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Syntheses and Structures of 1,2,3-Substituted Cyclopentadienyl Titanium(IV) Complexes

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Cyclopentadiene compounds, 2-[CR'R(OMe)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₃ (R, R' = 2,2'-biphenyl, **2**) and 2-[CR'R(OSiMe₃)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₃ (R, R' = 2,2'-biphenyl, **3**; R = ph, R' = ph, **4**; R = 2-naphthyl, R' = H, **5**) are readily synthesized from 2-bromo-3-methoxy-1,3-dimethylcyclopentene (**1**). Reaction of the cyclopentadienes with Ti(NMe₂)₄ in toluene results in clean formation of the cyclopentadienyl tris(dimethylamido)titanium complexes, which are transformed to the trichloride complexes, 2-[CR'R(OMe)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₂}TiCl₃ (R, R' = 2,2'-biphenyl, **6**) and {2-[CR'R(OSiMe₃)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₂}TiCl₃ (R, R' = 2,2'-biphenyl, **7**; R = ph, R' = ph, **8**; R = 2-naphthyl, R' = H, **9**). Attempts to form C1-bridged Cp/oxido complexes by elimination of MeCl or Me₃SiCl were not successful. X-ray structures of **6**, **7** and an intermediate complex {2-[Ph₂C(OSiMe₃)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₂}TiCl₂(NMe₂) (**10**) were determined.

Key Words : Cyclopentadienyl, Titanium, X-ray structure

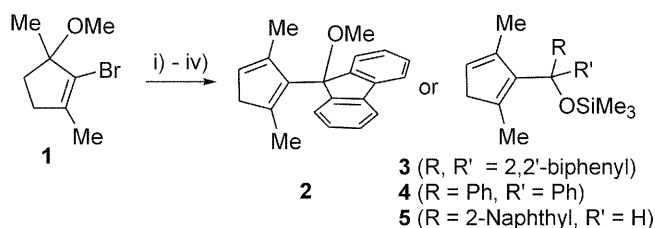
Introduction

The [Me₄Cp-Me₂Si-NR] based titanium and zirconium complexes developed by Dow and Exxon and known as CGC (constraint geometry catalyst) have drawn great interest in both academic and industrial fields.¹ The activated catalyst derived from the complex shows good comonomer incorporation in the ethylene/ α -olefins copolymerization and provides very high molecular-weight polyethylene when activated with borate cocatalyst. Cp/phosphido,^{2,3} Cp/amido,⁴ and Cp/oxido complexes with various bridging moieties have been described. Recently, Erker attempted to prepare (sp²-C₁)-bridged Cp/-oxido zirconium and titanium complexes by reacting [Cp-C(=CH₂)-O]²⁻ with Ti(NMe₂)₂Cl₂ or Zr(NEt₂)₂Cl₂(THF)₂ but only obtained unbridged dinuclear complexes.⁵ Cp/oxido titanium complexes with higher bridging moieties are frequently obtained by thermolysis of unbridged precursor complexes [RO-bridge-Cp]-TiCl₃ by elimination of RCl (R = Me or Me₃Si).⁶⁻⁸ We have recently developed an efficient synthetic route for 1,4,6-substituted fulvenes.⁹⁻¹¹ An intermediates of the synthetic route is cyclopentadiene having methoxy group, 2-[CRR'(OMe)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₃. We expected that the titanium trichloride complex derived from the cyclopentadiene or preferably more labile 2-[CRR'(OSiMe₃)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₃, which can be synthesized similarly, might afford the C₁-bridged Cp/-oxido titanium complexes by thermolysis. Even though we failed to obtain the desired C₁-bridged Cp/-oxido complexes, we report herein the preparation and molecular structures of the titanium trichloride complexes.

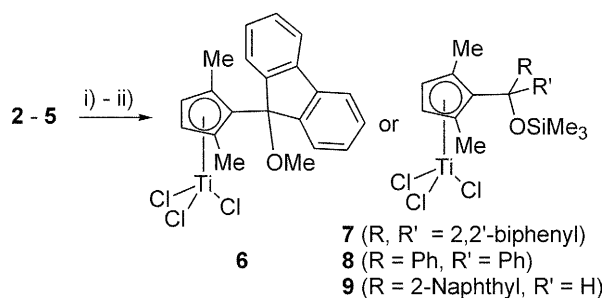
Results and Discussion

Synthesis and Characterization. One-pot synthetic route for the cyclopentadiene compound, 2-[CR'R(OMe)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₃ were developed previously (Scheme 1).¹¹ Thus, addition of *n*-BuLi to the bromo-compound **1**, which can be prepared in 80 g scale, in diethyl ether affords 2-lithio-3-methoxy-1,3-dimethylcyclopentene. Successive additions of 9-fluorenone and MeI to the lithium compound and aqueous acidic work-up provide cyclopentadiene compound **2** in overall 57% yield. Similarly trimethylsiloxy compounds **3-5** are obtained by the addition of Me₃SiCl instead of MeI in 59-76% yields (Scheme 1). The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra are in agreement with the structure. Broad signals are observed for fluorenone-derived compounds **2** and **3** which might be attributed to the rotation barrier around C(Cp)-C(OR) bond.

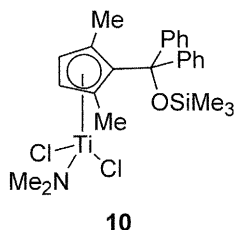
Reaction of the cyclopentadiene compounds **2-5** with Ti(NMe₂)₄ in toluene at 80 °C overnight under the weak stream of nitrogen gas furnishes the corresponding cyclopentadienyl tris(dimethylamido)titanium complexes which



Scheme 1^a. Legend: i) *n*-BuLi; ii) ketone or aldehyde; iii) MeI or Me₃SiCl; iv) HCl (2 N).



Scheme 2^a. ^aLegend: i) Ti(NMe₂)₄; ii) Me₂SiCl₂.

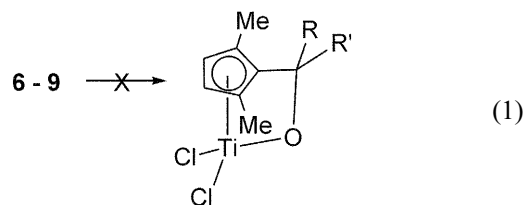


is cleanly transformed to the trichloride complexes by treatment of 3 equivalents of Me₂SiCl₂ at 60 °C (Scheme 2). Clean complexes are obtained by trituration in pentane in overall 75%, 75% and 81% yield for **6**, **8**, and **9**, respectively or by recrystallization by vapor phase addition of pentane to a benzene solution in 44% yield for **7**. When the tris(dimethylamido) complex is reacted with Me₂SiCl₂ at room temperature, only two of the three dimethylamido ligands are substituted with the chloride ligand. A dichloro(dimethylamido) complex **10** was isolated as single crystals by layer addition of pentane to a C₆D₆ solution and its molecular structure is elucidated.

The NMR signals of **8** and **9** are sharp and can be unequivocally assigned. In the ¹H NMR spectrum (toluene-d₈) of **8**, a Cp-H signal, a Cp-CH₃ signal and a Si(CH₃)₃ signal are observed as singlets at 5.93, 1.99, and 0.06 ppm, respectively. Complex **9** has a stereogenic center at the carbon attaching the oxygen consequently the two protons and methyls attached on Cp being diastereotopic, respectively. Separated two signals are observed at 6.06 and 5.81 ppm as doublets (*J* = 2.8 Hz) for Cp-H in the ¹H NMR spectra (C₆D₆). Cp-CH₃ signals are also separately observed at 2.74 and 1.88 ppm as singlets. The Si(CH₃)₃ and OCH signals are observed as singlets at 0.11 and 6.27 ppm, respectively. In the cases of **6** and **7**, very broad ¹H and ¹³C NMR signals were observed. Only methoxy signal, trimethylsilyloxy signal and a doublet signal derived from the fluorenyl moiety are sharp and the rest signals are very broad. Two Cp-H and two Cp-CH₃ signals are separately observed. Because the complexes have no stereogenic center at all, it is odd to observe the two Cp-H and the two Cp-CH₃ signals. If the structures are correct, the ¹H NMR spectra can be tentatively explained by the rotation barrier around C(Cp)-C(OR) bond. If the rotation is prohibited, the fluorenyl plane and Cp planes are situated biased and consequently the two methyls and the two protons attached on Cp are diastereotopic, respectively. Single crystals of **6** and **7** suitable for X-ray crystallography were obtained by

vapor phase addition of pentane to a benzene solution and their structures were confirmed unambiguously.

Attempts to prepare the C1-briged Cp/oxido complexes by elimination of MeCl or Me₃SiCl by heating in toluene (110 °C) or in decaline (190 °C) are not successful. Decomposition to unidentified complexes is observed. Addition of CsF in THF does not lead to clean formation of a single



complex either (eq. 1).

X-ray Structures of 6, 7, and 10. Structures of **6** and **7** determined by X-ray crystallography are shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2 with selected bond distances and angles. They show a typical distorted tetrahedral structure around titanium coordinated by three Cl ligand and a Cp. The fluorenyl plane is almost perpendicular to the Cp plane (the angle between the two planes, 89.8(2)° and 81.0(4)° for **6** and **7**, respectively) and the oxygen atoms are situated laterally to the Cp plane (the dihedral angle of C2-C1-C8-O1, -168.2° for **6** and the corresponding angle for **7**, -13.7°). The Ti-O distances are too long to consider any bonding (4.078 and 4.228 Å, for **6** and **7**, respectively). One of the chloride ligands is directed opposite to the CRR'(OR'') substituent in **6** (dihedral angle of C8-C1-Ti1-Cl3, 158.5°) and the other Cl is perfectly eclipsed with CH₃ (dihedral angle of C6-C2-Ti1-Cl1, -2.0°) while the remaining Cl is situated staggered with the other CH₃ (dihedral angle of C7-C5-Ti1-Cl2, 158.5°).

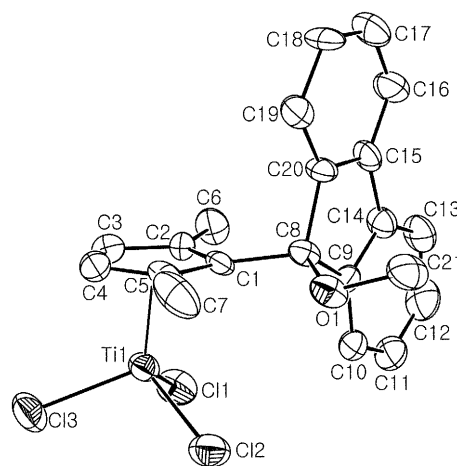


Figure 1. Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability level) of **6**. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°): Ti(1)-Cl(1), 2.2037(17); Ti(1)-Cl(2), 2.2301(16); Ti(1)-Cl(3), 2.2312(15); Ti(1)-C(1), 2.434(4); Ti(1)-C(2), 2.411(5); Ti(1)-C(3), 2.290(5); Ti(1)-C(4), 2.279(5); Ti(1)-C(5), 2.391(5); Cp(c)-Ti(1), 2.031; Ti(1)-O(1), 4.078; Cl(1)-Ti(1)-Cl(2), 103.71(6); Cl(1)-Ti(1)-Cl(3), 101.86(7); Cl(2)-Ti(1)-Cl(3), 103.90(7); Cp(c)-C(2)-C(6), 176.37; Cp(c)-C(5)-C(7), 176.63; Cp(c)-C(1)-C(8), 170.58; C(2)-C(1)-C(8)-O(1), -168.2.

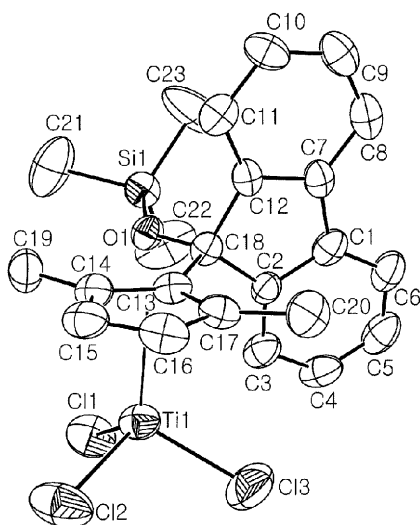


Figure 2. Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability level) of **7**. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°): Ti(1)-Cl(1), 2.226(4); Ti(1)-Cl(2), 2.228(4); Ti(1)-Cl(3), 2.198(4); Ti(1)-C(13), 2.425(9); Ti(1)-C(14), 2.390(10); Ti(1)-C(15), 2.292(10); Ti(1)-C(16), 2.293(10); Ti(1)-C(17), 2.412(10); Cp(c)-Ti(1), 2.034; Ti(1)-O(1), 4.228; Cl(1)-Ti(1)-Cl(2), 101.05(15); Cl(3)-Ti(1)-Cl(2), 101.63(17); Cl(3)-Ti(1)-Cl(1), 105.41(16); Cp(c)-C(14)-C(19), 175.20; Cp(c)-C(17)-C(20), 176.23; Cp(c)-C(13)-C(18), 168.53; C(14)-C(13)-C(18)-O(1), -13.7.

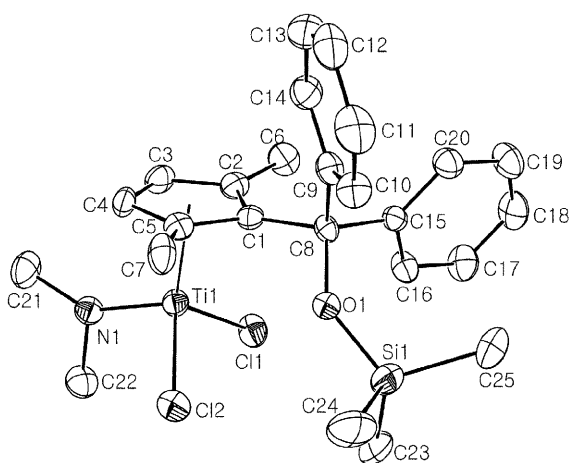


Figure 3. Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability level) of **10**. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°): Ti(1)-Cl(1), 2.2861(17); Ti(1)-Cl(2), 2.285(2); Ti(1)-N(1), 1.861(4); Ti(1)-C(1), 2.446(5); Ti(1)-C(2), 2.439(7); Ti(1)-C(3), 2.316(6); Ti(1)-C(4), 2.310(6); Ti(1)-C(5), 2.396(5); Cp(c)-Ti(1), 2.059; Ti(1)-O(1), 3.685; Cl(2)-Ti(1)-Cl(1), 104.07(8); N(1)-Ti(1)-Cl(1), 103.22(15); N(1)-Ti(1)-Cl(2), 101.81(18); Cp(c)-C(2)-C(6), 173.90; Cp(c)-C(5)-C(7), 175.82; Cp(c)-C(1)-C(8), 170.73; C(2)-C(1)-C(8)-O(1), -136.4; C(21)-N(1)-C(22), 109.8(5); C(21)-N(1)-Ti(1), 140.5(4); C(22)-N(1)-Ti(1), 109.7(4); C(2)-C(1)-C(8)-O(1), -136.4.

The eclipsed chloride is situated opposite to the oxygen atom and the Ti-Cl distance is relatively shorter (Ti1-Cl1, 2.2037(17) Å) than the other two Ti-Cl distances (Ti1-Cl2, 2.2301(16) Å; Ti1-Cl3, 2.2312(15) Å). Almost the same situation of the chloride ligands are observed for **7**. The Ti-

C(Cp) distance increases in the order of Ti-CH, Ti-CCH₃, and Ti-CCO in both **6** and **7**.

Figure 3 shows the structure of **10** with the selected bond distances and angles. In this complex, the oxygen atom is not situated laterally to the Cp plane as is observed for **6** and **7** but C-O vector is rotated toward titanium (dihedral angle of C2-C1-C8-O1, -136.4°). The corresponding dihedral angle for **6** and **7** are -168.2° and -13.7°, respectively. This rotation places the oxygen atom to be closer to the titanium (Ti-O distance, 3.685 Å). The corresponding Ti-O distances are 4.087 and 4.228 Å for **6** or **7** respectively. The two Cl ligands are situated nearly eclipsed with the methyls (dihedral angles of C6-C2-Ti1-Cl1 and C7-C5-Ti1-Cl2, 13.9° and -13.4°, respectively) and the amido ligand is situated opposite to the Ph₂(Me₃SiO)C substituent (dihedral angle of N1-Ti1-C1-C8, 169.9°). The nitrogen atom shows a perfect trigonal structure (sum of bonding angles, 360°) and the C21-N-C22 plane is almost perpendicular to the Cp plane (84.8(3)°). The Cp(c)-Ti distance (2.059 Å) is slight longer than those observed for **6** and **7** (2.031 and 2.034 Å, respectively).

Conclusion

Titanium trichloride complexes, 2-[CR'R(OMe)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₂}TiCl₃ (R, R' = 2,2'-biphenyl, **6**) and {2-[CR'R(OSiMe₃)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₂}TiCl₃ (R, R' = 2,2'-biphenyl, **7**; R = ph, R' = ph, **8**; R = 2-naphthyl, R' = H, **9**) are prepared and the molecular structures of **6**, **7** and an intermediate {2-[Ph₂C(OSiMe₃)]-1,3-Me₂C₅H₂}TiCl₂(NMe₂) (**10**) are elucidated. The oxygen atoms are too far away from the titanium center to show any bonding with the titanium. Various attempts to prepare the corresponding C1-bridged Cp/oxido complexes by MeCl or Me₃SiCl elimination are not successful.

Experimentals

All manipulations were performed under an inert atmosphere using standard glove box and Schlenk techniques. Toluene, pentane, THF, and C₆D₆ were distilled from benzophenone ketyl. Me₃SiCl and Me₂SiCl₂ were purified by distillation over CaH₂. DMF was purified by vacuum distillation and subsequent contacting with molecular sieves. ¹H NMR (400 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) spectra were recorded on a Varian Mercury plus 400. Mass spectra were obtained on a Micromass VG Autospec. Elemental analyses were carried out at the Inter-University Center Natural Science Facilities, Seoul National University.

Compound 2. To a solution of compound **1** (1.00 g, 4.88 mmol) in diethyl ether (5 mL) was added *n*-BuLi (1.35 g, 4.88 mmol) at -30 °C. The cooling bath was removed and the solution was warmed to room temperature for 30 min. White solid precipitated. The slurry was cooled again to -78 °C and 9-fluorenone (0.703 g, 3.90 mmol, 0.8 eq.) in diethyl ether (8 mL) was added. After the solution was stirred for 4 hours at -78 °C, the solution was warmed to room

temperature. All volatiles were removed by vacuum. Anhydrous DMF (5 mL) and NaH (0.117 g, 4.88 mmol) were added and the solution was stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature. MeI (1.39 g, 9.76 mmol) was added and the resulting mixture was stirred overnight. Water (10 mL) and hexane (10 mL) were added and the organic phase was collected, which is washed with brine (15 mL). Solvent was removed with rotary evaporator to give a residue which was dissolved in ethyl acetate (10 mL). Aqueous HCl (2 N, 10 mL) was added and the two-phase mixture was shaken vigorously for 2 minutes. Water phase was removed and the organic phase was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL). The organic phase was dried with anhydrous MgSO₄ and solvent was removed with rotary evaporator to give a residue which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 50 : 1). Overall yield was 57% (0.64 g). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4 H, fluorenyl-H), 7.09 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 2 H, fluorenyl-H), 7.00 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, fluorenyl-H), 5.61 (br s, 1H, vinyl-H), 2.76 (br s, 3H, CH₃), 2.71 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.6-2.8 (br, 2H, CH₂), 0.95 (br s, 3H, CH₃) ppm. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 146.55 (br), 143.00 (br), 141.96 (br), 141.79 (br), 139.22 (sharp), 138.13 (br), 135.18 (sharp), 129.24 (br), 128.39 (sharp), 125.83 (sharp), 119.89 (sharp), 89.82 (br), 49.67 (sharp), 46.28 (br), 19.95 (br), 17.34 (br), 15.26 (br) ppm. HRMS-EI *m/z* = *M*⁺ Calcd. (C₂₁H₂₀O): 288.1514. Found: 288.1515.

Compound 3. To a solution of compound **1** (1.00 g, 4.88 mmol) in diethyl ether (5 mL) was added *n*-BuLi (1.35 g, 4.88 mmol) at -30 °C. The cooling bath was removed and the solution was warmed to room temperature for 30 min. The slurry was cooled again to -78 °C and 9-fluorenone (0.703 g, 3.90 mmol, 0.8 eq.) in diethyl ether (8 mL) was added. After the solution was stirred for 2 hours at -78 °C, Me₃SiCl (0.80 g, 1.5 eq.) was added. The solution was warmed to room temperature and water (10 mL) was added. Volatile organics were removed by rotary evaporator and the organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 2). The combined ethyl acetate solution was shaken vigorously with aqueous HCl (2 N, 10 mL) for 2 minutes. The organic phase was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL). The organic phase was dried with anhydrous MgSO₄ and solvent was removed with rotary evaporator to give a residue which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 50 : 1). Overall yield was 60% (0.80 g). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H, fluorenyl-H), 7.16 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 2H, fluorenyl-H), 7.05 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, fluorenyl-H), 5.70 (br s, 1H, vinyl-H), 2.89 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.74 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.04 (s, 3H, CH₃), -0.16 (s, 9H, SiMe₃) ppm. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 149.82, 140.61, 129.20, 126.03, 125.61, 120.00, 46.24, 22.92, 15.14, 14.49, 1.75 ppm. Some signals were not observed by broadening in the ¹³C NMR spectrum. HRMS-EI *m/z* = *M*⁺ Calcd. (C₂₃H₂₆OSi): 346.1753. Found: 346.1752.

Compound 4. The compound was synthesized by the similar method and conditions for **4** except the addition of

Table 1. Crystallographic Parameters of **6**, **7**, and **10**^a

	6	7	10
formula	C ₂₁ H ₁₉ Cl ₃ O ₂ Ti	C ₂₃ H ₂₅ Cl ₃ OSiTi	C ₂₃ H ₃₃ Cl ₂ NOSiTi
Fw	441.61	499.77	510.41
size, mm ³	0.30 × 0.20 × 0.20	0.30 × 0.15 × 0.15	0.25 × 0.25 × 0.10
<i>a</i> , Å	7.3025(2)	15.289(2)	16.9230(10)
<i>b</i> , Å	11.8706(4)	10.634(3)	9.1000(10)
<i>c</i> , Å	23.8534(11)	16.929(4)	17.490(2)
α, deg	90	90	90
β, deg	82.7931(16)	116.489(12)	103.022(5)
γ, deg	90	90	90
<i>V</i> , Å ³	2051.40(13)	2463.4(10)	2624.2(4)
crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
space group	P2 ₁ /c	P2 ₁ /a	P2 ₁ /c
<i>D</i> (calc), gcm ⁻³	1.430	1.348	1.292
<i>Z</i>	4	4	4
μ, mm ⁻¹	0.815	0.733	0.592
no. of data collected	10842	9085	10697
no. of unique data	3876	2899	3961
no. of variables	239	268	287
R(%)	0.0487	0.0900	0.0706
R _w (%)	0.0893	0.1854	0.1033
Goodness of fit	0.820	1.155	1.017

^aData collected at (273(2) K with Mo-Kα radiation ($\lambda(K\alpha) = 0.7107 \text{ \AA}$), $R(F) = \frac{\sum |F_o| - |F_c|}{\sum |F_o|}$ with $F_o > 2.0\sigma(I)$, $R_w = \frac{[\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]}{\sum [w(F_o^2)^2]}^{1/2}$ with $F_o > 2.0\sigma(I)$.

1.0 equivalent of benzophenone. The compound was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 50 : 1). Overall yield was 59 %. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 7.57-7.54 (m, 4H, Ph-H^o), 7.15-7.10 (m, 4H, Ph-H^m), 7.03 (tt, *J* = 6.4, 1.2 Hz, Ph-H^p), 5.85 (q, 2.0 Hz, 1H, vinyl-H), 2.70 (quintet, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.88 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.50 (s, 3H, CH₃), 0.10 (s, 9H, SiMe₃) ppm. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 147.16, 145.52, 144.32, 139.70, 130.34, 128.16, 127.11, 126.14, 83.94, 46.16, 18.50, 17.55, 2.57 ppm. HRMS-EI *m/z* = *M*⁺ Calcd. (C₂₃H₂₈OSi): 348.1909. Found: 348.1909.

Compound 5. The compound was synthesized by the similar method and conditions for **4** except the addition of 1.0 equivalent of 2-naphthaldehyde. The compound was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 50 : 1). Overall yield was 76%. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 8.14 (s, 1H, naphthyl-H¹), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, naphthyl-H^{3 or 4}), 7.70 (AA'BB', 1H, naphthyl-H^{5 or 8}), 7.64 (AA'BB', 1H, naphthyl-H^{5 or 8}), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2.4 Hz, naphthyl-H^{3 or 4}), 7.24 (AA'BB', 2H, naphthyl-H^{6 and 7}), 6.05 (s, 1H, OCH), 5.78 (s, vinyl-H), 2.72-2.68 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.01 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.91 (q, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.21 (s, 9H, SiMe₃) ppm. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 127.89, 127.41, 127.36, 125.58, 125.17, 124.59, 124.37, 123.82, 69.33, 44.13, 15.45, 14.29, 0.18 ppm. HRMS-EI *m/z* = *M*⁺ Calcd. (C₂₁H₂₆OSi): 322.1753. Found: 322.1754.

Complex 6. Compound **2** (0.340 g, 1.18 mmol) and Ti(NMe₂)₄ (0.268 g, 1.18 mmol) were dissolved in toluene

(8 mL) and the solution was heated at 80 °C overnight under the weak stream of nitrogen gas. All volatiles were removed under vacuum to give a red residue. The residue was dissolved in toluene (8 mL) and Me₂SiCl₂ (0.457 g, 3.54 mmol) was added. The solution was heated at 60 °C overnight. The volatiles were removed to give a residue which is triturated in pentane. Red solid was obtained (0.39 g, 75%). Single crystals were obtained by vapor phase addition of pentane to a benzene solution. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 8.0 (very broad, 1H, fluorenyl-H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, fluorenyl-H⁴ and ⁵), 7.09 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.25-6.86 (very broad, 3H), 6.3 (very broad, 1H, Cp-H), 5.5 (very broad, 1H, Cp-H), 2.77 (very broad, 3H, CH₃), 2.64 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 1.3 (very broad, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR signals were too broad to be analyzed. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₉Cl₃OTi: C, 57.1; H, 4.34. Found: C, 57.5; H, 4.25.

Complex 7. The compound was synthesized by the same method and conditions for **6** by using **3**. Single crystals were obtained by vapor phase addition of pentane to a benzene solution (44%). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 8.08 (br s, 1H, fluorenyl-H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, fluorenyl-H⁴ and ⁵), 7.06 (br s, 2H, fluorenyl-H), 6.98 (br s, 2H, fluorenyl-H), 6.92 (br s, 1H, fluorenyl-H), 6.36 (br s, 1H, Cp-H), 5.48 (br s, 1H, Cp-H), 2.85 (br s, 3H, CH₃), 1.22 (br s, 3H, CH₃), -0.22 (s, 9H, SiMe₃) ppm. ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆): δ 148.45 (br), 145.71 (br), 142.71 (sharp), 140.55 (br), 140.10 (br), 139.51 (br), 136.65 (br), 130.30 (br), 129.81 (br), 128.55 (sharp), 126.13 (br), 125.13 (br), 124.83 (br), 120.02 (br), 85.83 (sharp), 20.60 (br), 16.83 (br), 1.58 (sharp) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₅Cl₃OSiTi: C, 55.3; H, 5.04. Found: C, 55.2; H, 4.95.

Complex 8. The compound was synthesized by the same method and conditions for **6** by using **4**. The complex was purified by trituration in pentane (75%). ¹H NMR (toluene-d₈): δ 7.33 (dt, *J* = 6.4, 2.0 Hz, 4H, Ph-H^o), 7.07-6.99 (m, 6 H, Ph-H^m and ^p), 5.93 (s, 2H, Cp-H), 1.99 (s, 6H, CH₃), 0.06 (s, 9H, SiMe₃) ppm. ¹³C NMR (toluene-d₈): δ 147.27, 143.03, 138.62, 137.16, 128.87, 128.26, 125.41, 84.96, 18.83, 2.59 ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₇Cl₃OSiTi: C, 55.1; H, 5.42. Found: C, 49.8; H, 5.15.

Complex 9. The compound was synthesized by the same method and conditions for **6** by using **5**. The complex was purified by trituration in pentane (81%). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 7.64 (s, 1H, naphthyl-H¹), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl-H³ or ⁴), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl-H⁵ and ⁸), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl-H³ or ⁴), 7.25 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, naphthyl-H⁶ and ⁷), 6.27 (s, 1H, OCH), 6.06 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H, Cp-H), 5.81 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H, Cp-H), 2.74 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.88 (s, 3H, CH₃), 0.11 (s, 9H, SiMe₃) ppm. ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆): δ 140.81, 140.22, 137.84, 137.62, 133.48, 433.45, 129.12,

126.82, 126.76, 126.19, 125.79, 124.85, 122.93, 75.47, 18.93, 17.13, 0.57 ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₅Cl₃OSiTi: C, 53.0; H, 5.30. Found: C, 53.3; H, 5.25.

Crystallographic Studies. Crystals of **6**, **7** and **10** coated with grease (Apiezon N) were mounted inside a thin glass tube with epoxy glue and placed on an Enraf-Nonius CCD single crystal X-ray diffractometer. The structures were solved by direct methods (SHELXL-97)¹⁴ and refined against all F² data (SHELXL-97). All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters. The hydrogen atoms were treated as idealized contributions. The crystal data and refinement results are summarized in Table 1.

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