# Supporting Information

Base-promoted perfluoroalkylation of rhodium(III) porphyrin complexes

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# Supplementary Optimization Results

base (m equiv)							
$Bh^{III}(btpp)CI + B_{rI} \xrightarrow{C_{6}H_{6}, argon} Bh^{III}(btpp)B_{r} + Bh^{III}(btpp)I_{6}$ (S1)							
$120 ^{\circ}$ C, time $120 ^{\circ}$ C, time $2 ^{\circ}$							
entry	R <sub>F</sub> I	base	n	m	time / h	yield	/ %
						2	3
1	$^{n}C_{6}F_{13}I$	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	15	10	10.5	31 ( <b>2e</b> )	21
2			15	15	10.5	43 ( <b>2e</b> )	43
3			20	10	10.5	42 ( <b>2e</b> )	49
4		КОН	15	10	8	27 ( <b>2e</b> )	32
5			20	10	8	75 ( <b>2e</b> )	0
6	$^{c}C_{6}F_{11}I$	КОН	15	10	8	40 ( <b>2b</b> )	36

#### KOH (10 equiv) <u>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, Ar,</u> 120 °C, 5 h F CF<sub>3</sub> CF<sub>3</sub> Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp) <sub>+</sub> \_Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp) CF<sub>3</sub> $\mathbf{F}_{3}^{\mathsf{I}}$ Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)Cl + CF₃́ (S2) F 1a 2a 20 equiv 20 equiv 2c -76.1596 -76.1839 - 8.9056 - 8.8868 82.0733 82.105 333 2a $-CF(CF_3)_2(2a)$ **2**c $-CF_{2}CF_{2}CF_{3}\left(\mathbf{2c}\right)$ 18.226 3.000 **ר**יי 9.0 8.8 -76 -78 -79 -80 -82 9.1 8.9 8.7 ppm -77 -81 ppm

# **Competition Experiment**

Figure S1. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (pyrrolic proton) and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of isolated mixture of **2a** and **2c** (trial 1).



Averaged 2c: 2a ratio from <sup>1</sup>H NMR = (2.525+3.195)/2 = 2.86: 1 Averaged 2c: 2a ratio from <sup>19</sup>F NMR = [(18.226+19.706)/4]/3 = 3.16: 1

# X-Ray Diffraction Data

Compound	Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><i>i</i></sup> C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>7</sub> ·MeOH <b>2a</b>	$Rh^{III}(btpp)^{n}C_{3}F_{7}$ ·MeOH <b>2c</b>	
Empirical formula	$C_{64}H_{64}F_7N_4ORh$	$C_{65}H_{65.3}Cl_3F_7N_4O_{1.15}Rh$	
Formula weight	1141.10	1263.17	
Temperature	150(2) K	150(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	monoclinc	monoclinc	
Space group	C2/c	P21/c	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 29.171(5) \text{ Å}  \alpha = 90^{\circ}$	$a = 14.8018(8) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$	
$b = 10.6913(18) \text{ Å } \beta = 110.572(9)^{\circ}$		$b = 29.3344(15) \text{ Å } \beta = 107.663(2)^{\circ}$	
	$c = 21.741(3) \text{ Å} \qquad \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	$c = 14.4537(7) \text{ Å} \qquad \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	
Volume	6348.3(18) Å <sup>3</sup>	5979.9(5) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Ζ	4	4	
Density (calculated)	1.194 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.403 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	0.330 mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.488 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	2368	2606	
Crystal size	0.560 x 0.280 x 0.130 mm <sup>3</sup>	0.560 x 0.350 x 0.120 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data	2.390 to 28.107°	2.460 to 28.004°	
collection			
Limiting indices	-38<=h<=38	-19<=h<=19	
	-14<=k<=14	-38<=k=38	
	-28<=l<=26	-19<=1<=19	
Reflections collected	50400	13323	
Independent reflections	14779 [R(int) = 0.0763]	13323 [R(int) = 0]	
Completeness to theta =	99.7%	92.2%	
25.242°			
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	Multi-scan	
Max. and min.	0.9281 and 0.6753	0.7456 and 0.6262	
transmission			
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints /	14779 / 33 / 709	13323 / 3 / 744	
parameters			
Goodness-of fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.053	0.962	
Final R indices	R1 = 0.0961, wR2 = 0.2483	R1 = 0.0674, wR2 = 0.1916	
[I>2sigma(I)]			
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1325, wR2 = 0.2857	R1 = 0.0890, wR2 = 0.2062	

Absolute structure	0.27(8)	
parameter		
Extinction coefficient	n/a	n/a
Largest diff. peak and	1.187 and -1.440e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	1.674 and -1.312e.Å <sup>-3</sup>
hole		

## NMR Spectra

No.	Spectra	Page
1	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><i>i</i></sup> C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>7</sub> <b>2a</b>	S8
2	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><i>i</i></sup> C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>7</sub> $2a$	S8
3	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) $^{c}C_{6}F_{11}$ <b>2b</b>	S9
4	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><math>c</math></sup> C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>11</sub> <b>2b</b>	S9
5	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><i>n</i></sup> C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>7</sub> <b>2c</b>	S10
6	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><i>n</i></sup> C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>7</sub> <b>2c</b>	S10
7	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><i>n</i></sup> C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>9</sub> <b>2d</b>	S11
8	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><math>n</math></sup> C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>9</sub> <b>2d</b>	S11
9	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><i>n</i></sup> C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>13</sub> <b>2e</b>	S12
10	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><i>n</i></sup> C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>13</sub> <b>2e</b>	S12
11	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><math>n</math></sup> C <sub>10</sub> F <sub>21</sub> <b>2f</b>	S13
12	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp) <sup><math>n</math></sup> C <sub>10</sub> F <sub>21</sub> <b>2f</b>	S13
13	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp)CF <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> $2g$	S14
14	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (btpp)CF <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> $2g$	S14
15	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (ttp) <sup><i>i</i></sup> C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>7</sub> 4a	S15
16	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> (ttp) <sup><i>i</i></sup> C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>7</sub> <b>4a</b>	S15
17	<sup>1</sup> H NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> $(t_{4-CF3}pp)^{i}C_{3}F_{7}$ 5a	S16
18	<sup>19</sup> F NMR Spectrum of Rh <sup>III</sup> ( $t_{4-CF3}pp$ ) <sup><i>i</i></sup> C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>7</sub> <b>5a</b>	S16

### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of $Rh^{III}(btpp)^{i}C_{3}F_{7}$ 2a



<sup>19</sup>F NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>*i*</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> 2a



#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>c</sup>C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>11</sub> **2b**



<sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of  $Rh^{III}(btpp)^{n}C_{3}F_{7}$  2c



#### <sup>19</sup>F NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> 2c



#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub> **2d**



 $^{19}\mathrm{F}$  NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub> **2d** 



#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub> **2e**



### <sup>19</sup>F NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub> 2e



### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of $Rh^{III}(btpp)^{n}C_{10}F_{21}$ 2f



## <sup>19</sup>F NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>*n*</sup>C<sub>10</sub>F<sub>21</sub> **2f**



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<sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)CF<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub> 2g



 $^{19}\mathrm{F}$  NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)CF\_2C\_6F\_5  $\mathbf{2g}$ 



#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(ttp)<sup>*i*</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> 4a



<sup>19</sup>F NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(ttp)<sup>*i*</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> 4a



#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(t<sub>4-CF3</sub>pp)<sup>*i*</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> **5a**



### $^{19}F$ NMR Spectrum of $Rh^{III}(t_{4\text{-}CF3}pp)^{\textit{i}}C_{3}F_{7}$ 5a



#### **HRMS Spectra**

HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>*i*</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> 2a



#### HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>c</sup>C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>11</sub> 2b



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#### HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> 2c



#### HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub> 2d



#### HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub> 2e



#### HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)<sup>n</sup>C<sub>10</sub>F<sub>21</sub> 2f



#### HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(btpp)CF<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub> 2g



#### HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(ttp)<sup>i</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> 4a



#### HRMS Spectrum of Rh<sup>III</sup>(t<sub>4-CF3</sub>pp)<sup>i</sup>C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub> 5a



### **GCMS Spectra**



#### Mass spectrum at $t_R = 5.764$ min



#### Mass spectrum at $t_R = 2.732 \text{ min}$

