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Editor's Page

The first review published in *Organometallics* with the figure on the cover of a molecule that was featured in the review was the account by Uwe Rosenthal and co-workers of the University of Rostock on the fascinating chemistry of the titanocene complex of bis(trimethylsilyl)acetylene (*Organometallics* **2003**, 22, 884). This very reactive titanacyclopentadiene has continued to be a veritable chemical gold mine in the hands of Professor Rosenthal and co-workers, and in this issue they bring another chapter in the continuing saga of this molecule and its zirconocene analogue. These molecules are facile sources of $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Ti}$ and $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Zr}$, and the generation of these intermediates on reaction with 1,3-diyne provides a route to novel metallacyclocumulenes, one of which, $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Zr}(\eta^4\text{-Me}_3\text{CC}_4\text{CMe}_3)$, a 1-zirconacyclopenta-2,3,4-triene, is our cover molecule. Such compounds have interesting properties and interesting chemistry. As the cover illustration shows, they are stabilized by intramolecular π -bonding between two central ring carbon atoms and the metal atom.

This year will bring more reviews that should be of interest to our readers. Some already are in hand and others have been promised, and I trust that the latter will be submitted during the course of this year.

The cover figure was generated by Dr. Anke Spannenberg and kindly provided by Professor Rosenthal.

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