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Synthesis of (NHC)Pd(salicylaldimine)Cl complexes through template-directed *ortho*-aromatic metaloxylation of NHC-palladacycles derived from arylimines

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Table S1. Selected ^1H , and ^{13}C NMR spectral data for complexes 1a–1d and 2a–2d

Complex	^1H NMR ^a	^{13}C NMR ^a	^{13}C NMR ^a	^{13}C NMR ^a
	δ CH=N	δ CH=N	δ Pd–C _{carbene}	δ Pd–C _{phenyl}
1a	7.73	175.8	158.7	175.9
1b	7.78	175.2	159.3	175.8
1c	7.70	176.1	159.8	178.0
1d	7.75	175.7	160.2	177.7
2a	7.44	163.0	160.3	--
2b	7.51	162.6	160.5	--
2c	7.52	163.0	162.8	--
2d	7.50	163.0	162.5	--

^a ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 at 298 K (δ in ppm)

Table S2. Selected bond lengths [$\text{\AA}$] and angles [deg] for complexes 1a–1d and 2a–2d

	1a	1b	1c	1d	2a	2b	2c	2d
Pd–C _{carbene}	1.993(3)	1.981(4)	1.986(3)	1.9773(19)	1.977(2)	1.979(3)	1.999(2) 1.995(2)	2.007(6)
Pd–Cl	2.4016(11)	2.3818(15)	2.3600(10)	2.3625(7)	2.2801(6)	2.2545(10)	2.2982(8) 2.3011(9)	2.2946(19)
Pd–N	2.095(2)	2.089(4)	2.089(2)	2.0980(17)	2.0521(17)	2.054(2)	2.061(2) 2.061(2)	2.102(5)
Pd–C _{phenyl}	2.014(3)	1.992(4)	1.988(3)	2.015(2)				
Pd–O					2.0084(15)	1.996(2)	2.0217(17), 2.024(2)	2.043(4)
C _{carbene} –Pd–Cl	90.75(8)	92.25(13)	91.42(8)	93.53(6)	85.80(6)	89.40(9)	88.43(7) 85.78(7)	85.10(14)
N–Pd–Cl	93.04(7)	91.44(10)	92.52(7)	92.75(5)	92.60(5)	92.26(7)	91.44(6) 91.28(7)	92.70(13)
C _{carbene} –Pd–C _{phenyl}	95.30(11)	95.21(17)	94.78(11)	92.86(8)				
C _(phenyl) –Pd–N	80.93(10)	81.11(16)	81.22(11)	80.87(8)				
C–Pd–O					90.40(7)	86.52(10)	87.95(8) 91.66(9)	92.18(18)
O–Pd–N					91.32(7)	91.87(9)	92.17(8) 91.38(8)	90.04(17)
PdC ₂ NCl/carbene dihedral angle	68.05	72.04	67.45	77.88				
PdCONCl/carbene dihedral angle					72.35	81.50	76.41 86.63	78.74

Table S3 Crystallographic data for complexes **1a–1d** and **2a–2d**

Compound	1a	1b	1c	1d
formula	C ₃₇ H ₄₀ ClN ₃ Pd	C ₄₀ H ₄₆ ClN ₃ Pd	C ₄₃ H ₅₂ ClN ₃ Pd	C ₄₆ H ₅₈ ClN ₃ Pd
fw	668.57	710.65	752.73	794.80
crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Trigonal	Monoclinic
space group	<i>P</i> 2(1)/ <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2(1)/ <i>c</i>	<i>R</i> -3	<i>P</i> 2(1)/ <i>n</i>
<i>a</i> /Å	10.524(5)	16.381(10)	43.759(13)	13.430(2)
<i>b</i> /Å	17.000(9)	14.070(9)	43.759(13)	15.494(3)
<i>c</i> /Å	20.028(10)	17.588(11)	10.790(3)	21.236(3)
□ <i>α</i> /deg	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
□ <i>β</i> /deg	103.973(7)	93.854(11)	90.00	106.812(2)
□ <i>γ</i> /deg	90.00	90.00	120.00	90.00
<i>V</i> /Å ³	3477(3)	4045(5)	17893(9)	4230.1(12)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	18	4
<i>D</i> _{calc} /g cm ^{−3}	1.277	1.167	1.257	1.248
<i>F</i> (000)	1384	1480	7092	1672
<i>μ</i> /mm ^{−1}	0.638	0.552	0.566	0.535
GOF	1.023	1.005	1.084	1.034
reflections collected	17378	17439	30254	21212
independent reflections (<i>R</i> _{int})	6113 (0.0342)	6878 (0.0472)	6988 (0.0347)	7432 (0.0208)
observed reflections [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	5023	5367	5689	6207
refined parameters	388	416	444	472
<i>R</i> 1 [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	0.0308	0.0539	0.0316	0.0261
<i>wR</i> 2 (all data)	0.0786	0.1755	0.0988	0.0699

Compound	2a	2b	2c	2d
formula	C ₃₇ H ₄₀ ClN ₃ OPd	C ₄₀ H ₄₆ ClN ₃ OPd	C ₄₃ H ₅₂ ClN ₃ OPd	C ₄₆ H ₅₈ ClN ₃ OPd
fw	684.57	726.65	768.73	810.80
crystal system	Triclinic	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic	Triclinic
space group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>Pbca</i>	<i>P</i> 2(1)/ <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> -1
a /Å	8.7837(11)	18.812(2)	25.435(6)	11.632(7)
b /Å	10.6465(13)	20.016(3)	15.222(3)	12.701(7)
c /Å	18.771(2)	20.045(3)	21.271(5)	16.240(10)
□ α /deg	89.854(2)	90.00	90.00	84.326(11)
□ β /deg	86.654(2)	90.00	90.092(4)	69.130(9)
□ γ /deg	73.432(2)	90.00	90.00	81.438(10)
<i>V</i> /Å ³	1679.5(4)	7547.5(17)	8235(3)	2214(2)
<i>Z</i>	2	8	8	2
D _{calc} /g cm ⁻³	1.354	1.279	1.240	1.216
<i>F</i> (000)	708	3024	3216	852
μ /mm ⁻¹	0.664	0.595	0.549	0.514
GOF	1.036	1.032	1.015	1.026
reflections collected	8604	36800	41278	10993
independent reflections (<i>R</i> _{int})	5856 (0.0136)	6642 (0.0639)	14473 (0.0261)	7670 (0.0442)
observed reflections [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	5433	5133	11431	4910
refined parameters	397	425	905	481
<i>R</i> 1 [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	0.0255	0.0339	0.0302	0.0672
<i>wR</i> 2 (all data)	0.0702	0.0975	0.0836	0.1821

Characterization data for the products for 1a–1d and 2a–2d

Complex 1a: Yield: 120 mg (90%), pale-yellow powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.21–7.17 (m, 3H), 7.00–6.97 (m, 4H), 6.86 (s, 3H), 6.76 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 6H), 2.30 (s, 12H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 175.9, 175.8, 158.7, 146.8, 145.1, 138.5, 138.3, 137.5, 135.8, 134.7, 133.5, 130.0, 129.6, 129.3, 128.4, 127.9, 127.6, 123.3, 123.1, 20.9, 20.8, 20.1, 19.6, 18.2. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3131, 2964, 2916, 1611, 1602, 1483, 1438, 1401, 1377, 1287, 1269, 1258, 1198, 1147, 1041, 899. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_3\text{Pd} [\text{M}-\text{Cl}]^+$ 632.2257; found 632.2262. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{40}\text{ClN}_3\text{Pd}$: C, 66.47; H, 6.03; N, 6.28%. Found: C, 66.70; H, 6.27; N, 6.18%.

Complex 1b: Yield: 125 mg (88%), pale-yellow powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.17 (s, 2H), 7.13–7.09 (m, 1H), 7.05–6.99 (m, 4H), 6.94 (s, 2H), 6.91–6.90 (m, 1H), 6.87 (s, 2H), 3.02 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 6H), 2.34 (s, 6H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.10 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H), 1.05 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 175.8, 175.2, 159.3, 146.7, 144.9, 140.5, 138.5, 138.1, 137.5, 135.8, 133.5, 129.4, 128.4, 127.6, 126.2, 123.2, 123.0, 122.3, 28.1, 24.0, 22.5, 20.9, 20.3, 19.6. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3118, 3067, 2965, 2927, 2866, 1614, 1578, 1479, 1465, 1444, 1432, 1407, 1383, 1363, 1331, 1307, 1269, 1207, 1182, 1119, 1068, 1021, 911. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{46}\text{N}_3\text{Pd} [\text{M}-\text{Cl}]^+$ 674.2727; found 674.2734. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{46}\text{ClN}_3\text{Pd}$: C, 67.60; H, 6.52; N, 5.91%. Found: C, 67.43; H, 6.74; N, 6.07%.

Complex 1c: Yield: 128 mg (85%), pale-yellow powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30–7.27 (m, 4H), 7.21–7.16 (m, 3H), 7.02–6.96 (m, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 2H), 3.37 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.21 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 1.90 (s, 6H), 1.37 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H), 1.19 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H), 0.89 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 178.0, 176.1, 159.8, 147.7, 147.1, 145.2, 144.7, 136.6, 135.8, 134.6, 130.7, 130.0, 129.6, 127.9, 127.5, 124.6, 124.1, 123.6, 122.8, 28.9, 28.4, 26.2, 26.2, 22.9, 22.7, 20.9, 18.3. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3178, 3141, 3065, 2967, 2927, 2866, 1614, 1590, 1556, 1462, 1440, 1397, 1382, 1362, 1327, 1289, 1230, 1199, 1145, 1117, 1057, 937. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_3\text{Pd} [\text{M}-\text{Cl}]^+$ 716.3196; found 716.3199. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{52}\text{ClN}_3\text{Pd}$: C, 68.61; H, 6.96; N, 5.58%. Found: C, 68.34; H, 6.81; N, 5.79%.

Complex 1d: Yield: 137 mg (86%), pale-yellow powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30–7.21 (m, 7H), 7.10–7.08 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04–6.99 (m, 4H), 6.89 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 4H), 2.94 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (d, J = 6.4, 6H), 1.21 (d, J = 6.8, 6H), 0.99–0.92 (m, 24H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 177.7, 175.7, 160.2, 147.9, 147.0, 145.0, 144.8, 140.7, 136.8, 135.8,

130.8, 129.6, 127.7, 126.3, 124.6, 124.1, 123.5, 122.8, 122.2, 28.8, 28.5, 27.9, 26.3, 26.2, 24.1, 22.9, 22.5, 22.4. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3062, 2953, 2862, 1610, 1554, 1459, 1440, 1397, 1384, 1360, 1334, 1269, 1255, 1223, 1199, 1181, 1059, 935. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{58}\text{N}_3\text{Pd} [\text{M}-\text{Cl}]^+$ 758.6666; found 758.6674. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{58}\text{ClN}_3\text{Pd}$: C, 72.75; H, 7.70; N, 5.53%. Found: C, 72.49; H, 7.87; N, 5.77%.

Complex 2a: Yield: 90 mg (88%), yellow powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.30–7.27 (m, 1H), 7.11 (s, 2H), 7.03–7.01 (m, 5H), 6.79–6.76 (m, 3H), 6.52 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (s, 12H), 2.28 (s, 6H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.92 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 164.6, 163.0, 160.3, 147.8, 138.7, 136.5, 136.2, 135.3, 135.1, 134.3, 134.3, 130.4, 129.0, 128.7, 127.9, 123.1, 120.6, 119.5, 113.6, 21.0, 20.9, 18.7, 18.3, 17.8. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3436, 3160, 2918, 1616, 1531, 1484, 1463, 1444, 1408, 1378, 1354, 1338, 1279, 1231, 1180, 1142, 1127, 1029, 926. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{41}\text{ClN}_3\text{OPd} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 684.1973; found 684.1936 and calcd for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_3\text{OPd} [\text{M}-\text{Cl}]^+$ 648.2206; found 648.2218. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{40}\text{ClN}_3\text{OPd}$: C, 64.91; H, 5.89; N, 6.14%. Found: C, 65.11; H, 5.78; N, 6.23%.

Complex 2b: Yield: 92 mg (84%), yellow powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.30–7.28 (m, 1H), 7.10–7.08 (m, 4H), 7.03–7.01 (m, 6H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.38–2.37 (m, 12H), 2.26 (s, 6H), 1.03 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H), 0.97 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 164.9, 162.6, 160.5, 147.4, 140.8, 138.5, 136.5, 136.2, 135.3, 135.2, 134.3, 128.9, 128.7, 125.9, 123.0, 122.3, 120.7, 118.9, 113.5, 28.1, 24.2, 22.4, 21.0, 18.7, 17.8. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3445, 3156, 3128, 2956, 2923, 1609, 1527, 1486, 1464, 1441, 1410, 1384, 1324, 1232, 1171, 1151, 1099, 1031, 929. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{47}\text{ClN}_3\text{OPd} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 726.2442; found 726.2459 and calcd for $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{46}\text{N}_3\text{OPd} [\text{M}-\text{Cl}]^+$ 690.2676; found 690.2699. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{46}\text{ClN}_3\text{OPd}$: C, 66.11; H, 6.38; N, 5.78%. Found: C, 66.42; H, 6.57; N, 5.54%.

Complex 2c: Yield: 95 mg (82%), yellow powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.50 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37–7.34 (m, 5H), 7.17 (s, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 2H), 6.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (br, 2H), 2.94 (br, 2H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 6H), 1.26 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H), 1.13 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 165.1, 163.0, 162.8, 147.8, 135.3, 134.8, 134.2, 133.7, 130.5, 129.7, 127.8, 124.4, 123.8, 123.7, 122.0, 119.4, 113.6, 28.4, 26.2, 23.2, 20.9, 18.3. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3448, 2962, 2926, 2866, 1618, 1534, 1465, 1445, 1411, 1383, 1346, 1324, 1279, 1208, 1181, 1142, 1127, 926. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{53}\text{ClN}_3\text{OPd} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 728.2912; found 728.2928 and calcd for $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_3\text{OPd} [\text{M}-\text{Cl}]^+$ 732.3145; found 732.3163. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{52}\text{ClN}_3\text{OPd}$: C, 67.18; H, 6.82; N, 5.47%. Found: C, 67.44; H, 6.54; N, 5.61%.

Complex 2d: Yield: 98 mg (81%), yellow powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.50–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 4H), 7.24–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.15 (s, 2H), 7.09–7.05 (m, 1H), 6.99–6.95 (m, 3H), 6.77 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (br, 2H), 2.89 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.76 (br, 2H), 1.20–1.06 (m, 24H), 0.89 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 12H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 165.1, 163.0, 162.5, 147.5, 146.5, 140.9, 135.3, 135.0, 133.8, 129.7, 126.0, 124.5, 123.7, 122.3, 122.2, 118.5, 113.6, 28.0, 26.3, 23.9, 22.5. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3445, 2957, 2924, 2864, 1613, 1588, 1529, 1464, 1445, 1409, 1382, 1359, 1345, 1165, 1147, 1127, 1121, 1104, 927. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{59}\text{ClN}_3\text{OPd}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]^+$ 810.3381; found 810.3390 and calcd for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{58}\text{N}_3\text{OPd}$ $[\text{M}-\text{Cl}^-]^+$ 774.3615; found 774.3626. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{58}\text{ClN}_3\text{OPd}$: C, 68.14; H, 7.21; N, 5.18%. Found: C, 68.37; H, 7.45; N, 5.03%.

Characterization data for arylimines and salicylaldimines

***N*-benzylideneaniline:** White solid, mp: 52.1–52.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400M Hz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.50 (s, 1H), 7.96–7.94 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.46–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.26 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100M Hz): δ (ppm) 160.3, 152.0, 136.2, 131.3, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 125.9, 120.8. HRMS: calcd for C₁₃H₁₂N [M+H⁺]⁺ 182.0970; found 182.0957.

***N*-benzylidene-2,4,6-trimethylaniline:** Pale-yellow solid, mp: 39.2–39.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400M Hz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.97–7.96 (m, 2H), 7.55–7.53 (m, 3H), 6.95 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.18 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100M Hz): δ (ppm) 162.7, 148.7, 136.1, 132.9, 131.3, 128.7, 128.7, 128.4, 127.0, 20.7, 18.2. HRMS: calcd for C₁₆H₁₈N [M+H⁺]⁺ 224.1439; found 224.1451.

***N*-benzylidene-2,6-diisopropylaniline:** Pale-yellow solid, mp: 56.2–56.8 °C. ¹H NMR (400M Hz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.29 (s, 1H), 8.01–8.00 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.57 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (sept, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 12H). ¹³C NMR (100M Hz): δ (ppm) 162.0, 149.2, 137.5, 136.0, 131.4, 128.8, 128.5, 124.1, 123.0, 27.9, 23.4. HRMS: calcd for C₁₉H₂₄N [M+H⁺]⁺ 266.1909; found 266.1921.

***N*-(4-Chlorobenzylidene)aniline:** White solid, mp: 62.2–63.5 °C. ¹H NMR (500M Hz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.39 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.46–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125M Hz): δ (ppm) 158.7, 151.6, 137.3, 134.6, 129.9, 129.2, 129.0, 126.2, 120.8. HRMS: calcd for C₁₃H₁₁ClN [M+H⁺]⁺ 216.0580; found 216.0591.

***N*-(4-Methoxybenzylidene)aniline:** White solid, mp: 56.0–56.8 °C. ¹H NMR (500M Hz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.39 (s, 1H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.20 (m, 3H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125M Hz): δ (ppm) 162.2, 159.7, 152.3, 130.5, 129.2, 129.1, 125.5, 120.8, 114.1, 55.4. HRMS: calcd for C₁₄H₁₄NO [M+H⁺]⁺ 212.1075; found 212.1088.

***N*-(4-Nitrobenzylidene)aniline:** Pale-yellow solid, mp: 88.0–89.0 °C. ¹H NMR (500M Hz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.55 (s, 1H), 8.32 (br, 2H), 8.07 (br, 2H), 7.43 (br, 2H), 7.27 (br, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125M Hz): δ (ppm) 157.3, 150.9, 149.2, 141.5, 129.4, 129.3, 127.0, 124.0, 120.9. HRMS: calcd for C₁₃H₁₁N₂O₂ [M+H⁺]⁺ 227.0821; found 227.0834.

2-((Phenylimino)methyl)phenol: Yellow solid, mp: 50.0–51.0 °C. ¹H NMR (500M Hz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 13.3 (br, 1H), 8.62 (s, 1H), 7.46–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.33–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125M Hz): δ (ppm) 162.6, 161.1, 148.4, 133.1, 132.2, 129.3, 126.8, 121.1, 119.1, 119.0, 117.2. HRMS: calcd for C₁₃H₁₂NO [M+H⁺]⁺ 198.0919; found 198.0922.

2-((2,4,6-Trimethylphenylimino)methyl)phenol: Yellow solid, mp: 46.2–46.9 °C. ¹H NMR (400M Hz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 13.3 (br, 1H), 8.38 (s, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02–6.99 (m, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100M Hz): δ (ppm) 166.6, 161.2, 145.6, 134.4, 133.0, 132.0, 129.0, 128.1, 118.8, 118.8, 117.2, 20.7, 18.4.

HRMS: calcd for $C_{16}H_{18}NO$ $[M+H]^+$ 240.1388; found 240.1397.

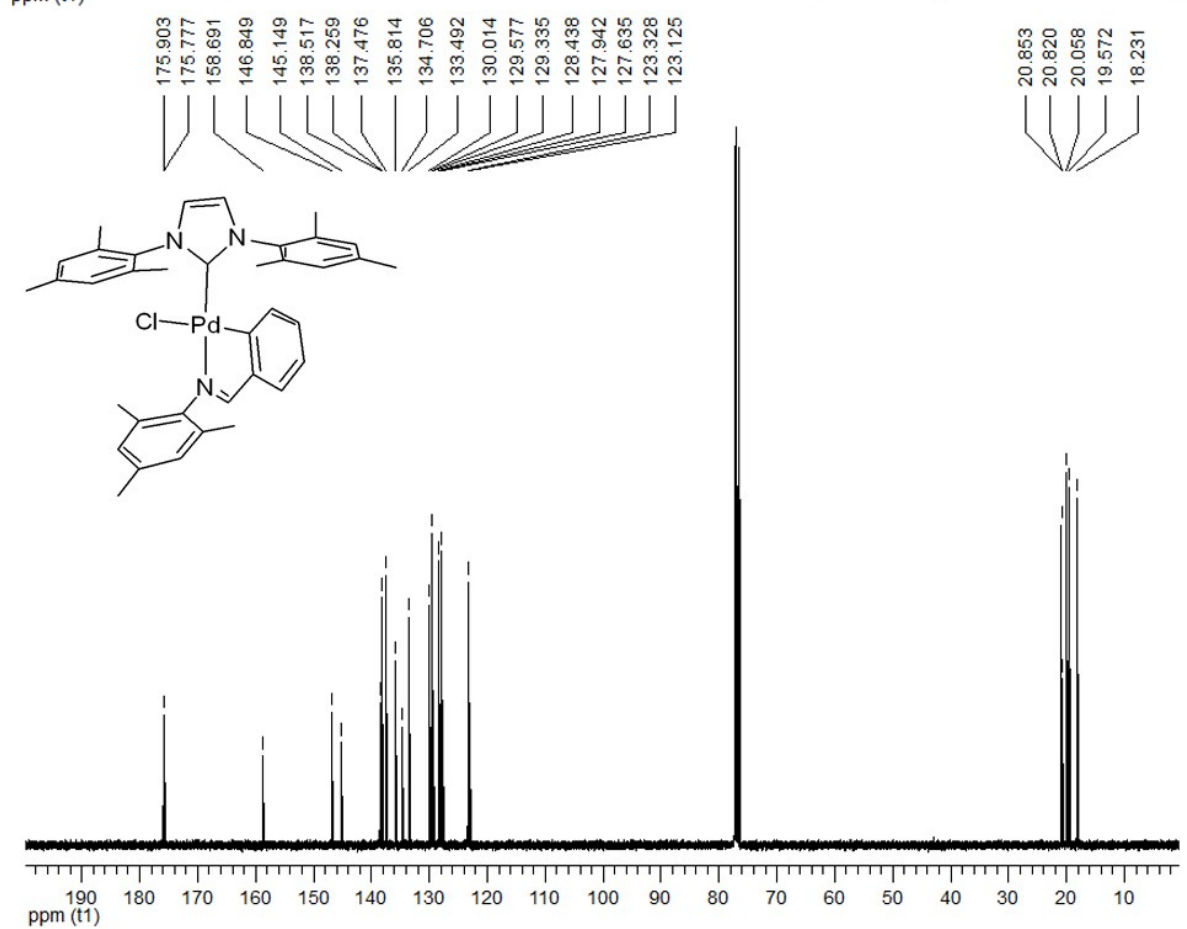
2-((2,6-diisopropylphenylimino)methyl)phenol: Yellow solid, mp: 57.5–58.5 °C. 1H NMR (400M Hz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 13.1 (br, 1H), 8.33 (s, 1H), 7.44 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.21 (br, 3H), 7.09 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.00 (sept, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.20 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 12H). ^{13}C NMR (100M Hz): δ (ppm) 166.6, 161.2, 146.1, 138.7, 133.2, 132.2, 125.4, 123.2, 119.0, 118.7, 117.3, 28.1, 23.5. HRMS: calcd for $C_{19}H_{24}NO$ $[M+H]^+$ 282.1858; found 282.1871.

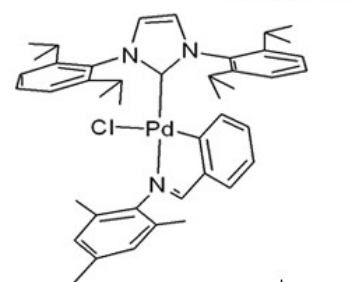
5-Chloro-2-((phenylimino)methyl)phenol: Deep yellow solid, mp: 107.0–107.8 °C. 1H NMR (500M Hz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 13.3 (br, 1H), 8.54 (s, 1H), 7.43 (br, 2H), 7.35–7.28 (m, 5H), 6.97–6.96 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (125M Hz): δ (ppm) 161.2, 159.7, 147.9, 132.9, 131.2, 129.5, 127.3, 123.6, 121.1, 119.9, 118.8. HRMS: calcd for $C_{13}H_{11}ClNO$ $[M+H]^+$ 232.0529; found 232.0544.

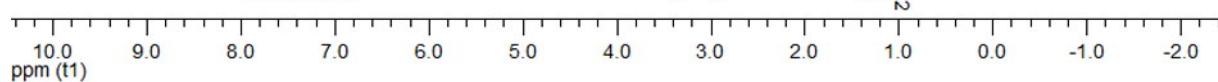
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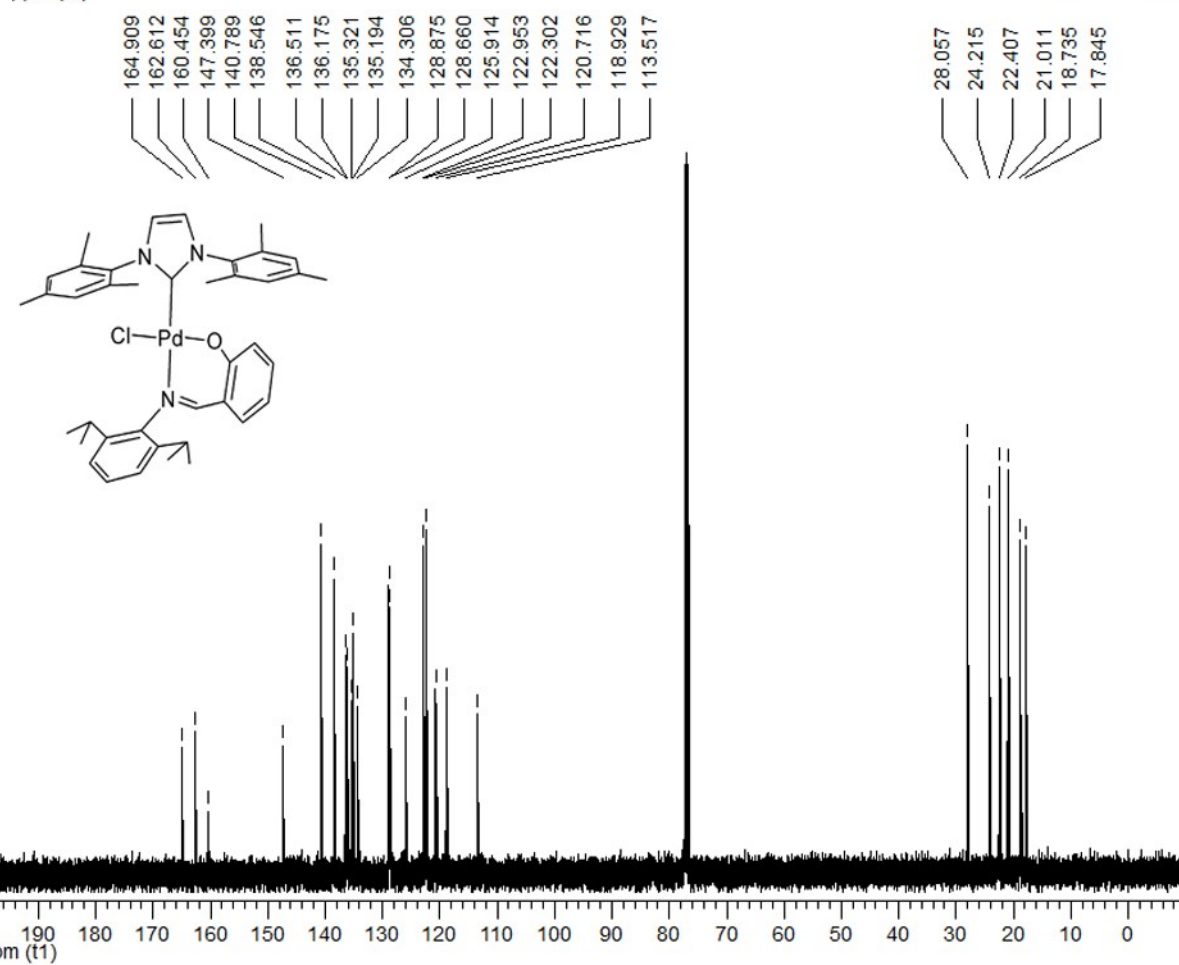
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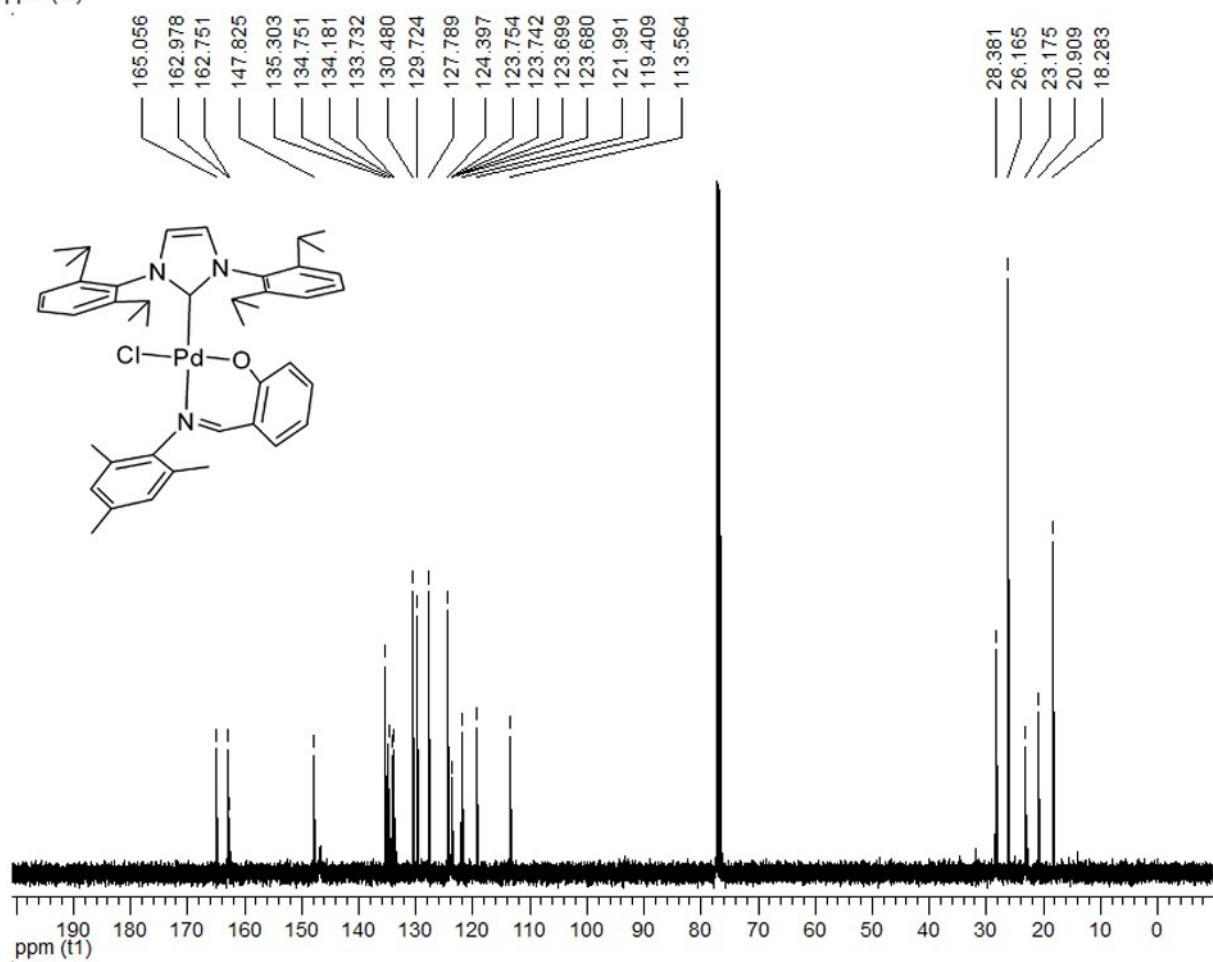
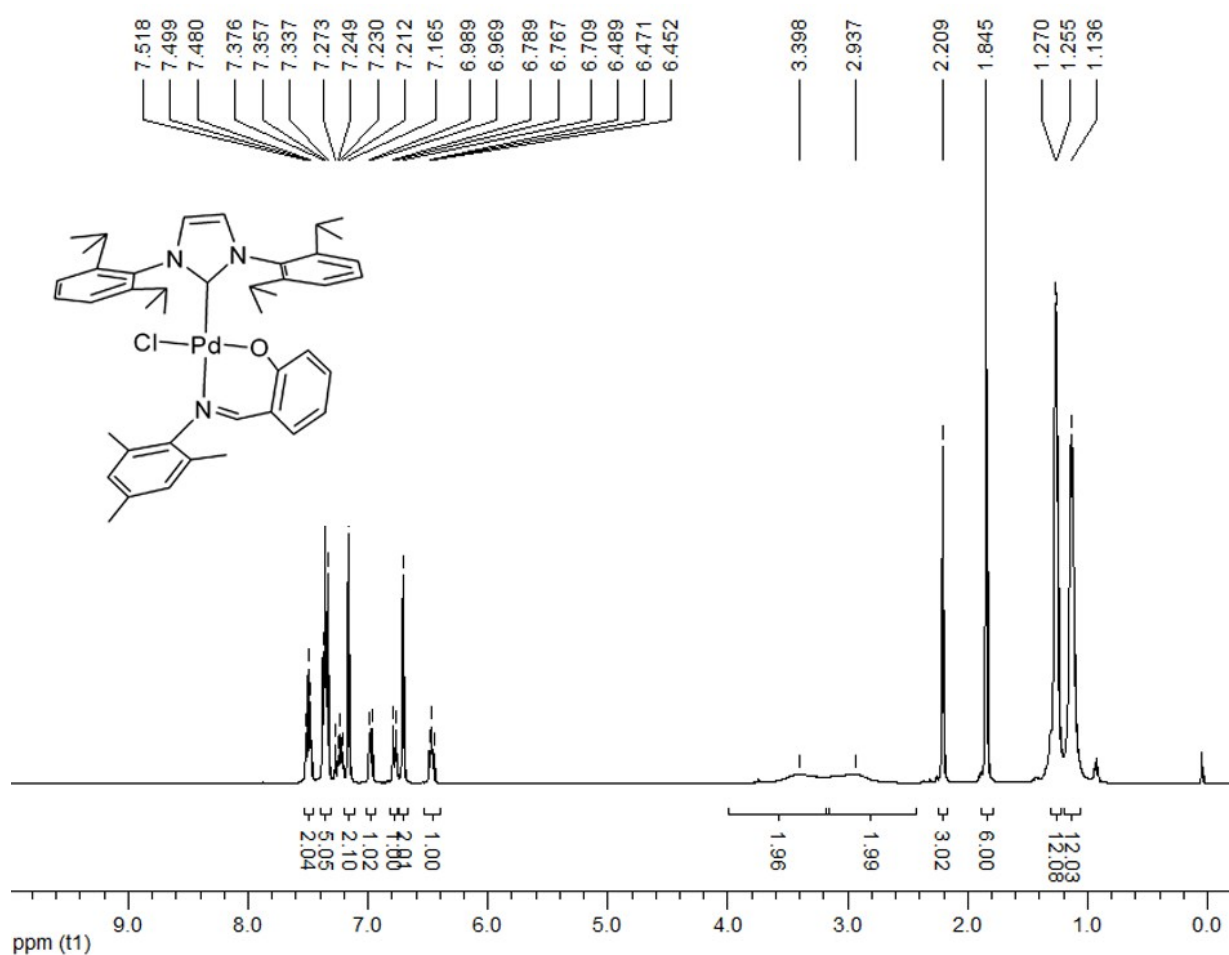
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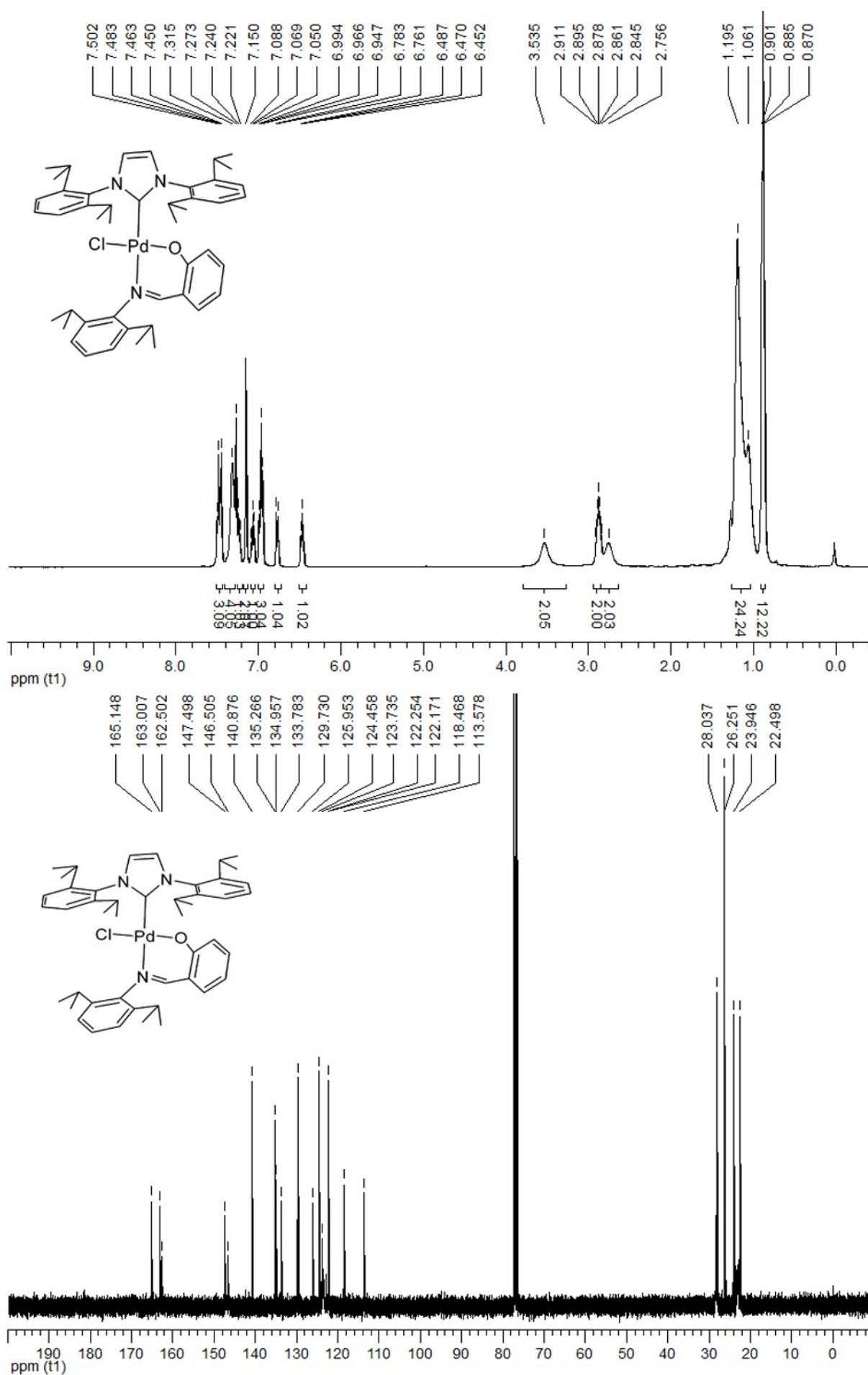












¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of arylimines and salicylaldimines

