# **Supporting Materials**

## Structures of two haptotropic isomers generated by sliding of

## 1,3,5-triene ligands on a Pd–Pd–Pd Chain

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### **Experimental Details**

#### **General Consideration.**

All manipulations were conducted under a nitrogen atmosphere using standard Schlenk or drybox techniques. <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C nuclear magnetic resonance spectra were recorded on 270 MHz (JEOL GSX-270) and 400 MHz (JEOL GSX-400) instruments. The chemical shifts were referenced to the residual resonances of deuterated solvents. Elemental analyses were performed at the Analytical Center, Faculty of Engineering, Osaka University. X-ray crystal data were collected by Rigaku RAXIS-RAPID Imaging Plate diffractometer. Unless specified, all reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without purification. [Pd<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>6</sub>][BF<sub>4</sub>]<sub>2</sub>, Pd<sub>2</sub>(dba)<sub>3</sub>, and DMVC were prepared according to the literature.<sup>1-3</sup>

### Synthesis of [Pd<sub>3</sub>(µ<sub>3</sub>-DMVC)<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>2</sub>][BF<sub>4</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (1)

To a solution of DMVC (= 1,2-di-(*E*)-carbomethoxyvinylcyclopentene) (236 mg, 1.00 mmol) in acetone (40 mL) was added [Pd<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>6</sub>][BF<sub>4</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (127 mg, 0.200 mmol) and Pd<sub>2</sub>(dba)<sub>3</sub> (104 mg, 0.100 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 1.5 h at room temperature. The resultant reaction mixture was filtered, and benzene was added to the filtrate to give an orange precipitate. The precipitate was washed with benzene, *n*-hexane, and pentane to give an analytically pure orange powder of **1** (151 mg, 72% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>, 25 °C)  $\delta$  6.09 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 4H, H4), 4.23 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 4H, H3), 3.80 (s, 12H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.84 (s, 6H, CH<sub>3</sub>CN), 2.68 (m, 4H, H2a), 1.54 (m, 2H, H1a), 1.41 (dd, *J* = 7.8 Hz, *J* = 16.6 Hz, 4H, H2b), -0.17 (m, 2H, H1b). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (100.5 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>, 25 °C)  $\delta$  169.9 (s, C6), 130.0 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>CN), 115.7 (s, C3), 86.6 (s, C4), 73.4 (s, C5), 54.7 (s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 36.8 (s, C2), 22.9 (s, C1), 4.4 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>CN). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>38</sub>B<sub>2</sub>F<sub>8</sub>O<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>Pd<sub>3</sub>: C, 34.40; H, 3.66; N, 2.67. Found C, 34.52; H, 3.64; N, 2.73.



## Crystal structure determination

The teXsan program package<sup>4</sup> was used for refinement of the crystal data. Crystal data for *s*-1:

A. Crystal Data

Empirical Formula	$\rm C_{30}H_{38}O_8F_8B_2N_2Pd_3$
Formula Weight	1047.45
Crystal Color, Habit	orange, prism
Crystal Dimensions	$0.25 \ge 0.10 \ge 0.10 \ \mathrm{mm}$
Crystal System	monoclinic
Lattice Type	Primitive
No. of Reflections Used for Unit Cell Determination $(2\theta \text{ range})$	10587 ( 4.4 - 55.0° )
Indexing Images	2 oscillations at 2.5 minutes
Camera Radius	$127.40~\mathrm{mm}$
Lattice Parameters	a = 10.3565(1) Å b = 12.3481(3) Å c = 14.3451(3) Å $\beta$ = 95.920(2)° V = 1824.71(6) Å <sup>3</sup>
Space Group	$P2_1/n$ (#14)
Z value	2
D <sub>calc</sub>	$1.906 \mathrm{~g/cm^3}$
$F_{000}$	1032.00
$\mu({ m MoK}lpha)$	$15.55 \ {\rm cm}^{-1}$

#### B. Intensity Measurements

Diffractometer	Rigaku RAXIS-RAPID Imaging Plate
Radiation	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ Å}$ ) graphite monochromated

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Temperature	20.0 °C
Voltage, Current	50 kV, 40 mA
Collimator Size	0.8 mm
Detector Aperture	$270.0~\mathrm{mm}\ge 256.0~\mathrm{mm}$
Data Images	44 exposures at $0.7$ minutes per degree
Oscillation Range ( $\phi=0.0^{\circ}, \chi=45.0^{\circ}$ )	$\omega$ 130.0 - 190.0° with 5.0° step
Oscillation Range ( $\phi$ =180.0°, $\chi$ =45.0°)	$\omega$ 0.0 - 160.0° with 5.0° step
Camera Radius	127.40 mm
Pixel Size	$0.125 \mathrm{~mm}$
$2\theta_{max}$	55.0°
No. of Reflections Measured	Total: 16626 Unique: 4167 ( $R_{int} = 0.072$ )
Corrections	Lorentz-polarization Absorption

#### C. Structure Solution and Refinement

(trans. factors: 0.6531 - 0.8560)

Structure Solution	Direct Methods (SIR92)
Refinement	Full-matrix least-squares (SHELXL-97)
Function Minimized	$\Sigma w (Fo^2 - Fc^2)^2$
Least Squares Weights	$w = [\sigma^2(Fo^2) + (0.1000P)^2 + 0.0000P]^{-1}$ where $P = (Fo^2 + 2Fc^2)/3$
No. of Reflections (All, $2\theta < 54.96^{\circ}$ )	2480
No. Variables	241
Reflection/Parameter Ratio	10.29
Residuals: R; Rw	0.051; $0.143$
Goodness of Fit Indicator	0.76
Max Shift/Error in Final Cycle	-0.06

## Crystal data for *u*-1:

A. Crystal Data

Empirical Formula	$\rm C_{30}H_{38}O_8Pd_3B_2F_8N_2$
Formula Weight	1047.45
Crystal Color, Habit	yellow, prism
Crystal Dimensions	$0.10 \ge 0.10 \ge 0.10 \ge 0.10$ mm
Crystal System	triclinic
Lattice Type	Primitive
No. of Reflections Used for Unit Cell Determination $(2\theta \text{ range})$	3645 ( 4.7 - 54.9° )
Indexing Images	2 oscillations at 5.0 minutes
Camera Radius	127.40 mm
Lattice Parameters	$a = 10.0065(1) \mathring{A}$ $b = 11.0597(8) \mathring{A}$ $c = 8.7843(8) \mathring{A}$ $\alpha = 96.218(6)^{\circ}$ $\beta = 94.476(5)^{\circ}$ $\gamma = 68.120(6)^{\circ}$ $V = 896.1(1) \mathring{A}^{3}$
Space Group	P1 (#2)
Z value	1
$D_{ealc}$	$1.941 \text{ g/cm}^3$
$F_{000}$	516.00
$\mu({ m MoK}lpha)$	$15.83 \ {\rm cm^{-1}}$

#### B. Intensity Measurements

 $\operatorname{Diffractometer}$ 

Rigaku RAXIS-RAPID Imaging Plate

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Radiation	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ Å}$ ) graphite monochromated
Temperature	23.0 °C
Voltage, Current	50 kV, 40 mA
Collimator Size	0.3 mm
Detector Aperture	$270.0 \text{ mm} \ge 256.0 \text{ mm}$
Data Images	44 exposures at 2.0 minutes per degree
Oscillation Range ( $\phi = 0.0^{\circ}, \chi = 45.0^{\circ}$ )	$\omega$ 130.0 - 190.0° with 5.0° step
Oscillation Range ( $\phi$ =180.0°, $\chi$ =45.0°)	$\omega$ 0.0 - 160.0° with 5.0° step
Camera Radius	127.40 mm
Pixel Size	0.125 mm
$2\theta_{max}$	$55.0^{\circ}$
No. of Reflections Measured	Total: 7764 Unique: 3985 ( $R_{int} = 0.096$ )
Corrections	Lorentz-polarization Absorption (trans. factors: 0.2500 - 0.8536)

#### C. Structure Solution and Refinement

Structure Solution	Patterson Methods (DIRDIF94 PATTY)
Refinement	Full-matrix least-squares (SHELXL-97)
Function Minimized	$\Sigma w (Fo^2 - Fc^2)^2$
Least Squares Weights	$\begin{split} w &= [\sigma^2(Fo^2) + (0.1000P)^2 + 0.0000P]^{-1} \\ \text{where } P &= (Fo^2 + 2Fc^2)/3 \end{split}$
No. of Reflections (All, $2\theta < 54.96^{\circ}$ )	2078
No. Variables	277
Reflection/Parameter Ratio	7.50
Residuals: R; Rw	0.081; $0.221$
Goodness of Fit Indicator	1.05
Max Shift/Error in Final Cycle	-0.16

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