

**Synthesis and Reactivity of
Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -cyclopentadienone) Complexes. X-ray
Structures of Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₄O)Br,
Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Br)Br, and
[Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₂O-2-Me,5-PCy₃)Br]CF₃SO₃**

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Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₄O)Br (**1a**) and Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Me)Br (**1b**) are synthesized via the synthetic intermediates Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^3 -C₅H₅O)Br₂ and Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^3 -C₅H₄O-2-Me)Br₂. Complex **1a** crystallizes in the space group *Pnma* (No. 62), with $a = 11.080(2)$ Å, $b = 10.557(2)$ Å, $c = 12.225(2)$ Å, $V = 1430.0(5)$ Å³, and $Z = 4$. The structure was refined to $R = 0.021$ and $R_w = 0.023$. Complexes **1a** and **1b** react with Br₂ to afford the bromo substituted η^3 -cyclopentenoyl Ru(IV) complexes **2a** and **2b**. Bromine attack occurs exclusively α to the ketonic functional group and anti to the coordinated ruthenium. On addition of excess triflic acid, **2a** is shown to undergo facile conversion to [Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^5 -C₅H₃OH-2-Br)Br]CF₃SO₃ (**4**). Deprotonation of **4** with excess H₂O gives Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Br)-Br (**5**) in 98% yield. Complex **5** has been found to crystallize in space group *P2₁/c* (No. 14), with $a = 9.606(2)$ Å, $b = 13.421(4)$ Å, $c = 12.946(4)$ Å, $\beta = 111.46(1)^\circ$, $V = 1553.3(7)$ Å³, and $Z = 4$. The structure was refined to $R = 0.027$ and $R_w = 0.026$. Cationic complexes [Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₄O)(CH₃CN)]⁺ (**7a**), [Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Me)(CH₃CN)]⁺ (**7b**), and [Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-PCy₃)(CH₃CN)]²⁺ (**10**) are prepared by the action of AgCF₃SO₃ on **1a**, **1b**, and [Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-PCy₃)Br]⁺ (**9a₁**), respectively. Complex **7a** reacts readily with nucleophiles (Nuc = PCy₃ and PPhMe₂) to form regioselectively [Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^5 -C₅H₃-OH-2-Nuc)]⁺ (**8a₁**, **8a₂**). PPh₃ did not react with **7a**. Complexes **8a₁** and **8a₂** undergo facile oxidation with Br₂ to give **9a₁** and [Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-PPhMe₂)Br]⁺ (**9a₂**), respectively. In analogous fashion, [Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₂O-2-Me, 5-PCy₃)Br]⁺ (**9b**) is obtained on treatment of **7b** with PCy₃ and subsequent oxidation with Br₂. A single crystal structural study has been carried out for this complex. The space group is *P2₁/c* (No. 14), with $a = 12.226(2)$ Å, $b = 16.304(3)$ Å, $c = 18.803(3)$ Å, $\beta = 93.75(1)^\circ$, $V = 3740(1)$ Å³, and $Z = 4$. The structure was refined to $R = 0.036$ and $R_w = 0.037$.

Introduction

Recent interest in the chemistry of transition metal complexes with cyclopentadienones as ligands stems from the paucity of examples and what appears to be an inherently rich reaction chemistry.² We previously reported the synthesis and reactivity of various neutral and cationic Ru(η^5 -C₅H₅)(η^4 -cyclopentadienone) complexes.^{3,4} The multifunctionality of the cyclopentadienone ligands accounts for much of the unusual chemistry discovered (i) being able to react at the terminus

of a coordinated 1,3-diene⁵ and (ii), in contrast to simple 1,3-diene ligands, being able to act both as a 2e⁻ oxidizing agent and as a H⁺ acceptor.

Here we report on the synthesis and reactivity of Ru(C₅Me₅)(η^4 -cyclopentadienone) complexes. When the parent C₅H₅ ion is replaced by its more electron-donating and more bulky permethylated derivative C₅-Me₅, the chemistry of the Ru(η^4 -cyclopentadienone) moiety might change significantly. A preliminary account has already been published showing that the presence of methyl groups makes the ketonic oxygen of the cyclopentadienone ligand more basic such that adducts with Lewis acids are formed readily.⁶ Another aspect of the change in reactivity in going to more electron-rich complexes is an increased stabilization of higher oxidation states.

Experimental Section

General Information. Manipulations were performed under an inert atmosphere of purified nitrogen by using

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standard Schlenk techniques and/or a glovebox unless otherwise noted. All chemicals were standard reagent grade and used without further purification. The solvents were purified according to standard procedures.⁷ The deuterated solvents were purchased from Aldrich and dried over 4 Å molecular sieves. IR spectra were obtained on a Mattson RS1 FTIR spectrometer. ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AC 250 spectrometer operating at 250.13 and 62.86 MHz, respectively, and were referenced to SiMe₄. Microanalyses were done by the Microanalytical Laboratories, University of Vienna. Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₄O)Br (**1a**) has been synthesized according to the literature.⁶

Synthesis. Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Me)Br (1b**).** This compound was prepared according to a literature method.⁶ Yield: 57%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁BrORu: C, 46.84; H, 5.16; Br, 19.47. Found: C, 46.52; H, 5.12; Br, 19.66. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 4.74 (m, 1H), 4.64 (t, 1H), 3.73 (m, 1H), 1.81 (s, 15H), 1.38 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 181.8 (C=O), 97.4 (C₅Me₅), 86.9, 84.8, 83.4, 65.6, 11.1 (C₅Me₅), 9.7 (Me). IR (poly(chlorotrifluoroethylene), cm⁻¹): 1668 (s, $\nu_{C=O}$).

Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^3 -C₅H₄O-5-Br)Br₂ (2a**).** At -50 °C, Br₂ (43 μ L, 0.840 mmol) dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of **1a** (317 mg, 0.800 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) within a period of 1 h. The solution was then warmed to room temperature, and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The remaining solid was redissolved in CH₂-Cl₂ (2 mL), and undissolved materials were removed by filtration. On addition of anhydrous diethyl ether, a red precipitate was formed which was collected on a glass frit and dried under vacuum. Yield: 367 mg (83%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₉Br₃ORu: C, 32.40; H, 3.44; Br, 43.11. Found: C, 32.37; H, 3.35; Br, 42.93. ¹H NMR (δ , CDCl₃, 20 °C): 6.74 (m, 1H), 5.36 (m, 1H), 4.79 (m, 1H), 4.19 (m, 1H), 1.79 (s, 15H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 196.6 (C=O), 109.1 (C₅Me₅), 106.2, 71.5, 68.3, 49.9 (CHBr), 10.4 (C₅Me₅).

Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^3 -C₅H₃O-2-Me,5-Br)Br₂ (2b**).** This complex was synthesized analogously to **2a** with **1b** as starting material. Yield: 77%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁Br₃ORu: C, 33.71; H, 3.71; Br, 42.05. Found: C, 33.48; H, 3.66; Br, 42.21. ¹H NMR (δ , CDCl₃, 20 °C): 6.54 (m, 1H), 5.47 (m, 1H), 4.26 (s, 1H), 1.68 (s, 15H), 1.53 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 197.1 (C=O), 108.5 (C₅Me₅), 107.7, 71.1, 69.1, 49.5 (CHBr), 11.1 (C₅Me₅), 9.9 (Me).

Attempted Reaction of 2a with Pyridine. This reaction was performed on a scale suitable for a NMR experiment. **2a** (50 mg, 0.090 mmol) was dissolved in 0.5 mL of CD₂Cl₂ and treated with pyridine (7.3 μ L, 0.090 mmol). The reaction mixture were loaded into a NMR tube, and a ¹H NMR spectrum was recorded after 1 h showing complete decomposition of **2a** to several as yet not identified products.

[Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^3 -C₅H₃O-2-Me,5-py)Br₂]Br (3**).** A solution of **2b** (215 mg, 0.377 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) and pyridine (31 μ L, 0.377 mmol) was stirred for 1 h. Addition of diethyl ether afforded 235 mg (96%) of analytically pure **3**. Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₆Br₃NORu: C, 38.85; H, 4.04; Br, 36.92. Found: C, 38.87; H, 3.95; Br, 36.82. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₃NO₂, 20 °C): 9.32 (m, 2H), 8.68 (m, 1H), 8.20 (m, 2H), 6.92 (m, 1H), 5.47 (m, 1H), 5.06 (m, 1H), 1.87 (s, 15H), 1.61 (s, 3H).

[Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^5 -C₅H₃OH-2-Br)Br]CF₃SO₃ (4**).** A solution of **2a** (204 mg, 0.367 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was treated with neat triflic acid (2.5 equiv) at 0 °C, whereupon the red solution rapidly turned olive-green. On addition of anhydrous diethyl ether, a microcrystalline green solid was slowly formed. Filtration, followed by washing with diethyl ether, gave 222 mg (97%) of **4**. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₉Br₂F₃O₄RuS: C, 30.74; H, 3.06; Br, 25.56; S, 5.13. Found: C, 30.71; H, 3.12; Br, 25.36; S, 5.25. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₃NO₂, 20 °C): 5.36 (m, 1H), 5.23 (m,

1H), 4.89 (m, 1H), 2.06 (s, 15H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CD₃NO₂, 20 °C): 166.4 (C=O), 106.5 (C₅Me₅), 89.3, 87.1, 69.3, 69.1, 12.0 (C₅Me₅).

Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Br)Br (5**).** Treatment of **4** (220 mg, 0.352 mmol) with excess water (ca. 50 mL) resulted in an immediate color change from olive-green to dark red. Extraction with CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) yielded, on removal of the solvent, 164 mg (98%) of **5**. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₉Br₂ORu: C, 37.91; H, 3.82; Br, 33.63. Found: C, 37.31; H, 3.86; Br, 34.01. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 4.93 (dd, J = 3.3 Hz, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (dd, J = 4.0 Hz, J = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (dd, J = 4.0 Hz, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.84 (s, 15H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 176.0 (C=O), 99.3 (C₅Me₅), 85.4, 84.7, 72.1, 68.4, 11.1 (C₅Me₅).

Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^3 -C₅H₃O-2,5-Br₂)Br₂ (6**).** A 5 mm NMR tube was charged with **5** (30 mg, 0.063 mmol) in CD₂Cl₂ (0.5 mL) and was capped with a septum. Br₂ (ca. 3.3 μ L, 0.063 mmol) was added by syringe, and the sample was transferred to a NMR probe. ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra were immediately recorded and showed essentially quantitative formation of **6**. Attempts to isolate this complex, however, were unsuccessful. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 6.71 (dd, J = 4.2 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.55 (dd, J = 4.2 Hz, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (dd, J = 1.9 Hz, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 1.73 (s, 15H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 190.7 (C=O), 110.0 (C₅Me₅), 104.6, 76.1, 66.6, 47.2 (CHBr), 10.4 (C₅Me₅).

[Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₄O)(CH₃CN)]CF₃SO₃ (7a**).** **1a** (1.05 g, 2.65 mmol) was dissolved in 10 mL of CH₃CN. AgCF₃SO₃ (0.8 g, 2.65 mmol) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 2 h. The resulting precipitate of AgBr was removed by filtration, and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The crude product was chromatographed with CH₃CN on an alumina column. Reduction of the volume of the solution, under vacuum, to about 5 mL and addition of diethyl ether gave bright yellow microcrystals. Yield: 0.84 g (63%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂F₃NO₄RuS: C, 42.68; H, 4.38; N, 2.77; S, 6.33. Found: C, 42.65; H, 4.32; N, 2.81; S, 6.50. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₃-NO₂, 20 °C): 5.46 (m, 2H _{β}), 4.31 (m, 2H _{α}), 2.66 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 15H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 182.9 (C=O), 124.9 (CN), 102.1 (C₅Me₅), 92.8 (C _{β}), 73.1 (C _{α}), 11.1 (C₅Me₅), 5.0 (Me).

[Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Me)(CH₃CN)]CF₃SO₃ (7b**).** This complex was synthesized analogously to **7a** with **1b** as starting material. Yield: 59%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄F₃NO₄RuS: C, 43.84; H, 4.65; N, 2.69; S, 6.16. Found: C, 43.54; H, 4.56; N, 2.71; S, 6.05. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 5.48 (m, 1H), 5.31 (t, 2H), 4.40 (m, 1H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 2.03 (s, 15H), 1.67 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃, 20 °C): 185.8 (C=O), 124.1 (CN), 100.9 (C₅Me₅), 93.0, 90.1, 89.7, 70.2, 11.2 (C₅Me₅), 9.5 (Me), 6.1 (Me).

[Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^5 -C₅H₃OH-2-PCy₃)]CF₃SO₃ (8a₁**).** A solution of **7a** (231 mg, 0.456 mmol) in CH₃CN (5 mL) was treated with PCy₃ (134 mg, 0.456 mmol), and the mixture was stirred for 2 h. The solution was then evaporated to dryness, and in order to remove unreacted PCy₃, the solid residue was washed three times with anhydrous diethyl ether (10 mL). The crude product was redissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL), and undissolved materials were removed by filtration. Solvent removal under vacuum, followed by washing with diethyl ether, gave 316 mg (93%) of analytically pure **8a₁**. Anal. Calcd for C₃₄H₅₂F₃O₄-PRuS: C, 54.75; H, 7.03; P, 4.15. Found: C, 54.80; H, 6.98; P, 4.23. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 7.82 (br, 1H), 4.67 (m, 1H), 4.10 (m, 1H), 3.95 (m, 1H), 2.63–1.30 (m, 33H), 1.81 (s, 15H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃, 20 °C): 125.8 (d, J_{CP} = 7.0 Hz, C–O), 87.3 (C₅Me₅), 73.7 (d, J_{CP} = 8.6 Hz), 69.1 (d, J_{CP} = 8.3 Hz), 68.7 (d, J_{CP} = 9.2 Hz), 47.9 (d, J_{CP} = 85.0 Hz), 31.3 (d, J_{CP} = 44.2 Hz, PCy₃), 27.6–25.8 (PCy₃), 11.1 (C₅Me₅).

[Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^5 -C₅H₃OH-2-PPhMe₂)]CF₃SO₃ (8a₂**).** This complex was synthesized analogously to **8a₁** with **7a** and PPhMe₂ as starting material. Yield: 91%. Anal. Calcd for C₂₄H₃₀F₃O₄PRuS: C, 47.76; H, 5.01; P, 5.13. Found: C, 47.52; H, 5.11; P, 5.01. ¹H NMR (δ , CD₃NO₂, 20 °C): 7.70–7.30 (m,

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5H), 4.58 (m, 1H), 4.26 (m, 2H), 2.42 (d, $J_{HP} = 14.6$ Hz, 3H), 2.26 (d, $J_{HP} = 14.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.95 (s, 15H).

Attempted Reaction of 7a with PPh₃. This reaction was performed on a scale suitable for a NMR experiment. **7a** (20 mg, 0.059 mmol) was dissolved in 0.5 mL of CD₃NO₂ and treated with PPh₃ (30 mg, 0.118 mmol). The reaction mixture was loaded into a NMR tube, and a ¹H NMR spectrum was recorded. After 3 days, no reaction had occurred, and ≥97% of **7a** remained.

[Ru(η⁵-C₅Me₅)(η⁴-C₅H₅O-2-PCy₃)Br]CF₃SO₃ (9a₁). To a solution of **8a₁** (350 mg, 0.469 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) was added Br₂ (25 μL, 0.493 mmol) by syringe, and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. Upon addition of diethyl ether, a red precipitate was immediately formed, which was collected on a glass frit, washed with diethyl ether, and air-dried. The crude product was then redissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL), and solid materials were removed by filtration. Addition of diethyl ether resulted in the precipitation of **9a₁** as a microcrystalline red powder. Yield: 321 mg (83%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₄H₅₁BrF₃O₄PRuS: C, 49.51; H, 6.23; P, 3.76; Br, 9.69. Found: C, 49.48; H, 6.20; P, 3.81; Br, 9.82. ¹H NMR (δ, CDCl₃, 20 °C): 5.80 (m, 1H), 5.65 (m, 1H), 4.14 (m, 1H), 2.50–1.30 (m, 33H), 1.96 (s, 15H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ, CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 180.5 (C=O), 101.3 (C₅Me₅), 91.3 (d, $J_{CP} = 7.8$ Hz), 89.8 (d, $J_{CP} = 7.4$ Hz), 74.3 (d, $J_{CP} = 10.7$ Hz), 55.1 (d, $J_{CP} = 120.4$ Hz), 32.3 (d, $J_{CP} = 40.8$ Hz, PCy₃), 27.5–25.9 (PCy₃), 12.3 (C₅Me₅).

[Ru(η⁵-C₅Me₅)(η⁴-C₅H₅O-2-PPhMe₂)Br]CF₃SO₃ (9a₂). This complex was synthesized analogously to **9a₁** with **8a₂** as starting material. Yield: 76%. Anal. Calcd for C₂₄H₂₉BrF₃O₄PRuS: C, 42.24; H, 4.28; P, 4.54; Br, 11.71. Found: C, 42.20; H, 4.32; P, 4.44; Br, 11.69. ¹H NMR (δ, CD₃CN, 20 °C): 7.87–7.64 (m, 5H), 5.65 (m, 1H), 5.41 (m, 1H), 4.14 (m, 1H), 2.22 (d, $J_{HP} = 14.8$ Hz), 2.14 (d, $J_{HP} = 15.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.78 (s, 15H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ, CD₃CN, 20 °C): 180.7 (d, $J_{CP} = 7.3$ Hz, C=O), 135.6 (d, $J_{CP} = 9.3$ Hz, Ph), 132.4 (d, $J_{CP} = 10.6$ Hz, Ph), 130.8 (d, $J_{CP} = 12.5$ Hz, Ph), 123.4 (d, $J_{CP} = 103.0$ Hz, Ph), 102.2 (C₅Me₅), 90.4 (d, $J_{CP} = 10.7$ Hz), 86.8 (d, $J_{CP} = 10.6$ Hz), 73.9 (d, $J_{CP} = 10.3$ Hz), 59.8 (d, $J_{CP} = 83.8$ Hz), 11.4 (C₅Me₅), 9.9 (d, $J_{CP} = 57.7$ Hz, Me), 9.0 (d, $J_{CP} = 60.1$ Hz, Me).

[Ru(η⁵-C₅Me₅)(η⁴-C₅H₂O-2-Me₅-PCy₃)Br]CF₃SO₃ (9b). A solution of **7b** (256 mg, 0.492 mmol) in CH₃CN (5 mL) was treated with PCy₃ (138 mg, 0.492 mmol), and the reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature. After removal of the solvent, the solid residue was washed three times with anhydrous diethyl ether (10 mL). The crude product was redissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL), possible undissolved materials were removed by filtration, Br₂ (26 μL, 0.516 mmol) was added by syringe, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h. Upon addition of diethyl ether a red precipitate was formed which was collected on a glass frit, washed with diethyl ether, and air-dried. Yield: 322 mg (78%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₅H₅₃BrF₃O₄PRuS: C, 50.12; H, 6.73; P, 3.69; Br, 9.53. Found: C, 50.21; H, 6.69; P, 3.58; S, 9.78. ¹H NMR (δ, CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 5.46 (d, 1H), 5.21 (t, 1H), 2.36 (m, 3H), 2.10–1.10 (m, 30H), 1.96 (s, 15H), 1.44 (s, 3H).

[Ru(η⁵-C₅Me₅)(η⁴-C₅H₅O-2-PCy₃)(CH₃CN)](CF₃SO₃)₂ (10). AgCF₃SO₃ (50 mg, 0.204 mmol) was added to a flask containing a solution of **9a₁** (168 mg, 0.204 mmol) in acetonitrile (3 mL). After the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h, the precipitate of AgBr formed in this reaction was removed by filtration and the crude product was precipitated with diethyl ether as an orange-brown solid. In order to remove AgBr completely, the complex was redissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL) and solid materials were removed by filtration. Analytically pure product was obtained upon precipitation with diethyl ether. Yield: 93 mg (45%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₇H₅₄F₆NO₇PRuS₂: C, 43.79; H, 5.36; N, 1.38; S, 6.32. Found: C, 43.67; H, 5.32; N, 1.42; S, 6.40. ¹H NMR (δ, CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): 6.38 (m, 1H), 5.85 (m, 1H), 4.78 (m, 1H), 2.50 (m, 3H), 2.10–1.10 (m, 30H), 2.00 (s, 15H).

Table 1. Crystal Data for **1a**, **5**, and **9b**

	1a	5	9b
formula	C ₁₅ H ₁₉ BrORu	C ₁₅ H ₁₈ Br ₂ ORu	C ₃₅ H ₅₃ BrF ₃ O ₄ PRuS
fw	396.29	475.18	838.80
space group	<i>Pnma</i> (No. 62)	<i>P2₁/c</i> (No. 14)	<i>P2₁/c</i> (No. 14)
<i>a</i> , Å	11.080 (2)	9.606(2)	12.226(2)
<i>b</i> , Å	10.557(2)	13.421(4)	16.304(3)
<i>c</i> , Å	12.225(2)	12.946(4)	18.803(3)
β, deg		111.46(1)	93.75(1)
<i>V</i> , Å ³	1430.0(5)	1553.3(7)	3740(1)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	4
ρ_{calc} , g cm ⁻³	1.841	2.032	1.490
<i>T</i> , K	297	296	296
μ , cm ⁻¹	40.7 (Mo K α)	60.8 (Mo K α)	16.1 (Mo K α)
no. of data refined	1346	2079	4696
no. of LS params	99	189	436
<i>R</i> ^a	0.021	0.027	0.036
<i>R_w</i> ^b	0.023	0.026	0.037
GO ^F	1.33	1.32	1.85

$$^a R = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|. \quad ^b R_w = [\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / \sum w|F_o|^2]^{1/2}.$$

Table 2. Atomic Positional and Isotropic Displacement Parameters (Å²) for Ru(η⁵-C₅Me₅)(η⁴-C₅H₄O)Br (**1a**)

	<i>x/a</i>	<i>y/b</i>	<i>z/c</i>	<i>U_{eq}</i> ^a
Ru	0.36573(2)	1/4	0.47842(2)	0.0268(1)
Br	0.57650(4)	1/4	0.39525(4)	0.0543(2)
C(1)	0.1708(3)	1/4	0.4462(3)	0.036(1)
C(2)	0.2202(2)	0.1393(2)	0.3943(2)	0.035(1)
C(3)	0.3028(2)	0.1812(2)	0.3149(2)	0.032(1)
C(6)	0.0668(4)	1/4	0.5261(3)	0.055(2)
C(7)	0.1835(3)	0.0046(3)	0.4154(3)	0.051(1)
C(8)	0.3678(2)	0.1014(3)	0.2325(2)	0.048(1)
C(11)	0.5268(4)	1/4	0.6359(3)	0.046(1)
C(12)	0.4455(3)	0.1418(3)	0.6185(2)	0.053(1)
C(13)	0.3287(3)	0.1837(3)	0.6398(2)	0.065(1)
O	0.6334(3)	1/4	0.6595(3)	0.064(1)

$$^a U_{\text{eq}} = 1/3 \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i a_j (\mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{a}_j).$$

Crystallography. Crystal data and experimental details are given in Table 1. X-ray data were collected on a Philips PW1100 four-circle diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo K α ($\lambda = 0.71069$ Å) radiation and the $\theta - 2\theta$ scan technique. Three representative reference reflections were measured every 120 min and used to correct for crystal decay and system instability. Data reduction included corrections for Lorentz, polarization, and absorption effects. The program SHELX76⁸ was used for structure solution and refinement; the XTAL3.2⁹ suite of programs was used to produce molecular diagrams and tabular matter.

Ru(η⁵-C₅Me₅)(η⁴-C₅H₄O)Br (1a**).** A red prismatic crystal fragment with dimensions of 0.16 × 0.17 × 0.44 mm was used to measure the intensities of 3448 reflections with $\theta < 27^\circ$, $0 \leq h \leq 14$, $0 \leq k \leq 13$, $-15 \leq l \leq 15$. Merging gave 1654 unique data ($R_{\text{merge}} = 0.017$ on *F*). The positions of Ru and Br were found via direct methods, the remaining atoms from difference Fourier maps. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. The positions of the hydrogen atoms were initially calculated from the C-atom positions and then refined as parts of rigid groups (CH₃) or riding with the atoms to which they were bonded (C₅H₄O; for all H-atoms, C–H = 0.96 Å). The final full-matrix least-squares [$F_o \geq 6\sigma(F_o)$], minimized $\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2$ where $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o) + 0.0001F_o^2]$, yielded the positional parameters given in Table 2.

Ru(η⁵-C₅Me₅)(η⁴-C₅H₅O-2-Br)Br (5**).** A red prismatic crystal fragment with dimensions of 0.09 × 0.13 × 0.30 mm was used to measure the intensities of 3049 reflections with $\theta < 25^\circ$, $0 \leq h \leq 11$, $0 \leq k \leq 15$, $-15 \leq l \leq 14$; 2747 of these

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Table 3. Atomic Positional and Isotropic Displacement Parameters (\AA^2) for $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_3\text{O-2-Br})\text{Br}$ (5)

	<i>x/a</i>	<i>y/b</i>	<i>z/c</i>	U_{eq}^a
Ru	0.38173(4)	0.44844(3)	0.25857(3)	0.0271(1)
Br(1)	0.45764(6)	0.29907(4)	0.38867(4)	0.0431(2)
Br(2)	0.64534(6)	0.34501(4)	0.14568(4)	0.0505(2)
C(1)	0.1918(5)	0.5327(3)	0.1427(3)	0.033(2)
C(2)	0.1579(5)	0.5153(3)	0.2400(3)	0.035(2)
C(3)	0.1486(5)	0.4118(3)	0.2522(4)	0.035(2)
C(4)	0.1780(5)	0.3625(3)	0.1619(3)	0.034(2)
C(5)	0.2010(5)	0.4374(3)	0.0935(3)	0.033(2)
C(6)	0.1921(6)	0.6329(3)	0.0909(4)	0.044(2)
C(7)	0.1250(6)	0.5940(4)	0.3099(4)	0.051(2)
C(8)	0.0977(6)	0.3609(4)	0.3357(4)	0.052(2)
C(9)	0.1686(6)	0.2534(4)	0.1380(5)	0.051(2)
C(10)	0.2250(6)	0.4221(4)	-0.0142(4)	0.046(2)
C(11)	0.6761(5)	0.4440(4)	0.3575(4)	0.042(2)
C(12)	0.5965(5)	0.4376(3)	0.2358(4)	0.035(2)
C(13)	0.5250(5)	0.5299(3)	0.1974(4)	0.038(2)
C(14)	0.5188(5)	0.5816(3)	0.2920(5)	0.047(2)
C(15)	0.5874(5)	0.5220(4)	0.3865(4)	0.045(2)
O	0.7816(4)	0.3955(3)	0.4150(3)	0.060(2)

$$^a U_{\text{eq}} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i a_j (\mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{a}_j).$$

reflections were independent. The positions of Ru and Br were found via direct methods, the remaining atoms from difference Fourier maps. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. The positions of the hydrogen atoms were found from a difference Fourier map and were refined either as parts of rigid CH_3 groups or riding with the carbon atoms to which they were bonded ($\text{C}_5\text{H}_3\text{OBr}$; all C-H distances idealized at 0.96 \AA). A single variable multiplied with U_{eq} values of the carrier carbon atoms was used for the isotropic temperature factors of the hydrogen atoms. The final refinement by full-matrix least-squares [$F_o \geq 6\sigma(F_o)$] minimized $\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2$, where $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o) + 0.0001F_o^2]$, and gave the parameters presented in Table 3.

[Ru($\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5$)($\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_3\text{O-2-Me, 5-PCy}_3$)Br]CF₃SO₃ (9b). A red prismatic crystal with dimensions of 0.18 \times 0.25 \times 0.60 mm was used to measure the intensities of 7204 reflections with $\theta < 25^\circ$, $-22 \leq h \leq 22$, $0 \leq k \leq 19$, $0 \leq l \leq 14$; 6621 of these reflections were independent. The positions of Ru and Br were found via direct methods, the remaining atoms from difference Fourier maps. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were inserted in calculated positions (C-H = 0.96 \AA) and were refined either as parts of rigid CH_3 groups or riding with the carbon atoms to which they were bonded (CH and CH_2). The isotropic temperature factors of the H-atoms were refined with two variables (one for CH and CH_2 , one for CH_3) that were multiplied with the U_{eq} values of the carrier carbon atoms. The final large block matrix least-squares [$F_o \geq 6\sigma(F_o)$] minimized $\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2$, where $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o) + 0.0001F_o^2]$, and gave the parameters shown in Table 4.

Results and Discussion

Synthesis and Reactivity of Neutral Ru($\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5$)($\eta^4\text{-cyclopentadienone}$) Complexes. As we previously reported,⁶ the $\eta^3\text{-cyclopentenoyl}$ Ru(IV) complex $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^3\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5\text{O})\text{Br}_2$, prepared by the action of $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)\text{Br}]_4$ ¹⁰ on 4-bromo-2-cyclopenten-1-one,¹¹ is a convenient precursor for the synthesis of Ru($\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5$)($\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{O}$)Br (**1a**). The methyl-substituted derivative, Ru($\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5$)($\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_3\text{O-2-Me}$)Br (**1b**), was prepared in analogous fashion by utilizing 4-bromo-2-methylcyclopenten-1-one¹¹ as starting material. **1a** and

Table 4. Atomic Positional and Isotropic Displacement Parameters (\AA^2) for $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_3\text{O-2-Me, 5-PCy}_3)\text{Br}]\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3$ (9b)

	<i>x/a</i>	<i>y/b</i>	<i>z/c</i>	U_{eq}^a
Ru	0.14402(3)	0.08742(2)	0.23151(2)	0.0333(1)
Br	0.24989(4)	0.13645(3)	0.34438(2)	0.0562(2)
C(1)	0.1941(3)	-0.0385(2)	0.2725(2)	0.049(2)
C(2)	0.0882(4)	-0.0162(3)	0.2948(2)	0.049(2)
C(3)	0.0168(3)	-0.0079(2)	0.2334(2)	0.045(1)
C(4)	0.0798(3)	-0.0212(2)	0.1722(2)	0.042(1)
C(5)	0.1896(3)	-0.0407(2)	0.1973(2)	0.044(1)
C(6)	0.2917(4)	-0.0640(3)	0.3210(3)	0.073(2)
C(7)	0.0557(5)	-0.0138(3)	0.3706(2)	0.077(2)
C(8)	-0.1050(3)	0.0049(3)	0.2316(3)	0.060(2)
C(9)	0.0353(4)	-0.0283(3)	0.0966(2)	0.059(2)
C(10)	0.2780(4)	-0.0693(3)	0.1518(3)	0.064(2)
C(11)	0.1715(3)	0.2480(2)	0.2218(2)	0.042(1)
C(12)	0.0625(3)	0.2132(2)	0.2352(2)	0.046(1)
C(13)	0.0272(3)	0.1680(3)	0.1760(2)	0.047(1)
C(14)	0.1182(3)	0.1526(2)	0.1337(2)	0.038(1)
C(15)	0.2124(3)	0.1920(2)	0.1662(2)	0.034(1)
C(16)	-0.0063(4)	0.2454(3)	0.2926(3)	0.076(2)
O(1)	0.2163(2)	0.3070(2)	0.2501(2)	0.052(1)
P	0.33457(8)	0.21304(6)	0.12230(5)	0.0335(3)
C(17)	0.3355(3)	0.3232(2)	0.1068(2)	0.037(1)
C(18)	0.2287(3)	0.3595(2)	0.0707(2)	0.044(1)
C(19)	0.2342(4)	0.4529(3)	0.0733(2)	0.052(2)
C(20)	0.3352(3)	0.4851(3)	0.0401(2)	0.051(2)
C(21)	0.4386(3)	0.4473(3)	0.0747(2)	0.052(2)
C(22)	0.4358(3)	0.3541(3)	0.0709(2)	0.046(1)
C(23)	0.4599(3)	0.1896(2)	0.1767(2)	0.037(1)
C(24)	0.4785(3)	0.2447(3)	0.2427(2)	0.050(2)
C(25)	0.5876(4)	0.2240(3)	0.2825(3)	0.066(2)
C(26)	0.5954(4)	0.1335(3)	0.3023(3)	0.069(2)
C(27)	0.5773(4)	0.0800(3)	0.2372(2)	0.061(2)
C(28)	0.4674(3)	0.0988(2)	0.1974(2)	0.045(1)
C(29)	0.3317(3)	0.1508(2)	0.0408(2)	0.038(1)
C(30)	0.4446(3)	0.1394(3)	0.0113(2)	0.049(2)
C(31)	0.4370(4)	0.0808(3)	-0.0521(2)	0.062(2)
C(32)	0.3540(4)	0.1099(3)	-0.1096(2)	0.066(2)
C(33)	0.2432(4)	0.1221(3)	-0.0808(2)	0.054(2)
C(34)	0.2504(3)	0.1829(3)	-0.0184(2)	0.043(1)
S	0.7698(2)	0.1903(2)	0.0471(1)	0.116(1)
O(2)	0.8304(7)	0.1230(3)	0.0507(3)	0.205(4)
O(3)	0.7522(7)	0.2225(5)	0.1091(4)	0.247(5)
O(4)	0.6829(5)	0.190(1)	-0.0040(5)	0.409(9)
C(35)	0.8504(8)	0.2677(6)	0.0067(5)	0.130(4)
F(1)	0.8173(6)	0.3374(3)	-0.0009(4)	0.229(4)
F(2)	0.8539(8)	0.2454(4)	-0.0607(4)	0.269(5)
F(3)	0.9413(6)	0.2743(5)	0.0402(6)	0.329(6)

$$^a U_{\text{eq}} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i a_j (\mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{a}_j).$$

1b are fully characterized by a combination of elemental analysis, IR, and ^1H and $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy.

In the IR spectra of **1a** and **1b**, the carbonyl stretching frequencies are observed at 1678 and 1668 cm^{-1} , respectively, consistent with other cyclopentadienone complexes.^{2a,3a-c,4,12} These values are slightly lower than are the frequencies for the free ligand observed at 1727 and 1724 cm^{-1} .¹³ Thus, as expected, coordination leads to a decrease of the C=O bond strength. In the ^1H NMR spectrum of **1a**, the cyclopentadienone ligand displays an AA'XX' splitting pattern of two apparent multiplets at 4.80 (2H) and 3.82 ppm (2H) assignable to the β and α protons, respectively. The cyclopentadienone ligand of **1b** exhibits three multiplets centered at 4.74 (1H $_{\beta}$), 4.64 (1H $_{\beta}$), and 3.73 ppm (1H $_{\alpha}$) and a singlet resonance of the methyl group at 1.38 ppm (3H). The $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra of **1a** and **1b** exhibit a characteristic

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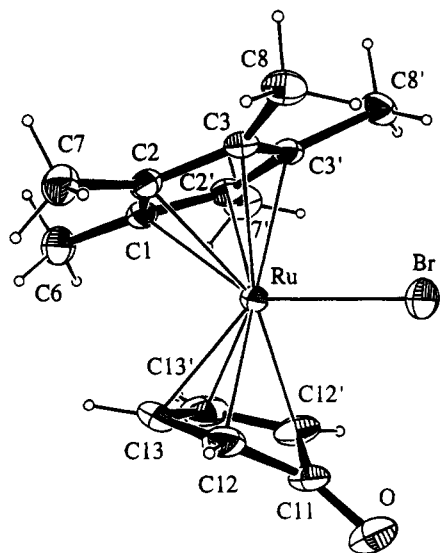
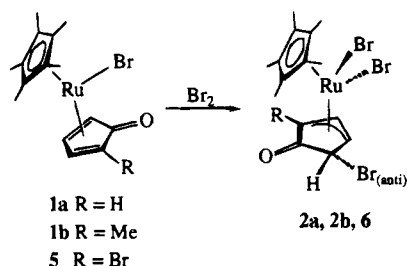


Figure 1. Structural view of $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{O})$ (**1a**).

Scheme 1



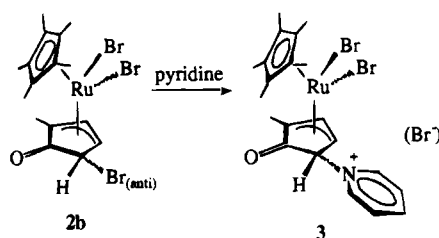
singlet assigned to the resonances of the "carbonyl" carbon at 182.2 and 181.8 ppm, respectively. A structural view of **1a** as determined by X-ray diffraction is depicted in Figure 1.

On treatment of **1a** and **1b** with 1 equiv of Br_2 at -50°C , η^3 -cyclopentenoyl $\text{Ru}(\text{IV})$ complexes **2a** and **2b** are obtained in 83 and 77% yields, respectively (Scheme 1). Both complexes are characterized by means of ^1H and $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR and elemental analysis.

The allyl protons of the cyclopentenoyl ligand in **2a** resonate at 6.74 (central allyl proton, H^3), 5.36 (H^4), and 5.79 ppm (H^2), while the aliphatic proton gives rise to a multiplet at 4.19 (H_{syn} , with respect to Ru). Complex **2b** exhibits a spectrum similar to that of **2a**, but with important differences resulting from the presence of the methyl substituent (see Experimental Section). The ^{13}C NMR spectra of **2a** and **2b** bear no unusual features, with the characteristic resonance of the "carbonyl" carbon observed at 196.6 and 197.1 ppm, respectively.

Bromine addition to the η^4 -cyclopentadienone ligand occurs exclusively α to the ketone functional group and anti to the coordinated ruthenium. Formation of **2a** and **2b** is, thus, most likely to proceed through a cationic $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-cyclopentadienone})\text{Br}_2]^+$ intermediate followed by nucleophilic attack of the remaining bromide counterion from an antifaceal direction. The enhanced reactivity of cyclopentadienone is a consequence of the strong electron-withdrawing effect of the $\text{Ru}(\text{IV})$ metal center. Removal of charge typically dominates at the α -carbon atoms and is, thus, the preferred site of a nucleophilic attack.⁵ Confirmation of the regioselectivity of this process was readily apparent from the

Scheme 2



spectroscopic characterization of the products. Proof of the stereospecific anti addition was obtained through a 2-D NOE experiment, performed on **2a** and **2b** in CD_2Cl_2 as a solvent, showing a strong interaction between the protons of the C_5Me_5 ligand and the aliphatic proton of the cyclopentenoyl moiety. This latter proton is, therefore, unequivocally syn with respect to the metal center. The experiment also demonstrates that **2a** and **2b** adopt the endo conformation with respect to the orientation of the allyl moiety (as drawn in Scheme 1). Moreover, temperature-dependent ^1H NMR spectroscopy (-63°C to $+25^\circ\text{C}$ in CD_2Cl_2 , 25 – 70°C in $\text{CD}_3\text{-NO}_2$) shows that, in solution, **2a** and **2b** are not dynamic and the endo conformation is retained over a large temperature range. In fact, the endo conformation, both in the solid state and in solution, is adopted by most of the $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{R}_5)(\eta^3\text{-allyl})\text{X}_2$ complexes ($\text{R} = \text{H}, \text{Me}; \text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}$) reported in the literature,^{14–16} and it would, thus, appear to be a general trend.

In an attempt to obtain complexes with bromo-substituted cyclopentadienone ligands, complexes **2a** and **2b** were subjected to the action of the base pyridine. While the reaction of **2a** with pyridine yields only intractable material, **2b** is cleanly converted to a new complex readily identified as a cationic pyridinium-substituted η^3 -cyclopentenoyl complex (Scheme 2), rather than a η^4 -cyclopentadienone complex. Abstraction of a syn proton by a base is presumably not possible for steric reasons.

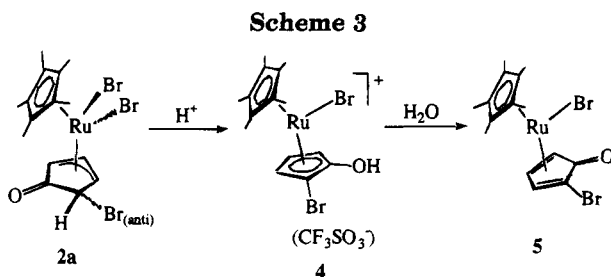
Complex **3** is characterized by elemental analysis and ^1H NMR spectroscopy. Unfortunately, the poor solubility of complex **3** precluded the recording of a $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum. Therefore, the formulation of **3** is rather tentative. An alternative isomer, as suggested by a reviewer, with the pyridinium and the methyl group bound to the same carbon atom seems less reasonable for reasons to be presented in detail in a following paper.

Following the strategy applied for the synthesis of complexes **1a** and **1b**,⁶ complex **2a** was readily converted on addition of triflic acid and subsequent dehydrobromination with H_2O to the desired η^4 -cyclopentadienone complex **5** (Scheme 3). **2a** reacts with triflic acid in $\text{CH}_2\text{-Cl}_2$ at 0°C to yield the novel high valent hydroxyruthenocene complex $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_3\text{OH-2-Br})\text{Br}]\text{-CF}_3\text{SO}_3$ (**4**). This reaction is essentially quantitative from ^1H NMR spectroscopic data of the product solution (CD_2Cl_2); the recovered yield is 97%. **4** is characterized by ^1H and $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy and elemental

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analysis. The ketonic oxygen of the η^3 -cyclopentenyl ligand is a potential nucleophilic site and protonation gives rise to conversion of the η^3 -cyclopentenyl ligand to the aromatic alcohol η^5 -C₅H₃OH-2-Br. In the course of this reaction the formal oxidation state of the metal center does not change. It is worth mentioning, however, that oxygen-centered protonation reactions of analogous cyclopentadienyl complexes Ru(η^5 -C₅H₅)(η^3 -cyclopentenyl)Br₂ have not been observed.⁴ On addition of excess water, complex 4 is readily deprotonated to afford, on workup, Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Br)Br (5) in 98% isolated yield (Scheme 3).

Complex 5 is characterized by means of ¹H and ¹³C-¹H NMR spectroscopy and elemental analysis. Both ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra of 5 show the expected singlet resonances for the C₅Me₅ ligand at 1.84 ppm (15H) and 99.3 (C₅Me₅) and 11.1 ppm (C₅Me₅), respectively. Also, the resonances for the η^4 -2-bromocyclopentadienone moiety are observed in the expected range (see Experimental Section). The ¹³C{¹H} NMR resonance of the "carbonyl" carbon appears at 176.0 ppm. An X-ray structure of 5 was determined. The molecular structure of 5 is shown in Figure 2.

Treatment of 5 with Br₂ results in the formation of complex 6, the C₅H₃O-2-Br ring being converted quantitatively to the corresponding η^3 -cyclopentenyl C₅H₃O-2, 5-Br₂ (Scheme 1). Though 6 could not be isolated as a solid, its structure was determined by ¹H and ¹³C-¹H NMR spectroscopy. Indicative of the formation of 6 was the resonance of the "carbonyl" carbon observed at 190.7 ppm and the bromine-bearing aliphatic carbon atom resonating at 47.2 ppm.

Synthesis and Reactivity of Cationic Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -cyclopentadienone) Complexes. Cationic complexes 7a, 7b, and 10 are obtained on addition of AgCF₃SO₃ (1 equiv) to CH₃CN solutions of 1a, 1b, and 9a₁, respectively, in reasonable yields. These complexes are characterized by elemental analysis and ¹H NMR spectroscopy. In addition, complexes 7a and 7b are characterized by ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectroscopy. The data bear no remarkable new features and will not be considered further.

When a CH₂Cl₂ solution of 7a is treated with PCy₃ and PPhMe₂, respectively, the bright yellow solution rapidly turns pale yellow. In either case, nucleophilic substitution takes place exclusively on the cyclopentadienone ring, being reduced to the alcohols, η^5 -C₅H₃OH-2-PCy₃ and η^5 -C₅H₃OH-2-PPhMe₂, respectively (Scheme 4). By use of ¹H NMR spectroscopy on the product solutions (CD₂Cl₂), the reactions are found to be essentially quantitative; the recovered yields are about 90%. Interestingly, the weaker nucleophile PPh₃ attacks neither the cyclopentadienone ring nor the metal center of compound 7a. This is in sharp contrast to the reaction of [Ru(η^5 -C₅H₅)(η^4 -C₅H₄O)(CH₃CN)]⁺ with PPh₃

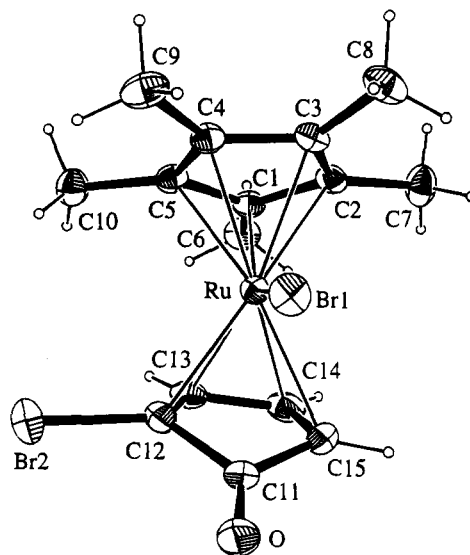
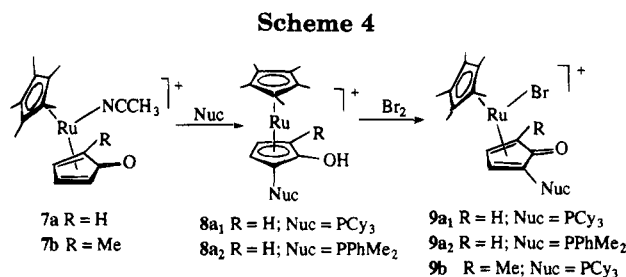


Figure 2. Structural view of Ru(η^5 -C₅Me₅)(η^4 -C₅H₃O-2-Br) (5).



described recently, which has been shown to quantitatively form the 1,2-disubstituted ruthenocene complex [Ru(η^5 -C₅H₅)(η^5 -C₅H₃OH-2-PPh₃)]⁺.^{3a,c} The ¹H and ¹³C-¹H NMR spectra of 8a₁ and 8a₂ reveal the same overall resonance pattern diagnostic for a 1,2-disubstituted cyclopentadienyl ring. The ¹H NMR spectrum of 8a₁ recorded in CD₂Cl₂ consists of five signals: a broad singlet at 7.82 ppm (1H), three multiplets centered at 4.67 (1H), 4.10 (1H), and 3.95 ppm (1H), and a multiplet between 2.63 and 1.30 ppm (30H), which is superimposed by a singlet at 1.81 ppm (15H).

Due to the coupling with ³¹P of the phosphine moiety, the ¹³C resonances of the disubstituted ring are split into doublets, including the resonance of the "hydroxy" carbon observed at 125.8 ppm (*J*_{CP} = 7.0 Hz). The singlet at 87.3 ppm is assigned to the ring carbons of the C₅Me₅ ring.

Cationic η^4 -diene complexes are considered to be among the substrates most receptive to nucleophilic attack, this being favored at the terminal carbons, i.e., in the case of η^4 -C₅H₄O in the position α to the ketonic group.^{5,17} This has indeed been demonstrated very recently by the reactions of [Mo(CO)₂(η^5 -C₅H₅)(η^4 -C₅H₄O)]⁺ with various carbanions, which yield substituted η^3 -cyclopentenyl complexes^{2a} and by the reactions of [Ru(η^5 -C₅H₅)(η^4 -C₅H₄O)(CH₃CN)]⁺ with PPh₃, PPh₂-Me, and P(*p*-PhOMe)₃, respectively, which yield substituted η^5 -hydroxycyclopentadienyl complexes.^{3a,c,d} A molecular orbital analysis carried out recently^{4b} suggested that coordinated η^4 -cyclopentadienone should be at-

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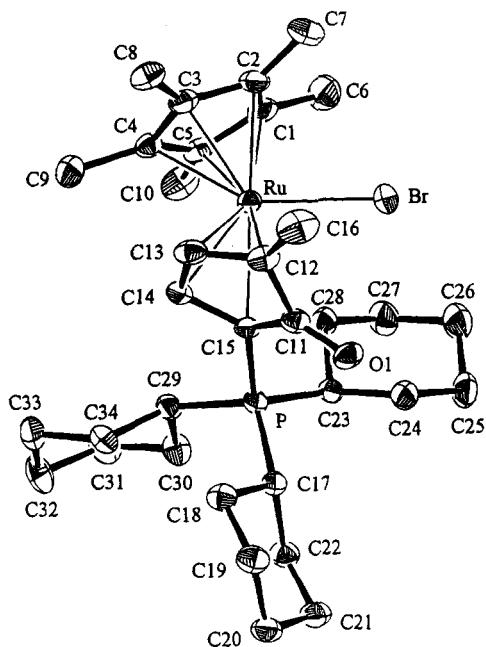


Figure 3. Structural view of $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_2\text{O-2-Me, 5-PCy}_3)\text{Br}]\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3$ (**9b**).

tacked in the α -position since the p_z -orbitals of the α -carbons contribute much more strongly to the LUMO than the β -carbon orbitals. Therefore, it is assumed that the observed regioselectivity of the reaction of $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-cyclopentadienone})(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})]^+$ with tertiary phosphines may also be rationalized in terms of frontier orbital control.

Complexes **9a**₁ and **9a**₂ are obtained in good yields through oxidation of **8a**₁ and **8a**₂ with Br_2 in CH_2Cl_2 at ambient temperature (Scheme 4). Interestingly, not the Ru metal center but the ligand $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_3\text{OH-2-Nuc}$ (Nuc = PCy_3 , PPhMe_2) is cleanly oxidized to give the corresponding η^4 -cyclopentadienone. This two-electron oxidation is accompanied by a change in the coordination mode. There is no evidence of the formation of the Ru(IV) complex $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_3\text{OH-2-Nuc})\text{Br}]^{2+}$.

In analogous fashion, complex **7b** was converted to the cationic complex $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_2\text{O-2-Me, 5-PCy}_3)\text{Br}]^+$ (**9b**) by the above procedure and is characterized by ^1H NMR spectroscopy and elemental analysis. Single crystals of the CF_3SO_3^- salt of **9b** have been obtained, and the X-ray analysis has established the structure given in Figure 3. Thereby also the regioselective attack of PCy_3 in the position α to the ketonic group in **7b** is established.

Crystal Structures of $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{O})\text{Br}$ (1a**), $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_3\text{O-2-Br})$ (**5**), and $[\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_2\text{O-2-Me, 5-PCy}_3)\text{Br}]\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3$ (**9b**).** Structural views of complexes **1a**, **5**, and **9b** are shown in Figures 1–3, respectively. Selected bond lengths are given in Table 5. In all three complexes the C_5Me_5 ring is staggered with respect to the Ru–Br bond and with respect to the cyclopentadienone ring, which is exo-oriented. The latter feature is common to all ruthenium cyclopentadienone complexes investigated thus far.^{4b} Noteworthy, the cyclopentadienone ligand of the structurally related complex $[\text{Mo}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^4\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{O})(\text{CO})_2]^+$ adopts the endo orientation.^{3a} Bond lengths and angles of **1a**, **5**, and **9b** agree essentially with previous findings on $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^4\text{-cyclopentadienone})$ complexes.^{4b} A

Table 5. Selected Bond Lengths (Å) for **1a**, **5**, and **9b**

	1a ^a	5	9b
Ru–Br	2.547(1)	2.547(1)	2.542(1)
Ru–C(1)	2.196(3)	2.203(4)	2.263(4)
Ru–C(2)	2.242(2)	2.260(5)	2.201(4)
Ru–C(3)	2.239(2)	2.265(5)	2.201(4)
Ru–C(4)		2.222(4)	2.210(4)
Ru–C(5)		2.211(4)	2.265(4)
Ru–C(12)	2.241(3)	2.193(5)	2.283(4)
Ru–C(13)	2.133(3)	2.125(5)	2.159(4)
Ru–C(14)		2.167(5)	2.130(4)
Ru–C(15)		2.286(4)	2.291(4)
C(11)–C(12)	1.470(4)	1.481(6)	1.485(6)
C(11)–C(15)		1.482(8)	1.499(5)
C(12)–C(13)	1.392(4)	1.414(6)	1.380(6)
C(13)–C(14)	1.400(7)	1.429(8)	1.433(6)
C(14)–C(15)		1.407(7)	1.422(5)
C(11)–O	1.216(5)	1.205(6)	1.211(5)
Br(2)–C(12)		1.878(5)	
C(15)–P			1.786(4)
P–C(17)			1.819(4)
P–C(23)			1.826(4)
P–C(29)			1.837(4)

^a For **1a** the atom designations C(4), C(5), C(14), and C(15) used in this table correspond to mirror symmetric equivalents of C(3), C(2), C(13), and C(12) of Table 1.

main feature comprises the envelope conformation of the cyclopentadienone ring, which can be subdivided into two planes, one defined by C(12), C(13), C(14), and C(15) (butadiene fragment) and the other defined by C(12), C(11), O(1), and C(15). The angles between these planes are 24.9(2), 24.4(3), and 21.4(2)° for **1a**, **5**, and **9b**, respectively. The angles between the butadiene fragments and the C_5Me_5 rings are 35.8(2), 35.6(2), and 38.6(2)°. The dienone character of the cyclopentadienones is still apparent as indicated by the short–long–short pattern of the C–C distances (Table 5) although the standard deviations are comparatively high. The Ru–C bond lengths of the cyclopentadienone moieties are systematically shorter by about 0.1 Å for C(13) and C(14) than for C(11) and C(15). The C–O bond lengths are on average 1.21 Å. The Ru–C mean bond distances of the C_5Me_5 rings, 2.232(3), 2.232(5), and 2.228(4) Å for **1a**, **5**, and **9b**, respectively, are very uniform and similar to the bis(water) adduct of complex **1a** reported previously.⁶ It is interesting to note that these metal carbon distances are systematically larger by 0.03 Å than in the analogous $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^4\text{-cyclopentadienone})$ complexes.^{4b} Complex **1a** has crystallographic mirror symmetry with the mirror plane bisecting the cyclopentadienone ligand and the Ru and Br atoms. Complexes **5** and **9b** are significantly distorted due to the substituents of the cyclopentadienone ring. As depicted in Figure 2, the five-membered rings adopt a “skew” orientation relative to one another with the effect that Ru–C bond lengths in the left half of Figure 2 are systematically shorter than in the right half. A related distortion is also present in compound **9b**. However, not the asymmetrically substituted cyclopentadienone ligand but the C_5Me_5 ring is subject to some “side slipping” as apparent in the Ru–C bond distances, which are short for C(2) and C(3), and long for C(1) and C(5).

Conclusion

The work reported here bears some similarity to the related $\text{Ru}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^4\text{-cyclopentadienone})$ and Ru-

(η^5 -C₅H₅)(η^3 -cyclopentenoyl) systems.^{3,4} However, due to the electron-releasing methyl substituents of the C₅-Me₅ ligand, the basicity of the ketonic oxygen atoms of both the η^4 -cyclopentadienone and the η^3 -cyclopentenoyl ligands is significantly increased. Thus, facile oxygen-centered protonation reactions become feasible, leading to η^5 -hydroxycyclopentadienyl Ru(IV) compounds which are useful synthetic precursors for substituted cyclopentadienone ruthenium complexes. Furthermore, in the case of cyclopentadienone complexes, even adduct formation with H₂O has been observed.⁶

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