a deficiency of RX. As noted from Chart I, the group 8B hydrides, $HM(CO)_4^-$ (M = Fe, Ru), were less reactive than their group 6B analogues toward these H/X displacement reactions. (Only the most reactive halides (such as acid chlorides) have been reported to be reduced by HFe- $(CO)_4^{-.6}$ The phosphite-substituted metal hydrides HM- $(CO)_4P^-$ are more reactive toward primary alkyl halides than are their pentacarbonyl analogues. Such enhanced reactivity was anticipated as the substitution of CO by a P-donor ligand increases the partial negative charge on the hydride.⁷ However, this enhanced reactivity is not observed for the branched alkyl halides. There is actually a 250-fold diminution of reactivity through the series n-C₄H₉Br, 2-C₄H₉Br,⁸ and t-C₄H₉Br for cis-HW(CO)₄P- $(OMe)_3$, resulting in a reversal of reactivity order for cis-HW(CO)₄P(OMe)₃⁻ and HW(CO)₅⁻ for reductions of tertiary centers. In fact the reduction of a mixture of t-BuBr and n-BuBr by $HW(CO)_4P(OMe)_3^-$ produces n- C_4H_{10} exclusively, whereas the same mixture of bromides yields a mixture of $n-C_4H_{10}$ and $i-C_4H_{10}$ with HW(CO)₅⁻ as reductant. Such a pronounced ligand effect is expected to be very useful in developing selective transition-metal hydride transfer agents.

Several experiments of import to the mechanism of hydride transfer are under way and will be presented in the full report of this study. Two especially noteworthy results are as follows. The reaction of $HW(CO)_5^-$ with 6-bromo-1-hexene in THF solution yielded a mixture of 1-hexene and methylcyclopentane (1.6:1 ratio, 80% overall yield) whereas HW(CO)₄P(OMe)₃⁻ produced only 1-hexene, 85% yield, under identical reaction conditions. The detection of cyclized products derived from bromoalkenes during hydride/halide displacement has been used as an indicator of radical species in reactions of the mechanistically well-characterized $CpV(CO)_{3}H^{-}$ as well as tin hydrides.⁹ By this criterion HW(CO)₅ appears to react with at least some radical character; however this test provided no positive evidence for the involvement of radicals in the case of $HW(CO)_4P(OMe)_3^-$. These hydrides, $HW(CO)_5^$ and HW(CO)₄P(OMe)₃⁻, reacted with exo-2-bromonorborane to yield norbornane. The HW(CO)₅⁻ reaction requires a few hours and the phosphite hydride requires days at room temperature. When the corresponding deuterides were used the ²H NMR of the norbornane product indicated a highly selective (exo) incorporation with $DW(CO)_5$, eq 3, but a mixture of exo- and endo-deuterated products for $DW(CO)_4P(OMe_3)_3^-$, eq 4.

The result of eq 3 suggests a front-side displacement with a specificity that is quite surprising in view of the 6-bromo-1-hexene study described above. The result in eq 4 implies at least some inversion at the substitution center, analogous to the similarly slow reduction of exo-2-bromonorbornane with LiBDEt₃ which resulted in the exclusive formation of endo-d isomer.⁴ In that case the inversion at the substitution center was taken as evidence for an S_N^2 mechanism. At this stage in our investigation we can only conclude the obvious: (1) the all-carbonyl hydride appears to have some radical character associated



with its alkyl halide reductions; (2) the phosphite-substituted hydride may have considerable ionic character and little radical character associated with its hydride-transfer reactions; and (3) an ordered transition state is appropriate to both.^{5,10}

The current status of the literature involving metal hydrides, SET processes, and stereochemistry¹¹ (retention, inversion, or racemization of configuration) would permit various (and lengthy) interpretations of our results. Furthermore the balance in M-H bond character leading to H. transfer, SET, or H⁻ transfer has been noted in other systems,¹² and it is not surprising that ligand effects might also alter M-H reactivity. Regardless of mechanism, the value of the above study is in the established reactivity order and in the potential development of useful hydride-transfer reagents.

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Haptotropic Rearrangements. Kinetics and Mechanism of the Rearrangement of $Mn(\eta^{6}-C_{13}H_{9})(CO)_{3}$ to $Mn(\eta^{5}-C_{13}H_{9})(CO)_{3}$

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determined: $Mn(\eta^6-C_{13}H_9)(CO)_3 \rightarrow Mn(\eta^5-C_{13}H_9)(CO)_3$, $\mathsf{Mn}(\eta^{6}-\mathsf{C}_{13}\mathsf{H}_{9})(\mathsf{CO})_{2}\mathsf{P}(n-\mathsf{Bu})_{3} \to \mathsf{Mn}(\eta^{5}-\mathsf{C}_{13}\mathsf{H}_{9})(\mathsf{CO})_{2}\mathsf{P}(n-\mathsf{Bu})_{3},$ and $Mn(\eta^{6}-C_{13}H_{8}(t-Bu))(CO)_{3} \rightarrow Mn(\eta^{5}-C_{13}H_{8}(t-Bu))(CO)_{3}$. Within experimental error, $\Delta H^* = 24-25$ kcal/mol for all three rearrangements. These rearrangements are all intramolecular, probably going through an n^3 intermediate. as theoretically predicted. In addition, $Mn(\eta^5-C_{13}H_9)$ -(CO)₂P(n-Bu)₃ rapidly reacts with gaseous HCl in CH₂Cl₂ to form $[Mn(\eta^6-C_{13}H_{10})(CO)_2P(n-Bu)_3]^+$. Labeling studies with DCI suggest that protonation is random, not stereospecific.

Haptotropic rearrangements, in which a metal-ligand moiety migrates from one coordination site to another on an organometallic ligand, have been the subject of both experimental¹ and theoretical² studies. In 1977 Treichel and Johnson³ reported that $Mn(\eta^6-C_{13}H_9)(CO)_3$ rearranges irreversibly upon heating to $Mn(\eta^5-C_{13}H_9)(CO)_3$. Recently, Albright and co-workers^{2,4} predicted the activation energy of this $\eta^6 - \eta^5$ rearrangement to be 27-29 kcal/mol. We report here the experimental value of ΔH^* for this process and for two other fluorenyl manganese derivatives.

Table I gives the values of ΔH^* for the rearrangement of three η^6 -fluorenyl complexes to η^5 -fluorenyl complexes.⁵ Within experimental error, all three compounds have the same ΔH^* which is 24–25 kcal/mol. These values are close to those predicted by Albright and co-workers of 27-29 kcal/mol and provide the first experimental support of their mechanism for the $\eta^6 - \eta^5$ rearrangement. This mechanism is shown in Scheme I.



Scheme I suggests. However, this does not rule out the pathway, it merely shows that the $Mn(CO)_3$ moiety may not pass close enough to C(9) to be greatly hindered by the tert-butyl group. It should also be noted that the rearrangement is not affected by metal basicity; the more basic $Mn(CO)_2P(n-Bu)_3$ moiety has the same rearrangement activation energy as the $Mn(CO)_3$ moiety.

The mechanism of this rearrangement is clearly intra-Lowering the concentration of $Mn(\eta^6$ molecular. $C_{13}H_9$ (CO)₃ does not affect the rate constant of the reaction, arguing against a biomolecular interchange process. The negligible ΔS^* also supports an intramolecular rearrangement. The rate of rearrangement of the $Cr(CO)_3$ moiety in tricarbonyl(2,3-dimethylnaphthalene)chromium was also found⁶ to proceed by an intramolecular rearrangement in decane.

Table I. Rate Constants and Activation Parameters for the $\eta^{\circ} - \eta^{\circ}$ Rearrangement of Several Manganese Fluorenyl **Compounds** in Hexane

	system	T, °C	k^{a}, s^{-1}	ΔH^{\ddagger} , kcal/mol	ΔS^{\pm} , eu	
	$Mn(\eta^{6} \cdot C_{12}H_{0})(CO)_{2} \rightarrow$	41.0	5.64×10^{-5}	25.2 ± 0.1	$+2.3 \pm 0.4$	
	$Mn(\eta^{5} - (C_{1,2}H_{2})(CO))$	50.0	$1.83 imes10^{-4}$			
		60.0	6.07×10^{-4}			
	$Mn(n^{6}-C_{12}H_{0})(CO)_{2}Pn-Bu_{2} \rightarrow$	40.5	$8.89 imes 10^{-5}$	24.2 ± 1.4	-0.3 ± 3.6	
	$Mn(n^5-C_1,H_0)(CO)$, $Pn-Bu_2$	50.0	$2.53 imes 10^{-4}$			
	13 97(- 72 - 3	60.0	9.01×10^{-4}			
	$Mn(n^{6}-C_{1},H_{0}(t-Bu))(CO)_{1} \rightarrow$	40.0	3.56×10^{-5}	24.2 ± 1.0	-1.6 ± 3.0	
	$Mn(n^5-C_1,H_s(t-Bu))(CO)_1$	50.0	1.32×10^{-4}			
		60.5	4.16×10^{-4}			

^{*a*} Values are reproducible to within $\pm 5\%$.

In an effort to test this mechanism, tricarbonyl(η^{6} -9*tert*-butylfluorenyl)manganese was prepared⁵ in order to determine if the 9-tert-butyl group would retard isomerization by the proposed path via C(10), instead of the ML₃ moiety moving directly across from the center of the arene to the center of the cyclopentadienyl. Although the tert-butyl group slightly slows down the rate of rearrangement, the effect is not as large as the η^3 pathway in

Furthermore, we have examined the chemistry of Mn- $(\eta^5-C_{13}H_9)(CO)_2P(n-Bu)_3$ in some detail. A solution of $Mn(\eta^5-C_{13}H_9)(CO)_2P(n-Bu)_3$ in CH_2Cl_2 reacts rapidly upon treatment with gaseous HCl. The IR and ¹H NMR spectra are identical with those of an independently prepared⁵ sample of $[Mn(\eta^6-C_{13}H_{10})(CO)_2P(n-Bu)_3]^+$. This is in contrast to $Mn(\eta^5 - C_{13}H_9)(CO)_3$ which does not react with HCl under these conditions,³ but it has recently been reported7 to react with CF3COOH after extended periods of time. Carrying out the reaction in DCl indicates that the ring protonation at C(9) is nonstereospecific. Examination of the ¹H NMR of $[Mn(\eta^6-C_{13}H_9D)(CO)_2P(n-Bu)_3]^+$ indicates the presence of both the endo and exo deuterium isomers. For bis(indenyl)iron,⁸ protonation is stereospecific in the endo position, probably through initial iron protonation. This is apparently not the case here. Although substitution of CO by $P(n-Bu)_3$ makes the metal more basic and therefore more susceptible to protonation, C(9)

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also has a greater amount of negative charge, and protonation may take place directly on C(9). Further support of this assertion comes from the fact that a strong base like potassium tert-butoxide is needed to deprotonate [Mn- $(\eta^6-C_{13}H_{10})(CO)_2P(n-Bu)_3]^+$, whereas bases as weak as triethylamine will deprotonate³ [Mn(η^{6} -C₁₃H₁₀)(CO)₃]⁺. Measurements of the pK_a of these compounds are currently in progress. These reactions are summarized in Scheme II.

The cyclohexadienyl representation of $Mn(\eta^6-C_{13}H_9)$ - $(CO)_2 P(n-Bu)_3$ is in accord with the recently determined⁹ structure of $Mn(\eta^6-C_{13}H_9)(CO)_3$. This suggests that hexadienyl-arene bonding may be necessary to permit the $\eta^6 - \eta^5$ rearrangement, since $Fe(\eta^6 - C_{13}H_9)(\eta^5 - C_5H_5)^{1b}$ does not undergo the $\eta^6 - \eta^5$ rearrangement, and it has been shown to have a delocalized-arene-bonded iron with the negative charge localized at C(9) by both its structure and its chemistry.

In conclusion, our experimental studies on the haptotropic rearrangements of some manganese fluorenyl compounds support the theoretical values of the activation energy and the predicted pathway for these rearrangements.

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Cobalt-Mediated Phosphorus-Aryl Bond Cleavage during Hydroformylation

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arylphosphine (PPh₃ or $P(p - MeC_6H_4)_3$, linked to PPh_2 functionalized polystyrene or PPh2-functionalized (aryloxy)phosphazenes) has revealed a time-dependent decrease in catalytic activity due to a cobalt-mediated phosphorus-carbon bond cleavage. Benzene and benzyl alcohol were detected as the cleavage products. When olefin is omitted from the reaction, R₂PH is formed. The detection of p-MeC₆H₄CH₂OH indicates that oxidative addition of the P-aryl bond to Co is at least a partial contribution to the process. These results are relevant to transition-metal-triarylphosphine catalysis in general and put a new perspective on "immobilized" homogeneous catalysis.

The use of phosphine-modified cobalt carbonyl hydroformylation catalysts has been an industrially practiced process for many years.¹ We have recently obtained evidence that cobalt-mediated phosphorus-carbon bond cleavage² is responsible for the steady decrease in catalytic activity observed in homogeneous and "immobilized" cobalt carbonyl/triarylphosphine hydroformylation systems.

Triarylphosphines are frequently used as ligands in transition-metal-catalyzed reactions,³ and it has been assumed that their carbon-phosphorus bonds are chemically inert under the reaction conditions employed.⁴ In addition, arylphosphine functionality has been the ligand of choice through which metal fragments have been covalently bonded to a variety of organic and inorganic polymers in order to "immobilize" them.^{4,5} Although previous researchers⁶ have concerned themselves with metalphosphorus dissociation, which results in metal loss under industrial flow conditions, we are not aware of any studies that have dealt with cleavage of the ligating groups from the immobilization carrier. Such a situation, if present, would obviously create serious problems.

We have identified phosphorus-carbon bond cleavage as a mode of catalyst deactivation during a study of 1hexene hydroformlyation reactions catalyzed by triarylphosphine-substituted cobalt carbonyl species, Co₂- $(CO)_8/8PR_3$, where the PR₃ ligands examined have included triphenylphosphine, tri-p-tolylphosphine, tribenzylphosphine, diphenylphosphine-functionalized polystyrene (1), a ((diphenylphosphino)phenoxy)poly-((aryloxy)phosphazene) (2), and a phosphazene model analogue (3).⁷

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