

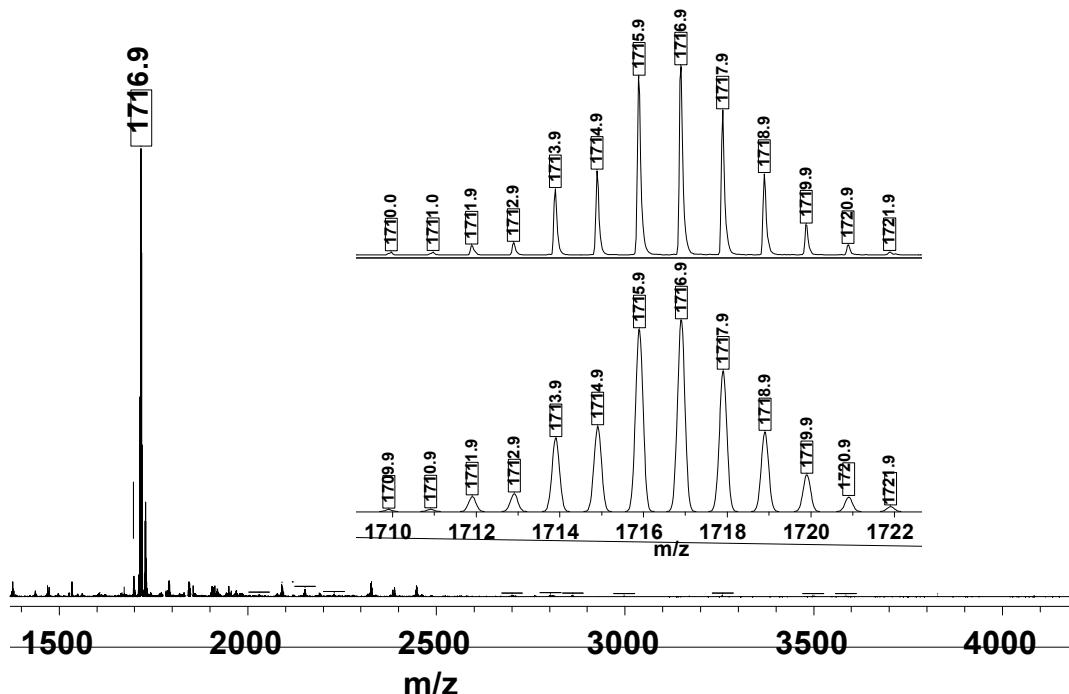
# Unexpected Formation of a Silicon Centered Spirocyclic Oligosiloxane Bearing Eight Pendant Ferrocene Units

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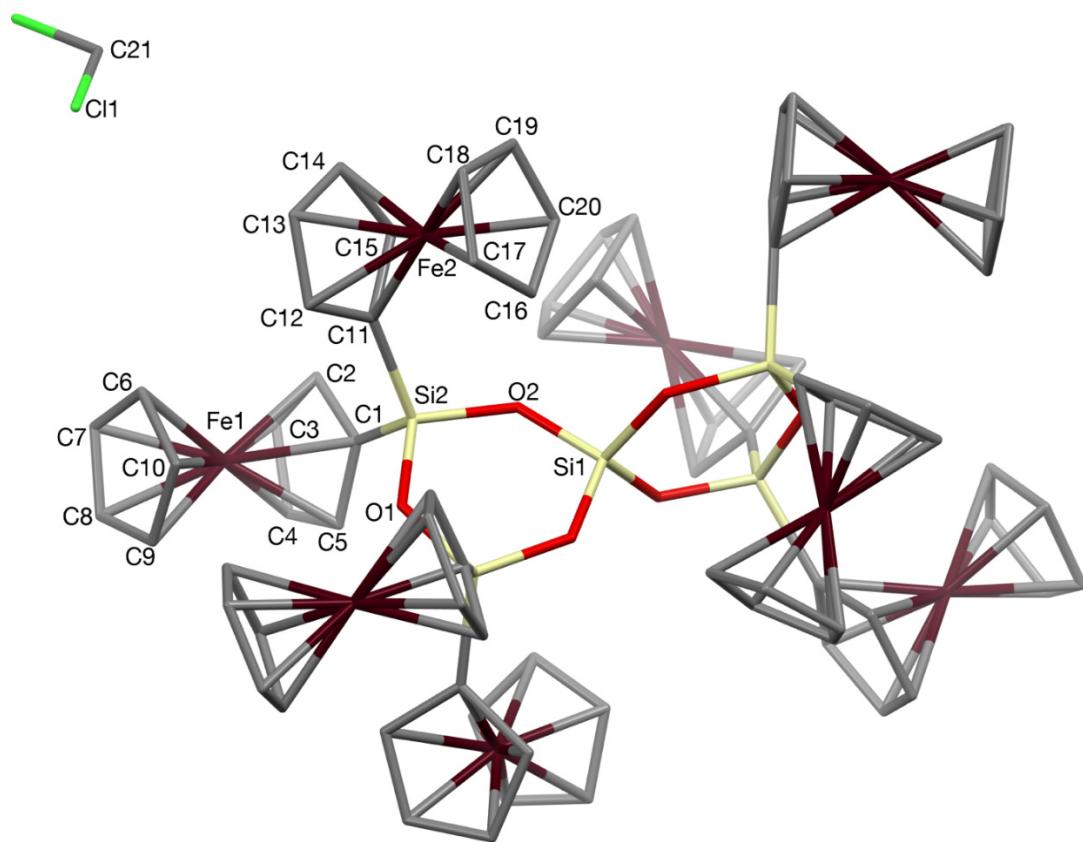
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## 1. Characterization of 4



**Figure S1.** MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry of octaferrocenyl spirosilicate **4**. Inset: isotopic distribution of molecular ion peak (top: experimental; bottom: calculated).

## 2. Single Crystal X-ray Diffraction data



**Figure S2.** Structure of **4** with atoms labelled in the asymmetric unit.

**Table S1.** Sample and crystal data for **4**.

<b>Identification code</b>	CCDC 2182627		
<b>Chemical formula</b>	$(C_{80}H_{72}Fe_8O_6Si_5) \cdot 2(CH_2Cl_2)$		
<b>Formula weight</b>	1886.47.08 g/mol		
<b>Temperature</b>	296(2) K		
<b>Wavelength</b>	0.71073 Å		
<b>Crystal size</b>	0.040 x 0.040 x 0.190 mm		
<b>Crystal habit</b>	clear intense orange needle		
<b>Crystal system</b>	tetragonal		
<b>Space group</b>	$P4_2/n$		
<b>Unit cell dimensions</b>	$a = 15.650(1)$ Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$	
	$b = 15.650(1)$ Å	$\beta = 90^\circ$	
	$c = 15.714(1)$ Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$	
<b>Volume</b>	$3848.6(6)$ Å <sup>3</sup>		
<b>Z</b>	2		
<b>Density (calculated)</b>	1.628 g/cm <sup>3</sup>		
<b>Absorption coefficient</b>	1.734 mm <sup>-1</sup>		
<b>F(000)</b>	1924		

**Table S2. Data collection and structure refinement for 4.**

<b>Theta range for data collection</b>	2.25 to 24.75°
<b>Index ranges</b>	-18<=h<=14, -18<=k<=8, -12<=l<=17
<b>Reflections collected</b>	6429
<b>Independent reflections</b>	3175 [R(int) = 0.0601]
<b>Max. and min. transmission</b>	0.9380 and 0.7470
<b>Refinement method</b>	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
<b>Refinement program</b>	SHELXL-2019/1 (Sheldrick, 2019)
<b>Function minimized</b>	$\Sigma w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2$
<b>Data / restraints / parameters</b>	3175 / 9 / 238
<b>Goodness-of-fit on F<sup>2</sup></b>	1.001
<b>Final R indices</b>	1755 data; I>2σ(I)      R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0528, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1234 all data                    R <sub>1</sub> = 0.1290, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1527
<b>Weighting scheme</b>	w=1/[σ <sup>2</sup> (F <sub>o</sub> <sup>2</sup> )+(0.0640P) <sup>2</sup> ] where P=(F <sub>o</sub> <sup>2</sup> +2F <sub>c</sub> <sup>2</sup> )/3
<b>Largest diff. peak and hole</b>	0.575 and -0.561 eÅ <sup>-3</sup>
<b>R.M.S. deviation from mean</b>	0.119 eÅ <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S3. Si-O bond distances (Å).**

O1-Si2	1.640(3)
O1-Si2 <sup>i</sup>	1.640(3)
O2-Si1	1.617(4)
O2-Si2	1.644(4)
(i)-x+1/2, -y+1/2, z	

**Table S4. Selected bond angles (°).**

Si1-O2-Si2	132.7(3)
Si2-O1-Si2 <sup>i</sup>	132.0(4)
O2-Si1-O2 <sup>i</sup>	107.8(3)
O2-Si1-O2 <sup>ii</sup>	110.3(1)
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O1-Si2-C1	108.3(2)

O2-Si2-C1	108.7(3)
O1-Si2-C11	113.4(2)
O2-Si2-C11	107.9(3)
C1-Si2-C11	111.2(3)
<hr/> <p>(i) <math>-x+1/2, -y+1/2, z</math>; (ii) <math>y, -x+1/2, -z+3/2</math>; (iii) <math>-y+1/2, x, -z+3/2</math></p>	