

Synthesis of new calix[4]arenes bearing silylether groups

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Abstract

The Si-H groups of 25,26,27,28-tetrakis[4-(tris(dimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (II) were treated with methanol, ethanol, propanol, butanol, pentanol, hexanol, isopropanol, 1-methyl propanol, 2-methylpropanol and 2-chloroethanol in the presence of Karstedt catalyst (platinum(0)-1,3-divinyl-1,1,3,3-tetramethyldisiloxane complex, solution in xylene) to give the corresponding 25,26,27,28-tetrakis[4-(tris(alkoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene. It is found that alcoholysis of calix[4]arene **1** in the presence of Speier catalyst ($\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$) was unsuccessful using reflux conditions over seven days. In addition, the rate of alcoholysis is dependent on the amounts of the catalyst and reaction temperature.

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Introduction

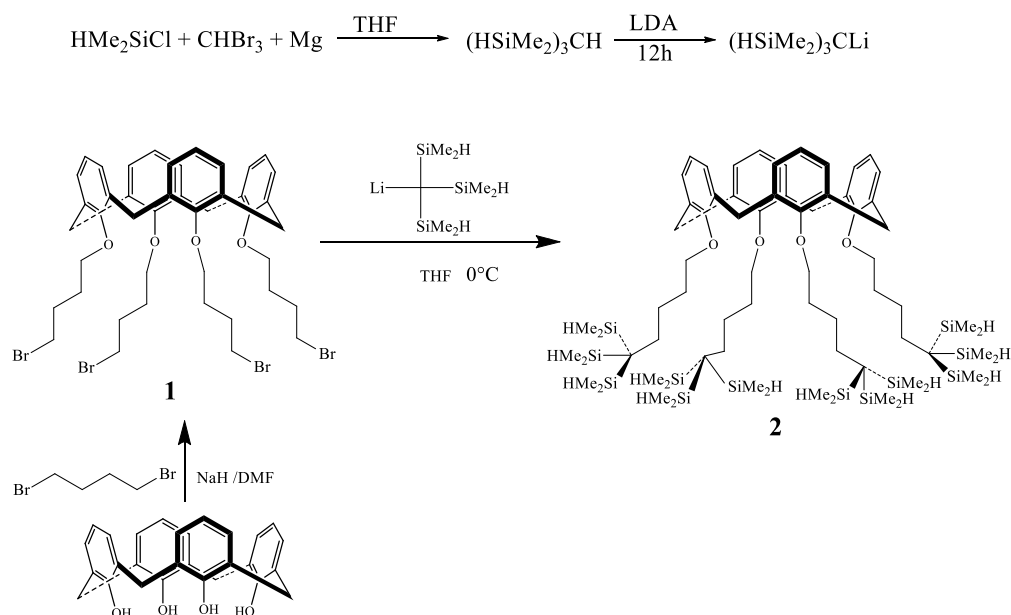
Calixarenes¹ have been widely studied as hosts and potential hosts for molecular recognition. Calixarenes containing organosilicon groups are of potential interest for molecular recognition of anions and nucleophilic substances,²⁻⁴ as many silicon compounds can interact with nucleophiles to form hypervalent silicon adducts.⁵ To date, only a few calixarenes containing organosilicon groups have been reported.⁶⁻¹¹

Among the diverse reactions at silicon centers, those involving silicon – oxygen bond formation are particularly important and silyl ethers are among the most widely used protecting groups for hydroxyl functions in organic synthesis,¹² and also for the preparation of "prodrugs" for drug delivery systems.¹³ They also play an important role in inorganic synthesis as precursors in the preparation of sol-gels and other condensed siloxane materials.¹⁴ The dehydrocoupling reaction between hydrosilane and an alcohol is a typical well-known method for the preparation of Si-O bonds using transition-metal catalysts.¹⁵ We have recently developed a convenient procedure for the preparation of a series of tris(alkoxydimethylsilyl)methanes by the reaction of

(HMe₂Si)₃CH with monofunctional alcohols in the presence of chloroplatinic acid (H₂PtCl₆·6H₂O) as catalyst.¹⁶ Since alkoxyasilane-calixarenes represent a new class of calixarenes, our interest in the preparation of calix[4]arenes bearing the tris(alkoxydimethylsilyl)methyl group was greatly enhanced. Herein we report the use of the dehydrocoupling reaction for the preparation of calixarenes containing silyl ether groups via reaction between a calixarene bearing Si-H group and various alcohols in the presence of Karstedt catalyst.

Results and Discussion

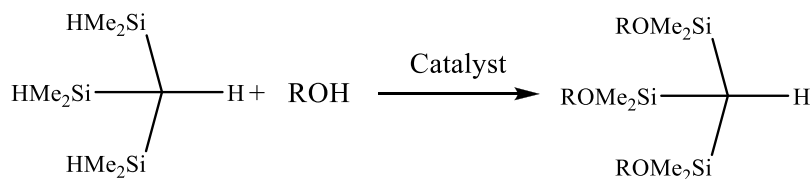
(HMe₂Si)₃CH was prepared by the reaction of CHBr₃ and Mg with HMe₂SiCl in THF.^{17,18} The solvated organolithium reagent (HMe₂Si)₃CLi, was obtained by treatment of (HMe₂Si)₃CH with lithium diisopropyl amide (LDA) at room temperature.¹⁹ 25,26,27,28-Tetrakis(4-bromobutoxy) calix[4]arene **1** was synthesized by treatment of the phenol containing calixarene with excess NaH and 1,4-dibromobutane in DMF. The desired calixarene precursor bearing the (HMe₂Si)₃C- groups was obtained by the reaction of (HMe₂Si)₃CLi with **1** in THF (Scheme 1).



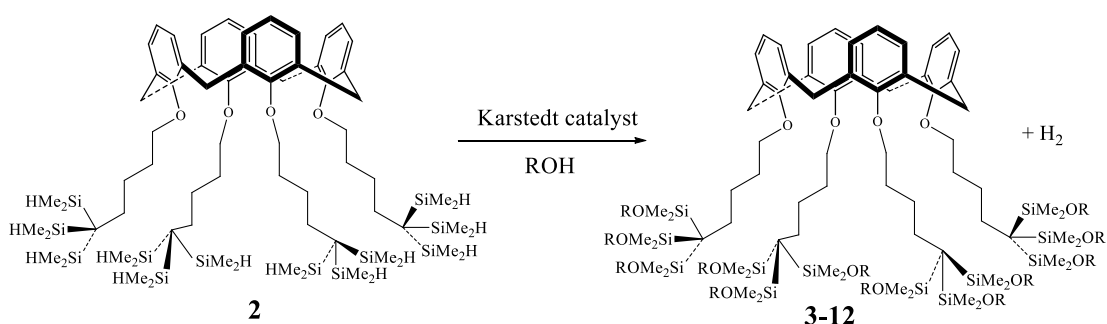
Scheme 1. Preparation of 25,26,27,28-tetrakis[4-(tris(dimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene **2**.

We have recently reported the preparation of tris(alkoxydimethylsilyl)methanes via the reaction of tris(dimethylsilyl)methane and various alcohols in the presence of the Speier catalyst (H₂PtCl₆·6H₂O) under mild and aerobic conditions¹⁶ (Scheme 2). Since we were interested in

extending this methodology to the coupling of the calixarene bearing Si-H groups such as **2** with various alcohols, it was decided to study the dehydrocoupling between compound **2** and some alcohols in different conditions (Scheme 3).



Scheme 2. Preparation of tris(alkoxydimethylsilyl)methanes.



Scheme 3. Preparation of calix[4]arene bearing tris(alkoxydimethylsilyl)methane groups.

Alcoholysis of calixarene **2** with primary alcohols (methanol, ethanol, propanol and butanol) failed to go to completion using the Speier catalyst under reflux conditions over seven days. These reactions were therefore repeated using various amounts of the catalyst ($[\text{Pt}]/[\text{Si-H}] = 0.055$ to $[\text{Pt}]/[\text{Si-H}] = 0.39$). However these conditions also failed to achieve a complete reaction.

The Karstedt catalyst (platinum(0)-1,3-divinyl-1,1,3,3-tetramethyldisiloxane complex, solution in xylene) which is more active than the Speier catalyst ($\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$) was then examined. Reaction conditions were optimized by using propanol as a typical alcohol and the Karstedt catalyst at 80 °C. As shown in Figure 1, increasing the loading of the Karstedt catalyst to a certain extent can affect the reaction time. By increasing the amount of Pt catalyst from $[\text{Pt}]/[\text{Si-H}] = 5.4 \times 10^{-4}$ to $[\text{Pt}]/[\text{Si-H}] = 7.2 \times 10^{-3}$, we were able to reduce the reaction time from 36h to 8h. The colorless reaction mixture gradually turned to homogeneous black-colored liquid, indicating the generation of colloidal Pt(0) particles.

The method was found to be applicable also to secondary alcohols and leads to selective formation of the corresponding calixarenes bearing alkoxydimethylsilyl groups in good yields (Table 1). As shown in Table 1 reaction of calixarene **2** with primary alcohols gave higher yields than the analogous reactions with secondary alcohols, probably due to the increase in steric hinderance.

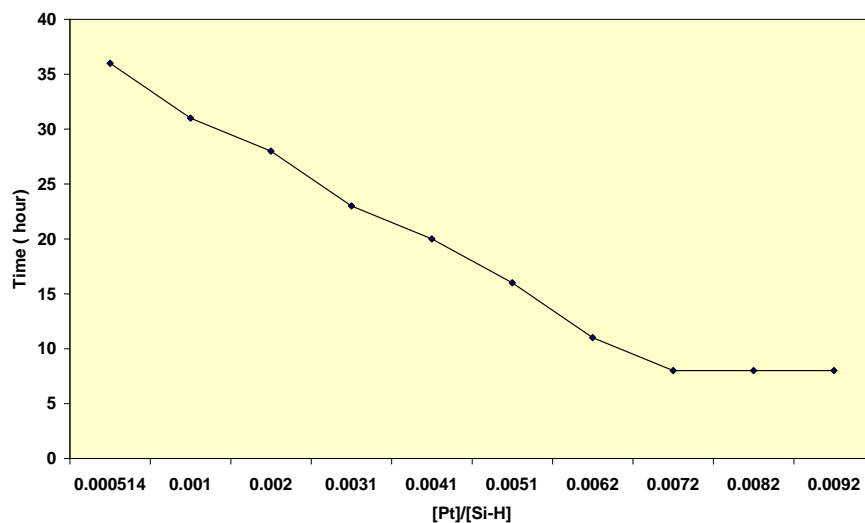


Figure 1. The effect of the amount of the Karstedt catalyst on the reaction time.

Table 1. Yields of alcoholysis of calixarene **2** with various alcohols in the presence of the Karstedt catalyst

Compound	Alcohols	Yields (%)
3	CH ₃ OH	85
4	CH ₃ CH ₂ OH	85
5	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ OH	83
6	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ OH	80
7	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ OH	80
8	CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ OH	80
9	(CH ₃) ₂ CHOH	77
10	CH ₃ CH ₂ (CH ₃)CHOH	75
11	CH ₃ (CH ₃)CHCH ₂ OH	75
12	ClCH ₂ CH ₂ OH	85

The reaction progress was monitored by FTIR spectroscopy on the basis of absorption measurements at the Si-H stretching bond frequency (2107 cm⁻¹) with reference to the standard curve. The FTIR spectrum of the propoxysilane-bearing calixarene **5** does not show a sharp peak at 2107 cm⁻¹ indicating the absence of a Si-H bond, and shows the concomitant appearance of the Si-O peak at 1084 cm⁻¹ (Figure 2). In addition, the ¹H NMR spectrum of (**5**) for example, shows the presence of 36 protons (CH₃CH₂CH₂O) at 1.1 ppm and 32 protons (12×CH₃CH₂CH₂O, 4×CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O) at 3.5-3.8 ppm (Figure 3). Similar results were observed for other alcohols.

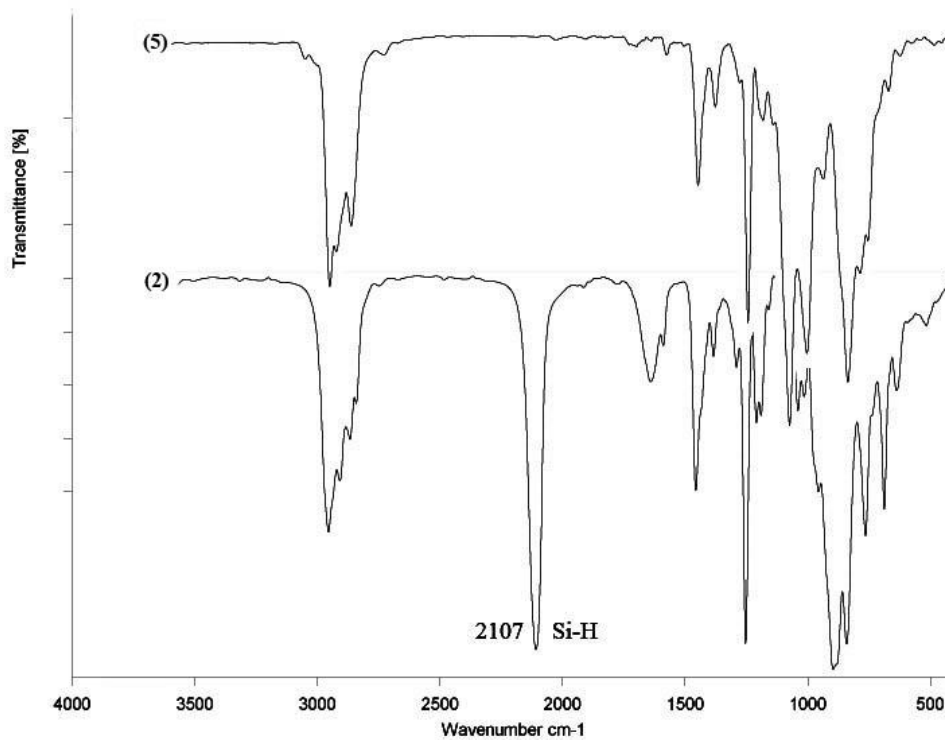


Figure 2. The FTIR spectra of the compounds **2** and **5**.

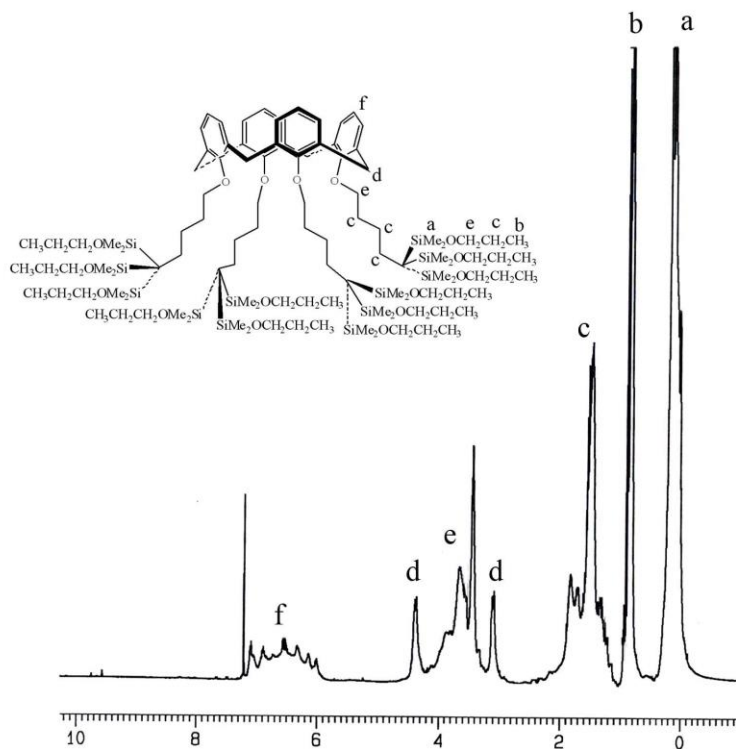


Figure 3. The ¹H NMR Spectrum of the calixarene **5**.

Conclusions

A series of new calixarenes bearing tris(alkoxydimethylsilyl)methyl groups were obtained in good yields from the catalytic reaction of calixarene **2** with several alcohols. Using the Speier catalyst, alcoholysis was unsuccessful under reflux conditions over seven days. However, in the presence of the Karstedt catalyst, the desired reaction went to completion in only 8h at 80°C to afford the desired products in high yields. Primary alcohols gave higher yields than the secondary alcohols, which might be the result of the increase in steric hindrance. Furthermore, the newly-obtained calixarenes containing alkoxy-silanes at the lower rim are novel calixarenes which open up a new field in the chemistry of calixarenes.

Experimental Section

General. The reactions involving organolithium reagents were carried out under dry argon. Solvents were dried by standard methods. Substrates for preparation of $(\text{HSiMe}_2)_3\text{CLi}$, viz. HSiMe_2Cl , Mg, CHBr_3 , *n*-BuLi, lithium diisopropyl amide (LDA) and the substrate for preparation of 25,26,27,28-tetrakis[4-bromobutoxy]calix[4]arene, viz. *p*-*tert*-butylphenol, formaldehyde 35-40%, NaH, DMF, 1,4-dibromobutane, and all alcohols used in the alcoholysis reactions were purchased from Merck and all alcohols were purified by standard methods. Karstedt catalyst was purchased from Aldrich. The ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR were recorded with a Bruker FT-400MHz spectrometer at room temperature and using CDCl_3 as the solvent. The FTIR spectra were recorded on a Bruker- Tensor 270 spectrometer. Elemental analyses were carried out with a Heareus CHN-ORAPID instrument.

Preparation of 25,26,27,28-tetrakis(4-bromobutoxy)calix[4]arene (1). A mixture of 3.0 g (7.0 mmol) of dealkylated calixarene and 2.4 g (60 mmol) NaH (60% in paraffin) in 100 ml of dry DMF was stirred at room temperature for 0.5h. Subsequently 20 g (0.1 mmol) 1,4-dibromobutane was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24h. Then DMF was evaporated *in vacuo*, and the residue was taken up in CHCl_3 (200ml) and washed with aqueous 1N HCl (50ml \times 2), brine (50 ml) and the CHCl_3 extract was dried over MgSO_4 . After filtration the solvent was evaporated, and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (*n*-hexane-ethylacetate, 4:1, $R_f=0.80$), yielding 4 g (60%) a pure colourless solid. Mp = 79-81°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.96-2.15(m, 16H, $4\times\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$), 3.2(d, 4H, J = 13.4Hz, $4\times\text{ArCHAr}$), 3.5(t, 8H, J= 6.34 Hz, $4\times\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}$), 3.9 (t, 8H, J = 6.94 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Br}$), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 13.35 Hz, $4\times\text{ArCHAr}$), 6.55-6.72(m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 27.94, 28.54, 29.85, 32.70, 72.94, 121.24, 127.27, 133.85, 155.09 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{52}\text{Br}_4\text{O}_4$ (964.50): C, 54.79%; H, 5.43%. Found: C, 54.32%; H, 5.15%.

Preparation of tris(dimethylsilyl)methyl lithium, $(\text{HSiMe}_3)_3\text{CLi}$, solution in THF.¹⁹ A 50 ml round-bottom flask equipped with a stirrer, septum, and gas-inlet needle was charged with

diisopropylamine (0.53 g, 5.3 mmol) and 15 ml of THF. The flask was placed in a water-ice bath and then *n*-Buli (3.8 ml, 1.5 M solution in hexane) was added dropwise via syringe to form a clear yellow solution. The solution was stirred for an additional 30 min. The lithium diisopropylamide (LDA) solution was transferred into a dropping funnel after which it was added dropwise to a 50-ml round-bottom flask containing tris(dimethylsilyl)methane, (HSiMe₂)₃CH, (1.0 g, 5.3 mmol), in 10 ml THF under argon atmosphere at room temperature. The orange-red solution was stirred at ambient temperature for 10h.

Preparation of 25,26,27,28-tetrakis[4-(tris(dimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (2).

To a stirred solution of (HSiMe₂)₃CLi (5.3 mmol) in THF at 0°C was added 25,26,27,28-tetrakis(4-bromobutoxy) calix[4]arene **1** (1.0 mmol) in 10 ml THF, and then stirred for another 2 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was poured into aqueous ammonium chloride solution (50 ml) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2×50 ml). The organic phase was washed with water (100 ml) and dried (Na₂SO₄), and the solvent was removed *in vacuo* to yield a viscous oil. A pure colourless solid 1.15 g (82%) was obtained by preparative TLC (silica gel, *n*-hexane, *R_f*=0.2), mp=59-61°C; FTIR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3061(HC=), 2107 (Si-H), 1589, 1456 (Ph), 1252, 896 (Si-CH₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.1 (d, 72H, ³J_{HH} = 3.74 Hz, 12×SiMe₂), 1.51-1.58(m, 8H, 4×CCH₂CH₂), 1.66-1.71 (m, 8H, 4 ×CCH₂CH₂CH₂), 1.85-1.93(m, 8H, 4 ×CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 13.4 Hz, 4×ArCHAr), 3.9 (t, 8H, J = 7.24 Hz, 4×CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O), 3.99-4.05 (m, 12H, 12×SiHMe₂), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 13.33 Hz, 4×ArCHAr), 6.56-6.62 (m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ¹³C NMR(100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -4.06 (SiMe₂), 0.58 (C(SiMe₂H)₃), 25.09, 29.51, 30.29, 30.69, 73.70, 120.90, 127.18, 133.81, 155.64 ppm; Anal. Calcd for C₇₂H₁₃₆O₄Si₁₂ (1400.77): C, 61.64%; H, 9.77%. Found: C, 61.25%; H, 9.63%.

General procedure for the synthesis of 25,26,27,28-tetrakis[4-(tris(alkoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene

A 50 ml round-bottom two-neck flask with magnetic stirring was charged with 25,26,27,28-tetrakis[4-(tris(dimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene **2** (0.10 g, 0.071 mmol) and ROH (20 ml) under dry argon. Karstedt catalyst ([Pt]/[Si-H] = 7.2×10⁻³) was then added and the reaction progress was monitored. Several samples were taken at different times and were analyzed by infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy. The mixture was stirred at 60-80°C until complete disappearance of the Si-H bond in the FTIR spectra. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature. Then the alcohol was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 10:1 *n*-hexane:ethyl acetate) to give a highly viscous oily product.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(methoxy dimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (3). Yield 85%, FTIR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3060 (HC=), 2994 (C-H), 1584, 1454 (Ph), 1251,851 (Si-C), 1086 (Si-O), 1033 (C-O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.19 (br s, 72H,24×SiMe), 1.56-1.88 (br m, 24H, 4×CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 13.17 Hz, 4×ArCHAr), 3.3 (br s, 36H, 12×OCH₃), 3.4-3.9 (br m, 8H, 4× OCH₂CH₂), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 13.25 Hz, 4×ArCHAr), 6.55-6.80 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -0.92 (SiMe), 2.36, 26.1, 28.33, 30.33,

30.77, 48.84, 73.83, 120.65, 127.06, 133.89, 155.75 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{84}H_{160}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 57.22; H, 9.15. Found: C, 57.01; H, 8.85.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(ethoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (4). Yield 85%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3060 (HC=), 2970, 2898 (C-H), 1586, 1454 (Ph), 1252, 847 (Si-C), 1080 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.18 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 1.01 (br t, 36H, 12 \times CH₃CH₂), 1.59-1.95 (br m, 24H, 4 \times CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 13.09 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.5-3.8 (br m, 32H, 16 \times OCH₂), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 13.13 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.5-6.9 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = -0.59 (SiMe), 1.769, 22.73, 27.91, 28.68, 29.35, 30.52, 57.12, 67.14, 120.84, 127.79, 131.44, 155.57 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{96}H_{184}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 59.70; H, 9.60. Found: C, 59.45; H, 9.55.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(propoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (5). Yield 83%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3061 (HC=), 2959, 2872 (C-H), 1586, 1457 (Ph), 1254, 847 (Si-C), 1084 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.19 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 0.9 (br t, 36H, 12 \times CH₃CH₂), 1.30-1.93 (br m, 48H, 4 \times CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O, 12 \times CH₃CH₂CH₂CH₂O), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 13.08 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.4-3.8 (br m, 32H, 16 \times OCH₂), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 13.19 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.1-6.9 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, ppm): δ = -0.45 (SiMe), 2.86, 9.42, 24.8, 25.10, 29.01, 30.31, 30.70, 63.0, 73.8, 120.95, 127.70, 133.91, 155.68 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{108}H_{208}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 61.77; H, 9.98. Found: C, 61.45; H, 9.80.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(butoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (6). Yield 80%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3060 (HC=), 2958, 2868 (C-H), 1587, 1459 (Ph), 1251, 850 (Si-C), 1091 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.18 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 0.9 (br t, 36H, 12 \times CH₃CH₂), 1.2-1.9 (br m, 72H, 4 \times CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O, 12 \times CH₃CH₂CH₂CH₂O), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 13.08 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.3-3.9 (br m, 32H, 16 \times OCH₂), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 13.10 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.3-6.9 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, ppm): δ = -0.01 (SiMe), 9.1, 12.9, 18.1, 24.9, 29.10, 30.29, 30.40, 33.5, 60.9, 73.7, 119.8, 126.5, 132.7, 155.3 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{120}H_{232}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 63.54; H, 10.31. Found: C, 63.40; H, 10.21.

25,26,27,28-tetrakis[4-(tris(pentoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (7). Yield 80%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3061 (HC=), 2953, 2867 (C-H), 1513, 1459 (Ph), 1252, 840 (Si-C), 1092 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.18 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 0.9 (br t, 36H, 12 \times CH₃CH₂), 1.3-1.9 (br m, 96H, 4 \times CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O, 12 \times CH₃CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 12.09 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.4-3.9 (br m, 32H, 16 \times OCH₂), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 11.5 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.3-7.0 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.0 (SiMe), 9.5, 13.1, 21.5, 24.7, 27.1, 29.1, 30.01, 30.4, 31.3, 61.08, 73.5, 119.4, 127.7, 132.3, 154.2 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{132}H_{256}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 65.07; H, 10.59. Found: C, 64.70; H, 10.24.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(hexoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (8). Yield 80%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3060 (HC=), 2930, 2864 (C-H), 1582, 1459 (Ph), 1251, 856 (Si-C), 1094 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.19 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 0.89 (br t, 36H, 12 \times CH₃CH₂), 1.3-1.9 (br m, 120H, 4 \times CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O, 12 \times CH₃CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂O), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 11.42 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.4-3.9 (br m, 32H, 16 \times OCH₂), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 12.9 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.3-7.0 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, ppm): δ = 0.1 (SiMe),

9.6, 12.9, 21.5, 24.02, 25.01, 29.30, 30.21, 30.50, 30.7, 31.7, 61.3, 73.05, 120.50, 126.83, 133.3, 155.07 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{144}H_{280}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 66.40; H, 10.83. Found: C, 66.15; H, 10.60.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(1-methylethoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (9). Yield 77%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3063 (HC=), 2964, 2866 (C-H), 1610, 1497 (Ph), 1254, 839 (Si-C), 1061 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.19 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 1.17 (br d, 72H, 12 \times (CH_3) $_2$ CH), 1.7-2.2 (br m, 24H, 4 \times CCH $_2$ CH $_2$ CH $_2$ CH $_2$ O), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 13.32 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.6-4.0 (br m, 20H, 4 \times OCH $_2$, 12 \times (CH_3) $_2$ CH), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 13.30 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.3-3.9 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, ppm): δ = 0.3(SiMe), 10.05, 24.7, 25.0, 29.1, 29.9, 30.3, 63.0, 73.1, 120.21, 126.51, 133.4, 155.54 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{108}H_{208}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 61.77; H, 9.98. Found: C, 61.44; H, 9.65.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(1-methylpropoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (10). Yield 75%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3061 (HC=), 2969, 2877 (C-H), 1541, 1457 (Ph), 1253, 842 (Si-C), 1108 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.19 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 0.86 (br t, 36H, 12 \times CH $_3$ CH $_2$), 1.1 (br d, 36H, 12 \times (CH_3)OCHCH $_2$), 1.4-1.9 (br m, 48H, 4 \times CCH $_2$ CH $_2$ CH $_2$ CH $_2$ O, 12 \times (CH_3)OCHCH $_2$ CH $_3$), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 13.13 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.6-4.0 (br m, 20H, 4 \times OCH $_2$, 12 \times (CH_3)OCHCH $_2$), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 13.0 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.3-6.9 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, ppm): δ = 0.4 (SiMe), 9.90, 14.2, 21.5, 24.42, 29.01, 29.95, 30.40, 31.12, 68.4, 72.29, 119.70, 126.14, 132.7, 154.56 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{120}H_{232}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 63.54; H, 10.31. Found: C, 63.40; H, 10.26.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(2-methylpropoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (11). Yield 75%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3063 (HC=), 2959, 2877 (C-H), 1548, 1462 (Ph), 1253, 849 (Si-C), 1085 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.20 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 0.88 (br d, 72H, 12 \times (CH_3) $_2$ CH), 1.3-1.9 (br m, 36H, 4 \times CCH $_2$ CH $_2$ CH $_2$ CH $_2$ O, 12 \times (CH_3) $_2$ CHCH $_2$), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 10.61 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.3-3.8 (br m, 32H, 16 \times OCH $_2$), 4.4 (d, 4H, J = 9.32 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.3-6.9 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, ppm): δ = 0.001 (SiMe), 8.5, 17.8, 24.57, 28.9, 29.68, 30.29, 30.6, 67.9, 73.4, 120.84, 126.7, 133.48, 155.5 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{120}H_{232}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 63.54; H, 10.31. Found: C, 63.25; H, 10.10.

25,26,27,28-Tetrakis[4-(tris(2-chloroethoxydimethylsilyl)methyl)butoxy]calix[4]arene (12). Yield 85%, FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3062 (HC=), 2956, 2867 (C-H), 1585, 1457 (Ph), 1253, 850 (Si-C), 1107 (Si-O) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 0.19 (br s, 72H, 24 \times SiMe), 1.5-1.8 (br m, 24H, 4 \times CCH $_2$ CH $_2$ CH $_2$ CH $_2$ O), 3.1 (d, 4H, J = 13.44 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 3.4-3.9 (br m, 56H, 16 \times OCH $_2$, 12 \times CH $_2$ Cl), 4.3 (d, 4H, J = 14.33 Hz, 4 \times ArCHAr), 6.3-7.0 (br m, 12H, Ar) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, ppm): δ = -0.2 (SiMe), 8.8, 26.91, 28.68, 29.35, 30.52, 44.10, 57.12, 67.14, 120.84, 127.79, 131.44, 155.57 ppm; Anal. Calcd for $C_{96}H_{172}Cl_{12}O_{16}Si_{12}$: C, 49.17; H, 7.39. Found: C, 48.90; H, 8.20.

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