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Supporting information for:

Iridium complexes of an ortho-trifluoromethylphenyl substituted PONOP pincer ligand

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 $^{13}\text{C}\{^{1}\text{H}\}\,\text{APT}\,\text{NMR}$ spectrum of PONOP-Ar^F: CD_2Cl_2, 126 MHz



¹⁹F{¹H} NMR spectrum of PONOP-Ar^F: CD₂Cl₂, 376 MHz



 $^{31}P\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectrum of PONOP-Ar^F: CD_2Cl_2, 162 MHz



HR ESI-MS (positive ion, 4 kV) of PONOP-ArF: 774.0588 ([M+Na]+, calcd 774.0592) m/z



 $^{31}\text{P}\{^{1}\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of attempted preparation of PONOP-Ph: CD_2Cl_2, 162 MHz



¹H NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)CI]: CD₂CI₂, 500 MHz





¹³C{¹H} APT NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)CI]: CD₂CI₂, 126 MHz

¹⁹F{¹H} NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)CI]: CD₂CI₂, 282 MHz



³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)CI]: CD₂Cl₂, 121 MHz







HR ESI-MS (positive ion, 4 kV) of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)Cl]: 1096.0945 ([*M*–Cl]⁺, calcd 1096.0952) *m*/z

¹H NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 500 MHz





 $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ APT NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)][BAr_{4}^{f}]: CD_{2}CI_{2}, 126 MHz

¹⁹F{¹H} NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 376 MHz



³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 162 MHz



HR ESI-MS (positive ion, 4 kV) of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)][BAr^f₄]: 1096.0963 ([*M*]⁺, calcd 1096.0952) *m/z*





¹H NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(biph)(CO)][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 500 MHz



 $^{13}\text{C}\{^{1}\text{H}\}\,\text{APT}\,\text{NMR}\,\text{spectrum}\,\text{of}\,[\text{Ir}(\text{PONOP-Ar}^{\text{F}})(\text{biph})(\text{CO})][\text{BAr}^{f}_{4}]:\,\text{CD}_{2}\text{Cl}_{2},\,126\,\,\text{MHz}$



















¹H NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(H)₂][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 500 MHz



¹³C{¹H} APT NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(H)₂][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 126 MHz



¹⁹F{¹H} NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(H)₂][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 376 MHz

³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(H)₂][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 162 MHz





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*T*₁ NMR experiment of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(H)₂][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 600 MHz, 298 K



HR ESI-MS (positive ion, 4 kV) of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(H)₂][BAr^f₄]: 946.0487 ([*M*]⁺, calcd 946.0481) *m/z*





¹H NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(TBE)][BAr^f₄]: *d*₈-toluene, 400 MHz



¹³C{¹H} APT NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(TBE)][BAr^f₄]: *d*₈-toluene, 126 MHz



¹⁹F{¹H} NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(TBE)][BAr^f₄]: *d*₈-toluene, 376 MHz















¹H NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(CO)][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 500 MHz



 $^{13}\text{C}\{^{1}\text{H}\}\,\text{APT}\,\text{NMR}\,\text{spectrum}\,\text{of}\,[\text{Ir}(\text{PONOP-Ar}^{\text{F}})(\text{CO})][\text{BAr}^{f}_{4}]:\,\text{CD}_{2}\text{CI}_{2},\,126\,\,\text{MHz}$



¹⁹F{¹H} NMR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(CO)][BAr^f₄]: CD₂Cl₂, 376 MHz







HR ESI-MS (positive ion, 4 kV) of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(CO)][BAr^f₄]: 974.0448 ([M]⁺, 974.0431 calcd) *m/z*



IR spectrum of [Ir(PONOP-Ar^F)(CO)][BAr^f₄]: