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New 4.4.43 Product Subclass 43: Silylium lons and Stabilized Silylium lons T. Müller

This chapter describes methods for the synthesis of silylium ions and silylium ions stabilized by direct interaction with solvents or counteranions. The applications of these species in Lewis acid catalysis and in bond-activation processes are also summarized.



Keywords: C—F bond activation \cdot borates \cdot Brønsted acids \cdot carbocations \cdot C—Si bonds \cdot hydrosilylation \cdot Lewis acid catalysts \cdot onium ions \cdot silanes \cdot silicon compounds \cdot silyl cations \cdot solvent effects

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4.4.44 **Product Subclass 44: Silyl Radicals** Y. Landais

Silyl radicals are short-lived species that have found widespread use in various areas, including organic and polymer chemistry and, more recently, material science. These silicon-centered radicals are generated from various sources, including silyl hydrides, disilanes, allylsilanes, silyl halides, and silylenes, and by carbon—heteroatom bond cleavage. Silyl radicals are intermediates in important transformations such as hydrosilylation and reduction processes. They add to unsaturated systems (including alkenes, alkynes, arenes, and carbonyl derivatives) with high rate constants, generating carbon-centered radicals which are then involved in subsequent transformations. The understanding of steric and electronic properties of silyl radicals now allows a better prediction of their reactivity. Silyl radical precursors, such as silyl hydrides, are thus commonly used in the synthesis of complex targets including natural products. These radicals efficiently trigger complex radical cascades as well as rearrangements processes, opening an access to elaborate

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architectures that would be otherwise difficult to access. Finally, silyl radicals are key intermediates in the functionalization of silicon surfaces, which have recently received a lot of interest due to the importance of organic films for applications as biomaterials and biochips.



Keywords: radicals \cdot silyl hydrides \cdot abstraction \cdot disilanes \cdot allylsilanes \cdot hydrogen transfer \cdot homolytic substitution \cdot silylenes \cdot silyliums \cdot polarity-reversal catalysis



Silanecarboxylic acids having a carboxy group on the silicon atom are synthesized from chlorosilanes via their reductive lithiation and subsequent carboxylation with carbon dioxide. Silanecarboxylic acid esters are synthesized from silanecarboxylic acids by O-al-kylation with diazoalkanes or by the Mitsunobu reaction with alcohols.



Keywords: silanecarboxylic acids \cdot silanecarboxylic acid esters \cdot reductive lithiation \cdot carboxylation \cdot esterification

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Product Subclass 6: Haloborates

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This chapter is a revision of the earlier *Science of Synthesis* contribution describing methods for the synthesis of haloborates. It focuses on the synthesis of organotrifluoroborates and highlights methods published between 1999 and 2013.



Keywords: organotrifluoroborates \cdot organoboron compounds \cdot C–B bonds \cdot C–H bond activation \cdot hydroboration \cdot transmetalation \cdot borylation

2013 p 145 — 14.1.5 **Pyrylium Salts** A. T. Balaban and T. S. Balaban

This update covers the literature from 2000 to the end of 2011; it also includes a few references from 1999 that were not discussed in the original *Science of Synthesis* review of pyrylium salts. In addition to methodologies for preparing pyrylium salts, some new applications of these compounds are also described.



Keywords: pyrylium salts · aldehydes · ketones · 1,5-diones · cyclization · aromatization

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201318.8.22Acyclic and Cyclic Ureas

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This update summarizes synthetic approaches to acyclic and cyclic ureas, as well as nonfunctionalized and functionalized derivatives. Syntheses of various urea derivatives are presented that were either not covered, or not treated in such detail, in the earlier *Science of Synthesis* contribution. For example, syntheses of imidazolidine-2,4-diones (hydantoins), 3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-ones (Biginelli products), and pyrimidine-2,4,6(1*H*,3*H*,5*H*)-triones (barbiturates) are presented. The literature is covered between the years 2001 and 2012.

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Keywords: barbiturates · Biginelli reaction · carbamates · carbon dioxide · carbonylation · 1,2-diamination · hydantoins · isocyanates · multicomponent reactions · ureas

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19.5.14.15 Synthesis from Nitriles with Retention of the Cyano Group N. Mase

This is an update to the original Section 19.5.14, which deals with synthesis from nitriles with retention of the cyano group. In order to cover significant recent developments, this update focuses on organocatalytic reactions of nitriles. These reactions are classified into two reaction modes: (1) reactions of nucleophiles containing a cyano group with electrophiles, and (2) reactions of nucleophiles with electrophiles containing a cyano group. In this update, significant achievements made employing asymmetric organocatalysts from the years 2000–2012 are highlighted.



Keywords: organocatalysis · nitriles · cyanides · isocyanides · cyanation · nucleophilic addition · nucleophilic substitution · one-pot processes

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