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**Structural exploration of rhodium catalysts and their kinetic studies for efficient parahydrogen-induced polarization by side arm hydrogenation**

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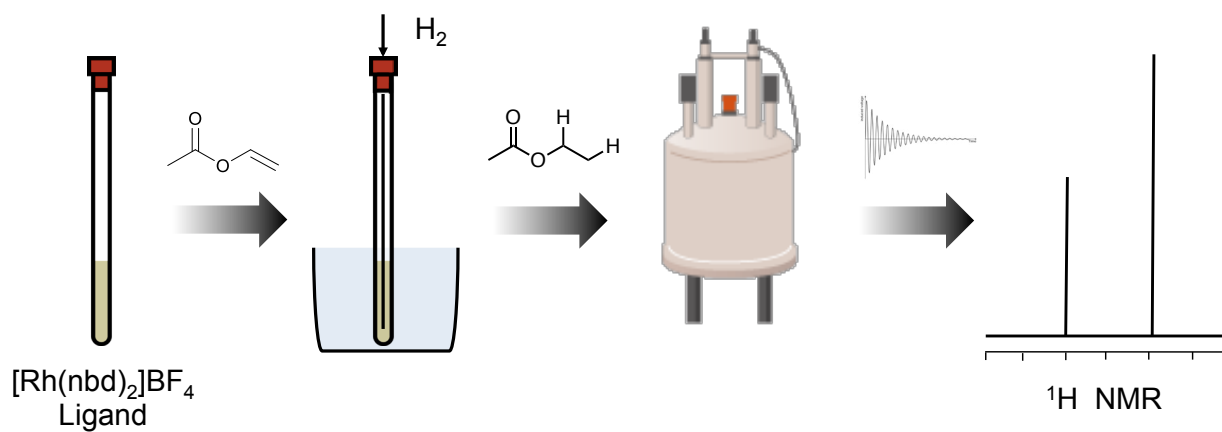
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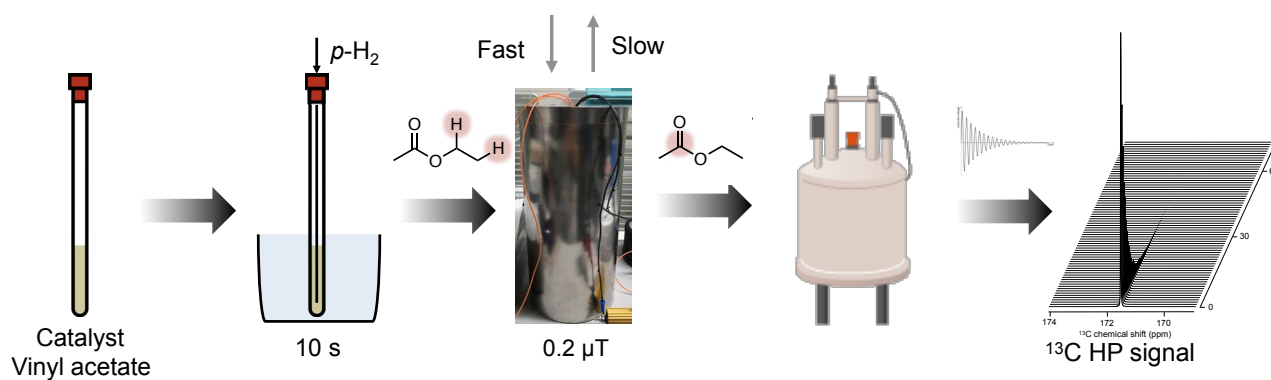
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## 1. Supporting schemes

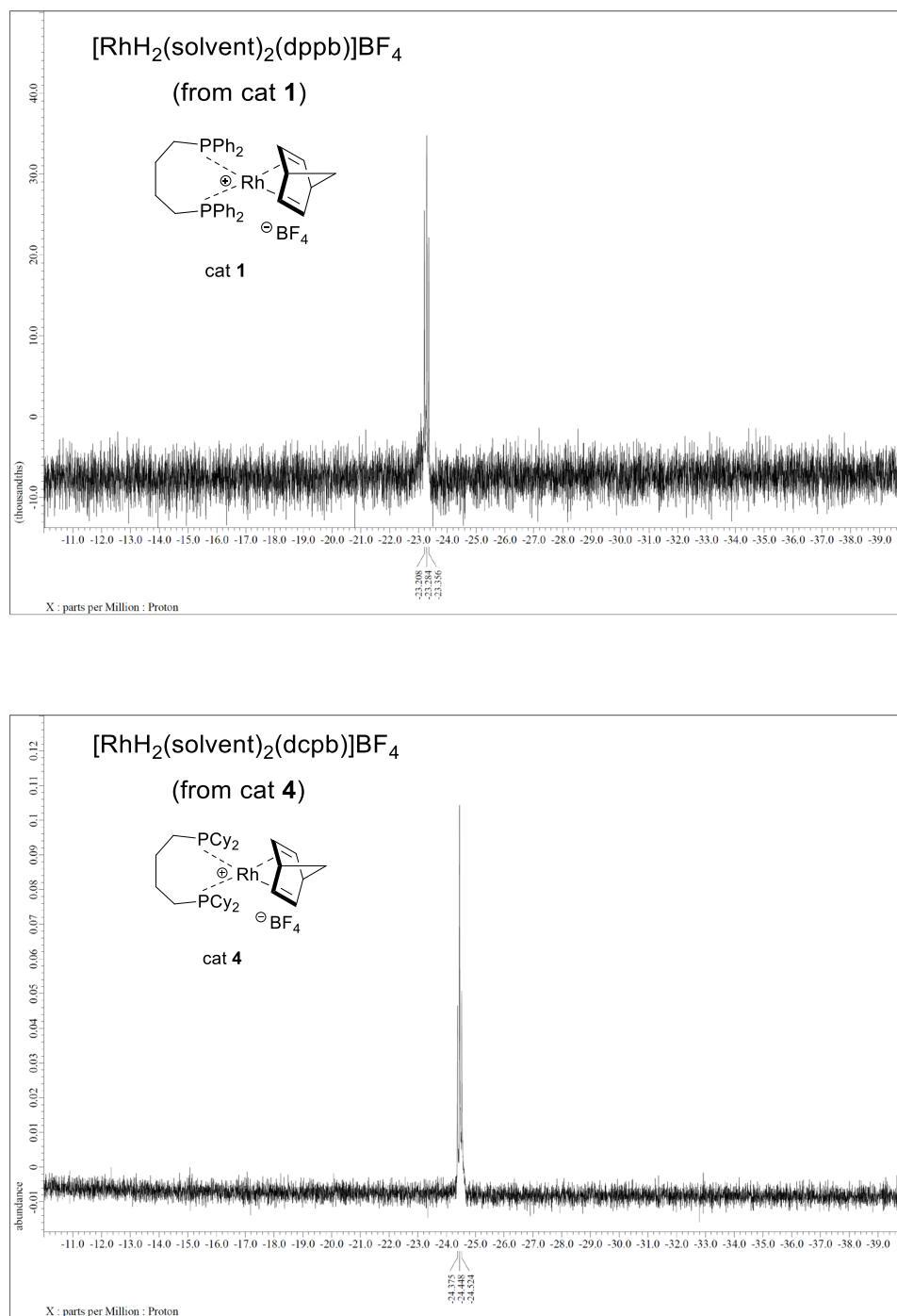


**Scheme S1.** Schematic illustration of ligand screening for hydrogenation of vinyl acetate.



**Scheme S2.** Schematic illustration of PHIP experiments in this study.

## 2. Supporting figure



**Fig. S1** Observation of rhodium hydride species in the hydrogenation of cat **1** and **4**. 5 mM of cat **1** or **4** in 700  $\mu$ L of methanol-*d*<sub>4</sub> was set into an NMR tube with a cap. After normal hydrogen bubbling at 24  $^{\circ}$ C under 1 atm for 120 s, <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was measured immediately.

### 3. NMR spectrum ( $^1\text{H}$ and $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR in $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

