

# Zur Synthese fluororganischer O-(Trimethylsilyl)-cyanhydrine

Synthesis of Fluoroorganic O-(Trimethylsilyl)cyanhydrines

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Fluoroorganic and/or sterically hindered cyanohydrines are useful synthetic reagents, not readily available directly from *e.g.* aldehydes or ketones and hydrogen cyanide. By using trimethylsilyl cyanide (TMSCN), the obtained O-Silyl-cyanohydrines can be applied successfully for the same purpose. Selected examples of the type  $R^1R^2C-CN(OSiMe_3)$  **1** - **12** are presented which prove the extensive applicability of this reaction [R = (fluoro)alkyl, (fluoro)aryl, anthryl, cyclopropyl,  $CCl_3$ ,  $CBr_3$  *etc.*]. Malodinitrile derivatives  $RC(CN)_2OSiMe_3$  **14** were obtained from carboxylic acid chlorides.  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -Diketones react with formation of the corresponding linear or cyclic doubly substituted O-Silylcyanohydrines **16**, **17**, **21**, **22**. The enol-form of hexafluoroacetylacetone reacts with silylation to give the E-isomer of the silylenol ether **18**, the carbonyl group of which forms the O-Silylcyanohydrine **19**. With  $Me_2Si(CN)_2$  both reaction steps occur intramolecular, yielding a 2,6-dioxa-1-sila-3-cyclohexene **20**.

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