# Novel concepts in directed biaryl synthesis 

# XV *. Chiral rhenium complexes <br> $\left[\left(\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)\left(R, R \text {-lactone }{ }^{* *}\right)\right]^{+} \mathrm{BF}_{4}^{-}$ of lactone-bridged biaryls as ligands: synthesis, structure, and stereochemical properties *** 

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#### Abstract

The preparation is reported of the first series of (racemic) chiral rhenium complexes with "axially prostereogenic" biaryl lactone ligands, which are potential substrates for atropisomer-selective biaryl syntheses. NMR spectroscopy reveals the presence of both helimeric forms of the twisted biaryllactone ligand for the more hindered representatives ( $R=M e, E t$ ), whereas the less hindered compounds ( $\mathrm{R}=\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OMe}$ ) show rapid interconversion of the two helimeric diastereomers. In the crystal, by contrast, one of the complexes ( $\mathrm{R}=\mathrm{OMe}$ ) occurs as only one of the two possible diastereomers, as shown by an X-ray diffraction study.


## Introduction

Lactone-type bridged biaryls like 1 [2] have proved to be most useful intermediates in the regio- and stereoselective synthesis of stereochemically homogeneous biaryls [3-5]: although already containing a biaryl axis, they have drastically lowered atropisomerization barriers, compared with the final target molecules (e.g. 2). In consequence, they are not separable into stable atropisomers (e.g. for $\mathrm{R}=\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OCH}_{3}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}$, etc.) but "axially prostereogenic" [6]. We have found that,

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- = chiral unit

Scheme 1. The directed ring opening of "axially prostereogenic" [5] biaryl lactones, with simultaneous asymmetric induction at the axis.
using metalated $O-, N$ - and $H$-nucleophiles [6-10], they can very efficiently be atropisomer-selectively ring-opened (e.g. to give 2). This stereoselective "twisting process" of biaryl axes may be performed by internal or external asymmetric induction, and has already been applied to several natural product syntheses [5-7].

Besides ring opening reactions of achiral lactones with chiral metaiated (i.e. formally anionic) nucleophiles, Lewis acid catalysed reactions with non-charged chiral nucleophiles, or, better still, with cheap achiral nucleophiles after coordination of the lactones to a chiral Lewis acid, would also be highly attractive. In this paper, we report on the preparation of (still racemic) chiral biaryl lactone rhenium complexes 5a-d, using the well known [11-13] complex fragment [( $\eta^{5}$ $\left.\left.\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)\right]^{+}$, which has been shown by the elegant work of Gladysz et al. to coordinate to a broad variety of organic Lewis bases [14-18] and to control the reduction of ketone and aldehyde complexes in a very stereoselective manner [ $15,16,19$ ]. Furthermore, structural features of these lactone complexes, as evident from spectroscopic properties and from an X-ray structure analysis of one of the compounds, are described.

## Preparation of the lactone complexes

The synthesis of the required rhenium-reagent, the (still racemic) labile dichloromethane complex $\left[\left(\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}\left(\mathrm{NO}^{2}\right)\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)\left(\mathrm{ClCH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}\right)\right]^{+} \mathrm{BF}_{4}^{-}$(4), was performed, as previously described [13], by reaction of $\left(\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)$ $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$ (3) with $\mathrm{HBF}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}$ in dichloromethane at $-80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After immediate addition of 1.0-1.6 cquiv. of the corresponding biaryl lactone 1 and warming to room temperature within 5 h , the rhenium complexes 5 were isolated in 81-92\% yield as bright red powders by precipitation with ether and subsequent washing with ether and pentane. The use of higher quantities of the crystalline lactones 1 requires more extensive washing and can lead to reduced yields. The complexes 5 are generally well soluble in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ and practically insoluble in ether, toluene and pentane.

## Spectroscopic properties

The complexes 5a-d were characterized unambiguously by IR and NMR spectroscopy ( ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H},{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$-COSY, ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C},{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}-{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{COSY},{ }^{31} \mathrm{P}\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\}$ ) (see Table 1), as well as by elemental analysis.


Scheme 2. Generation of the racemic complexes $\left[\left(\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)(R, R \text {-lactone })\right]^{+} \mathrm{BF}_{4}^{-}$(5) with a helicene-like biaryl lactone ligand. *

The IR data ( $\nu(\mathrm{NO}) 1685-1700 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ ) hint at $\sigma$-coordination, as expected [14,17,20] from the electronic properties of the lactone ligand. Furthermore, the absorption wavenumber of the complexes ( $\nu(\mathrm{CO}) 1560-1570 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ ) is distinctly lower than that for the free lactone $1\left(\nu(\mathrm{CO}) 1700-1710 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}\right)$. This may be attributed to the interaction of the HOMO $d$ orbital of the rhenium with the $\pi^{*}$ orbital of the $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ group [17] and the resulting enhancement of the electron density in the $\pi^{*}$ orbital, which leads to a lower strength of the $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ double bond in II, compared with that in the free ligand I ( $c f$. Scheme 3 ).

It is noteworthy that this shift of $c a .140 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ is clearly higher than for the comparable $2 H$-pyran- 2 -one- and $4 H$-pyran-4-one-complexes ( $\Delta \nu(\mathrm{CO})=31-48$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ) [14], and this may be due to the aromatic system of the biaryl lactone. A similar effect is also observed for the ketone complexes of acetone $(\nu(\mathrm{CO})=1622$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ) and acetophenone ( $\nu(\mathrm{CO})=1554 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ ) [17].

A further characteristic feature of the complexes 5 is the distinct lowfield shift of the signal of the $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ carbon atom in the ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ spectrum ( $170-172 \mathrm{ppm}$ ) compared with that from the free lactone 1 ( $160-162 \mathrm{ppm}$ ), a first indication of the desired enhanced reactivity of the carbonyl group towards nucleophiles.

Interestingly, a peak doubling for the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ resonance signals of the cyclopentadienyl ligand and the alkyl group at C-1 is observed for 5c and 5d, the complexes with the sterically more hindered, alkyl substituted lactone ligands 1c and 1d. The same phenomenon is observed for the corresponding ${ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ resonance signal for the



Scheme 3. Electronic structures of the free lactones I and the corresponding metal complexes II.

[^1]Table 1
Spectroscopic data of the complexes 5a-d (for numbering of the atoms, see Fig. 1)

|  | $\mathrm{IR}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right)$ | ${ }^{31}$ P NMR, $\delta$ | ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR, $\delta$ | ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, $\delta$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5a | $\begin{aligned} & 1685 \mathrm{vs} \nu(\mathrm{NO}) \\ & 1605 \mathrm{~m} \nu(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}) \\ & 1560 \mathrm{~s} \nu(\mathrm{C}=0) \end{aligned}$ | 19.04 | $\begin{aligned} & 5.71\left(\mathrm{~s}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}_{5} H_{5}\right) \\ & 7.22-7.45\left(\mathrm{~m}, 15 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{P}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} H_{5}\right)_{3}\right), \\ & 7.88\left(\mathrm{~m}_{\mathrm{c}}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 2-\mathrm{H}\right), \\ & 7.55-7.85(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, 3-H, 4-H, 10-H, 11-H), \\ & 7.89\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{3} J_{7-8}=8.67 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 7-H\right), \\ & 8.06-8.10(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, 8-\mathrm{H}, 9-\mathrm{H}), \\ & 8.65\left(\mathrm{~m}_{\mathrm{c}}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{1}-\mathrm{H}\right), \\ & 8.90\left(\mathrm{~m}_{\mathrm{c}}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 12-H\right) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 92.38\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right), 117.42(12 \mathrm{c}-\mathrm{C}), 118.99(6 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{C}), \\ & 127.59(12 \mathrm{~b}-\mathrm{C}), 118.55,123.21, \\ & 127.08,128.03,128.70 \text { and } 128.93 \\ & (2 . \mathrm{C}, 3-\mathrm{C}, 4-\mathrm{C}, 7-\mathrm{C}, 9-\mathrm{C} \text { and } 11-\mathrm{C}), \\ & 129.30\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}(\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C})=10.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, m-\mathrm{C}\right), \\ & 129.79,131.12,131.34,131.72,(1-\mathrm{C}, 8-\mathrm{C}, 10-\mathrm{C}, 12-\mathrm{C}) ; \\ & 131.64(p-\mathrm{C}), 131.78\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{J} \mathrm{~J}(\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C})=54.93 \mathrm{~Hz}, i-\mathrm{C}\right), \\ & 133.90(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{~J}(\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C}=10.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, o-\mathrm{C}), \\ & 135.04,138.08(8 \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C}, 12 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{C}), 150.31(4 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{C}), 171.89(6-\mathrm{C}) \end{aligned}$ |
| 5b | $\begin{aligned} & 1690 \mathrm{vs} \nu(\mathrm{NO}) \\ & 1610 \mathrm{~m} \nu(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}) \\ & 1560 \mathrm{~s} \nu(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}) \end{aligned}$ | 19.03 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.90\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OC} H_{3}\right), 3.99\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OC} H_{3}\right), \\ & 5.67\left(\mathrm{~s}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C} 5 H_{5}\right), \\ & 6.73\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{4} J_{4-2}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 4-H\right), \\ & 6.94\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{4} J_{2-4}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 2-H\right), \\ & 7.23-7.35\left(\mathrm{~m}, 15 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{P}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} H_{5}\right)_{3}\right), \\ & 7.62\left(\mathrm{ddd},{ }^{3} J_{11-12}=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz},{ }^{3} J_{11-10}=7.0 \mathrm{~Hz},\right. \\ & \left.{ }^{4} J_{11-9}=1.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 11-\mathrm{H}\right), \\ & 7.69\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{3} J_{7-8}=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 7-\mathrm{H}\right), \\ & 7.75\left(\mathrm{ddd},{ }^{3} J_{10-9}=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz},{ }^{3} J_{10-11}=7.0 \mathrm{~Hz},\right. \\ & \left.{ }^{3} J_{10-12}=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 10-H\right), \\ & 7.91\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{3} J_{8-7}=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 8-H\right), \\ & 7.96\left(\mathrm{dd},{ }^{3} J_{9-10}=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz},{ }^{4} J_{9-11}=1.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9-H\right), \\ & 8.04\left(\mathrm{dd},{ }^{3} J_{12-11}=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz},{ }^{4} J_{12-10}=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz},\right. \\ & 12-H) \end{aligned}$ | ```\(55.86\left(\mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 56.58\left(\mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 92.29\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)\), \(94.24,98.03\) ( \(2-\mathrm{C}, 4-\mathrm{C}\) ), 102.95 ( \(12 \mathrm{c}-\mathrm{C}\) ), 116.51 (6a-C), 122.38 (7-C), 125.65 (11-C) 127.32 (12b-C), 127.99 ( \(9-\mathrm{C}\) ) \(129.25\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}(\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C})=10.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, m-\mathrm{C}\right)\), 129.70 (8-C), 130.89 ( \(10-\mathrm{C}\) ), 131.20 ( \(12-\mathrm{C}\) ), 131.61 ( \(p-\mathrm{C}\) ) \(131.85\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{1} \mathrm{~J}(\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C})=56.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, i-\mathrm{C}\right)\), \(133.90\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{2} \mathrm{~J}(\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C})=10.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, o-\mathrm{C}\right)\), 136.07, 137.61 (8a-C, 12a-C), 152.71, 158.20, 163.57 (1-C, 3-C, 4a-C), 171.85 (6-C)``` |

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$21.54\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 23.87\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 92.35\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)$,
114.78-142.46, 29 signals found instead of 23 expected, of those the following could assigned: $129.27(\mathrm{~m}, m-\mathrm{C}), 131.61$ ( $p$-C), $133.90\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{2} J(\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C})=10.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, o-\mathrm{C}\right)$ ],
$151.01(4 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{C}), 171.72(6-\mathrm{C})$
13.39/13.48 (1- $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 14.39\left(3-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$,
27.22, $27.46\left(1-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}, 3-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 90.10\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)$,
$13.60-14.27,29$ signals found instead of 23 expected, of those the following could assigned: $127.43(\mathrm{~m}, m-\mathrm{C}), 129.77(\rho-\mathrm{C})$
$\left.132.07\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{2} J(\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C})=10.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, o-\mathrm{C}\right)\right]$,
148.82 ( $4 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{C}$ ), 170.01 ( $6-\mathrm{C}$ )
$2.27 / 2.31\left(\mathrm{~s} / \mathrm{s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 3-\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$,
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23 expected, of those the following could be unambiguously assigned: 129.27 (m, $m$-C), $131.61(p-\mathrm{C})$,

7.64-7.81 (m, 2H, 10-H, 11-H) $7.64-7.81(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, 10-\mathrm{H}, 11-\mathrm{H})$,
$7.84\left(\mathrm{~d},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}_{7-8}=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 7-\mathrm{H} 9\right.$,
7.91-8.09 (m, 3H, 8-H, 9-H, 12-H)
$0.89 / 1.01\left(\mathrm{t} / \mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}, 1-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right.$
[44/56]),
$1.38 / 1.39\left(\mathrm{t} / \mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}, 3-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right.$
[44/56]),
$2.57\left(\mathrm{~m}_{\mathrm{c}}, 1 \mathrm{H}, 1-\mathrm{CH} \mathrm{HCH}_{3}\right), 2.92(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}$,

5.66/5.69 ( $\mathrm{s}, \mathrm{s}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}[56 / 44]$ ),
$7.10-7.59\left(\mathrm{~m}, 17 \mathrm{H}, 2-\mathrm{H}, 4-\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{P}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)_{3}\right)$,
$7.64-7.82(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, 10-\mathrm{H}, 11-H), 1 \mathrm{H}$,
$7.79 / 7.85\left(\mathrm{~d} / \mathrm{d},{ }^{3} J_{7-8}=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$,
$7-\mathrm{H}[56 / 44 \mathrm{l})$

### 2.27/2.31 (s/s, 3H, 1-CH3 [37/63]),

 7.05-7.62 (m, 17H, 2-H, 4-H, P(C $\left.\left.\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)_{3}\right)$,$7.64-7.82(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, 10-H, 11-H)$,



Fig. 1. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR signals of the cyclopentadienyl ligand of the lactone complexes $\mathbf{5 a - d}$.
$\mathrm{PPh}_{3}$ ligand and for several ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR signals (e.g. 1-alkyl or o-C, $m-\mathrm{C}$ of the triphenylphosphine group).

This spectroscopic behavior does not arise from a ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-{ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ coupling ( $\left.{ }^{31} \mathrm{P}\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\}\right)$ or from the eventual occurrence of $E / Z$ coordination isomers [18], since these should be observed for all four complexes prepared. Also an equilibrium of $\pi / \sigma$-coordination of the ligand can be excluded from the IR spectrum (no $\nu(\mathrm{NO})$ above $1700 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ [20]). The peak doubling is rather due to the presence of two diastereomeric species, arising from a hindered rotation about the biaryl linkage, leading to conformationally more or less stable atropisomers or helimers 5 and $5^{\prime}$, the interconversion rate for which is slow for the complexes 5 c and d , compared with that for 5a and $\mathbf{b}$, on the NMR time scale. This is in agreement with the fact that the peak splitting, e.g. in proton NMR, is strongest for $\mathbf{5 d}$, the most hindered example, and is most distinct near the stereogenic elements, the stereocentre (e.g. for the cyclopentadienyl ligand) and especially the axis (e.g. for 1 -alkyl), whereas it is no longer observed for the remote para substituents at C-3. Furthermore, the peak ratio (where determinable) is constant ( $63: 37$ for 5 c and $56: 44$ for 5 d ).

## Structure in the crystal

For a further structural confirmation, we carried out an X-ray diffraction study with a monoclinic crystal of $\mathbf{5 b}$, obtained by diffusion of ether into a solution of the complex in dichloromethane, and the structure determined is shown in Fig. 2.


Scheme 4. Interconversion of the helimeric structure of the lactone ligand.


Fig. 2. Structure of $\mathbf{5 b}$ in the crystal.

Crystallographic data, atomic parameters, bond lengths, and bond angles are summarized in Tables 2-5 (see Experimental section).

In the crystal, $\mathbf{5 b}$ occurs as a racemate, but as only one of the two possible helimeric diastereomers (and its enantiomer) (i.e. of the two racemic diastereomers, $R P / S M$ and $R M / S P$, only the latter is found). The conformation at the $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ double bond is unambiguously established as $Z$ and the $\sigma$-coordination deduced above is confirmed. The $\mathrm{N} 6-\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{O} 7-\mathrm{C} 8$ array is nearly planar, as shown by the dihedral angle of only $6^{\circ}$, an even smaller torsion angle than that for the corresponding rhenium complex with acetophenone ( $9^{\circ}$ ) or $\gamma$-butyrolactone ( $12^{\circ}$ ) as ligands [14,17]. The $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{O} 7$ bond length ( 211.2 pm ) is slightly longer than in the mentioned acetophenone complex ( 208.0 pm ) [17], but shorter than that in the comparable $\gamma$-butyrolactone complex ( 213.7 pm ) [14]. These structural properties of the complex had been expected from consideration of the position of the HOMO $d$ orbital of the rhenium atom [14,17].

A comparison of the exocyclic $\mathbf{C 8}-\mathrm{O} 7$ bond length of $\mathbf{5 b}$ ( 125.4 pm ) with that of the free lactone $1 \mathrm{~b}(120.5 \mathrm{pm})$ [2] shows that the carbonyl bond is lengthened, and thus weakened, by the coordination to the rhenium. At the same time, the endocyclic $\mathrm{O} 9-\mathrm{C} 8$ bond is significantly shorter in the complex ( 131.6 pm ) than in the free lactone ( 137.1 pm ), demonstrating its greater $\pi$-character arising from the electron donating ability of the endocyclic oxygen. As expected (cf. Scheme 3), this leads to a slight planarization of the heterocyclic pyranone ring, as recognized by the dihedral angle C14-C15-C16-C17 of the "inner spiral loop", which is smaller for the rhenium complexed lactone $\mathbf{5 b}$ ( $27.94^{\circ}$ ) compared with the corresponding torsion angle in the free ligand (32.22 ${ }^{\circ}$ [2]. This also becomes apparent upon


Fig. 3. Superimposed view of the structures of the rhenium complex 5 b (-_) and the free lactone ligand $\mathbf{1 b}(\cdots \cdots)$ matched in respect of the six pyranone ring atoms.
superposition of the structures of the free and the coordinated lactones, which shows 1b to be more twisted than 5b (see Fig. 3).

Studies of these compounds in solution by DNMR and EXAFS [21,22] spectroscopy, the preparation of the correspondingly enantiomerically pure complexes and investigation of the stereoselectivity of their reactivity towards nucleophiles, is in progress. As Fig. 2 shows, a nucleophilic attack on the coordinated carbonyl function should occur from only one side (the si-face for the enantiomer drawn in Fig. 2), since the other side (here the re-face) is markedly shielded by the bulky triphenylphosphine ligand.

## Experimental section

## General

All reactions were performed under dry argon by Schlenk tube techniques with dry glassware.

## Spectroscopic data (see Table 1)

IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1420 spectrophotometer. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ spectra were recorded on a Bruker WM 400 spectrometer and are referenced to internal $\mathrm{CHDCl}\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{H}, \delta 5.32 \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}, \delta 53.80 \mathrm{ppm}\right)$. ${ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ NMR data were recorded on an AMX 400 Bruker spectrometer and are referenced to external $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$. Melting points were determined by DTA and are corrected. Elemental analyses were performed by the microanalytical laboratory of the Inorganic Institute of the University of Würzburg.

Solvents and reagents were purified as follows: $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CD}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ were distilled from $\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$, ether and pentane were distilled from sodium, and $\mathrm{HBF}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}$ was used as purchased from Aldrich.

Preparation of $(\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{S})-\left[\left(\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)(\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{H} \text {-lactone })\right]^{+} \mathrm{BF}_{4}^{-} \quad$ (5a)
A solution of $(R, S)-\left(\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)(3 ; 180 \mathrm{mg}, 0.32 \mathrm{mmol})$ [11] in $15 \mathrm{ml} \mathrm{CH} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ in a Schlenk flask containing a stirring bar was cooled to $-80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and $56 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of $\mathrm{HBF}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}$ ( $34 \mathrm{mg}, 0.39 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) were added, followed immediately by 87 mg ( 0.36 mmol ) of a solution of 1 a in 15 ml of $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$. The dark red solution was allowed to warm up to room temperature during 5 h , the solvent removed under oil pump vacuum at room temperature and the crude solid residue dissolved in a minimum of $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$. The product was precipitated by slow addition of ether with rapid stirring. The red solid was filtered off and washed with ether until no 1a was detectable in the filtrate. The solid was subsequently washed once with pentane ( 10 ml ) and then dried under vacuum at room temperature to give 230 mg ( $0.26 \mathrm{mmol}, 81 \%$ ) of 5 a as an orange-red powder; m.p. (dec) $148^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Anal. Found: C, 54.26; H, 3.20; N, 1.74. $\mathrm{C}_{40} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{BF}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ PRe calc.: $\mathrm{C}, 54.80 ; \mathrm{H}, 3.45 ; \mathrm{N}, 1.60 \%$.

Preparation of (R,S)- $\left[\left(\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)\left(\mathrm{OCH}_{3}, \mathrm{OCH}_{3} \text {-lactone }\right)\right]^{+} \mathrm{BF}_{4}^{-}$(5b)
Use of $210 \mathrm{mg}(0.38 \mathrm{mmol})$ of complex $(R, S)-3,138 \mathrm{mg}(0.45 \mathrm{mmol})$ of lactone 1b and $64 \mu \mathrm{l}(40 \mathrm{mg}, 0.45 \mathrm{mmol})$ of $\mathrm{HBF}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}$ in a procedure similar to that described for 1 a , gave $290 \mathrm{mg}(0.31 \mathrm{mmol}, 82 \%)$ of 5 b as a bright red powder; m.p. (dec) $162^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Anal. Found: C, $53.61 ; \mathrm{H}, 3.66$; N, 1.54. $\mathrm{C}_{42} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{BF}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{5} \mathrm{PRe}$ calc.: C, 53.85 ; H, 3.66; N, 1.49\%.

Preparation of (R,S) $-\left[\left(\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{CH}_{3} \text {-lactone }\right)\right]^{+} \mathrm{BF}_{4}^{-}$(5c)
The rhenium lactone complex 5 c was obtained from $270 \mathrm{mg}(0.48 \mathrm{mmol})$ of $(R, S)-3,217 \mathrm{mg}(0.79 \mathrm{mmol})$ lactone 1 c and $84 \mu 1(51 \mathrm{mg}, 0.58 \mathrm{mmol})$ of $\mathrm{HBF}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}$ by a procedure similar to that used for 5 a . Work up gave 380 mg ( 0.42 $\mathrm{mmol}, 87 \%$ ) of 5 c as a dark red powder; m.p. (dec) $170^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Anal. Found: C, 55.53; $\mathrm{H}, 4.07$; $\mathrm{N}, 1.54 . \mathrm{C}_{42} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{BF}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ PRe calc.: C, 55.76 ; H, 3.79; N, $1.55 \%$.

Preparation of (R,S)-[( $\left.\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \operatorname{Re}(\mathrm{NO})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}, \mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right.$-lactone $\left.)\right]^{+} \mathrm{BF}_{4}^{-}$(5d)
Use of $130 \mathrm{mg}(0.23 \mathrm{mmol})$ of complex $(R, S)-3,70 \mathrm{mg}(0.23 \mathrm{mmol})$ of diethyllactone 1d and $37 \mu \mathrm{l}(22 \mathrm{mg}, 0.26 \mathrm{mmol})$ of $\mathrm{HBF}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}$ in the procedure described for 5 a , gave $200 \mathrm{mg}(0.22 \mathrm{mmol}, 92 \%)$ of 5 d as a red powder; m.p. (dec) $170^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Anal. Found: C, 56.39; H, 4.11; N, 1.53. $\mathrm{C}_{44} \mathrm{H}_{38} \mathrm{BF}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ PRe calc.: $\mathrm{C}, 56.66$; H , 4.11; N, $1.50 \%$.

## X-Ray crystallographic study of 5b

Suitable crystals were grown by diffusion of ether into a solution of $\mathbf{5 b}$ in dichloromethane. Measurement of diffraction intensities was performed on a Stoe Stadi 4 diffractometer by using Mo- $K_{\alpha}$ radiation ( $0.7107 \AA$ Å). Cell parameters were determined by least-squares refinement of 25 reflections. The structure was solved with Siemens shelxtl plus package using direct methods. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. The hydrogen positions were calculated using a riding model and were considered fixed with isotropic $U_{\text {eq }}$ in all refinements. The final residual values $R$ and $R_{w}$ and other crystal data are given in Table 2. Further details of the structure investigation are available on request from the Fachinformationszentrum Karlsruhe, Gesellschaft für wissenschaftlich-technische Information mbH, W-7514 Eggenstein-Leopoldshafen 2, Germany, on quoting the depository number CSD-56042, the names of the authors, and the journal citation.

Table 2
Summary of crystallographic data for the complex 5b

| Empirical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{42} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{BF}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{5} \mathrm{PRe}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Molecular mass | 936.72 |
| $a$ (pm) | 2219.2(3) |
| $b$ (pm) | 1435.5(3) |
| $c$ (pm) | 2568.4(5) |
| $\beta$ (deg) | 113.02(1) |
| $V\left(\mathrm{pm}^{3}\right)$ | $7583.0(8) \times 10^{6}$ |
| $Z$ | 8 |
| $d$ (calc.) $\left(\mathrm{g} \mathrm{cm}^{-3}\right)$ | 1.641 |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic |
| Space group | C2/c |
| Crystal size (mm) | $0.25 \times 0.45 \times 0.15$ |
| $\theta$ range (deg) | 1.75-25.0 |
| Recip. latt. segment | $h=-26-19$ |
|  | $k=0-17$ |
|  | $l=0-30$ |
| No. reflections measd. | 7059 |
| No. unique reflections | 6604 |
| No. reflections $F>3 \sigma(F)$ | 4745 |
| Linear abs. coeff. ( $\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$ ) | 3.35 |
| Abs. correction | Geometrical |
| $F_{\mathrm{o}}$ /parameter ratio | 9.57 |
| $R, R_{\text {w }}$ | 0.048, 0.035 |
| Largest positive difference peak (e $\AA^{-3}$ ) | 1.26 |
| Largest negative difference peak (e $\AA^{-3}$ ) | 0.98 |

Table 3
Atomic parameters ( $\times 10^{4}$ ) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\mathrm{pm}^{2} \times 10^{-1}$ )

| Atom | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {eq }}{ }^{a}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Re | $1543(1)$ | $7973(1)$ | $1219(1)$ | $42(1)$ |
| C1 | $1957(13)$ | $9378(15)$ | $1424(7)$ | $147(11)$ |
| C2 | $1361(16)$ | $9497(10)$ | $1266(13)$ | $148(17)$ |
| C3 | $1066(7)$ | $9249(13)$ | $734(12)$ | $138(11)$ |
| C4 | $1581(17)$ | $8982(11)$ | $576(7)$ | $141(13)$ |
| C5 | $2110(11)$ | $9095(14)$ | $1023(16)$ | $165(17)$ |
| P1 | $1998(1)$ | $7480(2)$ | $2178(1)$ | $43(1)$ |
| N6 | $1814(3)$ | $6992(6)$ | $973(3)$ | $55(3)$ |
| O6 | $2051(3)$ | $6391(5)$ | $782(3)$ | $86(4)$ |
| O7 | $642(3)$ | $7524(4)$ | $1231(2)$ | $48(3)$ |
| C8 | $324(5)$ | $6785(6)$ | $1063(3)$ | $48(4)$ |
| O9 | $597(3)$ | $6135(4)$ | $869(2)$ | $46(3)$ |
| C10 | $342(4)$ | $5229(6)$ | $764(3)$ | $45(4)$ |
| C11 | $743(4)$ | $4587(6)$ | $660(3)$ | $50(4)$ |
| C12 | $533(5)$ | $3674(7)$ | $583(4)$ | $55(5)$ |
| C13 | $-44(4)$ | $3422(6)$ | $656(3)$ | $52(4)$ |
| C14 | $-423(4)$ | $4083(6)$ | $763(4)$ | $50(4)$ |
| C15 | $-271(4)$ | $5045(6)$ | $774(3)$ | $42(4)$ |
| C16 | $-674(4)$ | $5831(5)$ | $811(3)$ | $40(4)$ |
| C17 | $-1363(4)$ | $5861(5)$ | $615(3)$ | $41(4)$ |
| C18 | $-1772(4)$ | $5194(6)$ | $228(3)$ | $43(4)$ |

Table 3 (continued)

| Atom | $\boldsymbol{x}$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {eq }}{ }^{a}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C19 | -2427(4) | 5253(7) | 27(4) | 51(4) |
| C20 | -2734(4) | 5979(7) | 186(4) | 63(5) |
| C21 | - 2371(4) | 6650(7) | 534(4) | 61(5) |
| C22 | -1676(4) | 6627(6) | 738(3) | 49(4) |
| C23 | -1299(4) | 7405(6) | 1039(4) | 57(4) |
| C24 | -645(4) | 7443(6) | 1170(3) | 52(4) |
| C25 | -337(4) | 6656(6) | 1040(3) | 42(4) |
| O26 | 930(3) | 3077(5) | 457(3) | 75(3) |
| C 27 | 705(5) | 2169(7) | 275(4) | 78(5) |
| 028 | -932(3) | 3879(4) | 907(3) | 61(3) |
| C29 | -1186(5) | 2974(7) | 807(4) | $9016)$ |
| C30 | 1618(4) | 6445(6) | 2337(3) | 46(4) |
| C31 | 1259(6) | 6477(7) | 2661(5) | 91(7) |
| C32 | 972(6) | 5694(8) | 2763(5) | 116(9) |
| C33 | 1010(5) | 4880(8) | 2524(5) | 81(6) |
| C34 | 1349(5) | 4826(7) | 2185(4) | 70(5) |
| C35 | 1657(5) | 5604(6) | 2087(4) | 60(5) |
| C36 | 2882(4) | 7193(6) | 2435(3) | 49(4) |
| C37 | 3223(4) | 7389(6) | 2110(4) | 62(5) |
| C38 | 3887(5) | 7191(8) | 2311(4) | 87(6) |
| C39 | 4191(5) | 6791(7) | 2827(5) | 85(6) |
| C40 | 3843(5) | 6584(7) | 3146(4) | 73(5) |
| C41 | 3193(5) | 6767(6) | 2959(4) | 64(5) |
| C42 | 1902(4) | 8355(6) | 2659(3) | 45(4) |
| C43 | 2411(5) | 8611(6) | 3157(3) | 54(4) |
| C44 | 2302(5) | 9273(7) | 3486(4) | 76(6) |
| C45 | 1708(6) | 9703(7) | 3341(5) | 76(6) |
| C46 | 1205(6) | 9456(7) | 2863(5) | 78(6) |
| C47 | 1291(5) | 8782(7) | 2505(4) | 72(5) |
| B1 | 4513(6) | 5307(11) | 972(6) | 72(7) |
| F1 | 4825(3) | 5936(5) | 782(3) | 100(4) |
| F2 | 4819(4) | 5006(7) | 1470(3) | 177(5) |
| F3 | 3913(4) | 5681(6) | 862(4) | 185(7) |
| F4 | 4325(5) | 4599(5) | 616(4) | 187(6) |

${ }^{a}$ Equivalent isotropic $U$ defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized $U_{i j}$ tensor.

Table 4
Bond lengths (pm)

| Re-C1 | $219.3(22)$ | $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{C} 2$ | $223.6(16)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $223.7(19)$ | $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{C} 4$ | $223.1(21)$ |
| $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $222.0(29)$ | $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{P} 1$ | $239.0(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{N} 6$ | $174.6(8)$ | $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{O} 7$ | $211.2(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2$ | $123.3(44)$ | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $127.8(48)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $132.1(39)$ | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 4$ | $140.8(44)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $129.4(35)$ | $\mathrm{P} 1-\mathrm{C} 30$ | $183.2(9)$ |
| P1-C36 | $185.4(9)$ | $\mathrm{P} 1-\mathrm{C} 42$ | $183.8(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 6-\mathrm{O} 6$ | $121.1(12)$ | $\mathrm{O} 7-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $125.4(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{O} 9$ | $131.6(12)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 25$ | $145.6(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 9-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $140.2(10)$ | $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{C} 11$ | $137.9(13)$ |

Table 4 (continued)

| C10-C15 | $139.5(14)$ | C11-C12 | $137.9(13)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C12-C13 | $141.1(15)$ | C12-C26 | $135.6(13)$ |
| C13-C14 | $136.7(14)$ | C14-C15 | $141.9(13)$ |
| C14-O28 | $135.3(13)$ | C15-C16 | $146.6(13)$ |
| C16-C17 | $141.2(12)$ | C16-C25 | $140.2(11)$ |
| C17-C18 | $142.5(10)$ | C17-C22 | $140.1(13)$ |
| C18-C19 | $134.3(12)$ | C19-C20 | $139.1(15)$ |
| C20-C21 | $135.0(12)$ | C21-C22 | $142.2(13)$ |
| C22-C23 | $142.9(12)$ | C23-C24 | $135.8(13)$ |
| C24-C25 | $142.6(13)$ | O26-C27 | $141.0(12)$ |
| O28-C29 | $140.1(12)$ | C30-C31 | $136.5(18)$ |
| C30-C35 | $138.7(13)$ | C31-C32 | $136.7(18)$ |
| C32-C33 | $134.0(18)$ | C33-C34 | $136.1(19)$ |
| C34-C35 | $138.4(15)$ | C36-C37 | $136.3(15)$ |
| C36-C41 | $139.8(12)$ | C37-C38 | $138.5(14)$ |
| C38-C39 | $136.4(15)$ | C39-C40 | $136.6(19)$ |
| C40-C41 | $135.4(15)$ | C42-C43 | $139.2(10)$ |
| C42-C47 | $139.6(14)$ | C43-C44 | $135.8(15)$ |
| C44-C45 | $136.8(17)$ | C45-C46 | $135.0(14)$ |
| C46-C47 | $140.5(16)$ | B1-F1 | $134.3(18)$ |
| B1-F2 | $127.2(16)$ | B1-F3 | $135.8(17)$ |
| B1-F4 | $132.5(17)$ |  |  |

Table 5
Bond angles (deg)

| C1-Re-C2 | 32.3(11) | C1-Re-C3 | 56.3(7) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C2-Re-C3 | 34.3(10) | C1-Re-C4 | 56.6(6) |
| C2-Re-C4 | 57.7(12) | C3-Re-C4 | 36.7(11) |
| C1-Re-C5 | 33.6(12) | C2-Re-C5 | 55.5(13) |
| C3-Re-C5 | 57.6(7) | C4-Re-C5 | 33.8(11) |
| C1-Re-P1 | 93.1(4) | C2-Re-P1 | 104.2(8) |
| C3-Re-P1 | 137.7(7) | C4-Re-P1 | 147.3(6) |
| C5-Re-P1 | 113.9(8) | C1-Re-N6 | 131.1(8) |
| C2-Re-N6 | 154.7(11) | C3-Re-N6 | 127.6(8) |
| C4-Re-N6 | 97.6(7) | C5-Re-N6 | 101.2(9) |
| P1-Re-N6 | 94.2(2) | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{O} 7$ | 125.9(8) |
| C2-Re-O7 | 96.1(10) | C3-Re-O7 | 90.9(5) |
| $\mathrm{C4}-\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{O} 7$ | 121.4(9) | $\mathrm{C5}-\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{O} 7$ | 148.1(6) |
| P1-Re-O7 | 85.0(1) | N6-Re-O7 | 102.8(3) |
| Re-C1-C2 | 75.7(13) | Re-C1-C5 | 74.3(14) |
| C2-C1-C5 | 111.4(22) | $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 1$ | 71.9(13) |
| $\mathrm{Re}-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $72.9(11)$ | C1-C2-C3 | 109.8(31) |
| Re-C3-C2 | 72.8(12) | Re-C3-C4 | 71.4(10) |
| C2-C3-C4 | 104.3(21) | Re-C4-C3 | $71.9(15)$ |
| Re-C4-C5 | 72.6 (16) | C3-C4-C5 | 105.2(24) |
| Re-C5-C1 | 72.0(19) | Re-C5-C4 | 73.5(16) |
| C1-C5-C4 | 109.2(28) | Re-F1-C30 | 115.4(2) |
| Re-P1-C36 | 113.3(3) | C30-P1-C36 | 104.8(4) |
| Re-P1-C42 | 112.7(3) | C30-P1-C42 | 102.6(4) |
| C36-P1-C42 | 107.2(4) | Re-N6-O6 | 171.5(8) |
| Re-O7-C8 | 131.4(6) | O7-C8-O9 | 116.8(9) |

Table 5 (continued)

| O7-C8-C25 | $123.0(9)$ | O9-C8-C25 | $120.1(7)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C8-O9-C10 | $121.3(8)$ | O9-C10-C11 | $114.5(8)$ |
| O9-C10-C15 | $119.7(8)$ | C11-C10-C15 | $125.8(8)$ |
| C10-C11-C12 | $117.1(9)$ | C11-C12-C13 | $119.8(10)$ |
| C11-C12-O26 | $114.9(9)$ | C13-C12-O26 | $125.3(8)$ |
| C12-C13-C14 | $120.7(8)$ | C13-C14-C15 | $121.3(9)$ |
| C13-C14-O28 | $123.6(8)$ | C15-C14-O28 | $114.9(9)$ |
| C10-C15-C14 | $114.1(8)$ | C10-C15-C16 | $118.6(8)$ |
| C14-C15-C16 | $127.2(9)$ | C15-C16-C17 | $127.1(7)$ |
| C15-C16-C25 | $116.1(8)$ | C17-C16-C25 | $116.7(8)$ |
| C16-C17-C18 | $122.3(8)$ | C16-C17-C22 | $120.3(7)$ |
| C18-C17-C22 | $116.8(7)$ | C17-C18-C19 | $121.6(8)$ |
| C18-C19-C20 | $120.9(8)$ | C19-C20-C21 | $119.9(9)$ |
| C20-C21-C22 | $120.5(9)$ | C17-C22-C21 | $119.7(8)$ |
| C17-C22-C23 | $120.1(8)$ | C21-C22-C23 | $120.1(9)$ |
| C22-C23-C24 | $120.5(9)$ | C23-C24-C25 | $118.3(8)$ |
| C8-C25-C16 | $119.2(8)$ | C8-C25-C24 | $117.1(7)$ |
| C16-C25-C24 | $122.9(8)$ | C12-O26-C27 | $119.1(8)$ |
| C14-O28-C29 | $118.0(8)$ | P1-C30-C31 | $122.7(7)$ |
| P1-C30-C35 | $118.9(8)$ | C31-C30-C35 | $118.2(9)$ |
| C30-C31-C32 | $121.2(11)$ | C31-C32-C33 | $120.7(14)$ |
| C32-C33-C34 | $119.8(12)$ | C33-C34-C35 | $120.6(10)$ |
| C30-C35-C34 | $119.5(11)$ | P1-C36-C37 | $119.9(6)$ |
| P1-C36-C41 | $119.8(8)$ | C37-C36-C41 | $120.3(8)$ |
| C36-C37-C38 | $119.5(8)$ | C37-C38-C39 | $120.0(12)$ |
| C38-C39-C40 | $120.1(10)$ | C39-C40-C41 | $121.1(9)$ |
| C36-C41-C40 | $119.0(11)$ | P1-C42-C43 | $122.8(7)$ |
| P1-C42-C47 | $117.6(6)$ | C43-C42-C47 | $119.6(9)$ |
| C42-C43-C44 | $119.1(9)$ | C43-C44-C45 | $122.2(9)$ |
| C44-C45-C46 | $119.7(11)$ | C45-C46-C47 | $120.5(11)$ |
| C42-C47-C46 | $118.9(8)$ | $116.7(10)$ |  |
| F1-B1-F3 | $105.2(12)$ | F1-B1-F2 | $116.0(15)$ |
| F1-B1-F4 | $109.1(14)$ | F2-B1-F3 | $109.9(13)$ |
| F3-B1-F4 | $98.2(10)$ | F2-B1-F4 |  |
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