extracted three times with a total of 4 mL of n-hexane. The combined extracts were filtered and evaporated to dryness. The residue was dried in vacuo to give 770 mg (88%) as a brownish oil. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum revealed a mixture of three isomers in the ratio 16:17:18 = 70:10:20: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>), 16, δ 5.69-5.55 (m, 2 H, H5 and H6), 3.99 (d, 1 H,  $H9_{cis}$ , 3.81 (d, 1 H,  $H9_{trans}$ ), 3.21 (s, 3 H,  $-OCH_3$ ), 2.96 (m, 1 H, H7), 2.25 (m, 1 H, H4'), 2.01 (m, 1 H, H4), 1.23 (d, 3 H, 7-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.20 (br, -OH, partially coincide with 7-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.02 (d, 3 H, 3-CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.93 (s, 9 H, H1), coupling constants (Hz),  ${}^{2}J = 2.1$  (H9<sub>cis</sub>, H9<sub>trans</sub>),  ${}^{3}J = 7.0$  (H7, 7-CH<sub>3</sub>),  ${}^{4}J = 0.8$  (H4 or H4', 3-CH<sub>3</sub>); 17,  $\delta$  3.20 (s, -OCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.25 (d,  $7-CH_3$ ,  ${}^3J(H7, 7-CH_3) = 7.0$  Hz); 18,  $\delta$  4.01 (d, H9<sub>cis</sub>), 3.87 (d, H9<sub>trans</sub>), 3.09 (s, -OCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.71-1.54 (m, H4 and H5, assignment not certain), 1.30 (br, -OH), 1.04 (d,  $3-CH_3$ ), 0.94 (s, H1), coupling constants (Hz),  ${}^2J = 1.9$  (H9<sub>cis</sub>, H9<sub>trans</sub>),  ${}^4J = 0.8$  (H4 or H4',  $3-CH_3$ ), the remaining signals of 17 and 18 were not localized; <sup>13</sup>C NMR ( $C_6D_6$ ), 16,  $\delta$  167.6 (C8), 136.8 (C5, 154), 126.4 (C6, 159), 79.5 (C9, 157), 75.5 (C3), 54.5 (-OCH<sub>3</sub>, 143), 42.6 (C7, 127), 40.0 (C4, 125), 37.9 (C2), 25.7 (C1, 129), 22.0 (3-CH<sub>3</sub>, 125), 19.0 (7-CH<sub>3</sub>, 127); 17 and 18, δ 166.6 (C8), 137.0, 136.9 (C5), 126.6 (C6), 79.9 (C9, 157), the remaining signals of 17 and 18 were not localized; IR (NaCl), mixture of isomers, 3499, 1653, 1605, 976 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI) 226 (M<sup>++</sup>, 0.1) 101 (100); exact mass (CI) calcd for  $C_{14}H_{26}O_2$  227.2011 (M + H<sup>+</sup>), found 227.2014.

(2R\*,6S\*)-trans-6-Hydroxy-2,6,7,7-tetramethyl-3-octenoic Acid, 19 and (2R\*,6R\*)-20, To a solution of 1.19 g (1.36 mmol) of 6a/7a in 40 mL of THF were added 187 mg (1.96 mmol) of pyridine N-oxide in 6.8 mL of THF and 75  $\mu$ L (4.16 mmol) of water. The mixture was stirred for 2 h. The solvent was removed in vacuo. To the orange, viscous residue was added 20 mL of diethyl ether and 20 mL of water. The mixture was acidified with 2 M hydrochloric acid (pH 3). The organic phase was separated, and the water phase was extracted three times with 30-mL portions of diethyl ether. The combined organic phases were washed once with brine, filtered through alumina (neutral, activity grade 111), and extracted three times with 30-mL portions of 2/3 saturated sodium carbonate solution. The combined extracts were washed once with diethyl ether and acidified with 5 M hydrochloric acid to pH 3. The cloudy water phase was extracted five times with 30-mL portions of diethyl ether. The combined organic phases were washed with half concentrated brine, dried over sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated to dryness. The residue was redissolved in a small amount of acetone to remove grease. The acetone solution was evaporated in vacuo to give 70 mg (20%) of 19/20 as a yellowish oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR ( $C_6D_6$ ), 19,  $\delta$  6.8 (br, 2 H, -OH and -CO<sub>2</sub>H), 5.78-5.42 (m, 2 H, H3 and H4), 3.07 (quintet, 1 H, H2), 2.24 (br dd, 1 H, H5'), 1.93 (dd, 1 H, H5), 1.18 (d, 3 H, 2-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.00 (s, 3 H, 6-CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.89 (s, 9 H, H8), coupling constants (Hz),  ${}^{2}J = 13.9 (H5, H5'), {}^{3}J = 7.0 (H2, H3), 7.0 (H2, 2-CH_3), 7.3 (H4, H5),$ 6.0 (H4, H5'); 20,  $\delta$  3.06 (quintet, H2), 0.90 (s, H8), the remaining signals of 20 were not localized; <sup>13</sup>C NMR ( $C_6D_6$ ), 19,  $\delta$  180.7 (C1), 132.3 (C4, 158), 129.1 (C3, 150), 76.5 (C6), 43.0 (C2, 131), 39.7 (C5, 127), 37.9 (C7), 25.5 (C8, 125), 21.6 (6-CH<sub>3</sub>, 125), 17.2 (2-CH<sub>3</sub>, 129); **20**,  $\delta$  180.6 (C1), 132.5 (C4), 43.2 (C2), 39.6 (C5), 17.3 (2-CH<sub>3</sub>), the remaining signals of 20 were not localized; IR (NaCl), mixture of isomers, 3428, 3301, 1711, 974 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI), 101 (100).

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## Regio- and Stereocontrolled Functionalization of Acyclic Molybdenum $-\eta^3$ -Allyl Complexes

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Abstract: Chemical transformation of the ester  $CpMo(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4COOMe)$  to its  $\eta^3$ -allyl alcohol, acid, acid chloride, and amide has been achieved. Treatment of  $CpM_0(CO)_2(syn_3-1-C_3H_4CHR(OH))$  (R = H (2f), CH<sub>3</sub> (2g)) with (CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>O in ether at -78 °C stereoselectively generates, the air-stable s-trans- $\eta^4$ -diene cations, which have been characterized by appropriate physical methods. The ionization process proceeds via an intramolecular  $S_N 2$  mode. The *s*-trans- $\eta^4$ -cis-pentadiene cation reacts with water, alcohol, thiol, and amine to give  $\eta^3$ -allyl derivatives, which retain the same configuration as that of 2g. The enolate CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn-η<sup>3</sup>-1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>COCH<sub>2</sub>Li) condenses with aldehyde at -78 °C to yield the aldol products CpMo- $(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4COCH_2CHR(OH))$  ( $\overline{R} = Ph$  (6a),  $CH_3$  (6b),  $(CH_3)_2CH$  (6c)) with good diastereoselectivity. The major diastereomer has been isolated and characterized by X-ray diffraction. Further reduction of this diastereomer with NaBH4 produces the corresponding 1,3-diol as a single diastereomer. Utilization of 2g and 6e in synthesis of acyclic 1,3-diol and 1,3,5-triol has been achieved, with excellent stereoselectivity; a mechanism is been proposed.

#### Introduction

The chemical transformation of an organic functional group adjacent to an organometallic unit has been an area of considerable interest.<sup>1-3</sup> In the course of functionalization, the organometallic unit commonly serves as a chiral auxiliary; thus, a highly diastereoselective and stereospecific reaction pattern is followed. The complexes of the type  $CpMo(CO)_2(\eta^3-allyl)$  represent one case in which the organic molety has exhibited interesting chemical

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reactivity. Nevertheless, as noted in earlier papers, the scope of studies has been limited mainly to the cyclic allyl complexes, particularly in the  $CpMo(CO)_2(\eta^3$ -cyclohexenyl) and CpMo- $(CO)_2(\eta^4$ -hexadiene) systems by the nucleophilic addition and hydride abstraction relationship.<sup>4.5</sup> Faller et al. have recently reported<sup>6</sup> that CpMo(NO)(Cl)(syn-crotyl) condenses with aldehyde to yield a homoallyl alcohol. Stereocontrolled functionalization of the precursor  $CpMo(CO)_2(\eta^3-allyl)$  in the acyclic system<sup>7</sup> appears to be a valuable route once the chemistry has been expanded. In this paper, we report the stereochemical course in functionalization of  $CpMo(CO)_2(\eta^3-4-oxoallyl)$ . Herein we report the effectiveness of the CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn- $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>R) unit in asymmetric carbon induction.

#### **Results and Discussion**

The well-known nucleophilic anion metal salt CpMo(CO)<sub>3</sub>Na can normally be alkylated by using alkyl halides leading to complexes  $CpMo(CO)_3R$ . As expected, the treatment of this anion with methyl 4-chloro-2-butenoate and 5-chloro-3-penten-2-one produced the  $\eta^1$ -complexes 1a and 1b as depicted in Scheme I. The two complexes were stable enough for isolation in ca. 45-55% yield and could be fully characterized. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data support an  $\eta^1$ -configuration. Both Z and E isomers were detected for 1a and 1b with a Z/E ratio ca. 52:48 and 19:81, respectively. The E isomer has the characteristic coupling constant  $J_{23}$  = 15.0-16.0 Hz whereas the Z isomer has  $J_{23} = 10.5-11.0$  Hz.

When excess Me<sub>1</sub>NO was present, compounds **1a** and **1b** each lost one CO molecule to give  $CoMo(CO)_2(\eta^3-1-C_3H_4COR))$  (R =  $OCH_3$  (2a),  $CH_3$  (2b)). Each exists in syn and anti diastereoisomers with the syn/anti ratios of 1:1 and 6.2:1 for 2a and 2b, respectively; the syn and anti isomers of 2a and 2b are separable on a silica column. All the syn and anti isomers of 2a and 2b show the presence of exo and endo conformers.<sup>8</sup> For 2a and 2b, the



Figure 1. ORTEP drawing of 2e.

Table I. Selected Bond Distances and Angles of 2e

| Bond Distances, Å |             |                    |           |  |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------|--|
| Mo-C(6)           | 2.323 (6)   | C(8)-C(9)          | 1.484 (8) |  |
| Mo-C(7)           | 2.302 (5)   | C(9)-N             | 1.350 (8) |  |
| Mo-C(8)           | 2.313 (6)   | C(9) - O(1)        | 1.231 (8) |  |
| Mo-C(14)          | 1.949 (7)   | C(10)-N            | 1.471 (8) |  |
| Mo-C(15)          | 1.947 (7)   | C(11)-N            | 1.457 (9) |  |
| C(6) - C(7)       | 1.383 (8)   | C(14) - O(2)       | 1.153 (8) |  |
| C(7) - C(8)       | 1.384 (10)  | C(15)-O(3)         | 1.141 (9) |  |
| Bond Angles, deg  |             |                    |           |  |
| $C(6)-M_0-C(7)$   | 34.80 (20)  | C(6) - C(7) - C(8) | 117.8 (6) |  |
| C(6)-Mo-C(8)      | 61.46 (22)  | $M_0-C(8)-C(7)$    | 72.1 (4)  |  |
| C(6)-Mo-C(14)     | 123.10 (25) | $M_0-C(8)-C(9)$    | 122.7 (4) |  |
| C(6)-Mo-C(15)     | 81.8 (3)    | C(7) - C(8) - C(9) | 117.7 (5) |  |
| C(7)-Mo-C(8)      | 34.9 (3)    | C(8) - C(9) - N    | 118.9 (5) |  |
| C(7)-Mo-C(14)     | 91.48 (23)  | C(8)-C(9)-O(1)     | 121.1 (6) |  |
| $C(7)-M_0-C(15)$  | 87.1 (3)    | N-C(9)-O(1)        | 120.0 (5) |  |
| C(8)-Mo-C(14)     | 83.41 (23)  | Mo-C(14)-O(2)      | 175.3 (6) |  |
| C(8)-Mo-C(15)     | 118.00 (25) | Mo-C(15)-O(3)      | 117.4 (7) |  |
| C(14)-Mo-C(15)    | 77.2 (3)    | C(9) - N - C(10)   | 118.3 (5) |  |
| Mo-C(6)-C(7)      | 71.7 (3)    | C(9) - N - C(11)   | 125.7 (5) |  |
| Mo-C(7)-C(6)      | 73.5 (3)    | C(10)-N-C(11)      | 115.9 (5) |  |
| Mo-C(7)-C(8)      | 73.0 (3)    |                    |           |  |

Scheme III



exchange of exo and endo isomers operates at ambient temperatures whereas the syn and anti isomers do not interconvert even at elevated temperatures. From a variable-temperature <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum for the exo and endo exchange,  $\Delta G^{*}$  is calculated to be 15.2 and 14.8 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup> for the syn isomers of 2a and 2b, respectively.

Functionalization of 2a. We have examined the reactivity of the ester group of 2a. Treatment of the syn isomer of 2a with 1.2 molar equiv of Bu<sub>4</sub>NOH in refluxing THF for 20 min, followed by acidification with dilute aqueous HCl solution, generated the air-stable yellow precipitate  $CpMo(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4COOH)$ (2c). Attempts to obtain 2c by acid-catalyzed hydrolysis were unsuccessful but resulted in formation of a blue precipitate of undetermined composition after reflux of its THF solution with 2 M HCl for 2 h. Further recrystallization from CH<sub>3</sub>COCH<sub>3</sub> at -30 °C produced needlelike orange crystals with the purity warranting satisfactory elemental analysis. Treatment of 2c with oxalyl chloride in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at 23 °C produced an air-sensitive acid chloride 2d in 55% yield, which was characterized by IR, mass, and NMR spectra. Its solution exhibited terminal M-CO stretching in the infrared at 1955 and 1850 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The <sup>1</sup>H and  $^{13}$ C NMR spectra are consistent with the given formula. The COCl carbon resonated at  $\delta$  172 ppm. Complex 2d reacted with

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Figure 2. ORTEP drawing of 2b.

Table II. Selected Bond Distances and Angles of 2b

| Bond Distances, Å |             |                    |             |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Mo-C(6)           | 2.357 (4)   | C(7) - C(8)        | 1.408 (5)   |
| Mo-C(7)           | 2.218 (4)   | C(8)-C(9)          | 1.471 (6)   |
| Mo-C(8)           | 2.349 (4)   | C(9) - C(10)       | 1.502 (6)   |
| Mo-C(11)          | 1.950 (4)   | C(9)-O(1)          | 1.217 (5)   |
| Mo-C(12)          | 1.957 (4)   | C(11)-O(2)         | 1.151 (5)   |
| C(6)-C(7)         | 1.388 (6)   | C(12)-O(3)         | 1.149 (4)   |
|                   | Bond An     | gles, deg          |             |
| C(6)-Mo-C(7)      | 35.16 (15)  | Mo-C(7)-C(6)       | 77.89 (23)  |
| C(6)-Mo-C(8)      | 61.70 (14)  | Mo-C(7)-C(8)       | 77.17 (21)  |
| C(6)-Mo-C(11)     | 73.47 (16)  | C(6) - C(7) - C(8) | 119.3 (3)   |
| C(6)-Mo-C(12)     | 115.71 (15) | Mo-C(8)-C(7)       | 67.07 (20)  |
| C(7)-Mo-C(8)      | 35.76 (14)  | Mo-C(8)-C(9)       | 115.88 (24) |
| C(7)-Mo-C(11)     | 106.09 (16) | C(7)-C(8)-C(9)     | 122.5 (3)   |
| C(7)-Mo-C(12)     | 109.70 (15) | C(8)-C(9)-C(10)    | 116.4 (4)   |
| C(8)-Mo-C(11)     | 109.78 (15) | C(8) - C(9) - O(1) | 122.9 (4)   |
| C(8)-Mo-C(12)     | 75.41 (14)  | C(10)-C(9)-O(1)    | 120.7 (4)   |
| C(11)-Mo-C(12)    | 79.55 (16)  | Mo-C(11)-O(2)      | 177.7 (4)   |
| Mo-C(6)-C(7)      | 66.95 (21)  | Mo-C(12)-O(3)      | 178.8 (3)   |

amine Et<sub>2</sub>NH to produce the molybdenum amide CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>- $(syn-\eta^3-C_3H_4CONEt_2)$  (2e). Reduction of the ester 2a with 3 molar equiv of DIBAL-H yielded CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn- $\eta^3$ - $C_3H_4CH_2OH$ ) (2f) in 35% yield.

The molecular structure of 2e has been elucidated by X-ray diffraction. An ORTEP drawing of the structure is given in Figure 1 and selected bond distances and angles are given in Table I. The allyl mouth has an endo orientation with respect to the Cp group. On the amide moiety, the nitrogen atom shows partial  $\pi$ -bonding to the C(9) atoms, as indicated by its planar geometry as well as the relatively short C(9)-N distances (1.350 (8) Å) with respect to the length of the normal CN single bond (1.47 (1) Å). The C(9)-O(1) bond (1.231 (8) Å) is slightly longer than the normal CO double bond (1.20 Å).

Transformation to the s-trans-Diene Cation. The syn isomer of 2b was readily separable from the anti form on a silica column. Reduction of the syn isomer with NaBH<sub>4</sub> in CH<sub>3</sub>OH, followed by hydrolysis, produced  $CpMo(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4CH(OH)-$ CH<sub>3</sub>) (2g) in good yield (85%). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 2g showed the presence of exo and endo conformers. This exo-endo assignment is based on both a comparison of the chemical shifts of the allylic protons and a variable-temperature <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, which exhibits a low barrier ( $\Delta G^* = 15.3 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ ) to exchange of the two conformers according to a metal-allyl bond rotation mechanism. The assignment of the RR,SS configuration to 2g relies on structural elucidation of 2b. An ORTEP drawing is provided in Figure 2. The allyl and carbonyl atoms are in a sickle-shaped conformation. 2g presumably arose from hydride addition to the carbonyl group trans to the  $CpMo(CO)_2$  unit. The syn isomer of 2b reacted with CH<sub>3</sub>Li and PhLi to give CpMo- $(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4C(OH)RCH_3)$  (R = CH<sub>3</sub> (2h), Ph (2i)). 2h and 2i each exist in exo and endo conformations. As a general feature of 2f-2i, the exo isomer exhibited H<sup>1</sup> and H<sup>4</sup> resonances at  $\delta$  0.17-0.18 and 1.8-2.0 ppm, respectively, whereas the cor-



Figure 3. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 3a in the  $\delta$  4.00–5.00 ppm (acetone- $d_6$ ), which shows the six inequivalent butadiene resonances.

Table III. Product Analysis of the Reaction between 3b and Nucleophiles

|                         | yield, %  |           |  |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Nu                      | product A | product B |  |
| H <sub>2</sub> O (2i)   | 75        |           |  |
| CH <sub>3</sub> OH (4a) | 67        |           |  |
| $C_2H_5OH(4b)$          | 59        |           |  |
| $C_2H_5SH(4c)$          | 34        | 24        |  |
| $(CH_3)_2 CHNH_2$ (4d)  | 57        |           |  |
| $[(CH_3)_2CH]_2NH$ (4e) | 7         | 42        |  |
| CH <sub>3</sub> Li (4f) | 49        |           |  |

responding protons of the endo isomer resonated at  $\delta$  1.7-2.0 and 2.8-3.0 ppm, respectively. The chemical shift differences of these two isomers arise from the different allyl orientation with respect to the Cp group. For 2i, only one diastereoisomer was isolated and assigned to the RS,SR configuration; presumably PhLi added trans to the  $CpMo(CO)_2$  unit.

An interesting stereochemical transformation of the  $\eta^3$ -allyl alcohol is the formation of the s-trans- $\eta^4$ -diene cation.<sup>9,10</sup> The cations 3a and 3b were generated as yellow-orange precipitates



as the alcohols 2f and 2g were treated with 1 molar equiv of  $(CF_3SO_2)_2O$  in ether at -78 °C. The s-trans- $\eta^4$ -dienes **3a** and **3b** in solid form are stable to air and can be kept at -20 °C for several days; their elemental analyses are satisfactory. Characterization of 3a was achieved by <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra in acetone- $d_6$  at -40 °C. In the case of **3b**, characterization by NMR spectra encountered difficulties because of its facile conversion to the more stable s-cis- $\eta^4$ -pentadiene (3d) in acetone- $d_6$ . In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3a** (Figure 3), six inequivalent butadiene protons were observed in the  $\delta$  4.0-5.0 ppm region and, interestingly, one of the internal protons resonated the most upfield ( $\delta$  4.15 ppm). The magnitude  $J_{34} = 8.2$  Hz is considerably larger than that of common s-cis-butadienes. The four butadiene carbons resonate at  $\delta$  66.1, 67.1, 84.9, and 96.2 ppm. The unsymmetric butadiene environment remains until the temperature is warmed to 0 °C, where the NMR signals turn broad and show resonances identical with those of the s-cis-butadiene 3c. In the case of 3d, two s-cis-diene species (cis, trans-pentadiene) were observed to reach a state of equilibrium at which the trans/cis ratio is ca. 15; each of the latter exists in exo and endo stereoisomers. As confirmed in an early report,<sup>8a</sup> these four isomers undergo exchange via a mechanism in which both metal-diene rotation and metal-diene flipping are operative.

Although the s-trans-diene cation 3b could not be characterized by NMR spectra, the salt in ether at -40 °C displayed a remarkable reactivity toward diverse nucleophiles including H2O, alcohol, amine, thiol, and alkyllithium. Structural analyses of the products enable one to characterize the diene configuration; a summary of the results appears in Table III. In a typical

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reaction, nucleophiles were added to 3b in ether at -40 °C, which led to gradual disappearance of 3b. Two classes of products A and B were obtained, which resulted from the addition at the  $\alpha$ and  $\delta$ -carbons of the ligand. The regioselectivity depended strongly on the size of the entering group. Small nucleophiles H<sub>2</sub>O, CH<sub>3</sub>OH, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH, CH<sub>3</sub>Li, and (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CHNH<sub>2</sub> yielded only type A products whereas (Me<sub>2</sub>CH)<sub>2</sub>NH produced only the type B product. For C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>SH, both A and B products were produced and readily separated on a silica column in the yields 44% and 31%, respectively. We conclude that type A complexes retain configuration identical with that of 2g as hydrolysis of the cation regenerates 2g. This result implies that nucleophiles added trans to the s-trans-diene. In type B, the anti-methyl group is indicated by not only the coupling constant  $J_{12} = 7.0$  and  $J_{23} = 10.2$  Hz but also the relatively upfield resonance ( $\delta 1.00$  ppm) in the exo isomer. The methylene protons H<sup>4</sup> and H<sup>5</sup> are diastereotopic and exhibit an ABX pattern. The yields of A and B provided direct evidence for generation of the s-trans- $\eta^4$ -cis-pentadiene configuration of 3b. For further comparison, we have examined the reaction of 3d with H<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>3</sub>OH, which yielded products assigned to  $CpMo(CO)_2(anti-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4CH(Nu)(CH_3))$  (Nu = OCH<sub>3</sub> (4g), OH (4h)). The products are assumed to have an anti substituent as indicated by the coupling constant  $J_{34} = 7.2$  Hz.

The mechanism of the formation of the *s*-trans-diene **3b** derived from **2g** deserves special attention. The process precludes the formation of a free carbonium ion at the  $CH(CH_3)$  carbon. According to our proposal, the Fisher projection below represents the key conformation of the intermediates in which the  $CF_3SO_3$ anion lies trans to the  $CPMO(CO)_2$  unit. Apparently the ioni-



zation process follows an intramolecular S<sub>N</sub>2 mechanism<sup>11</sup> in which



Figure 4. ORTEP drawing of 6b.

the CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub> unit acts as a base to displace CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anion in the opposite direction. The resulting *s*-*trans*- $\eta^4$ -*cis*-pentadiene is further stabilized by the CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub> fragment. A similar process is known for derivatives of ferrocene<sup>11</sup> and (butadiene) iron tricarbonyl complexes.<sup>12</sup>

Imination and Enolate Formation. Complex 2b was further converted to imine in the presence of  $BF_3$ ,  $EtO_2$ . The isopropylimine derivative (5a) was isolated as brick red crystals in



ca. 65% yield. Further protonation of **5a** in ether by HBF<sub>4</sub> ether gave the iminium salt **5b** in ca. 82% yield. Examination of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data indicates that **5b** adopts an  $\eta^3$ -allyl rather than *s-trans*-diene mode because of its close resemblance to **5a** in its <sup>1</sup>H NMR pattern. The presence of the  $\nu$ (CN) double bond is shown by its infrared absorption at 1612 (w) cm<sup>-1</sup>. Complex **5b** was further reduced by NaBH<sub>4</sub> in THF and produced CpMo-(CO)<sub>2</sub>(*syn*- $\eta^3$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CHCH<sub>3</sub>NHCHMe<sub>2</sub>) (**4d**). The latter has also been obtained from the reaction involving Me<sub>2</sub>CHNH<sub>2</sub> and *s-trans*- $\eta^4$ -diene (**3b**).

Organometallic complexes bearing enolate have been utilized effectively in synthetic chemistry; the most prominent example is the iron-acyl enolate CpFe(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)(COCH<sub>2</sub>Li).<sup>7</sup> The ketone methyl of the syn isomer of 2b is acidic and readily formed the enolate upon treatment with lithium diisopropylamide at -40 °C in THF. The enolate is stable at -40 °C and was alkylated with CH<sub>3</sub>l to give **6a**. Treatment of this enolate with aldehyde gave  $CpM_0(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-C_3H_4COCH_2CH(OH)R)$  (R = Ph (6b),  $CH_3$  (6c),  $(CH_3)_2CH$  (6d)) in two diastereomers; the ratios were 87:13, 78:22, and 53:47 for 6b, 6c, and 6d, respectively. The two diastereomers were distinguished by the high-field proton resonances of the CHCO and CH(OH) hydrogens at these two asymmetric carbons but were more distinguishable in the methylene protons. As a common feature, the methylene protons of the major isomers of **6b-6d** have a greater separation of chemical shifts and a larger geminal coupling constant than those of the minor isomers. The major isomer of 6b has been obtained in pure form by fractional crystallization from a saturated ether solution. The specific configuration of the molecule has been clarified by X-ray diffraction; an ORTEP drawing is provided in Figure 4. Similar to 2b, the allyl and ketone carbons retain a sickle-shaped conformation. The OH group tilts away from the C(6)-O(3)group and evidently no intramolecular hydrogen bond is formed. The isolation of this diastereomer has been utilized for stereoselective synthesis of 1,3-diol after reduction with  $NaBH_4$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH; only one diastereomer was formed in 81% yield. The

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Table IV. Bond Lengths and Bond Angles of 6b

| Bond Lengths, Å    |            |                 |             |
|--------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Mo(1)-C(1)         | 1.938 (7)  | Mo(1)-C(2)      | 1.955 (12)  |
| Mo(1)-C(3)         | 2.346 (11) | Mo(1)-C(4)      | 2.207 (9)   |
| Mo(1)-C(5)         | 2.325 (8)  | O(1) - C(1)     | 1.163 (8)   |
| O(2) - C(2)        | 1.136 (15) | O(3)-C(6)       | 1.244 (10)  |
| O(4) - C(8)        | 1.427 (11) | C(3) - C(4)     | 1.379 (13)  |
| C(4) - C(5)        | 1.415 (14) | C(5)-C(6)       | 1.461 (10)  |
| C(6) - C(7)        | 1.488 (13) | C(7)-C(8)       | 1.510 (11)  |
| Bond Angles, deg   |            |                 |             |
| C(1)-Mo(1)-C(2)    | 79.2 (5)   | C(1)-Mo(1)-C(3  | ) 72.6 (4)  |
| C(2)-Mo(1)-C(3)    | 112.7 (5)  | C(1)-Mo(1)-C(4) | ) 105.7 (4) |
| C(2)-Mo(1)-C(4)    | 109.1 (4)  | C(3)-Mo(1)-C(4  | ) 35.1 (3)  |
| C(1)-Mo(1)-C(5)    | 112.0 (3)  | C(2)-Mo(1)-C(5  | ) 75.6 (4)  |
| C(3)-Mo(1)-C(5)    | 62.5 (4)   | C(4)-Mo(1)-C(5) | ) 36.3 (4)  |
| $M_0(1)-C(1)-O(1)$ | 179.6 (8)  | Mo(1)-C(2)-O(2  | ) 177.6 (9) |
| Mo(1)-C(3)-C(4)    | 66.9 (6)   | Mo(1)-C(4)-C(3) | ) 78.0 (6)  |
| Mo(1)-C(4)-C(5)    | 76.4 (5)   | C(3)-C(4)-C(5)  | 120.3 (8)   |
| $M_0(1)-C(5)-C(4)$ | 67.3 (5)   | Mo(1)-C(5)-C(6  | ) 114.1 (6) |
| C(4) - C(5) - C(6) | 121.2 (7)  | O(3)-C(6)-C(5)  | 120.2 (8)   |
| O(3)-C(6)-C(7)     | 121.1 (7)  | C(5)-C(6)-C(7)  | 118.7 (7)   |
| C(6)-C(7)-C(8)     | 115.4 (7)  | O(4)-C(8)-C(7)  | 106.3 (6)   |

Scheme VI



specific configuration depicted is assigned to 6e; presumably, hydride added trans to the ketone with respect to the bulky CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub> unit.

It is of great interest to compare the diastereoselectivity of the well-known enolate  $CpFe(CO)(PPh_3)(COCH_2Li)$ , which gives 1:1 diastereomers with lithium as the counterion.<sup>7</sup> In the presence of zinc chloride and diisobutylaluminum chloride, the aldol reaction of iron-acyl enolate was achieved with excellent diastereoselectivity. Nevertheless, the ketone of **6b** and **6c** can be further functionalized. In this manner, the synthetic application of the enolates in our system may be superior to those of iron-acyl analogues if the diastereoselectivity can be further improved with suitable ions.

Asymmetric 1,3-Diol Synthesis. Stereoselective synthesis of 1,3-diol has been a subject of considerable interest because it is a basic skeleton for natural products such as polyoxo ionophores, macrolides, and ansamycins.<sup>13,14</sup> The ultimate aim of this study is to provide an efficient asymmetric synthesis of 1,3-diol and homologues according to Scheme VI. The dicarbonyl complex 2g was treated with NOBF<sub>4</sub> in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at 0 °C. After purification, the NO- $\eta^3$ -allyl salt (7a) was treated with LiCl to yield the chloride 7b. Purification of 7b was achieved by means of silica column chromatography. Notably, one diastercomer was observed for 7a and 7b, which contain three chiral centers. Stirring of 7b with 2.5 molar equiv of benzaldehyde in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> in the presence of CH<sub>3</sub>OH, after 2 days, led to gradual deposition of a red precipitate. The acetal 7c was isolated in 52% yield from the CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

Scheme VII





phase. The reaction proceeded in a highly stereospecific manner and no second diastereomer was detected in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR limit. The specific configuration of this six-member acetal has been readily elucidated by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra. The magnitudes of the coupling constants  $J_{23} = 2.3$  and  $J_{34} = 2.1$  Hz imply that H<sup>2</sup> and H<sup>4</sup> occupy axial positions where H<sup>3</sup> is situated in an equatorial position. This structural assignment is further confirmed by a NOE experiment; irradiation of the H<sup>2</sup> resonance gives rise to 6.2% an 3.2% increases in intensities of the H<sup>1</sup> and H<sup>4</sup> protons, respectively. Hydrolysis of 7c with p-CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H gave 1,3-diol 7d in a single isomer (56% yield, diastereomeric purity >98%). This synthetic approach is extensive and has been further applied to 1,3,5-triol synthesis. The chloride complex 8a was similarly prepared from 6e in a moderate yield (48%). Treatment of 8a with benzaldehyde/CH<sub>3</sub>OH, after 2 days, stereospecifically produced the acetal 8b (51%). No second acetal was observed in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR limit. Its structural assignment relies primarily on a 2D COSY spectrum. In a NOE experiment, the H<sup>1</sup> signal ( $\delta$  5.97 ppm) exerted significant Overhauser enhancement on the  $H^2$  and  $H^4$  signals whereas the  $CH_2CH(OH)Ph$  was unaffected. Hydrolysis of **8b** with p-CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H produced the sole triol (8c) in 43% in a single diastereomer.

It is imperative to correlate the stereochemistry of 7c and 7d with that of 2g. Based on Faller's concept.<sup>6</sup> a plausible mechanism is proposed in Scheme VII. According to our related work,<sup>15</sup> for 7a, NO<sup>+</sup> replaces the carbonyl trans to the CH(OH)CH<sub>3</sub> group in the exo isomer. Subsequently, chloride replaces the remaining CO ligand<sup>16</sup> to give the only detectable *exo*-7b isomer. The exo conformation is indicated by the long-range NMR coupling between the H<sup>2</sup> and Cp protons (J = 1.2 Hz). A 2 D NOSEY spectrum confirmed this stereochemical arrangement. In 7b the allyl carbon trans to NO tends to dissociate<sup>17</sup> to leave a vacant

<sup>(15)</sup> In our unpublished results, we have determined the molecular structure of the NO salt of **2b**. Reduction of the salt gives the  $\eta^2$ -trans-2-pentene in two isomers, which interconvert at low temperature ( $\Delta G^* = 11.2$  kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>).



Similarly, reduction of 7a gave the same product. This result implies that NO is trans to the CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)OH group in the exo isomer of 7a. (16) Faller, J. W.; Chodosh, D. F.; Katahira, D. J. Organomet. Chem. 1980, 187, 227.

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site for benzaldehyde. In view of the interligand steric hindrance within the metal coordination sphere once benzaldehyde is coordinated, two chairlike transition states are generated. The preferred aldehyde orientation is required by decreased interaction with the CpMo(NO)(Cl) fragment; thus, the  $\eta^1$ -allyl group adds to the re face of the aldehyde. The ultimate control of the diastereoselectivity is governed by the transition state B, which places the bulky phenyl and CH(OH)CH<sub>3</sub> groups at the equatorial positions to minimize the interligand steric hindrance. In contrast, the insignificant role of state A is attributed to its axial phenyl group, which exerts increased steric interaction with the Cp group; thus, its addition product is not observed in the course of reaction.

#### Conclusion

Functionalization of the ketone group adjacent to the molybdenum- $\eta^3$ -allyl unit proceeds in a highly stereoselective manner. Of particular interest, the Mo-syn- $\eta^3$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>R unit is effective in directing chiral carbon induction, particularly in the course of s-trans-diene formation, aldol condensation, and 1,3-diol and 1,3,5-triol asymmetric synthesis. Stereoselective synthesis of the 1,3-diol skeleton has been a main issue in synthetic organic chemistry. In principle, all the new  $\eta^3$ -allyl functionalized compounds can be further utilized and provide a convenient route in synthesis of 1,3-difunctional homoallyllic alcohols. Studies in this direction are currently in progress.

#### Experimental Section

All operations were carried out under argon in a Schlenk apparatus or in a glovebox. The solvents benzene, diethyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, and hexane were dried with sodium/benzophenone and distilled before use. Dichloromethane and chloroform were dried over calcium hydride and distilled. Anhydrous trimethylamine oxide was prepared by subliming its dihydrate (Fluka) at 110 °C without further purification. Mo(CO)<sub>6</sub>, LiCl, NOBF<sub>4</sub>, and triphenylphosphine (Strem Chemicals) were used without further purification. CpMo(CO)<sub>3</sub>Na,<sup>18</sup> 5-chloro-3penten-2-one, and methyl-4-chloro-2-butenoate19 were prepared according to procedures in the literature.

All <sup>1</sup>H (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz) spectra were obtained on a Bruker AM-400 spectrometer; the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C spectra were referenced to tetramethylsilane. Microanalyses were performed by the Microanalytic Laboratory at National Taiwan University. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 781 spectrophotometer.

Synthesis of  $CpMo(CO)_3(\eta^1 \cdot 1 - C_3H_4COOMe)$  (1a). A tetrahydrofuran solution (50 mL) of CoMo(CO)<sub>3</sub>Na (5.36 g, 20 mmol) was stirred with methyl 4-chloro-2-butenoate (2.82 g, 21 mmol) at 23 °C for 6 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, leaving a red residue, which was then chromatographed on a silica column with a hexane/ether (4:1) mixture as the eluting solvent. After elution of a purple band of [CpMo(CO)<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub>, 1a was obtained as a yellow band as a hexane/ether (1:1) eluting solvent was used. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded an air-stable oil (3.85 g, 11.2 mmol). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\nu$ (CO) 2022 (s), 1934 (s), 1696 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\nu$ (C=C) 1590 (w) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz): E isomer (48%)  $\delta$  2.26 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.68 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.28 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.55 (d, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 7.25 (dt, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 7.25 (dt, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>),  $J_{12} = 9.7$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 14.9$  Hz; Z isomer (48%)  $\delta$  2.86 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.65 (s, 2 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 3 H, OCH<sub>5</sub>), 5.34 (d, 3 H, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 6.61 (q, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>),  $J_{12} = 10.5$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 11.1$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 318 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO), 290 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{13}H_{12}MoO_5$ : C, 45.35; H, 3.94. Found: C, 45.42; H, 3.95

Synthesis of CpMo(CO)<sub>3</sub>( $\eta^1$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>COMe) (1b). This complex was similarly prepared from the reaction between CpMo(CO)<sub>3</sub>Na and 5chloro-3-penten-2-one; the yield was 58%. 1R (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\nu$ (CO) 2022 (s), 1930 (s), 1653 (m) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): *E* isomer (81%)  $\delta$  2.18 (s, 3 H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.28 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 5.27 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.87 (d, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 7.18 (dt, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>),  $J_{12} = 9.4$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 15.2$  Hz; Z isomer (19%)  $\delta$  2.95 (s, 3 H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.30 (d, 2 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 5.32 (s, 5 H,  $C_5H_5$ ), 5.68 (d, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 6.42 (q, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>),  $J_{12} = 10.0$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 10.5$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 302 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO), 274 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO), 246 (M<sup>+</sup> - 3CO). Anal. Calcd for C13H12MoO4: C, 47.56; H, 3.66. Found: C, 47.38; H, 3.56

Synthesis of  $CpMo(CO)_2(\eta^3-1-C_3H_4COOMe)$  (2a). A 25-mL dichloromethane solution of 1a (3.44 g, 10 mmol) was stirred with an-

hydrous trimethylamine oxide (0.92 g, 12 mmol) at 25 °C for 2 h. After the solution was evaporated to dryness, the residues were twice extracted with 20 mL of ether. The extract was then evaporated to dryness and the residues were chromatographed through a silica gel column with a hexane/ether (4:1) mixture as the eluting solvent. After the unwanted purple band of  $[CpMo(CO)_3]_2$  was eluted, two yellow bands were developed as a hexane/ether (1:1) eluting solvent was used. The syn- $\eta^3$ isomer was obtained as a yellow crystalline solid (1.64 g, 5.19 mmol) after removal of the solvent from the first band. The anti- $\eta^3$  isomer in the form of an orange oil (1.28 g, 4.05 mmol) was obtained from the second band. 1R (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\nu$ (CO) 1958 (s), 1879 (s), 1705 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): syn-exo isomer δ 1.20 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.69 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.92 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.68 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.92 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.27 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 11.1$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.4$  Hz,  $J_{12} = 1.5$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.5$  Hz; syn-endo isomer  $\delta$  2.08 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.56 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.75 (d, 1 H,  $\dot{H}^2$ ), 3.68 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.43 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.30 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13}$ = 10.7 Hz,  $J_{23}$  = 6.5 Hz,  $J_{34}$  = 9.5 Hz; anti-exo isomer  $\delta$  2.74 (d, 1 H,  $H^{1}$ ), 3.30 (d,  $\tilde{1}$  H,  $H^{2}$ ), 3.50 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.68 (d, 1 H,  $H^{4}$ ), 4.39 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>),  $J_{13} = 11.6$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.9$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 7.8$  Hz; anti-endo isomer 5 3.02 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.58 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.75 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.85 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 4.15 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.18 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>3</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.3$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 7.0$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 318 (M<sup>+</sup>), 290 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO), 262 (M<sup>+</sup> -2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>: C, 45.57; H, 3.80. Found: C, 45.72: H. 3.90

Synthesis of CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>( $\eta^3$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>COCH<sub>3</sub>) (2b), Preparation of this compound was conducted like that of 2a. The syn and anti isomers were separated by means of a silica column; the yields were 52% and 8%, respectively. IR  $(CH_2Cl_2)$ : 1956 (s), 1876 (s), 1622 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>H</sup>NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): syn-exo isomer δ 1.23 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.89 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.19 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.96 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.95 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.19 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 11.5$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.5$  Hz; syn-endo isomer  $\delta$  2.09 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.14 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.77 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.88 (s, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 4.35 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.28 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 11.2$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.6$ Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.6$  Hz; anti-exo isomer  $\delta$  1.93 (s, 3 H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.76 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.36 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.92 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 4.43 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.30 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 12.0$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 8.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 7.0$  Hz; anti-endo isomer  $\delta$  2.08 (s, 3 H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.10 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.78 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 4.07 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 4.15 (m, 1 H, H), 5.13 (s, 5 H,  $C_5H_5$ ),  $J_{13} = 11.2$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.0 \text{ Hz}, J_{34} = 7.2 \text{ Hz}.$  MS (12 eV): 302 (M<sup>+</sup>), 274 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO), 246 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>MeO<sub>3</sub>: C, 48.00; H, 4.00. Found: C, 47.98; H. 4.04.

Synthesis of CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn- $\eta^3$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>COOH) (2c), The syn isomer of 2a (0.52 g, 1.6 mmol) in 20 mL of THF was refluxed with 2.4 mL of aqueous Bu<sub>4</sub>NOH (20% wt) for 0.5 h. To the resulting dark red solution was slowly added 2 M HCl to produce a yellow precipitate. After collection of the precipitate by filtration, the yellow power was washed with 5 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O and then 5 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and was further recrystallized from CH<sub>3</sub>CN under slow evaporation to produce orange crystals (0.39 1.30 mmol). 1R (Nujol): v(CO) 1955 (s), 1877 (s), 1713 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.00 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 5.0 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>),  $J_{13} = 11.0$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.8$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.8$  Hz; endo isomer  $\delta$  2.33 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.74 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.78 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.35 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.50 (3, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 11.0$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.6$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.8$  Hz. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, acctance.d<sub>6</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  38.8 (CH<sup>1</sup>H<sup>2</sup>), 48.1 (CH<sup>4</sup>), 72.8 (CH<sup>3</sup>), 93.7 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 174.1 (COOH), 238.5, 239.3 (2 Mo-CO) endo isomer  $\delta$  35.9 (CH<sup>1</sup>H<sup>2</sup>), 44.4 (CH<sup>4</sup>), 89.5 (CH<sup>3</sup>), 91.5 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 175.2 (COOH), 235.5, 237.5 (2Mo-CO). MS (12 eV):  $304 (M^+)$ ,  $276 (M^+ - CO)$ ,  $248 (M^+ - 2CO)$ . Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>10</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>: C, 43.71; H, 3.31. Found: C, 43.64; H, 3.37.

Synthesis of  $CpMo(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4COCI)$  (2d), Oxalyl chloride (0.024 g, 0.18 mmol) was added to a dichloromethane (10 mL) solution of 2c (0.10 g, 0.33 mmol) at 23 °C and stirred for 30 min. After removal of the solvent in vacuo, the dark brown residues were twice washed with pentane at -40 °C. After recrystallization from ether at -40 °C produced a red crystalline solid (0.06 g, 0.18 mmol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer δ 1.33 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.83 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.92 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.92 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.26 (s, 5 H,  $C_5H_5$ ),  $J_{13} = 11$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.4 \text{ Hz}, J_{34} = 9.0 \text{ Hz}$ ; endo isomer  $\delta$  2.20 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.65 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.69 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.39 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.33 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13}$ = 10.6 Hz,  $J_{23}$  = 6.5 Hz,  $J_{34}$  = 9.6 Hz. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  40.1 (CH<sup>1</sup>H<sup>2</sup>), 52.3 (CH<sup>4</sup>), 12.3 (CH<sup>3</sup>), 93.8 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 173.0 (COCl), 235.9, 235.7 (2Mo-CO): endo isomer  $\delta$  35.3 (CH<sup>1</sup>H<sup>2</sup>), 50.3 (CH<sup>4</sup>), 72.3 (CH<sup>3</sup>), 91.2 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 172.4 (COCl), 236.7, 236.9 (2Mo-C-O). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>9</sub>MoO<sub>3</sub>Cl: C, 41.20; H, 2.80. Found: C, 42.00: H. 2.94

Synthesis of  $CpMo(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4CONEt_2)$  (2e), Diethylamine (5 mL) was added to a dichloromethane solution of 2d (0.11 g, 0.34 mmol) at 0 °C, resulting in a color change from red to yellow. The solution was evaporated to dryness, and the residues were crystallized from ether at -40 °C to produce red needle crystals (0.09 g, 0.25 mmol).

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1R:  $\nu$ (CO) 1947 (s), 1862 (s), 1710 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  1.11 and 1.17 (t, t, 3 H, 3 H, NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.22 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.04 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.06 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.18 (m, 2 H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.58, 3.74 (m, m, 1 H, 1 H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.07 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.27 (5 H, s, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 11.5$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.2$  Hz; endo isomer (selected peak)  $\delta$  2.03 (1 H, d, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.65 (1 H, d, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.85 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.55 (d, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NMoO<sub>3</sub>: C, 5.042; H, 3.92. Found: C, 50.55; H, 4.10.

Synthesis of  $CpMo(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4CH_2OH)$  (2f). Complex 2a (0.30 g, 0.96 mmol) in 20 mL of ether was treated with 1.60 mL of 1.2 N DIBAL-H in hexane at -78 °C and the resultant mixture stirred for 2 h. The solution was warmed to room temperature and added to a saturated aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> solution. The ether layer was decanted and the aqueous solution was twice extracted with 20 mL of ether. The combined extract were concentrated and eluted on a silica column with a hexane/ether (1:1) mixed solvent. Two yellow bands were developed. The first band consisted of unreacted 3a. Evaporation of the second band to dryness produced a yellow solid 2f (0.19 g, 0.66 mmol). IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (OH) 3562 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\nu$ (CO) 1947 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; 1860 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; 1860 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup> <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  0.80 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.68 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.55 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.62 (dd, 1 H, CHH<sup>1</sup>OH), 4.05 (dd, 1 H, CHH'OH), 4.08 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>),  $J_{13} = 10.3$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.8$  Hz,  $J_{34} =$ 6.8 Hz,  $J_{4H} = 4$  Hz,  $J_{4H'} = 8.8$  Hz,  $J_{CHH'} = 12.0$  Hz; endo isomer (selected peak)  $\delta$  1.76 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.56 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.76 (m, 2 H,  $H^{4}+CHH'OH$ ), 3.90 (dd, 1 H, CHH'OH), 4.00 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>),  $J_{13} = 10.4$ Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.6$  Hz,  $J_{4H} = 7.0$  Hz,  $J_{HH^{1}} = 11.0$  Hz. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>12</sub>MoO<sub>3</sub>: C, 45.83; H, 4.17. Found: C, 45.71; H, 4.09.

Synthesis of CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn-η<sup>3</sup>-1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH(OH)CH<sub>3</sub>) (2g). Complex 2b (1.0 g, 3.33 mmol) was stirred with NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.70 g, 18.0 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (20 mL) at room temperature for 0.5 h. As the solution turned from orange to light yellow, 2 N HCl was added to achieve neutralization. The solution was evaporated to dryness and the residues were extracted with ether. Further eluting through silica gel with a Et<sub>2</sub>O/hexane (1:1) solvent produced a yellow oil. Removal of the solvent gave a yellow oil **2g** (0.93 g, 3.05 mmol). IR (in Nujol):  $\nu$ (OH) 3502 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\nu$ (CO) 1948 (s), 1872 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz): exo isomer  $\delta$  0.81 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.47 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.82 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.72 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.95 (m, 1 H, CH(OH)), 4.06 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.33 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.4$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.8$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.0$  Hz,  $J_{4H} = 8.0$  Hz,  $J_{CH_3-CH} = 6.2 \text{ Hz}$ ; endo isomer  $\delta$  1.46 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.78 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.67 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.77 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.64 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 3.95 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 5.26 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{CH_3-H} = 6.0$  Hz,  $J_{13} = 10.6$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.5$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.8$  Hz,  $J_{4H} = 6.8$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 304 (M<sup>+</sup>), 248 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for CH<sub>12</sub>H<sub>14</sub>MoO<sub>3</sub>: C, 47.68; H, 4.64. Found: C, 47.58; H, 4.58.

Synthesis of  $CpMo(CO)_2(syn-\eta^3-1-C_3H_4COH(CH_3)R)$  (R = CH<sub>3</sub> (2h), Ph (2i)), Complex 2b (0.15 g, 0.50 mmol) in 20 mL of THF was treated with 0.3 mL of CH<sub>3</sub>Li (1.6 M in hexane) at -78 °C and the resultant mixture was stirred for 2 h. As the solution was warmed to room temperature, 10 mL of aqueous NH4Cl was added for neutralization. The solution was concentrated to 10 mL, followed by addition of 20 mL of ether. The ether layer was decanted, and the remaining aqueous solution was twice extracted with 20 mL of ether. The combined ether solution was evaporated to dryness, and the residues were eluted through a silica column with a hexane/ether (7:3) mixture as solvent. A yellow band was developed, collected, and evaporated to dryness, to afford a yellow viscous solid **2h** (0.09 g, 0.28 mmol). IR (in Nujol):  $\nu$ (OH) 3512 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\nu$ (CO) 1950 (s), 1880 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  0.72 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.48, 1.55 (s, s, 3 H, 3 H, 2 s-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.85 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.65 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.15 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.34 (m, 1 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); endo isomer  $\delta J_{12} = 10.8$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.8$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.2$ Hz,  $J_{CH_3H} = 9.0$  Hz; endo isomer  $\delta$  1.43 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.78 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.95 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.78 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.26 (s, 5 H, C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.4$ Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.8$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.0$  Hz,  $J_{H-CH_3} = 9.2$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 318 (M<sup>+</sup>), 262 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>MoO<sub>3</sub>: C, 49.37; H, 5.06. Found: C, 49.20; H, 4.92. Compound 2i was obtained similarly from PhLi addition to **2b**; the yield was 52%. IR (in Nujol):  $\nu$ (OH) 3523 (m) cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\nu$ (OH) 1922 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; 1834 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer 8 0.70 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.86 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.59 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.16 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.26 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.34–7.55 (m, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.3$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.1$  Hz; endo isomer  $\delta 1.73$  (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.80 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.06 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.89 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 7.35-7.55 (m, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.2$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.4$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 380 (M<sup>+</sup>), 324 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>MoO<sub>3</sub>: C, 57.14; H, 4.76. Found: C, 57.41; H, 4.48.

Synthesis of  $[CpMo(CO)_2(s - trans - \eta^4 - butadiene)]CF_3SO_3$  (3a). Complex 2f (0.15 g, 0.52 mmol) in 30 mL of ether was treated with (CF<sub>3</sub>S-O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>O (0.15 g, 0.53 mmol) at -78 °C, resulting in formation of a yellow precipitate (0.19 g, 0.45 mmol), which was collected by filtration. IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 2033 (s), 1971 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, ace-

tone- $d_6$ , -40 °C):  $\delta$  4.15 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 4.18 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 4.25 (d, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 4.32 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.82 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 4.89 (d, 1 H, H<sup>6</sup>),  $J_{13}$  = 12.1 Hz,  $J_{23}$  = 6.8 Hz,  $J_{34}$  = 8.2 Hz,  $J_{45}$  = 6.4 Hz,  $J_{56}$  = 13.1 Hz. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ , -40 °C):  $\delta$  66.1, 67.1, 84.9, 96.2, 96.8 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 211.1, 232.7. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>MoO<sub>5</sub>SF<sub>3</sub>: C, 34.29; H, 2.62. Found: C, 34.36; H, 2.58.

Synthesis of  $[(CpMo(CO)_2(s - trans - \eta^4 - cis - pentadiene)]CF_3SO_3 (3b)$ , This cation was prepared similarly from the reaction between  $(CF_3S-O_2)_2O$  and 2g; the yield was 87%. IR (Nujol):  $\nu(CO)$  2035 (s), 1973 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{13}H_{13}MoO_5SF_3$ : C, 35.94; H, 3.00. Found: C, 35.10; H, 3.31. Characterization of this complex by NMR spectra was unsuccessful because of its facile conversion to  $\eta^4$ -s-cis-pentadiene 3d. The s-trans configuration was proved by its reaction with diverse nucleophiles.

Reaction of 3b with Nucleophiles, (i)  $H_2O$  (5 mL) was added to 3b (0.43 g, 0.99 mmol) in 30 mL of ether at -40 °C with rapid stirring. After the solid 3b was completely dissolved, aqueous NaHCO3 solution was added. The solution was evaporated to dryness. Elution through a silica column produced a yellow band, which was collected and evaporated to dryness to yield an oil (0.22 g, 0.70 mmol), identified to be 2g. The  $\eta^3$ -allyls below were obtained similarly. Type A represents (*RR*-(*SS*))-CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(*syn-CH*<sub>2</sub>*CHCH*C(Nu)HCH<sub>3</sub>) and type B for CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn,anti- $\eta^3$ -CH<sub>2</sub>NuCHCHCH(CH<sub>3</sub>). (ii) Compound 4a (type A, Nu = OCH<sub>3</sub>, 73% yield). IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1950 (s), 1872 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer only  $\delta$  0.72 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.30 (d, 1 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.71 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.66 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.36 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.89 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 4.09 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.28 (s, 5 H,  $C_5H_5$ ),  $J_{12} = 10.5$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.8$  Hz,  $J_{45} = 6.8$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 318 (M<sup>+</sup>), 287 (M<sup>+</sup> – OMe), 262 (M<sup>+</sup> – 2CO). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{13}H_{16}MOO_3$ : C, 43.37; H, 5.06. Found: C, 43.24; H, 5.12. (iii) Compound 4b (type A, Nu = EtO, 72% yield). IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1942 (s), 1864 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  0.72 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.18 (1, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.30 (d, 3 H, CHCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.75 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.66 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.44, 3.63 (m, m, 2 H, OCHH<sup>1</sup>), 4.05 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 4.09 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.23 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{12} = 1.5$  Hz,  $J_{13} =$ 10.6 Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.3$  Hz,  $J_{45} = 3.8$  Hz,  $J_{5CH_3} = 6.2$  Hz; endo isomer (selected peak)  $\delta$  1.18 (t, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.37 (d, 3 H, CHCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.70 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.52 (d, 1 H<sup>1</sup>, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.75 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.58 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 3.70 (m, 1 H, CHCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.23 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.3$  Hz,  $J_{23} =$ 6.2 Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.1$  Hz,  $J_{45} = 3.9$  Hz. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{14}H_{18}MoO_3$ : C, 50.91; H, 5.45. Found: C, 50.62; H, 5.84. (iv) 4c (type A, Nu =  $C_2H_3S$ , yield 34%, type B, R =  $C_2H_3S$ , yield 24%). IR (Nujol):  $\nu(CO)$  1944 (s), 1868 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): type A, exo isomer δ 0.77 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.25 (m, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.33 (d, 3 H, CHCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.85 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.53 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.60 (m, 2 H, SCHH<sup>4</sup>), 3.38 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 4.10 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.27 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{12} = 1.8$  Hz,  $J_{13} =$ 10.4 Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.8$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.8$  Hz,  $J_{12} = 1.5$  Hz,  $J_{45} = 5.1$  Hz; endo isomer  $\delta$  1.25 (m, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.53 (d, 3 H, CHCH<sub>3</sub>), 11.65 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.53 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.60–2.63 (m, 3 H, H<sup>4</sup> + SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.12 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 3.62 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>),  $J_{13} = 10.2$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.8$  Hz,  $J_{CH_3-H} = 6.2$  Hz; type B  $\delta$  1.00 (d, 3 H, anti-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.28 (m, 3 H,  $CH_2CH_3$ , 2.18 (t, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 2.31 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.66 (m, 2 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.70 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 3.50 (m, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 4.00 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 5.24 (s, 5 H,  $C_5H_5$ ),  $J_{1-CH_3} = 6.6$  Hz,  $J_{12} = 7.3$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 10.0$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.0$  Hz,  $J_{35} = 3.6$  Hz,  $J_{45} = 13.2$  Hz; MS (12 eV): 348 (M<sup>+</sup>), 292 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{14}H_{18}MoO_2S$ : C, 48.55; H, 5.20. Found: C, 48.72; H, 5.32. (v) 4d (type A, R = Me<sub>2</sub>CHNH, yield 57%): IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\nu$ (CO) 1960 (s), 1890 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  0.72 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.06 (d, d, 3 H, 3 H, NCHMe<sub>2</sub>), 1.24 (d, 3 H, CHCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.78 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.04 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.91 (m, 1 H, NCH), 3.00 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 4.04 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.25 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), J<sub>12</sub> = 10.4 Hz,  $J_{23}$  = 7.2 Hz,  $J_{34}$  = 10.4 Hz,  $J_{45}$  = 6.5 Hz,  $J_{5-CH_3}$  = 6.4 Hz; endo isomer  $\delta$  1.06 (d, d, 3 H, 3 H, NCH $Me_2$ ), 1.30 (d, 3 H, CHCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.68 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.62 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.64 (t, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.91 (m, 1 H, NCHMe<sub>2</sub>), 3.00 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 3.60 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.24 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.3 \text{ Hz}, J_{23} = 6.7 \text{ Hz}, J_{34} = 9.8 \text{ Hz}, J_{5.CH_3} = 6.2 \text{ Hz}. \text{ MS} (12 \text{ eV}):$ 345 (M<sup>+</sup>), 317 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{15}H_{21}NMOO_2$ : C, 52.48; H, 6.12. Found: C, 52.32; H, 6.30. (vi) 4e (type B,  $R = N(CHMe_2)$ , yield 58%). IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1944 (s), 1870 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer δ 1.00 (d, 3 H, anti-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.09, 1.06 (d, d, 6 H, 6 H, CHMe<sub>2</sub>), 2.42 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.85 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 3.20 (m, 2 H, NCH), 3.33 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 3.42 (m, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.92 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  0.66 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.11, 1.19 (d, d, 3 H,  $3 H, CH_3$ , 1.63 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 1.76 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 2.66 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>),  $3.92 (m, 1 H, H^3)$ ,  $5.24 (s, 5 H, C_5H_5)$ ,  $J_{12} = 1.8 Hz$ ,  $J_{13} = 10.5 Hz$ ,  $J_{23}$ 

Table V. Summary of Crystal Data and Data Collection

| compound                                     | 6b  | 2e   | 2b  |
|--|---|--|---|
| empirical formula                            | C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>18</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Mo     | C15H19NO3Mo  | C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Mo |
| color, habit                                 | orange, needle  | red, chunky  | orange, chunky                                    |
| crystal size, mm                             | $0.05 \times 0.12 \times 0.25$                        | $0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.40$                     | $0.35 \times 0.40 \times 0.50$                    |
| space group                                  | monoclinic: P2,/c                                     | tetragonal: P4                                     | triclinic: P1                                     |
| cell dimens                                  |   |  |   |
| aÅ   | 14,901 (7)  | 11.113 (1)   | 7.040 (2)   |
| <u>ь</u> А                                   | 8 611 (4)   |  | 7 891 (3)   |
| c Å  | 13 830 (6)  | 12614 (3)  | 11 716 (8)  |
| a deg  | 13:050 (0)  | 12:011 (3)   | 98 67 (4)   |
| B deg  | 104 57 (3)  |  | 92.50(4)  |
| p, deg                                       | 104.57 (5)  |  | $\frac{92.30}{112.02}$                            |
| $\gamma, ucg$                                | 1717 5 (17)   | 1557 6 (4)   | 112.95 (5)<br>559 9 (5)                           |
| Vol, A <sup>2</sup>                          | 1/1/.5 (13)   | 1557.0 (4)   | 558.8 (5)   |
| Z  | 4   | 4  | 2   |
| form wt                                      | 406.3   | 357.26   | 293.11  |
| density <sub>caled</sub> , mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 1.571   | 1.523  | 1.653   |
| abs coeff, mm <sup>-1</sup>                  | 0.762   | 0.83   | 1.07  |
| F(000)                                       | 824   | 727.74   | 299.89  |
| diffractometer used                          | Nicolet R3m/V   | Enraf-Nonius, CAD4                                 | Enraf-Nonius, CAD4                                |
| radiation (λ, Å)                             | Μο Κα (0.71073)                                       | Μο Κα (0.7093)                                     | Μο Κα (0.7093)                                    |
| temp, K                                      | room  | room   | room  |
| monochromator                                | highly oriented graphite crystal                      | highly oriented graphite crystal                   | highly oriented graphite crystal                  |
| $2\theta$ range, deg                         | 2.5-50.0  | 2.0-50.0   | 2.0-50.0  |
| scan type                                    | $\theta/2\theta$                                      | $\theta/2\theta$                                   | $\theta/2\theta$                                  |
| scan speed, deg/min                          | 2,93-14.65  | 1.03-8.24  | 1.37-8.24   |
| scan range, deg                              | $1.00 + K\alpha$ separation                           | $0.65 \pm 0.35 \tan \theta$                        | $0.85 + 0.35 \tan \theta$                         |
| hgd meas                                     | stationary crystal and stationary counter at          | time spent on background                           | time spent on background                          |
| obe mees                                     | beginning and end of scan                             | at each ends is quarter                            | at each ends is quarter                           |
|  | each for 50.0% of total scan time                     | of peak scan time                                  | of neak scan time                                 |
| std refletns                                 | 3 meased /50 ref                                      | 3 meased /2 h                                      | 3 meased/2 h                                      |
| index ranges                                 | $-17 \le h \le 17$ $-10 \le k \le 0$ $0 \le l \le 16$ | $0 \le k \le 13$ $0 \le k \le 13$ $0 \le l \le 14$ | -8 < h < 7 $0 < k < 0$ $-13 < l < 13$             |
| no of refletne colleted                      | $-172 (1200 \times 2.0 - (D))$                        | $1585(1211 \times 2-(7))$                          | -62/12/, 02/25, -152/215                          |
| no of independ refleter                      | $2972 (1300 > 3.0 \sigma(I))$                         | 1303(1211 > 20(1))                                 | 2239(2000 > 20(1))                                |
| T /T   | $2023 (1213 > 3.0\sigma(1))$                          | $1432(1211 > 2\sigma(1))$                          | 2070 (2000 > 20(1))                               |
| 1 min / 1 max                                | 0.920/0.858   | 0.979/0.996  | 0.950/0.999                                       |
| solution                                     | Patterson methods                                     | Patterson methods                                  | Patterson methods                                 |
| extern corretn                               | $x = -0.000  10  (5)^a$                               | $g = 3.4 (4)^{5}$                                  | $g = 0.32 (6)^{\circ}$                            |
| hydrogen atom                                | fixed isotropic U                                     | fixed refinement flag                              | fixed refinement flag                             |
| weighting scheme                             | $w^{-1} = \sigma^2(F) + 0.0003F^2$                    | $w^{-1} = \sigma^2(F)$                             | $w^{-1} = \sigma^2(F)$                            |
| final R indices, %                           | $R = 3.50, R_w = 3.21$                                | $R = 2.4, R_w = 2.3$                               | $R = 2.3, R_{\rm w} = 2.8$                        |
| goodness of fit                              | 1.24  | 1.74   | 1.68  |
| largest and mean $\sigma$                    | 0.118, -0.001   | 0.040, 0.001                                       | 0.034, 0.001                                      |
| data to parameter ratio                      | 5.6:1   | 6.7:1  | 13.74:1   |
| largest diff peak, e/Å <sup>3</sup>          | 0.45  | 0.27   | 0.41  |
| largest diff hole, e/Å <sup>3</sup>          | -0.42   | 0.21   | 0.56  |

<sup>a</sup> Where  $F^* = F(1 + 0.002F^2 \sin 2\theta)^{-1/4}$ . <sup>b</sup> Where  $F_c = kF_c/(1 + g\beta F_c^2)^{1/4}$ .

= 7.3 Hz,  $J_{34}$  = 10.0 Hz,  $J_{45}$  = 1.8 Hz; endo isomer  $\delta$  1.11, 1.19 (d, d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.60 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.02 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 2.57 (t, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.60 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.50 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.20 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{5.CH_3}$  = 6.6 Hz,  $J_{13}$  = 10.3 Hz,  $J_{23}$  = 6.6 Hz,  $J_{34}$  =  $J_{45}$  = 9.9 Hz. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>MoO<sub>2</sub>: C, 52.00; H, 5.33. Found: C, 52.32; H, 5.68.

**Reaction of 3d with CH<sub>3</sub>OH and H<sub>2</sub>O.** This reaction was conducted in a procedure similar to that in the section above, and CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>-(anti- $\eta^3$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH(Nu)CH<sub>3</sub>) (Nu = OCH<sub>3</sub> (**5g**), OH (**5h**)) were obtained in 62% and 51% yields, respectively. Complex **4g**. IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1953 (s), 1872 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  1.07 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.40 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.33 (m, 1 H, CH(CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.98 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.19 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.76 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.89 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.30 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), J<sub>13</sub> = 11.5 Hz, J<sub>23</sub> = 7.2 Hz, J<sub>34</sub> = 7.4 Hz, J<sub>4CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)</sub> = 2.0 Hz, J<sub>CH<sub>3</sub>-CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)</sub> = 6.0 Hz. MS (12 eV): 318 (M<sup>+</sup>), 262 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>MoO<sub>3</sub>: C, 43.37; H, 5.00. Found: C, 43.20; H, 5.11. Complex **4h**. 1R (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1956 (s), 1876 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 1.22 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.45 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.94 (m, 1 H, CHCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.04 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.83 (t, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.99 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.29 (s, 5 H, C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), J<sub>13</sub> = 11.7 Hz, J<sub>23</sub> = 7.8 Hz, J<sub>34</sub> = 8.1 Hz, J<sub>4-CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)</sub> = 8.0 Hz, J<sub>CH<sub>3</sub>-H</sub> = 6.4 Hz. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>14</sub>MoO<sub>3</sub>: C, 47.68; H, 4.64. Found: C, 47.40; H, 4.62.

Synthesis of CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn- $\eta^3$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>C(CH<sub>3</sub>)NCHMe<sub>2</sub>) (5a) and Its Iminium Salt (5b). (i) Compound 2b (3.0 g, 10 mmol) was treated with 4 mL of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> in THF at -78 °C. Immediately the solution turned dark red; isopropylamine (5.9 g, 100 mmol) was added, with stirring for 0.5 h. The solution was warmed to room temperature and evaporated to dryness. Elution of the residues through a silica column produced an orange band, which was collected and evaporated to dryness. Recrystallization of the residue produced block-shaped red crystals (1.62 g, 5.0 mmol). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\nu$ (CO), 1949 (s), 1874 (s),  $\nu$ (C=N) 1601 (w) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer only  $\delta$  0.98 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.04, 1.08 (d, d, 3 H, 3 H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.67 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 1.94 (s, 3 H, CNCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.85 (m, 1 H, NCH), 5.05 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.22 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 12.0$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.0$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 10.1$  Hz,  $J_{H-CH_3} = 6.0$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 315 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO), 287 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NMoO<sub>2</sub>: C, 52.79; H, 5.59; N, 4.11. Found: C, 52.94; H, 5.50; N, 3.88.

(ii) HBF<sub>4</sub> in ether (0.10 mL) was added to **5a** (0.15 g, 0.44 mmol) in 20 mL of ether with rapid stirring. A red precipitate gradually formed after stirring for 3 h; the precipitate was collected by filtration and washed twice with ether. Recrystallization from an acetone/ether solution produced red block crystals (0.18 g, 0.41 mmol). IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1963 (s), 1888 (s),  $\nu$ (C=N) 1612 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer  $\delta$  1.37, 1.39 (d, d, 3 H, 3 H, 2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.70 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.92 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.27 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.00 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.73 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.59 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.1$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.3$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.8$  Hz; endo isomer  $\delta$  1.36, 1.37 (d, d, 3 H, 3 H, 2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.30 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.78 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 3.08–3.10 (complex m, 2 H, H<sup>2</sup> + CHMe<sub>2</sub>), 4.20 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.74 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.63 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.7$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 6.4$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.8$  Hz,  $J_{CH_3-CHMe_2} = 6.2$  Hz. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>MMoO<sub>2</sub>BF<sub>4</sub>: C, 41.99; H, 4.66; N, 3.26. Found: C, 42.11; H, 4.88; N, 3.50.

**Reaction of 5b with NaBH**<sub>4</sub>. Compound **5b** (0.10 g, 0.23 mmol) in 25 mL of THF was added to NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.02 g, 0.53 mmol) and the resultant mixture was stirred for 5 min. During this period, the red solution immediately turned from red to yellow. The solution was concentrated and 1 mL of 1 M HC1/H<sub>2</sub>O was added and evaporated to dryness; the residues were eluted through a silica column with a THF/hexane (1:1) mixture as the eluting solution. A yellow band was developed, collected, and evaporated to dryness to yield a yellow oil (0.07 g, 0.47 mmol). The product was confirmed to be **4d** by its mass and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data.

Synthesis of CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn- $\eta^3$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>COC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>) (6a), Complex 2b (0.20 g, 0.67 mmol) in 30 mL of THF was treated with an ether solution (1.0 mL, 0.70 mmol) of LDA at -78 °C. As the solution turned deep yellow, CH<sub>3</sub>1 (0.15 g, 1.06 mmol) was added and the resultant mixture

was stirred for 0.5 h. The solution was warmed to room temperature and evaporated to dryness. Elution through a silica column with hexane/ ether (1:1) solvent produced a yellow band. Upon concentration, an orange viscous oil of **6a** was obtained in 85% yield (0.18 g, 0.57 mmol). IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1958 (s), 1886 (s), 1671 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.07 (q, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.24 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.91 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.47, 2.54 (m, m, COH<sub>2</sub>), 2.99 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.98 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.52 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), J<sub>13</sub> = 11.4 Hz, J<sub>23</sub> = 7.2 Hz, J<sub>34</sub> = 9.8 Hz, J<sub>HCH3</sub> = 6.5 Hz. MS (12 eV): 316 (M<sup>+</sup>), 260 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 49.68; H, 4.46. Found: C, 49.82; H, 4.72.

Synthesis of CpMo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(syn- $\eta^3$ -1-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>COCH<sub>2</sub>CH(OH)R) (R = Ph (6b),  $CH_3$  (6c),  $(CH_3)_2CH$  (6a)), (i) In a typical reaction, the enolate prepared above (1.0 mmol) was treated with PhCHO (0.20 g, 1.99 mmol) at -78 °C and the resultant mixture was stirred for 0.5 h. A 20-mL aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (6 M) solution was added, and the solution was concentrated to 10 mL. Ether (30 mL) was added and stirred rapidly. The organic layer was decanted, and the aqueous solution was twice extracted with 30 mL of ether. The combined extracts were evaporated to dryness to produce a yellow oil 6b, which was further purified through a silica column (0.30 g, 0.74 mmol). IR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): v(CO) 1954 (s), 1882 (s), 1665 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): major diastereoisomer (87%) δ 1.35 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.85 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.84 (dd, 1 H, COHH'), 3.00 (dd, 1 H, COHH'), 3.02 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 5.04 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.10 (dd, 1 H, CHOH), 5.08 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.2-7.5 (m, 5 H,  $C_6H_5$ ),  $J_{12} = 1.3$  Hz,  $J_{13} = 11.3$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.1$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.5$  Hz,  $J_{COHH}$ = 16.7 Hz,  $J_{H'CH(OH)}$  = 8.8 Hz,  $J_{HCH(OH)}$  = 4.0 Hz; minor diastereoisomer (13%, selected peak)  $\delta$  1.33 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.89 (dd, 1 H, COHH<sup>2</sup>), 2.91 (dd, 1 H, COHH'), 3.20 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 5.05 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.16 (dd, 1 H, CHOH), 5.18 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): major diastereoisomer δ 40.2 (CH<sup>1</sup>H<sup>2</sup>), 48.9 (CHH<sup>1</sup>), 50.0 (CH<sup>4</sup>), 70.7, 71.1 ( $CH(OH) + CH^3$ ), 126.0, 127.7, 128.5, 143.2 ( $C_6H_5$ ), 207.4 (COCH<sup>4</sup>). MS (12 eV): 408 (M<sup>+</sup>), 380 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO), 352 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>: C, 56.16; H, 4.43. Found: C, 56.00; H, 4.04.

(ii) Complex **6c** (R = CH<sub>3</sub>, 70% yield). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\nu$ (CO) 1954 (s), 1882 (s), 1665 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): major diastereoisomer (78%), exo form  $\delta$  1.32 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.21 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.84 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.51 (dd, 1 H, COHH<sup>1</sup>), 2.73 (dd, 1 H, COHH<sup>1</sup>), 3.03 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.16 (m, 1 H, CH(OH)), 5.02 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.21 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), J<sub>13</sub> = 11.2 Hz, J<sub>23</sub> = 7.2 Hz, J<sub>34</sub> = 9.8 Hz, J<sub>COHH<sup>1</sup></sub> = 17.2 Hz, J<sub>H'CHMe</sub> = 9.3 Hz, J<sub>HCHMe</sub> = 2.8 Hz, J<sub>CHMe</sub> = 6.3 Hz; minor isomer (22%, selected peak)  $\delta$  1.87 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.65 (dd, 1 H, COHH<sup>1</sup>), 2.68 (dd, 1 H, COHH<sup>1</sup>), 4.18 (m, 1 H, CHCOH), 5.32 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), J<sub>13</sub> = 10.0 Hz, J<sub>H</sub><sup>'</sup>CHMe = 9.4 Hz, J<sub>HCHMe</sub> = 1.8 Hz. MS (12 eV): 346 (M<sup>4</sup>), 318 (M<sup>4</sup> - CO), 290 (M<sup>4</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>MOO<sub>3</sub>: C, 48.84; H, 4.65. Found: C, 48.90; H, 4.72.

(iii) Complex 6d. 1R (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1956 (s), 1880 (s), 1665 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): major diastereoisomer (53%)  $\delta$  0.91, 0.93 (d, d, 3 H, 3 H, CHMe), 1.65 (m, 1 H, CHMe<sub>2</sub>), 1.84 (dd, 1 H, COHH'), 2.70 (d, 1 H, COHH'), 2.99 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.69 (m, 1 H, CHOH), 5.01 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.21 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 11.3$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.4$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.4$  Hz,  $J_{COHH'} = 16.5$  Hz,  $J_{H'(CHOH)} = 9.8$  Hz,  $J_{H(CHOH)} = 2.3$  Hz; minor diastereoisomer (47%)  $\delta$  0.91, 0.93 (d, d, 3 H, 3 H, CHMe<sub>2</sub>), 1.27 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.65 (m, 1 H, CHMe<sub>2</sub>), 1.88 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.60 (dd, 1 H, COHH'), 2.62 (dd, 1 H, COHH'), 2.99 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.76 (m, 1 H, CH(OH)), 5.0 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.21 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 11.3$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.4$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 9.4$  Hz,  $J_{H'CH(OH)} = 11.3$  Hz,  $J_{H(CHOH)} = 1.1$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 372 (M<sup>+</sup>), 316 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2CO). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>: C, 51.61; H, 5.38. Found: C, 51.48; H, 5.26.

Synthesis of 6e. Complex 6b (0.16 g, 0.40 mmol) in 25 mL of THF was added to NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.02 g, 0.53 mmol) and the resultant mixture was stirred for 40 min. A 1  $\dot{M}$  HCl/H<sub>2</sub>O solution was added until the solution reached pH = 7.0. After removal of the solvent, the residues were eluted through a silica column with THF/hexane (1:1) as the eluting solvent. A yellow band was developed, collected, and evaporated to dryness to give a yellow oil (0.14 g, 0.35 mmol). IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (CO) 1939 (s), 1854 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): exo isomer (72%) δ 0.76 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 1.78 (1, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 2.08 (m, 2 H, CHH'), 2.47 (br s, 1 H, OH), 2.69 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.12 (br s, 1 H, OH), 3.90 (m, 1 H, CH(OH)). 3.99 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 5.07 (d, 1 H, CH(OH)Ph), 5.28 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.35–7.60 (m, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13} = 10.5$  Hz,  $J_{23} = 7.4$  Hz,  $J_{12} = 2.0$  Hz,  $J_{34} = J_{4H} = 9.6$  Hz,  $J_{H'CHPh} = 7.9$  Hz; endo isomer (28%)  $\delta$ 2.08-2.20 (m, 2 H, CHH'), 2.63 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 2.78 (t, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 3.58 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 3.92 (m, 1 H, CHPh), 5.20 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.34-7.60 (m, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{13}$  = 9.2 Hz,  $J_{23}$  = 6.5 Hz,  $J_{34}$  =  $J_{4H}$  = 9.2 Hz. MS (FAB): 410 (M<sup>+</sup>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>: C, 55.61; H, 4.88. Found: C, 55.72; H, 4.92.

Synthesis of 7a and 7b, (i) NOBF<sub>4</sub> (0.40 g, 3.7 mmol) was added to 2g (1 g, 3.3 mmol) in 10 mL of CH<sub>3</sub>CN, and the resultant solution was stirred for 5 min; 80 mL of ether was added to the solution to yield an orange precipitate. After filtration, the crude product was recrystallized from CH<sub>3</sub>CN/ether to give a dark red crystalline solid 7a (1.0 g, 2.5 mmol). IR (CH<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\nu$ (CO) 2100 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\nu$ (CO) 1660 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta$  1.50 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.03 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 4.53 (m, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 4.86 (m, 2 H, H<sup>2</sup> + H<sup>4</sup>), 5.52 (td, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 6.45 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), J<sub>13</sub> = 13.9 Hz, J<sub>23</sub> = 7.7 Hz, J<sub>34</sub> = 11.7 Hz, J<sub>45</sub> = 6.4 Hz, J<sub>5CH<sub>1</sub></sub> = 6.4 Hz. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>MO<sub>3</sub>NBF<sub>4</sub>: C, 33.79; H, 3.60; N, 3.58. Found: C, 34.00; H, 3.72; N, 3.69.

(ii) LiCl (0.12 g, 2.8 mmol) in 5 mL of THF was added to 7a (1.0 g, 2.56 mmol) in 20 mL of acetone, at 23 °C, and the mixture was stirred for 30 min. After evaporation of the solution to dryness, the residue was eluted through a silica column with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> as the eluting solvent. A red band was collected and evaporated to dryness to yield 7b as an orange solid (0.32 g, 1.02 mmol). IR (CH<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\nu$ (NO) 1660 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.41 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.38 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 2.71 (br s, 1 H, OH), 2.99 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 4.22 (d, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 5.06 (q, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 5.84 (s, 5 H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 6.04 (m, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), J<sub>13</sub> = 12.8 Hz, J<sub>23</sub> = 6.8 Hz, J<sub>12</sub> = 2.1 Hz, J<sub>2Cp</sub> = 1.2 Hz, J<sub>34</sub> = 10.8 Hz, J<sub>5CH<sub>3</sub></sub> = 6.5 Hz. MS (12 eV): 297 (M<sup>+</sup> - OH). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>14</sub>MoO<sub>2</sub>NCl: C, 38.54; H, 4.53; N, 4.50. Found: C, 38.43; H, 4.41; N, 4.44.

**Decomplexation of 7b with Benzaldehyde. 7b** (0.30 g, 0.96 mmol) was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3.0 mL) containing PhCHO (0.25 g, 2.34 mmol) and CH<sub>3</sub>OH (0.13 g, 4.06 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 60 h. After removal of solvent, the residues were eluted with a TLC plate using Et<sub>2</sub>O/hexane (1:4) as solvent; 0.14 g (0.50 mmol) of 7c was obtained after removal of the solvent. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.20 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.26 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 4.24 (td, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 4.65 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>7</sup>), 4.96 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>6</sup>), 5.06 (d, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 5.76 (s, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 5.90 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 7.20-7.30 (m, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>),  $J_{23} = 2.3$  Hz,  $J_{34} = 2.1$  Hz,  $J_{4-CH_3} = 6.2$  Hz,  $J_{35} = 10.0$  Hz,  $J_{56} = 19.0$  Hz,  $J_{57} = 10.4$  Hz. MS (12 eV): 281 (M + 1). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 81.39; H, 7.19. Found: C, 81.54; H, 7.24.

**Hydrolysis of 7c.** A 0.15-g sample of 7c (0.535 mmol) was dissolved in 40 mL of THF/MeOH (1:1 volume ratio) containing with 0.21 g of *p*-toluenesulfonic acid (0.11 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 5 h, followed by addition of 30 mL of Et<sub>2</sub>O. The organic layer was twice washed with 10 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O and evacuated to dryness. The residues were chromatographed on a silica column to give 7d (50 mg, 0.30 mmol). IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (OH) 3377 (s),  $\nu$ (C=C) 1637 (m) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.12 (d, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.10 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>2</sup>), 3.96 (qd, 1 H, H<sup>3</sup>), 4.87 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>5</sup>), 4.93 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 5.20 (dd, 1 H, H<sup>6</sup>), 5.92 (ddd, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), J<sub>12</sub> = 4.9 Hz, J<sub>23</sub> = 2.5 Hz, J<sub>24</sub> = 9.7 Hz, J<sub>45</sub> = 17.2 Hz, J<sub>46</sub> = 10.4 Hz. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 73.87: H, 9.80. Found: C, 73.92; H, 9.73.

Synthesis of 8a-8c, These complexes were prepared by procedures similar to those described in the above sections. (i) Complex 8a (48% yield). IR:  $\nu$ (NO) 1648 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.97 (complex, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.33 (d, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>, J = 9.9 Hz), 2.94 (dd, 1 H, CH(OH), J = 6.8, 2.2 Hz), 2.98 (s, 1 H, OH), 4.36 (d, 1 H,  $H^2$ , J =6.0 Hz), 4.92 (d, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>, J = 10.0 Hz), 5.04 (dd, 1 H, CH(OH)Ph), 5.81 (s, 5 H,  $C_5H_5$ ), 5.91 (m, 1 H,  $H^3$ , J = 10.0, 9.9, 6.0 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C17H20NO3C1Mo: C, 48.87; H, 4.82; N, 3.35. Found: C, 48.94; H, 4.92; N, 3.45. (ii) Complex **8b** (51% yield). IR (Nujol): 3414 (br), 1639 (w), 1603 (w) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.79 (ddd, 1 H, J = 14.8, 8.8, 2.4 Hz), 2.10 (ddd, 1 H, J = 14.8, 10.3, 2.8)Hz), 2.31 (ddd, 1 H, J = 10.0, 2.3, 2.3 Hz), 4.45 (ddd, 1 H, J = 10.3, 2.4, 2.3 Hz), 4.77 (dd, 1 H, J = 17.4, 2.0 Hz), 4.97 (dd, 1 H, J = 10.5, 2.0 Hz), 5.03 (dd, 1 H, J = 8.8, 2.8 Hz), 5.13 (d, 1 H, J = 2.3 Hz), 5.84 (s, 1 H), 5.98 (m, 1 H), 7.24-7.63 (m, 15 H, PhH). MS (12 eV): 387 (M-H). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{26}O_3:$  C, 80.80; H, 6.78. Found: C, 81.00; H, 6.80. (iii) Complex 8c (43% yield). IR (CH\_2Cl\_2): 3372 (br), 1637 (w), 1602 (w) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.67 (ddd, 1 H, J = 14.5, 7.6, 2.7 Hz, 1.96 (ddd, 1 H, J = 14.5, 10.0, 3.3 Hz), 2.07 (ddd, 1 H, J = 9.8, 4.0, 2.4 Hz), 2.57 (s, 1 H, OH), 2.83 (s, 1 H, OH),3.15 (s, 1 H, OH), 4.52 (m, 1 H), 4.75 (dd, 1 H, J = 17.4, 2.0 Hz), 4.97 (m, 2 H), 5.12 (dd, 1 H, J = 10.4, 2.0 Hz), 5.97 (m, 1 H), 7.45-7.14(m, 10, PhH). MS (12 eV): 299 (M + 1). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{19}H_{22}O_3$ : C, 76.48; H, 7.43. Found: C, 76.72; H, 7.52.

X-ray Diffraction of 2b, 2e, and 6b. Single crystals of 2b, 2e, and 6b were sealed in glass capillaries under an inert atmosphere. Data for 2b and 2e were collected on a Nonius CAD4 using graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation, and the structure was solved by the heavy-atom method; all data reduction and structure refinement were performed with the NRCCSDP package. Data for 6b were collected on a Nicolet R3M/V diffractometer, using graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation. The structure of 6b was solved by the Patterson superposition method; all data reduction and structure refinement were performed with the SHELXTL

PLUS package. Crystal data, details of the data collection, and structure analysis are summarized in Table V. For all structures, all nonhydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic parameters. All hydrogen atoms included in the structure factor calculations were placed in idealized positions.

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# Molecular Semiconductors from Bifunctional Dithia- and Diselenadiazolyl Radicals. Preparation and Solid-State Structural and Electronic Properties of $1,4-[(E_2N_2C)C_6H_4(CN_2E_2)]$ (E = S, Se)

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Abstract: The reactions of 1,4-phenylenebis[N,N,N'-tris(trimethylsilyl)amidine] with sulfur and selenium dichlorides yield, respectively, the 1,4-phenylenebis(dithiadiazolium) and bis(diselenadiazolium) dichlorides  $1,4-[(E_2N_2C)C_6H_4(CN_2E_2)]Cl_2$ (E = S, Se). Reduction of these materials with triphenylantimony affords the corresponding diradical species 1,4- $[(E_2N_2C)C_6H_4(CN_2E_2)]$ , which can be purified by high vacuum sublimation. The crystal structures of 1.4- $[(E_2N_2C)C_6H_4(CN_2E_2)]$ (E = S, Se) are both monoclinic, space group  $P2_1/n$ . The crystal packing consists of sheets of interleaved columns of weakly associated diradical units (dimers); the mean intradimer separation is 3.34/3.37 Å (E = S/Se), and the mean interdimer separation is 3.68/3.71 Å (E = S/Se). The sulfur compound is an insulator, but the selenium material has a room temperature pressed pellet resistivity of about 100  $\Omega$  cm. Magnetic susceptibility measurements show the solids to be predominantly diamagnetic with variable amounts of paramagnetic defects in the lattice. While the exact mechanism of conduction remains to be established, these systems represent the first structurally characterized conducting materials constructed from neutral molecular radicals. Extended Hückel band structure calculations reveal band gaps of 0.84/0.69 eV (E = S, Se) for the crystalline solids. The calculated band dispersions show a high degree of three-dimensionality; to our knowledge these are the most isotropic organic molecular solids yet to be reported.

#### Introduction

Research into the development of low-dimensional molecular conductors and superconductors has focused heavily on the use of charge-transfer salts,<sup>2</sup> e.g., TTF TCNQ, or radical ion (Bechgaard) salts such as those based on the TMTSF and BEDT-TTF donors.<sup>3</sup> Conductivity in these materials depends on efficient overlap between the  $\pi$ -systems of the molecular building blocks, which are often stacked in uniform one-dimensional columns. The susceptibility of these columns to undergo a Peierls distortion<sup>4</sup> with consequent loss of conductivity requires designing structures in which intercolumnar interactions are optimized. Considerable effort has therefore been directed toward modifying both the size and shape of the counterion.

An alternative approach to molecular conductors, one which obviates the need for counterions, involves the use of neutral rather

than charged  $\pi$ -radicals. Several variations<sup>5</sup> on the originally proposed phenalenyl framework<sup>6</sup> have been pursued, but a paucity of structural data has hindered progress. Recent advances in heterocyclic sulfur nitrogen chemistry,7 however, particularly the characterization of a number of stable radical systems,<sup>8</sup> have

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