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Supplementary Information



Fig. 1 Structures of the frontside attack pathway featuring four-center TS. (a), (d), and (g): RE for $[\kappa^1/\kappa^2/\kappa^3-Tm^{t-Bu}]$ HgMe complexes, respectively. (b), (e), and (h): the corresponding TS. (c), (f), and (i): the corresponding PRO.



Fig. 2 Structures of the frontside attack pathway featuring six-center TS. (a), (d), and (g): RE for $[\kappa^1/\kappa^2-Tm^{t-Bu}]$ HgMe complexes, respectively. (b), (e), and (h): the corresponding TS. (c), (f), and (i): the corresponding PRO.



Fig. 3 Structures of the frontside attack pathway featuring HB-assisted four-center TS. (a), (d), and (g): RE for $[\kappa^1/\kappa^2/\kappa^3-Tm^{\ell-Bu}]$ HgMe complexes, respectively. (b), (e), and (h): the corresponding TS. (c), (f), and (i): the corresponding PRO.



Fig. 4 Structures of the backside attack pathway involving one PhSH molecule. (a), (d), and (g): RE for $[\kappa^{1}/\kappa^{2}/\kappa^{3}-Tm^{t-Bu}]$ HgMe complexes, respectively. (b), (e), and (h): the corresponding TS. (c), (f), and (i): the corresponding PRO.



Fig. 5 Structures of the backside attack pathway involving two PhSH molecules. (a), (d), and (g): RE for $[\kappa^{1/\kappa^{2}/\kappa^{3}}-Tm^{\prime Bu}]$ HgMe complexes, respectively. (b), (e), and (h): the corresponding TS. (c), (f), and (i): the corresponding PRO.

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Fig. 6 Structures of the frontside attack pathway featuring six-center TS for [Hmim^{*t*-Bu}]_{n=1}HgMe complex. (a), (b), and (c): RE, TS, and PRO, respectively.