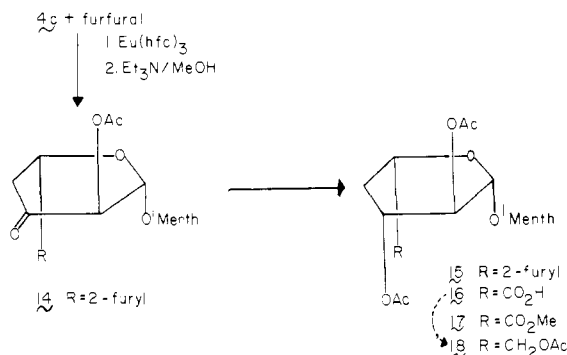


The data are provided in Scheme II. Here, a clear interactivity of the two chiral elements is manifested. Indeed, the modest intrinsic "D-pyranose" selectivity of the *l*-menthyloxy auxiliary is expressed as a strong "L-pyranose" preference by interreaction with the chiral catalyst. Thus, the increase in facial selectivity is not simply another instance of double diastereoselection,⁷ in which two isolated complementary steric biases provide a mutual reinforcement. Our results involve a phenomenon^{8b} wherein the inherent facial bias of the chiral auxiliary is inverted upon interreaction with the chiral catalyst.

It had been recognized^{8c} that, in principle, there can be interactivity between various stereo-biasing elements. Given such interactivity, overall stereodifferentiation^{8c} may be quite different from the arithmetic sum of its isolated elements. The particularly novel dimension of our finding is that the interactivity is maximal when the individual biases are of opposite sense.

The factors that underlie this striking interactivity remain to be sorted out. Conceivably, if the basis for the phenomenon could be understood, even more discriminating combinations might be identified. However, it already seems likely that the phenomenon can play a valuable role in many kinds of synthetic objectives. We illustrate the shape of future events by the synthesis of optically pure **18** which is a β -4-deoxy-L-glucoside of *l*-menthol.

Cyclocondensation of *l*-menthyloxy diene **4c** with furfural, mediated by $\text{Eu}(\text{hfc})_3$ in the usual way, affords a cycloadduct which was worked up with triethylamine-methanol^{9a} (axial protonation), providing a 75% yield of the optically pure ketone **14**:¹⁰ mp 126–127 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{23} + 65.2^\circ$ (*c* 1.3, CHCl_3). Reduction of this ketone with K-selectride¹¹ (Aldrich) followed by acetylation provides, in 77% yield, the diacetate **15**:¹⁰ mp 127–129 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 5.3^\circ$ (*c* 0.8, CHCl_3). Ozonolysis of the furan **15** afforded the 4-deoxyglucuronic acid derivative **16**, best characterized as its methyl ester **17**:¹⁰ mp 143–145 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 32.0$ (*c* 0.6, CHCl_3). Reduction of **16** with borane-THF followed by acetylation afforded a 75% yield (from **15**) of **18**:¹⁰ mp 103–105 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 26.6$ (*c* 0.7, CHCl_3).



Thus, the chiral auxiliary-chiral catalyst combination can be used to synthesize optically pure saccharides, including L-glycosides, without recourse to formal resolution or glycosylation.¹³ Clearly this approach to rare and important sugars holds out considerable promise and is, accordingly, receiving close attention in our laboratory.

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Double Oxidative Addition of β or γ Methyl Groups of Coordinated Fischer-Type Carbenes on a Triruthenium Cluster. Synthesis of $\text{Ru}_3[(\mu\text{-H})_2, \eta^2, \mu_3\text{-C}(\text{OEt})=\text{C}(\text{H})](\text{CO})_9$ and $\text{Ru}_3[(\mu\text{-H})_2, \eta^2, \mu_3\text{-C}(\text{OEt})\text{N}(\text{Me})\text{C}(\text{H})](\text{CO})_9$

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Recent isolation of the Fischer-carbene cluster complex $\text{Os}_3[\eta^1\text{-C}(\text{OMe})\text{Me}](\mu\text{-H}, \mu\text{-O}=\text{CMe})(\text{CO})_9$,¹ led us to investigate the synthesis of a triruthenium analogue; we isolate instead the two title complexes as summarized in Scheme I.

Titration of $\text{Ru}_3[\mu\text{-H}, \mu\text{-O}=\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)](\text{CO})_{10}$ (**1**)² with LiCH_3 (1.6 N in diethyl ether) in dry, freshly distilled diethyl ether at -30 °C leads to its instantaneous conversion to the anion $[\text{Ru}_3[\eta^1\text{-C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3][\mu\text{-H}, \mu\text{-O}=\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)](\text{CO})_9]^-$ (**2a**).³ The resulting solution is warmed to room temperature and treated with 2 equiv of $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OSO}_2\text{CF}_3$.⁴ IR spectra show no initial change, and 48 h of stirring is required to see the complete disappearance of the absorptions of **2a**. The solvent is removed at this point and the solid residue extracted with 30 mL of pentane. Crystallization by evaporation of the orange-red pentane extract gives orange crystals of $\text{Ru}_3[(\mu\text{-H})_2, \eta^2, \mu_3\text{-C}(\text{OEt})=\text{C}(\text{H})](\text{CO})_9$ (**3**) in 80% yield. This is summarized in the sequence **1**–**2a**–**3** in Scheme I. The molecular weight of **3** is determined by mass spectroscopy and its structure deduced from spectroscopic evidence.⁵ Compound **3** is a heteroatom-substituted homologue of ethyne complexes earlier observed in the reaction of acetylenes⁶ or olefins⁷ with $\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$. The coordinated C_2 fragment in **3** shows ¹³C resonances at 78 and 218 ppm (with respect to tetramethylsilane); ¹³C–H coupling of 159 Hz is observed on the 78-ppm resonance

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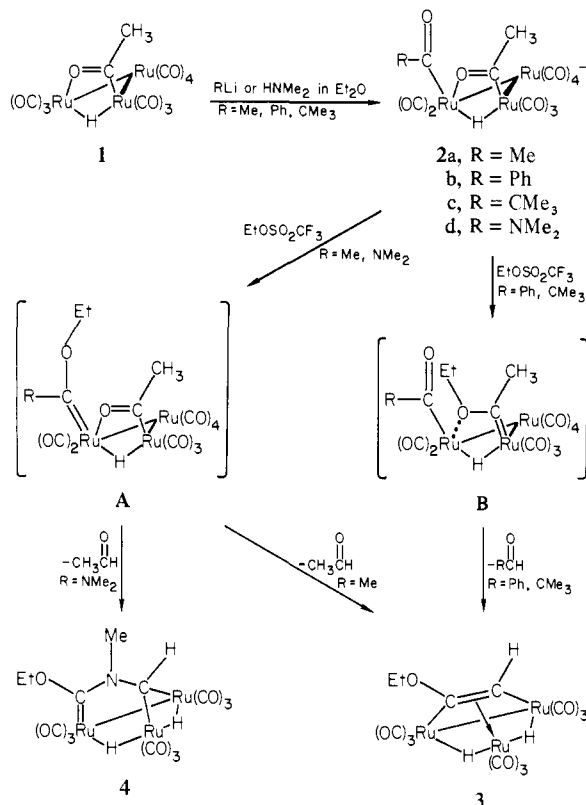
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Scheme I



of a regioselectively ^{13}C -labeled derivative, as described below. We thus assign the 1,2-ethyne(1-(OEt),2-H) structure to the C_2 fragment in **3** rather than an isomeric 1,1'-vinylidene(2-(OEt),2'-H) form.^{7a} The acetaldehyde that accompanies formation of **3** is identified by GC-MS. The yield is separately determined to be essentially quantitative.⁸

In order to trace the origins of the μ -alkoxyalkenylene group and of the μ -H atoms in **3** we used LiCD_3 ⁹ in the first step of Scheme I. This gives rise to acetaldehyde containing *no* label⁸ and the trinuclear product **3-d**: $\text{Ru}_3[(\mu\text{-D})_2, \eta^2, \mu_3\text{-C(OEt)=C(D)}](\text{CO})_9$. Conversely, titrating $\text{Ru}_3[\mu\text{-H}, \mu\text{-C(O)CD}_3](\text{CO})_{10}$ (**2-d**) with LiCH_3 in the first step of Scheme I leads to formation of $\text{CD}_3\text{C(O)H}$ ²⁸ and *no* deuterium incorporation into the trinuclear product. This specificity denotes that there is no exchange between η^1 - and μ -acyl groups in the intermediate anion **2a**. Furthermore no acetaldehyde-*d*₄ nor mixed hydride-deuteride of **3** is obtained. These results indicate that loss of the μ -acyl group and the bridging hydrogen as acetaldehyde must precede oxidative addition of the methyl C-H bonds of the carbene group in the alkylated cluster complex.

Two further labeling studies were performed. By using $\text{Li}^{13}\text{CH}_3$ ⁹ in the first step of Scheme I, trinuclear product shows specifically enhanced intensity of its 74 ppm ^{13}C resonance ($J(^{13}\text{C-H}) = 159$ Hz): $\text{Ru}_3[(\mu\text{-H})_2, \eta^2, \mu_3\text{-C(OEt)=}^{13}\text{C(H)}](\text{CO})_9$. The other resonance of the C_2 group at 218 ppm in **3** is replaced by a doublet ($J(^{13}\text{C}-^{13}\text{C}) = 124$ Hz) confirming the C-C bonded nature of the C_2 group. The ^{13}C - ^{13}C and ^{13}C - ^1H coupling constants ($J(^1\text{H}-^{13}\text{C}) = 159$ Hz observed in the ^1H NMR) indicate sp^2 hybridization of COEt. In a second study we employed unlabeled LiCH_3 with $\text{Ru}_3[\mu\text{-H}, \mu\text{-O=C}(^{13}\text{CH}_3)](\text{CO})_{10}$ in the first step of Scheme I. Trinuclear product **3** shows *no* ^{13}C incorporation. These experiments confirm that it is the acyl group of the starting

complex that is lost as aldehyde in the formation of **3**.

The reaction of **1** with two other organolithium reagents was investigated. With LiPh or LiCMe_3 followed by alkylation with $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OSO}_2\text{CF}_3$ we obtain **3** as product along with the corresponding aldehyde RC(O)H .⁸ This result must derive from alkylation at oxygen of the bridging acyl group as indicated in proposed intermediate B in Scheme I. This is paralleled by the protonation of a μ -acyl group in $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\eta^2\text{-O=CMe})\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3\text{Cp}^{10a}$ and O-alkylation at the triply bridging acyl group in $[\text{Fe}_3(\mu_3\text{-O=CCH}_3)(\text{CO})_9]^-$,^{10b} denoting a significant contribution from an oxycarbene resonance form of such a group. In the case of the *tert*-butyl derivative, **2c**, it is steric hindrance that directs alkylation to the oxygen of the bridging acyl group. Similar direction of alkylation occurs in the case of the phenyl derivative **2b** due to deactivation of the oxygen atom in the phenacyl group.

When HNMe_2 is used in the first step of Scheme I and is followed by alkylation as indicated, deep orange crystals of **4** are isolated.¹¹ Thus as represented both by **3** or **4** we observed double-oxidative addition of a methyl group occasioned by the loss of a four-electron donor on the metal cluster complex. Both these processes occur at 25 °C. We are aware of several precedents for such double oxidative addition all of which occur at temperatures of 110 °C or higher.¹²⁻¹⁴ We thus demonstrate the low-temperature occurrence of such double oxidative addition which was masked in the earlier studies by the higher temperatures required to achieve coordinative unsaturation on the metal. Our work may also provide clues to the extensive transformation reported by E. O. Fischer and co-workers¹⁵ in isolation of the complex $\text{Ru}_3[\mu\text{-H}, \mu, \eta^3\text{-C(Ph)C}_6\text{H}_4](\text{CO})_9$ from the reaction of $\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$ with LiPh . In these connections we also call attention to the dehydrogenation of triethylamine by $\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\text{NCCH}_3)_2$ leading to $\text{HOs}_3(\mu\text{-CHCH}=\text{N}^+\text{Et}_2)(\text{CO})_{10}$ in refluxing benzene.¹⁶ Studies in progress indicate that the oxidative additions in our system are *prevented* under an atmosphere of CO: the coordinately unsaturated intermediate(s) formed in the loss of aldehyde can obviously be intercepted defining a limit on the rate of the internal oxidative additions observed here.

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