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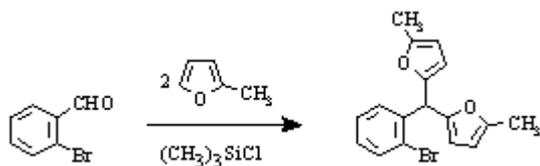
## 2-Bromophenylbis(5-methylfur-2-yl)methane

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See also [1,2]. To the solution of 2-bromobenzaldehyde (18.5 g, 100 mmol) and sylvan (20 ml, 250 mmol) in 100 ml of benzene 5 ml of Me<sub>3</sub>SiCl was added at room temperature. The mixture warmed up to 50-60deg.C within 15 min and a water layer separated. After standing for an additional 1 hr, the organic layer was washed with NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution, separated from the water layer and evaporated. The residue was recrystallised from hexane. Yield 29 g (87.7%) of colourless cubes.

M.p. 56-57deg.C.

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 7.54-7.01 (m, 4H, H<sub>Ar</sub>), 5.82-5.73 (q, 4H, 3,4-H<sub>Fur</sub>), 5.73 (s, 1H, CH), 2.16 (s, 6H, CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm.

Anal. calc. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrO<sub>2</sub> (331.2): C 61.65, H 4.56, Br 24.13; found: C 61.7, H 4.5, Br 24.0.

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Sample availability: 2.5 g.

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