

Base-Promoted Carbon Hydrogen Bond Activation of Alkanes with Rhodium(III) Porphyrin Complexes

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X-ray data and structure

Table 1. Crystal Data and Summary of Data Collection and Refinement for 2a, 2b, and 2e

	2a	2b	2e
Color, shape	Purple Prism	Purple Prism	Purple Prism
empirical formula	C ₅₄ H ₄₇ N ₄ Rh·CH ₂ Cl ₂	C ₅₃ H ₄₅ N ₄ Rh·CH ₃ C H ₂ OH	C ₅₆ H ₅₁ N ₄ Rh
formula wt	939.79	886.91	882.92
Temp (K)	293 (2)	293 (2)	293 (2)
wavelength(Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
cryst syst	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic
space group	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁ /n	P1
unit cell dimens			
<i>a</i> (Å)	15.509 (2)	15.579 (2)	10.578 (2)
<i>b</i> (Å)	18.651 (2)	18.482 (2)	14.575 (3)
<i>c</i> (Å)	16.266 (2)	16.155 (2)	16.226 (4)
α (deg)	90	90	65.745 (4)
β (deg)	106.993 (2)	107.516 (2)	77.764 (4)
γ (deg)	90	90	82.348 (4)

Volumn ($\text{\AA}^3$)	4499.6 (9)	4436.1 (10)	2225.8 (9)
Z	4	4	2
Calcd density (g cm^{-3})	1.387	1.328	1.317
abs coeff (mm^{-1})	0.541	0.430	0.426
$F(000)$	1944	1848	920
cryst size (mm)	0.40 x 0.30 x 0.20	0.50 x 0.30 x 0.20	0.50 x 0.40 x 0.30
θ range for data collection (deg)	1.60 to 28.04	1.72 to 25.00	1.53 to 28.08
limiting indices	-20 = h = 18	-18 = h = 18	-13 = h = 13
	-24 = k = 24	-21 = k = 19	-19 = k = 18
	-21 = l = 20	-19 = l = 19	-21 = l = 12
no. of rflns collected/unique	30232/10856 [(R (int) = 0.0414)	23310/7800 [R (int) = 0.0479]	15187/10539 [R (int) = 0.0239]
complete ness to $\theta = 28$	99.6	99.8	97.3
absorp corr	SADABS	SADABS	SADABS
max. and min. transmn	1.0000 and 0.836682	1.0000 and 0.660829	1.0000 and 0.616130
refineme nt method	Full-matrix least squares on F^2	Full-matrix least squares on F^2	Full-matrix least squares on F^2
no. of data/ restraints/ params	10856 / 2 / 559	7800 / 14 / 550	10539 / 10 / 568
GOF	1.025	1.069	1.036
final R indices [$I > 2s(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.0572$	$R_1 = 0.0677$	$R_1 = 0.0449$
	$wR_2 = 0.1511$	$wR_2 = 0.1861$	$wR_2 = 0.1124$
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0945$	$R_1 = 0.1032$	$R_1 = 0.0616$
	$wR_2 = 0.1784$	$wR_2 = 0.2249$	$wR_2 = 0.1245$
largest diff peak and hole ($\text{e \AA}^{-3}$)	1.597 and -1.788	2.976 and -0.711	0.774 and -0.421

$$^a R_1 = \sum (|F_{ol}| - |F_{cl}|) / \sum |F_{ol}|. \quad ^b {}_w R_2 = \left\{ \sum [{}_w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \sum [{}_w(F_0^2)^2] \right\}^{1/2}. \quad ^c \text{Weighting scheme}$$

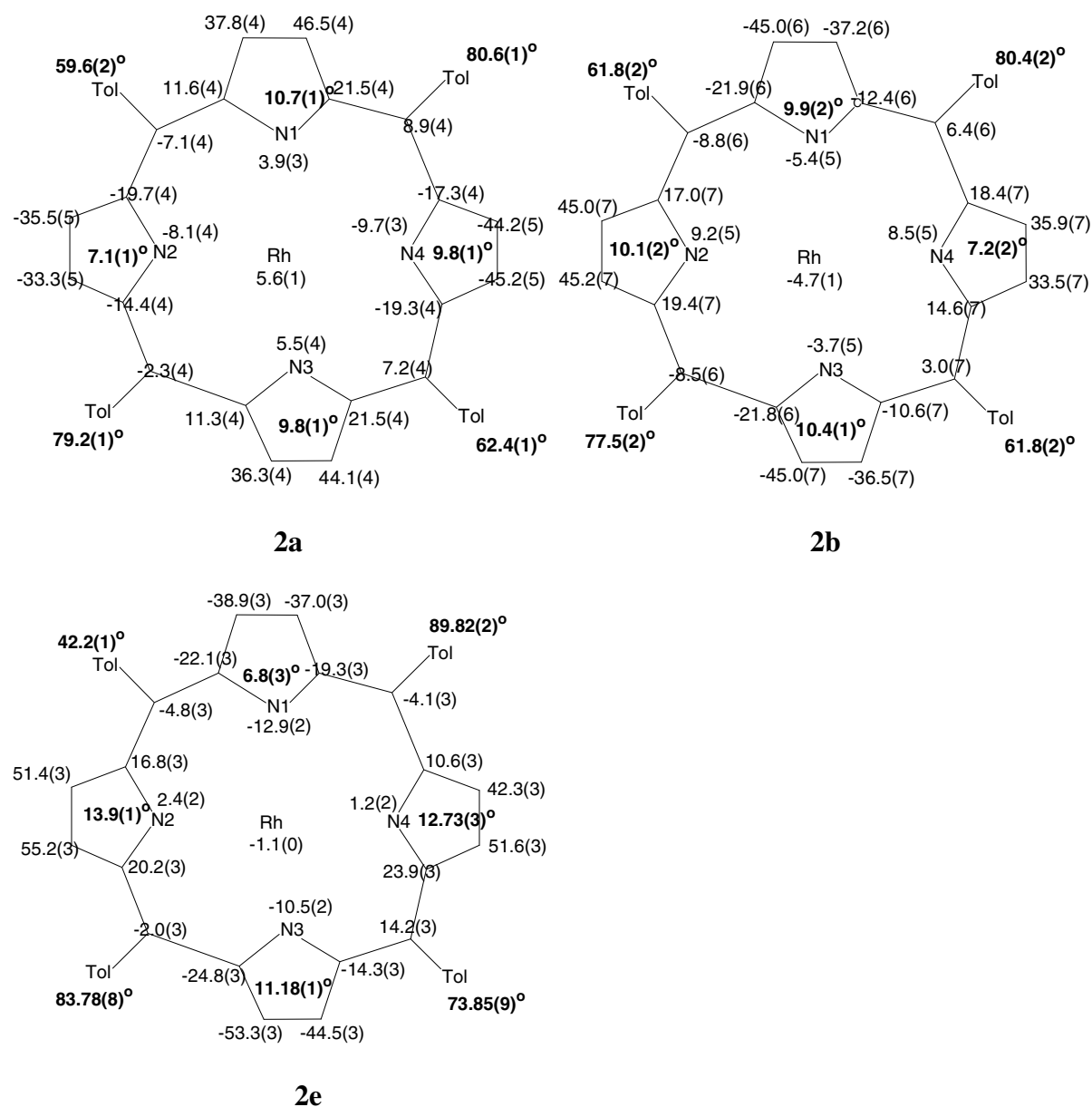
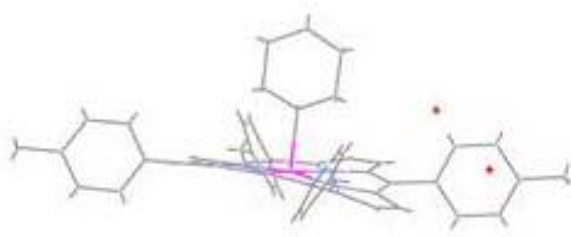
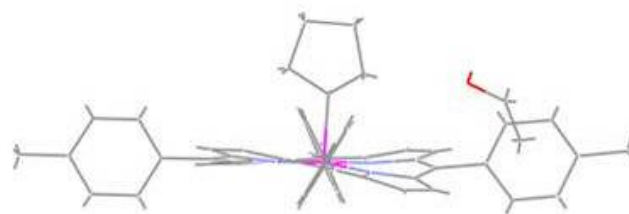
$$w^{-1} = \sigma^2(F_0^2) + (w_1 P)^2 + w_2 P \text{ where } P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3.$$


Figure 1. The conformations of porphyrins showing the displacement of the core atoms and of Rh from the 24-atom least squares plane of porphyrin core (in pm; negative values correspond to displacement towards the alkyl group). Absolute values of the angles between pyrrole rings and the least-squares plane, and angles between pyrrole rings and the least-squares plane, and angles between phenyl substituents and the least-squares plane, are shown in bold.

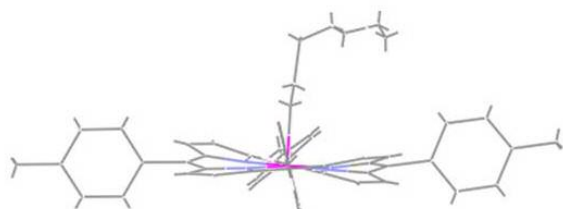
Figure 2. Wireframe presentation of the molecular structure for **2a**, **2b**, **2e**, respectively.



2a



2b

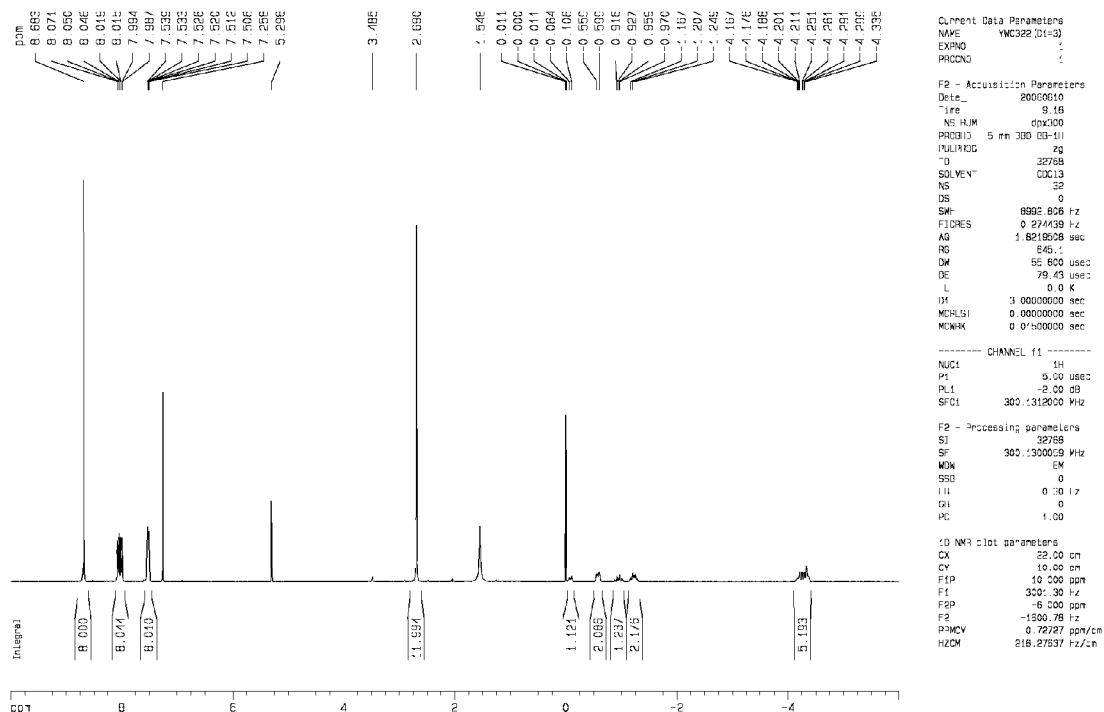


2e

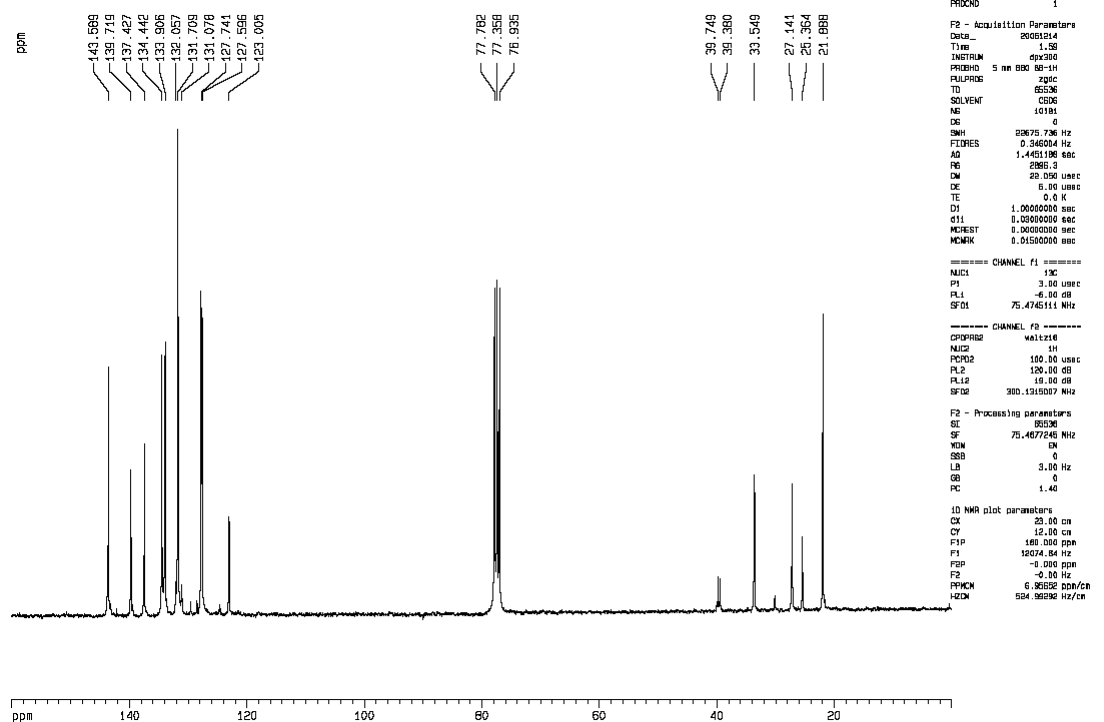
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Rh(ttp)(c-hexyl) (2a)

¹H NMR

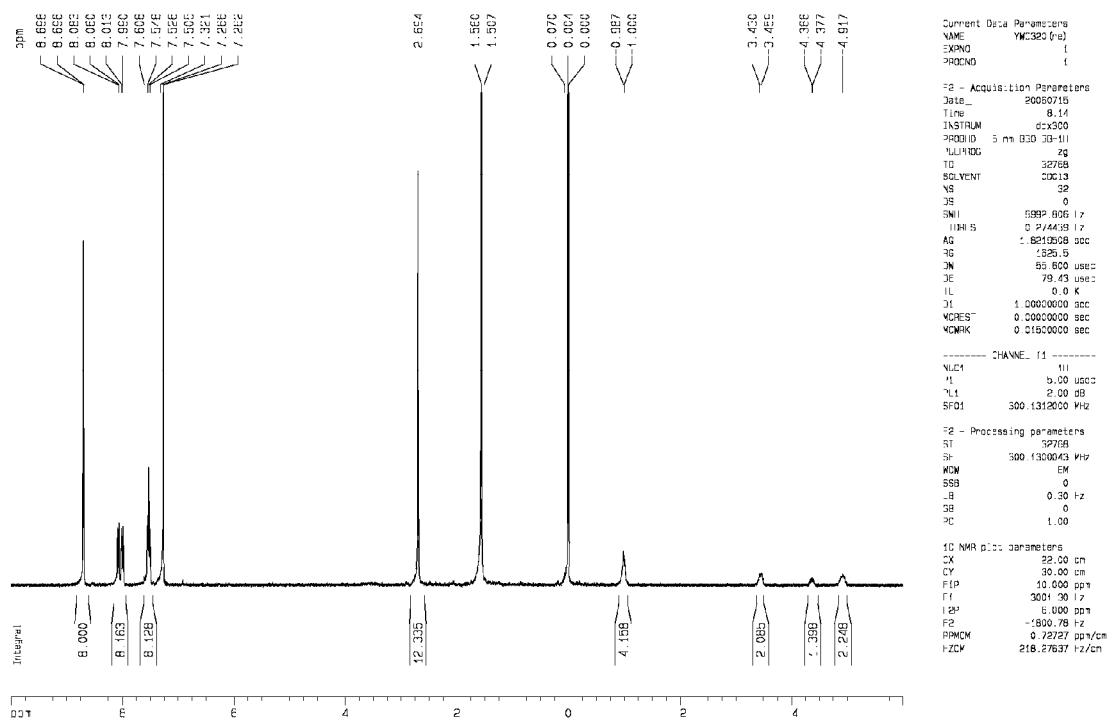


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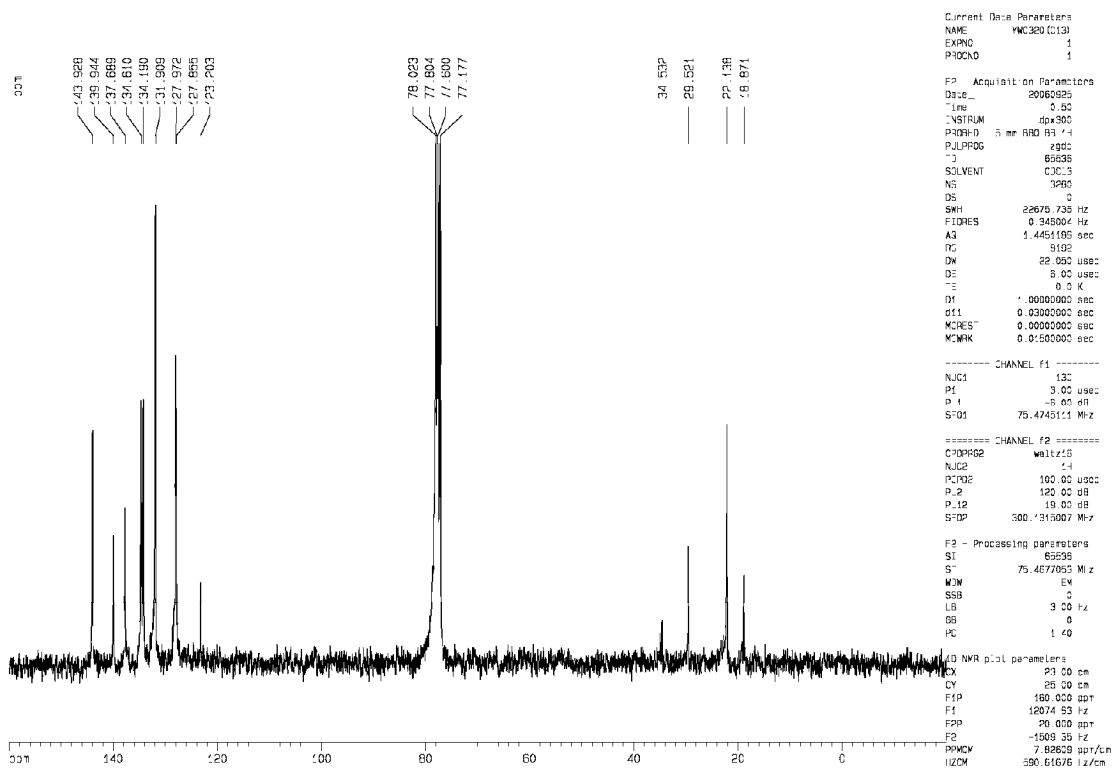


Rh(ttp)(c-pentyl) (2b)

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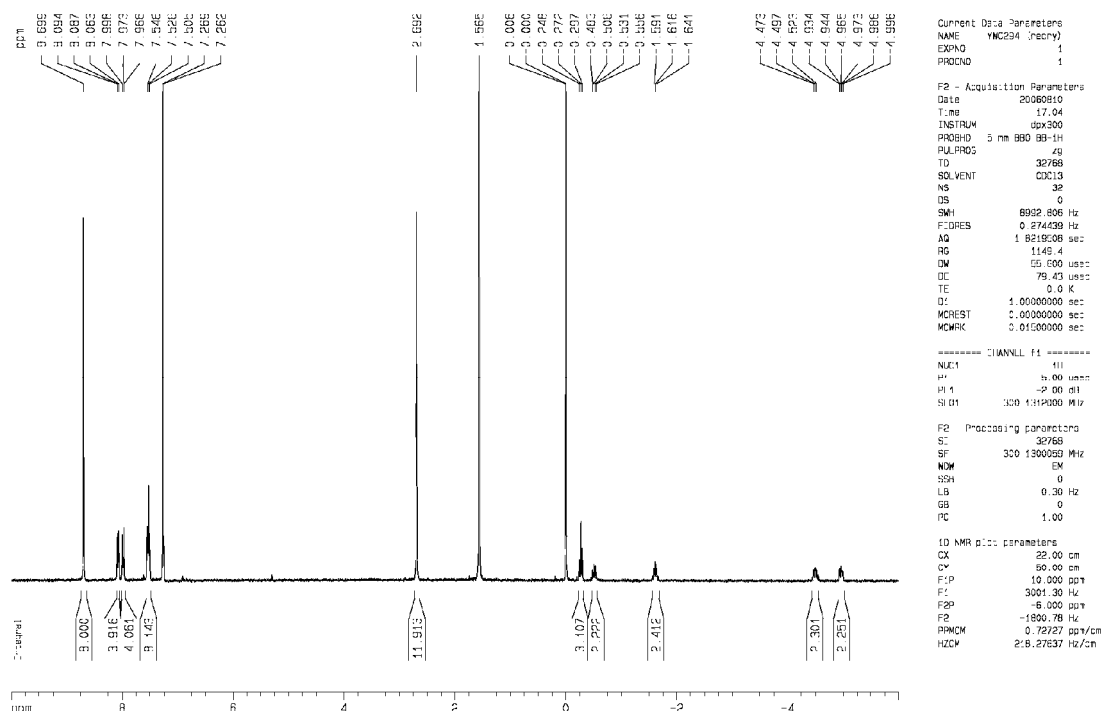


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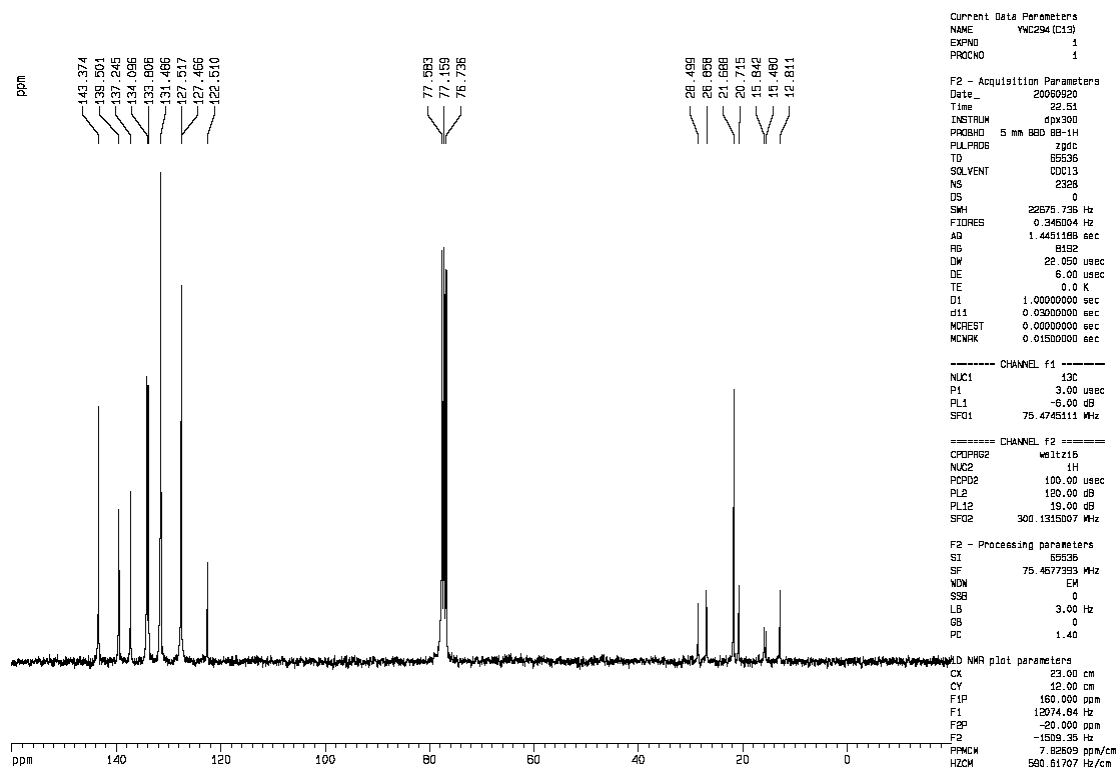


Rh(ttp)(*n*-pentyl) (**2c**)

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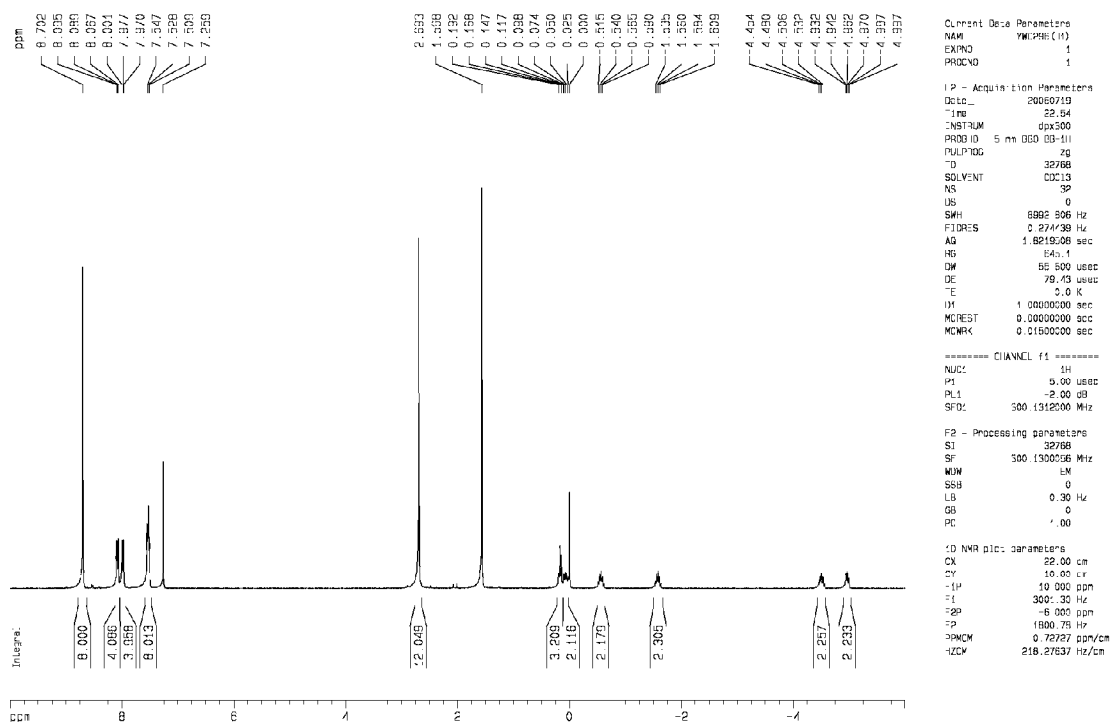


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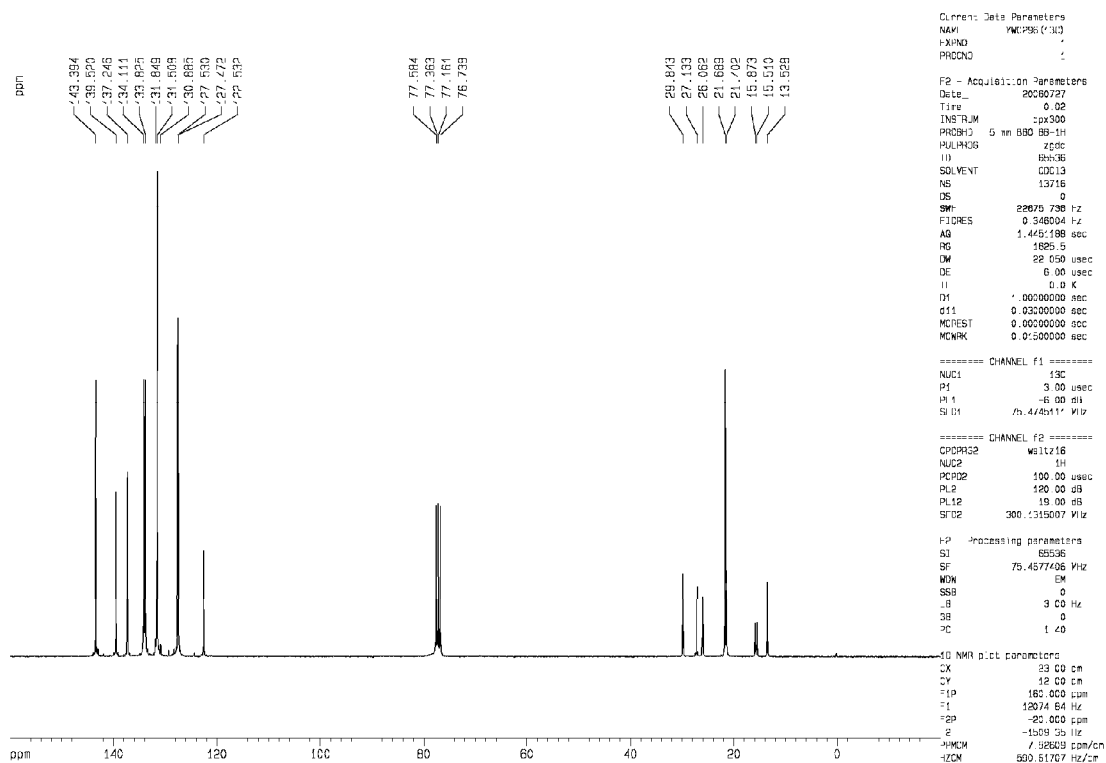


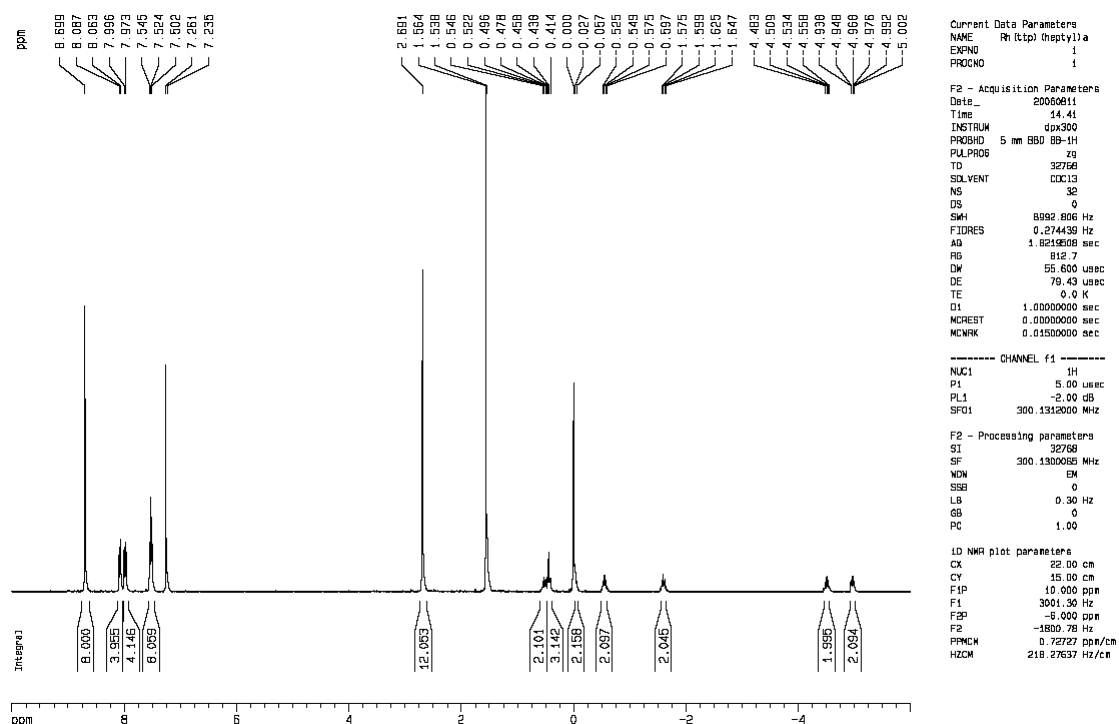
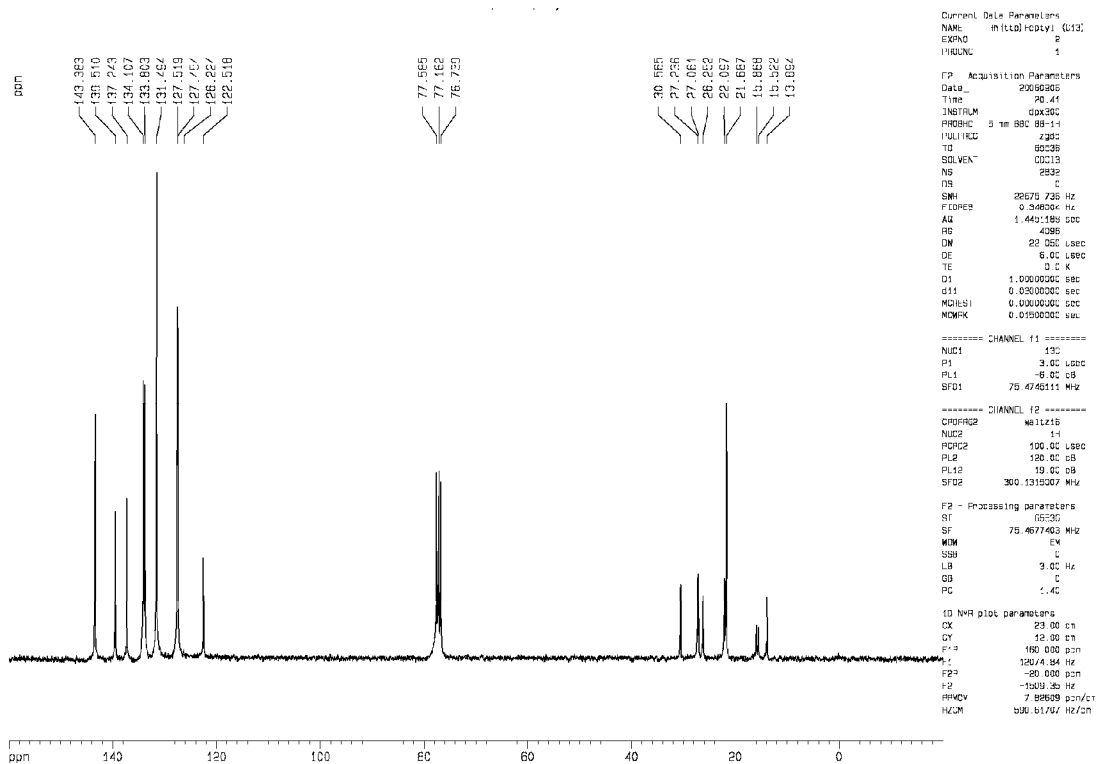
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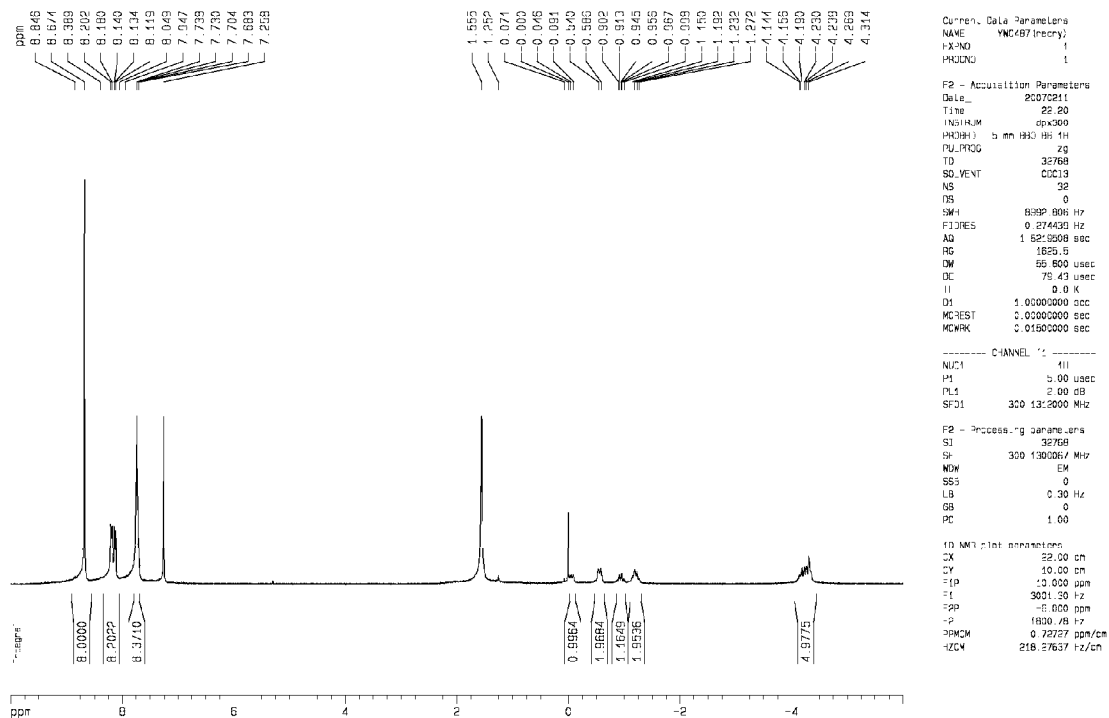
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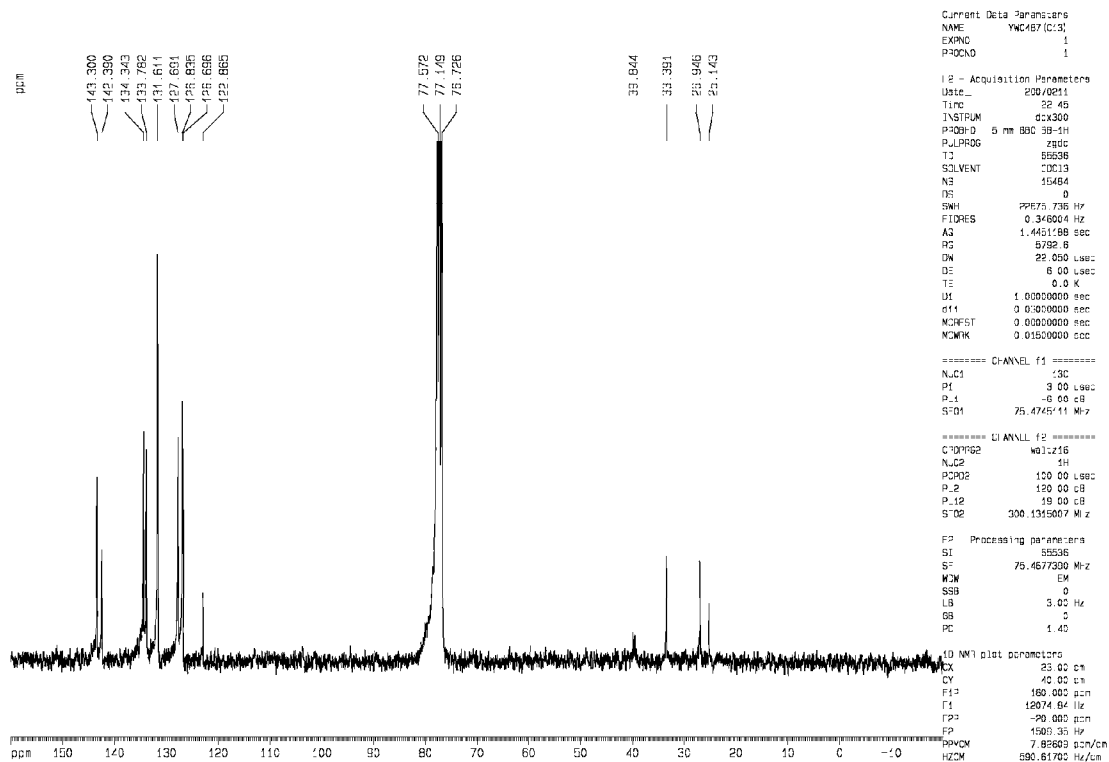
Rh(ttp)(*n*-heptyl) (**2e**)¹H NMR¹³C NMR

Rh(tpp)(c-hexyl) (4a)

¹H NMR

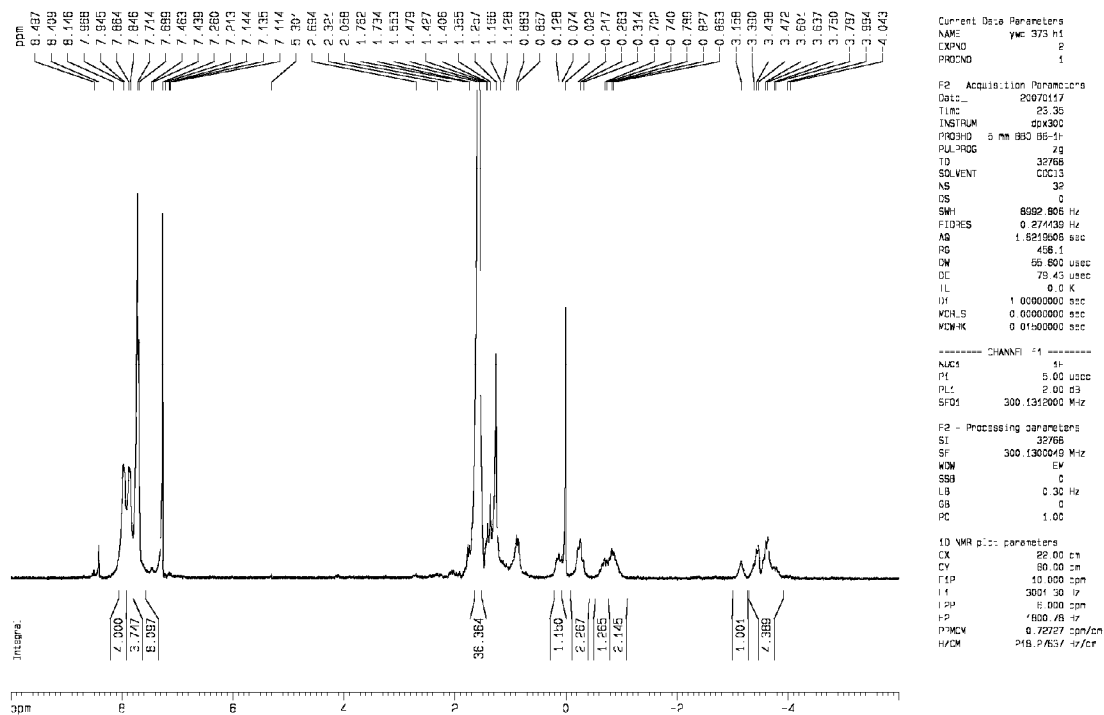


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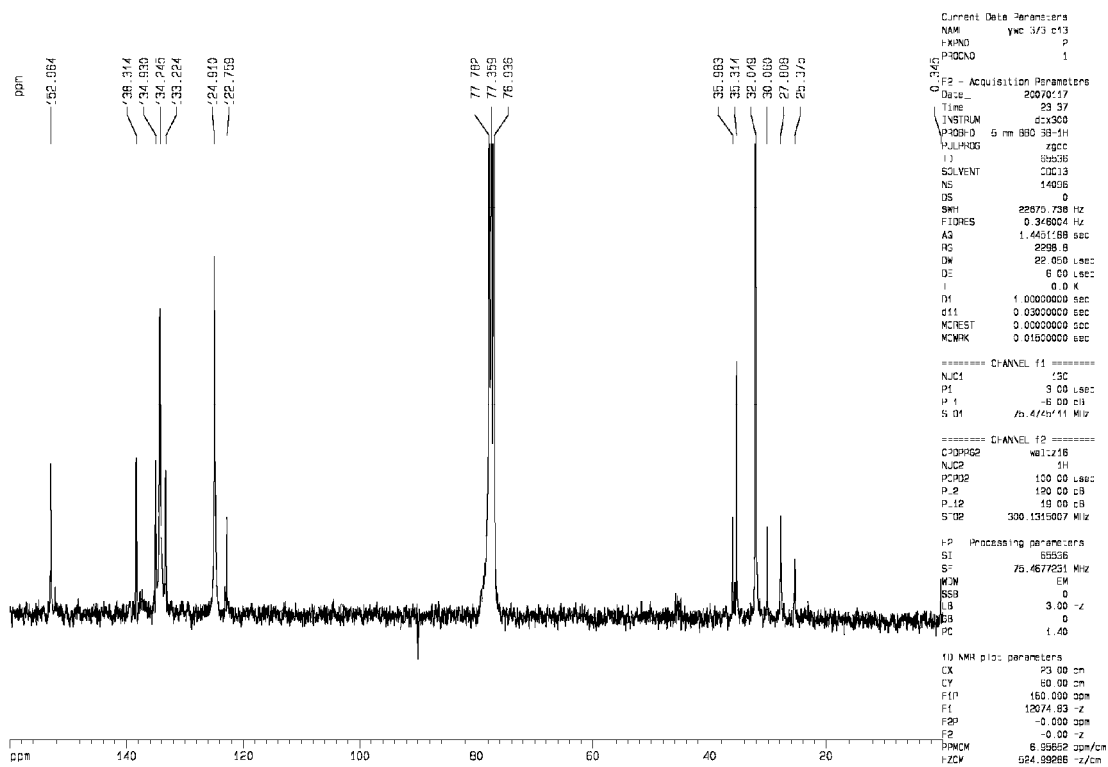


Rh(bocp)(*c*-hexyl) (**4b**)

¹H NMR

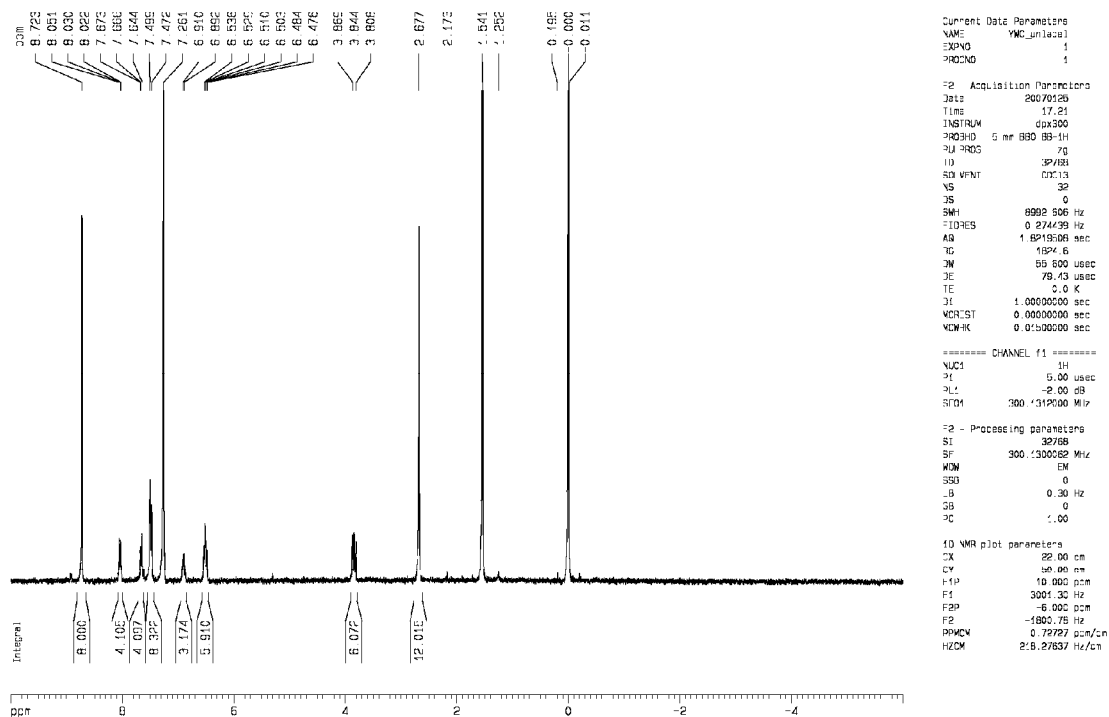


¹³C NMR



Rh(ttp)Cl(Ph₃) (2f)

¹H NMR



¹³C NMR

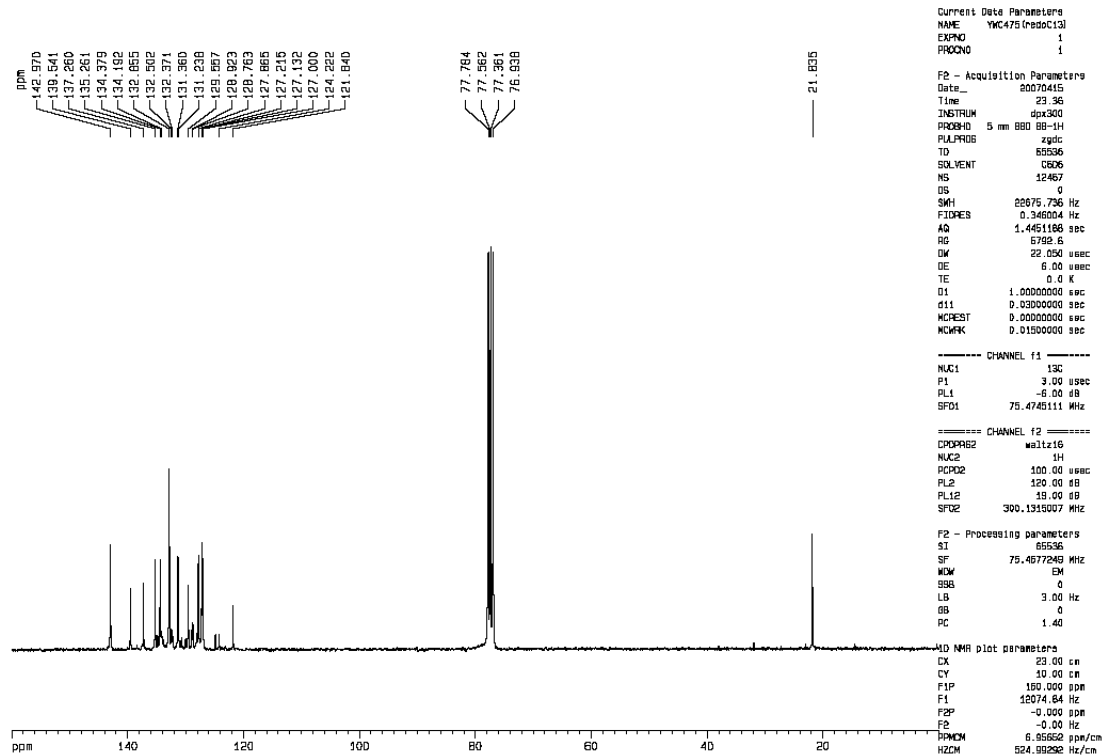
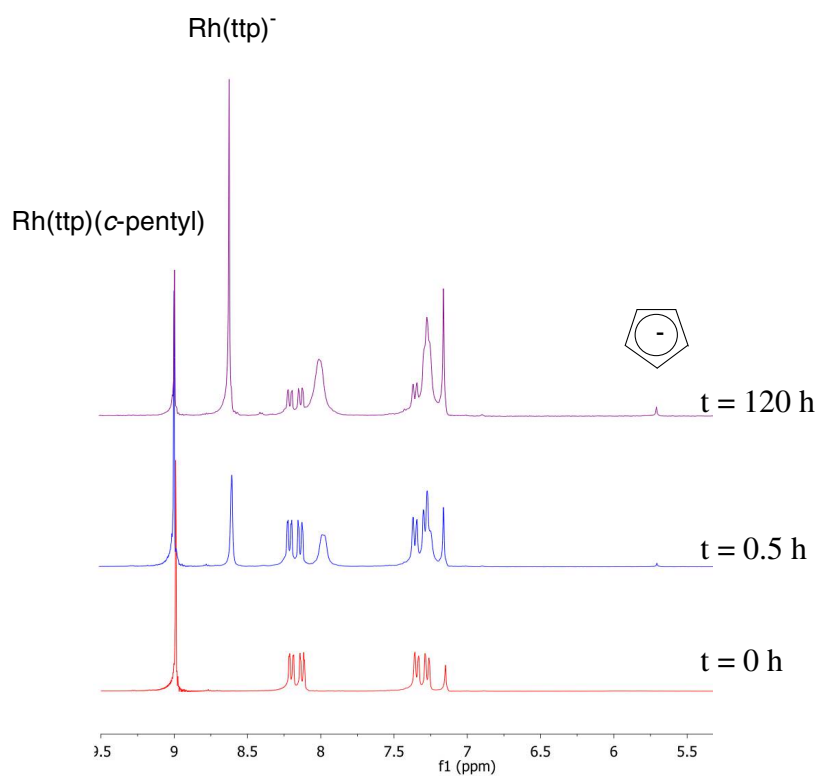


Figure 5. ^1H NMR spectra of the reaction $\text{Rh}(\text{ttp})(c\text{-pentyl})$ with K_2CO_3 in Benzene- d_6



Scheme 4. Proposed Mechanism of $\text{Rh}(\text{ttp})(c\text{-pentyl})$ Reaction

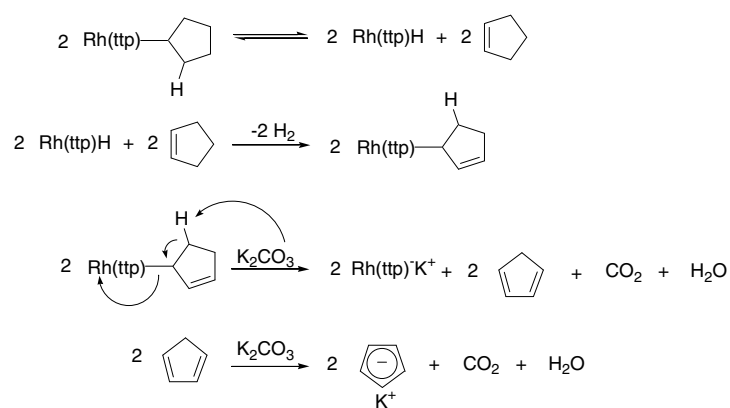
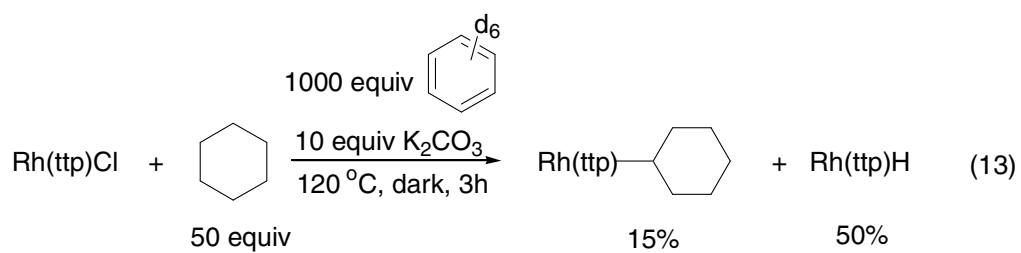


Table 10. Reaction Time Profile of Rh(tpp)Cl and Cyclohexane with K₂CO₃



Entry	Time (h)	Yield (%)				Total
		Rh(tpp)Cl	[Rh(tpp)] ₂	Rh(tpp)H	Rh(tpp)(c-hexyl)	
1	0	100	0	0	0	100
2	0.5	71	20	0	0	91
3	1	44	22	32	0	98
4	2	24	17	51	5	97
5	3	14	8	50	15	87
6	12	0	0	56	11	67
7	36	0	0	53	8	61
8	96	0	0	52	9	61