

PROTONATION OF ALLENYLIDENE- AND VINYLIDENE-MANGANESE COMPLEXES. CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF $[\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}\equiv\text{C}-\text{CH}=\text{CPh}_2]^+ \text{BF}_4^-$

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Summary

The cyclopentadienylmanganese carbonyl complexes with terminal allenylidene ligands, $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CR}_2$ ($\text{R} = \text{Bu}^t, \text{Ph}$), are protonated by HX acids ($\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{BF}_4, \text{CF}_3\text{COO}$) yielding cationic vinylcarbyne complexes of the type $[\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}\equiv\text{C}-\text{CH}=\text{CR}_2]^+ \text{X}^-$. One of these, with $\text{R} = \text{Ph}$, $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$, was characterized by X-ray crystallography. The Mn–C bond of 1.665 Å in it is the shortest one known to date. The binuclear μ -vinylidene complexes, $[\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}]_2\text{C}=\text{CHR}'$ ($\text{R}' = \text{Ph}, \text{COOMe}$) are also protonated at the β -carbon atom of the vinylidene ligand.

Introduction

The reactivity of metal carbonyl complexes with terminal unsaturated carbene ligands, e.g. $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{CRR}'$ and $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CR}_2$, is insufficiently studied to date. These complexes are known to react with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$, giving binuclear complexes with metallated trimethylenemethane [1], μ -vinylidene and μ -allenylidene ligands [2].

The interaction of $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{CRR}'$ and $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CR}_2$ with $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{MQ}$ ($\text{M} = \text{Mn}, \text{Re}; \text{Q} = \text{Et}_2\text{O}, \text{THF}$) yields binuclear cumulidene complexes [3–6]:



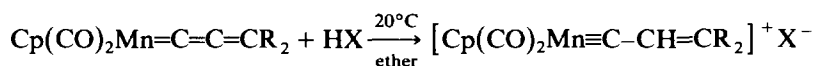
In the case $\text{M} = \text{Re}$ the η^1 -vinylidene ligand migrates from the manganese to the rhenium atom, through the intermediate formation of the unstable intermediate μ -vinylidene Mn–Re complex. Their reactions with nucleophiles, such as RLi [6–8],

LiOMe, NaNH₂, NaSBu^t, PR₃ [9–11], have also been studied.

On the other hand, the reactions with electrophilic reagents remain practically uninvestigated. The only example known is the interaction of the unsubstituted μ -vinylidenemanganese complex [Cp(CO)₂Mn]₂C=CH₂ with CF₃COOH, which yields a binuclear carbyne compound [12]. In the present paper we report protonation of manganese carbonyl complexes with terminal allenylidene and bridging vinylidene ligands by protic acids (HCl, HBF₄, CF₃COOH). The preliminary communication was published earlier [13].

Results and discussion

The molecules of allenylidene- and vinylidene-manganese complexes contain several reaction centers which can be attacked by a proton, i.e. the metal atom, a carbonyl oxygen and carbon atoms of the cumulidene chain. It was found that the allenylidene complexes I and II readily react with protic acids (HCl, HBF₄ and CF₃COOH). A proton is added to the β -carbon atom of the allenylidene ligand and thus cationic vinylcarbyne manganese complexes are formed:



(I: R = Bu^t;

II: R = Ph)

(III: R = Bu^t, X = CF₃COO;

IV: R = Ph, X = Cl;

V: R = Ph, X = CF₃COO;

VI: R = Ph, X = BF₄)

The complexes prepared are orange crystalline (IV, VI) or oily (III, V) substances. They are sensitive to oxygen and moisture, are poorly soluble in aliphatic hydrocarbons and ether but are readily soluble in CH₂Cl₂. In basic solvating solvents (THF, H₂O) they dissociate into the initial allenylidene complexes (I or II) and the corresponding acids.

The molecular structures of III and IV were studied by IR and ¹H NMR spectroscopy. The IR spectra of I–VI each contain two absorption bands $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{O})$ of equal intensity (see Table 1). The carbonyl group bands of the protonated compounds III–VI are shifted by 80–100 cm⁻¹ to shorter wavelengths with respect to the parent complexes I and II. The shift is due to a decrease in electron density on

TABLE 1
IR SPECTRA OF THE COMPLEXES I–VI (ν , cm⁻¹)

Compound	$\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{O})$	$\nu(\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{C})$	Solvent
I	1955, 1940	1925	Cyclohexane
II	2000, 1950	1915	Cyclohexane
III	2090, 2050	–	CH ₂ Cl ₂ + CF ₃ COOH
IV	2076, 2036	–	CH ₂ Cl ₂
V	2086, 2046	–	CH ₂ Cl ₂ + CF ₃ COOH
VI	2090, 2048	–	CH ₂ Cl ₂

TABLE 2

¹H NMR SPECTRA OF I AND III (δ , ppm, TMS)

Compound	Bu ^t	Cp	CH	Solvent
I	1.33	4.75	–	CD ₂ Cl ₂
III ^a	0.88 1.27	5.05	6.85	CF ₃ COOH

^a TMS as an external standard.

the metal atom on passing from the neutral allenylidene- to cationic vinylcarbyne-manganese complexes.

It is noteworthy that the $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$ values observed for III and IV are similar to those of the previously studied manganese and rhenium carbyne complexes, viz. 2088, 2047 cm^{-1} for $[\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}\equiv\text{CPh}]^+\text{BCl}_4^-$ [14] and 2089, 2038 cm^{-1} for $[\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}\equiv\text{CPh}]^+\text{BCl}_4^-$ [15]. The absence of the characteristic frequencies of the allenylidene moiety in spectra of III–VI is consistent with the proposed structures of the complexes.

Additional structural information about the protonated complexes was obtained from their ¹H NMR spectra, presented in Table 2. The spectrum of the parent allenylidene complex I contains only a singlet of protons of two equivalent Bu^t groups and a singlet of the Cp ring. In the spectrum of the protonated product III two signals of Bu^t group protons are present, the Cp signal is shifted to a low field, and a signal of a vinyl group proton appears. Such difference between the NMR spectra of I and III can be explained by protonation of the β -carbon atom of the allenylidene ligand and formation of the vinyl moiety: $-\text{CH}=\text{CBu}_2^+$. Thus the Bu^t groups become magnetically non-equivalent, while the manganese atom acquires positive charge.

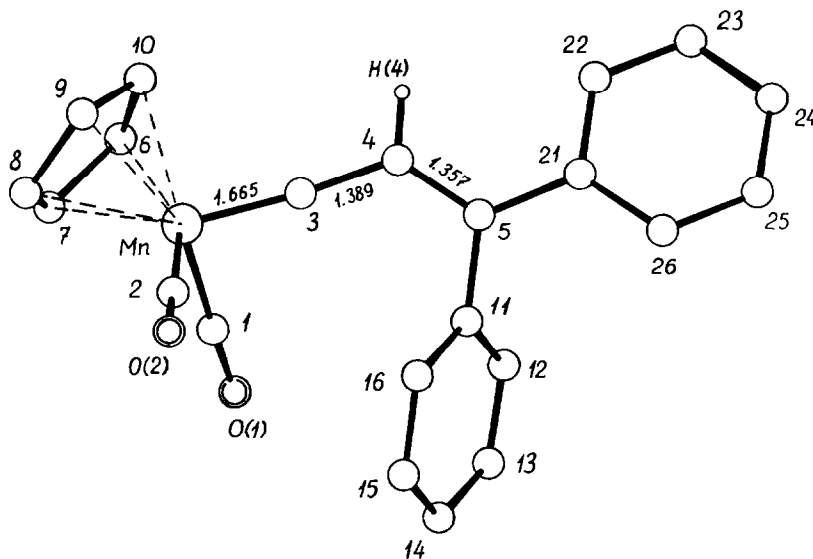


Fig. 1. The structure of the $[\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}-\text{CH}=\text{CPh}_2]^+$ cation in crystals of VI (phenyl and cyclopentadienyl hydrogen atoms are omitted).

TABLE 3
 BOND LENGTHS (Å)

Bond		Bond		Bond	
Mn–C(1)	1.838(6)	C(4)–H(4)	0.91	C(24)–C(25)	1.374(8)
Mn–C(2)	1.816(5)	C(5)–C(11)	1.480(7)	C(25)–C(26)	1.381(7)
Mn–C(3)	1.665(5)	C(5)–C(21)	1.463(7)	C(26)–C(21)	1.390(7)
Mn–C(6)	2.132(6)	C(11)–C(12)	1.394(7)	C(6)–C(7)	1.408(9)
Mn–C(7)	2.163(6)	C(12)–C(13)	1.378(7)	C(7)–C(8)	1.384(9)
Mn–C(8)	2.162(6)	C(13)–C(14)	1.379(8)	C(8)–C(9)	1.412(9)
Mn–C(9)	2.120(6)	C(14)–C(15)	1.382(7)	C(9)–C(10)	1.417(9)
Mn–C(10)	2.116(6)	C(15)–C(16)	1.387(7)	C(10)–C(6)	1.412(9)
C(1)–O(1)	1.134(7)	C(16)–C(11)	1.391(7)	B–F(1)	1.331(9)
C(2)–O(2)	1.132(6)	C(21)–C(22)	1.412(7)	B–F(2)	1.334(9)
C(3)–C(4)	1.389(7)	C(22)–C(23)	1.373(7)	B–F(3)	1.333(9)
C(4)–C(5)	1.357(7)	C(23)–C(24)	1.389(8)	B–F(4)	1.28(1)

A more detailed structural study of the vinylcarbyne complex VI was performed by X-ray crystallography. The crystal structure of VI consists of discrete $[\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}\equiv\text{C}-\text{CH}=\text{CPh}_2]^+$ cations (Fig. 1) and BF_4^- anions. Bond lengths and angles are listed in Tables 3 and 4.

The Mn atom is bonded to the planar η^5 -cyclopentadienyl ring (the Mn to Cp mean plane distance is 1.772 Å), two linear carbonyls and the C(3) atom of the carbyne ligand, and has a “piano stool” environment. C(3) eclipses C(10) of the Cp ring, thus the cation (except its C(5)Ph₂ moiety) has an approximate non-crystallographic mirror plane (through Mn, C(3), C(4), C(10) and the midpoint of the C(7)–C(8) bond). The C(4)–C(5) bond forms an angle of 24° with this plane.

The Mn–C(3) bond is the shortest one known till now. The Mn–C(sp) double bonds are of 1.806 Å in $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_{11}\text{-cyclo})_2$ [10] and of 1.79 Å in $(\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{Me})(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{CMe}_2$ [8], while the triple bonds (on which no information is available) must be slightly shorter than the Cr–C(carbyne) bonds of 1.68–1.76 Å [16], as the Pauling single-bond covalent radii of Cr and Mn are 1.26 and 1.25 Å, respectively [17]. Thus, the Mn–C(3) bond length of 1.665 Å reflects its strong

 TABLE 4
 BOND ANGLES (°)

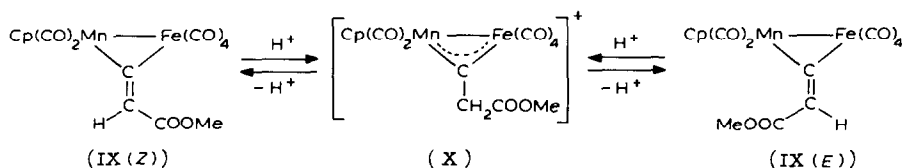
Angle		Angle		Angle	
C(1)MnC(2)	95.0(2)	C(5)C(11)C(16)	120.5(4)	C(24)C(25)C(26)	120.1(5)
C(1)MnC(3)	93.9(3)	C(12)C(11)C(16)	119.2(4)	C(21)C(26)C(25)	120.6(5)
C(2)MnC(3)	93.1(2)	C(11)C(12)C(13)	120.3(5)	C(7)C(6)C(10)	107.1(5)
MnC(1)O(1)	177.9(5)	C(12)C(13)C(14)	120.2(5)	C(6)C(7)C(8)	109.3(5)
MnC(2)O(2)	176.8(5)	C(13)C(14)C(15)	120.2(5)	C(7)C(8)C(9)	108.1(5)
MnC(3)C(4)	174.6(4)	C(14)C(15)C(16)	120.0(5)	C(8)C(9)C(10)	107.5(5)
C(3)C(4)C(5)	124.2(5)	C(11)C(16)C(15)	120.1(5)	C(6)C(10)C(9)	108.0(5)
C(3)C(4)H(4)	115.6	C(5)C(21)C(22)	120.6(4)	F(1)BF(2)	108.0(6)
C(5)C(4)H(4)	119.9	C(5)C(21)C(26)	120.4(4)	F(1)BF(3)	109.9(6)
C(4)C(5)C(11)	119.6(4)	C(22)C(21)C(26)	119.0(4)	F(1)BF(4)	108.0(7)
C(4)C(5)C(21)	122.4(5)	C(21)C(22)C(23)	119.6(5)	F(2)BF(3)	110.4(6)
C(11)C(5)C(21)	118.0(4)	C(22)C(23)C(24)	120.5(5)	F(2)BF(4)	109.9(7)
C(5)C(11)C(12)	120.3(4)	C(23)C(24)C(25)	120.2(5)	F(3)BF(4)	110.6(7)

TABLE 6. ATOMIC COORDINATES ($\times 10^4$, for $Mn \times 10^5$) AND ANISOTROPIC THERMAL FACTORS IN THE FORM $T = \exp[-0.25(B_{11}h^2 + B_{22}k^2 + B_{33}l^2 + 2B_{12}hk\alpha^* \beta^* + \dots)]$

Atom	x	y	z	B_{11}	B_{22}	B_{33}	B_{12}	B_{13}	B_{23}
Mn	1968(8)	2364(5)	4552(6)	1.57(3)	1.43(3)	2.11(3)	-0.13(3)	0.47(3)	0.00(3)
O(1)	3578(4)	853(3)	-3(4)	3.2(2)	2.0(2)	7.4(3)	0.2(2)	1.6(2)	-1.8(2)
O(2)	3325(4)	2530(3)	2720(3)	4.1(2)	3.3(2)	2.1(2)	-0.4(2)	-0.2(2)	0.7(2)
C(1)	2961(6)	1422(4)	189(5)	2.4(3)	1.8(3)	3.5(3)	-0.7(2)	0.6(3)	-0.7(2)
C(2)	2807(5)	2441(3)	1853(4)	2.2(3)	1.4(2)	3.1(3)	0.0(2)	1.0(2)	0.9(2)
C(3)	2991(5)	3097(3)	101(4)	1.1(2)	2.1(2)	1.4(2)	0.5(2)	0.1(2)	-0.2(2)
C(4)	3750(5)	3719(3)	-282(4)	1.8(2)	1.5(2)	1.9(3)	0.1(2)	0.5(2)	-0.2(2)
C(5)	5023(5)	3583(3)	-401(4)	1.9(2)	1.1(2)	1.3(2)	-0.3(2)	0.2(2)	-0.6(2)
C(6)	259(6)	2125(4)	-820(5)	2.1(3)	4.5(4)	2.4(3)	-0.4(2)	0.2(2)	0.0(3)
C(7)	183(6)	1553(4)	15(5)	1.8(3)	3.3(3)	3.4(3)	-1.0(2)	0.0(2)	0.0(3)
C(8)	111(6)	2036(4)	903(5)	2.0(3)	4.1(3)	2.8(3)	-0.8(2)	1.0(2)	0.1(2)
C(9)	137(6)	2932(4)	641(5)	1.4(3)	3.4(3)	4.4(4)	0.3(2)	0.9(3)	-1.1(3)
C(10)	208(6)	2986(4)	-436(6)	1.7(3)	2.8(3)	5.0(4)	0.5(2)	0.0(3)	1.5(3)
C(11)	5761(5)	2783(3)	44(4)	1.4(2)	1.3(2)	1.7(2)	0.0(2)	0.0(2)	0.2(2)
C(12)	6275(5)	2218(3)	-609(4)	1.6(2)	1.5(2)	1.7(2)	-0.2(2)	0.4(2)	0.0(2)
C(13)	6906(5)	1452(3)	-206(4)	1.7(2)	1.5(2)	2.5(3)	-0.2(2)	0.8(2)	-0.2(2)
C(14)	7056(5)	1247(3)	851(4)	1.5(2)	1.6(2)	2.8(3)	0.3(2)	0.3(2)	0.5(2)
C(15)	6581(5)	1810(3)	1514(4)	2.2(3)	2.3(3)	2.0(3)	0.3(2)	0.6(2)	0.8(2)
C(16)	5931(4)	2578(3)	1113(4)	1.9(2)	1.5(2)	2.1(2)	-0.1(2)	0.7(2)	0.0(2)
C(21)	5693(5)	4190(3)	-986(4)	1.8(2)	0.8(2)	1.7(2)	0.2(2)	0.7(2)	-0.2(2)
C(22)	4930(5)	4702(3)	-1821(4)	1.7(2)	1.5(2)	1.7(2)	0.2(2)	0.5(2)	0.1(2)
C(23)	5582(5)	5245(3)	-2382(4)	2.7(3)	1.7(2)	1.8(2)	0.7(2)	0.6(2)	0.5(2)
C(24)	6983(6)	5301(3)	-2126(4)	3.0(3)	1.3(2)	2.9(3)	-0.2(2)	1.6(2)	0.0(2)
C(25)	7732(5)	4812(3)	-1307(4)	2.2(3)	1.4(2)	2.9(3)	-0.3(2)	0.9(2)	-0.3(2)
C(26)	7094(5)	4260(3)	-736(4)	1.7(2)	1.0(2)	2.3(3)	0.0(2)	0.6(2)	-0.3(2)
B	931(7)	-101(5)	2431(6)	2.8(4)	3.5(4)	2.8(4)	-0.6(3)	0.7(3)	-0.8(3)
F(1)	1671(4)	-30(3)	1714(3)	6.0(2)	8.0(3)	6.3(3)	-1.7(2)	3.7(2)	-2.0(2)
F(2)	-339(4)	-274(4)	1919(4)	2.5(2)	14.0(4)	12.3(4)	-1.1(2)	1.6(2)	-10.3(3)
F(3)	986(5)	643(3)	2975(4)	8.3(3)	9.2(3)	8.8(3)	-1.6(2)	2.2(3)	-6.7(3)
F(4)	1405(8)	-737(4)	3052(5)	20.4(7)	12.0(5)	11.0(5)	-1.1(4)	-1.2(4)	8.9(4)

VIIIa exhibit no signal of a vinyl proton, but show a signal of CH₂ group protons. In the spectrum of VIIa the latter signal overlaps that of the Cp ligand. The ratio between the intensities of singlets at 4.8 ppm (2 Cp, 10 H + CH₂, 2 H) and 3.26 ppm (OCH₃, 3 H) is 4:1, i.e. it is consistent with such an overlap. The magnetic equivalence of both Cp ligands in VIIa can be explained by free rotation of the CH₂COOMe group. In VIIIa such rotation is probably hindered due to the presence of a more bulky Ph substituent and, as a result, the signals of Cp rings from both rotamers are present. Thus, the NMR data give evidence that in the case of complexes VII and VIII the proton is added to the β-carbon atom of the vinylidene ligand.

The protonation of both the *E* and *Z* isomers of the binuclear Fe–Mn complex IX (prepared earlier [2]) probably proceeds similarly, i.e. a reversible addition of a proton to the β-carbon of the vinylidene ligand takes place:



In the unstable intermediate complex X the rotation of the CH₂COOMe group is probably free, and so deprotonation of X gives a mixture of equal amounts of the *E* and *Z* isomers of IX.

Experimental

All operations were performed in a nitrogen atmosphere using absolute solvents. The original vinylidene and mononuclear allenylidene complexes were prepared according to reported procedures [3,7,22,23]. Photochemical reactions were run in a water-cooled quartz apparatus using a PRK-7 lamp (1000 W) for irradiation. Chromatography was performed on SiO₂ (100 × 160 μ, Chemapol, Czechoslovakia). IR spectra were recorded with an UR-20 Zeiss spectrometer, and NMR spectra with a R-20 Perkin Elmer spectrometer (60 MHz).

The X-ray study of VI was performed with a Syntex P2₁ autodiffractometer (graphite-monochromated Mo-K_α radiation) at -120°C. Crystal data of VI: C₂₂H₁₆BF₄MnO₂, monoclinic, *a* = 10.179(3); *b* = 15.286(4), *c* = 12.961(4) Å, β = 103.57(3)°, *V* = 1960.4(1.1) Å³, *Z* = 4, *D*_{calcd} = 1.54 g cm⁻³, space group P2₁/c. 2103 independent reflections with *I* ≥ 2σ and 2θ ≤ 49° were measured by θ/2θ scan technique. The structure was solved by Patterson and Fourier methods and refined by full matrix least squares, using the weighting scheme *W* = σ_F⁻² and an anomalous dispersion correction in the Mn scattering curve. The anisotropic refinement of all non-hydrogen atoms converged at *R* = 0.073. Then all hydrogen atoms were included as fixed contributions (H(4) located from the difference Fourier synthesis, others in calculated positions) with assumed *B*_{iso} 1 Å² larger than the *B*_{iso}^{eq} of the corresponding (linked) carbon atoms. The final refinement gave *R* = 0.054, *R*_w = 0.044. The corresponding atomic coordinates and thermal factors are listed in Tables 6 and 7.

Calculations were performed with an Eclipse S/200 computer using EXTL

programmes modified and expanded in our laboratory by A.I. Yanovskii and R.G. Gerr [24].

Preparation of III

0.1 g (0.31 mmol) of $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{C}(\text{Bu}^1)_2$ (I) was dissolved in 2 ml of CH_2Cl_2 . After addition of 1 ml CF_3COOH the solution changed colour from brown to orange. In the IR spectrum two $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$ bands at 2090 and 1950 cm^{-1} were found. The solvent was removed in vacuo, the remaining orange oil was washed with pentane (3×3 ml) and dried in vacuo, yielding 0.14 g (93%) of III.

Preparation of V

0.15 g (0.41 mmol) of II was treated by the same procedure as I, yielding 0.11 g (55%) of V. IR: $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$ 2086, 2046 cm^{-1} (in $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$, 2:1).

Preparation of IV

0.33 g (0.81 mmol) of II was dissolved in 20 ml of ether. Then 4.0 ml of a 3.56 *N* solution of HCl in Et_2O was added. The solution changed colour from dark red to dark brown and an orange crystalline precipitate was formed. The solution was decanted off, and the precipitate was washed with ether (3×3 ml) and dried in vacuo, yielding 0.11 g (33%) of IV (orange crystals, decomposing without melting at 150°C).

Preparation of VI

After addition of 15 ml of a 0.31 *N* ether solution of HBF_4 to a solution of 0.26 g (0.71 mmol) of II in 20 ml of ether, an orange oil was formed. The solution was decanted off, and the oil was washed with ether (3×3 ml) and crystallized on drying in vacuo. Recrystallization from CH_2Cl_2 gave 0.25 g (78.1%) of orange crystalline VI, m.p. 109–110°C (dec.). The quality of crystals was sufficiently good for a single crystal X-ray study. Found: C, 55.75; H, 3.52; F, 16.60. $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{16}\text{BF}_4\text{MnO}_2$, calcd.: C, 58.19; H, 3.55; F, 16.74%.

Preparation of VIIa

0.1 g (0.23 mmol) of VII was dissolved in 3 ml of CF_3COOH . NMR ^1H (δ , ppm, TMS): 3.26 s (OCH_3 , 3 H); 4.8 s (2 Cp, 10 H + CH_2 , 2 H).

TABLE 7
COORDINATES ($\times 10^3$) OF HYDROGEN ATOMS

Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>
H(4)	331	422	-52	H(14)	751	69	114
H(6)	34	194	-155	H(15)	670	167	228
H(7)	17	90	-2	H(16)	558	298	159
H(8)	5	179	161	H(22)	392	467	-201
H(9)	12	344	113	H(23)	505	561	-297
H(10)	22	354	-84	H(24)	745	569	-255
H(12)	619	237	-138	H(25)	874	486	-112
H(13)	726	104	-68	H(26)	765	391	-13

Preparation of VIIIa

0.1 g (0.22 mmol) of VIII was dissolved in 3 ml of CF_3COOH . NMR ^1H (δ , ppm, TMS): 4.62 s (Cp, 5 H); 4.56 s (CH_2 , 2 H); 7.00–7.60 (Ph, 5 H).

Interaction of Z-IX with HCl/Et₂O

0.43 g (1.00 mmol) of Z-IX was dissolved in 30 ml of ether. 5 ml of 3.56 N HCl/Et₂O solution was added and the mixture stirred for 30 min at 20°C. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed. A bright red zone eluted by petroleum ether/ether (9/1) yielded 0.16 g (37%) of E-IX, and a dark-red zone eluted by petroleum ether/ether (4/1) yielded 0.20 g (46%) of Z-IX, identified by IR spectra [2].

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