Supporting Information

Silylboranes Bearing Dialkylamino Groups on Silicon as Silylene Equivalents: Palladium-Catalyzed Regioselective Synthesis of 2,4-Disubstituted Siloles

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1. General

All palladium-catalyzed reactions and bromination by NBS were performed in a drybox or using Schlenk technique under an atmosphere of nitrogen or argon with magnetic stirring. Column chromatography was performed with Ultra Pure Silica Gel (SILICYCLE, pH 7.0, 40-63 μm, 60Å). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Mercury-400 (400.44 MHz) or JEOL JNM-A500 (500.00 MHz) spectrometers. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian GEMINI-2000 (75.45 MHz), JEOL JNM-A500 (125.65 MHz), or JEOL JNM-A600 (150.92 MHz) spectrometers. ¹¹B NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Mercury-400 (128.48 MHz) spectrometer. ²⁹Si NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL JNM-A400 (79.30 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm downfield from tetramethylsilane (¹H, ¹³C, and ²⁹Si) or BF₃•OEt₂ (¹¹B). For ¹³C NMR, a number of equivalent carbons are shown in parenthesis. Elemental analyses were performed by Elemental Analysis Center of Kyoto University. High resolution mass spectra were recorded on a JEOL JMS-MS700 spectrometer. UV-visible spectra were recorded on a JASCO V-550. Fluorescence spectra were recorded on a HORIBA JOBIN YVON FluoroMax-3.

2. Materials

Toluene was dried and degassed by The Ultimate Solvent System (GlassContour). Silylboranes $\mathbf{1}$, $\mathbf{1}$ **2**- $\mathbf{4}$, $\mathbf{2}$ CpPd($\mathbf{\eta}^3$ -C₃H₅)³ and Pd(dba)₂⁴ were synthesized by the method reported previously. Alkynes $\mathbf{5a}$, $\mathbf{5b}$ (TCI), $\mathbf{5d}$ (Aldrich), and $\mathbf{5e}$ (Wako) were purchased and distilled prior to use. $\mathbf{5c}$ was prepared by silylation of 1-butyn-4-ol (TCI).⁵ Aryl alkynes $\mathbf{5f}$, $\mathbf{5i}$, and $\mathbf{5l}$ were prepared via Sonogashira coupling of aryl bromide with trimethylsilylacetylene followed by protodesilylation.⁶ $\mathbf{5h}$ was synthesized by *N*-

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methylation of 4-ethynylaniline (Wako). ⁷ **5g**, **5j**, and **5k** was prepared from 2-aryl-1,1-dibromoethene by Corey's method. PPh₃, NBS (Wako), **12**, **13** (STREM), and P(t-Bu)₃ (Kanto) were used as received from commercial Tributyl(phenylethynyl)stannane tributyl(4sources. and methoxyphenylethynyl)stannane were synthesized by the reaction of the corresponding (arylalkynyl)lithium with tributyltin chloride.

3. Palladium-Catalyzed Reaction of Silvlboranes 1-4 with 1-Octyne (5a) (Table 1)

General Procedure: Triphenylphosphine (1.3 mg, 4.8 μ mol) and CpPd(η^3 -C₃H₅) (0.85 mg, 4.0 μ mol) were dissolved in toluene (200 µL) in a screw-capped vial and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min. To the mixture was added 1-octyne (5a, 106 mg, 0.96 mmol) and silvlborane (0.40 mmol) in this order, and then the resulting mixture was reacted at room temperature with stirring. The reaction was monitored by GC. After the reaction was completed (0.2-70 h), the volatile materials The product was isolated by bulb-to-bulb distillation or silica gel column were evaporated. chromatography.

Reaction of 1 with 5a (entry 1)

According to the general procedure, **5a** (106 mg, 0.97 mmol) was reacted with **1** (106 mg, 0.49 mmol). It took 70 h to consumption of 1. The yield of 6 was determined as 99% by GC analysis (tridecane as internal standard). The compound may be purified by silica gel column chromatography. (Z)-2-(Dimethylphenylsilyl)-1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oct-1-ene (6)⁹: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.52-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.31 (m, 3H), 6.19 (t, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz,

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2H), 1.20-1.39 (m, 8H), 1.08 (s, 12H), 0.87 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.46 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.6, 140.5, 134.0 (2C), 128.3, 127.3 (2C), 83.0 (2C), 42.6, 31.7, 29.6, 29.1, 24.6 (4C), 22.5, 14.1, -0.9 (2C). The boron-bound carbon was not detected due to quadrupolar relaxation. ¹¹B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 29.6.

Reaction of 2 with 5a (entry 2)

According to the general procedure, **5a** (107 mg, 0.97 mmol) was reacted with **2** (90 mg, 0.41 mmol) for 15 min. Bulb-to-bulb distillation (170 °C/0.3 mmHg) of the crude mixture afforded **7** in 92% yield (124 mg). (**Z**)-**2**-(**Chlorodimethylsilyl**)-**1**-(**4,4,5,5**-tetramethyl-**1,3,2**-dioxaborolan-**2**-yl)oct-**1**-ene (**7**): 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.15 (t, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 1.36-1.44 (m, 2H), 1.26-1.33 (m, 6H), 1.28 (s, 12H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.63 (s, 6H). 13 C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 83.6 (2C), 42.0, 31.7, 29.7, 29.1, 24.9 (4C), 22.6, 14.1, 4.3 (2C). The boron-bound carbon was not detected due to quadrupolar relaxation. 11 B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 29.2. HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for $C_{16}H_{33}BClO_{2}Si$ (MH $^{+}$): 331.2031, found: 331.2029.

Reaction of 3 with 5a (entry 3)

According to the general procedure, **5a** (105 mg, 0.96 mmol) was reacted with **3** (87 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 4 h. Bulb-to-bulb distillation (180-200 °C/1.0 mmHg) of the crude mixture afforded **8** in 80% yield (106 mg). (**Z**)-**2**-(**Methoxydimethylsilyl**)-**1**-(**4,4,5,5**-**tetramethyl-1,3,2**-**dioxaborolan-2-yl)oct-1-ene** (**8**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.07 (t, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 2.23 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 1.34-1.44 (m, 2H), 1.28 (s, 12H), 1.26-1.34 (m, 6H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.29 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR

(75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 131.5 (br, *C*-B), 83.2 (2C), 50.4, 41.0, 31.7, 29.5, 29.2, 24.9 (4C), 22.6, 14.1, -1.0 (2C). ¹¹B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 29.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₃₅BO₃Si: C, 62.56; H, 10.81. Found: C, 62.77; H, 10.53.

Reaction of 4a with 5a (entry 4)

According to the general procedure, **5a** (106 mg, 0.96 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (104 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 80 min. 1 H NMR analysis of crude products indicated formation of **10** (**10a**:**10a**' = 77:23) and **11a**, whereas no formation of **9a** was observed (see below for preparation and characterization of **9a**). Bulb-to-bulb distillation (180 °C/2.5 mmHg) afforded **10** in 79% yield (89 mg) as mixture of two regioisomers. Isolation of **11a** (45 mg, 56%) was also performed by bulb-to-bulb distillation (90 °C/2.5 mmHg). **2,4-Dihexyl-1,1-dimethylsilole (10a):** 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.34 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.20-2.30 (m, 4H), 1.41-1.52 (m, 4H), 1.22-1.36 (m, 12H), 0.87-0.91 (m, 6H), 0.18 (s,6H). 13 C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.7, 150.0, 141.5, 119.6, 36.1, 32.7, 31.77, 31.76, 29.6, 29.3, 29.1, 27.6, 22.7, 22.6, 14.12, 14.09, -4.3 (2C, H₃C-Si). 29 Si NMR (79 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.8. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{18}H_{34}$ Si (M⁺): 278.2430, found: 278.2423. The structure of **10a** was also confirmed by the results of NOE experiments as follows.

3,4-Dihexyl-1,1-dimethylsilole (**10a**')¹⁰: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.64 (t, J =0.8 Hz, 2H), 2.20-2.30 (m, 4H), 1.41-1.52 (m, 4H), 1.22-1.36 (m, 12H), 0.87-0.91 (m, 6H), 0.15 (s, 6H). **2-Diethylamino-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane** (**11a**)¹¹: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 3.07 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 4H), 1.13 (s, 12H), 1.05 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 81.8 (2C), 40.1 (2C), 24.8 (4C), 15.9 (2C). ¹¹B NMR (128 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 23.5.

Reaction of 4b with 5a (entry 5)

According to the general procedure, **5a** (107 mg, 0.97 mmol) was reacted with **4b** (104 mg, 0.45 mmol) in C_6D_6 for 1.5 h. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated formation of **10** (55%, dibenzyl ether as internal standard, **10a**:**10a**' = 69:31) and **11b** (77%), whereas no formation of **9b** was observed. **2-Dimethylamino-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane** (**11b**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 2.62 (s, 6H), 1.10 (s, 12H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 82.1 (2C), 36.5 (2C), 24.9 (4C). ¹¹B NMR (128 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 23.4.

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Reaction of 4c with 5a (entry 6)

According to the general procedure, **5a** (106 mg, 0.96 mmol) was reacted with **4c** (101 mg, 0.40 mmol) in C_6D_6 for 1.5 h. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated formation of **10** (69%, dibenzyl ether as internal standard, **10a**:**10a**' = 75:25) and **11c** (82%), whereas no formation of **9c** was observed. **2-N-Pyrrolidino-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane** (**11c**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 3.26-3.30 (m, 4H), 1.42-1.46 (m, 4H), 1.16 (s, 12H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 81.9, 46.0, 26.6, 25.0. ¹¹B NMR (128 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 22.8.

4. Preparation and Characterization of 9a (eq S1)

To obtain characterization data, **9a** was prepared from **7**. To a mixture of **7** (0.69 g, 2.1 mmol) and Et₃N (0.27 g, 2.5 mmol) in hexane was added HNEt₂ (0.17 g, 2.4 mmol) at room temperature. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 days. Precipitates were filtrate off and volatiles were removed in vacuo. The crude mixture was treated with Et₃N (0.27 g, 2.5 mmol) and HNEt₂ (0.17 g, 2.4 mmol) in hexane, again. After stirring at room temperature for 24 h, precipitates were filtrate off and volatiles were removed in vacuo. Bulb-to-bulb distillation (220 °C/5.0 mmHg) of the residues afforded **9a** in 66% yield (0.50 g). (**Z**)-2-(**Diethylaminodimethylsilyl**)-1-(**4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oct-1-ene (9a**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.03 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (q, *J* =

7.2 Hz, 4H), 2.16-2.20 (m, 2H), 1.27 (s, 12H), 1.23-1.42 (m, 8H), 0.97 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.23 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.2, 83.0 (2C), 41.4, 40.5 (2C), 31.8, 29.6, 29.4, 25.0 (4C), 22.6, 15.7 (2C), 14.1, 0.0 (2C). The boron-bound carbon was not detected due to quadrupolar relaxation. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{42}BNO_2Si$: C, 65.37; H, 11.52; N, 3.81. Found: C, 65.28; H, 11.30; N, 3.54.

5. Reaction of 4a with Catalytic Amount of a Pd/PPh₃ Complex in the Absence of Alkyne (eq S2 and Table S1)

Silylborane **4a** (50 mg, 0.20 mmol) was reacted with Pd(dba)₂ (12 mg, 0.020 mmol) and PPh₃ (6.3 mg, 0.024 mmol) in C_6D_6 (0.2 mL) containing dibenzyl ether as an internal standard. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature and analyzed by ¹H NMR and GCMS. After 48 h, the ¹H NMR spectrum of the reaction mixture showed more than 10 new Si–CH₃ signals in the region of -1.0–0.6 ppm. Although GCMS analysis was carried out for assignment of these products, we could only detect dodecamethylcyclohexasilane, ¹² which was formed as a very minor product (<1%). The assignment was on the basis of the ¹H NMR (δ 0.22 ppm in C_6D_6) and GCMS fragment pattern [EI m/z 348 (M⁺, 100), 275 (25), 259 (33), 201 (50)]. On the other hand, efficient formation of aminoborane **11a** was observed in the reaction. The time course of the reaction is shown in Table S1 (see next page). Under the reaction conditions, **4a** was slowly consumed (89% conversion after 48 h) and **11a** was formed in high yield (84% yield after 48 h).

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Table S1. Palladium-Catalyzed Conversion of Silylborane **4a** to Aminoborane **11a** Under the Conditions Shown in Equation S2

entry	time (h)	conversion of 4a (%) ^a	yield of 11a (%) ^a
1	0.3	55	52
2	10	74	70
3	48	89	84

^a Determined by ¹H NMR analysis using dibenzyl ether as an internal standard.

6. Screening of Ligand and Palladium Precursor (Table S2 and S3)

Table S2. Screening of Ligand

4a + $\frac{\text{CpPd}(\eta_3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5) \ (1.0 \ \text{mol \%})}{\text{ligand } (1.2 \ \text{mol \%})}$ + $\frac{10a + 10a'}{\text{toluene, rt}}$

Table S3. Screening of Catalyst Precursor

			Pd precursor (1.0 mol %) PPh ₃ (1.2 mol %)	40-
4a	+	5c (2.4 equiv.)	toluene, rt	10c

entry	ligand	yield (%) ^a	10a:10a'
1	PPh ₃	79 ^b	77:23
2	PCyPh ₂	90	80:20
3	PCy ₂ Ph	89	82:18
4	PCy_3	80	77:23
5	P ^t Bu ₃	75	68:32
6	PPh ₂ (2-biphenyl)	84	86:14
7	PCy ₂ (2-biphenyl)	86	88:12
8	P ^t Bu ₂ (2-biphenyl)	73 ^b	90:10

GC yield GC yield Pd precursor entry ratio after 2 h (%) after 12 h (%) 1 Pd(dba)₂ 87 90 74:26 2 Pd(OAc)₂ 10 89 79:21 PdCl₂(CH₃CN)₂ 92 76:24

Screening of ligand on palladium catalyst was carried out for reaction of 4a with 5a (Table S2). A phosphine (4.8 μ mol) and CpPd(η^3 -C₃H₅) (0.85 mg, 4.0 μ mol) were dissolved in toluene (200 μ L) in a screw-capped vial and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min. To the mixture was added 5a (106 mg, 0.96 mmol) and 4a (103 mg, 0.40 mmol) in this order, and then the resulting mixture was reacted at room temperature with stirring. The yield of silole obtained was determined by GC analysis using tridecane as internal standard.

Screening of palladium precursor was carried out for reaction of 4a with 5c (Table S3). Triphenylphosphine (0.63 mg, 2.4 μ mol) and a palladium precursor (2.0 μ mol) were dissolved in toluene (100 μ L) in a screw-capped vial and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min. To the mixture was added 5c (88 mg, 0.48 mmol), 4a (51 mg, 0.20 mmol) and tridecane (internal standard) in this order, and then the resulting mixture was reacted at room temperature with stirring. GC analysis

^a GC yield. ^b Isolated yield.

7. Regioselective Synthesis of 2,4-Disubstituted Siloles via Palladium-Catalyzed Reaction of 4a with Terminal Alkynes under Optimized Conditions (Table 2)

Typical Procedure is given for the synthesis of 10a (entry 1): A phosphine 12 (1.4 mg, 4.8 μ mol) and Pd(dba)₂ (2.3 mg, 4.0 μ mol) were dissolved in toluene (200 μ L) in a screw-capped vial and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min. To the mixture was added 5a (108 mg, 0.96 mmol) and 4a (102 mg, 0.40 mmol) in this order, and then the resulting mixture was reacted at room temperature with stirring. The reaction was monitored by GC. After the reaction was completed (20 h), the volatile materials were evaporated. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 90:10. The product 10a (82 mg, 74%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane, R_f = 0.86).

1,1-Dimethyl-2,4-dioctylsilole (10b, entry 2)

According to the typical procedure, **5b** (134 mg, 0.97 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (102 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 22 h in the presence of Pd/**12** catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 96:4. The product **10b** (94 mg, 71%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane, $R_f = 0.81$). **10b:** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.33 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 2.23 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 1.42-1.52 (m, 4H), 1.22-1.36 (m, 20H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H), 0.18 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.7, 150.0, 141.5, 119.6, 36.1, 32.7, 31.91, 31.90, 31.6, 29.68, 29.66, 29.50, 29.49, 29.39, 29.32, 29.28, 27.7, 22.68, 22.67, 14.1, -4.3 (2C). HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{22}H_{42}Si$ (M*): 334.3056, found: 334.3054.

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2,4-Bis[2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)ethyl]-1,1-dimethylsilole (10c, entry 3)

According to the typical procedure, **5c** (178 mg, 0.97 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (103 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 22 h in the presence of Pd/**12** catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 93:7. The product **10c** (141 mg, 83%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane, $R_f = 0.24$). **10c:** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.42 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.67 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (dt, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (dt, J = 6.8, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.18 (s, 6H), 0.08 (s, 6H), 0.05 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.6, 145.3, 143.5, 123.1, 63.3, 62.3, 39.5, 36.5, 26.03 (3C), 25.97 (3C), 18.5, 18.4, -4.7 (2C), -5.16 (2C), -5.23 (2C). Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₄₆O₂Si₃: C, 61.90; H, 10.86. Found: C, 61.63; H, 10.63.

2,4-Bis(3-chloropropyl)-1,1-dimethylsilole (10d, entry 4)

According to the typical procedure, **5d** (100 mg, 0.97 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (100 mg, 0.39 mmol) for 24 h in the presence of Pd/**13** catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 91:9. The product **10d** (80 mg, 78%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane:Et₂O = 40:1, R_f = 0.28). **10d:** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.38 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 1.89-2.05 (m, 4H), 0.20 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 148.3, 142.1, 121.5, 44.7, 44.5, 32.9, 32.3, 30.5, 29.5, -4.6 (2C). HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₂H₂₁Cl₂Si (MH⁺): 263.0790, found: 263.0786. Characteristic ¹H NMR chemical shifts of the regioisomer, 3,4-di(3-chloropropyl)-1,1-dimethylsilole, are as follows: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.70 (t, J = 1.2 Hz,

2H), 3.61 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 4H), 0.16 (s, 6H).

1,1-dimethyl-2,4-diphenylsilole (10e, entry 5)

According to the typical procedure, **5e** (249 mg, 2.4 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (259 mg, 1.0 mmol) for 5 h in the presence of Pd/PPh₃ catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 95:5. The product **10e** (242 mg, 92%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane:Et₂O = 40:1, R_f = 0.24). **10e:** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.42 (m, 6H), 6.32 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 0.45 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.7, 147.2, 139.3, 139.0, 138.9, 128.7 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 128.0, 127.0, 126.5 (2C), 126.0 (2C), 125.2, -3.7 (2C). Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{18}Si$: C, 82.38; H, 6.91. Found: C, 82.15; H, 7.00.

1,1-dimethyl-2,4-bis(4-methylphenyl)silole (10f, entry 6)

According to the typical procedure, **5f** (114 mg, 0.98 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (103 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 3 h in the presence of Pd/PPh₃ catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 95:5. The product **10f** (111 mg, 96%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane:Et₂O = 40:1, R_f = 0.30). **10f**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.27 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 0.44 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.6, 146.9, 138.1, 137.8, 136.8, 136.5, 136.3, 129.4 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 126.4 (2C), 125.9 (2C), 123.5, 21.21,

21.20, -3.6 (2C). HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{20}H_{22}Si$ (M⁺): 290.1491, found: 290.1504.

2,4-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-l,1-dimethylsilole (10g, entry 7)

According to the typical procedure, **5g** (126 mg, 0.96 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (102 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 24 h in the presence of Pd/PPh₃ catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 96:4. The product **10g** (122 mg, 96%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane:AcOEt = 40:1, R_f = 0.24). **10g:** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.51 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.47 (m, 2H), 6.89-6.95 (m, 4H), 6.16 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 0.44 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.5, 158.8, 156.2, 146.5, 136.8, 132.0, 131.8, 127.6 (2C), 127.3 (2C), 121.5, 114.1 (2C), 113.7 (2C), 55.2 (2C), -3.5 (2C). HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{20}H_{22}O_2Si$ (M⁺): 322.1389, found: 322.1403.

1,1-Dimethyl-2,4-bis(4-dimethylaminophenyl)silole (10h, entry 8)

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & NMe_2 \\ & & \\ Me_2N & & \\ & Me_2 \\ & & \\ \textbf{10h} \end{array}$$

According to the typical procedure, **5h** (137 mg, 0.95 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (105 mg, 0.41 mmol) for 48 h in the presence of Pd/PPh₃ catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 88:12. The yield of **10h** was determined as 80% by ¹H NMR analysis (dibenzyl ether as internal standard), because of instability against column chromatography. **10h**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.73 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.02 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (s, 6H), 2.98 (s, 6H), 0.41 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.7, 150.2, 149.6, 146.4, 134.8, 127.4 (2C), 127.0 (2C), 117.8, 112.6 (2C), 112.1 (2C), 40.5 (2C), 40.4 (2C), -3.2 (2C). Two carbons were not identified by the analysis of crude mixture. HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₂H₂₈N₂Si (M⁺): 348.2022, found: 308.2016.

1,1-Dimethyl-2,4-bis(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)silole (10i, entry 9)

According to the typical procedure, **5i** (163 mg, 0.96 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (103 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 22 h in the presence of Pd/PPh₃ catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 94:6. The product **10i** (116 mg, 73%) was isolated as white solid (m.p. 75 °C) by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane, $R_f = 0.25$). **10i:** ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.63 (m, 3H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.49 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 0.46 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.4, 146.7, 142.3, 140.4, 130.0 (q, ² $J_{CF} = 33$ Hz), 129.0, 128.9 (q, ² $J_{CF} = 32$ Hz), 128.1, 126.5 (2C), 126.3 (2C), 125.7 (q, ³ $J_{CF} = 4$ Hz, 2C), 125.5 (q, ³ $J_{CF} = 4$ Hz, 2C), 124.3 (q, ¹ $J_{CF} = 271$ Hz), 124.2 (q, ¹ $J_{CF} = 272$ Hz), -4.0 (2C). HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{20}H_{16}F_{6}Si$ (M⁺): 398.0925, found: 398.0912.

1,1-Dimethyl-2,4-bis(2-methylphenyl)silole (10j, entry 10)

According to the typical procedure, **5j** (112 mg, 0.96 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (102 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 4 h in the presence of Pd/PPh₃ as catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 95:5. The product **10j** (89 mg, 78%) was isolated by column chromatography on

silica gel (hexane:AcOEt = 50:1, $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.28). **10j:** ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.20-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.10-7.18 (m, 3H), 6.84 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 0.39 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.5, 147.5, 145.1, 141.3, 140.4, 135.0, 134.8, 130.4, 130.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 127.4, 126.0, 125.7, 125.5, 21.3, 20.5, -4.1 (2C). HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{20}H_{22}Si$ (M⁺): 290.1491, found: 290.1486.

1,1-Dimethyl-2,4-bis(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)silole (10k, entry 11)

According to the typical procedure, **5k** (139 mg, 0.97 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (102 mg, 0.40 mmol) for 20 h in the presence of Pd/PPh₃ catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of regioisomer as 97:3. The product **10k** (110 mg, 80%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane, $R_f = 0.24$). **10k:** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 6.86 (s, 2H), 6.84 (s, 2H), 6.31 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 6H), 2.25 (s, 6H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 0.27 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 158.5, 149.0, 146.4, 139.2, 137.8, 136.1, 134.8, 134.6 (2C), 134.5 (2C), 128.51 (2C), 128.48 (2C), 127.5, 21.1, 21.03 (2C), 21.01, 20.5 (2C), -3.3 (2C). Anal. Calcd for $C_{24}H_{30}Si: C$, 83.17; H, 8.72. Found: C, 83.46; H, 8.87.

1,1-Dimethyl-2,4-di(1-naphthalenyl)silole (10l, entry 12)

According to the typical procedure, **5l** (148 mg, 0.97 mmol) was reacted with **4a** (103 mg, 0.30 mmol) for 24 h in the presence of Pd/PPh₃ catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of crude products indicated the ratio of

regioisomer as 99:1. The product **10l** (109 mg, 75%) was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane:AcOEt = 10:1, R_f = 0.41). **10l:** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15-8.20 (m, 2H), 7.85-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.53 (m, 6H), 7.32 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 0.48 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.6, 146.81, 146.75, 139.6, 139.3, 134.0, 133.8, 131.7, 130.7, 129.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 126.5, 126.3, 126.0, 125.9, 125.8, 125.7, 125.6, 125.5, 125.4, 125.2, 124.4, -4.0 (2C). HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{26}H_{22}Si$ (M⁺): 362.1491, found: 362.1485.

8. Palladium-Catalyzed Reaction of 14 with 5e (eq 1)

Triphenylphosphine (1.3 mg, 4.8 μmol) and Pd(dba)₂ (2.3 mg, 4.0 μmol) were dissolved in toluene (200 μL) in a screw-capped vial and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min. To the mixture was added **5e** (98 mg, 0.96 mmol) and **14** (159 mg, 0.42 mmol) in this order, and then the resulting mixture was reacted at 50 °C with stirring. The reaction was monitored by GC. After the reaction was completed (18 h), the volatile materials were evaporated. The ratio of regio isomers was determined as 92:8 by ¹H NMR analysis of the crude mixture. Isolation of the product was performed by silica gel column chromatography (hexane:Et₂O = 20:1, R_f = 0.22) to afford **15** in 70% yield (112 mg). **1,1,2,4-tetraphenylsilole (15):** ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67-7.72 (m, 4H), 7.16-7.49 (m, 16H), 6.60 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.8, 145.2, 141.5 (2C), 138.9, 138.8, 135.7 (4C), 131.9, 130.1 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.4 (4C), 128.2, 127.3, 127.0 (2C), 126.1 (2C), 123.0. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{28}H_{22}Si$ (M*): 386.1491, found: 386.1495.

9. Site-selective Functionalization of 10e (Scheme 1)

Bromination of 10e: Fleshly prepared 10e (89 mg, 0.34 mmol) was dissolved in toluene (1.0 mL), and the solution was treated with *N*-bromosuccinimide (63 mg, 0.35 mmol) at room temperature with stirring. After 24 h, volatile materials were removed and the residue was mixed with pentane (ca. 2.0 mL). The white suspension was filtrated through short pad of Celite* (No. 535) to remove succinimide and residual NBS. Concentration of the filtrate afforded 16 as colorless liquid, which was used for next reaction without purification. The compound 16 could be purified by HPLC [column: Cica-MERCK LiChrosorb CN (25 mm x 250 mm); eluent: hexane], despite low yield because of partial decomposition during chromatography. The yield of this bromination reaction was estimated at 85% by GC analysis of another batch, in which tridecane was used as internal standard. 2-Bromo-1,1-dimethyl-3,5-diphenylsilole (16): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.47 (m, 7H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.23-7.28 (m, 1H), 0.50 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.9, 144.4, 141.3, 138.4, 137.6, 128.9 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 128.1, 127.9 (2C), 127.3, 126.2 (2C), 121.9, -4.7. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₈H₁₇BrSi (M*): 340.0283, found: 340.0292. The structure of 16 was assigned based on the results of NOE experiments as follows.

Migita-Kosugi-Stille coupling of 16:¹³ To a mixture of Pd(dba)₂ (3.9 mg, 6.7 μmol), P(t-Bu)₃ (1.6 mg, 8.0 μmol), toluene (1.0 mL), and fleshly prepared 16 was added (phenylethynyl)tributylstannane (140 mg, 0.36 mmol), and then the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature. After 2 h, the solution was diluted with Et₂O (2.0 mL) and treated with KF (310 mg). The resulting suspension was filtrated by passing through short column of silica gel. After removal of volatile materials, the crude products were purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane:Et₂O = 40:1, R_f = 0.20) to give 17a (95 mg, 78% from 10e). 1,1-Dimethyl-3,5-diphenyl-2-(phenylethynyl)silole (17a): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.28-7.51 (m, 13H), 0.58 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 145.5, 140.8, 138.4, 138.1, 131.4 (2C), 128.9 (2C), 128.4, 128.3 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.66 (2C), 127.65, 127.4, 126.6 (2C), 124.7, 119.9, 100.2, 90.0, -4.0 (2C). HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{26}H_{22}Si$ (M*): 362.1491, found: 362.1493.

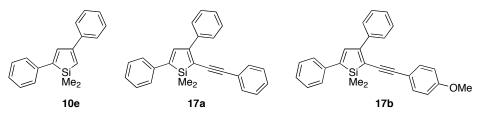
Migita-Kosugi-Stille coupling of **10e** 16 (0.52)mmol based used) with [(4on methoxyphenyl)ethynyl]tributylstannane (276 mg, 0.66 mmol) was carried out applying similar procedure described above. The silole 17b (107 mg, 52% from 10e) was isolated as bright yellow solid (m.p. 125 °C) by chromatography on silica gel (hexane: $Et_2O = 40:1$, $R_f = 0.20$). 2-[(4-Methoxyphenyl)ethynyl]-1,1-dimethyl-3,5-diphenylsilole (17b): 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91-7.93 (m, 2H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.33-7.38 (m, 5H), 7.24-7.27 (m, 1H), 6.83-6.87 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 0.55 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.3, 156.0, 144.9, 141.0, 138.6, 138.2, 132.9 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.2, 128.1 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 127.3, 126.5 (2C), 120.4, 117.0, 114.0 (2C), 100.5, 88.9, 55.3, -4.0 (2C). Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{24}OSi: C$, 82.61; H, 6.16. Found: C, 82.66; H, 6.22.

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10. Photophysical measurement of 10e, 17a, and 17b

UV-visible absorption spectra and fluorescence spectra of **10e**, **17a**, and **17b** were measured, and quantum yields were determined. All measurements were carried out in chloroform (nacalai, specially prepared reagent for fluorescence spectroscopy). The spectra are shown in Figures S1 and S2 (see next page), and summary of their data is shown in Table S4.

Table S4. Summary of UV-vis Absorption and Fluorescence Spectral Data for 10e, 17a, and 17b



	UV-vis ^a		fluorescence ^a	
silole	λ_{\max} [nm]	ε	λ_{\max} [nm]	$\Phi_{ m f}^{\ b}$
10e	338	2.0×10^{3}	452	0.13
1 7 a	403	2.5×10^{3}	456	0.069
17b	420	2.2×10^{4}	516	0.015

^a In CHCl₃. ^b Determined with reference to quinine sulfate in 0.1 M H₂SO₄ (exited at 366 nm).

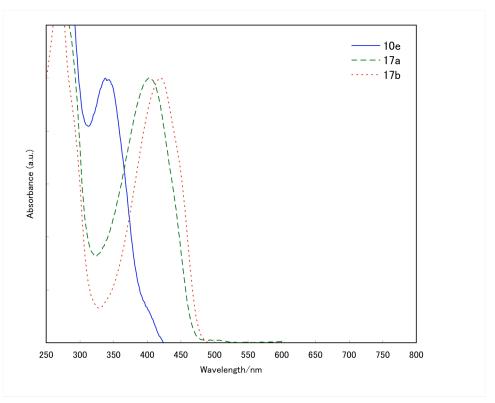


Figure S1. UV-vis Absorption Spectra in CHCl₃ for **10a** (solid blue line), **17a** (dashed green line), and **17b** (dotted red line)

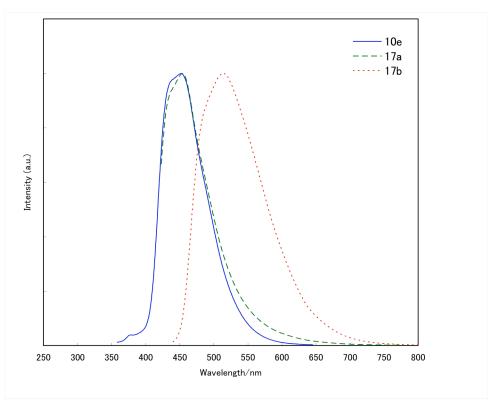
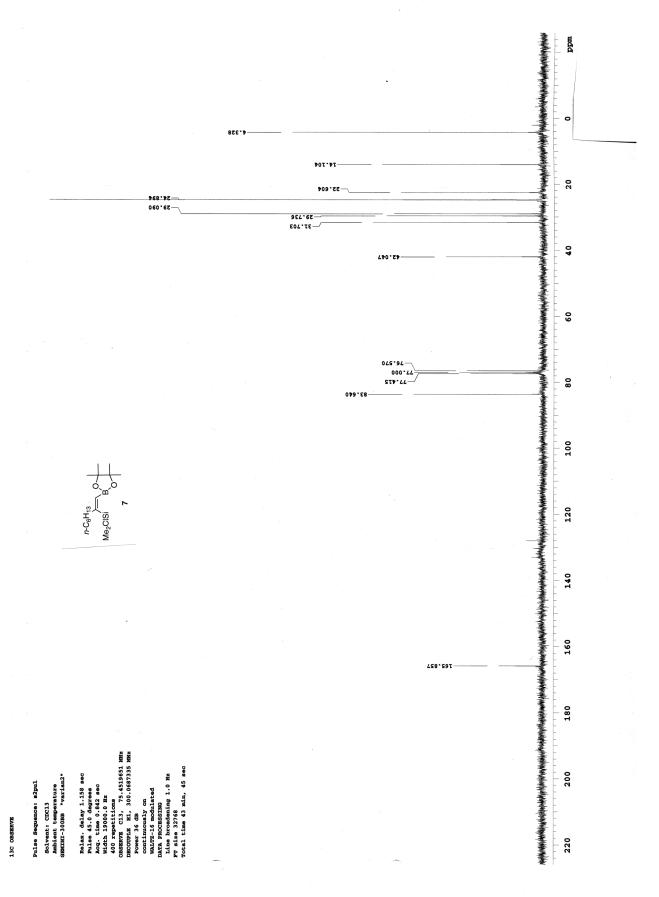


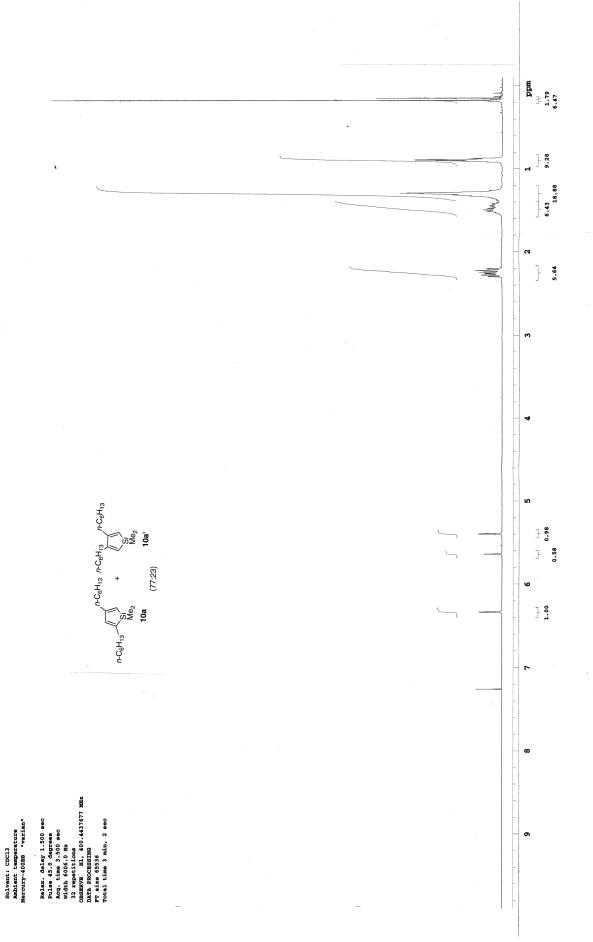
Figure S2. Fluorescence Spectra in CHCl₃ for **10a** (solid blue line), **17a** (dashed green line), and **17b** (dotted red line)

11. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of the compounds that do not have elemental analysis data

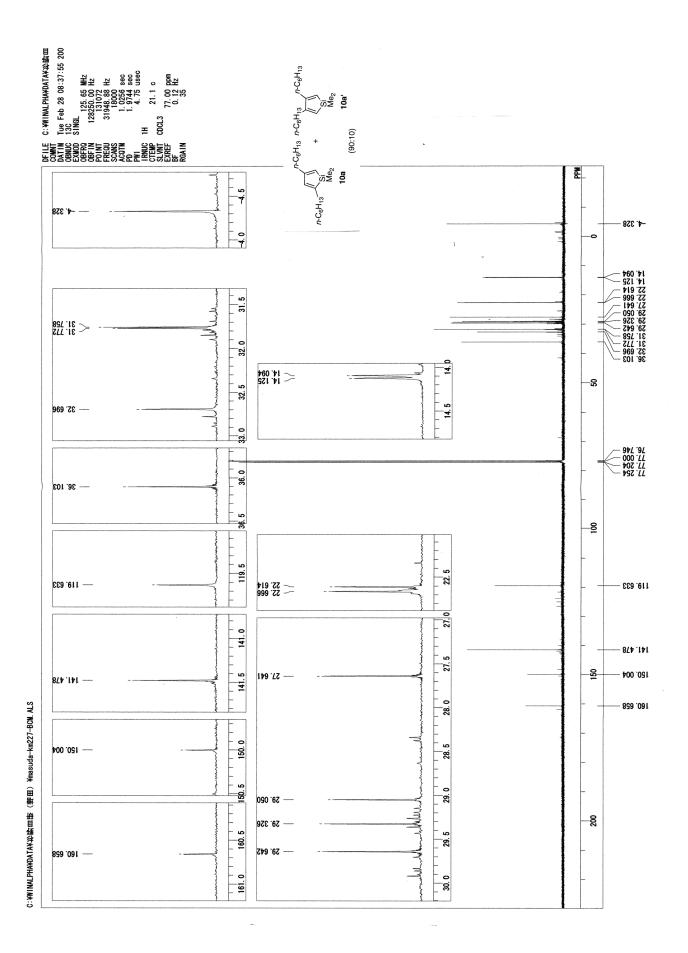
¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of **7**, **10a**, **10b**, **10d**, **10f**, **10g**, **10i**, **10j**, **10l**, **15**, **16** and **17a** are shown in following pages. NMR spectra of **10h**, unstable compound for isolation, are not provided because of difficulty to obtain pure sample.

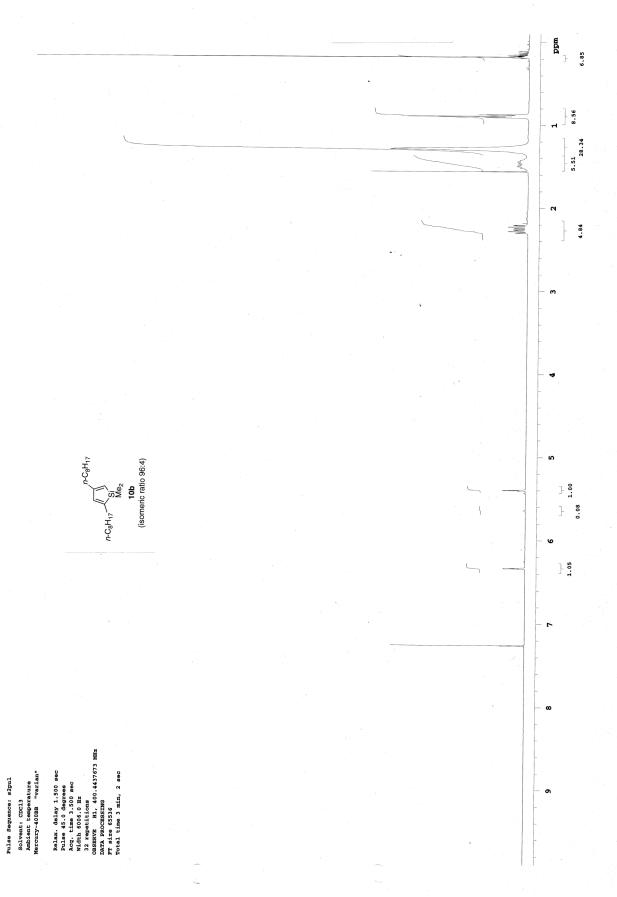
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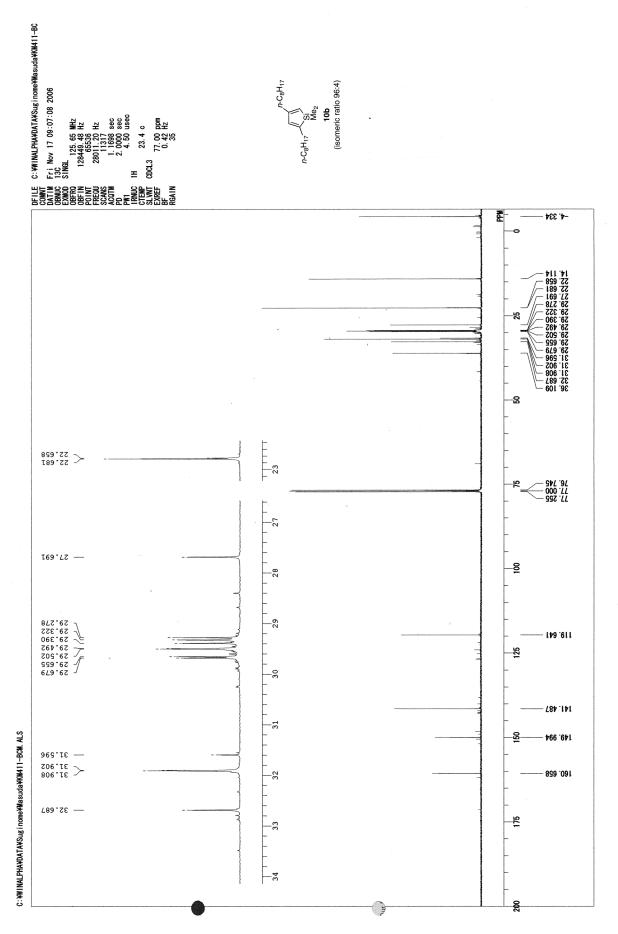


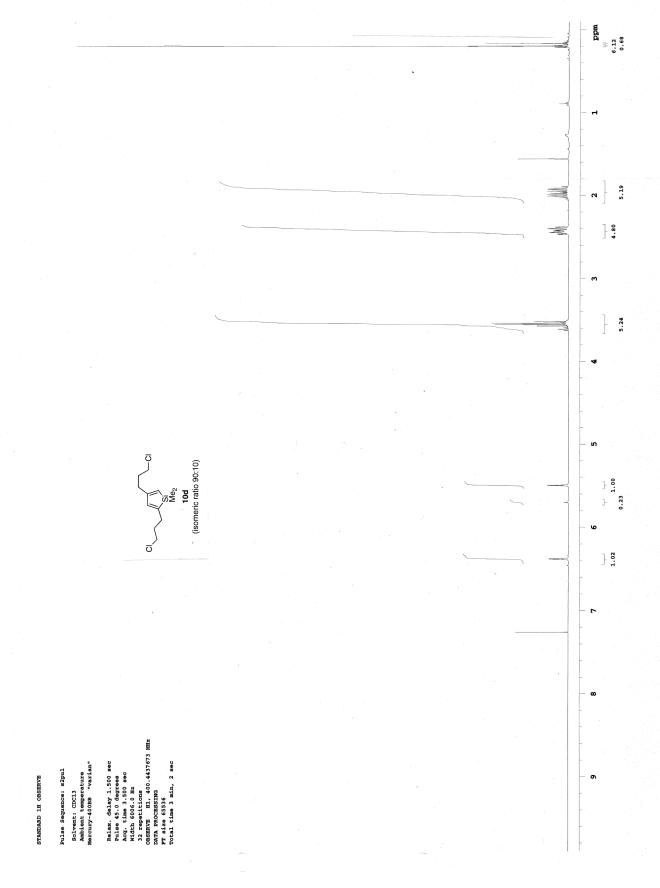


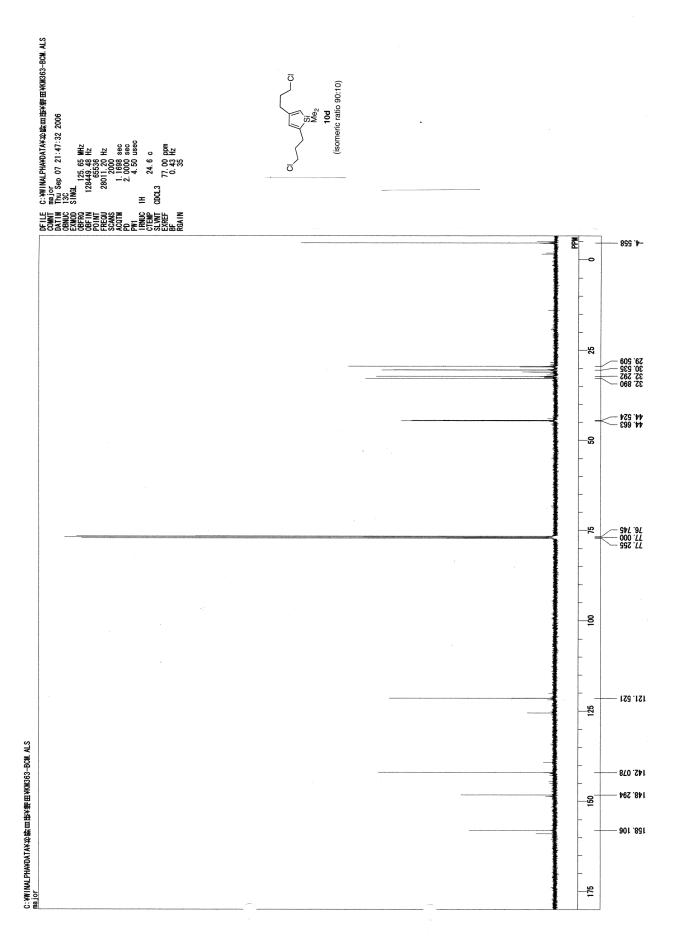
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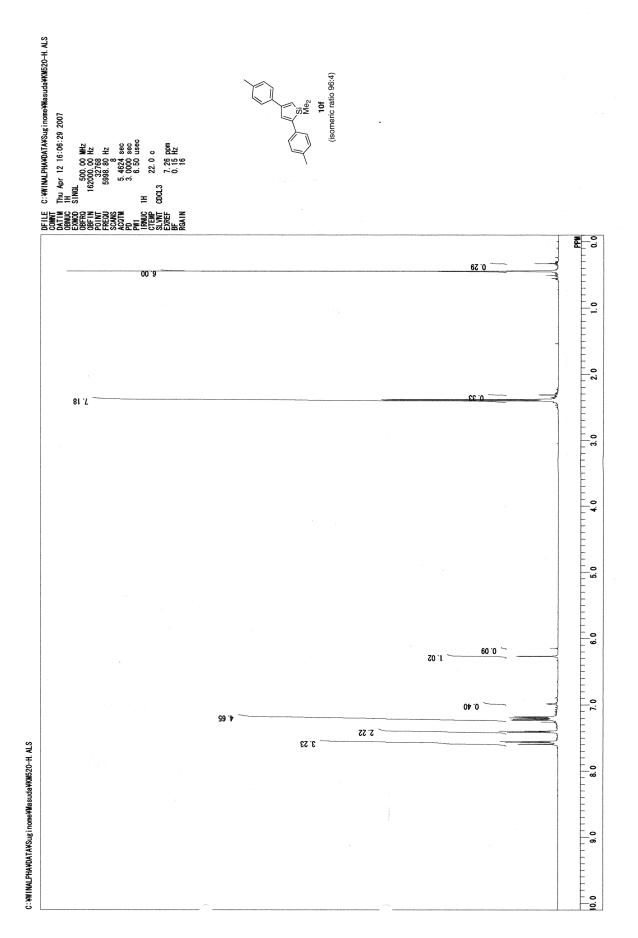


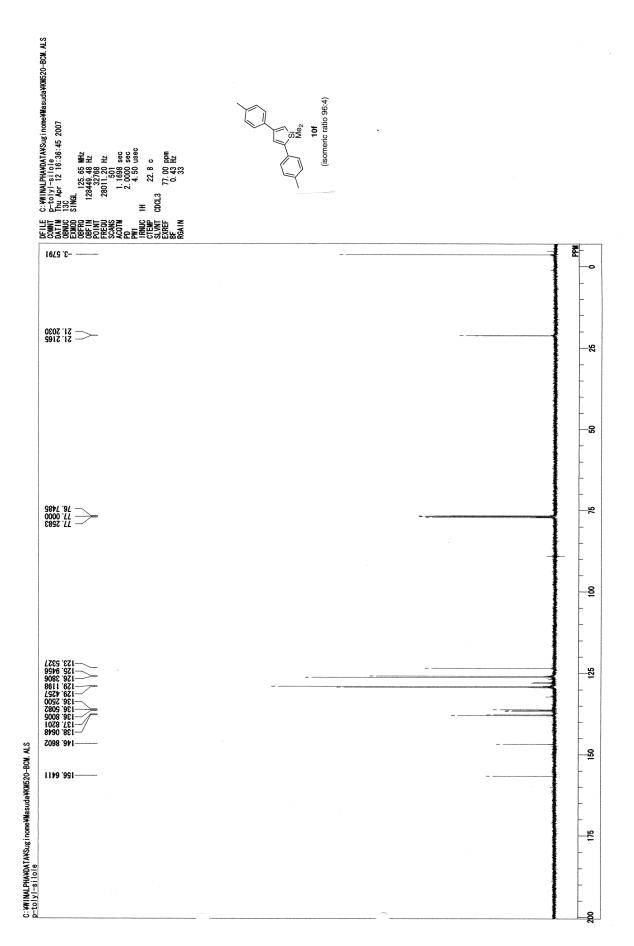


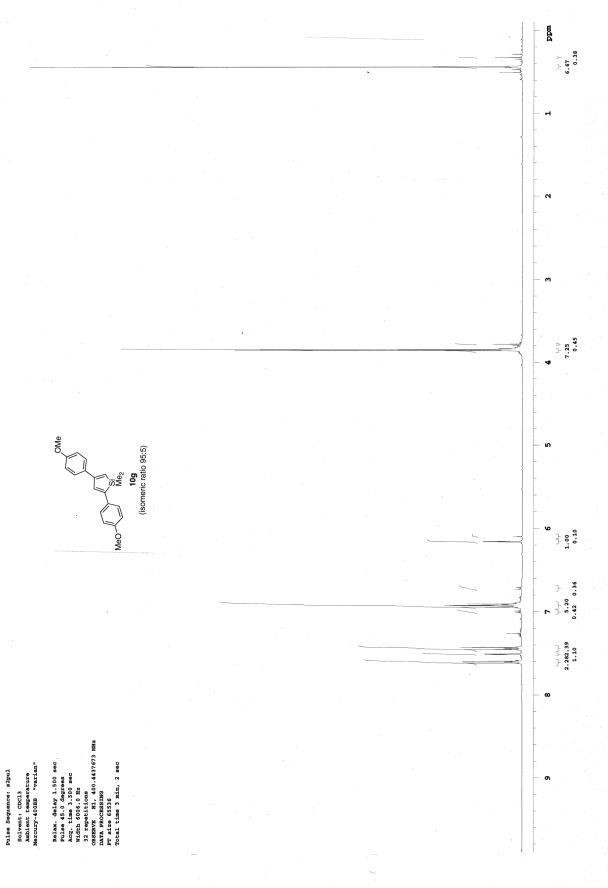












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