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Florence M. Nareetsile, Owen P.M. Horwood, David G. Billing, Demetrius C. Levendis, Neil J. Coville

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Solid state isomerisation reactions of some ruthenium complexes

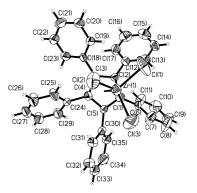
The isomerisation of ttt-RuCl<sub>2</sub>(RNC)<sub>2</sub>-(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (R = 2,6-xylyl, <sup>t</sup>Bu, <sup>t</sup>Pr, benzyl, 2-OMe-4-Clphenyl) to cct-RuCl<sub>2</sub>(RNC)<sub>2</sub>-(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> has been carried out in the solid state. Kinetic studies of these isomerisation reactions have been followed by NMR spectroscopy and a mechanism involving rotation of Cl and RNC is proposed.



#### Deborah L. Greene, Alex Chau, Marisa Monreal, Carmen Mendez, Iris Cruz, Tambi Wenj, Wayne Tikkanen, Brian Schick, Katherine Kantardjieff

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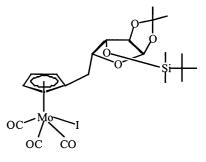
Synthesis, characterization and structures of zirconocene complexes of sterically demanding pentaphenylcyclopentadienyl and tetraphenyl-*m*-tolyl cyclopentadienyl ligands The piano stool complexes pentaphenylcyclopentadienyltrichlorozirconium(IV) (I) and *m*-tolyltetraphenylcyclopentadienyltrichlorozirconium(IV) (II) show rapid phenyl ring flipping even at -90 °C. Both I and II are active catalysts for [4+2] cycloaddition reactions of methyl acrylate and acrolein with cyclopentadiene whereas the bent sandwich Cp(C<sub>5</sub>Ph<sub>5</sub>)ZrCl<sub>2</sub> (III) does not display appreciable acceleration of these cycloaddition reactions.



#### Ana C. Fernandes, Carlos C. Romão, Beatriz Royo

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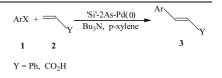
Novel carbohydrate-substituted cyclopentadienyls of titanium, molybdenum, manganese and iron A novel carbohydrate-substituted cyclopentadiene and its transformation into the thallium, iron, titanium, manganese and molybdenum derivatives have been synthesised and characterised by elemental analysis, IR and <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectroscopy.



#### Mingzhong Cai, Yizheng Huang, Hong Zhao, Caisheng Song

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Silica-supported bidentate arsine palladium(0) complex: a highly active and stereoselective catalyst for arylation of conjugated alkenes The silica-supported bidentate arsine palladium(0) complex ('Si'-2As-Pd(0)) is a highly active and stereoselective catalyst for arylation of styrene and acrylic acid with aryl halides affording a variety of *trans*-stilbenes and substituted *trans*-cinnamic acids in high yields.



#### M.C. Torralba, M. Cano, S. Gómez, J.A. Campo, J.V. Heras, J. Perles, C. Ruiz-Valero

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Bridged 3,5-disubstituted pyrazolate ligands as support of metallomesogens containing  $[Pd(\eta^3-C_3H_5)]^+$  fragments X-ray crystal structure of  $[Pd(\eta^3-C_3H_5)(\mu-pz^{R2})]_2 \cdot CH_2Cl_2$  ( $R = C_6H_4OC_{12}H_{25}$ ). Part III

Two new long-chain 3,5-disubstituted pyrazoles  $\text{Hpz}^{R2}$  ( $R = C_6H_4OC_nH_{2n+1}$ , n = 16, 18) have been proved to be mesogenic com-

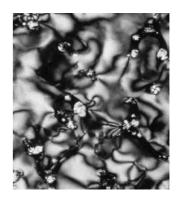
#### Antonio L. Braga, Cristiano R.B. Rhoden, Gilson Zeni, Claudio C. Silveira, Leandro H. Andrade

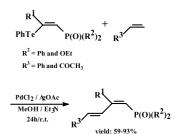
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Stereospecific synthesis of phosphono-(1Z, 3E)-dienyl compounds from  $\beta$ -phenyl-telluro-vinylphosphonates and -vinylphosphine oxides

pounds as the related ligands with shorter chains. Pd(II) complexes of the type [Pd( $\eta^3$ - $C_{3}H_{5}(\mu-pz^{R2})]_{2}$  (R = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OC<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>, n = 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18) (1-6) containing the mesomorphic ligands as pyrazolate-bridging groups have been prepared and their thermal behaviour studied. The structure of the Pd-compound with n = 12 (3) was solved evidencing a bowlic core. The Pd-complexes 2-6 were found to have enantiotropic smectic phases (see figure) which could be related with the molecular rod-like type by considering the molecular dimensionality (47.80 Å in length  $\times$  4.75 Å in wide). The tendency to a molecular ordering of layerlike type is observed in the packing of 3 as well as on the smectic mesophases.

Phosphono-1,3-dienyl compounds **2** can be prepared by palladium cross-coupling reaction of  $\beta$ -phenyltelluro-vinylphosphonates or -vinylphosphine oxides **1** with alkenes in the presence of a catalytic amount of PdCl<sub>2</sub> and AcOAg as reoxidant at room temperature. The coupling reaction is stereospecific and the compounds **2** were obtained in good yields with total retention of configuration.

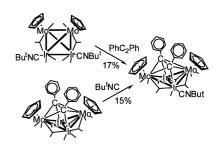




## Alistair J. Usher, Mark G. Humphrey, Anthony C. Willis

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Mixed-metal cluster chemistry 25 Mixed ligand derivatives of  $MoIr_3(\mu$ -CO)<sub>3</sub> (CO)<sub>8</sub>( $\eta$ -C<sub>5</sub>R<sub>5</sub>) (R = H, Me) and Mo<sub>2</sub>Ir<sub>2</sub> ( $\mu$ -CO)<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>7</sub>( $\eta$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>; X-ray crystal structures of  $MoIr_3(\mu$ -CO)<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> ( $\eta$ -C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>5</sub>) and  $Mo_2Ir_2(\mu_4-\eta^2$ -PhC<sub>2</sub>Ph) ( $\mu$ -CO)<sub>4</sub>(CNBu')(CO)<sub>3</sub>( $\eta$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub> Reactions of MoIr<sub>3</sub>(µ-CO)<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>8</sub>(η-C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>5</sub>) (1) with  $Bu^t NC$  afford  $MoIr_3(\mu-CO)_3$  $(CNBu^{t})_{n}(CO)_{8-n}(\eta-C_{5}Me_{5})$ (n = 1 - 3);surprisingly, 1 reacts with PPh3 to afford the bis-product MoIr<sub>3</sub>(µ-CO)<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>x(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>  $(\eta$ -C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>5</sub>) (5) only. Reactions of Mo<sub>2</sub>Ir<sub>2</sub>  $(\mu$ -CO)<sub>2</sub>(CNBu<sup>t</sup>)<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>( $\eta$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub> with diphenylacetylene or  $Mo_2Ir_2(\mu_4-\eta^2-PhC_2Ph)$  $(\mu$ -CO)<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>4</sub> $(\eta$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub> with Bu<sup>t</sup>NC result in complex mixtures of products from which  $Mo_2Ir_2(\mu_4-\eta^2-PhC_2Ph)(\mu-CO)_4$  $(CNBu^{t})(CO)_{3}(\eta-C_{5}H_{5})_{2}$  (9) can be isolated in low yield. Compounds 5 and 9 have been X-ray crystallographically characterized.

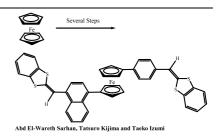


#### Abd El-Wareth Sarhan, Tatsuro Kijima, Taeko Izumi

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Synthesis and electrochemical properties of 1,1'-bis(benzo-1,3-dithiol-2-ylidene)ferrocene derivatives as novel electron donor compounds

A number of 1,1'-bis(benzo-1,3-dithiol-2-ylidene)ferrocene derivatives were synthesized as new  $\pi$ -donors. These new classes of donor compounds were obtained in very high yields based on modification of the Wittig-Horner reaction and the 1,3-dithiole rings were separated by conjugated spacers including aryl-ferrocenyl-aryl. The electrochemical properties of the new compounds have been studied in comparison to DB-TTF analogues, and the parent ferrocene donor by cyclic voltammetry (CV).



#### Botao Zhuang, Jun Chen, Lingjie He, Haofeng Sun, Zhangfeng Zhou, Chensheng Lin, Kechen Wu, Zixiang Huang

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pentanuclear Mixed metal clusters  $[MFe_4S_4(CO)_{12}]^{z-1}$ (M = V, Mn and Cr;z = 0, 2) and X-ray crystal structures of  $[VFe_4S_4(CO)_{12}]$  and  $[MnFe_4S_4(CO)_{12}]^2$ 

New mixed metal penta-nuclear clusters [VFe<sub>4</sub>S<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>] (1), [Et<sub>4</sub>N]<sub>2</sub>[MnFe<sub>4</sub>S<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> (2) and  $[Et_4N]_2[CrFe_4S_4(CO)_{12}]$  (3) have been synthesized by the reaction of  $[Fe_2S_2(CO)_6]^{2-}$  with VCl<sub>3</sub>, MnCl<sub>2</sub> and CrCl<sub>3</sub>+Zn, respectively. Compound 1 contains a  $[VFe_4S_4]$  core with V-Fe bonds (A) and 2 possesses a [MnFe<sub>4</sub>S<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup> core without any  $Mn \cdots Fe$  interaction (B). The [Fe<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>]-units in both 1 and 2 are in butterfly type. IR spectra studies imply that 3 probably possess the same structure as complex 2 does. The reaction pathway of the complexes have been figured out and discussed.



#### Hiroyuki Yasuda, Noriko Maki, Jun-Chul Choi, Toshiyasu Sakakura

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Synthesis and reactivity of phenoxycarbonyl palladium complex: relevant to the mechanism of oxidative carbonylation of phenol

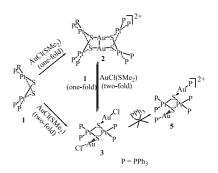
The phenoxycarbonyl palladium complex PdCl(CO<sub>2</sub>Ph)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> was synthesized and characterized by X-ray crystallography. The diphenyl carbonate formation was confirmed by the simple thermolysis of the complex or the reaction with phenoxide.

### Zhaohui Li, K.F. Mok, T.S. Andy Hor

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Heterometallic multinuclear Pt-M (M = Au, Ag) structural assemblies from dinuclear  $[Pt_2(P-P)_2(\mu-S)_2]$  (P-P = 2PPh<sub>3</sub>, dppf)

Three heterometallic Pt-M (M = Ag, Au) complexes, viz. [Au<sub>2</sub>{Pt<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>(µ<sub>3</sub>-S)<sub>2</sub>}<sub>2</sub>]Cl<sub>2</sub> (2),  $Au_2Pt_2Cl_2(PPh_3)_4(\mu_3-S)_2$  (3) and  $Ag_2Pt_2Cl_2(dppf)_2(\mu_3-S)_2$  (4) (dppf = 1,1'bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene) were prepared from  $Pt_2(P-P)_2(\mu_3-S)_2$   $(P-P=2PPh_3$ (1a), dppf (1b)). The structural features of these polymetallic complexes and the synthetic and structural relationships between 2 and 3 are described.

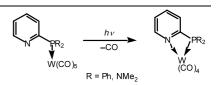


#### Katsunori Nishide, Shigekazu Ito, Masaaki Yoshifuji

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Preparation of carbonyltungsten(0) complexes of 2-pyridylphosphines showing a stepwise coordination pattern by way of monodentate to chelate mode 2-Pyridylphosphines,  $R_2PyP$  (R = Ph,  $NMe_2$ ; Py = 2-pyridyl), were allowed to react with  $W(CO)_5(thf)$  to afford the monocoordinated tungsten(0) complexes on the phosphorus  $[R_2PyP][W(CO)_5]$  and their structures were confirmed by X-ray crystallography. The monocoordinated complexes were irradiated with light to afford the chelate complexes  $[R_2PyP][W(CO)_4]$  by loss of one CO from the pentacarbonyls.

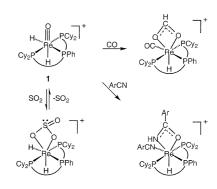


## Youhyuk Kim, Dean E. Rende, Judith C. Gallucci, Andrew Wojcicki

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 $\begin{array}{ll} Transfer \mbox{ of hydrogen, oxygen, or both hydrogen and oxygen to unsaturated substrates} \\ from $$ [ReH_2(O)(Cyttp)]^+$ (Cyttp = $PhP(CH_2CH_2CH_2PCy_2)_2)$ \\ \end{array}$ 

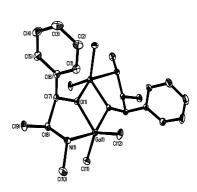
The dihydrido-oxo complex [Re- $H_2(O)(Cyttp)$ ]X (1: X = SbF<sub>6</sub>, OTf) reacts with CO, RNC, SO<sub>2</sub>, P(OMe)<sub>3</sub>, alkenes, PhC=CH, and RCN to transfer hydrogen, oxygen, and/or both hydrogen and oxygen to the unsaturated compound. Complex 1(OTf) catalyzes partial hydration of nitriles to amides.



## Fang Yuan, Chengjian Zhu, Jiangtao Sun, Yongjiang Liu, Yi Pan

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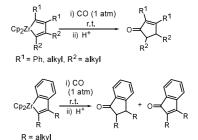
Synthesis and asymmetric catalytic activities of chiral organogallium and indium complexes with ephedrine derivatives as ligands. The crystal structure of  $[(1R, 2S)-(Me_2Ga-\mu OCH(C_6H_5)CH(CH_3)-\mu-NHCH_3)]_2$  Reactions of trimethylgallium or trimethylindium with (1*R*, 2*S*)-(-)-ephedrine derivatives afford chiral compounds [(1*R*, 2*S*)-(Me<sub>2</sub>E- $\mu$ -OCH(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)- $\mu$ -NRCH<sub>3</sub>)]<sub>2</sub> [E = Ga, R = H (1), CH<sub>3</sub> (2), CH<sub>2</sub>Ph (3); E = In, R = H (4), CH<sub>3</sub> (5), CH<sub>2</sub>Ph (6)] in high yields. Structure of the compound 1 determined by single-crystal X-ray analysis shows a dimeric feature containing a standard parallelogram Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> core bridging through the oxygen atom of ephedrine group. The catalytic asymmetric isocyanosilylation of cyclohexene oxide with trimethylsilyl cyanide has been examined with complexes 1–6 as catalysts.



#### Zhenfeng Xi, Hong-Tao Fan, Shizue Mito, Tamotsu Takahashi

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CO insertion reaction of zirconacyclopentadienes Alkyl-substituted zirconacyclopentadienes reacted with CO directly at room temperature to give cyclopentenone derivatives. Zirconainene derivatives afforded a mixture of indanone and indenone derivatives.



## Richard D. Adams, Burjor Captain, Wei Fu, Mark D. Smith

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Metallation of  $PtRu_5(CO)_{16}(\mu_6-C)$  by using bis(tri-*t*-butyl-phosphine) complexes of platinum and palladium

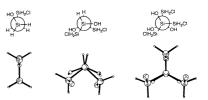
 $Pd(PBu_3^t)_2$  react  $Pt(PBu_3^t)_2$ and with  $PtRu_5(CO)_{16}(\mu_6\text{-}C) \quad \text{to} \quad yield \quad \text{the}$ new complexes,  $PtRu_5(CO)_{16}(\mu_6\text{-}C)[Pt(PBu_3')]$ (5);  $PtRu_{5}(CO)_{16}(\mu_{6}-C)[Pt(PBu_{3}^{t})]_{2}$ (6) and  $PtRu_5(CO)_{16}(\mu_6-C)[Pd(PBu_3^t)]$ (7):  $PtRu_5(CO)_{16}(\mu_6-C)[Pd(PBu_3')]_2$  (8). Compounds 5 and 7 contain a M(PBu<sub>3</sub><sup>t</sup>) group bridging an Ru-Ru edge of the cluster. Compounds 6 and 8 contain one M(PBu<sub>3</sub>) group bridging an Ru-Ru edge of the cluster. The other M(PBu<sub>3</sub>') group bridges one of the Pt-Ru edges.

PI Ru1 Ru2 Ru3 Ru3 Ru3

#### Shigenori Ohashi, Yuji Naruse, Satoshi Inagaki

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Eclipsed conformers of oligosilane derivatives by intramolecular hypercoordination The eclipsed conformers of ClSiH<sub>2</sub>SiH<sub>2</sub>SiH<sub>2</sub>OH (1) and DL-ClSiH<sub>2</sub>(OH)SiHSiH(OH)SiH<sub>2</sub>Cl (2) are the most stable due to the attractive 1,4-hypercoordination by the n<sub>O</sub> and  $\sigma^*_{SiCl}$  orbital interaction. The eclipsed rotamer of ClSiH<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>Si-Si(OH)(SiH<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> (3) is the exclusive conformer stabilized by the threefold 1,4-hypercoordination.



Relatively or exclusively stable eclipsed conformers

## Chong-Zhi Tang, You-Feng Xu, Zhen Pang, Xiu-Feng Hou

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Synthesis and reactivity impact from electron-withdrawing substituent on the cyclopentadienyl ligand of cobalt(I)-(III) complexes Cobaltocene with electron-withdrawing substituent of allyloxocarbonyl were synthesized either from corresponding cyclopentadienide with cobalt dichloride or from corresponding cyclopentadienyl cobalt iodide with sodium amalgam in quantitative yield. 

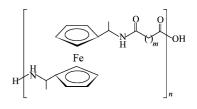
## L. Barišić, V. Rapić, H. Pritzkow, G. Pavlović, I. Nemet

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Ferrocene compounds

Part XXXIII. Synthesis and characterization of amino acids containing skeletal 1,1'-ferro-cenylene unit

The multistep syntheses of N- and C-protected ferrocene amino acids 7 (m = 3, n = 0, R = H, X = NH<sub>2</sub>) and 14 (m = 0, n = 3, R = H, X = NH<sub>2</sub>) are described. Curtius rearrangement of crucial intermediates 4 and 11 (X = CON<sub>3</sub>, R = Me) in Ac<sub>2</sub>O, with subsequent hydrolysis gave 6/13 (X = NHAc). Further, 4/11 were converted by heating in t-BuOH into 8/15 (X = NHBoc).



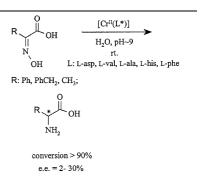
I, m = 0-3; n = 1-6;

#### Károly Micskei, Orsolya Holczknecht, Csongor Hajdu, Tamás Patonay, Valér Marchis, Milena Meo, Claudia Zucchi, Gyula Pályi

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Asymmetric synthesis of amino acids by Cr(II) complexes of natural amino acids

Stoichiometric reduction of the C,N double bond of oxime precursors of  $\alpha$ -amino acids was performed in aqueous media by Cr(II) complexes of natural amino acids.



#### Angelika M. Winter, Klaus Eichele, Hans-Georg Mack, Suzan Potuznik, Hermann A. Mayer, William C. Kaska

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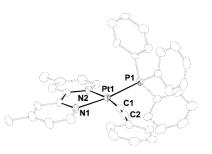
Rhodium pincer complexes of 2,2'-bis(diphenylphosphino)diphenylamine The novel PNP pincer ligand 2,2'-bis(diphenylphosphino)diphenylamine has been synthesized. Its reaction with various precursors to form the corresponding rhodium complexes is described, including a rare example of the oxidative addition of an NH bond to a late transition metal.

PPh<sub>2</sub> N—Rh-CO

## H. Lang, A. del Villar, B. Walfort, G. Rheinwald

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Synthese von  $[cis-(bipy)Pt(C=CPh)_2]Ag-FBF_3$  und dessen Reaktionsverhalten gegenüber Lewis-Basen; die Festkörperstruktur von  $cis-(bipy)Pt(C=CPh)_2$  und  $[(bipy)Pt-(C=CPh)(PPh_3)]BF_4$  The synthesis of the heterobimetallic transition metal complex  $\{cis-[Pt](C\equiv C-Ph)_2\}$ AgFBF<sub>3</sub> and its reaction behaviour towards different Lewis-bases L (L = Thf, NR<sub>3</sub>, PPh<sub>3</sub>) is discussed. The X-ray structure of  $cis-[Pt](C\equiv CPh)_2$  and  $\{[Pt](C\equiv C-Ph)(PPh_3)\}$ BF<sub>4</sub> is reported.

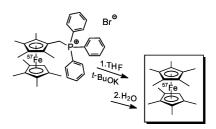


#### Rolfe H. Herber, Israel Nowik, Herwig Schottenberger, Klaus Wurst, Norbert Schuler, Adrian Gallus Mueller

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Effects of metal atom motion and ring rotation in iron organometallics. Synthesis of isotopically labelled nonamethyl [<sup>57</sup>Fe]ferrocene.

Temperature dependent (90–290 K) Mössbauer studies on nonamethyl [<sup>57</sup>Fe] ferrocene (NMF) have been carried out in order to elucidate the dynamical behaviour of the iron atom and the onset of ring rotation and libration. A novel small scale preparation of isotopically labelled [<sup>57</sup>Fe] NMF is presented. X-ray structure determinations of all intermediates and by-products are reported.



#### Marcus Vestergren, Johan Eriksson, Göran Hilmersson, Mikael Håkansson

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Giving phenyllithium a right-handed doublehelical twist. Syntheses and crystal structures of enantiopure alkyl-, aryl-, and amidolithium aggregates The 2:1 complex between phenyllithium and (-)-sparteine,  $[\text{Li}_4\text{Ph}_4(\text{spa})_2]$  (2), as well as homoleptic  $[\text{Li}(\text{pymp})]_4$  (3), pymp = (S)-2-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)pyrrolidido, exhibit laddered tetranuclear cores which may be perceived as fragmented right-handed double-helices.

#### Bernd Wrackmeyer, Anahid Ayazi, Wolfgang Milius, Max Herberhold

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1-Sila-[1]ferrocenophanes, structure and reactivity

Ring-opening by reactions with boron halides

#### Bernd Wrackmeyer, Wolfgang Milius, Saqib Ali

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Novel zwitterionic heterocycles containing hypervalent tin

1-Sila-[1]ferrocenophanes were studied with respect to the coupling constants involving the carbon atom C(1)  $[{}^{1}J({}^{13}C(1), {}^{13}C(2,5)),$  ${}^{1}J({}^{29}Si, {}^{13}C(1))$  and  ${}^{1}J({}^{57}Fe, {}^{13}C)]$ . The disiloxane, containing two 1-methyl-1-sila-[1]ferrocenophane units, possesses a linear Si–O–Si group, in contrast to the bent structure of the same compound that has been reported in the literature. Ring-opening reactions of the 1-sila-[1]ferrocenophanes with some boron halides (PhBCl<sub>2</sub>, BCl<sub>3</sub>, BBr<sub>3</sub> and BI<sub>3</sub>) gave 1-silyl-1'-borylsubstituted ferrocenes, in which one B–CI function could be substituted selectively by a B–NEt<sub>2</sub> function.

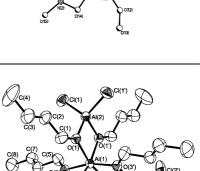
Weak and strong coordinative N-Sn interactions are detected by multinuclear magnetic resonance if the chloro function at the penta-coordinate tin atom in (E)-2-chloro(dimethyl)stannyl-3-diethylboryl-N,N-dimethyl-2-pentenylamine is replaced by various other groups. The strongest coordinative N-Sn bond are found for fused heterocycles when N- or C-lithiated azoles are used. With C-lithiated thiazoles a zwitterionic complex containing hypervalent tin was isolated and structurally characterised.

### Sławomir Szumacher, Antoni R. Kunicki, Izabela Madura, Janusz Zachara

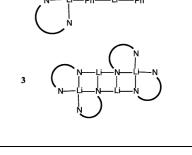
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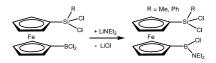
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The products formed in the reaction (1:1) of MeAlCl<sub>2</sub> with alcohols ROH, where R = Et, <sup>*i*</sup>Pr, <sup>*n*</sup>Bu, <sup>*i*</sup>Bu, <sup>*s*</sup>Bu, <sup>*i*</sup>Bu, <sup>*i*</sup>BuCH<sub>2</sub> were investigated. Depends on the alcohol used the formation of [Cl<sub>2</sub>Al(µ-OR)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>AlCl or/and [Cl<sub>2</sub>Al(µ-OR)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>3</sub>Al except dimeric or/ and trimeric ROAlCl<sub>2</sub> were found.



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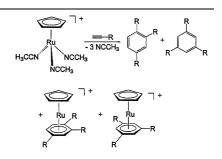


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Ruthenium-mediated cyclotrimerization of alkynes utilizing the cationic complex  $[RuCp(CH_3CN)_3]PF_6$ 

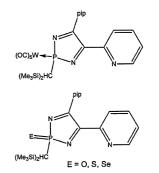
The substitutionally labile cationic complex  $[RuCp(CH_3CN)_3]^+$  (as the  $PF_6^-$  salt) was tested with respect to its ability to catalyze the cyclotrimerization of terminal alkynes and diynes to afford benzene derivatives.



#### Arif Ali Khan, Christoph Neumann, Cathleen Wismach, Peter G. Jones, Rainer Streubel

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Synthesis of a C-pyridine-substituted 2H-1,3,2-diazaphosphole complex and subsequent oxidation to its P<sup>V</sup>-sulfide and P<sup>V</sup>selenide derivatives Thermal ring opening of 2*H*-azaphosphirene tungsten complex in the presence of 2piperidino carbonitrile and 2-cyanopyridine furnished selectively the 2*H*-1,3,2-diazaphosphole tungsten complex Liberation of the diazaphosphole ligand by applying various decomplexation reagents failed. However, the corresponding P<sup>V</sup>-sulfide and P<sup>V</sup>selenide were obtained by oxidative decomplexation using elemental sulfur and selenium; the P<sup>V</sup>-oxide was detected only spectroscopically.

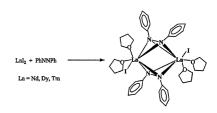


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Reduction of azobenzene by neodymium(II), dysprosium(II), and thulium(II) diiodides

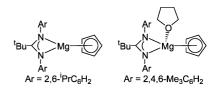
The diiodides of divalent neodymium, dysprosium, and thulium  $LnI_2$  readily reduce azobenzene under ambient conditions to give binuclear complexes  $[LnI(THF)_2]_2(N_2Ph_2)_2$  (Ln = Nd, Dy, Tm). Magnetic measurements and X-ray structural analyses of dysprosium and thulium derivatives revealed that the bridging N\_2Ph\_2 ligands are dianions bounded to the trivalent lanthanoid. The complexes displayed photochromic properties. Ytterbium iodide YbI\_2(THF)\_2 reacts with N\_2Ph\_2 at 80 °C yielding the known [YbI(THF)\_3]\_2(N\_2Ph\_2)\_2.



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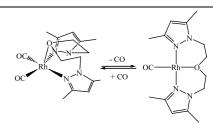
Synthesis, structure, and properties of magnesium complexes containing cyclopentadienyl and amidinate ligand sets Treatment of [CpMgCH<sub>3</sub>(Et<sub>2</sub>O)]<sub>2</sub> with two new bulky amidines affords the complexes  $[CpMg(\eta^{2}- BuC(N(2,6- Pr_{2}C_{6}H_{3}))_{2}]$  (87%) and  $[CpMg(\eta^{2-t}BuC(N(2,4,6-Me_3C_6H_2))_2)-$ (THF)] (76%). [CpMg( $\eta^{2-t}$ BuC(N(2,6-<sup>*i*</sup>Pr<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>))<sub>2</sub>)] can be sublimed unchanged with recovery at 180 °C/0.05 torr, 80% while  $[CpMg(\eta^{2}-^{t}BuC(N(2,4,6-Me_{3}C_{6}-$ H<sub>2</sub>))<sub>2</sub>)(THF)] decomposes to Cp<sub>2</sub>Mg (77%)  $[Mg(\eta^{2}-^{t}BuC(N(2,4,6-Me_{3}C_{6}H_{2})))_{2}]$ and (83%) under similar conditions. The molecular structures were determined by single crystal X-ray analyses.



#### Anna Boixassa, Josefina Pons, Josep Ros, René Mathieu, Noël Lugan

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Study of the bonding properties of the bis[2-(3,5-dimethyl-1-pyrazolyl)ethyl]ether toward Rh(I): an hemilabile ligand exhibiting  $\kappa^3 N, N, O$  meridional or facial coordination mode The title ligand  $(L_1)$ reacts with [Rh(COD)(THF)<sub>2</sub>][BF<sub>4</sub>] give to  $[Rh(COD)(L_1-\kappa^2 N, N)][BF_4]$ . The action of carbon monoxide generates  $[Rh(CO)_2(L_1)][BF_4]$  in which the ligand  $L_1$ adopts a facial  $\kappa^3 N, N, O$  bonding mode. This complex easily looses one molecule of carbon monoxide at room temperature leading to  $[Rh(CO)(L_1-\kappa^3 N, N, O)][BF_4].$ Carbon monoxide addition in solution regenerates rapidly the dicarbonyl complex.



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Synthesis and structure of four-coordinate dimethyl aluminium complexes incorporating new N,O-chelating arylamido ligands

A new type of arylamido ligands with an intramolecular coordinating *ortho*-ether-substituent (i.e. a  $O,N^-$  chelating ligand) is introduced. The achiral and chiral 4-coordinate dimethyl aluminium complexes [2-

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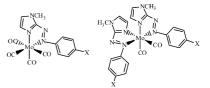
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Synthesis and characterization of *cis*- $Mo(CO)_4(L-L')$  and *cis*- $Mo(CO)_2(L-L')_2$  complexes of N(1)-methyl-2-(arylazo)imidazoles (L-L'). Correlations of spectroscopic data with substituent effects  $ROC_6H_4NR'$ ]AlMe<sub>2</sub> (4a: R = R' = Cy; 4b: R = (-)-menthyl, R' = Cy, 4c: R = (-)menthyl,  $R' = CPh_3$ ) have been prepared by reaction of the appropriate amido Li salt with ClAlMe<sub>2</sub>. Complex 4a could also be obtained, via methane elimination, by reaction of AlMe<sub>3</sub> with the corresponding ligand. The presence of two rotamers in solution at room temperature for 4b and for 4c is most likely due to a restricted rotation of the (-)-menthyl group at this temperature due to severe steric interactions with the rest of the complex.

N(1)-Methyl-2-(p-X-phenylazo)imidazoles (X = CH<sub>3</sub>O, CH<sub>3</sub>, H, Br, CF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>) react with *cis*-(norbornadiene)Mo(CO)<sub>4</sub> and Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>3</sub> to give the complexes *cis*-Mo(CO)<sub>4</sub>(L-L') and *cis*-Mo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(L-L')<sub>2</sub>, respectively. Good correlations among the NMR, IR, and electrochemical data and with the Hammett sigma parameter are observed. Comparisons are made with the analogous 2-(phenylazo)pyridine complexes.

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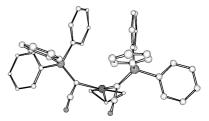
R = (-)-menthyl, R' = CyR = (-)-menthyl,  $R' = CPh_3$ 



#### Maurizio Casarin, Luciano Pandolfo

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A quasi-relativistic density functional study of structural and electronic properties of the bis-ketene cis-[Pt{ $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>}{ $\eta^1$ -C(PPh<sub>3</sub>)CO}<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup> The structure of the *cis*-[Pt( $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub>){ $\eta^1$ -C(PPh<sub>3</sub>)CO}<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup> ion has been studied by means of quasi-relativistic density functional calculations. Theoretical outcomes compare well with experiment and ultimately indicate that the high instability of this species is a consequence of the low binding energy between the charged Pt( $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sup>+</sup> fragment and the neutral *cis*-{ $\eta^1$ -C(PPh<sub>3</sub>)CO}<sub>2</sub> moiety.

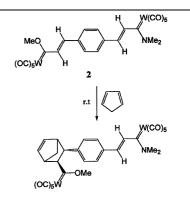


#### Karine Ulrich, Véronique Guerchais, Karl Heinz Dötz, Hubert Le Bozec

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Chemoselective Diels-Alder reactions of a non-symmetrical bis(carbene)-bridged ditungsten complex with 1,3-dienes

The non-symmetrical [(dimethylamino)alkenylcarbene-(methoxy)alkenylcarbene] ditungsten complex 2 undergoes Diels-Alder reactions with 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene and cyclopentadiene that proceed selectively at the methoxycarbene ligand.

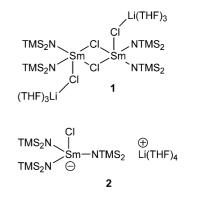


#### Blanca Martín-Vaca, Anca Dumitrescu, Heinz Gornitzka, Didier Bourissou, Guy Bertrand

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Synthesis and structural characterization of unusual amido samarium(III) complexes

Amido samarium complexes {(µ-Cl)Sm[N(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -Cl)Li(THF)<sub>3</sub>}<sub>2</sub> (1) and  $\{Sm[N(SiMe_3)_2]_3(Cl)\}[Li(THF)_4] \quad \textbf{(2)} \quad were$ prepared in good yield by reaction of SmCl3 with lithium hexamethyl-disilylamide. Single crystal X-ray diffraction studies reveal the covalent dimeric structure of 1 and ion-pair monomeric structure of 2. The factors that control the coordination number and agregation state of these complexes are discussed.



## Joji Ohshita, Mimi Hashimoto, Kwang-Hoi

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Synthesis of organosilanylene-thienylene al-

Organosilanylene-thienylene alternating oligomers bearing ether side chains were synthesized and their optical properties were studied. The oligomers exhibited the emission maxima at 380-400 nm, which were slightly shifted to lower energies as the solvent polarity increased.

## Lee, Hiroto Yoshida, Atsutaka Kunai

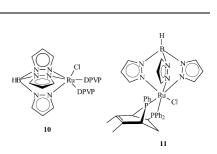
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Reactions of ruthenium(II) tris(pyrazolyl)borate and tris(pyrazolyl)methane complexes with diphenylvinylphosphine and 3,4-dimethyl-1-phenylphosphole

The compound (Tp)Ru(DPVP)(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)Cl (9) does not lose either acetonitrile or chloride to form a phosphaallyl derivative but does react with DPVP to form 10 and with DMPP to form 11 with very high diastereoselectivity.



X = none or 2,5-thienylene

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