

Novel Highly Unsaturated Macrocyclic and Macrobicyclic Silahydrocarbons Containing Si–H Bonds and Exocyclic Vinyl Groups

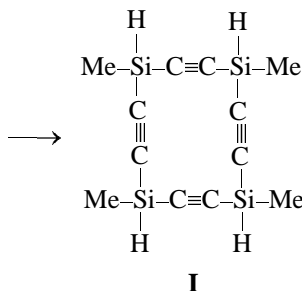
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Abstract—The first representative of cycloorganylsilalkynes $(C\equiv CSiHR)_n$, tetramethylcyclotetrasil-ethyne, was prepared by organomagnesium synthesis. The same procedure was used to synthesize 15-membered polyunsaturated silahydrocarbons containing both triple and double bonds in the ring and an exocyclic vinyl group. Organomagnesium synthesis was also used for preparing previously unknown polyunsaturated macrobicyclic silahydrocarbons containing a $-CH_2CH_2-$ bridge. The 1H , ^{13}C , and ^{29}Si NMR and IR spectra of the synthesized compounds were studied.

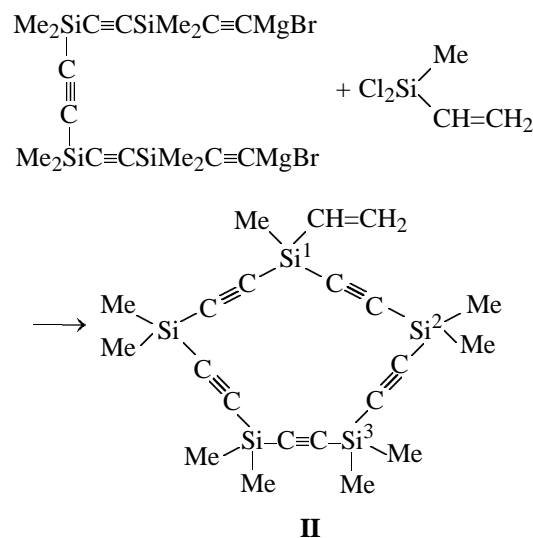
Proceeding with investigations into highly unsaturated silahydrocarbons [1–3], we synthesized a series of 12- and 15-membered macrocyclic and 26-membered macrobicyclic compounds of this type. Thus, the reaction of bis(bromomagnesioethynyl)methylsilane with dichloro(methyl)silane in THF under conditions of high dilution gave a previously unknown tetramethylcyclotetrasil-ethyne $(C\equiv CSiHMe)_4$, viz. 1,4,7,10-tetramethyl-1,4,7,10-tetrahydro-1,4,7,10-tetrasilacyclododeca-2,5,8,11-tetrayne (**I**), the first representative of the $(C\equiv CSiHR)_n$ homologous series.



Tetramethylcyclotetrasil-ethyne presents interest from the synthetic viewpoint, since the hydrogen atom on silicon is readily substituted by other groups, which opens up the way to compounds like $(C\equiv CSiXR)_n$ ($X = Hlg, OH, OR, OCOR, NR'R''$, hydrocarbonyl, etc.).

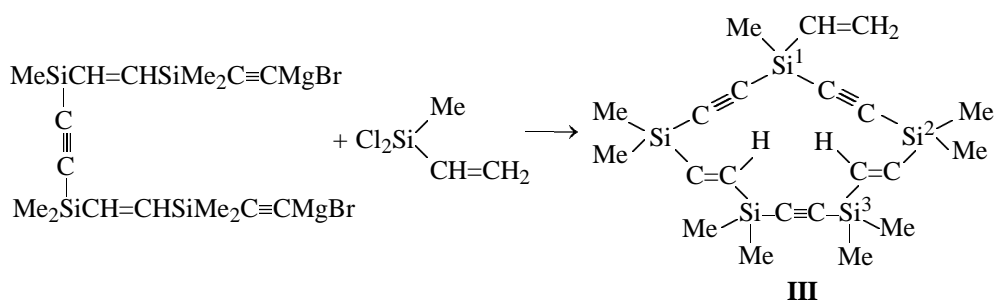
In the same way, bis(bromomagnesioethynyl)dimethylsilyl-ethynyl-dimethylsilyl-ethyne was reacted with

dichloro(methyl)(vinyl)silane to synthesize 1,4,4,7,7,10,10,13,13-nonamethyl-1-vinyl-1,4,7,10,13-pentasilacyclopentadeca-2,5,8,11,14-pentayne (**II**).



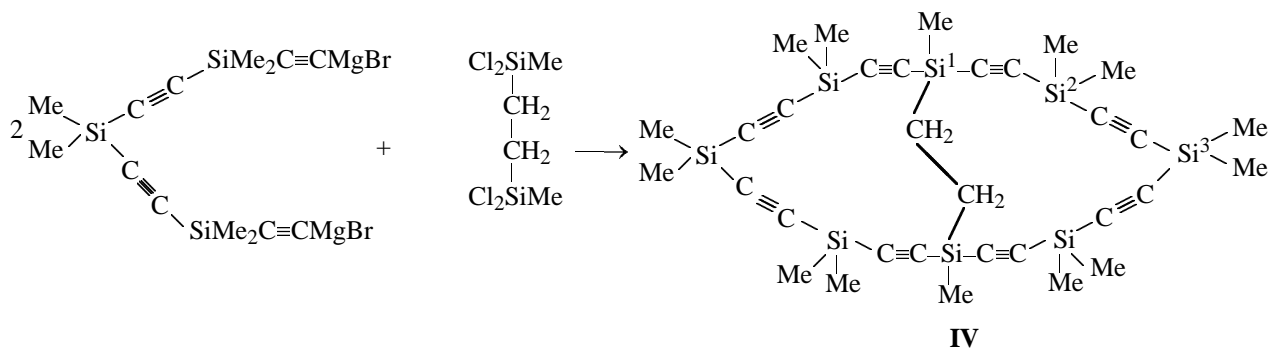
The reaction of bis[[2-(*E,E*)-bromomagnesioethynyl]dimethylsilylvinyl]dimethylsilyl-ethyne with dichloro(methyl)(vinyl)silane gave 1,4,4,7,7,10,10,13,13-nonamethyl-1-vinyl-1,4,7,10,13-pentasilacyclopentadeca-5,11-diene-2,8,14-triyne (**III**).

The reaction of bis(bromomagnesioethynyl)dimethylsilyl-ethynyl-dimethylsilyl-ethyne with 1,2-bis[dichloro-



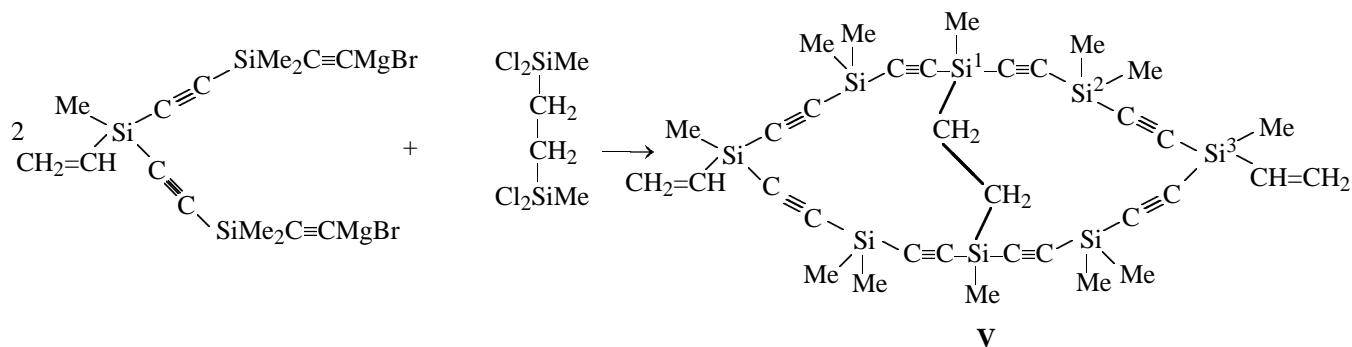
(methyl)silyl]ethane gave 1,4,4,7,7,10,10,13,16,16,19,-
19,22,22-tetradecamethyl-1,4,7,10,13,16,19,22-octa-

silabicyclo[11.11.2]hexacos-2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23-
octayne (**IV**).



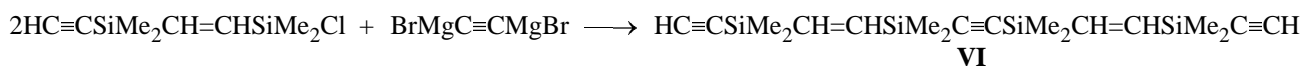
The same reaction of bis(bromomagnesioethynyl)-
dimethylsilylethynyl(methyl)(vinyl)silane with 1,2-
bis[dichloro(methyl)silyl]ethane provided 1,4,4,7,10,-

10,13,16,16,19,22,22-dodecamethyl-7,19-divinyl-
1,4,7,10,13,16,19,22-octasilabicyclo[11.11.2]hexa-
cosa-2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23-octayne (**V**).



The starting (*E,E*)-bis[[2-(ethynyldimethylsilyl)-
vinyl]dimethylsilylethyne (**VI**) was prepared by the

reaction of (*E*)-1-(ethynyldimethylsilyl)-2-chlorodi-
methylsilylethene with bis(bromomagnesio)ethyne.



Compounds **I–V** are colorless crystals with high melting points (129–212°C), that sublime in a high vacuum (with compound **I**, vacuum ~1 mm Hg, 100°C; Table 1). They all are stable when handled and heated to the melting point. Their structure was proved by ^1H , ^{13}C , and ^{29}Si NMR (Table 2) and IR spectral data. Compound **VI** is a low-melting crystalline substance (Table 1), its ^1H , ^{13}C , and ^{29}Si spectra are given in Table 2.

The IR spectrum of compound **I** shows a strong Si–H absorption band at 2170 cm^{-1} . The vinyl groups

in compounds **II**, **III**, and **V** give a weak absorption band at 1590 cm^{-1} . It is interesting to note that the $\text{C}\equiv\text{C}$ band of compound **I** at 2050 cm^{-1} is weak, and in the spectra of the other macrocycles no absorption of this bond, as well as of the disubstituted $\text{CH}=\text{CH}$ bond, is observed at all. The Si–C bands are on their usual places (850 and 1250 cm^{-1}).

The ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **I** shows an SiH proton signal [quintet, $^3J(\text{CH}_3\text{SiH})$ 3.7 Hz, $^1J(^{29}\text{SiH})$ 22.8 Hz] and an SiMe proton signal [d, $^3J(\text{CH}_3\text{SiH})$ 3.7 Hz, $^2J(^{29}\text{SiCH})$ 12.2 Hz]. The in-

Table 1. Physicochemical characteristics of compounds **I–VI**

Comp. no.	Yield, %	mp, °C	[M], m/z (I_{rel} , %)	Found, %			Formula	Calculated, %		
				C	H	Si		C	H	Si
I	22	129	272 (18)	52.61	5.97	40.78	$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{Si}_4$	52.87	5.92	41.21
II	11	190	422 (2)	59.26	7.05	33.15	$\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{30}\text{Si}_5$	59.63	7.15	33.31
III	23	134	426 (15)	59.36	8.31	32.44	$\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{34}\text{Si}_5$	59.07	8.03	32.90
IV	6	214	654 (34)	57.98	7.15	33.78	$\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{46}\text{Si}_8$	58.64	7.07	34.29
V	9	212	674 (12)	60.69	6.74	32.73	$\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{46}\text{Si}_8$	60.46	6.27	33.27
VI ^a	62	30	–	59.52	8.39	29.35	$\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{Si}_4$	60.26	8.43	30.31

^a bp 118–120°C (1 mm Hg).

Table 2. Parameters of the ^1H , ^{13}C , and ^{29}Si NMR spectra of compounds **I–VI**

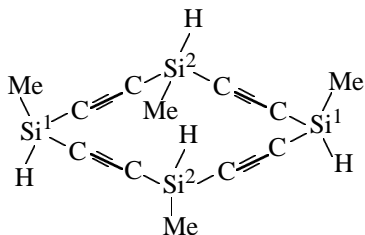
Comp. no.	^1H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm						^{13}C NMR spectrum, δ_{C} , ppm						
	MeSi ¹	MeSi ¹	MeSi ¹	VinSi	SiCH ₂	SiCH=	MeSi ¹	MeSi ²	MeSi ³	VinSi	SiCH ₂	SiCH=	SiC \equiv
I ^a	0.38 d	–	–	–	–	–	–4.18	–	–	–	–	–	112.15
II	0.38 d	0.33	0.32	6.05, 6.08, 6.10	–	–	–0.85	–1.53	–1.73	132.49 (CH), 135.64 (CH ₂)	–	148.49	108.26, 110.30,
III	0.38 d	0.33	0.32	6.03, 6.05, 6.07	–	6.70	–1.24	–1.57	–1.70	132.96 (CH), 135.48 (CH ₂)	–	148.33, 148.08	109.07, 114.05, 112.97
IV	0.29 d	0.30	0.35	–	0.91	–	–0.23	–2.19	–0.33	–	8.61	–	109.54, 110.50, 110.69, 111.59
V	0.31 d	0.33	0.36	6.02, 6.05, 6.09	0.90	–	–1.53	–2.17	–0.35	132.47 (CH), 135.66 (CH ₂)	8.61	–	108.48, 109.64, 111.52, 112.04
VI ^b	0.23 d	0.24	–	–	–	6.69, 6.72 (AB quartet, J 22.25 Hz)	–1.69	–1.52	–	–	–	148.17, 149.31	113.29

Table 2. (Contd.)

Comp. no.	^{29}Si NMR spectrum, δ_{Si} , ppm		
	Si^1	Si^2	Si^3
I ^a	-61.59	-64.55	—
II	-48.79	-41.55	-41.48
III	-49.55	-26.80	-25.64
IV	-36.62	-41.38	—
V	-36.61	-41.17	-48.55
VI ^b	—	—	—

Other signals: ^a ^1H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 4.24 (SiH); ^b ^1H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 2.43 ($\equiv\text{CH}$); ^{13}C NMR spectrum, δ_{C} , ppm: 88.28 ($\text{SiC}\equiv$), 94.47 ($\equiv\text{CH}$).

tensity ratio of these two signals is 1:3. As judged from the fact that the ring SiH protons of **I** appear as a symmetric quintet that is formed by a superposition of two quartets of equal intensity. The conformation of the ring is close to planar, and the methyl groups at neighboring silicon atoms are *trans* to each other.



The difference in the chemical shifts of the Si^1H and Si^2H proton signals, roughly equal to $J(\text{CH}_3\text{SiH})$ of 3.7 Hz, will give rise to the observed quintet. This suggestion is confirmed by the presence of two ^{29}Si signals (Table 2).

The synthesis of (*E*)-1-(ethynyldimethylsilyl)-2-(chlorodimethylsilyl)ethane has been described in [4].

EXPERIMENTAL

The NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker DPX-400 spectrometer (400 MHz) for 15% solutions in CDCl_3 , internal reference HMDS. Gas chromatography–mass spectrometry of compounds **I–III** was performed on a Hewlett–Packard HP-5971A instrument, ionizing energy 70 eV, column Ultra-2, oven temperature 70–280°C programmed at a rate of

20 deg min^{-1} . The mass spectra of compounds **IV** and **V** were obtained on an LKB-2091 instrument with direct sample inlet, ionizing energy 60 eV, source temperature 250°C.

Tetramethylcyclotetrasilethyne (I). To 50 ml of absolute ether, we simultaneously added dropwise with stirring $\text{MeHSi}(\text{C}\equiv\text{CMgBr})_2$ prepared from 2.43 g of Mg, 10.9 g of EtBr, and 4.7 g of $\text{MeHSi}(\text{C}\equiv\text{CH})_2$ in 75 ml of THF, and 5.75 g of MeHSiCl_2 in 50 ml of ether. The mixture was stirred for 1 h and then decomposed with water and 5% HCl. After usual workup and drying over calcined CaCl_2 , the solvents were removed at reduced pressure, and the residue was sublimed in a vacuum (1 mm Hg, 100°C) to isolate 1.5 g (22%) of compound **I** (Table 1).

Compounds **II–V** were prepared in a similar way (Table 1).

(*E,E*)-Bis[[2-(ethynyldimethylsilyl)vinyl]dimethylsilylethyne (VI). Through a solution of the Grignard reagent prepared from 2.43 g of Mg and 10.9 g of EtBr in 100 ml of THF we passed a dry and pure acetylene until a thick suspension formed, after which a solution of 20 g of $\text{HC}\equiv\text{CSiMe}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHSiMe}_2\text{Cl}$ in 50 ml of ether was added dropwise with stirring. Further workup was performed as described above. Yield 12.5 g (62%) (Table 1).

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