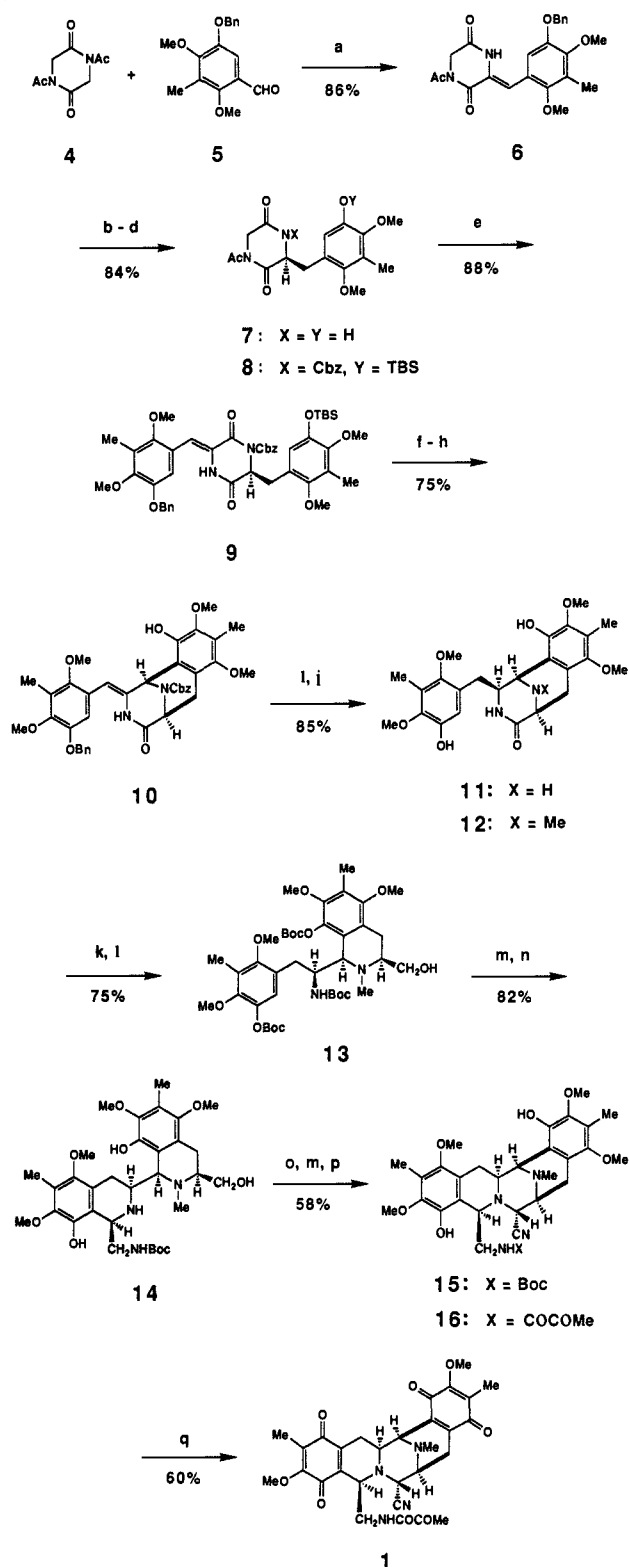


Scheme 1<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>The reagents and reaction conditions were the following: (a) *t*-BuOK/*t*-BuOH, THF, 0 °C. (b) H<sub>2</sub> (1000 psi), 10% Pd/C, EtOAc, 80 °C. (c) TBSCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, reflux. (d) PhCH<sub>2</sub>OCOCI, Et<sub>3</sub>N, DMAP, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -15 °C. (e) 5, *t*-BuOK/*t*-BuOH (1 equiv), THF, -78 °C, then DBU, 0 °C. (f) NaBH<sub>4</sub>, AcOH, EtOH, -25 °C. (g) HCOOH, 23 °C. (h) *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NF, THF, 23 °C. (i) H<sub>2</sub> (1500 psi), Raney Ni-W2, EtOH, 120 °C. (j) 37% HCHO, NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN, TFA, MeOH, 23 °C. (k) *t*-Boc<sub>2</sub>O, DMAP, DMF, 60 °C. (l) NaBH<sub>4</sub>, EtOH, 0 °C. (m) TFA, 23 °C. (n) *t*-BocNHCH<sub>2</sub>CHO, MeOH, 60 °C. (o) (COCl)<sub>2</sub> (2.2 equiv), DMSO (4.4 equiv), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C; Et<sub>3</sub>N (8 equiv) warmed to 23 °C then NaCN, MeOH, 23 °C. (p) MeCOCOCI, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 23 °C. (q) DDQ (3 equiv), acetone-H<sub>2</sub>O (10:1), 0 °C.

synthetic saframycin A was identical with an authentic sample in both TLC and spectroscopic properties.

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### Amphiphilic Carbene Complexes: Both Electrophiles and Nucleophiles Attack the Carbene Carbon of C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>Re=CHR

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Metal carbene complexes have been discussed in terms of a dichotomy between electrophilic "Fischer carbene complexes" and nucleophilic "Schrock carbene complexes".<sup>1,2</sup> Metal-carbon double bonds of Fischer carbene complexes such as (CO)<sub>5</sub>W=C(OCH<sub>3</sub>)C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub><sup>3</sup> typically have an electron-rich late transition metal in a low oxidation state bonded to an electron-poor carbene carbon (often but not necessarily stabilized by an electron-donor heteroatom). Many of the reactions of Fischer carbene complexes such as replacement of a methoxy group by an amine group are initiated by attack of a nucleophile at the carbene carbon.<sup>4</sup> In contrast, metal-carbon double bonds in Schrock carbene complexes such as Cp<sub>2</sub>ClTa=CHR<sup>5</sup> typically have an electron-poor early transition metal in a high oxidation state bonded to an electron-rich carbene carbon. The reactions of Schrock carbene complexes with substrates such as ketones are initiated by nucleophilic attack of the carbene carbon on the carbonyl carbon of the ketone.<sup>6</sup> We and others<sup>7</sup> have considered it possible to synthesize metal carbene complexes of intermediate reactivity. To our knowledge, the only metal carbene complex that has been shown to have amphiphilic reactivity at the carbene carbon is Roper's (CO)<sub>2</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>2</sub>Ru=CF<sub>2</sub>,

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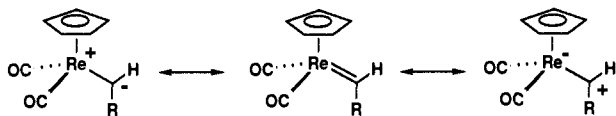
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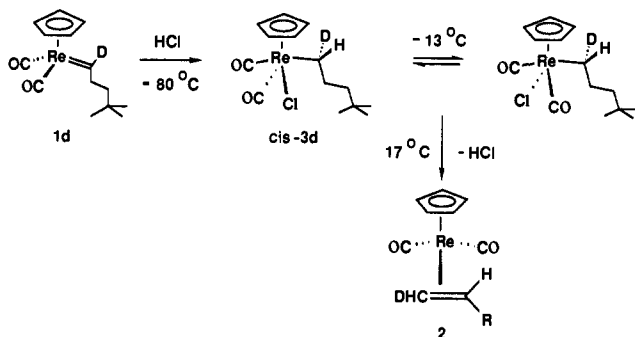
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which reacts with HCl to produce  $(\text{CO})_2(\text{Ph}_3\text{P})_2\text{Ru}(\text{CF}_2\text{H})\text{Cl}$  and with  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2$  to produce  $(\text{CO})_2(\text{Ph}_3\text{P})_2\text{RuCNCH}_3$  although it is inert toward  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Li}$ .<sup>8,9</sup> A third type of reactivity involving electron transfer and radical intermediates has been observed by Grubbs in the reaction of a  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Ti}=\text{CH}_2$  reactive intermediate with benzyl chloride.<sup>10</sup>

Here we report that the carbene carbon of  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$  (**1**) is attacked by both electrophiles and nucleophiles. We believe that the high polarizability of the  $\text{Re}=\text{C}$  double bond of **1** is responsible for the amphiphilic reactivity of **1**. Moreover, we have found that the addition of HCl to **1** is stereospecific and that the resulting alkylrhenium chloride compound is an intermediate in the acid-catalyzed isomerization of the carbene ligand to an alkene ligand.



The rhenium alkylidene complex **1** undergoes acid-catalyzed rearrangement to rhenium alkene complex  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}[\eta^2\text{-CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3]$  (**2**).<sup>12</sup> Treatment of **1** with dry HCl in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{CD}_3$  at room temperature for 2 h led to **2** in 60% NMR yield and 41% isolated yield. In the course of examining the mechanism of this rearrangement, we found that HCl reacts with **1** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{CD}_3$  at  $-80^\circ\text{C}$  to produce the alkylrhenium chloride compound *cis*- $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5(\text{CO})_2(\text{Cl})\text{ReCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$  (**3**),<sup>12</sup> which then loses HCl to produce **2**, upon warming to  $17^\circ\text{C}$ , with a half-life of 70 min. The observation of separate  $^1\text{H}$  NMR resonances for the diastereotopic  $\alpha\text{-CH}_2$  protons of **3** at  $\delta$  2.65 and 2.49 establishes the *cis* arrangement of the alkyl and chloride ligands.



The reaction of  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}=\text{CDCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CMe}_3$  (**1d**) (82% D at the carbene carbon) with HCl in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{CD}_3$  at  $-53^\circ\text{C}$  led to formation of predominantly one diastereomer of *cis*-**3d**, which had a 1.00:0.35 ratio of the  $\delta$  2.65:2.49 resonances of the  $\text{ReCHDR}$  group. This observation requires greater than 85% stereospecificity for the addition of HCl to a single rotamer about the  $\text{Re}=\text{CDR}$  bond.<sup>14</sup> We do not know whether the *syn* or *anti* rotamer is the reactive species, and we do not know whether the stereochemistry of the HCl addition is *cis* or *trans*, but our current hypothesis is that *cis* addition occurs to the more stable *anti* rotamer.<sup>15</sup>

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Upon warming to  $-13^\circ\text{C}$  for 2 h, the initially formed diastereomer of *cis*-**3d** rearranges to a 1:1 mixture of the two possible diastereomers of *cis*-**3d** without significant loss of deuterium label.<sup>16</sup> Possible mechanisms for isomerization of *cis*-**3d** include (1) intramolecular interconversion of the *cis* alkyl and chloride ligands by a pseudorotation process<sup>17</sup> and (2) ionization of chloride. Because of the rapid interconversion of the two diastereomers of *cis*-**3d** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{CD}_3$ , the deuterium label in the rhenium-alkene complex **2** is equally distributed between the *cis* and *trans* positions on the terminal carbon of the alkene.<sup>18</sup>

Protonation of the carbene carbon is a characteristic reaction of nucleophilic carbene complexes.<sup>1b,19,20</sup> For example,  $[(\text{C}-\text{H}_3)_3\text{CCH}_2]_3\text{Ta}=\text{CHC}(\text{CH}_3)_3$  reacts with HCl to produce  $\text{Ta}[\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3]_3\text{Cl}$ .<sup>1b</sup> The possibility that **1** reacts with HCl by initial protonation at rhenium cannot be discounted; Dixneuf has observed that  $(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2(\text{CO})_2\text{Fe}=\text{CSC}(\text{CO}_2\text{Me})=\text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{Me})\text{S}$  reacts with  $\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  to initially produce  $(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2(\text{CO})_2(\text{H})\text{Fe}=\text{CSC}(\text{CO}_2\text{Me})=\text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{Me})\text{S}^+\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2^-$ , which then rearranges to  $(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2(\text{CO})_2\text{Fe}(\eta^2\text{-CH}=\text{SC}(\text{CO}_2\text{Me})=\text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{Me})\text{S})^+\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2^-$ .<sup>20-22</sup> We have not observed any resonances in the hydride region of the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum at  $-80^\circ\text{C}$  that would provide evidence for an intermediate metal hydride.

The rhenium carbene complex **1** reacted with nucleophiles and bases in a manner similar to that seen for electrophilic carbene complexes.  $\text{PMe}_3$  reacted with **1** rapidly in diethyl ether at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  to produce the zwitterionic complex  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5(\text{CO})_2\text{ReCH}(\text{PMe}_3)\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$  (**4**)<sup>12</sup> in 91% yield. Similarly,  $\text{LiCuMe}_2$  reacted with **1** to produce  $\text{Li}^+\text{C}_5\text{H}_5(\text{CO})_2\text{ReCH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3^-$  (**5**).<sup>12</sup>

Electrophilic carbene complexes are mildly acidic.<sup>24</sup> **1** was readily deprotonated by treatment with  $\text{KOCMe}_3$  in THF at room temperature, which led to the isolation of the vinyl rhenium anion  $\text{K}^+\text{C}_5\text{H}_5(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}[(E)\text{-CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3]^-$  (**6**).<sup>12</sup> Low-tem-

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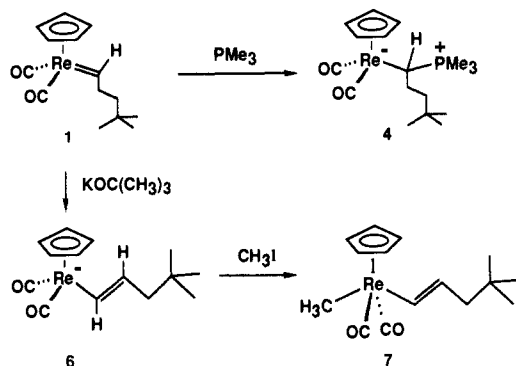
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In summary, **1** is only the second example of a carbene complex that reacts with both nucleophiles and electrophiles at the carbene carbon atom. Derivatives of **1** are being synthesized to modulate the reactivity of the  $\text{Re}=\text{C}$  multiple bond.

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## Crystal and Molecular Structure of Dynemicin A: A Novel 1,5-Diyn-3-ene Antitumor Antibiotic

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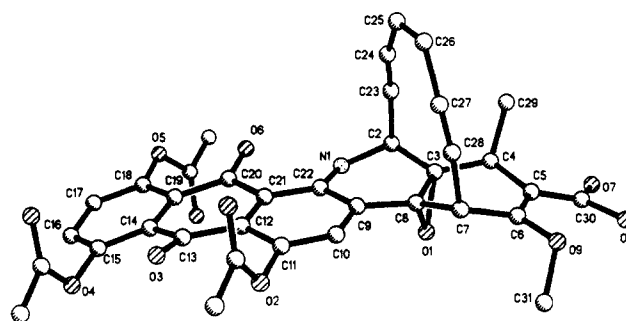
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The antitumor antibiotics of the esperamicin<sup>1</sup> and calicheamicin<sup>2</sup> families have aroused considerable interest because of their exceptional potency,<sup>3</sup> the structural novelty of their 1,5-diyne-3-ene core, and their intriguing mode of action.<sup>4</sup> In this paper, we report

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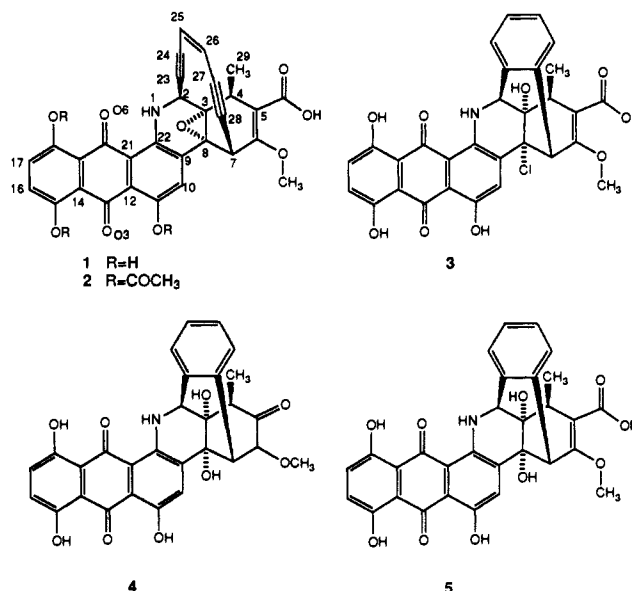
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**Figure 1.** A computer-generated perspective drawing of the final X-ray model of dynemicin A triacetate (**2**). Hydrogens are omitted for clarity, and no absolute configuration is implied.

the structure of another 1,5-diyne-3-ene antibiotic: dynemicin A (**1**) from *Micromonospora chersina*.<sup>5</sup> Dynemicin A (**1**) has potent inhibitory activity against a wide range of bacteria and tumor cell lines, a structurally novel fusion of an anthraquinone with a tetracyclic 1,5-diyne-3-ene, and a putative mode of action similar to the esperamicins and calicheamicins.



Dynemicin A was isolated<sup>5</sup> from the ethyl acetate extract of *M. chersina* as a lipophilic violet solid: HRMS  $m/z$  538.1132 ( $M + H^+$ );  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_9 + \text{H}$  requires 538.1138; mp 208–210 °C dec;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} +270^\circ$  ( $c$  0.01, DMF); IR (KBr) 3420, 3350, 2930, 1660, 1630, 1587, 1480, 1385, 1300, 1280, 1180, and 785  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  239 ( $\epsilon$  24 900), 282 (sh), 569 (10 800), and 599 nm (10 100). The UV spectrum and the absorption shifts observed in weakly acid and alkaline solution<sup>6</sup> suggested a 1,4,5,8-tetrahydroanthraquinone chromophore. Poor solubility hampered spectral characterization of **1**,<sup>7</sup> but conversion to its triacetate **2** (acetic anhydride–pyridine, 25 °C) provided a more tractable material. The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2** revealed a 1,2,4,5,8-pentasubstituted anthraquinone ( $\delta_{\text{C}}$  146.9, s, C18; 130.6, d, C17; 131.0, d, C16; 146.4, s, C15; 125.9, s, C14; 180.6, s, C13;

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