

Si- and C-Functional Organosilicon Building Blocks for Synthesis Based on 4-Silacyclohexan-1-ones Containing the Silicon Protecting Groups MOP (4-Methoxyphenyl), DMOP (2,6-Dimethoxyphenyl), or TMOP (2,4,6-Trimethoxyphenyl)

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: 4-Silacyclohexan-1-ones 1a-1c, 4-silacyclohexan-1-one oximes 2a-2c, 1,4-azasilepan-7-ones 3a-3c, 1,4azasilepanes 4a-4c, and 2-bromo-4-silacyclohexan-1-ones 5a and 5b were prepared in multistep syntheses, starting from trimethoxypropylsilane. All of these compounds represent Cfunctional ($R_2C=0$, $R_2C=N-OH$, R-NH(C=O)-R, R₂NH, or R₃C-Br) silicon-containing heterocycles that contain Si-MOP, Si-DMOP, or Si-TMOP moieties (MOP = 4-methoxyphenyl; DMOP = 2,6-dimethoxyphenyl; TMOP =

2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl), which can be cleaved under mild conditions by protodesilylation. As a proof of principle, compounds 3a-3c were transformed quantitatively and selectively into the chlorosilane 6 (treatment with hydrogen chloride in dichloromethane). Thus, the C- and Si-functional compounds 1a-1c, 2a-2c, 3a-3c, 4a-4c, 5a, and 5b represent versatile building blocks for synthesis.

INTRODUCTION

In context with our systematic studies on silicon-based drugs, 1,2 we have been interested in the development of new siliconcontaining building blocks for synthesis, such as 4-silapiperidines, 4-silacyclohexan-1-ones, 4 and other classes of organosilicon compounds. In continuation of these studies, we have now succeeded in synthesizing a series of new 4-silacyclohexan-1-ones (1a-1c), 4-silacyclohexan-1-one oximes (2a-2c), 1,4azasilepan-7-ones (3a-3c), 1,4-azasilepanes (4a-4c), and 2bromo-4-silacyclohexan-1-ones (5a and 5b) that contain the silicon protecting groups MOP (4-methoxyphenyl), DMOP (2,6-dimethoxyphenyl), or TMOP (2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl). In previous studies, we have demonstrated that these three methoxy-substituted phenyl groups can be easily removed from the silicon atom of a given MOP-, DMOP-, or TMOPsilane via protodesilylation under very mild conditions to give the corresponding chloro- or methoxysilane.⁵ Thus, compounds 1a-1c, 2a-2c, 3a-3c, 4a-4c, 5a, and 5b can be regarded as versatile building blocks for synthesis that can undergo (i) a variety of transformations at their C-functional group and (ii) selective cleavage reactions of their Si-MOP, Si-DMOP, and Si-TMOP moieties. Here, we report on the syntheses and characterization of 1a-1c, 2a-2c, 3a-3c, 4a-4c, 5a, and 5b. The syntheses of 2a-2c, 3a-3c, 4a-4c, 5a, and 5b are based on a sequence of transformations of the keto group of 1a-1c. As a proof of principle, we have also studied the cleavage of the Si-MOP, Si-DMOP, and Si-TMOP moieties of 3a-3c (formation of the corresponding chlorosilane **6**).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Syntheses. Compounds 1a-1c, 2a-2c, 3a-3c, and 4a-4cwere prepared in multistep syntheses according to Scheme 1, starting from trimethoxypropylsilane (7). Thus, treatment of 7

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Scheme 1. Syntheses of Compounds 1a-1c, 2a-2c, 3a-3c, and 4a-4c

with (4-methoxyphenyl)magnesium bromide, (2,6-dimethoxyphenyl)lithium, or (2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)lithium afforded the corresponding dimethoxydiorganylsilanes 8a-8c, which upon reaction with vinylmagnesium chloride furnished the respective divinyldiorganylsilanes 9a-9c. In the next step, compounds 9a-9c were transformed into the corresponding 4-silacyclohexan-1-ones 1a-1c by using a synthetic method developed by H. C. Brown, J. A. Soderquist, et al. The 4-silacyclohexan-1-one oximes 2a-2c were synthesized by treatment of 1a-1c with hydroxylamine hydrochloride and sodium carbonate. Sequential treatment of 2a-2c with sodium carbonate and benzenesulfonyl chloride yielded the corresponding 1,4-azasilepan-7-ones 3a-3c. Finally, reduction of 3a-3c with lithium aluminum hydride, followed by aqueous workup, afforded the 1,4-azasilepanes 4a-4c.

Compounds 1a-1c, 2a-2c, and 3a-3c were isolated as colorless crystalline solids, whereas compounds 4a-4c, 8a-8c, and 9a-9c were isolated as colorless liquids (for the yields, see Scheme 1).

The 2-bromo-4-silacyclohexan-1-ones **5a** and **5b** were synthesized according to Scheme 2 by treatment of the 4-silacyclohexan-1-ones **1a** and **1b** with 0.5 mol equiv of 5,5-dibromobarbituric acid (in this context, see ref 7) and were isolated in 41% (**5a**) and 53% (**5b**) yield, respectively, as colorless oils. Both compounds were obtained as a mixture of two diastereomers (molar ratios: **5a**, 1:3.8; **5b**, 1:1.1). All attempts to prepare the analogous TMOP-substituted derivative of **5a** and **5b**, starting from **1c** and using the same synthetic method and the same experimental parameters, failed due to side reactions of the

Scheme 2. Syntheses of Compounds 5a and 5b

reactive Si-TMOP moiety (side products could not be identified).

As a proof of principle, the MOP, DMOP, and TMOP protecting groups of the 1,4-azasilepan-7-ones 3a-3c were removed by treatment with hydrogen chloride in dichloromethane at 20 °C to give the corresponding 4-chloro-1,4-azasilepan-7-one 6 (Scheme 3). According to the different

Scheme 3. Syntheses of Compound 6

reactivities of the Si–MOP, Si–DMOP, and Si–TMOP moieties, ^{5a} different reaction times were necessary for these transformations (for details, see the Experimental Section). The cleavage reactions were monitored by ¹H, ¹³C, and ²⁹Si NMR spectroscopic studies (see the Supporting Information; Figures S1–S9). In all cases, quantitative and selective cleavage reactions were observed to give 6 and the respective cleavage products H–MOP, H–DMOP, and H–TMOP.

The identities of the new compounds 1a–1c, 2a–2c, 3a–3c, 4a–4c, 5a, 5b, 8a–8c, and 9a–9c were established by NMR spectroscopic studies (¹H, ¹³C, and ²⁹Si) and elemental analyses (C, H, and N) or mass spectrometric investigations (ESI-HRMS). In addition, compounds 3a and 3b were characterized by crystal structure analyses. The identity of 6 was established by NMR spectroscopic studies (¹H, ¹³C, and ²⁹Si).

Crystal Structure Analyses. Compounds 3a and 3b were structurally characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The crystal data and the experimental parameters used for the crystal structure analyses are given in the Supporting Information (Table S1). The molecular structures of 3a and 3b are depicted in Figures 1 and 2. All of the bond lengths and angles of these compounds are in the expected ranges and do not need any further discussion; however, the conformations of 3a and 3b deserve a brief discussion. Both compounds adopt a chair conformation of the seven-membered ring in the crystal. In the case of 3b, the bulky 2,6-dimethoxyphenyl group occupies an equatorial position, whereas the less bulky 4-methoxyphenyl group of 3a is found in an axial site. This finding is in agreement with the crystal structures of a series of 4-silacyclohexan-1-ones

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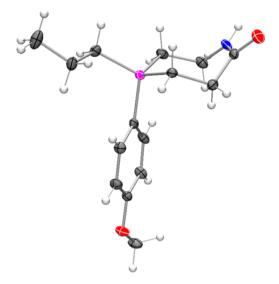


Figure 1. Molecular structure of 3a in the crystal (probability level of displacement ellipsoids 50%).

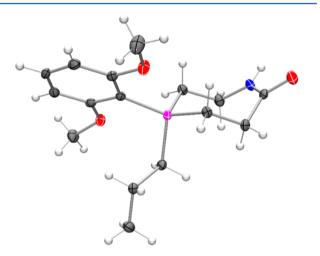


Figure 2. Molecular structure of 3b in the crystal (probability level of displacement ellipsoids 50%).

and 4-silapiperidines⁸ with chair conformation, where the more bulky silicon-bound substituents also occupy an equatorial site.

CONCLUSIONS

With the syntheses of compounds 1a-1c, 2a-2c, 3a-3c, 4a-4c, 5a, and 5b, a series of new classes of silicon-containing C-functional heterocycles with an Si–MOP, Si–DMOP, or Si–TMOP moiety has been made available. These compounds were prepared in convenient multistep syntheses, starting from trimethoxypropylsilane, and were characterized by NMR spectroscopic studies (1 H, 13 C, and 29 Si) and elemental analyses (C, H, and N) or mass-spectrometric studies (ESI-HRMS). Compounds 3a and 3b were additionally studied by single-crystal X-ray diffraction. With their C-functional R_2 C=O (1a-1c, 5a, 5b), R_2 C=N-OH (2a-2c), R-NH(C=O)-R (3a-3c), R_2 NH (4a-4c), and R_3 C-Br moieties (5a, 5b), these compounds represent versatile building blocks for synthesis.

The transformations $1a-1c \rightarrow 2a-2c \rightarrow 3a-3c \rightarrow 4a-4c$ and $1a/1b \rightarrow 5a/5b$ at the aforementioned C-functional groups already demonstrate the synthetic potential of these siliconcontaining heterocycles. In addition to their C-functional groups,

these compounds also contain an Si-functional Si-MOP, Si-DMOP, or Si-TMOP moiety that can be cleaved under mild conditions by protodesilylation to give other Si-functionalities. As a proof of principle, compounds 3a-3c were transformed quantitatively and selectively by treatment with hydrogen chloride in dichloromethane into the corresponding chlorosilane 6. Thus, with their C- and Si-functionalities, the title compounds can be regarded as versatile building blocks for synthesis. As heterocyclic skeletons play a very important role in medicinal chemistry, the C- and Si-functional silicon-containing heterocycles 1a-1c, 2a-2c, 3a-3c, 4a-4c, 5a, and 5b represent promising building blocks for the design of new silicon-based drugs. For example, 5a and 5b have already been used as starting materials for the synthesis of a series of silicon-containing GPR81 agonists with a thiazol skeleton, such as 10 and 11.9 Furthermore, it should be mentioned that 4,4-dimethyl-1,4-azasilepane (12) has recently been demonstrated to be an antiviral agent. 10

Scheme 4. Chemical Structures of Compounds 10-12

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Procedures. All syntheses in organic solvents were carried out under a dry argon or nitrogen atmosphere. The organic solvents used were dried and purified according to standard procedures and stored under dry argon. The commercial starting materials and reagents were used without further purification. The ¹H (500.0 MHz), ¹³C (125.7 MHz), and $^{29}\text{Si}~(99.3~\text{MHz})~\text{NMR}$ spectra were recorded at 23 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ using CDCl₃, CD₂Cl₂, or C₆D₆ as the solvent. Chemical shifts (ppm) were determined relative to internal CHCl₃ (1 H, δ 7.24 ppm; CDCl₃), CHDCl₂ (1 H, δ 5.32 ppm; CD₂Cl₂), C₆HD₅ (1 H, δ 7.28 ppm; C₆D₆), CDCl₃ (13 C, δ 77.0 ppm; CDCl₃), CD₂Cl₂ (13 C, δ 53.8 ppm; CD₂Cl₂), C₆D₆ (13 C, δ 128.0 ppm; C₆D₆), or external TMS (29 Si, δ 0 ppm; CD₂Cl₂, CDCl₃, C₆D₆). Analysis and assignment of the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectroscopic data was supported by ¹H, ¹H gradient-selected COSY along with 13C,1H gradient-selected HMQC and HMBC experiments. Assignment of the 13C NMR spectroscopic data was additionally supported by DEPT 135 experiments. Coupling constants are given as their absolute values. GC/MS spectra were recorded using solutions in dichloromethane. High-resolution mass spectra were recorded using solutions in dichloromethane (GC-FI-TOF-MS) or methanol (ESI).

4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-4-silacyclohexan-1-one (1a). 9-Borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (11.0 g, 45.1 mmol of the 9-BBN dimer) was added in a single portion at 20 °C to a stirred solution of 9a (9.00 g, 38.7 mmol) in n-heptane (150 mL), and the resulting mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled to 20 °C, borane dimethyl sulfide complex (3.24 g, 42.6 mmol) was added in a single portion, and the resulting mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h.

Subsequently, the mixture was cooled to 0 $^{\circ}$ C, methanol (8 mL) was added dropwise within 10 min, and the resulting solution was then stirred at 20 °C for 1 h. The volatile components were removed under reduced pressure at 40 °C, and the oily residue was dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (100 mL), followed by the addition of dichloromethyl methyl ether (6.68 g, 58.1 mmol) in a single portion at 0 °C. Subsequently, a 1 M solution of lithium tert-butoxide in tetrahydrofuran (194 mL, 194 mmol of LiOtBu) was added dropwise at 0 °C within 30 min, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 $^{\circ}$ C for 10 min and then at 20 °C for 1 h, followed by sequential addition of ethanol (50 mL), water (50 mL), and sodium hydroxide (4.65 g, 116 mmol). The resulting mixture was cooled to 0 °C, and an aqueous solution of hydrogen peroxide (35 weight%, 33.9 mL) was added dropwise within 30 min. The mixture was then stirred at 20 °C for 16 h, followed by the addition of water (200 mL). The organic phase was separated, the aqueous layer was extracted with diethyl ether (3 × 100 mL) and discarded, the combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 340 g; eluent, n-heptane/ethyl acetate (8/2 y/y), followed by bulb-to-bulb distillation in vacuo $(142-144 \,^{\circ}\text{C}/$ 0.1 mbar) to furnish 1a in 71% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (7.21 g, 27.5 mmol). ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 0.82–0.89 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.93-0.99 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.11-1.19 and 1.21-1.29 (m, 4 H; $SiCH_2CH_2C$), 1.34-1.44 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.45-2.58 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.81 (s, 3 H; $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 6.93-6.95 (m, 2 H; H-2/H-6, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 7.48-7.50 ppm (m, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₄OCH₃). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 8.5 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 16.4 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.7 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 38.2 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 55.4 (C₆H₄OCH₃), 114.2 (C-3/C-5, C₆H₄OCH₃), 126.8 (C-1, C₆H₄OCH₃), 135.7 (C-2/C-6, C₆H₄OCH₃), 161.2 (C-4, C₆H₄OCH₃), 214.3 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ –7.1 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₂₂O₂Si, 263.1467; found, 263.1484.

4-(2,6-Dimethoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-4-silacyclohexan-1-one (1b). Compound 1b was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 1a, starting from 9b (20.0 g, 76.2 mmol). The product was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 340 g; eluent, n-heptane/ethyl acetate (8/2 v/v)), followed by bulb-to-bulb distillation in vacuo (156-158 °C/0.1 mbar) to furnish 1b in 83% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (18.6 g, 63.6 mmol). ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 0.85–0.90 (m, 2 H; $SiCH_2CH_2CH_3$), 0.90–0.95 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.14-1.22 and 1.32-1.38 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.38-1.46 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.47-2.53 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.75 (s, 6 H; C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 6.52 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HH}$ = 8.3 Hz, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 7.31 ppm (t, ${}^3J_{HH} = 8.3$ Hz, 1 H; H-4, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 10.9 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 17.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.0 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 38.7 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 55.5 (C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 103.7 (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 110.8 (C-1, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 132.3 (C-4, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 166.1 (*C-2/C-6*, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 215.7 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ –7.6 ppm. HRMS: $m/z [M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{16}H_{24}O_3Si$, 293.1573; found, 293.1584.

4-Propyl-4-(2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)-4-silacyclohexan-1-one (1c). Compound 1c was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 1a, starting from 9c (16.0 g, 54.7 mmol). The product was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 340 g; eluent, n-heptane/ ethyl acetate/triethylamine (80/20/5 v/v/v)), followed by bulb-to-bulb distillation in vacuo (189-190 °C/0.3 mbar) to furnish 1c in 61% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (10.8 g, 33.5 mmol). ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 0.82-0.87 (m, 2 H; $SiCH_2CH_2CH_3$), 0.90-0.95 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.10-1.18 and 1.31-1.39 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.34-1.42 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.46-2.51 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.73 (s, 6 H; o-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 3.81 (s, 3 H; p-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 6.09 ppm (s, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 11.0 (Si CH_2CH_2C), 17.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.0 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 38.8 $(SiCH_2CH_2C)$, 55.4 $(p-OCH_3, C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3)$, 55.6 $(o-OCH_3)$

 $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 90.6 (*C*-3/*C*-5, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 102.1 (*C*-1, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 164.1 (*C*-4 $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 167.0 (*C*-2/*C*-6, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 215.8 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ –8.3 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for $C_{17}H_{26}O_4Si$, 323.1679; found, 323.1665.

4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-4-silacyclohexan-1-one Oxime (2a). Hydroxylamine hydrochloride (530 mg, 7.63 mmol) and sodium carbonate (1.21 g, 11.4 mmol) were added in a single portion each at 20 °C to a stirred solution of 1a (1.00 g, 3.81 mmol) in a mixture of acetonitrile (40 mL) and water (40 mL), and the reaction mixture was then stirred at 20 °C for 16 h. Subsequently, dichloromethane (100 mL) and a saturated aqueous sodium hydrogen carbonate solution (50 mL) were added sequentially, the organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (3 × 30 mL) and discarded. The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (40–63 μ m, 100 g; eluent, n-hexane/ethyl acetate (8/2 v/v)) to furnish 2a in 73% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (772 mg, 2.78 mmol). ¹H NMR (500.1 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 0.78–0.83 (m, 2 H; $SiCH_2CH_2CH_3$), 0.92– 0.96 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.96-1.04 and 1.06-1.17 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.32-1.41 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.36-2.57 and 2.77-2.85 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.88 (s, 3 H; C₆H₄OCH₃), 6.91-6.95 (m, 2 H; H-2/H-6, C₆H₄OCH₃), 7.44-7.49 (m, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₄OCH₃), 8.01 ppm (br. s, 1 H; OH). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 8.1 and 10.1 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 16.5 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.7 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.4 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 21.4 and 29.2 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 55.3 (C₆H₄OCH₃), 114.1 (C-2/C-6, C₆H₄OCH₃), 127.4 (C-1, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 135.7 (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 161.1 (C-4, C₆H₄OCH₃), 163.5 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ -6.2 ppm. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₂₃NO₂Si: C, 64.94; H, 8.36; N, 5.05. Found: C, 65.2; H, 8.6; N, 5.3.

4-(2.6-Dimethoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-4-silacyclohexan-1-one Oxime (2b). Compound 2b was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 2a, starting from 1b (1.00 g, 3.42 mmol). The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (40-63 µm, 100 g; eluent, n-hexane/ ethyl acetate (8/2 v/v)) to furnish 2b in 67% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (708 mg, 2.30 mmol). ¹H NMR (500.1 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 0.80-0.85 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.89-0.93 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.01-1.10 and 1.18-1.26 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.26–1.38 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.34–2.47 and 2.59–2.74 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.74 (s, 6 H; $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 6.50 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 8.3$ Hz, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 7.28 (t, ${}^3J_{HH} = 8.3$ Hz, 1 H; H-4, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 8.10 ppm (br. s, 1 H; OH). ${}^{13}C$ NMR (125.7 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 10.2 and 12.6 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 17.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.0 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 21.8 and 29.4 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 55.5 $(C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2)$, 103.7 $(C-3/C-5, C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2)$, 111.4 (C-1, C-1)C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 132.1 (C-4, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 164.7 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 166.0 ppm $(C-2/C-6, C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2)$. ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ –6.6 ppm. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₅NO₃Si: C, 62.50; H, 8.20; N, 4.56. Found: C, 62.7; H, 8.1; N, 4.5.

4-Propyl-4-(2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)-4-silacyclohexan-1-one Oxime (2c). Compound 2c was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 2a, starting from 1c (1.00 g, 3.10 mmol). The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (40-63 µm, 100 g; eluent, n-hexane/ ethyl acetate (8/2 v/v)) to furnish 2c in 34% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (354 mg, 1.05 mmol). ¹H NMR (500.1 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 0.76-0.82 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.88-0.93 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.97-1.06 and 1.15-1.24 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.26-1.37 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.33-2.46 and 2.59-2.72 (m, 4 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.72 (s, 6 H; o-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 3.80 (s, 3 H; p-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 6.08 (s, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 8.01 ppm (br. s, 1 H; OH). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 10.3 and 12.7 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 17.2 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.0 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 21.8 and 29.5 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 55.4 (o-OCH₃, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3)$, 55.5 (p-OCH₃, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 90.6 (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 102.7 (C-1, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 163.9 (C-4, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$, 164.7 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 167.0 ppm (C-2/C-6,

 $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3)$. ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ –7.2 ppm. Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{27}NO_4Si$: C, 60.50; H, 8.06; N, 4.15. Found: C, 60.4; H, 8.4; N, 3.9.

4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-1,4-azasilepan-7-one (3a). Sodium carbonate (848 mg, 8.00 mmol) was added in a single portion at 20 °C to a stirred solution of 2a (2.11 g, 7.61 mmol) in a mixture of acetonitrile (100 mL) and water (100 mL), and the resulting mixture was then cooled to 0 °C, followed by dropwise addition of benzenesulfonyl chloride (2.68 g, 15.2 mmol) within 5 min. After the addition was complete, the reaction mixture was warmed to 20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ and stirred for 24 h. Subsequently, dichloromethane (100 mL) and a saturated aqueous sodium hydrogen carbonate solution (50 mL) were added sequentially, the organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (3 × 50 mL) and discarded. The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvents were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 100 g; eluent, dichloromethane/methanol (97/3 v/ v)). The resulting colorless oil was crystallized from n-hexane/ethyl acetate (9/1 v/v; slow cooling of a saturated boiling solution to 20 °C), and the product was isolated by filtration and dried in vacuo to furnish 3a in 73% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (1.54 g, 5.55 mmol). ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 0.70-0.77 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.87-0.92 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.96-1.10 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.13-1.25 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 1.25-1.34 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.49-2.58 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.32-3.44 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 3.79 (s, 3 H; C₆H₄OCH₃), 6.44 (br. s, 1 H; NH), 6.88-6.93 (m, 2 H; H-2/H-6, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 7.37-7.42 ppm (m, 2 H; H-6) 3/H-5, $C_6H_4OCH_3$). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.6 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 14.6 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 16.6 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 17.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.2 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 28.5 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 38.3 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 55.0 (C₆H₄OCH₃), 113.9 (C-2/C-6, C₆H₄OCH₃), 126.3 (*C*-1, C₆H₄OCH₃), 135.3 (*C*-3/*C*-5, C₆H₄OCH₃), 160.7 (*C*-4, C₆H₄OCH₃), 178.5 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CDCl₃): δ –4.9 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₂₃NO₂Si, 278.1576; found, 278.1580.

4-(2,6-Dimethoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-1,4-azasilepan-7-one (3b). Compound 3b was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 3a, starting from 2a (2.20 g, 7.16 mmol). The product was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 100 g; eluent, dichloromethane/methanol (97/3 v/v)). The resulting colorless oil was crystallized from diethyl ether (slow cooling of a saturated boiling solution to -20 °C), and the product was isolated by filtration and dried in vacuo to furnish 3b in 66% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (1.45 g, 4.72 mmol). 1 H NMR (500.0 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 0.80–0.86 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.87-0.92 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.00-1.15 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.25–1.34 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 1.33–1.42 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.50-2.63 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.36-3.50 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 3.73 (s, 6 H; $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 6.01 (br. s, 1 H; NH), 6.48 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HH}$ = 8.3 Hz, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 7.28 ppm (t, ${}^{3}J_{HH}$ = 8.3 Hz, 1 H; H-4, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.0 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 16.8 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.2 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 17.5 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 28.9 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 39.1 $(SiCH_2CH_2N)$, 55.1 $(C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2)$, 103.4 (C-3/C-5) $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 110.7 (C-1, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 132.0 (C-4, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 165.5 (C-2/C-6, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 179.2 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CDCl₃): δ –5.0 ppm. HRMS: $m/z [M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{16}H_{25}NO_3Si$, 308.1676; found, 308.1690.

4-Propyl-4-(2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)-1,4-azasilepan-7-one (3c). Compound 3c was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 3a, starting from 2c (2.21 g, 6.55 mmol). The product was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 100 g; eluent, dichloromethane/methanol/triethylamine (97/3/5 v/v/v)). The resulting colorless oil was crystallized from *n*-hexane (slow cooling of a saturated boiling solution to 20 °C), and the product was isolated by filtration and dried in vacuo to furnish 3c in 41% yield as a colorless crystalline solid (903 mg, 2.68 mmol). 1 H NMR (500.0 MHz, C_6D_6): δ 0.99–1.04 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.05–1.08 and 1.28–1.37 (m, 2

H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.09–1.14 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.34–1.42 and 1.62–1.70 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 1.48–1.58 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.68–2.76 and 2.79–2.87 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.09–3.24 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 3.31 (s, 6 H; o-OCH₃, C_6 H₂(OCH₃)₃), 3.48 (s, 3 H; p-OCH₃, C_6 H₂(OCH₃)₃), 6.10 (s, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C_6 H₂(OCH₃)₃), 6.58 ppm (br. s, 1 H; NH). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, C_6 D₆): δ 10.7 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 17.75 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.76 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 18.0 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.6 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 29.5 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 38.8 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 54.5 (o-OCH₃, C_6 H₂(OCH₃)₃), 54.7 (p-OCH₃, C_6 H₂(OCH₃)₃), 164.1 (C-4, C_6 H₂(OCH₃)₃), 166.9 (C-2/C-6, C_6 H₂(OCH₃)₃), 177.9 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, C_6 D₆): δ –5.5 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C_{17} H₂₇NO₄Si, 360.1607; found, 360.1592.

4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-1,4-azasilepane (4a). A 1 M solution of lithium aluminum hydride in tetrahydrofuran (4.97 mL, 4.97 mmol of LiAlH₄) was added dropwise at 0 °C within 5 min to a stirred solution of 3a (690 mg, 2.49 mmol) in diethyl ether (50 mL), and the reaction mixture was then stirred at 20 °C for 2 h. Subsequently, diethyl ether (50 mL) and water (50 mL) were added sequentially, the organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with diethyl ether $(3 \times 30 \text{ mL})$ and discarded. The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 50 g; eluent, ethyl acetate/triethylamine (95/5 v/v), followed by bulbto-bulb distillation in vacuo to furnish 4a in 80% vield as a colorless oil (521 mg, 1.98 mmol); bp 125–126 °C/0.1 mbar. ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, C_6D_6): δ 0.97–1.04 (m, 2 H; SiC H_2 C H_2 C H_3), 1.01–1.07 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 1.10-1.17 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.16 (br. s, 1 H; NH), 1.20-1.37 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 1.50-1.60 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.74-1.85 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 2.62-2.75 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 2.85–2.96 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 3.48 (s, 3 H; $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 7.01–7.06 (m, 2 H; H-2/H-6, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 7.63– 7.68 ppm (m, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_4OCH_3$). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, C_6D_6): δ 12.4 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 17.2 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 18.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.5 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.8 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 27.7 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 46.0 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 52.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 54.5 $(C_6H_4OCH_3)$, 113.9 $(C-2/C-6, C_6H_4OCH_3)$, 130.7 $(C-1, C_6H_4OCH_3)$, 135.8 (C-3/C-5, C₆H₄OCH₃), 160.7 ppm (C-4, C₆H₄OCH₃). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4 MHz, C_6D_6): δ 0.0 ppm. HRMS: $m/z [M + H]^+$ calcd for C₁₅H₂₅NOSi, 264.1784; found, 264.1801.

4-(2,6-Dimethoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-1,4-azasilepane (4b). Compound 4b was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 4a, starting from 3b (468 mg, 1.52 mmol). The product was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 25 g; eluent, ethyl acetate/triethylamine (95/5 v/v)), followed by bulb-tobulb distillation in vacuo to furnish 4b in 78% yield as a colorless oil (348 mg, 1.19 mmol); bp 128-129 °C/0.01 mbar. ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, C_6D_6): δ 1.13–1.18 and 1.54–1.60 (m, 2 H; SiC H_2 C H_2 C H_2 N), 1.15– 1.19 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.19–1.22 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.24 (br. s, 1 H; NH), 1.40–1.47 and 1.73–1.80 (m, 2 H; SiC H_2 C H_2 N), 1.64-1.72 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.86-2.04 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 2.77-2.83 and 2.87-2.94 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 3.08-3.20 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 3.45 (s, 6 H; $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$, 6.42 (d, ${}^3J_{HH}$ = 8.3 Hz, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 7.26 ppm (t, ${}^{3}J_{HH}$ = 8.3 Hz, 1 H; H-4, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂). ${}^{13}C$ NMR (125.7 MHz, C_6D_6): δ 15.0 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 18.6 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 18.8 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 19.6 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 20.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 28.2 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 46.1 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 51.7 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 54.7 $(C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2)$, 103.8 $(C-3/C-5, C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2)$, 114.6 (C-1, C-1) $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 131.1 (C-4, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 165.6 ppm (C-2/C-6, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4 MHz, C_6D_6): δ –0.3 ppm. HRMS: m/ $z [M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{16}H_{27}NO_2Si$, 294.1889; found, 294.1872.

4-Propyl-4-(2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)-1,4-azasilepane (4c). Compound 4c was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 4a, starting from 3c (590 mg, 1.75 mmol). The product was purified by automated flash column chromatography on silica gel (Biotage SNAP cartridge, KP-Sil, 25 g; eluent, ethyl acetate/

triethylamine (95/5 v/v)) to furnish 4c in 55% yield as a colorless oil (311 mg, 961 μ mol). ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, C₆D₆): δ 1.14–1.20 and 1.54-1.60 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 1.18-1.22 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.19–1.23 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.39–1.48 and 1.73–1.80 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 1.49 (br. s, 1 H; NH), 1.66–1.77 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.77–2.07 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 2.83-2.89 and 2.92-2.99 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 3.12-3.35 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 3.42 (s, 6 H; o-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 3.51 (s, 3 H; p-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 6.17 ppm (s, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, C_6D_6): δ 15.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 18.6 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 18.9 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 19.6 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 20.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 28.2 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 46.3 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 51.8 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂N), 54.6 (p-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃ and o-OCH₃, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$, 90.8 (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 105.7 (C-1, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$, 163.5 (C-4, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 166.6 ppm (C-2/C-6, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4 MHz, C_6D_6): $\delta - 0.7$ ppm. HRMS: m/ $z [M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{17}H_{29}NO_3Si$, 324.1990; found, 324.1985.

2-Bromo-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-4-silacyclohexan-1-one (5a). 5,5-Dibromobarbituric acid (163 mg, 570 μ mol) was added at 20 °C in a single portion to a solution of 1a (300 mg, 1.14 mmol) in diethyl ether (30 mL), and the resulting mixture was then stirred at 20 °C for 24 h. The liquid phase of the reaction mixture was separated from the precipitate (barbituric acid) by means of a syringe, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Subsequently, diethyl ether (20 mL) and water (20 mL) were added sequentially, the organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with diethyl ether (3×10) mL) and discarded. The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (40–63 μ m, 50 g; eluent, n-hexane/dichloromethane (1/1 v/ v)) to furnish 5a in 41% yield as a colorless oil (160 mg, 469 μ mol). ¹H NMR (500.1 MHz, CD₂Cl₂; data for two diastereomers (molar ratio 1:3.8) marked with A (major isomer) and B (minor isomer)): δ 0.82– 0.87^A and 0.95–1.00^B (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.90–0.95^A and 0.98– 1.02^B (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.21–1.29^A and 1.31–1.38^B (m, 2 H; SiC H_2 CH $_2$ C), 1.30–1.36 $^{\text{A}}$ and 1.40–1.47 $^{\text{B}}$ (m, 2 H; SiC H_2 CH $_2$ CH $_3$), 1.76–1.83 $^{\text{B}}$, 1.81–1.88 $^{\text{A}}$, 2.02–2.08 $^{\text{A}}$, and 2.12–2.19 $^{\text{B}}$ (m, 2 H; SiC H_2 CH(Br)C), 2.54–2.62 $^{\text{A}}$, 2.66–2.73 $^{\text{B}}$, 2.79–2.85 $^{\text{A}}$, and 2.81– 2.86^{B} (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.80^{B} and 3.82^{A} (s, 3 H; C₆H₄OCH₃), 4.86-4.91^A and 5.00-5.05^B (m, 1 H; SiCH₂CH(Br)C), 6.91-6.95^B and $6.97-7.00^{A}$ (m, 2 H; H-2/H-6, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), $7.41-7.45^{B}$ and $7.51-7.54^{A}$ ppm (m, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_4OCH_3$). ^{13}C NMR (125.8 MHz, CD₂Cl₂; data for two diastereomers (molar ratio 1:3.8) marked with A (major isomer) and B (minor isomer)): $\delta 9.4^{\rm B}$ and $9.7^{\rm A}$ (SiCH₂CH₂C), 15.6^B and 16.9^A (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.4^A and 17.7^B (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.1^A and 18.3^B (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 24.4^B and 25.1^A (SiCH₂CH(Br)C), 36.4^B and 36.8^A (SiCH₂CH₂C), 55.40^B and 55.44^A (C₆H₄OCH₃), 56.3^B and 56.5^{A} (SiCH₂CH(Br)C), 114.2^{B} and 114.5^{A} (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 124.7^{A} and 125.1^{B} (C-1, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 135.69^{B} and 135.70^A (C-2/C-6, C₆H₄OCH₃), 161.5^B and 161.6^A (C-4, C₆H₄OCH₃), 204.2^B and 204.3^A ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4 MHz, CD₂Cl₂; data for two diastereomers (molar ratio 1:3.8) marked with A (major isomer) and B (minor isomer)): δ –6.9^B and –5.8^A ppm. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₂₁BrO₂Si: C, 52.78; H, 6.20. Found: C, 52.9; H, 6.0.

2-Bromo-4-(2,6-dimethoxyphenyl)-4-propyl-4-silacyclohexan-1-one (5b). Compound 5b was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 5a, starting from 1b (1.00 g, 3.42 mmol). The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (40–63 μm, 100 g; eluent, *n*-hexane/ethyl acetate (9/1 v/v)) to furnish 5b in 53% yield as a colorless oil (675 mg, 1.82 mmol). ¹H NMR (500.1 MHz, CD₂Cl₂; data for two diastereomers (molar ratio 1:1.1) marked with A (major isomer) and B (minor isomer)): δ 0.85–0.90^A and 0.92–0.96^B (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.88–0.92^A and 0.93–0.98^B (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.12–1.21^A and 1.34–1.43^B (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.27–1.42^A and 1.46–1.58^B (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.66–1.73^A, 1.90–1.98^B, 2.21–2.27^B, and 2.38–2.44^A (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH(Br)C), 2.57–2.64^A, 2.62–2.70^B, 2.72–2.79^A, and 2.75–2.84^B (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.74^B and 3.79^A (s, 6 H; C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 5.02–5.08^B and 5.10–5.16^A (m, 1 H; SiCH₂CH(Br)C), 6.50^B and 6.55^A (d, ³_{HH} = 8.3 Hz, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 7.32^B and 7.36^A ppm

(t, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8.3 \text{ Hz}$, 1 H; H-4, $C_{6}H_{3}(\text{OCH}_{3})_{2}$). ${}^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125.8 MHz, CD₂Cl₂; data for two diastereomers (molar ratio 1:1.1) marked with A (major isomer) and B (minor isomer)): δ 12.1^B and 12.3^A (SiCH₂CH₂C), 16.5^B and 17.3^A (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.8^A and 17.9^B (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.1^A and 18.2^B (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 27.1^B and 27.8^A (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 37.1^B and 37.3^A (SiCH₂CH₂C), 55.5^B and 55.6^A (C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 58.2^B and 58.5^A (SiCH₂CH(Br)C), 103.7^B and 103.8^A (C-3/C-5, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 108.9^A and 109.5^B (C-1, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 132.8^B and 132.9^A (C-4, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 165.7^B and 166.0^A (C-2/C-6, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 205.1^B and 205.4^A ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4 MHz, CD₂Cl₂; data for two diastereomers (molar ratio 1:1.1) marked with A (major isomer) and B (minor isomer)): δ -7.1^B and -6.5^A ppm. Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{23}BrO_3Si$: C, 51.75; H, 6.24. Found: C, 51.7; H, 6.4.

4-Chloro-4-propyl-1.4-azasilepan-7-one (6). Method I. Gaseous hydrogen chloride was passed through a solution of 3a (70 mg, 252 μ mol) in dichloromethane (5 mL) at 20 °C for 15 min, and the reaction mixture was then stirred at 20 °C for 15 min, until the cleavage of the MOP protecting group was complete (monitored by GC/MS analysis). The volatile components (including most of the methoxybenzene) were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was demonstrated by NMR spectroscopic studies to be a mixture of 6 and traces of methoxybenzene (see Figures S1–S3 in the Supporting Information). ¹H NMR (500.1 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 0.89-0.95 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.96-1.01 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.17-1.22 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 1.20-1.26 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.41-1.50 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₂), 2.76–2.85 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.65– 3.71 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 9.43 ppm (br. s, 1 H; NH). ¹³C NMR (125.8 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 12.1 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 16.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂), 17.6 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 19.1 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 25.9 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 38.6 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 182.2 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). 29 Si NMR (99.4 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 29.9 ppm.

Method II. Gaseous hydrogen chloride was passed through a solution of 3b (110 mg, 358 μ mol) in dichloromethane (10 mL) at 20 °C for 5 min, and the reaction mixture was then stirred at 20 $^{\circ}$ C for 10 min, until the cleavage of the DMOP protecting group was complete (monitored by GC/MS analysis). The volatile components (including parts of the 1,3-dimethoxybenzene) were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was demonstrated by NMR spectroscopic studies to be a 1:0.8 mixture of 6 and 1,3-dimethoxybenzene (see Figures S4-S6 in the Supporting Information). 1 H NMR (500.1 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 0.89–0.94 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.96–1.03 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.16– 1.21 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 1.19–1.25 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.42– 1.52 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.76-2.85 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.61-3.68 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 3.76 (s, 6 H; C₆H₄(OCH₃)₂), 6.43-6.46 (m, 1 H; H-2, $C_6H_4(OCH_3)_2$), 6.47–6.51 (m, 2 H; H-4/H-6, $C_6H_4(OCH_3)_2$, 7.14–7.19 (m, 1 H; H-5, $C_6H_4(OCH_3)_2$), 9.26 ppm (br. s, 1 H; NH). 13 C NMR (125.8 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 12.1 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 16.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.5 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.6 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 19.2 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 26.0 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 38.3 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 55.5 ($C_6H_4(OCH_3)_2$), 100.6 (C-2, $C_6H_4(OCH_3)_2$), 106.3 (C-4/C-6, $C_6H_4(OCH_3)_2$), 130.1 (C-5, $C_6H_4(OCH_3)_2$), 161.3 $(C-1/C-3, C_6H_4(OCH_3)_2)$, 181.6 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4) MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 30.1 ppm.

Method III. Gaseous hydrogen chloride was passed through a solution of 3c (95 mg, 281 μmol) in dichloromethane (7 mL) at 20 °C for 1 min, and the reaction mixture was then stirred at 20 °C for 10 min, until the cleavage of the TMOP protecting group was complete (monitored by GC/MS analysis). The volatile components were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was demonstrated by NMR spectroscopic studies to be a 1:1 mixture of **6** and 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (see Figures S7–S9 in the Supporting Information). ¹H NMR (500.1 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 0.88–0.94 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.97–1.02 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.14–1.19 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 1.17–1.23 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 1.42–1.51 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.68–2.80 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂C), 3.56–3.65 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂N), 3.75 (s, 9 H; C₆H₃(OCH₃)₃), 6.07 (s, 3 H; C₆H₃(OCH₃)₃), 8.42 ppm (br. s, 1 H; NH). ¹³C NMR (125.8 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 12.3 (SiCH₂CH₂C), 16.4 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.7 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.0 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 19.3 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 26.6

(SiCH₂CH₂C), 38.2 (SiCH₂CH₂N), 55.6 ($C_6H_3(OCH_3)_3$), 93.1 (C-2/C-4/C-6, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_3$), 162.0 ppm (C-1/C-3/C-5, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_3$), 180.9 ppm (SiCH₂CH₂C). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 29.9 ppm. *Trimethoxypropylsilane* (7). This compound was commercially available.

Dimethoxy(4-methoxyphenyl)propylsilane (8a). A 1 M solution of (4-methoxyphenyl)magnesium bromide in tetrahydrofuran (128 mL, 128 mmol of p-MeOC₆H₄MgBr) was added dropwise at 20 °C within 3 h to a stirred solution of 7 (20.0 g, 122 mmol) in diethyl ether (200 mL), and stirring was then continued at 20 °C for 16 h. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether (3 × 100 mL), and discarded. The filtrate and wash solutions were combined, the solvents were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation in vacuo to furnish 8a in 67% yield as a colorless liquid (19.7 g, 82.0 mmol); bp 99-100 °C/0.3 mbar. 1H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 0.79–0.86 (m, 2 H; $SiCH_2CH_2CH_3$), 0.91–0.99 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.35–1.46 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 3.54 (s, 6 H; SiOCH₃), 3.81 (s, 3 H; $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 6.90–6.97 (m, 2 H; H-2/H-6, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 7.49–7.58 ppm (m, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_4OCH_3$). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 15.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 16.7 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.0 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 50.7 (SiOCH₃), 55.3 $(C_6H_4OCH_3)$, 113.9 $(C-2/C-6, C_6H_4OCH_3)$, 124.8 (C-1, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 136.2 (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 161.7 ppm (C-4, $C_6H_4OCH_3$). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ –15.9 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₂₀O₃Si, 240.1182; found, 240.1168.

(2,6-Dimethoxyphenyl)dimethoxypropylsilane (8b). A 2.5 M solution of *n*-butyllithium in hexanes (53.6 mL, 134 mmol of *n*-BuLi) was added dropwise at 20 °C within 1 h to a stirred mixture of 1,3dimethoxybenzene (16.8 g, 122 mmol), N,N,N',N'-tetramethylenediamine (TMEDA; 15.6 g, 134 mmol), and n-pentane (60 mL). The resulting suspension of DMOP-Li was stirred at 20 °C for 16 h and then added to a stirred solution of 7 (20.0 g, 122 mmol) in diethyl ether (80 mL) at 20 °C within 1 h, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 20 °C for a further 16 h. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether (3 × 100 mL), and discarded. The filtrate and wash solutions were combined, the solvents were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation in vacuo to furnish 8b in 58% yield as a colorless liquid (19.1 g, 70.6 mmol); bp 108–109 °C/0.2 mbar. 1 H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 0.78-0.88 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.92-0.99 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.36-1.46 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 3.52 (s, 6 H; $SiOCH_3$), 3.78 (s, 6 H; $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 6.54 (d, $^3J_{HH}$ = 8.2 Hz, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 7.34 ppm (t, ${}^3J_{HH} = 8.2$ Hz, 1 H; H-4, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$). ${}^{13}C$ NMR (125.7 MHz, C_2Cl_2): δ 16.7 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.2 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 50.9 (SiOCH₃), 55.7 ($C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 103.8 (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 109.4 (*C*-1, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 133.0 (*C*-4, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$), 166.2 ppm (*C*-2/*C*-6, $C_6H_3(OCH_3)_2$). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ –16.7 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₂₂O₄Si, 270.1287; found, 270.1264.

Dimethoxypropyl(2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)silane (8c). A 2.5 M solution of *n*-butyllithium in hexanes (62.4 mL, 156 mmol of *n*-BuLi) was added dropwise at 20 °C within 1 h to a stirred mixture of 1,3,5trimethoxybenzene (25.0 g, 149 mmol), TMEDA (18.1 g, 156 mmol), and n-pentane (150 mL). The resulting suspension of TMOP-Li was stirred at 20 °C for 16 h and then added to a stirred solution of 7 (23.2 g, 141 mmol) in diethyl ether (150 mL) at 20 °C within 1 h, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 20 °C for a further 16 h. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether (3 × 100 mL), and discarded. The filtrate and wash solutions were combined, the solvents were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation in vacuo to furnish 8c in 72% yield as a colorless liquid (30.3 g, 101 mmol); bp 121-122 °C/0.2 mbar. ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 0.75–0.84 (m, 2 H; $SiCH_2CH_2CH_3$), 0.91–0.96 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.33-1.44 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 3.49 (s, 6 H; SiOCH₃), 3.76 (s, 6 H; o-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 3.82 (s, 3 H; p- OCH_3 , $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$, 6.09 ppm (s, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 16.8 (Si $CH_2CH_2CH_3$), 18.3 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.4 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 50.8 (SiOCH₃), 55.6 (p- OCH_3 , $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$, 55.7 (o-OCH₃, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 90.6 (C-3/C-

5, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 101.1 (*C*-1, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 164.5 (*C*-4, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 167.3 ppm (*C*-2/*C*-6, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ –16.3 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M]⁺ calcd for $C_{14}H_{24}O_5Si$, 300.1393; found, 300.1400.

(4-Methoxyphenyl)propyldivinylsilane (9a). A 1.9 M solution of vinylmagnesium chloride in tetrahydrofuran (77.0 mL, 146 mmol of CH₂=CHMgCl) was added dropwise at 20 °C within 2 h to a stirred solution of 8a (14.0 g, 58.2 mmol) in diethyl ether (200 mL), and the reaction mixture was then stirred at 20 °C for 16 h. Subsequently, diethyl ether (200 mL) and water (200 mL) were added sequentially, the organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with diethyl ether (3 × 100 mL) and discarded. The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvents were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by bulbto-bulb distillation in vacuo to furnish 9a in 81% yield as a colorless liquid (11.0 g, 47.3 mmol); bp 94-96 °C/0.2 mbar. ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 0.91–0.95 (m, 2 H; $SiCH_2CH_2CH_3$), 0.95–1.00 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.38–1.47 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 3.80 (s, 3 H; $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 5.75 (δ_A), 6.12 (δ_M), and 6.28 (δ_X) ($CH_X=CH_AH_M$), ${}^{3}J_{AX} = 20.3 \text{ Hz}, {}^{2}J_{AM} = 3.9 \text{ Hz}, {}^{3}J_{MX} = 14.7 \text{ Hz}, 6 \text{ H}), 6.91 \text{ (m, 2 H; } H-2/$ H-6, C₆H₄OCH₃), 7.44 ppm (m, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₄OCH₃). ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 15.9 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 17.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.5 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 55.3 (C₆H₄OCH₃), 113.9 (C-2/C-6, C₆H₄OCH₃), 126.6 (C-1, C₆H₄OCH₃), 134.7 (SiCH=CH₂), 135.7 (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_4OCH_3$), 136.6 (SiCH=CH₂), 161.1 ppm (C-4, $C_6H_4OCH_3$). ²⁹Si NMR (99.4 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): $\delta - 17.4$ ppm. HRMS: m/z [M]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₂₀OSi, 232.1283; found, 232.1271.

(2,6-Dimethoxyphenyl)propyldivinylsilane (9b). Compound 9b was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 9a, starting from 8b (5.00 g, 18.5 mmol). The product was purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation in vacuo to furnish 9b in 88% yield as a colorless liquid (4.27 g, 16.3 mmol); bp 98–100 °C/0.1 mbar.

1H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 0.93–0.97 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.98–1.02 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.33–1.43 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 3.72 (s, 6 H; C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 5.67 (δ_A), 5.96 (δ_M), and 6.42 (δ_X) (CH_X=CH_AH_M, 3 J_{AX} = 20.4 Hz, 2 J_{AM} = 3.9 Hz, 3 J_{MX} = 14.6 Hz, 6 H), 6.51 (d, 3 J_{HH} = 8.3 Hz, 2 H; H-3/H-5, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 7.30 ppm (t, 3 J_{HH} = 8.3 Hz, 1 H; H-4, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂). 13 C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 16.9 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.6 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 55.5 (C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 104.1 (C-3/C-5, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 111.2 (C-1, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 130.9 (SiCH=CH₂), 132.3 (C-4, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂), 138.3 (SiCH=CH₂), 166.0 ppm (C-2/C-6, C₆H₃(OCH₃)₂). 29 Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ –20.5 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₂₂O₂Si, 262.1389; found, 262.1389.

Propyl(2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)divinylsilane (9c). Compound 9c was synthesized by using the same procedure as that described for the preparation of 9a, starting from 8c (23.0 g, 76.6 mmol). The product was purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation in vacuo to furnish 9c in 80% yield as a colorless liquid (17.9 g, 61.2 mmol); bp. 120-121 °C/0.3 mbar. ¹H NMR (500.0 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 0.92-0.96 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 0.94–0.98 (m, 3 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.30–1.40 (m, 2 H; SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 3.70 (s, 6 H; o-OCH₃, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 3.80 (s, 3 H; p-OCH₃, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 5.65 (δ_A), 5.94 (δ_M), and 6.39 (δ_X) (CH_X = $CH_AH_{M_1}$) $^3J_{AX}$ = 20.4 Hz, $^2J_{AM}$ = 4.0 Hz, $^3J_{MX}$ = 14.6 Hz, 6 H), 6.08 ppm (s, 2 H; H-3/H-5, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$). ^{13}C NMR (125.7 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ 17.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₂), 18.1 (SiCH₂CH₂CH₃), 18.6 $(SiCH_2CH_2CH_3)$, 55.47 $(p-OCH_3, C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3)$, 55.53 $(o-OCH_3, C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3)$ $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$, 91.0 (C-3/C-5, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$), 102.5 (C-1, $C_6H_2(OCH_3)_3$, 130.7 (SiCH=CH₂), 138.6 (SiCH=CH₂), 164.1 (C-4 C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃), 166.9 ppm (C-2/C-6, C₆H₂(OCH₃)₃). ²⁹Si NMR (99.3 MHz, CD_2Cl_2): δ –20.2 ppm. HRMS: m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₆H₂₄O₃Si, 293.1573; found, 293.1558.

Crystal Structure Analyses. Suitable single crystals of **3a** and **3b** were obtained directly from the respective syntheses. The crystals were mounted in inert oil (perfluoropolyalkyl ether) on a glass fiber and then transferred to the cold nitrogen gas stream of the diffractometer (graphite-monochromated $\text{Mo}_{K\alpha}$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å). The structures were solved by direct methods (SHELXS-2013) and refined by full-matrix least-squares methods on F^2 for all unique reflections (SHELXL-2013). SHELXLE was used as refinement GUI. A riding

model was employed in the refinement of the CH hydrogen atoms. CCDC-1052862 (3a) and CCDC-1052863 (3b) contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

ASSOCIATED CONTENT

S Supporting Information

Data for the crystal structure analyses of compounds **3a** and **3b**; ¹H, ¹³C, and ²⁹Si NMR spectra of the mixtures **6/H–MOP**, **6/H–DMOP**, and **6/H–TMOP**; ¹H, ¹³C, and ²⁹Si NMR spectra of compounds **1a–1c**, **2a–2c**, **3a–3c**, **4a–4c**, **5a**, **5b**, **8a–8c**, and **9a–9c**. The Supporting Information is available free of charge on the ACS Publications website at DOI: 10.1021/acs.joc.5b00774.

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