)	112.34(9)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms.

NMR spectroscopy. The bond lengths in **7** largely agree with those of the parent compound 1,3,5,7-tetramethyl-1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantane **12** [8]. Deviations of the average value of the Si–C distances in the SiCH<sub>2</sub>Si groups of the skeleton (**7** : 187.64 pm; **12** : 188.9 pm) probably arise from compound **7** being measured at 203 K, whereas **12** was examined at room temperature. Even the lengths of the bonds directly adjacent to the NMe bridge in **7** are not recognizably modified.

The comparison of the bond lengths and bond angles in compound **7** with those of the less sterically loaded molecule (Me)<sub>3</sub>SiN(Me)<sub>2</sub> **14** [14] and (Me<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>NH **15** [15] shows the following picture : Si–N : **7** 174.2 (2) pm, **14** 171.94 pm, **15** 175.5 pm; Si–C : **7** 187.64 pm, **14** 186.3 pm, **15** 186.7 pm; NSiC : **7** 111.4°, **14** 110.3°, CSiC : **7** 106.84°, **14** 108.7°, **15** 107.5°; SiNSi : **7** 124.7°, **15** 125.5°. Obviously, there is no deterioration in **7** due to steric influence.

## Discussion

The aim of the investigation was to gain a ready access to 1,3,5,7-tetrasiladamantylamines in order to establish a route to N-bridged derivatives. Extensive investigations exist concerning N-bridged silanes [15]. Our results show that the starting compound Me<sub>3</sub>(NHMe)Ad **5** can be synthesized by reacting MeNH<sub>2</sub> with ClMe<sub>3</sub>Ad **2**, and Me<sub>2</sub>(NHMe)<sub>2</sub>Ad **6** with Cl<sub>2</sub>Me<sub>2</sub>Ad **3**. In contrast, reactions with NH<sub>3</sub> yield white compounds which cannot be characterized. In the reaction of BrMe<sub>3</sub>Ad with NaNH<sub>2</sub>, white polymers are the main products although Me<sub>3</sub>(NH<sub>2</sub>)Ad **9** and (Me<sub>3</sub>Ad)<sub>2</sub>NH **10**

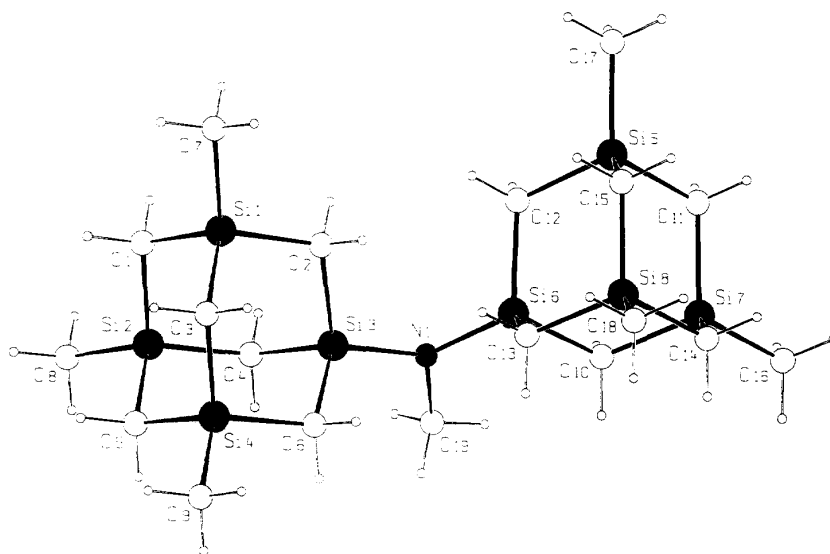


Fig 1. Crystal structure of compound 7.

can be detected by mass spectrometry. In contrast with  $\text{NH}_3$ , the reactivity of  $\text{MeNH}_2$  is much lower.  $(\text{NHMe})_4\text{Ad}$  **11**,  $\text{Me}(\text{NHMe})_3\text{Ad}$  **13**,  $\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})_2\text{Ad}$  **6** and  $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$  **5** were thus obtained as isolable products in the reaction of  $\text{MeNH}_2$  with the mixture of  $\text{Cl}_n\text{Me}_{4-n}\text{Ad}$  resulting from the gas phase pyrolysis of  $\text{Me}_3\text{SiCl}$ . Compounds **5** and **6** are suitable intermediate states on the way to the formation of higher condensed derivatives, which is evident from the formation of  $(\text{Me}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NMe}$  **7** from **5** and  $[\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}]_2\text{NMe}$  **8** from **6**. The formation of **8** was observed during the mass spectroscopy experiments at  $150^\circ\text{C}$ . The investigation of the structure of **7** shows that no steric effects result from the linking of two Ad-skeletons. Therefore, and supported by model considerations, we also expect the formation of cyclic derivatives such as  $(\text{AdNMe})_3$  to be possible under experimental conditions still to be established.

## Experimental section

The results of the mass spectrometry experiments on compounds **5–11** are given in table IV together with their molecular masses.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ) [ppm] :  $(\text{CH}_3)_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$  **5** :  $\text{CH}_2$   $-0.31, -0.12$ ;  $\text{CH}_3$   $0.32$ ;  $\text{NMe}$   $2.55$ .  $(\text{CH}_3)_2(\text{NHMe})_2\text{Ad}$  **6** :  $\text{CH}_2$   $-0.40, -0.20, -0.03$ ;  $\text{CH}_3$   $0.25$ ;  $\text{NMe}$   $2.47$ .  $(\text{CH}_3\text{Ad})_2\text{NMe}$  **7** :  $\text{CH}_2$   $-0.32, 0.09$ ;  $\text{CH}_3$   $0.27$ ;  $\text{NMe}$   $2.48$ .

### Formation and Investigation of $\text{Cl}_2\text{Me}_2\text{Ad}$ **3**

6 g of the mixture  $\text{Cl}_n\text{Me}_{4-n}\text{Ad}$  **1**, which is a product from the gas phase pyrolysis of  $\text{Me}_3\text{SiCl}$ , was dissolved in 200 mL THF and cooled to  $-40^\circ\text{C}$ . TMEDA (3.4 mL) was added and 11 mL (15 mmol) of a 1.35 M solution of  $\text{LiMe}$  (80% of the calculated amount) was added dropwise over 3 h. The reaction mixture was then stirred for 24 h at  $20^\circ\text{C}$  and subsequently investigated by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopy. The molar ratio of  $\text{Cl}_3\text{MeAd}$  and  $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}$  **2** was determined by integration ( $\text{Cl}_4\text{Ad}$  and  $\text{Cl}_3\text{HAd}$  were no longer present) in order to calculate the required quantity of  $\text{LiMe}$  for the

formation of  $\text{Cl}_2\text{Me}_2\text{Ad}$  **3**. A further 7.4 mL (10 mmol)  $\text{LiMe}$  was added dropwise at  $-40^\circ\text{C}$ , and the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h. The THF was then removed *in vacuo*, and the residue was dissolved in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and filtered. The solvent was then removed again and the residue dried at  $10^{-3}$  torr and  $20^\circ\text{C}$ . The raw product consisted of the main product  $\text{Cl}_2\text{Me}_2\text{Ad}$  and a minor amount of  $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}$ , siloxanes and TMEDA. This mixture was then separated by sublimation at  $120\text{--}160^\circ\text{C}$  and  $10^{-3}$  torr, and  $\text{Cl}_2\text{Me}_2\text{Ad}$  **3** and  $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}$  **2** were obtained in a ratio of 9.4:0.6 (determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopy). The isolated amount of the mixture of **3** and **2** is 4.2 g.

### Synthesis and isolation of $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}$ **2**

For the synthesis of **2** from  $\text{Cl}_n\text{Me}_{4-n}\text{Ad}$  **1**, we proceeded in the same way as for **3** **1** (4.9 g) was dissolved in 200 mL THF and then 32 mmol  $\text{LiMe}$  was added at  $-40^\circ\text{C}$ . Sublimation of the reaction product at  $100\text{--}140^\circ\text{C}$  and  $10^{-3}$  torr yielded  $\text{ClMe}_3\text{Ad}/\text{Me}_4\text{Ad}$  in a ratio of 4.3:1. Altogether, 1.9 g of this mixture was isolated.

### Synthesis of $\text{Me}_3(\text{NHMe})\text{Ad}$ **5**

$\text{BrMe}_3\text{Ad}$  (3.0 g, 9.3 mmol) was dissolved in 150 mL hexane and an excess of  $\text{MeNH}_2$  gas (dried over  $\text{Na/K}$ ) was passed through the solution. The solution became cloudy due to the precipitation of  $\text{MeNH}_3\text{Br}$ . The solution was refluxed for 2 h, and then filtered at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ . Some of the solvent was removed *in vacuo* until white crystals precipitated, which were readily soluble in hexane. Yield of **5** = 1.3 g (4.9 mmol), 53%.

### Synthesis of $\text{Me}_2(\text{NHMe})_2\text{Ad}$ **6**

An excess of  $\text{MeNH}_2$  gas (dried over  $\text{Na/K}$ ) was passed through a solution of 1.4 g (4.7 mmol) **6** in 30 mL THF at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction mixture was then refluxed for 3 h. The solvent was removed by distillation and the residue was dissolved in *n*-pentane and filtered. Some of the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. From this solution, **6** crystallized as white crystals. Yield of **6** = 0.8 g (2.9 mmol), 61%.

**Table IV.** Results of the mass spectrometric investigation.

Compound	Detected mass ( $m_{\text{det}}$ )		$m_{\text{det}} - m_{\text{calc}}$		Relative intensity (%)
<b>5</b>	Si <sub>4</sub> NC <sub>10</sub> H <sub>25</sub>	M <sup>+</sup>	271.10570	0.7	24.7
	Si <sub>4</sub> NC <sub>9</sub> H <sub>22</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -CH <sub>3</sub>	256.08160	1.3	100
	Si <sub>4</sub> C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>21</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -NHCH <sub>3</sub>	241.06970	2.3	41.1
<b>6</b>	Si <sub>4</sub> N <sub>2</sub> C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>26</sub>	M <sup>+</sup>	286.11640	0.8	36.2
	Si <sub>4</sub> N <sub>2</sub> C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>23</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -CH <sub>3</sub>	271.09330	0.5	100
	Si <sub>4</sub> NC <sub>9</sub> H <sub>22</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -NHCH <sub>3</sub>	256.0807	2.2	36.1
	Si <sub>4</sub> C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>17</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -N <sub>2</sub> C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	213.04074	0.7	23.9
<b>7</b>	Si <sub>8</sub> NC <sub>19</sub> H <sub>45</sub>	M <sup>+</sup>	511.17062	3.5	100
	Si <sub>8</sub> NC <sub>18</sub> H <sub>42</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -CH <sub>3</sub>	496.14716	0.6	80.3
	Si <sub>7</sub> NC <sub>18</sub> H <sub>41</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -SiCH <sub>4</sub>	467.1600	2.4	3.2
<b>8</b>	Si <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>47</sub>	M <sup>+</sup>	541.1908	1.5	100
	Si <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>44</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -CH <sub>3</sub>	526.1720	-1.3	60.3
	Si <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>41</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -2CH <sub>3</sub>	511.1448	0.5	12.9
	Si <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>41/2</sub>		255.57273		18.1
<b>9</b>	Si <sub>4</sub> NC <sub>9</sub> H <sub>23</sub>	M <sup>+</sup>	257.0898	1.0	2.2
	Si <sub>4</sub> NC <sub>8</sub> H <sub>20</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -CH <sub>3</sub>	242.0669	0.4	50.2
	Si <sub>4</sub> C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>21</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -NH <sub>2</sub>	241.072	0.0	29.7
	Si <sub>4</sub> NC <sub>7</sub> H <sub>17</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -2CH <sub>3</sub>	227.0429	0.9	5.3
<b>10</b>	Si <sub>8</sub> NC <sub>18</sub> H <sub>43</sub>	M <sup>+</sup>	497.1500	5.0	29.5
	Si <sub>8</sub> NC <sub>17</sub> H <sub>40</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -CH <sub>3</sub>	482.1300	1.5	100
	Si <sub>8</sub> NC <sub>16</sub> H <sub>37</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -2CH <sub>3</sub>	467.1080	8.0	4.1
	Si <sub>7</sub> NC <sub>14</sub> H <sub>32</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -SiC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>11</sub>	410.0900	2.0	8.1
<b>11</b>	Si <sub>4</sub> N <sub>4</sub> C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>28</sub>	M <sup>+</sup>	316.1389	0.2	5.4
	Si <sub>4</sub> N <sub>4</sub> C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>25</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -CH <sub>3</sub>	301.1260	44.1	44.1
	Si <sub>4</sub> N <sub>3</sub> C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>24</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -NHCH <sub>3</sub>	286.1062	1.5	100
<b>13</b>	Si <sub>4</sub> N <sub>3</sub> C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>27</sub>	M <sup>+</sup>	301.1260	2.2	50.4
	Si <sub>4</sub> N <sub>3</sub> C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>24</sub>	M <sup>+</sup> -CH <sub>3</sub>	286.1062	1.5	100

**Synthesis of (Me<sub>3</sub>Ad)<sub>2</sub>NMe **7** from Me<sub>3</sub>(NHMe)Ad **5****

Me<sub>3</sub>(NHMe)Ad **5** (1.3 g, 4.9 mmol) was sealed in an evacuated glass ampoule and heated at 300°C for 24 h. The ampoule was then opened under N<sub>2</sub> and the reaction product determined to be a mixture of Me<sub>3</sub>(NHMe)Ad **5** and (Me<sub>3</sub>Ad)<sub>2</sub>NMe **7** in a ratio of 1:1 by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy. Annealing for 72 h led to a ratio **5**/**7** of 1:5. Fractional sublimation between 130 and 150°C and 10<sup>-6</sup> torr made it possible to isolate a mixture of Me<sub>4</sub>Ad, Me<sub>3</sub>(NHMe)Ad, (Me<sub>3</sub>Ad)<sub>2</sub>NMe and a small amount of siloxanes from the first fraction. By extracting the second fraction with *n*-pentane and cooling the solution to -30°C, we obtained white crystals of **7**.

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