

Selenium- and Tellurium-containing Silatrane Derivatives Having an ECH₂Si Fragment (E = Se, Te)

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Abstract—Previously unknown 1-(methylselenomethyl)- and 1-(phenyltelluromethyl)silatrane, bis(silatranylmethyl) selenide, bis(silatranylmethyl) telluride, bis(silatranylmethyl) diselenide, and dimethyl(triethoxysilylmethyl)telluronium, phenyl(silatranylmethyl)telluronium, methylbis(silatranylmethyl)selenonium, methylbis(silatranylmethyl)telluronium, and tris(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodides were synthesized. The NMR spectra of these compounds, as well as of isostructural (methylchalcogenomethyl)triethoxysilanes, 1-(methylchalcogenomethyl)silatrane, the corresponding methylchalcogenonium iodides, methylorganyl(silatranylmethyl)chalcogenonium iodides, bis(trialkoxysilylmethyl) chalcogenides, and bis(silatranylmethyl) chalcogenides, in CDCl₃, CD₃OH, CD₃CN, and DMSO-*d*₆ were studied.

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We previously synthesized for the first time and studied numerous (organylchalcogenoalkyl)trialkoxysilanes RE(CH₂)_{*n*}Si(OR')₃ [1–3], the corresponding 1-(organylchalcogenoalkyl)silatrane RE(CH₂)_{*n*}Si(OCH₂CH₂)₃N (E = S, *n* = 1–3; E = Se, *n* = 1, 2) [2–5], and their chalcogenonium derivatives, methylalkyl(trialkoxysilylalkyl)sulfonium iodides MeRS⁺(CH₂)_{*n*}Si(OR')₃ I[−] (*n* = 1, 2) [6], dimethyl(triethoxysilylmethyl)selenonium iodides Me₂Se⁺CH₂Si(OEt)₃ I[−] [7], and diorganyl(silatranyllalkyl)chalcogenonium halides [RR'E⁺(CH₂)_{*n*}Si(OCH₂CH₂)₃N] X[−] (X = Br, I; E = S, Se, *n* ≥ 1) [3, 6]. 1-(Organylsulfanylalkyl)silatrane RS(CH₂)_{*n*}Si(OCH₂CH₂)₃N (*n* = 1, 2) and 1-(phenylselenylmethyl)silatrane PhSeCH₂Si(OCH₂CH₂)₃N were oxidized with hydrogen peroxide to the corresponding organyl(silatranyllalkyl)chalcogene oxides and dioxides REO_{*m*}(CH₂)_{*n*}Si(OCH₂CH₂)₃N (R = Me, Et, Ph, PhCH₂, silatranyl, E = S, *m*, *n* = 1 or 2 [3]; R = Ph, E = Se, *m* = 1 or 2, *n* = 1 [8]).

(Organyltellanyllalkyl)trialkoxysilanes RTe(CH₂)_{*n*}Si(OR')₃ and the corresponding silatrane RTe(CH₂)_{*n*}Si(OCH₂CH₂)₃N (*n* ≥ 1), as well as their derivatives, still remain difficultly accessible, especially when R = Alk {among these, only two (organylethynyltellanylmethyl)trimethoxysilanes RC≡CTeCH₂Si(OMe)₃ and

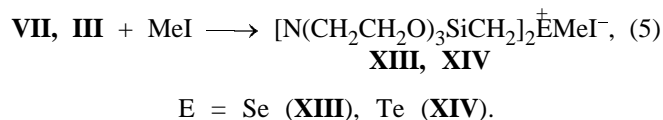
silatrane RC≡CTeCH₂Si(OCH₂CH₂)₃N (R = Ph, Me₃Si) were synthesized by us previously [9, 10]}. Later on, we succeeded in developing procedures for the synthesis of (phenyltellanylmethyl)trimethoxysilane PhTeCH₂Si(OMe)₃, bis(trialkoxysilylmethyl) tellurides [(RO)₃SiCH₂]₂Te (R = Me, Et.) [7, 11], and diorganylsilatranylmethyltelluronium iodides R₂Te⁺CH₂Si(OCH₂CH₂)₃N I[−] (R = Me, Vin) [12, 13].

While continuing studies in this line, we synthesized previously unknown 1-(methylselenylmethyl)silatrane (**III**), 1-(phenyltellanylmethyl)silatrane (**IV**), bis(silatranylmethyl) selenide (**VII**), bis(silatranylmethyl) telluride (**VIII**), bis(silatranylmethyl) diselenide (**X**), phenyl(silatranylmethyl)telluronium iodide (**XII**), methylbis(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodide (**XIII**), methylbis(silatranylmethyl)telluronium iodide (**XIV**), dimethyl(triethoxysilylmethyl)telluronium iodide (**XXII**), and tris(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodide (**XXIV**). In addition, previously described dimethyl(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodide (**XI**) [3] was synthesized by a different method, by reaction of 1-(methylselenylmethyl)silatrane (**III**) with methyl iodide. Compounds **III**, **IV**, **VII**, **VIII**, and **X** were prepared by transesterification of the corresponding trialkoxysilyl derivatives with tris(2-hydroxyethyl)amine [schemes (1–3)].

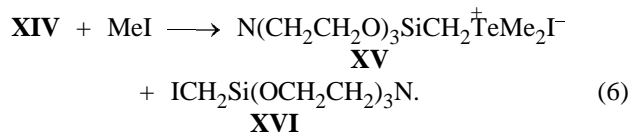


I, R = Me, R' = Et, E = Se; **II**, R = Ph, R' = Me, E = Te; **III**, R = Me, E = Se; **IV**, R = Ph, E = Te,

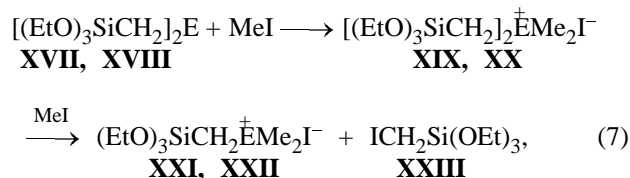
tranylmethyl) telluride (**VIII**) reacted with excess methyl iodide (taken as solvent) without appreciable heat evolution, and the corresponding methylbis(silatranylmethyl)chalcogenonium iodides **XIII** and **XIV** were formed in 2 h in almost quantitative yield [scheme (5)].



By heating telluride **VIII** in excess methyl iodide under reflux we obtained a mixture of products which (according to the NMR data) contained methylbis-(silatranylmethyl)telluronium iodide (**XIV**), dimethyl-(silatranylmethyl)telluronium iodide (**XV**), and 1-(iodomethyl)silatrane (**XVI**). Compounds **XV** and **XVI** were likely to be formed as a result of cleavage of the $>\text{Te}^+-\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$ bond in **XIV** by the action of methyl iodide [scheme (6)].



Cleavage of the $>\text{Se}^+-\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$ in iodide **XIII** with methyl iodide also occurs under analogous conditions, but the contribution of this process is much smaller. The $>\text{E}^+-\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$ bond ($\text{E} = \text{Se}, \text{Te}$) in methylbis(triethoxysilylmethyl)chalcogenonium iodides $\text{MeE}^+[\text{CH}_2\text{Si}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}]_2\text{I}^-$ ($\text{E} = \text{Te}, \text{Se}$) is cleaved with methyl iodide especially readily [scheme (7)].



E = Se (**XVII**, **XIX**, **XXI**), Te (**XVIII**, **XX**, **XXII**).

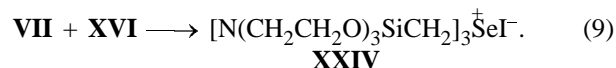
Therefore, the reaction of bis(triethoxysilylmethyl) chalcogenide **XVII** or **XVIII** with excess methyl iodide gives rise to a mixture of the corresponding dimethyl(triethoxysilylmethyl)chalcogenonium iodide **XXI** or **XXII** and triethoxy(iodomethyl)silane (**XXIII**) rather than to expected bis(triethoxysilylmethyl)chalcogenonium iodide **XIX** or **XX**. The reason is the lower basicity of the chalcogen atom E in molecules **XVII** and **XVIII**, as compared to silatranyl analogs **XIII** and **XIV**.

Methylbis(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodide (**XIII**) was also synthesized independently (yield

70%) by the reaction of 1-(methylselanylmethyl)silatrane (**III**) with 1-(iodomethyl)silatrane (**XVI**) at a molar ratio of 1:1 in boiling methanol [reaction time 4 h, scheme (8)].



By analogous reaction of bis(silatranylmethyl)selenide (**VII**) with 1-(iodomethyl)silatrane (**XVI**) (reactant molar ratio 1 : 1; boiling methanol, 6 h) we obtained previously unknown tris(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodide (**XXIV**) in ~90% yield [scheme (9)].



1-(Methylselanyl)methyl)silatrane (**III**), 1-(phenyltellanylmethyl)silatrane (**IV**), bis(silatranymethyl) chalcogenides **VII** and **VIII**, and bis(silatranymethyl) diselenide (**X**) are colorless (**III**, **IV**, **VII**) or yellowish crystalline substances with a strong unpleasant odor. Compounds **III**, **IV**, and **X** are characterized by fairly sharp melting points (Table 1). Unlike bis(silatranymethyl) telluride (**VIII**), silatranes **III**, **IV**, **VII**, and **X** are readily soluble in chloroform. All these compounds, including **VIII**, are soluble in acetonitrile, dimethylformamide, and dimethyl sulfoxide. Methylorganyl(silatranymethyl)chalcogenonium iodides **XI–XIV**, tris(silatranymethyl)selenonium iodide (**XXIV**), and dimethyl(triethoxysilylmethyl)chalcogenonium iodides **XXI** and **XXII** are finely crystalline powders. Among these, only iodides **XI**, **XIII**, **XXI**, and **XXII** melt without decomposition (Table 1). In contrast to silatranes **III**, **IV**, **VII**, **VIII**, and **X**, the above listed iodides are readily soluble in methanol, acetonitrile, DMSO, and DMF, but considerably less readily soluble in chloroform.

The structure of the newly synthesized compounds was confirmed by the data of elemental analysis (Table 1) and ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{29}Si , and ^{77}Se NMR (Table 2) and IR spectroscopy. Table 2 contains the ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{29}Si , and ^{77}Se chemical shifts of compounds **III**, **IV**, **VII**, **VIII**, **X–XIV**, **XXI**, **XXII**, and **XXIV** in CDCl_3 . For comparison, we also recorded for the first time the ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{29}Si , and ^{77}Se NMR spectra of structurally similar (methylchalcogenomethyl)triethoxysilanes, 1-(methylchalcogenomethyl)silatrane and the corresponding methylchalcogenonium iodides in CDCl_3 , CD_3OD , CD_3CN , and $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ (Table 3), of bis(trialkoxysilylmethyl) chalcogenides and bis(silatranylmethyl) chalcogenides in CDCl_3 (Table 4), and of methylorganyl(silatranylmethyl)chalcogenonium iodides **XI–XIV** in CDCl_3 , CD_3OD , CD_3CN , and $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ (Table 5).

Table 2. NMR spectra of compounds **III**, **IV**, **VII**, **VIII**, **X–XIV**, **XXI**, **XXII**, and **XXIV** in CDCl_3

Comp. no.	δ , ppm	δ_{C} , ppm	δ_{Si} , ppm	δ_{Se} , ppm
III	1.68 s (2H, CH_2Si), 1.98 s (3H, CH_3Se), 2.83 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{N}$), 3.80 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	7.44 (CH_3Se), 11.28 (CH_2Si), 51.10 (CH_2N), 57.60 (CH_2O)	–73.72	22.43
IV	2.08 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.81 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{N}$), 3.79 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$), 7.19–7.39 m (5H, Ph)	–8.98 (CSi), 50.99 (NC), 57.54 (OC), 116.27 (C_i), 125.96 (C_o), 128.57 (C_m), 135.61 (C_p)	–72.10	–
VII	1.72 s (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$), 2.80 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{N}$), 3.76 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	12.46 (CSi), 51.30 (CN), 57.86 (CO)	–71.59	56.86
X	2.38 s (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$), 2.80 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{N}$), 3.78 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	16.31 (CSi), 50.79 (CN), 57.27 (CO)	–73.72	–
XI	2.08 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.91 s (3H, Me), 3.05 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.85 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	–	–	–
XXII	2.39 (A), 2.50 (B), q (2H, CH_2Si , AB system, $^2J_{AB}$ 12.13, $^2J_{\text{H}^A\text{C}-^{77}\text{Se}}$ 12.8, $^2J_{\text{H}^B\text{C}-^{77}\text{Se}}$ 4.9 Hz), 2.93 s (3H, Me), 2.96 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.70 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$), 7.60–7.90 m (5H, Ph)	24.55 (CSi), 29.49 (Me), 49.92 (CN), 56.72 (CO), 124.33 (C_i), 129.35 (C_o), 129.79 (C_m), 131.66 (C_p)	–82.95 –84.23 ^a	–
XIII	1.87 (A), 2.07 (B) q (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$, AB system, $^2J_{AB}$ 12.7, $^2J_{\text{H}^A\text{C}-^{77}\text{Se}}$ 6.6, $^2J_{\text{H}^B\text{C}-^{77}\text{Se}}$ 5.4 Hz), 2.60 s (3H, Me), $^2J_{\text{HC}-^{77}\text{Se}}$ 9.0 Hz), 3.09 t (12H, 6NCH_2), 3.83 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	23.41 (Me), 29.75 (CSi), 50.84 (CN), 57.13 (CO)	–82.97	–
XIV	–	–	–80.34	–
XXI	1.26 t (9H, 3CH_3), 2.95 s (9H, CH_2Si), 3.22 s (3H, CH_3Se^+), 3.95 s (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	18.26 (CH_3C), 18.91 (CH_2Si), 24.60 (CSe), 59.75 (CH_2O)	–58.08	–
XXII	1.24 t (9H, MeC), 2.68 s (3H, MeTe), 2.42 s (2H, CH_2Si), 3.87 q (6H, 3OCH_2)	0.45 (CSi), 6.51 (MeTe), 18.21 (MeC), 59.12 (OC)	–55.20	–
XXIV ^b	1.99 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.98 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.85 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	30.56 (CH_2Si), 52.39 (CH_2N), 58.72 (CH_2O)	–77.6	348.37

^a In $\text{DMSO}-d_6$. ^b In CD_3OD .

The IR spectra of the obtained compounds contained a set of bands in the regions of 800 and 1050–1100 cm^{-1} , which are characteristic of 1-organylsilatrane, organylalkoxysilanes, and their derivatives (Si–O–C fragment). In addition, compounds **IV** and **XII** showed in the IR spectra absorption bands at 1590 and 3100 cm^{-1} due to stretching vibrations of aromatic C–H and C=C bonds (Ph).

EXPERIMENTAL

The IR spectra were recorded in KBr on a Specord IR-75 spectrometer. The ^1H , ^{13}C , and ^{29}Si NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker DPX-400 spectrometer at 400.13, 100.61, and 79.49 MHz, respectively. The ^{77}Se NMR spectra were obtained on a Jeol FX-90Q instrument at 17.03 MHz. The ^{77}Se chemical shifts were measured relative to dimethyl selenide. The compounds were examined as 10–15% solutions in CDCl_3 , CD_3OD , CD_3CN , and $\text{DMSO}-d_6$.

1-(Methylselanylmethyl)silatrane (III). A hetero-

geneous mixture of 5.0 g of (methylselanylmethyl)triethoxysilane (**I**), 2.7 g of tris(2-hydroxyethyl)amine, and 2–3 drops of a 10% solution of sodium methoxide in methanol was heated under stirring until it became homogeneous, and ~50% (of the theoretical amount) of the liberated ethanol was distilled off. The residue was cooled to room temperature, and the precipitate was filtered off through a Schott filter, washed with cold ethanol and diethyl ether, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 2.7 g. The filtrate was evaporated and cooled to isolate an additional amount (0.5 g) of the product. Overall yield 3.2 g (62%), colorless thin needles.

1-(Phenyltellanylmethyl)silatrane (IV) was synthesized in a similar way from 7.0 g of trimethoxy-(phenyltellanylmethyl)silane (**II**) and 3.0 g of tris(2-hydroxyethylamine). Yield 4.1 g (50%), colorless finely crystalline powder.

Bis(silatranylmethyl) selenide (VII) was synthesized in a similar way from 4.0 g of bis(triethoxy-

Table 3. ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{29}Si , and ^{77}Se chemical shifts in the NMR spectra of isostructural (methylchalcogenomethyl)triethoxysilanes, 1-(methylchalcogenomethyl)silatrane, and the corresponding methylchalcogenonium iodides

E	Solvent	δ , ppm	δ_{C} , ppm	δ_{Si} , ppm	δ_{Se} , ppm
$\text{CH}_3\text{ECH}_2\text{Si}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3$					
S	CDCl_3	1.26 t (9H, 3CH_3), 1.86 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.17 s (3H, CH_3S), 3.88 q (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	7.42 (CH_3S), 11.60 (CH_2Si), 18.32 (CH_3C), 58.36 (CH_2O)	-52.70	–
Se	CDCl_3	1.24 t (9H, 3CH_3), 1.73 s (9H, CH_2Si), 2.06 s (3H, CH_3Se), 3.88 s (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	2.49 (CH_2Si), 7.21 (CH_3Se), 18.26 (CH_3C) 58.94 (CH_2O)	-51.70	18.57
$\text{I}^-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{E}^+\text{CH}_2\text{Si}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3$					
S	CDCl_3	1.26 t (9H, 3CH_3), 3.16 s (2H, CH_2Si), 3.41 s (6H, $2\text{CH}_3\text{S}^+$), 3.96 s (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	–	-60.9	–
Se	CDCl_3	1.26 t (9H, 3CH_3), 2.95 s (9H, CH_2Si), 3.22 s (3H, CH_3Se^+), 3.95 s (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	18.26 (CH_3C), 18.91 (CH_2Si), 24.60 (CSe), 59.75 (CH_2O)	-58.08	–
Te	CDCl_3	1.24 t (9H, 3CH_3), 2.42 s (9H, CH_2Si), 2.68 s (3H, CH_3Se^+), 3.95 s (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	0.45 (CH_2Si), 6.51 (CH_3Te^+), 18.21 (CH_3C), 59.12 (CH_2O)	-55.20	–
$\text{CH}_3\text{ECH}_2\text{Si}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}$					
S	CDCl_3	1.74 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.13 s (3H, CH_3S), 2.85 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{N}$), 3.83 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	–	-75.3	–
Se	CDCl_3	1.68 s (2H, CH_2Si), 1.98 s (3H, CH_3Se), 2.83 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{N}$), 3.80 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	7.44 (CH_3Se), 11.28 (CH_2Si), 51.10 (CH_2N), 57.60 (CH_2O)	-73.72	22.43
$\text{I}^-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{E}^+\text{CH}_2\text{Si}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}$					
S	CD_3OD	2.14 s (2H, CH_2Si), 3.06 s (3H, Me), 3.09 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.89 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	29.32 (CH_2), 30.92 (Me), 51.94 (CH_2N), 58.43 (CH_2O) in CD_3OD	-84.3	–
Se	CDCl_3	2.08 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.91 s (3H, Me), 3.05 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.85 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	–	-83.77 ^a	–
Te	CD_3CN	1.78 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.51 s (3H, Me), 2.93 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.83 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	6.12 (CH_2), 11.73 (Me), 51.46 (CH_2N), 57.98 (CH_2O)	-81.0	–
$\text{I}^-\text{E}^+[\text{CH}_2\text{Si}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}]_3$					
S	CD_3OD	2.01 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.97 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.78 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	34.56 (CH_2Si), 30.92 (Me), 52.12 (CH_2N), 58.67 (CH_2O)	-77.5	–
Se	CD_3OD	1.99 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.98 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.85 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	30.56 (CH_2Si), 52.39 (CH_2N), 58.72 (CH_2O)	-77.6	348.37

^a In $\text{DMSO}-d_6$.**Table 4.** ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{29}Si , and ^{77}Se chemical shifts in the NMR spectra of isostructural bis(trialkoxysilylmethyl)chalcogenides and bis(silatranylmethyl)chalcogenides $\text{R}_3\text{SiCH}_2\text{ECH}_2\text{SiR}_3$ in CDCl_3

R_3	E	δ , ppm	δ_{C} , ppm	δ_{Si} , ppm	δ_{Se} , ppm
$(\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{O})_3$	S	1.23 t (18H, 6CH_3), 1.95 s (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$), 3.86 q (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	16.64 (CSi), 18.21 (CH_3), 58.84 (CH_2O)	-52.9	–
$(\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{O})_3$	Se	1.24 t (18H, 6CH_3), 1.87 s (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$), 3.89 q (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	3.95 (CSi), 18.31 (CH_3), 58.89 (CH_2O)	-51.7	42.57
$(\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{O})_3$	Te	1.22 t (18H, 6CH_3), 1.84 s (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$), 3.85 q (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	-22.98 (CSi), 18.12 (CH_3), 58.96 (CH_2O)	-49.03	–
$\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O})_3$	S	1.82 s (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$), 2.77 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{N}$), 3.76 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	–	-73.04	–
$\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O})_3$	Se	1.72 s (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$), 2.80 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{N}$), 3.76 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	12.46 (CSi), 51.30 (CN), 57.86 (CO)	-71.59	56.86

Table 5. ^1H , ^{13}C , and ^{29}Si NMR spectra of methylorganyl(silatranylmethyl)chalcogenonium iodides $\text{I}^-\text{MeRE}^+\text{CH}_2\text{Si}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}$

R	E	Solvent	δ , ppm	δ_{C} , ppm	δ_{Si} , ppm
Me	S	CDCl_3	2.14 s (2H, CH_2Si), 3.06 s (3H, Me), 3.09 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.89 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	—	–84.30
Me	S	CD_3OD	2.10 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.81 s (3H, Me), 3.06 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.84 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	29.32 (CH_2), 30.92 (Me), 51.94 (CN), 58.43 (CO)	–84.25
Me	S	$\text{DMSO-}d_6$	—	28.28 (CH_2), 29.36 (Me), 50.41 (CN), 57.19 (CO)	–85.23
Me	Se	CDCl_3	2.08 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.91 s (3H, Me), 3.05 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.85 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	—	—
Me	Se	CD_3OD	2.13 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.65 s (3H, Me), 3.03 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.83 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	—	—
Me	Se	$\text{DMSO-}d_6$	—	—	–83.77 ^a
Me	Te	CDCl_3	1.78 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.51 s (3H, Me), 2.93 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.83 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	11.49 (Me), 50.76 (CN), 57.15 (CO)	–80.3
Me	Te	CD_3OD	1.86 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.28 s (3H, Me), 3.02 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.83 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	5.74 (CH_2), 11.82 (Me), 51.75 (CN), 58.39 (CO)	–80.7
Me	Te	CD_3CN	1.86 s (2H, CH_2Si), 2.27 s (3H, Me), 2.95 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.76 (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	6.12 (CH_2), 11.73 (Me), 51.46 (CN), 57.98 (CO)	–81.0
Ph	S	$\text{DMSO-}d_6$	2.39 (A), 2.60 (B), q (2H, CH_2Si , AB system, $^2J_{AB}$ 12.85 Hz), 2.99 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.16 s (3H, Me), 3.70 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$), 7.63–8.00 m (5H, Ph)	29.51 (CSi), 30.58 (Me), 50.02 (CN), 56.77 (CO), 129.42 (C_o), 129.67 (C_i), 129.93 (C_m), 132.87 (C_p)	–85.67
Ph	Se	$\text{DMSO-}d_6$	2.39 (A), 2.50 (B), q (2H, CH_2Si , AB system, $^2J_{AB}$ 12.13, $^2J_{\text{H}^A\text{C}-^{77}\text{Se}}$ 12.8, $^2J_{\text{H}^B\text{C}-^{77}\text{Se}}$ 4.9 Hz), 2.93 s (3H, Me), 2.96 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.70 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$), 7.60–7.90 m (5H, Ph)	24.55 (CSi), 29.49 (Me), 49.92 (CN), 56.72 (CO), 124.33 (C_i), 129.35 (C_o), 129.79 (C_m), 131.66 (C_p)	–82.95 ^b –84.23 ^a
Ph	Te	$\text{DMSO-}d_6$	1.96 (A), 1.97 (B), q (2H, CH_2Si , AB system, $^2J_{AB}$ 12.23 Hz), 2.39 s (3H, Me, $^2J_{\text{HC}-^{125}\text{Te}}$ 23.74 Hz), 2.91 t (6H, 3NCH_2), 3.65 t (6H, $3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$), 7.60–7.90 m (5H, Ph)	8.83 (CSi), 14.53 (Me), 49.79 (CN), 56.66 (CO), 123.14 (C_i), 129.26 (C_o), 130.65 (C_m), 133.56 (C_p)	–81.25
$\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O})_3\text{SiCH}_2$	S	CDCl_3	1.88 (A), 2.09 (B) q (4H, $2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}$, AB system, $^2J_{AB}$ 12.6 Hz), 2.74 s (3H, Me), 3.09 t (12H, 6NCH_2), 3.86 t (12H, $6\text{CH}_2\text{O}$)	—	–84.25

Table 5. (Contd.)

R	E	Solvent	δ , ppm	δ_C , ppm	δ_{Si} , ppm
$N(CH_2CH_2O)_3SiCH_2$	Se	$CDCl_3$	1.87 (A), 2.07 (B) q (4H, $2CH_2Si$, AB system, $^2J_{AB}$ 12.7, $^2J_{H^A C-^{77}Se}$ 6.6, $^2J_{H^B C-^{77}Se}$ 5.4 Hz), 2.60 s (3H, Me, $^2J_{HC-^{77}Se}$ 9.0 Hz), 3.09 t (12H, $6NCH_2$), 3.83 t (12H, $6CH_2O$)	23.41 (Me), 29.75 (CSi), 50.84 (CN), 57.13 (CO)	-82.97
$N(CH_2CH_2O)_3SiCH_2$	Se	CD_3OD	1.93 (A), 2.08 (B), q (4H, $2CH_2Si$, AB system, $^2J_{AB}$ 12.7, $^2J_{H^A C-^{77}Se}$ 6.6, $^2J_{H^B C-^{77}Se}$ 5.4 Hz), 2.57 s (3H, Me, $^2J_{HC-^{77}Se}$ 9.2 Hz), 3.09 t (12H, $6NCH_2$), 3.83 t (12H, $6CH_2O$)	23.62 (Me), 30.29 (CH ₂), 51.88 (CN), 58.39 (CO)	-83.04
$N(CH_2CH_2O)_3SiCH_2$	Te	$CDCl_3$	—	—	-80.34
$N(CH_2CH_2O)_3SiCH_2$	Te	CD_3OD	—	—	-80.67
$N(CH_2CH_2O)_3SiCH_2$	Te	CD_3CN	—	—	-80.75

^a In $DMSO-d_6$, ^b In $CDCl_3$.

silylmethyl) selenide (V) and 2.8 g of tris(2-hydroxyethyl)amine. Yield 0.96 g, colorless finely crystalline powder.

Bis(silatranylmethyl) telluride (VIII) was synthesized in a similar way from 3.0 g of bis(triethoxysilylmethyl) telluride (VI) and 1.8 g of tris(2-hydroxyethyl)amine. Yield 0.6 g, light yellow amorphous powder.

Bis(silatranylmethyl) diselenide (X). A heterogeneous mixture of 6.5 g of bis(trimethoxysilylmethyl) diselenide (IX), 4.5 g of tris(2-hydroxyethyl)amine, and 2–3 drops of a 10% solution of sodium methoxide in methanol was stirred for 5 min at 20°C. The mixture became homogeneous and warmed up to 40°C. It was cooled to room temperature, and the precipitate was filtered off through a Schott filter, washed with cold methanol (2 × 5 ml) and diethyl ether, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 7.1 g, light yellow finely crystalline powder.

Dimethyl(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodide (XI). Methyl iodide, 2 g, was added dropwise with stirring to a mixture of 2.5 g selenide III and 5 ml of methanol. When the addition was complete, the mixture became homogeneous, and its temperature rose from 22 to 40°C. The mixture was cooled to 20°C and kept for 12 h in a refrigerator. The precipitate was filtered off through a Schott filter, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 2.9 g. An additional portion of the product (0.6 g) was isolated by evaporation of the filtrate. Overall yield 3.5 g, colorless fine crystals.

Methyl(phenyl)(silatranylmethyl)telluronium iodide (XII). Methyl iodide, 2.5 g, was added dropwise to a mixture of 4.7 g of telluride IV in 10 ml of methanol under stirring at 20°C. By the end of addition (~5 min), the mixture warmed up from 22 to 35°C. The mixture was heated to the boiling point, stirred for 5 min at that temperature, and cooled to 10–15°C. The precipitate was filtered off through a Schott filter, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 5.8 g, colorless fine needles.

Methylbis(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodide (XIII). *a* [scheme (4)]. Compound XIII was synthesized as described above for iodide XI from 1 g of bis(silatranylmethyl) selenide (VII) and 0.4 g of methyl iodide. Yield 1.1 g (85%), mp 222–224°C (from ethanol).

b [scheme (5)]. A heterogeneous mixture of 1.40 g of selenide III and 1.58 g of 1-(iodomethyl)silatrane (XVI) in 10 ml of ethanol was heated for 4 h under reflux. The resulting solution was evaporated by half, the residue was kept for 12 h in a refrigerator, and the precipitate of iodide XIII was separated through a Schott filter, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 2.32 g.

Methylbis(silatranylmethyl)telluronium iodide (XIV) was synthesized as described above for compound XIII (method *a*) from 1.5 g of bis(silatranylmethyl) telluride (VIII) and 0.5 g of methyl iodide. Yield 1.7 g, grey finely crystalline powder.

Methyl(triethoxysilylmethyl)selenonium iodide

(XXI). Methyl iodide, 1.5 g, was added to 2 g of bis-(triethoxysilylmethyl)selenide **(XVII)**, the mixture was kept for 4 h in the dark, and the flaky crystals of iodide **XXI** were filtered off through a Schott filter, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 1.2 g (84%), colorless flaky crystals, mp 71–72°C.

Methyl(triethoxysilylmethyl)telluronium iodide (XXII). Methyl iodide, 1.5 g, was added to 1.5 g of bis(triethoxysilylmethyl) telluride **(XVIII)**. After ~1 min, the mixture spontaneously warmed up from 20 to 35°C. After cooling to 10–15°C, the mixture crystallized. The crystals were filtered off through a Schott filter, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 1.6 g (78%), colorless finely crystalline powder, mp 146–147°C.

Tris(silatranylmethyl)selenonium iodide (XXIV). A mixture of 2.60 g of selenide **VII** and 1.92 g of 1-(iodomethyl)silatrane **(XVI)** in 10 ml of methanol was heated for 6 h under reflux. The resulting solution was evaporated by half under reduced pressure, and the residue was kept for 24 h in a refrigerator. The crystals of iodide **XXIV** were filtered through a Schott filter, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 3.1 g. Evaporation of the filtrate under reduced pressure gave an additional 0.76 g of the product. Overall yield 3.86 g, colorless finely crystalline powder.

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