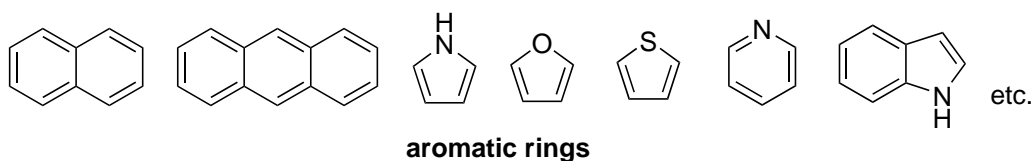
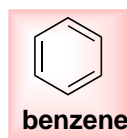


# Dearomatization Reaction

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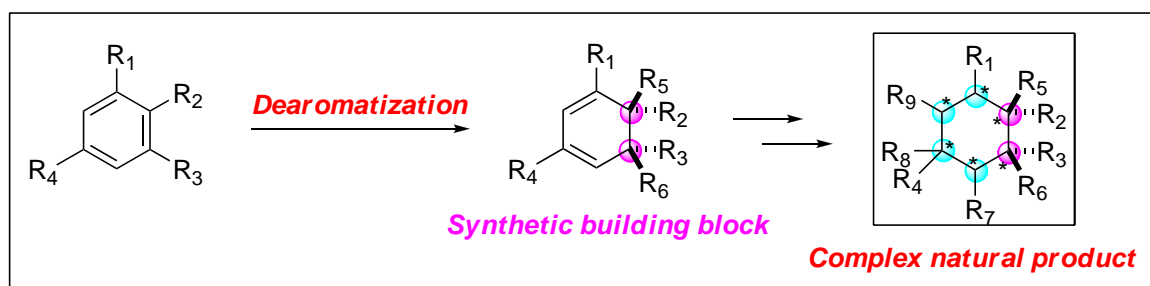
## 0. Introduction



1865: Assignment of the benzene structure (F A. Kekule)  
Chemically stable, ubiquitous (aromaticity)

*One of the most stable molecule in organic chemistry !!*

~Aromatic ring as a synthetic scaffold~

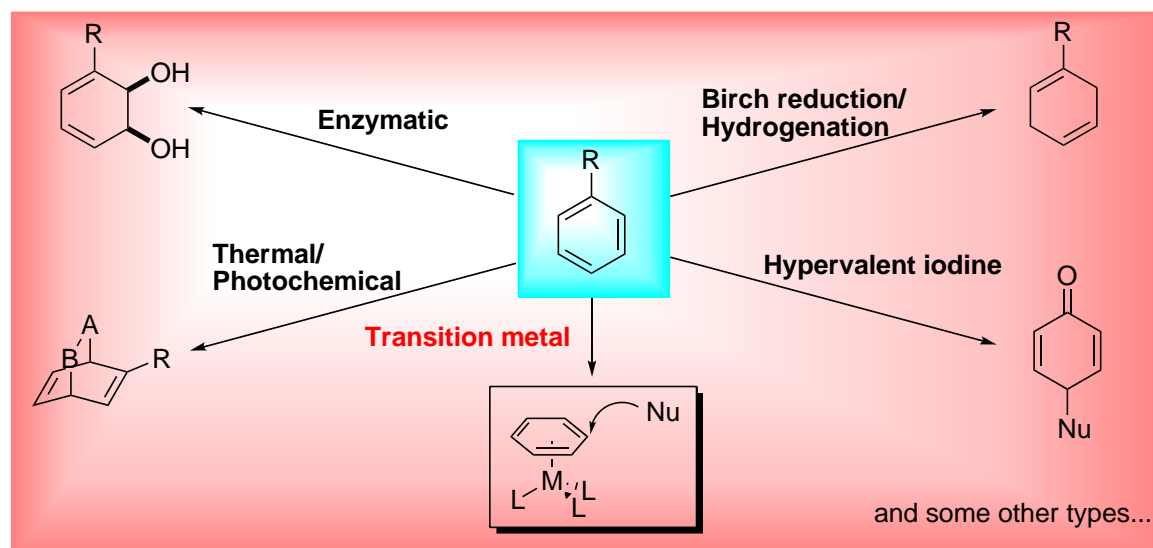


The dearomatization of arenes will provide synthetically useful hydrocarbons and alicyclic frameworks !!

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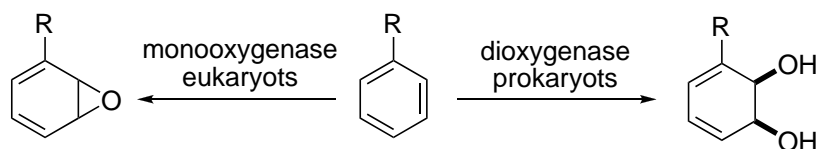
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## 1. Background of Dearomatization Reactions



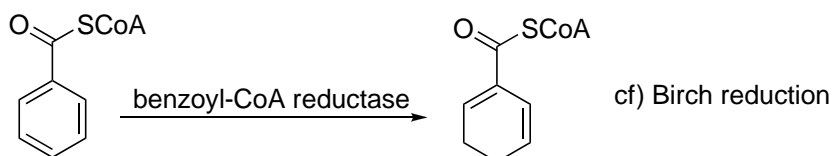
## Enzymatic dearomatization

### Oxidation



Enantioselective dihydroxylation  
 Many application to total synthesis (since 1987)  
 Pseudomonas putida: commercially available from Aldrich

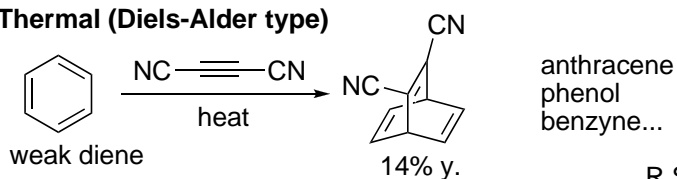
### Reduction



Advantages:	Disadvantages:
enantioselective dihydroxylation	no C-C bond formation
functional group tolerance	
aromatic heterocycles	

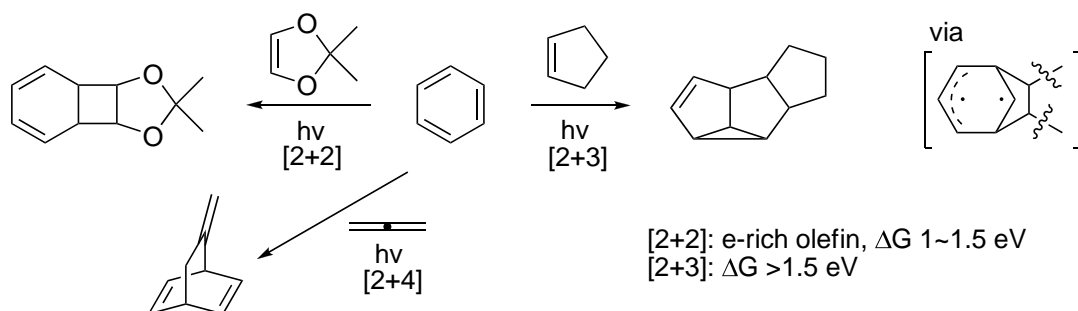
## Thermal/Photochemical dearomatization

### Thermal (Diels-Alder type)



R S. H. Liu *JACS*. **1968**, 90, 215.

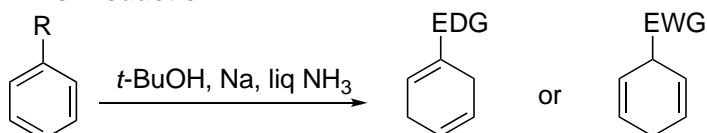
### Photochemical ([2+2], [2+3], [2+4]...)



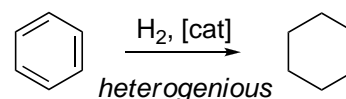
Advantages:	Disadvantages:
C-C bond formation	limited substrate scope
atom economical	position selectivity
	harsh condition

## Birch reduction/ Hydrogenation

### Birch reduction

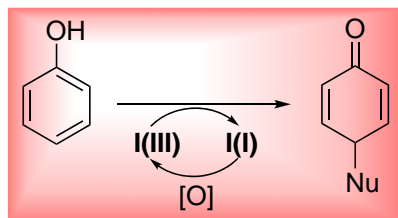


### Hydrogenation



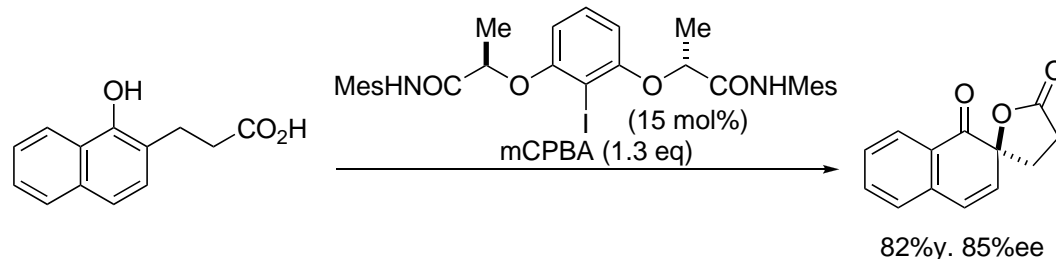
Advantages:	Disadvantages:
position selective	harsh condition
	functional group tolerance
	C-H bond formation

## Hypervalent iodine-catalyzed dearomatization



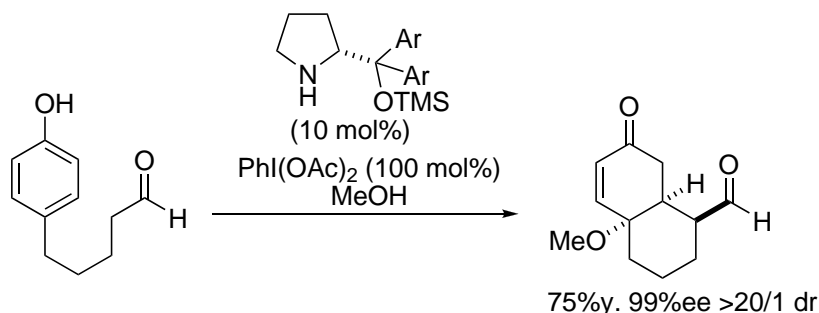
cf)  $\text{Pb}(\text{OAc})_4$

### Catalytic asymmetric Kita oxidation



K Ishihara et al. *ACIE*. **2010**, *49*, 2175.

### Organocatalytic desymmetrization of *meso* dienone obtained through oxidative dearomatization



M J. Gaunt et al. *JACS*. **2008**, *130*, 404.

#### Advantages:

catalytic  
asymmetric  
mild condition

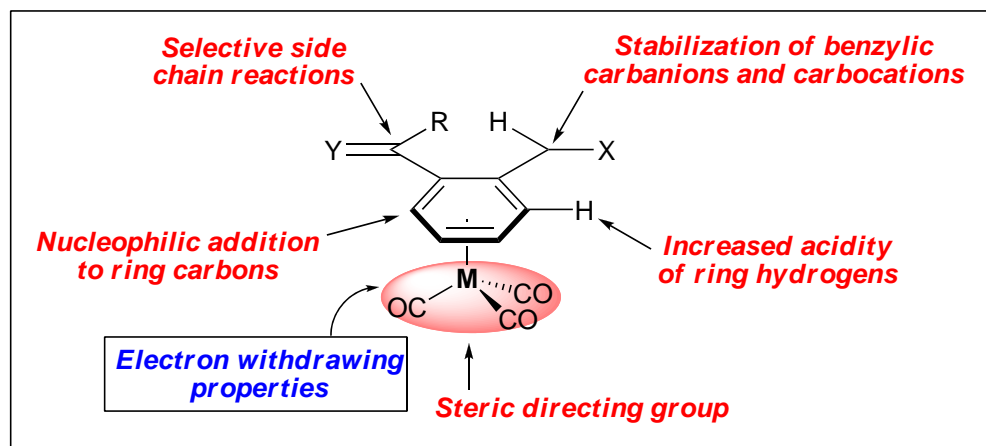
#### Disadvantages:

applicable to only phenol derivatives

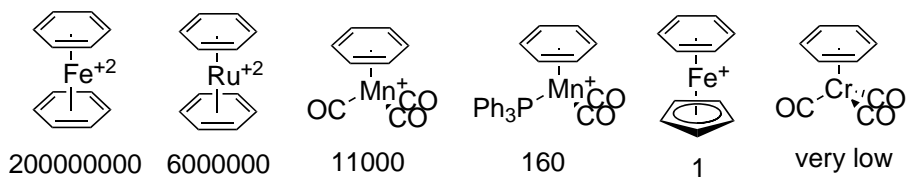
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### 2.1 Dearomatization through $\eta^6$ coordination

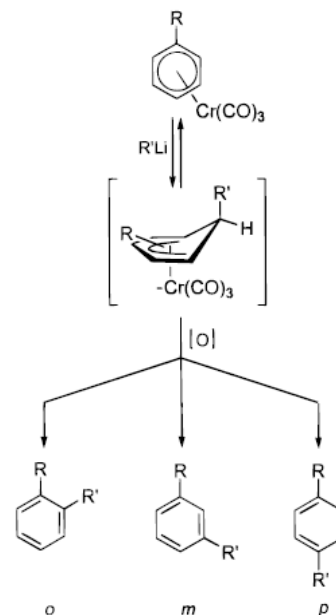
Changes in arene reactivity after complexation with metal tricarbonyl



## Relative reactivity of arene-metal complexes toward nucleophilic addition



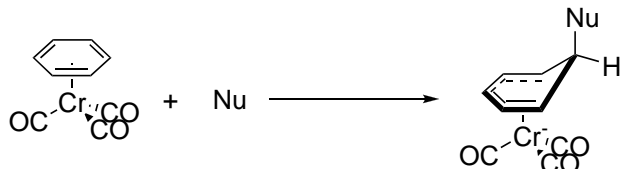
## Regioselective addition to arene chromium tricarbonyl complexes



R	Product
MeO	meta
NMe <sub>2</sub>	meta
Me, Et	meta/ortho
Cl	ortho/meta
Hydrazone	ortho
Imine	ortho
Oxazoline	ortho
SiMe <sub>3</sub>	para
CMe <sub>3</sub>	para
CF <sub>3</sub>	para

(kinetic product)

## Reactivity of carboanions in the nucleophilic addition process to benzene



### unreactive

LiCH(CO<sub>2</sub>R)<sub>2</sub>, LiCH<sub>2</sub>COR, CH<sub>3</sub>MgBr, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>CMgBr, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CuLi, LiC(OR)(CN)Ph

### successful

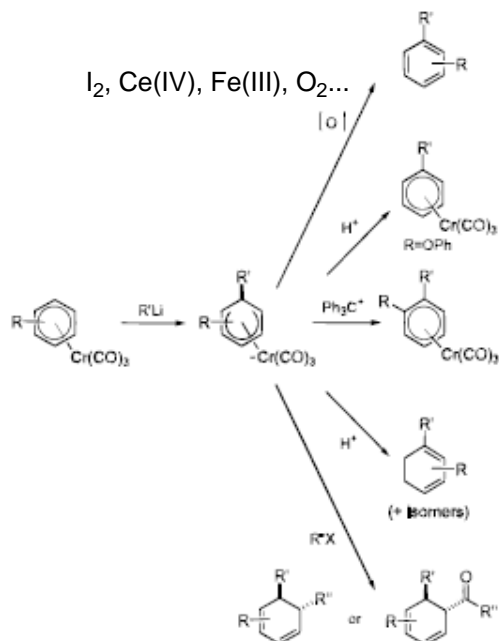
LiCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>R, LiCH<sub>2</sub>CN, KCH<sub>2</sub>COC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, LiCH(CN)(OR), LiCH<sub>2</sub>SPh, 2-Li-1,3-dithianyl, LiCH=CH<sub>2</sub>, LiPh, LiCCR, LiCH<sub>2</sub>CH=CH<sub>2</sub>, tBuLi

### metalation

nBuLi, LiCH<sub>3</sub>, sBuLi

Attack of nucleophiles is reversible.  
pKa > 22

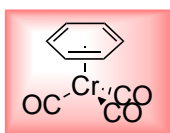
## Range of products resulting from the sequential reactions of nucleophiles and electrophiles



**oxidation:** it makes the metal poorer at backbonding.

*In principle, this chemistry could be catalytic if arene exchange occurred after nucleophilic attack.*

## ( $\eta^6$ arene)Cr(CO)<sub>3</sub> complexes



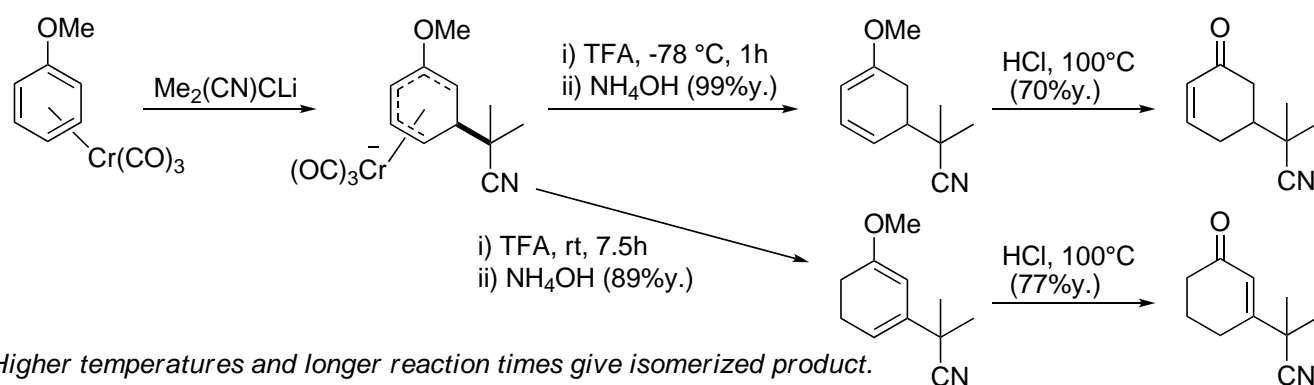
yellow to red  
often crystalline compound  
stable to air (in solid state), moderately air sensitive (in solution)  
they can be stored for long periods if they are kept away from light.

### Preparation

1. Cr(CO)<sub>6</sub> + arene (excess) under Ar (1-4 d)
2. Cr(CO)<sub>3</sub>L<sub>3</sub> + arene (L = CH<sub>3</sub>CN, Py, NH<sub>3</sub>)
3. (naphthalene)Cr(CO)<sub>3</sub> + arene

## Reaction patterns

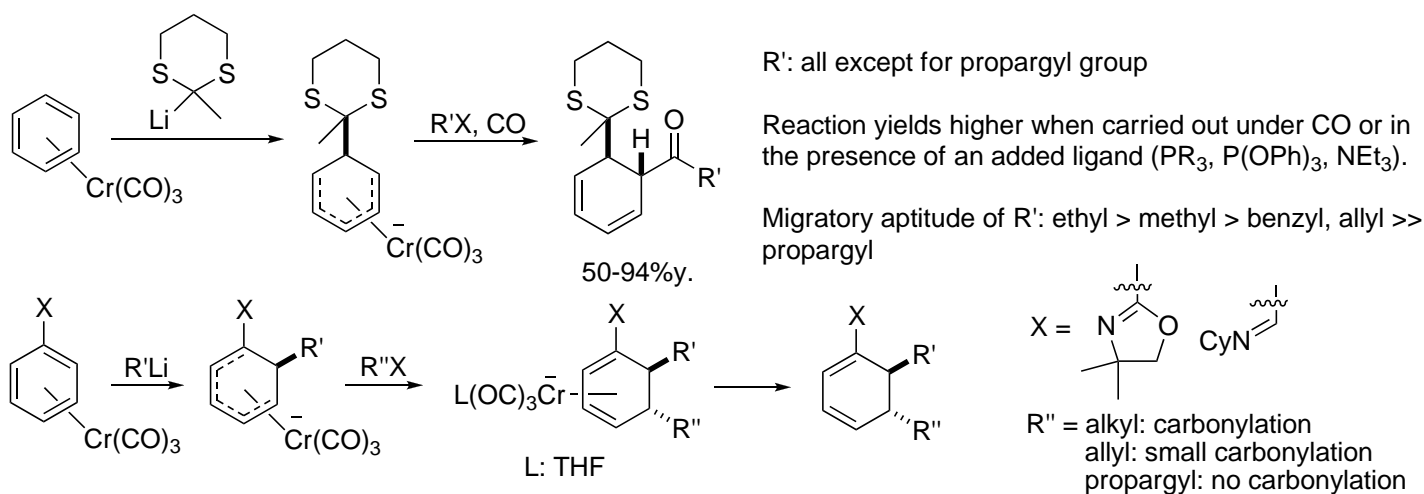
### 1. Nucleophilic addition/Protonation reactions



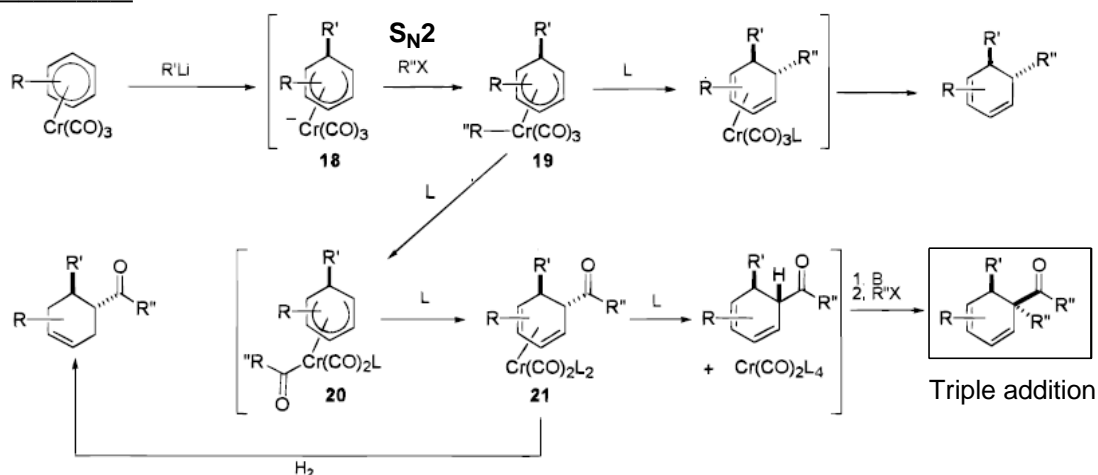
Higher temperatures and longer reaction times give isomerized product.

Semmelhack et al. *JOC* **1979**, *44*, 3275.  
Semmelhack et al. *Tetrahedron* **1981**, *37*, 3957.

### 2. Nucleophilic addition/C-electrophile addition reactions



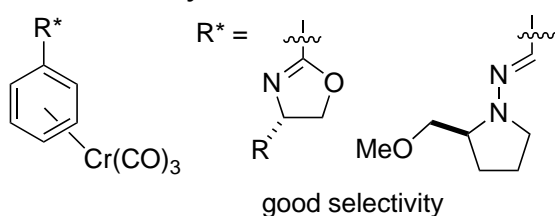
#### Mechanism



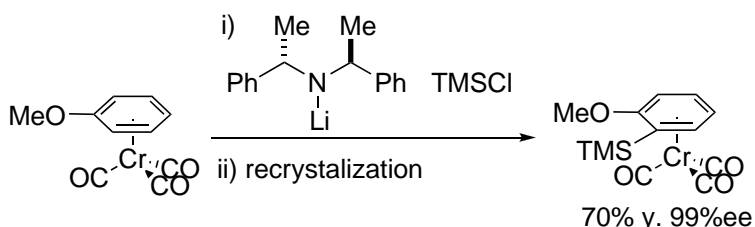
Migratory CO insertion depends very much on the nature of the electrophile and the presence or absence of EWG on the arene ring.

### 3. Asymmetric version

#### Chiral auxiliary

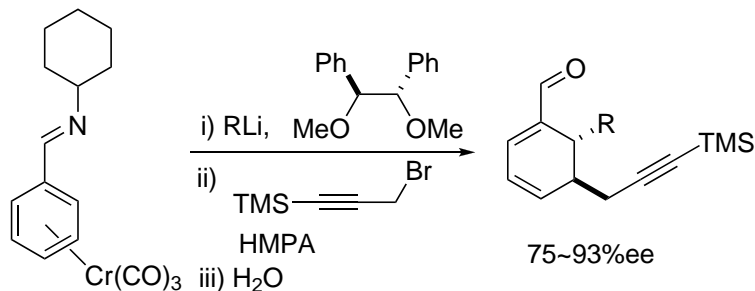


#### Planer chirality



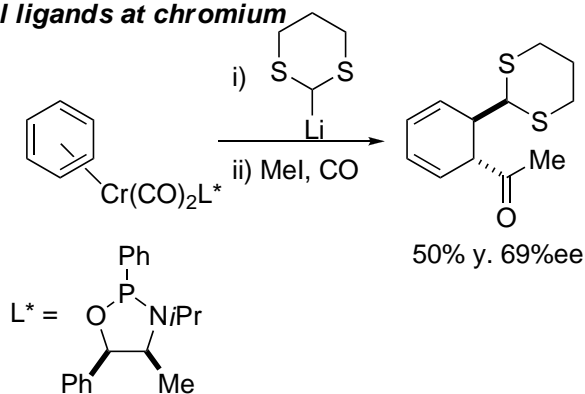
Schmalz et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **1998**, *4*, 57.

### External chiral ligand



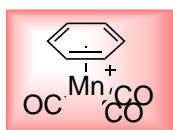
Kundig et al. *JOC*. **1996**, 61, 2258.

### Chiral ligands at chromium



Kundig et al. *Pure. Appl. Chem*. **1996**, 68, 97.

## [( $\eta^6$ arene)Mn(CO)<sub>3</sub>]<sup>±</sup> complexes



yellow, stable  
crystalline compound  
more electrophilic than chromium

**Nucleophiles:** Grignard reagent, ketone enolates, malonates, hydride(LAH...)

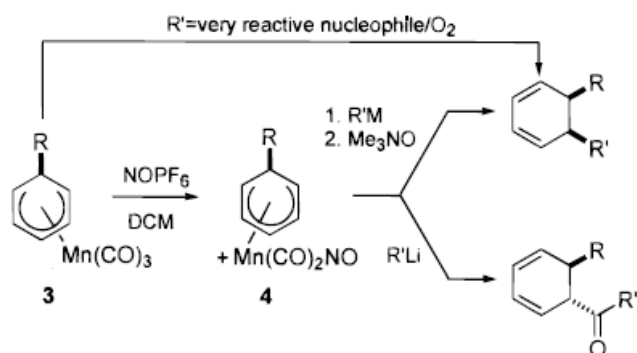
### Preparation

Mn(CO)<sub>5</sub>Br + AgBF<sub>4</sub>, then arene

### Reaction patterns

#### Sequential addition of two nucleophiles

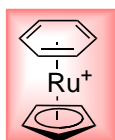
Due to the decreased nucleophilicity of the neutral Mn species, reaction with C-electrophiles are not possible.



Substitution of CO ligand to NO makes the complex more electrophilic.

← Reaction occurred at CO ligand.

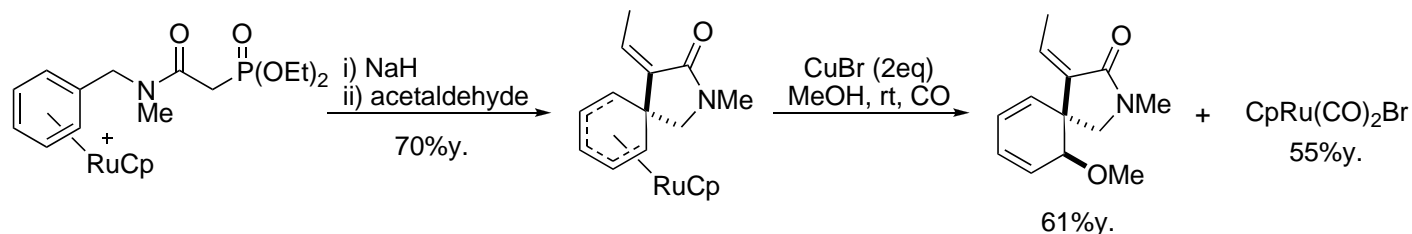
## [( $\eta^6$ arene)RuCp]<sup>±</sup> complexes



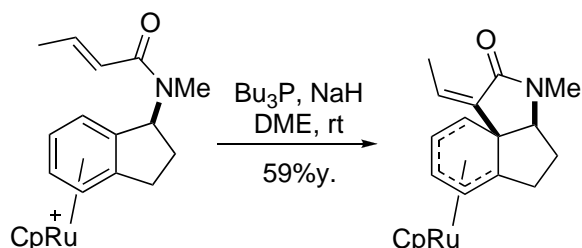
high yielding preparation  
functional compatibility of RuCp

### Preparation

[(MeCN)<sub>3</sub>RuCp][PF<sub>6</sub>] + arene



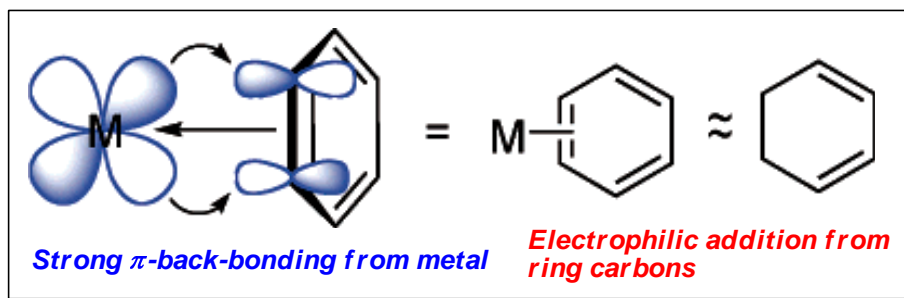
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Pigge et al. *JACS*. **2006**, 128, 3498.



Pigge et al. *Organometallics*. **2009**, 28, 3869.

## 2.1 Dearomatization through $\eta^2$ coordination

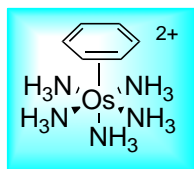
Changes in arene reactivity after complexation with metal tricarbonyl



M = Os, Re, Mo, W

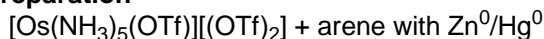
This chemistry can be applicable to hetero aromatic rings.

### $[(\eta^2\text{arene})\text{Os}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$ complexes



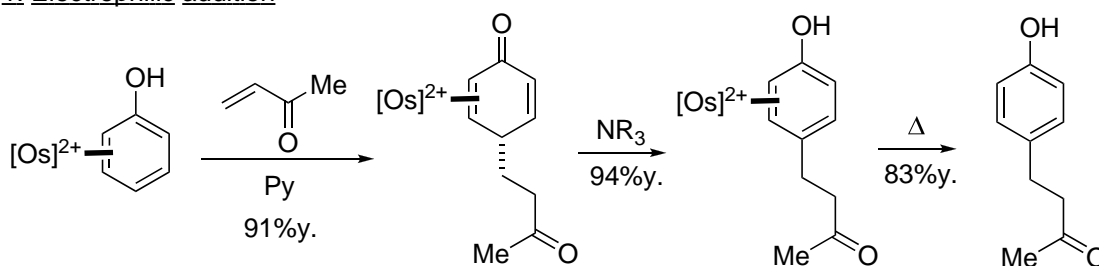
yellow to red crystalline  
thermally stable  
sensitive to air  
coordination to nitrile, aldehyde, some ketones, alkenes and alkyne  
(not to ester, amide, ether, alcohol, water protonated amine)  
ammine ligand: powerful  $\sigma$ -donor, poor  $\pi$ -interaction with metal

#### Preparation



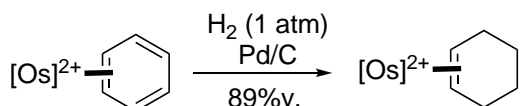
#### Reaction patterns

##### 1. Electrophilic addition



Harman et al. *JACS*. **1994**, 116, 6581.

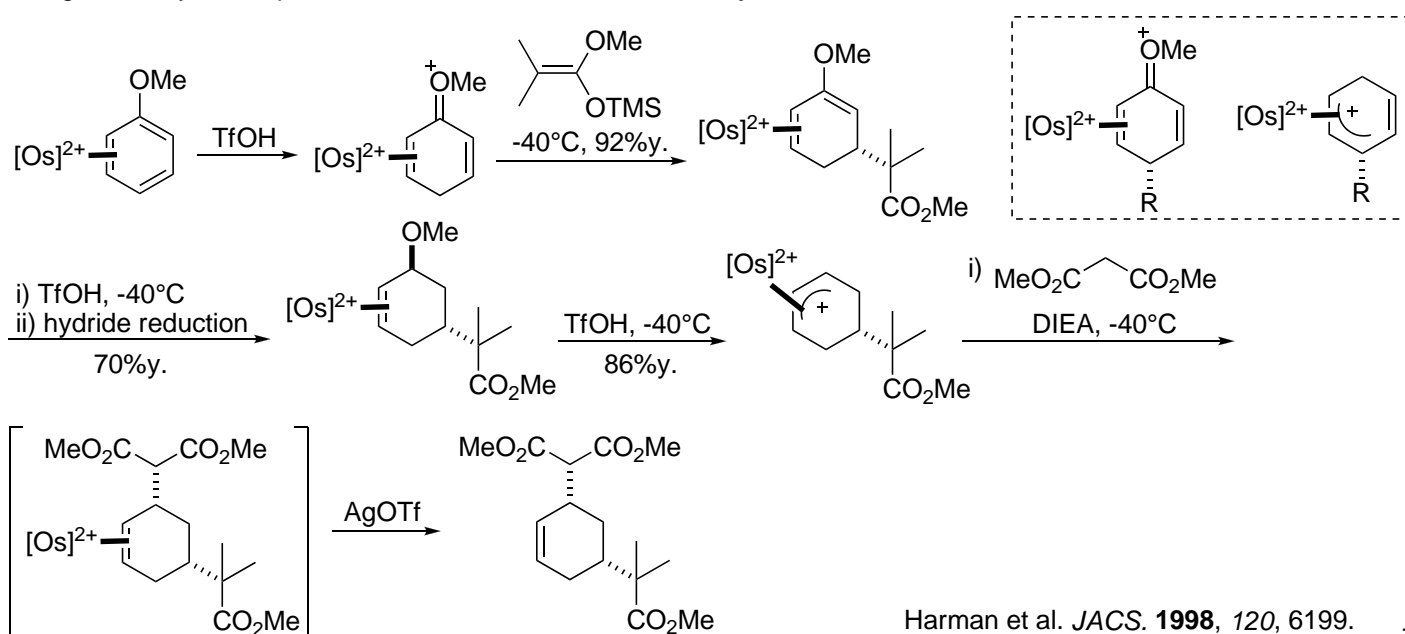
##### 2. Hydrogenation



Harman et al. *JACS*. **1988**, 110, 7906.

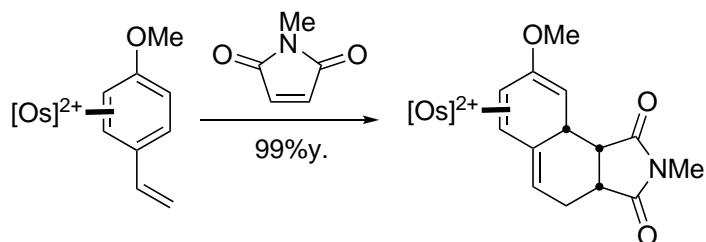
##### 3. Sequential electrophilic/nucleophilic addition

The greatest synthetic potential of this method lies in the ability to stabilize the cationic intermediate.



Harman et al. *JACS*. **1998**, 120, 6199.

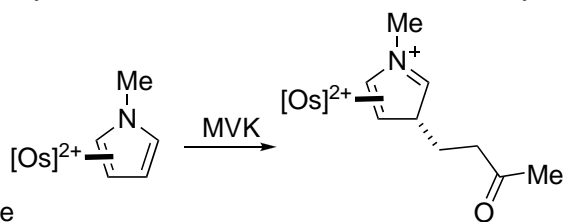
#### 4. Diels-Alder reaction



normal styrene as a diene: harsh condition, reactive dienophile  
Harman et al. *JACS*. **1998**, *120*, 2218.

#### 5. Electrophilic addition from heterocycles

Pyroles, furanes, thiofenes: same reactivity as above



### Re, Mo, W complexes (Harman's chemistry)

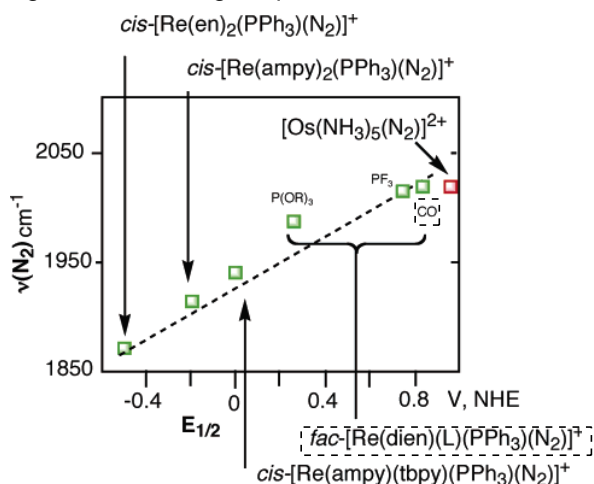
Harman et al. *Organometallics*. **2005**, *24*, 1786.

Problems of osmium system: racemic reaction (use of chiral auxiliary)  
ligand tuning is difficult  
cost of osmium

Alternative system

coordinationally saturated  
e-rich metal center to overcome the aromatic stability  
(but not so e-rich as to favor C-H insertion)  
σ-donating ligand

#### Dinitrogen IR stretching frequencies and electrochemical data

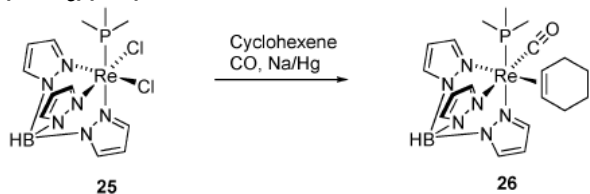


#### Re(dien)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)(CO)

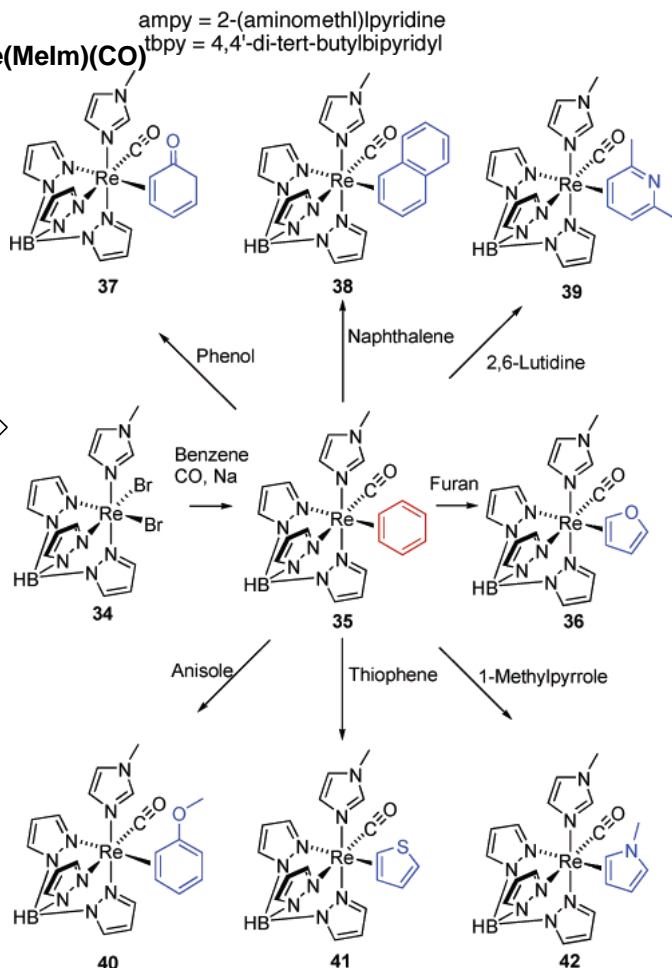


only furan  
(inactive to novel reaction)

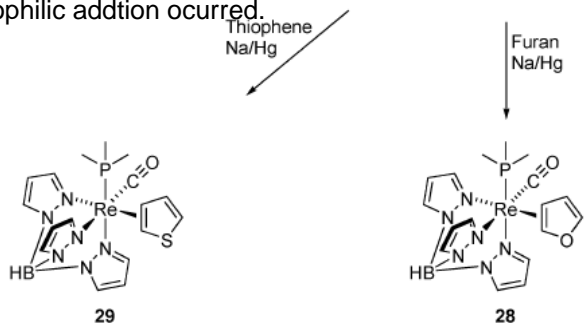
#### TpRe(PMe<sub>3</sub>)(CO)



#### TpRe(Melm)(CO)

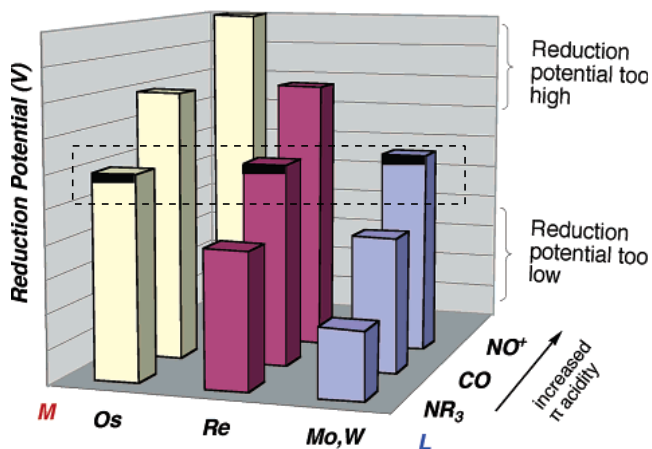
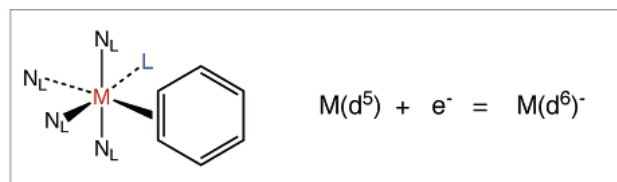


Electrophilic addition occurred.

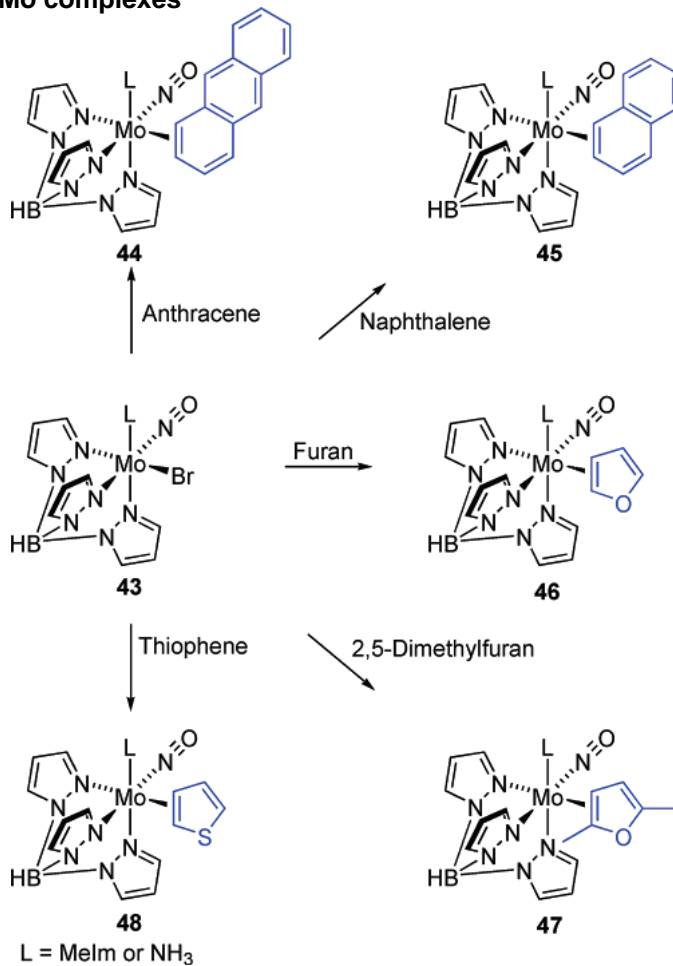




Reduction potentials of  $d^6$  metal complexes as a function of ligand identity



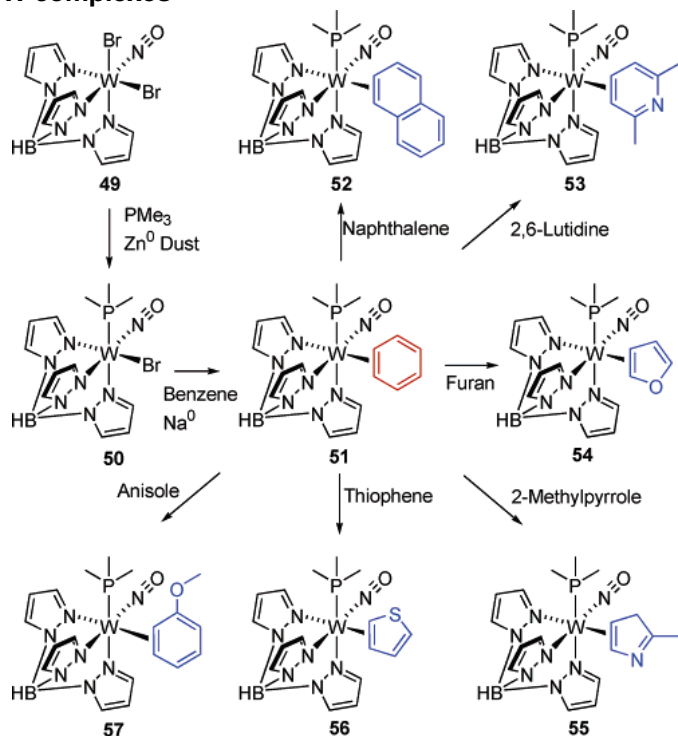
Mo complexes



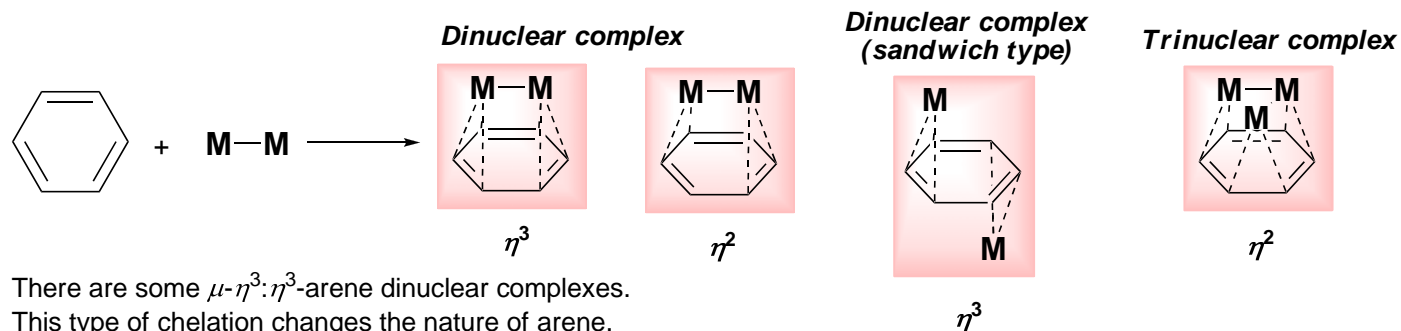
Resolution of enantiocontrol (using chiral pinene)

These complexes have revealed a vast array of useful reaction pathway.

W complexes



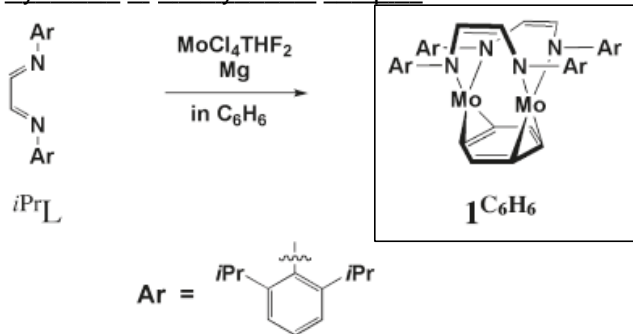
2.3 Multinuclear metal-arene complexes



## Dinuclear Mo-Mo complex

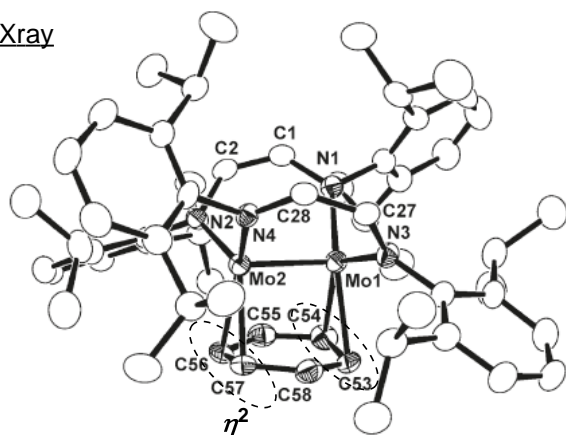
H Masuda et al. *Inorg. Chem.* **2009**, *48*, 9069.

### Synthesis of dimolybdeum complex



Mo-Mo: 2.1968Å  
quadruple bond: 2.0~2.2Å  
triple bond: 2.5~2.6Å

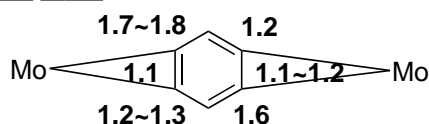
### Xray



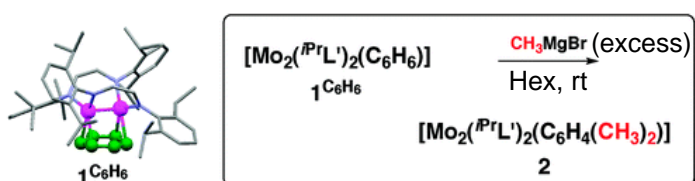
**Figure 1.** X-ray structure of  $1^{C_6H_6}$  with the atom numbering scheme (50% probability thermal ellipsoids). Selected bond lengths (Å) for  $1^{C_6H_6}$ : Mo1–Mo2 2.1968(4), Mo1–N1 2.018(3), Mo1–N3 2.052(3), Mo1–C53 2.261(3), Mo1–C54 2.194(3), Mo2–N2 2.061(3), Mo2–N4 2.010(3), Mo2–C56 2.253(3), Mo2–C57 2.189(3), C1–C2 1.349(5), C1–N1 1.398(4), C2–N2 1.389(5), C27–C28 1.347(5), C27–N3 1.405(4), C28–N4 1.396(5), C53–C54 1.456(5), C54–C55 1.442(5), C55–C56 1.365(5), C56–C57 1.463(5), C57–C58 1.433(5), C58–C53 1.384(5).

Distortion of benzene ligand !!

### Bond order



### Reactivity of benzene ligand

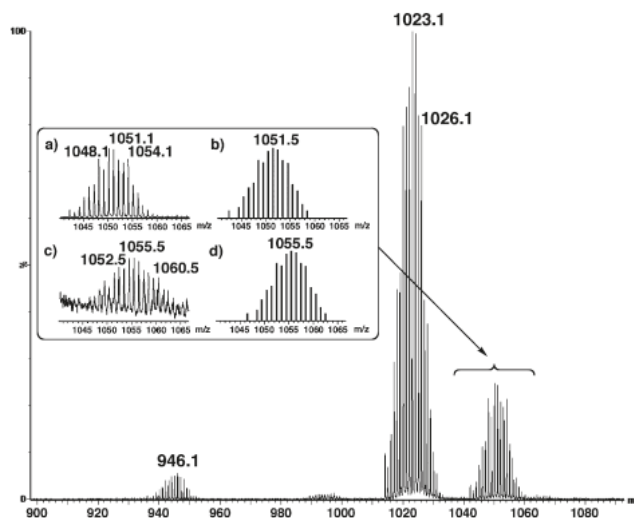


Dimethylation occurred !!

Dimethylated product **2** was detected by ESI-MS analysis. Methylation took place at benzene not diimine ligand. ( $C_6D_6$  complex : mass value 2+4)

GC analysis of decomposed products of **2** demonstrates the generation of xylene. ( $\alpha/m/p = 33/18/49$ )

Reaction mechanism is unclear (C-H activation path ?).

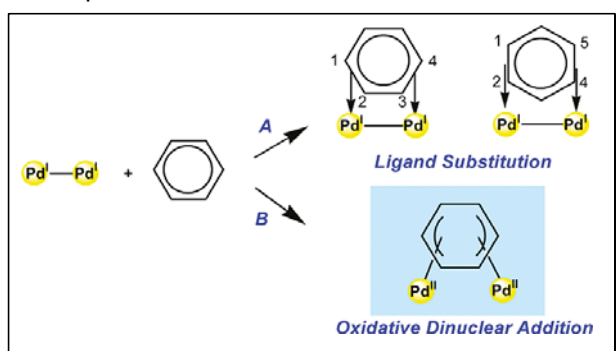


**Figure 4.** ESI-MS spectrum of the reaction products of  $1^{C_6H_6}$  with MeMgBr. Inset: Expanded views of the range of  $m/z = 1040-1065$  for **2-d** (a), for the simulation of **2-d** (b), **2** (c), and for the simulation of **2** (d).

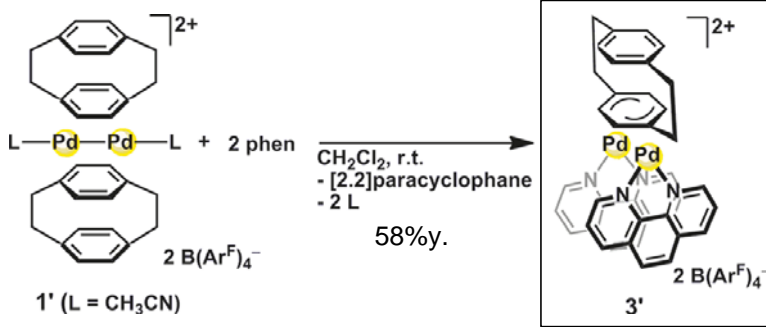
## Dinuclear Pd(I)-Pd(I) complex

T Murahashi et al. *JACS.* **2011**, *133*, 14908.

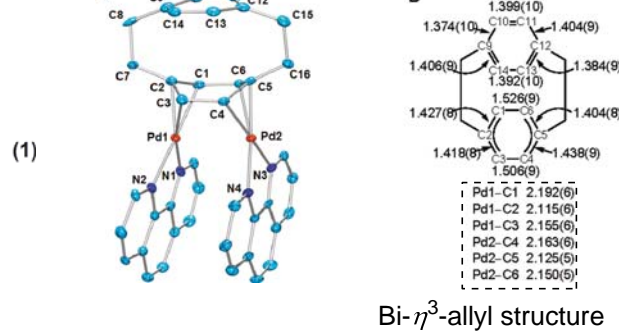
### Concept



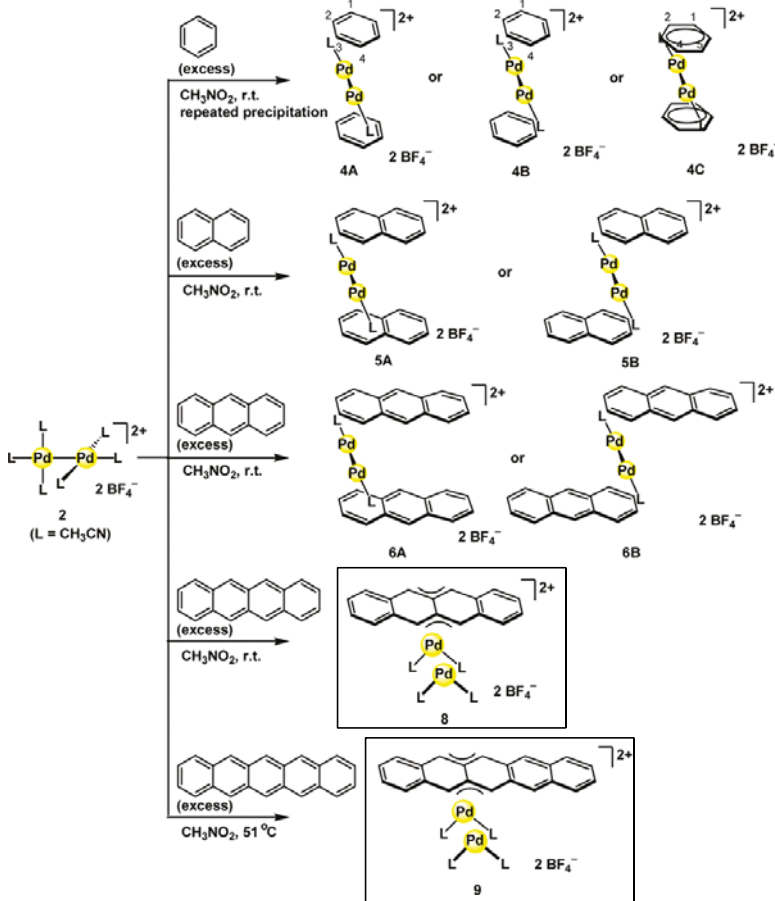
## Oxidative addition to arene



## Xray



## Reaction with various arenes



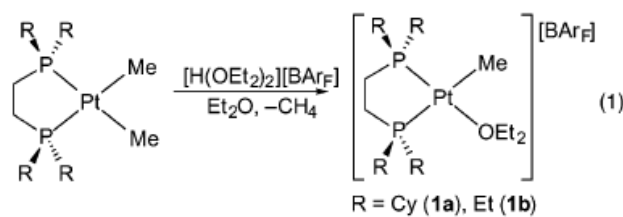
The number of fused rings in polyacenes gave oxidative dinuclear addition products.

→ formal  $[4\pi+2\sigma]$  Diels-Alder reaction

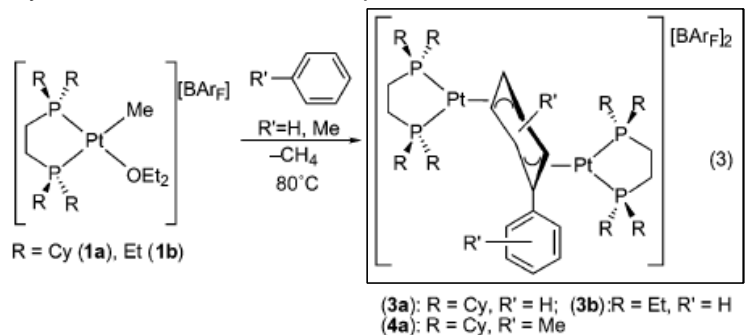
## Dinuclear Pt sandwich complex

Kubas et al. *JACS*. 2002, 124, 12550.

### Synthesis of cationic methyl platinum complexes



### Synthesis of dinuclear Pt complexes



C-H activation and C-C coupling of arene are occurred!!

## X-ray analysis

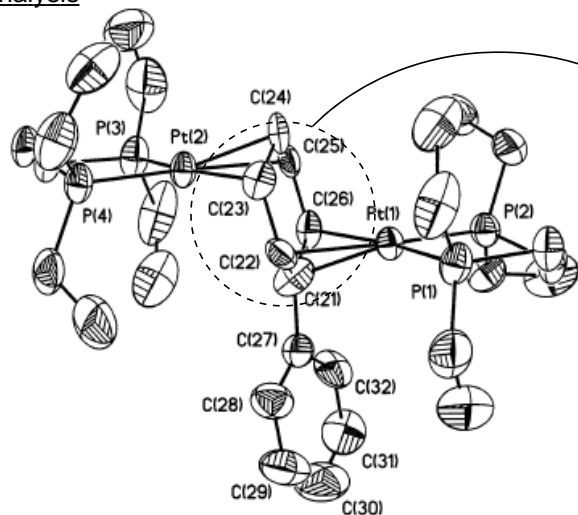


Figure 2. Molecular structure of **3b** (50% probability ellipsoids).

Table 1. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) for  $[\{Pt(Et_2PC_2H_4PEt_2)\}_2(\mu\text{-Biphenyl})][BAR_f]_2$  (**3b**)

Distances (Å)			
Pt(2)–C(23)	2.249(10)	C(22)–C(23)	1.500(13)
Pt(2)–C(24)	2.143(11)	C(23)–C(24)	1.410(13)
Pt(2)–C(25)	2.247(8)	C(24)–C(25)	1.441(15)
C(21)–C(22)	1.374(15)	C(25)–C(26)	1.480(13)
C(21)–C(26)	1.422(12)		

Bond Angles (deg)			
P(1)–Pt(1)–P(2)	87.68(10)	C(23)–C(24)–C(25)	115.7(10)
P(3)–Pt(2)–P(4)	87.22(10)	C(24)–C(25)–C(26)	118.8(8)
C(21)–C(22)–C(23)	120.6(8)	C(25)–C(26)–C(21)	119.6(8)
C(22)–C(23)–C(24)	118.6(8)	C(26)–C(21)–C(22)	117.2(10)

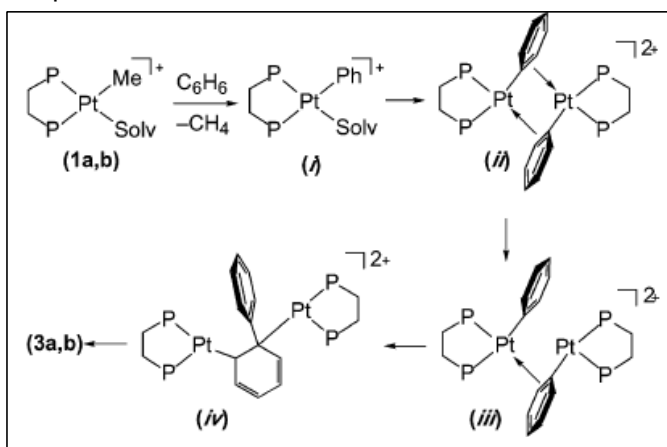
$^1H$  NMR: phenyl peaks were shifted upfield. (4.74–5.67)

→  $\pi$ -type coordination

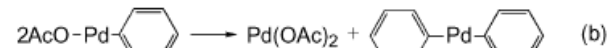
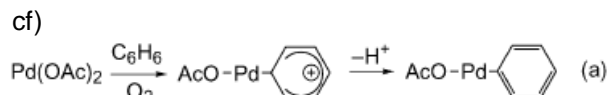
bridging dianionic biphenyl ligand

C–C distance in benzene units matched with the allylic carbons.

## Proposed reaction mechanism

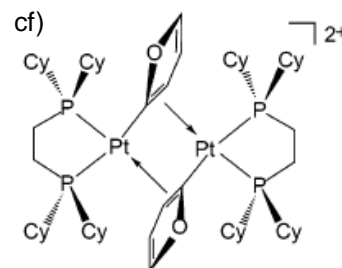


The feature of this mechanism is the coupling occurs without a change in the formal oxidation state of the metal.

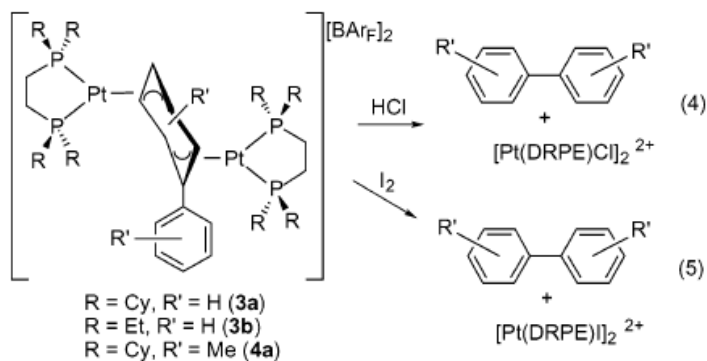


C–C coupling reaction is proposed to occur via ii .

C–C coupling in  $C_6D_6$ :  
no deuterium incorporation  
in **3**



## Reactions of bridging biaryl complexes



Hydrolysis similar to Birch reduction:

$H^+$  is reduced to  $H_2$ , while biphenyl $^{2-}$  ligand is oxidized to free biphenyl.

**4a** +  $I_2$ : no *o*-bitolyl, mixture of *m,m'*-bitolyl, *m,p'*-bitolyl and *p,p'*-bitolyl (due to steric effect?)

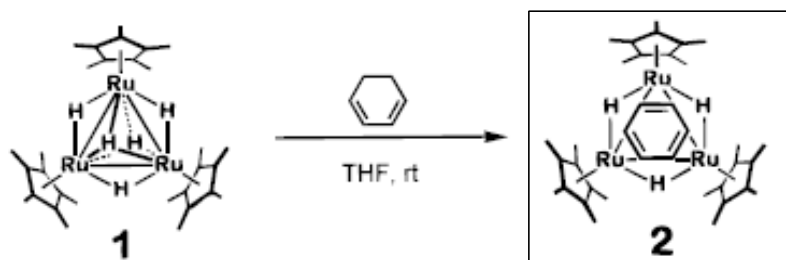
This result is against an electrophilic aromatic substitution of C–H bond activation step.

## Trinuclear Ru complex

H Suzuki et al. *JACS*. **1997**, *119*, 625.

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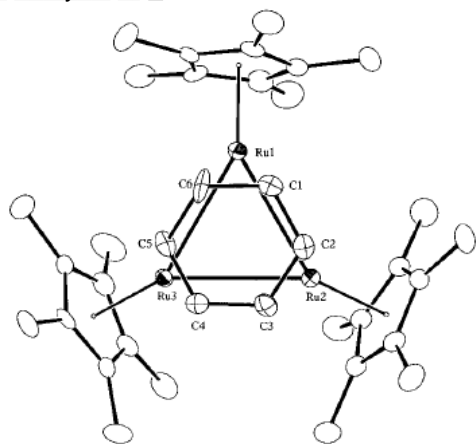
### Synthesis of trinuclear Ru arene complex



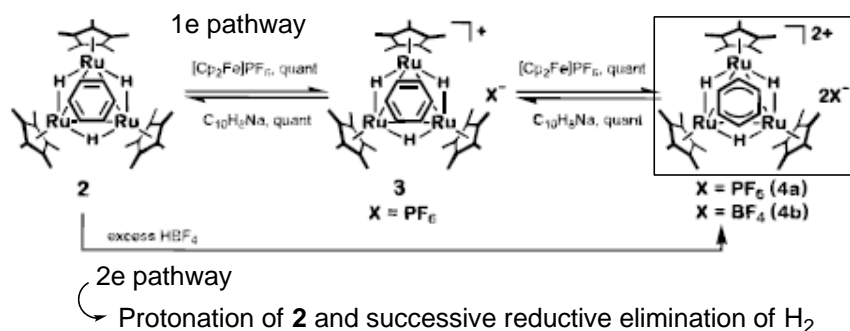
**2** was synthesized through allylic C–H bond activation.



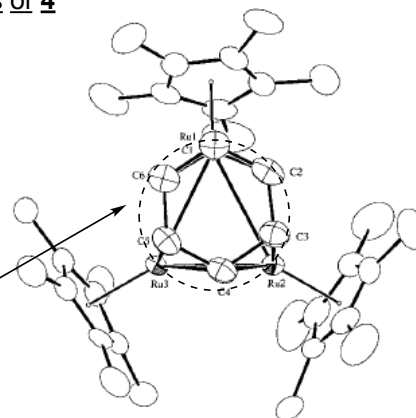
## Xray analysis of 2



## Oxidation of complex 2



## Xray analysis of 4



**Figure 1.** Molecular structure of  $\{(\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5)\text{Ru}\}_3(\mu\text{-H})_3(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^3\text{-}\eta^3\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)$  (**2**) with thermal ellipsoids at the 30% probability level. Selected bond length (Å) and angles (deg) are as follows: Ru(1)–Ru(2) 3.0493(8), Ru(1)–Ru(3) 3.0468(9), Ru(2)–Ru(3) 3.0537(8), Ru(1)–C(6) 2.221(8), Ru(1)–C(1) 2.192(7), Ru(2)–C(2) 2.173(7), Ru(2)–C(3) 2.240(7), Ru(3)–C(4) 2.176(7), Ru(3)–C(5) 2.180(7), C(1)–C(2) 1.436(10), C(2)–C(3) 1.45(1), C(3)–C(4) 1.43(1), C(4)–C(5) 1.40(1), C(5)–C(6) 1.42(1), C(6)–C(1) 1.43(1); Ru(2)–Ru(1)–Ru(3) 60.10(3), Ru(1)–Ru(2)–Ru(3) 59.91(2), Ru(1)–Ru(3)–Ru(2), 59.98(3), C(6)–C(1)–C(2) 118.7(6), C(1)–C(2)–C(3) 118.4(6), C(2)–C(3)–C(4) 121.4(6), C(3)–C(4)–C(5) 119.7(6), C(4)–C(5)–C(6) 119.7(7), C(5)–C(6)–C(1) 121.9(7).

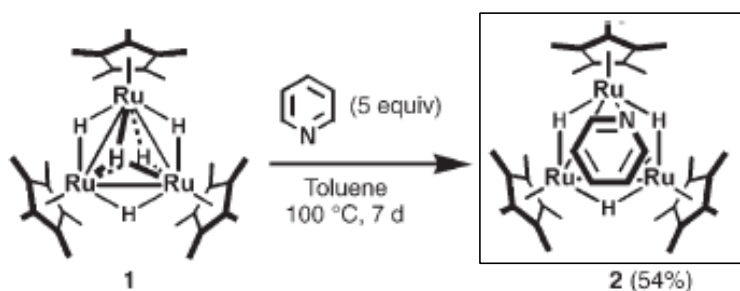
Average coordinated and uncoordinated C–C distances of benzene are almost equal.

$\eta^3\text{-}\eta^3$  coordination

An allyl moiety is coordinated to one of three Ru, another allyl moiety bridges two Ru.

**Figure 2.** Molecular structure of  $\{[(\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5)\text{Ru}]_3(\mu\text{-H})_3(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^3\text{-}\eta^3\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)]\text{-}(\text{BPh}_4)_2$  (**4c**) with thermal ellipsoids at the 30% probability level. Selected bond length (Å) and angles (deg) are as follows: Ru(1)–Ru(2) 2.972(1), Ru(1)–Ru(3) 2.972(1), Ru(2)–Ru(3) 2.731(1), Ru(1)–C(6) 2.376(8), Ru(1)–C(1) 2.165(8), Ru(1)–C(2) 2.34(1), Ru(2)–C(3) 2.151(8), Ru(2)–C(4) 2.329(7), Ru(3)–C(4) 2.43(1), Ru(3)–C(5) 2.126(8), C(1)–C(2) 1.42(1), C(2)–C(3) 1.47(1), C(3)–C(4) 1.50(1), C(4)–C(5) 1.48(1), C(5)–C(6) 1.46(1), C(6)–C(1) 1.44(1); Ru(2)–Ru(1)–Ru(3) 54.35(2), Ru(1)–Ru(2)–Ru(3) 62.18(2), Ru(1)–Ru(3)–Ru(2), 63.48(2), C(6)–C(1)–C(2) 117.7(7), C(1)–C(2)–C(3) 122.2(7), C(2)–C(3)–C(4) 117.7(7), C(3)–C(4)–C(5) 117.5(7), C(4)–C(5)–C(6) 120.0(6), C(5)–C(6)–C(1) 120.0(8). The BPh<sub>4</sub> anions are omitted for clarity.

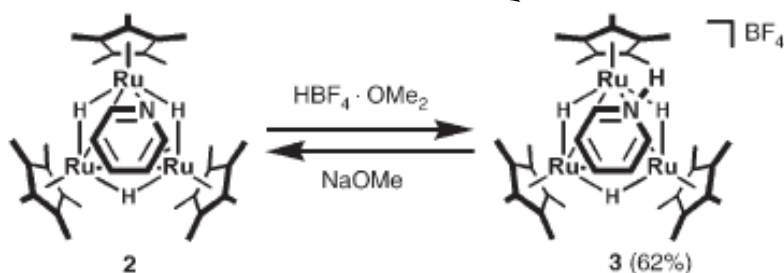
## Trinuclear Ru pyridine complex



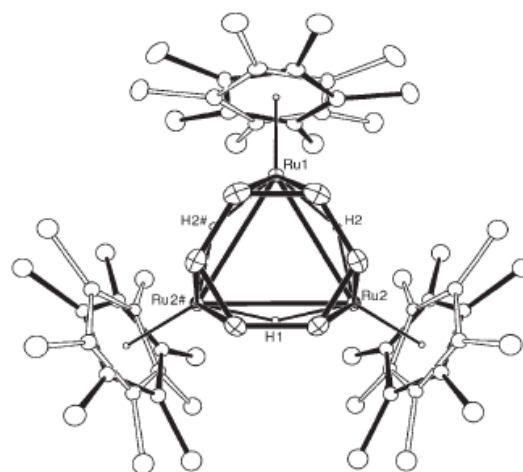
<sup>1</sup>H NMR suggests that pyridine ligand does not rotate on the NMR time scale.

Nitrogen of pyridine ligand does not coordinate.

## Protonation



DBF<sub>4</sub>: only N–D  
direct attack of nitrogen atom (not protonation of metal center)



## 2.4 Catalytic dearomatization reactions

### Catalytic oxidation of arenes

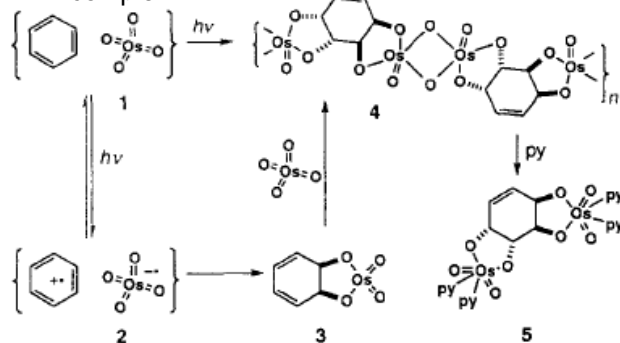
#### Catalytic photoinduced charge-transfer osmylation

ozone, RuO<sub>4</sub>: concomitant cleavage of the carbocyclic ring

Mortherwell et al. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **1995**, *34*, 2031.  
*Chem. Commun.* **1997**, 1283.

#### Aromatic electron donor-acceptor (EDA) complex

EDA complex

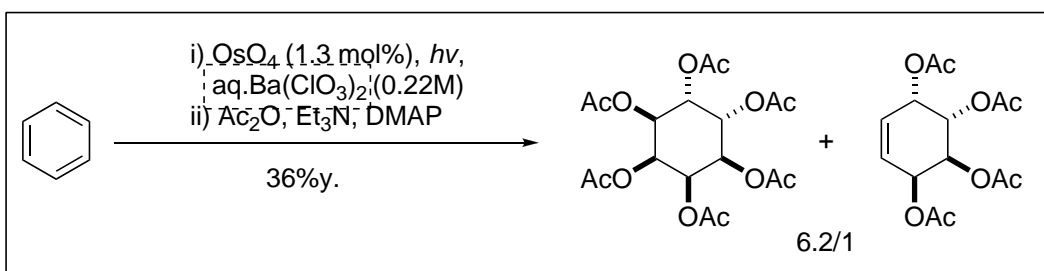


J K. Kochi et al. *JACS.* **1998**, *110*, 8207.

Toward catalytic reaction

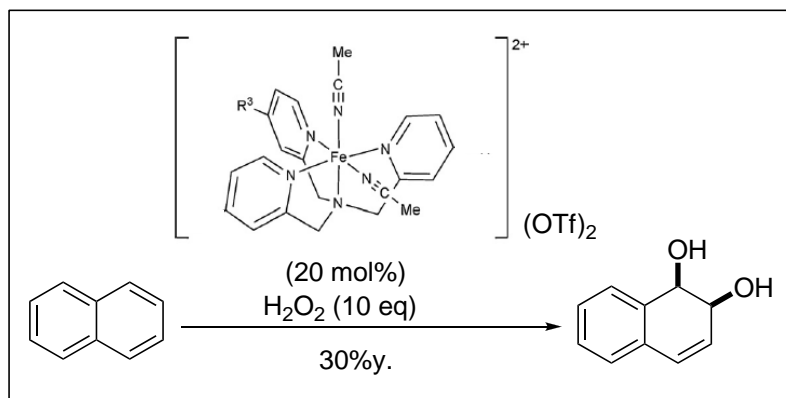
Selection of suitable solvent system and oxygen transfer reagent is important.

NMP, pyridine, acetone, t-butanol: inhibitors of EDA complex

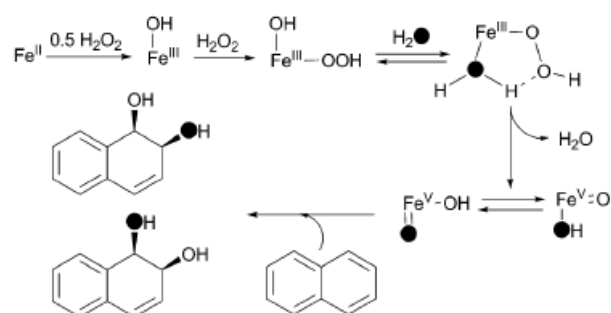


#### Bio-inspired arene dihydroxylation by a non-haem iron catalyst

L Que, Jr et al. *Chem. Commun.* **2009**, 50.



#### Proposed reaction mechanism

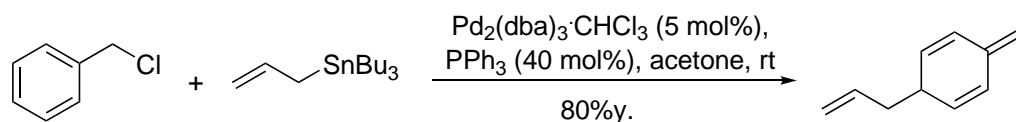


Scheme 2 Proposed mechanism for the *cis*-dihydroxylation of naphthalene catalysed by 1.

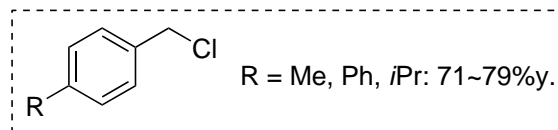
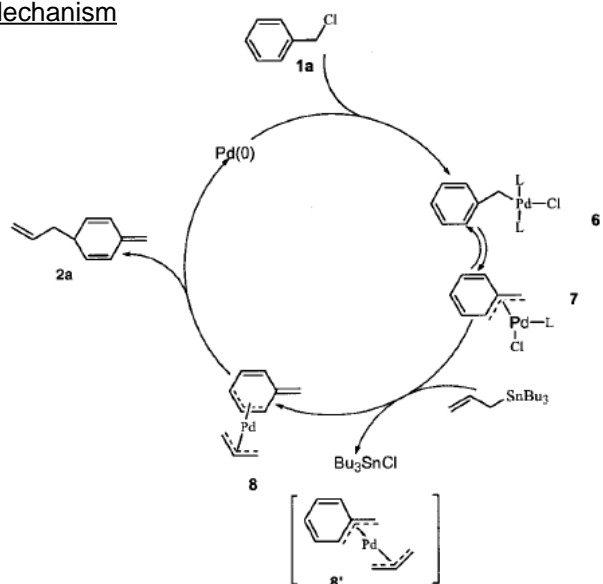
Fe catalyst is the mimic of Riesk dioxygenase (naphthalene 1,2-dioxygenase).

## Catalytic dearomatization via $\eta^3$ -benzylpalladium intermediate

M Bao, Y Yamamoto et al. *JACS*. **2001**, 123, 759.

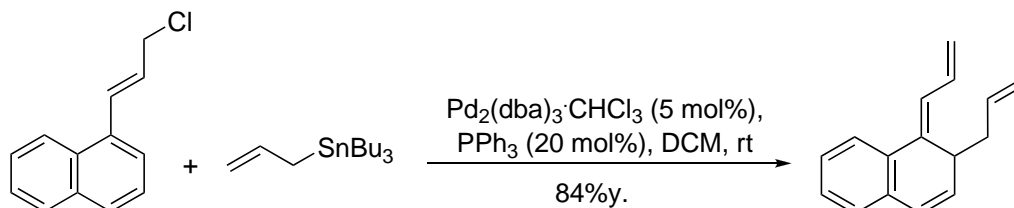


### Mechanism

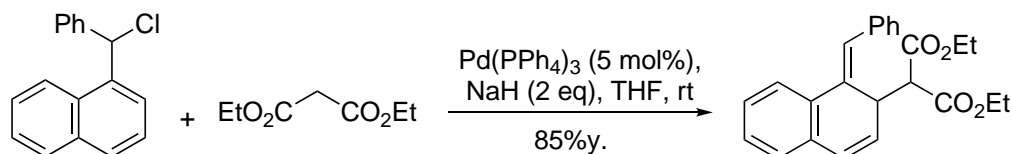


The reason of regioselectivity was unclear...  
(8 is more stable or reactive than 8' ?)

### Related works



M Bao, Y Yamamoto et al. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2008**, 47, 4366.



M Bao et al. *OL*. **2011**, 13, 5402.

## Summary of chapter 2

	$\eta^6$ -arene complex	$\eta^2$ -arene complex	Multinuclear metal complex	Catalytic dearomatization reactions
<b>Advantages</b>	Selective coordination to arene Sequential addition Asymmetric version	Sequential addition Asymmetric version Heteroaromatic ring	Under development	Catalytic
<b>Disadvantages</b>	Stoichiometric	Stoichiometric Coordination to several FG		Narrow substrate scope