IIIb, 0.15 A. These distortions are in line with those noted for other η^5 -indenyl complexes and show a distinct increase upon phosphine substitution.^{14b,c} Finally, it is noteworthy that the phenyl portion of the indenyl group always points away from the silyl group, even when this means it must be close to the bulky PPh_3 ligand. It seems that the silyl or methyl groups on the Fe-bonded silicon pose a greater steric impediment than the phenyl groups of the phosphine ligand. This is perhaps not surprising due to the capacity of the phenyl groups of the phosphine to take on a propeller type conformation, permitting a type of intercalation of the planar indenyl phenyl region.

A final example of the dominant steric factors in the phosphine complexes is the slight elongation of the Fe-P bonds on changing from Ib $(2.207 \text{ (1)} \text{ Å})$ to IIb $(2.210 \text{ (1)}$ A) to IIIb **(2.220** (1) A).

In summary, the data presented in this study suggest that the role of π -bonding between the Fe and Si atoms in complexes of the type $(\eta^5$ -C₉H₇)Fe(CO)(L)-silyl (L = CO , $PPh₃$) is minimal. The "expected" shortening of the Fe-Si bond upon replacement of CO by PPh₃ is not apparent. Of the three ligands involved in the complexes upon substitution of a CO ligand by $PPh₃$, only the CO ligand exhibits any bond length contraction expected for increased π -bonding with the metal atom. Both the silyl and η^5 -indenyl groups exhibit bond length increases, reflecting the steric changes occurring. The changes in the Fe-Si bond lengths are similar for the dicarbonyl and carbonyl phosphine complexes upon changing from SiMe_3 to $Si₂Me₅$ to 2-Si₃Me₇. It is of course possible that any π -bonding is being overwhelmed by the increasing steric demand of the silyl and phosphine ligands at the iron atom. Further, it is possible that the Fe-Si bond lengths already are short in the $(\eta^5-C_9H_7)Fe(CO)_2$ system due to π -bonding and, therefore, increases in such bonding due to the phosphine substitution are not significant. Structural analysis of complexes involving smaller phosphine ligands may provide evidence to reinforce, or counter, the first possibility, while previous spectroscopic results would seem to rule out the second.^{10,12}

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Solid-state Structure and Dynamics of a Chiral Metallacyclic (Zirconoxycarbene)tungsten Complex

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i The reaction of the $(\pi$ -allyl)zirconoxycarbene complex Cp_2ZrOC = W(CO)₅]CH₂C₃H₄ (3a) with pinacolone affords the chiral nine-membered metallacyclic carbene complex $Cp_2Zr(OC[=W(CO)_5] CH_2CH=CHCH_2CMe(CMe_3)$ ^O) (5), featuring a trans C=C double bond in the ring. In solution only one diastereoisomer is detected, being characterized by *relative* configurations of R^* and p-S* at the chiral center and at the adjacent planar chirality element within the ring system, respectively. In contrast, the diastereomer **5',** having relative configurations R* and p-R*, is detected as a minor component of the 3a/pinacolone addition product in the solid state by '% CP/MAS NMR spectroscopy. Complex **5** crystallizes in space group *PI* with cell parameters $a = 8.447$ (2) Å, $b = 11.257$ (3) Å, $c = 15.224$ (3) Å, $\alpha = 102.78$ (2)°, $= 103.16$ (2)^o, $\gamma = 99.69$ (2)^o, and *Z* = 2. Temperature-dependent ¹³C CP/MAS NMR spectroscopy revealed hindered rotation of the W=C(carbene) bond of 5 in the crystalline state $(\Delta G^*_{rot}(350 \text{ K}) \approx 16.5 \text{ kcal/mol})$.

The corresponding nine-membered metallacyclic (zirconoxycarbene)tungsten complex Cp₂Zr(OC[=W-(CO)5]CH2CH=CHCH2CMe20) **(4),** formed by treatment of 3a with 1 molar equiv of acetone, exhibits a W=C(carbene) rotational barrier of $\Delta G_{\text{rot}}^*(260 \text{ K}) \approx 13.5 \text{ kcal/mol}$ in the solid state.

Metaloxycarbene complexes are obtained by reacting $(\eta^2$ -olefin) metallocene type reagents with metal carbonyls.¹ Typically, treatment of $L_nM(CO)_m$ compounds with an equilibrium mixture of (s-cis-butadiene)- and (s-transbutadiene)zirconocene at 25 °C affords the corresponding

Introduction (π-allyl)zirconoxycarbene complexes in good yield.² Zirconoxycarbene complexes such as $(C_5H_4R)_2Zr({\rm OC}[\text{=:}W])$ $(CO)_{5}$]CH₂C₃H₄) (3a, R = H; 3b, R = CH₃) further react with ketones,³ aldehydes,^{4a} and nitriles^{4b} by means of CC

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coupling of the terminal methylene carbon of the $Zr-(\pi$ allyl) moiety with the corresponding carbon of the unsaturated substrate to yield chiral nine-membered metallacyclic zirconoxycarbene complexes. For example, the $\tilde{\mathbf{r}}$

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trans $C=C$ double bond in the ring. Complexes such as **4** typically feature activation barriers of enantiomerization, $\Delta G^*_{\hspace{1mm}\text{ent}}$, of 16–17 kcal/mol as determined by dynamic ^1H NMR spectroscopic measurements. $46,5$

In addition to the conformational chirality element (planar chirality of the hetero *trans-cyclononene* ring⁶) of **4,** a chiral center is introduced when **3** is reacted with an aldehyde or a prochiral ketone. Thus, the reaction of **3** with pinacolone could afford two diastereomeric complexes *(5* and *5')* that should interconvert with an activation barrier close to the one observed for the enantiomerization of **4.** However, under normal conditions of thermodynamic control, the reaction of **3a** with pinacolone proceeds with the formation of *5* in high diastereomeric excess. Herein, we describe the synthesis and characterization of **5,** which on the basis of solid-state NMR and X-ray diffraction analyses exhibits a conformational disorder of its ninemembered ring in the solid state.

Experimental Section

General Considerations. All manipulations and preparations of these organometallic compounds were performed under an argon atmosphere. For general information on the preparation and analysis **of 3a, 4,** and related metallacyclic zirconoxycarbene complexes see ref 3. 13 C CP/MAS NMR spectra were recorded with use of the standard CP/MAS accessory on a Bruker AM 200 spectrometer. The 13C CP/MAS spectra were recorded with use of high-power proton decoupling and magic-angle spinning for line narrowing and cross polarization for sensitivity enhancement. Spinning rates were between 3000 and 4500 Hz. The 90° (¹³C) pulse time was $5.3 \mu s$, and the contact time was varied between 0.5 and 20 ms. In the experiments with interrupted proton decoupling' for assignment of the quaternary and methyl carbon atoms the dephasing time was between 40 and 80 *ps.* The temperature was varied between 173 and 360 K with use of a tem-

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perature controller and nitrogen as driving and bearing gas. Referencing of the ¹³C shifts (\pm 0.1 ppm) was achieved with use of the absolute frequencies relative to the methylene carbons of adamantane $(\delta_{TMS}(\tilde{C}H_2) = 38.4)$. Double-bearing zirconium oxide rotors of 7-mm outer diameter were filled with microcrystalline samples of **4** and **5,** respectively. For this purpose a special home-build vessel was used⁸ that permits loading of the rotor under an inert atmosphere even at low temperatures.

Reaction of 3a with Pinacolone. To a suspension of 1.95 g (3.1 mmol) of **3a** in 60 mL of toluene was added 1 molar equiv of pinacolone (390 μ L) via syringe. The mixture was stirred for 10 h at 25-30 "C, during which time the suspension slowly dissolved. The resulting solution was decanted from a small amount of the remaining precipitate. The solution was concentrated in vacuo to about one-third of its original volume and cooled to -30 "C for crystallization. The supernatant mother liquor was removed, and the remaining fine yellow crystals were dried in vacuo to give 1.58 g of *5* (70%), mp 179-180 "C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₂₆H₂₈O₇WZr (M_r 727.5): C, 42.92; H, 3.88. Found: C, 42.96; H, 3.87. IR: $\nu(CO) = 2057$, 1964, 1911 cm⁻¹. MS (70 eV): m/z 352 NMR (CDCl₃, relative to TMS): δ 6.33, 6.26 (s, 5 H each, Cp), 5.17,4.89 (m, 1 H each, CH=CH), 4.46, 3.16 (m, 1 H each, H5, H5'), 2.10, 1.95 (m, 1 H each, H2, H2'), 1.20 (s, 3 H, CH3), 0.96 $(s, 9 H, CMe₃)$; coupling constants $(Hz)²J(H,H) = 12.2 (HZ, H2')$, 18.6 (H5, H5') ${}^{3}J(H,H) = 11.0$ (H2, H3), 4.5 (H2', H3), 15.2 (H3, H4), 10.1 (H4, H5), 4.0 (H4, H5'). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, relative to TMS): for chemical shifts see Table IV; coupling constants (Hz) 'J(C,H) = 127 **(C2,** H2, H2'),152 (C3, H3), 152 **(C4,** H4), 127 (C5, (Cl, W), 127.6 (cis **CO,** W), 123.0 (trans **CO,** W). (5%), 324 (13), 320 (36), 296 (4), 268 (12), 240 (61,220 (100). 'H H5, H5'), 125 *(C(CH₃)₃)*, 126 *(CH₃)*, 173 *(C₅H₅)*; ¹*J*(W_rC) = 96.6

X-ray Data Collection and Structural Analysis of $\mathbf{Cp}_2\mathbf{Zr}(\mathbf{OC}[\mathbf{=}W(\mathbf{CO})_5]\mathbf{CH}_2\mathbf{CH}=\mathbf{CHCH}_2\mathbf{CMe}(\mathbf{CMe}_3)\mathbf{O})$ (5).

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A yellow crystal of *5* was wedged into a glass capillary tube, which was sealed under a prepurified nitrogen atmosphere, and transferred and optically aligned on a Picker goniostat controlled by a Krisel Control diffractometer automation system. Procedures analogous to those described elsewhere⁹ were employed for the determination of the lattice parameters and the orientation matrix of the triclinic unit cell and for the data collection. The intensity data $(\pm h, \pm k, l)$ were measured at 21 \pm 1 °C with use of Zr-filtered Mo K α radiation. Duplicate reflections, which were previously corrected for sample decomposition, Lorentz-polarization, and absorption,10 were averaged, yielding 6172 unique reflections with $F_o²$ > 0 for the structural analysis. More detailed information regarding the refined lattice parameters and the data collection procedures are summarized in Table I.

The solution and refinement of the crystal structure of *5* were complicated by the presence of a structural disorder in the crystal lattice. Initial coordinates for the tungsten atom were obtained from an analysis of the Harker vectors of an unsharpened three-dimensional Patterson map. Approximate positions of the remaining non-hydrogen atoms were located from subsequent Fourier summations. However, during the structural refinement it became immediately apparent from the unusually short C3-C4 distance of ca. 1.1 **8,** that the nine-membered zirconacyclic ring suffers from a structural disorder in the solid state. This problem became more evident after an anisotropic refinement of these carbon atoms, which exhibit unusually large thermal displacements normal to the ring. This disorder also extends to the methyl and tert-butyl groups attached to C1. Although the initial coordinates for these carbon atoms (i.e., C1 and C12-C16) provided reasonable bond angles and distances, subsequent efforts to refine these positions with anisotropic thermal parameters led to several long carbon-carbon bond distances (i.e., C1-C12 and C13-C15). Assuming that C3 and C4 are each disordered between two different sites, approximate coordinates for these sites were calculated by displacing each atom 0.35 **8,** in opposite directions from its averaged position along the direction of maximum thermal displacement. The corresponding pairwise $C3-C4$ separation between disordered sites at this point was 1.36 **A.** However, all attempts to refine the coordinates of these two disordered sites failed. Their half-weighted positions always merged by returning to the original averaged position of the respective carbon atom. This difficulty is probably a consequence of the limitations of our model to incorporate other disordered features of the structure into the refinement. Although this conformational disorder prevented our efforts to determine and refine accurate positions for C3 and C4, these two atoms were included by fixing the previously estimated coordinates for their disordered sites and by varying only their isotropic temperature factor. For similar reasons, atoms C1, C12, C13, C14, C15, and C16 were varied isotropically in the final cycles of the least-squares refinement. Due to the extent of disorder of the nine-membered zirconacyclic ring of *5,* hydrogen atoms were included as fixed-atom contributions for only the cyclopentadienyl rings. Full-matrix least-squares refinement (based on F_o^2)¹¹⁻¹⁶

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(10) The absorption correction was performed with the use of the general polyhedral shape routine of the program **DTALIB.** The distance from the crystal center to each face and the corresponding orientation
angles (ϕ and χ) needed to place each face in diffracting position were
provided to define the crystal's shape, size, and orientation with respe

to the diffractometer's coordinate system.

(11) The least-squares refinement¹² of the X-ray diffraction data was

based upon the minimization of $w_i|F_o^2 - S^2F_c^2|^2$, where w_i is the individual weighting factor and S is the scale factor. The discrepancy indices were calculated from the expressions $R(F_o) = \sum ||F_o| - |F_o|| / \sum |F_o|$, $R(F_o^2) =$ $-\frac{F_c^2}{2}$ *F_c*², and $R_w(F_o^2) = [\sum w_i|F_o^2 - F_c^2]^2 / \sum w_i F_o^4]^{1/2}$. The standard deviation of an observation of unit weight, σ_1 , equals $[\sum w_i]F_0^2$ - F_0^2 /(n - p)]^{1/2}, where *n* is the number of observations and *p* is the stations and parameters varied during the number of observations and p is the number of parameters varied during the last refinement cycle.

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Table **11. Positional Parameters for Non-Hydrogen Atoms** in $(\eta^5 \text{-} C_5H_5)$ ₂ χ r(OC[=W(CO)₅]CH₂CH=CHCH₂CMe(CMe₃)O)

$(5)^a$			
atom	x	\mathcal{Y}	z
W	0.04869(4)	0.23056(3)	0.31058(2)
2r	0.21835(7)	0.67544(5)	0.29112(5)
O ₁	0.3024(5)	0.7115(4)	0.1900(3)
O ₂	0.1786(6)	0.4810(4)	0.2709(4)
O ₃	$-0.1243(11)$	0.0455(6)	0.4080(6)
04	0.1726(11)	0.4419(7)	0.5048(5)
O ₅	$-0.0620(10)$	0.0281(7)	0.1132(5)
O ₆	0.3729(10)	0.1221(8)	0.3542(6)
O7	$-0.2952(9)$	0.3116(8)	0.2589(8)
Cl	0.3393(13)	0.7088(10)	0.1021(8)
C ₂	0.4284(12)	0.6006(7)	0.0795(7)
C ₃ A	0.3232	0.5027	0.1082
C3B	0.3724	0.4697	0.0856
C4A	0.3775	0.4079	0.1380
C4B	0.3458	0.4502	0.1663
C5	0.2711(12)	0.3269(7)	0.1772(7)
C6	0.1780(8)	0.3649(6)	0.2511(6)
C7	$-0.0656(12)$	0.1109(8)	0.3700(7)
C8	0.1243(11)	0.3641(8)	0.4343(7)
C9	$-0.1673(12)$	0.2870(9)	0.2784(8)
C10	$-0.0239(11)$	0.1003(9)	0.1851(8)
C11	0.2579(11)	0.1664(8)	0.3402(6)
C12	0.1665(15)	0.6829(11)	0.0198(9)
C13	0.4301(14)	0.8328(11)	0.1025(8)
C ₁₄	0.3409(13)	0.9368(10)	0.1242(8)
C15	0.6059(18)	0.8551(13)	0.1870(10)
C16	0.4700(13)	0.8300(10)	0.0064(8)
C17	$-0.0228(11)$	0.7439(12)	0.3453(7)
C18	0.0106(14)	0.8033(9)	0.2827(13)
C19	$-0.0327(15)$	0.7282(20)	0.2000(11)
C20	$-0.0901(11)$	0.6130(14)	0.2077(10)
C21	$-0.0835(10)$	0.6211(9)	0.2991(9)
C22	0.4720(11)	0.8365(8)	0.3992(7)
C23	0.3533(11)	0.8304(9)	0.4466(6)
C ₂₄	0.3261(13)	0.7141(10)	0.4641(6)
C25	0.4292(13)	0.6501(10)	0.4302(8)
C26	0.5221(11)	0.7221(11)	0.3843(7)

^aThe estimated standard deviations in parentheses for this and all subsequent tables refer to the least significant figures.

of this model converged with discrepancy indices of $R(F_0) = 0.059$, $R(F_o^2) = 0.078$, and $R_w(F_o^2) = 0.134$ with $\sigma_1 = 3.00$ for 5631 reflections with $F_0^2 > \sigma(F_0^2)$. The values of the refined positional parameters are given in Table **I1** for **all** of the non-hydrogen atoms. The interatomic distances and bond angles and esd's are given in Table III. Tables of the refined thermal parameters $(U_{ii}^{\prime}s)$ and the observed and calculated structure factors are availahe as supplementary material.¹⁷

Results and Discussion Spectroscopic and Structural Characterization of

5. The reaction of $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{OC}[\text{=}W(\text{CO})_5]\text{CH}_2\text{C}_3\text{H}_4)$ (3a) with 1 molar equiv of pinacolone at ambient temperature results in the formation of $Cp_2\overline{Zr(OC[=W(CO)_5])}$ $CH_2CH=CHCH_2CMe(CMe_3)O$ (5) in 70% yield. Although this reaction could give two different diastereoisomers, NMR measurements of a solution prepared by redissolving crystals of *5* indicate that the presence of only one set of NMR signals within detection limits. The solution NMR spectra remain practically unchanged down to 173 K. **At** ambient temperature, the 'H NMR spectrum of *5* in CDCl, is characterized by two distinct cyclopentadienyl proton resonances at δ 6.33 and 6.26. The protons of both methylene groups of the nine-membered $\int\limits_{-\infty}^{\infty}$

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"The structural parameters for C3 and C4 were calculated from unrefined disordered positions. ***Cp(n)** denotes the centroid of a cyclopentadienyl ring. The esd's for the interatomic distances and bond angles were calculated from the standard errors for the fractional coordinates of the corresponding atomic positions.

ring are also diastereotopic and therefore appear as separate AB(X) multiplets with δ 2.10, 1.95 (²J(H, H) = 12.2 Hz) and δ 4.46, 3.16 (²J(H, H) = 18.6 Hz) for the two H atoms bound to C2 and C5, respectively. The corresponding 'H NMR resonances of the trans CH=CH moiety appear at δ 5.17 and 4.89 with ${}^{3}J(H, H) = 15.2$ Hz. Similar proton coupling patterns have been observed for $\overline{\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{OC}[\text{=}W(\text{CO})_5]\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{O})}$ and related zirconoxycarbene complexes.^{3,4}

An X-ray structural analysis of *5* was undertaken to determine which of the two possible diastereomers was obtained under the reaction conditions. The molecular structure of *5* is depicted in Figure 1 with the atom-numbering scheme. The thermal ellipsoids for the non-hy-

Figure 1. Perspective view of the molecular configuration of **CpzZr(OC[=W(CO)6]CHzCH=CHCHzCMe(CMe3)0)** with the atom-numbering scheme. The thermal ellipisoids have been scaled to enclose **50%** probability. The highly anisotropic thermal motion of carbon atoms C1, C3, and C4 reflect the presence of a conformational disorder within the nine-membered zirconacyclic ring. The T. Perspective view of the molecular comigue

drogen atoms in Figure 1 are based upon a preliminary anisotropic refinement of *5* and indicate a high degree of uncertainty associated with the atomic positions for C1, C3, C4, and the substituents attached to C1. This uncertainty is probably a consequence of the presence in the crystal lattice of a conformational disorder of the trans CH=CH moiety of the metallacyclic ring. In this case, due to the inherent averaging of the X-ray diffraction method, one would expect the largest thermal displacements for these disordered atoms (within the ring) to be directed more or less perpendicular to the ring. This feature is illustrated clearly in Figure 1 for carbons C1, C3, and C4. Although an attempt to refine separate positions for the two disordered sites of C3 and C4 was unsuccessful, the size, shape, and orientation of their thermal ellipsoids are consistent with their disorder positions being displaced by ca. 0.35 **A** from the respective averaged position. An during the X-ray structural analyses of several related

Despite the complications introduced by this conformational disorder, the structure determination of *5* is of sufficient quality to establish the atom connectivity and thereby allows us to assign the *relatioe* stereochemistry of this nine-membered zirconoxycarbene complex. Of the diastereomers described by the stereochemical notations $(1-R^*)(p-3,4,5-S^*)$ and $(1-R^*)(p-3,4,5-R^*)$ (with the nonsystematic atom-numbering scheme given in Figure l), the former is assigned to *5* according to the results of the X-ray analysis. However, in view of the inherent limitations of our structural analysis variable-temperature 13C CP/MAS NMR experiments¹⁸ were undertaken to obtain further information about the solid-state disorder.

Solid-state 13C **NMR Studies.** The 13C CP/MAS NMR spectra of *5* are well-resolved with line widths averaging 25-50 Hz. The resonances of all carbon nuclei are observed, and their chemical shifts are similar to their respective values obtained from the solution 13C NMR

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to tetramethylsilane, δ scale. ${}^cT = 300$ K, δ scale. d Double intensity. ${}^eT = 266$ K. ${}^{f_1}J(W, C) = 122$ Hz (W, CO_{trans}), 128 Hz CO_{cis}).

spectrum (Table IV). However, the solid-state spectra contain two similar sets of signals,¹⁹ consistent with 5 and $5'$ being present in an approximate ratio of 2:1. The 13 C

NMR resonances of these two diastereomers in the solid-

Figure 3. Deconvolution of the ¹³C NMR resonances in the carbonyl region of the ^{13}C CP/MAS spectrum of 5.

state spectra (Figure 2) are resolved for the chiral carbon $(C1)$, the olefinic carbons $(C3$ and $C4)$, the methylene carbon (C5), and the quarternary carbon (C13) of the CMe_3 group. In addition, the line shapes of $C₂$, $C₆$, and the methyl carbons (C12, C14, C15, and C16) can be fitted readily to Lorentzian line profiles by assuming the presence of two isochronous chemical shifts in each case. The relative intensity of the two observed Cp signals at δ 115.2 and 114.0 (1:2) can be interpreted by assuming that 5' exhibits two unresolved C_5H_5 resonances close to the latter value. Inspection of the region containing the carbonyl resonances (see Figure 3) reveals two signals for the trans-CO group in the approximate intensity ratio of 2:1. Between δ 201 and 195 ppm three major and two minor signals for the cis-CO resonances are resolved. Detailed analysis with the line-fitting program GLINFIT shows that these signals result from four cis-CO resonances in each of the diastereomers 5 and 5', which are in the intensity ratio 2:1.

The observation of four separate resonances for the cis-CO groups of 5 (or $5'$) indicates that rotation about the $W=C(carbene)$ bond is slow on the ¹³C NMR time scale

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(50 MHz) in the solid state at 300 K.²⁰ When the temperature is raised, the CP/MAS NMR spectra reveal the coalescence of these cis-CO resonances. This process is reversible. From the coalescence temperature, the activation barrier, $\Delta G^*_{\text{rot}}(350 \text{ K})$, was estimated to be 16.5 kcal/mol for this rotation in the solid state. The substituents of the nine-membered zirconacyclic ring, however, exert a significant influence on the magnitude of the $[W]=C$ rotational barrier. For the related zircono $xy \,$ carbene complex $\mathrm{Cp}_2\mathrm{Zr}(\mathrm{OC}[\text{=W}(\mathrm{CO})_5]\text{-}$ $CH_2CH=CHCH_2CMe_2O$ (4) only one set of ¹³C NMR resonances are observed at 300 K in the solid state, including a single cis-CO resonance at **6** 200.3 (see Table IV). .
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This singlet separates into two lines of equal intensity at *6* 201.1 and 199.7 upon lowering the monitoring temperature to 260 K. From the coalescence of the cis-CO 13C resonances we have estimated a rotational activation barrier of $\Delta G^*_{rot}(260 \text{ K}) \approx 13.5 \text{ kcal/mol}$ for the W=C bond of 4. However, at this stage a word of caution must be added. Since the frequency range within which the line shape of the CO resonances changes is very narrow and not all of the individual CO resonances are resolved, the ΔG^* values obtained for 4 and 5 can only show qualitative trends.

Concluding Remarks. The stereochemistry and dynamic behavior of these nine-membered-ring metallacyclic zirconoxycarbene complexes are remarkable in several ways. First, these complexes represent some of the very few examples^{20,21} where hindered rotation of the $L_nM=C$ linkage can be observed experimentally (albeit only in the solid state) despite the presence of an ML_n fragment (i.e., $W(CO)_{5}$ of high local symmetry. Moreover, it appears that the conformational equilibration of the chiral trans-cyclononene ring system of 4 and *5* is substantially hindered in the crystal. There is no indication from the variable-

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temperature ¹³C CP/MAS NMR spectra for the $5 \rightleftharpoons 5'$ interconversion of diastereomers taking place in the solid state. Similarly, the $4 \rightleftharpoons$ ent-4 enantiomerization occurs rather rapidly in solution $(\Delta G^*_{ent}(323 \text{ K}) = 16.6 \pm 0.4$ kcal/mol) but is not observed on the NMR time scale in the solid state. The solution 'H and 13C NMR spectra of

 $\text{Cp}_2\overline{\text{Zr}(\text{OC}[\text{=W}(\text{CO})_5]\text{CH}_2\text{CH}\text{=CHCH}_2\text{CMe}(\text{CMe}_3)\text{O})}$ indicate that only one diastereomer (namely *5)* is present under conditions where a conformational equilibration of the chiral nine-membered-ring system can occur at a sufficiently high rate.

Why is it that the same organometallic material exhibits a substantially different ratio of diastereoisomers $(5.5' \approx$ 2:l) when analyzed in the solid state? We suggest that this is due to a crystallization effect. Apparently, the thermodynamically less favored diastereomer *(5')* preferentially crystallizes upon slowly concentrating a solution of $\mathrm{Cp_{2}Zr(OC[=W(CO)_{5}]CH_{2}CH=CHCH_{2}CMe(CMe_{3})O)}$ in vacuo. Thereby, a noticeable amount of *5'* is coprecipitated with 5. In the solid state, the $5 \approx 5'$ rearrangement is too slow to reestablish the equilibrium situation observed in solution. Therefore, a rather different ratio of these diastereoisomeric zirconoxycarbene complexes exists in the solid state than in solution. Furthermore, the ratio of *5:5'* in the solid state may vary, depending on the conditions used for the crystallization of *5.* It is apparent from these observations that only a combination of complementary analytical methods can give sufficient information to describe correctly even such a simple situation of equilibrating systems as the one encountered here. In some instances, a complete description of molecular structural features cannot rely solely on the results of an X-ray crystallographic analysis but may require the additional information that can be provided by solid-state CP/MAS NMR measurements.

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