

**Preparation, Characterization and Reactivity of  
Trifluoromethoxy Palladium(II) Complexes**

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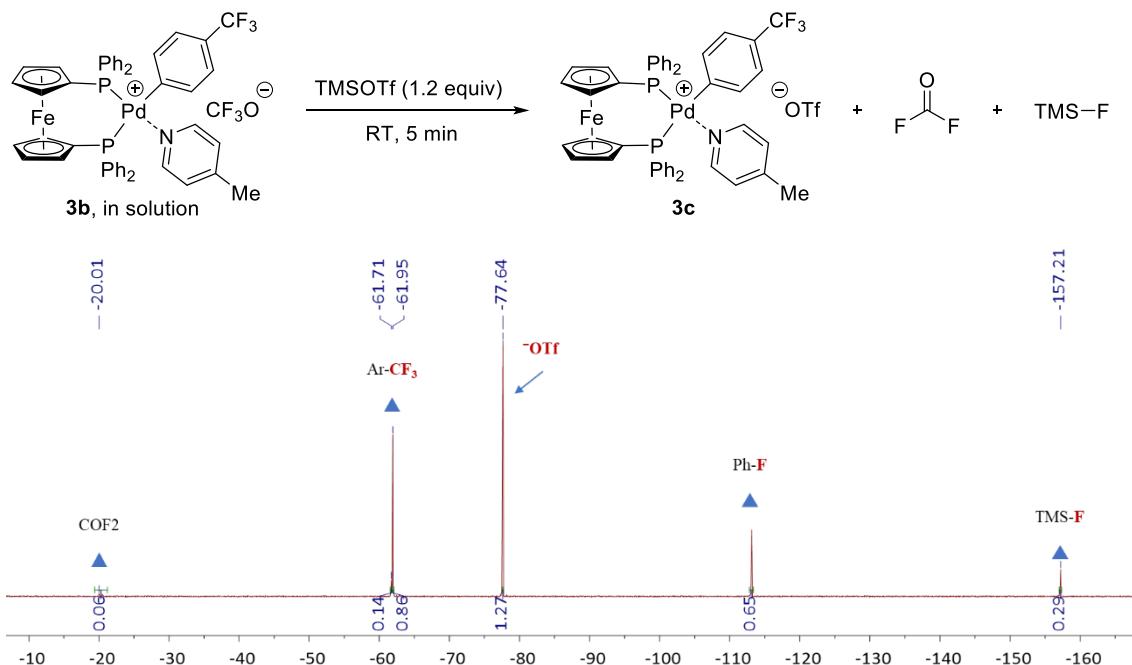
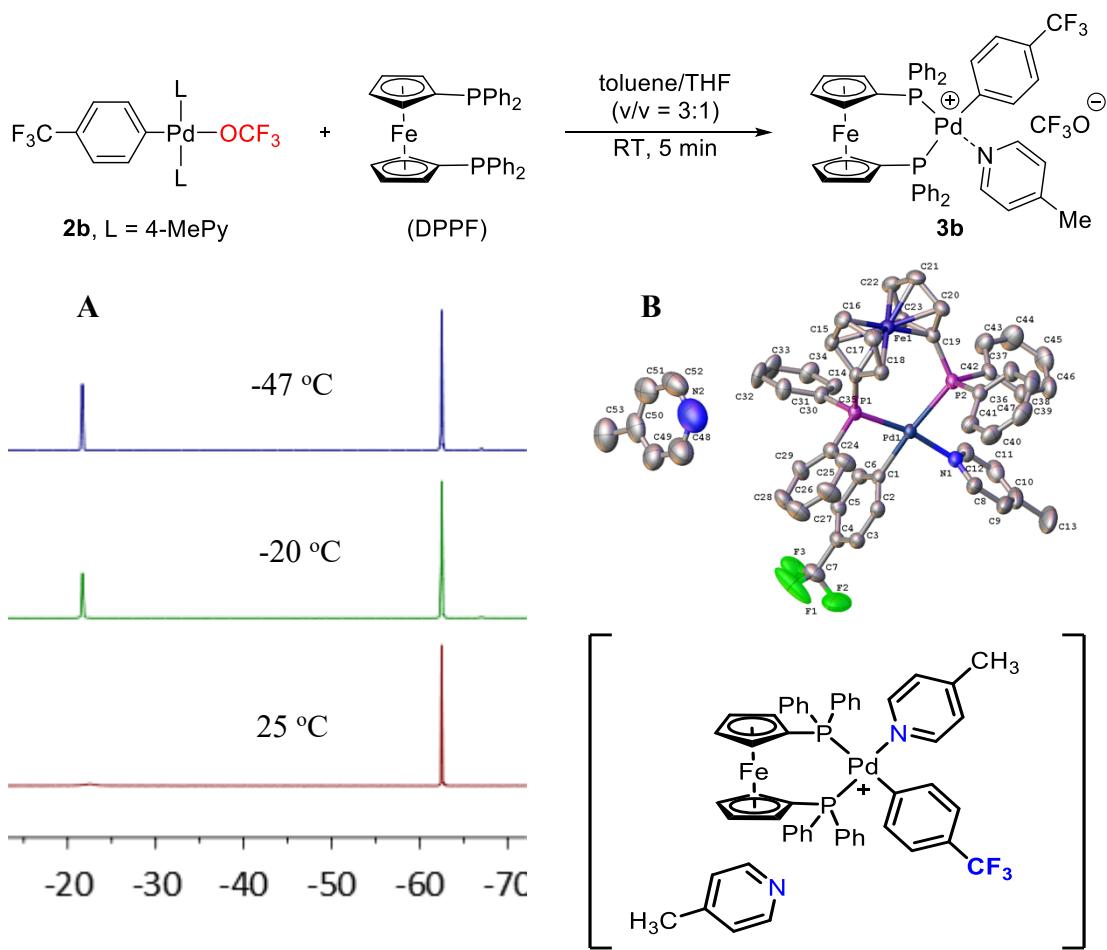
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## **General information**

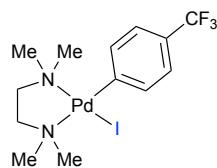
All glassware was oven or flame dried for several hours prior to use. Solvents were freshly degassed according to the procedures in *Purification of Laboratory Chemicals* prior to use. Tetrahydrofuran, Toluene, Diethyl ether, pentane and benzene were distilled from Na<sup>0</sup>/benzophenone. All syntheses were conducted using standard Schlenk techniques or in an inert atmosphere glovebox. (1,5-COD)Pd(CH<sub>2</sub>TMS)<sub>2</sub> was prepared according to a procedure reported in the literature<sup>1</sup> and stored at -35 °C in an argon filled glovebox when not in use. Unless otherwise noted, all other reagents and starting materials were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a 600 MHz, 500 MHz or 400 MHz spectrometer. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were recorded on a 564 MHz, 470 MHz or 376 MHz spectrometer. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra were recorded on a 243 MHz, 202 MHz or 162 MHz spectrometer. <sup>1</sup>H NMR chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to TMS, with the residual NMR solvent peak used as an internal reference. <sup>19</sup>F NMR chemical shifts are reported in ppm and are referenced to the solvent lock. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra were calibrated to an external standard of neat H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> ( $\delta$  0.0 ppm). Coupling constants are reported in hertz. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet; d = doublet; t = triplet; q = quartet; m = multiplet; br = broad.



**Figure S2.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR of the anion exchange reaction using PhF as an internal standard.

### General procedure for preparation of [L<sub>2</sub>Pd(Aryl)(I)]

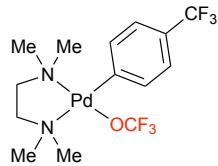
**Synthesis of [(TMEDA)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] 1a.** [(Tmeda)Pd(Aryl)(I)] was synthesized via a modified literature procedure.<sup>2</sup> Under nitrogen, Pd(dba)<sub>2</sub> (11.5 g, 20.0 mmol) was weighed into a 250 mL round bottom flask and THF (150 mL) was added. TMEDA (3.50 g, 30.0 mmol) was added, and the resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 15 min. The appropriate aryl iodide (36.0 mmol, 1.80 equiv.) was added, and the mixture was heated at 60 °C for 30 min. The mixture was filtered through a plug of Celite, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was washed with hexane (20 mL × 3) and then diethyl ether (50 mL × 3) to remove all residual dibenzylidene acetone (dba). The target complex was then dried *in vacuo* and used without further purification.



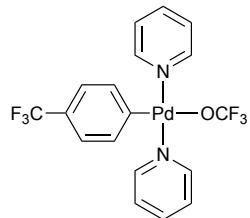
**[(TMEDA)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] 1a.** Complex **1a** was obtained according to the general procedure as a yellow solid (20.0 mmol scale, 6.8 g, 69% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2 H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.69 (s, 6 H), 2.57 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.32 (s, 6 H); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -61.74 (s) ppm. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>19</sup>F NMR were consistent with those reported in the literature.<sup>2</sup>

**Synthesis of [(4-CH<sub>3</sub>-Py)<sub>2</sub>Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] 1b.** [(4-CH<sub>3</sub>-Py)<sub>2</sub>Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] was synthesized via a modified literature procedure.<sup>3</sup> Pd(dba)<sub>2</sub> (5.70 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of 4-iodobenzotrifluoride (6.80 g, 25.0 mmol) and 4-methylpyridine (9.30 g, 100 mmol) in THF (20.0 mL) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred at room temperature. After 15 min, a yellow precipitate was formed. The thick suspension was stirred at room temperature for another 30 min, and then hexane (30 mL) was added. The precipitate was filtered and washed with diethyl ether (50 mL × 4) and hexane (50 mL × 4) to give complex **1b** as yellow crystals (2.7 g, 48% yield). The complex was used directly without further purification.

**General procedure for the synthesis of [L<sub>2</sub>Pd(Aryl)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 2a/b.** In a glovebox under an argon atmosphere, a 20 mL scintillation vial equipped with an oven-dried stirring bar was charged with [L<sub>2</sub>Pd(Ar)(I)] (1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and THF (3.0 mL). To the orange solution, AgOCF<sub>3</sub> (1.0 M in acetonitrile, stored under an argon atmosphere at -35 °C) (1.1 mL, 1.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added slowly by a plastic syringe. The mixture was stirred violently at room temperature, and the color of the mixture turned from orange to yellow. Upon completion, the crude was filtered through a 0.22 µm microfiltration membrane® using THF (2.0 mL) as eluent. The filtrate was collected, concentrated to ~0.5 mL, then Et<sub>2</sub>O (30 mL) was added. An off-white colored precipitate was formed. The mixture was stored in a -35 °C freezer for 1 h. The precipitate was collected by filtration and washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL × 2), and dried under vacuum to give [L<sub>2</sub>Pd(Ar)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] as a solid.



**[(TMEDA)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 2a.** Complex **2a** was obtained according to the general procedure as a yellow solid (1.5 mmol scale, 461.9 mg, 68% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2 H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2 H), 2.78 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.61 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.57 (s, 6 H), 2.42 (s, 6 H); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>) δ -31.98 (s, 3 F), -62.46 (s, 3 F) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OPd: C, 37.14; H, 4.45; N, 6.19. Found: C, 37.18; H, 4.63; N, 6.35.

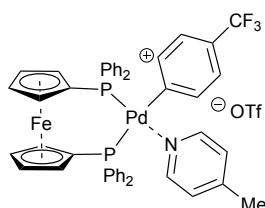


**[*trans*-(4-CH<sub>3</sub>-Py)<sub>2</sub>Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 2b.** Complex **2b** was obtained according to the general procedure as a white solid (1.0 mmol scale, 315.3 mg, 60% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>) δ 8.46 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 4 H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 4 H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.32 (s, 6 H); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>) δ -

31.40 (br, 3 F), -62.77 (s, 3 F);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 253 K)  $\delta$  -31.34 (s, 3 F), -62.52 (s, 3 F) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OPd: C, 45.95; H, 3.47; N, 5.36. Found: C, 45.93; H, 3.58; N, 5.35.

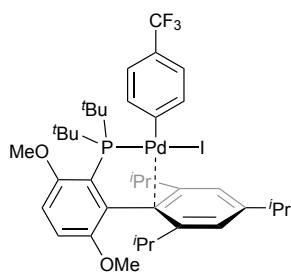
**4-(Trifluoromethyl)benzoyl fluoride 2c.** The yield (98%) and chemical shift were determined by  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectroscopy using (trifluoromethoxy)benzene (-58.0 ppm) as reference. Characterization of **2c** in reaction solution:  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (unlocked)  $\delta$  18.81 (s, 1 F) -63.72 (s, 3 F) ppm. GC-MS (EI): 192 [M]<sup>+</sup>.

**Synthesis of [(DPPF)Pd(4-CH<sub>3</sub>-Py)(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)]OTf 3c.** In a glovebox under an argon atmosphere, a 25 mL round-bottom flask equipped with an oven-dried stirring bar was charged with **2b** (156.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), DPPF (166.3 mg, 0.3 mmol), toluene (3.0 mL) and THF (1.0 mL). After stirred at room temperature for 5 min, TMSOTf (80.0 mg, 0.36 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred violently at room temperature for another 5 min, resulted in a yellow suspend. Upon completion, Et<sub>2</sub>O (20 mL) was added and a precipitate was formed. The solvent was decanted and the residue was washed by a mixed solvent of Et<sub>2</sub>O/THF (22 ml, v/v = 10:1) twice. Complex **3c** (270.3 mg, 87%) was obtained as a yellow solid.

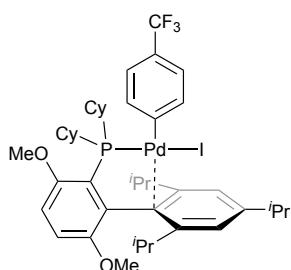


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  7.94 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2 H), 7.60 – 7.39 (m, 20 H), 7.06 – 7.02 (m, 2 H), 6.77 – 6.72 (m, 2 H), 4.46 – 4.41 (m, 8 H), 2.14 (s, 3 H);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  -62.73 (s, 3 F), -78.85 (s, 3 F);  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  28.81 (d, *J* = 26.8 Hz), 16.30 (d, *J* = 26.9 Hz) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>48</sub>H<sub>39</sub>F<sub>6</sub>FeNO<sub>3</sub>P<sub>2</sub>PdS: C, 55.01; H, 3.75; N, 1.34; Found: C, 54.91; H, 3.95; N, 1.54. Single crystals of complex **3c** were obtained by layering a solution of complex **3c** in dichloromethane with ether at -35 °C.

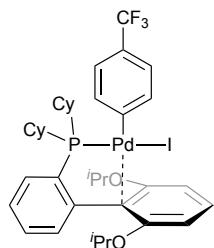
**General procedure for the synthesis of complex [(L)Pd(Ar)(I)].**<sup>4</sup> In an argon-filled glovebox, an oven-dried scintillation vial (20 mL) equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with ligand (1.1 equiv) and ArX (3.0 equiv). Cyclohexane was added dropwise with stirring until the ligand was dissolved. [(COD)Pd(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (1.0 equiv) was added rapidly in one portion. The mixture was allowed to stir overnight at room temperature. Pentane (10.0 mL) was added and the mixture was placed into a -20 °C freezer for 1 h. The vial was then taken outside of the glovebox, and the precipitate was filtered through a sintered glass frit, washed with pentane for three times, and dried under reduced pressure to afford complex [(L)Pd(Ar)(I)].



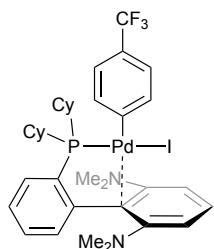
**[('Bu-BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] 4a.** Following the general procedure, a mixture containing 'Bu-BrettPhos (1.07 g, 2.2 mmol), 4-iodobenzotrifluoride (1.63 g, 6.00 mmol), and [(COD)Pd(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (0.78 g, 2.0 mmol) was stirred at room temperature in cyclohexane (7.0 mL) to afford complex **4a** (0.83 g, 40% yield) as a yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 2 H), 7.11 – 7.07 (m, 2 H), 6.98 – 6.92 (m, 3 H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.30 (s, 3 H), 3.12 – 3.08 (m, 1 H), 2.62 – 2.56 (m, 2 H), 1.60 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 6 H), 1.46 – 1.29 (m, 24 H), 0.80 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 6 H); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ -61.90 (s); <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ 65.33 (s) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>53</sub>F<sub>3</sub>IO<sub>2</sub>PPd: C, 52.88; H, 6.19; Found: C, 52.46; H, 6.05.



**[(BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] 4b.** Following the general procedure, a mixture containing BrettPhos (1.18 g, 2.20 mmol), 4-iodobenzotrifluoride (1.63 g, 6.00 mmol), and [(COD)Pd(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (0.78 g, 2.0 mmol) was stirred at room temperature in cyclohexane (5.0 mL) to afford complex **4b** (1.22 g, 67%) as a yellow solid. Clean <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for complex **4b** could not be obtained due to its very rapid isomerization in solution (1:1). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ -60.05 (s, 3 F), -60.25 (s, 3 F); <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ 43.56 (s, 1 P), 34.05 (s, 1 P) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>57</sub>F<sub>3</sub>IO<sub>2</sub>PPd: C, 55.12; H, 6.28; Found: C, 55.15; H, 6.27.

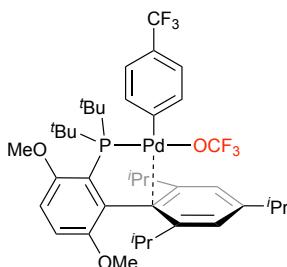


**[(RuPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] 4c.** Following the general procedure, a mixture containing RuPhos (1.0 g, 2.2 mmol), 4-iodobenzotrifluoride (1.63 g, 6.00 mmol), and [(COD)Pd(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (0.78 g, 2.0 mmol) was stirred at room temperature in cyclohexane (4.0 mL) to afford complex **4c** (1.52 g, 90%) as a bright yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 4.60 (hept, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.16 – 2.09 (m, 2 H), 1.77 – 1.75 (m, 6 H), 1.67 – 1.64 (m, 4 H), 1.59 – 1.51 (m, 2 H), 1.39 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 6 H), 1.24 – 1.16 (m, 4 H), 1.12 – 1.07 (m, 2 H), 1.02 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6 H), 0.72 – 0.66 (m, 2 H); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (471 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ -62.03 (s); <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ 27.10 (s) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>47</sub>F<sub>3</sub>IO<sub>2</sub>PPd: C, 52.59; H, 5.61; Found: C, 52.31; H, 5.62.

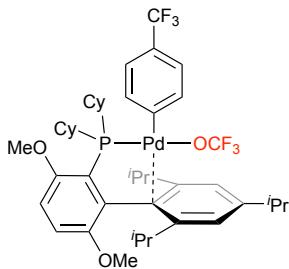


**[CPhosPd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] 4d.** Following the general procedure, a mixture containing CPhos (0.44 g, 1.10 mmol), 4-iodobenzotrifluoride (1.36 g, 5.00 mmol), and [(COD)Pd(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (0.39 g, 1.00 mmol) was stirred at room temperature in cyclohexane (7.0 mL) to afford complex **4d** (0.48 g, 59%) as a light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.67 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 3 H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.60 (s, 12 H), 2.35 – 2.27 (m, 2 H), 2.02 – 1.98 (m, 2 H), 1.73 – 1.64 (m, 8 H), 1.50 (t, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 2 H), 1.29 – 1.02 (m, 6 H), 0.87 – 0.84 (m, 2 H); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -61.87 (s); <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 26.63 (s) ppm. HRMS (ESI) calcd for [M-I]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>45</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>PPd: 687.2307, found: 687.2289.

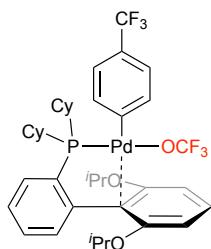
**General procedure for the synthesis of complex  $[(L)Pd(Ar)(OCF_3)]$ .** In an argon-filled glovebox, an oven-dried scintillation vial (10 mL) equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with complex  $[(L)Pd(Ar)(I)]$  (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.). Toluene was then added dropwise by syringes with stirring until palladium complex was fully dissolved. A solution of  $AgOCF_3$  in acetonitrile (1.0 M, 0.24 mL, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 eq) was added dropwise. The suspension was stirred rapidly for another 3.0 min. The mixture was filtered through a 0.22  $\mu m$  microfiltration membrane<sup>®</sup> to a 50 mL round-bottom flask. The orange solution was then layered with n-pentane (30 mL). The solution was stored in a freezer for 12 h, and the resulted solid was collected, washed with n-pentane (10 mL  $\times$  3), dried under vacuum and stored in a freezer.



**$[('Bu\text{-}BrettPhos)Pd(4\text{-}CF_3\text{-}Ph)(OCF_3)] \quad 5a$ .** Following the standard procedure, complex  $[('Bu\text{-}BrettPhos)Pd(4\text{-}CF_3\text{-}Ph)(I)] \quad 4a$  (173 mg, 0.200 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) in toluene (5.0 mL) was reacted with a solution of  $AgOCF_3$  in acetonitrile (1.0 M, 0.24 mL, 0.24 mmol) to afford complex **5a** (64 mg, 39 %) as a bright yellow solid.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz,  $C_6D_6$ )  $\delta$  7.58 (d,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2 H), 7.40 (s, 2 H), 7.17 (d,  $J = 10.1$  Hz, 2 H), 6.33 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1 H), 6.25 (d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 1 H), 3.28 – 3.25 (m, 1 H), 3.02 (s, 3 H), 2.84 (s, 3 H), 2.68 (hept,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 1 H), 1.86 (d,  $J = 6.2$  Hz, 6 H), 1.44 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 6 H), 1.25 (s, 9 H), 1.22 (s, 9 H), 0.94 (d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 6 H);  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $C_6D_6$ , **298 K**)  $\delta$  -27.29 (br, 3 F), -61.39 (s, 3 F);  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $C_6D_6$ , **283 K**)  $\delta$  -27.18 (s, 3 F), -61.29 (s, 3 F);  $^{31}P$  NMR (243 MHz,  $C_6D_6$ )  $\delta$  77.30 (s) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{39}H_{53}F_6O_3PPd$ : C, 57.04; H, 6.51; Found: C, 57.20; H, 6.66.

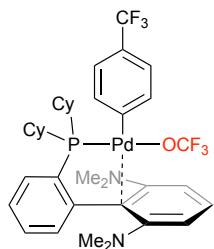


**[(BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5b.** Following the standard procedure, complex [(BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] **4b** (183 mg, 0.200 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) in toluene (6.0 mL) was reacted with a solution of AgOCF<sub>3</sub> in acetonitrile (1.0 M, 0.24 mL, 0.24 mmol) to afford the desired complex **5b** (88 mg, 51 %) as a bright yellow solid. The desired complex was obtained as a mixture of two rotamers *O*-bound and *C*-bound in a ratio of 5:1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, majority) δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2 H), 7.47 (s, 2 H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 2 H), 6.33 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.28 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.11 (s, 3 H), 2.85 (s, 3 H), complex spectrum due to its isomerization in solution; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 283 K) δ -28.01 (s, 3 F), -30.27 (s, 0.6 F), -61.32 (s, 3 F), -61.39 (s, 0.6 F); <sup>31</sup>P NMR (243 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 51.38 (s, 0.2 P), 42.42 (s, 1 P) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>43</sub>H<sub>57</sub>F<sub>6</sub>O<sub>3</sub>PPd•(n-pentane)<sub>0.23</sub>: C, 59.59; H, 6.77; Found: C, 59.80; H, 6.83.



**[(RuPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5c.** Following the standard procedure, complex [(RuPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] **4c** (169 mg, 0.200 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) in toluene (5.0 mL) was reacted with a solution of AgOCF<sub>3</sub> in acetonitrile (1.0 M, 0.24 mL, 0.24 mmol) to afford the desired complex **5c** (71 mg, 44 %) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.73 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2 H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.94 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2 H), 4.30 – 4.26 (m, 2 H), 1.97 (q, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2 H), 1.86 – 1.84 (m, 2 H), 1.61 – 1.54 (m, 6 H), 1.51 – 1.45 (m, 4 H), 1.32 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 6 H), 1.10 – 1.03 (m, 2 H), 1.00 – 0.90 (m, 4 H), 0.80 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6 H), 0.77 –

0.70 (m, 2 H);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, **298K**)  $\delta$  -27.52 (br, 3 F), -61.51 (s, 3 F);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, **283 K**)  $\delta$  -27.41 (s, 3 F), -61.38 (s, 3 F);  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR (243 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  37.98 (s) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>47</sub>F<sub>6</sub>O<sub>3</sub>PPd•(Toluene)<sub>0.16</sub>(n-pentane)<sub>0.4</sub>: C, 58.33; H, 6.32; Found: C, 58.40; H, 6.44. The residual solvent was difficult to remove completely due to the week coordination.



**[(CPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5d.** Following the standard procedure, complex **[(CPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>-Ph)(I)] 4d** (163 mg, 0.200 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) in toluene (3.0 mL) was reacted with a solution of AgOCF<sub>3</sub> in acetonitrile (1.0 M, 0.24 mL, 0.24 mmol) to afford the desired complex **5d** (85 mg, 55 %) as a bright yellow solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.77 – 7.62 (m, 1 H), 7.53 (d,  $J$  = 5.5 Hz, 2 H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 3 H), 6.98 – 6.90 (m, 4 H), 6.85 – 6.80 (m, 1 H), 2.42 (s, 12 H), 2.16 – 2.09 (m, 2 H), 1.87 – 1.81 (m, 2 H), 1.64 – 1.61 (m, 2 H), 1.57 – 1.40 (m, 6 H), 1.38 – 1.26 (m, 2 H), 1.01 – 0.85 (m, 6 H), 0.81 – 0.65 (m, 2 H);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  -27.57 (s, 3 F), -61.54 (s, 3 F);  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR (162 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  34.73 (s) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>45</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OPPd: C, 55.93; H, 5.87; N, 3.62; Found: C, 56.16; H, 5.99; N, 3.83.

**Computational details.** DFT calculations were performed using Gaussian 16.<sup>5</sup> Geometry optimizations and frequencies were performed at the B3LYP-D3(BJ)<sup>6</sup>/6-31G(d,p)-LANL2DZ<sup>7</sup>(Pd) level of theory at 403.15 K. Frequency calculations confirmed that optimized structures are minima (no imaginary frequency) or transition structures (one imaginary frequency). To obtain more accurate electronic energies, single-point energy calculations were performed at the B97X-D<sup>8</sup>/6-311G(2d,p)-SDD<sup>9</sup>(Pd) level of theory with the optimized structures. The SMD<sup>10</sup> model was used to account for the solvation effects of toluene when calculating the single-point energies.

**B3LYP-D3(BJ)/6-31G(d,p)-LANL2DZ(Pd) calculated cartesian coordinates**

int1.log

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F	1.44717	4.2452	0.4653
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Zero-point correction= 0.856360 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.952254

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.953530

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.710302

SP-E = -2812.18609175 hartree

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phf.log

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Zero-point correction= 0.097033 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.110097

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.111279

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TS1.log

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### TS2.log

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F	-6.97539	-1.71589	0.82507
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Thermal correction to Energy=			0.950603
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### TS3.log

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C	-0.38748	2.7374	1.78309
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H	-1.72453	3.77244	-2.59915
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Thermal correction to Energy= 0.926622

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.927898

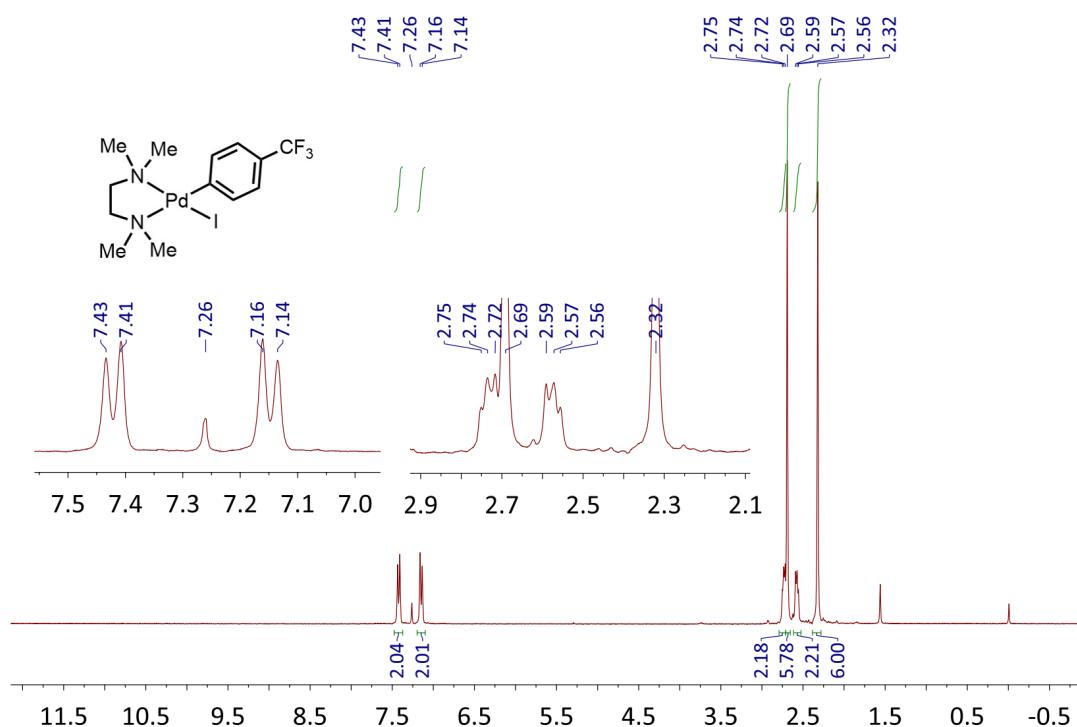
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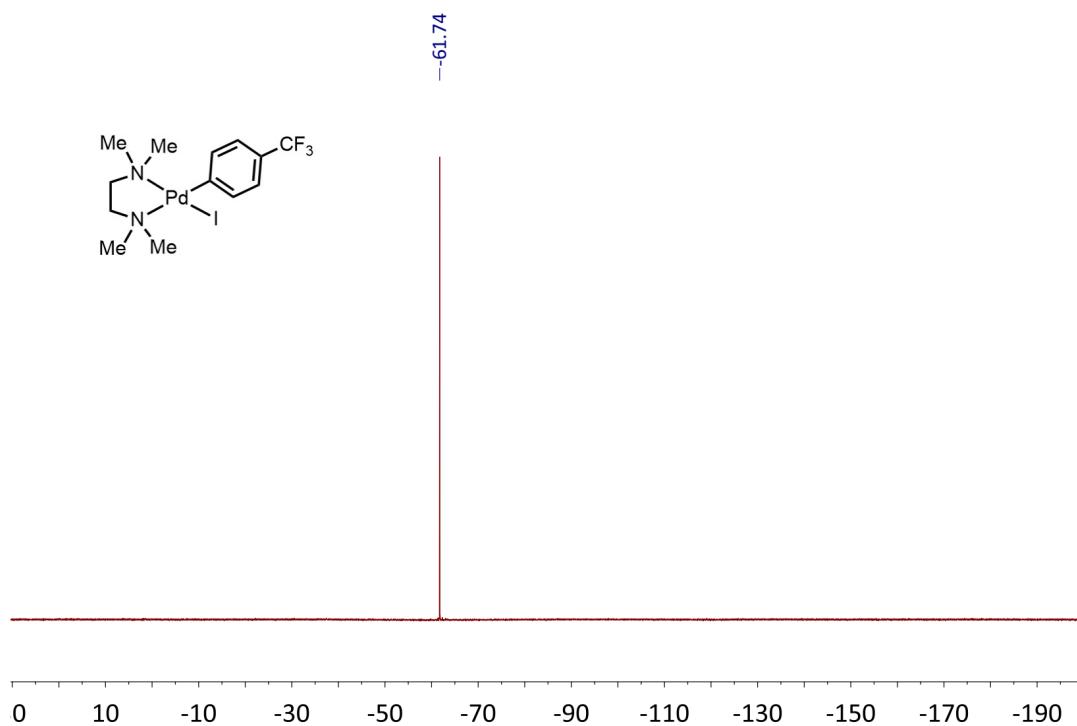
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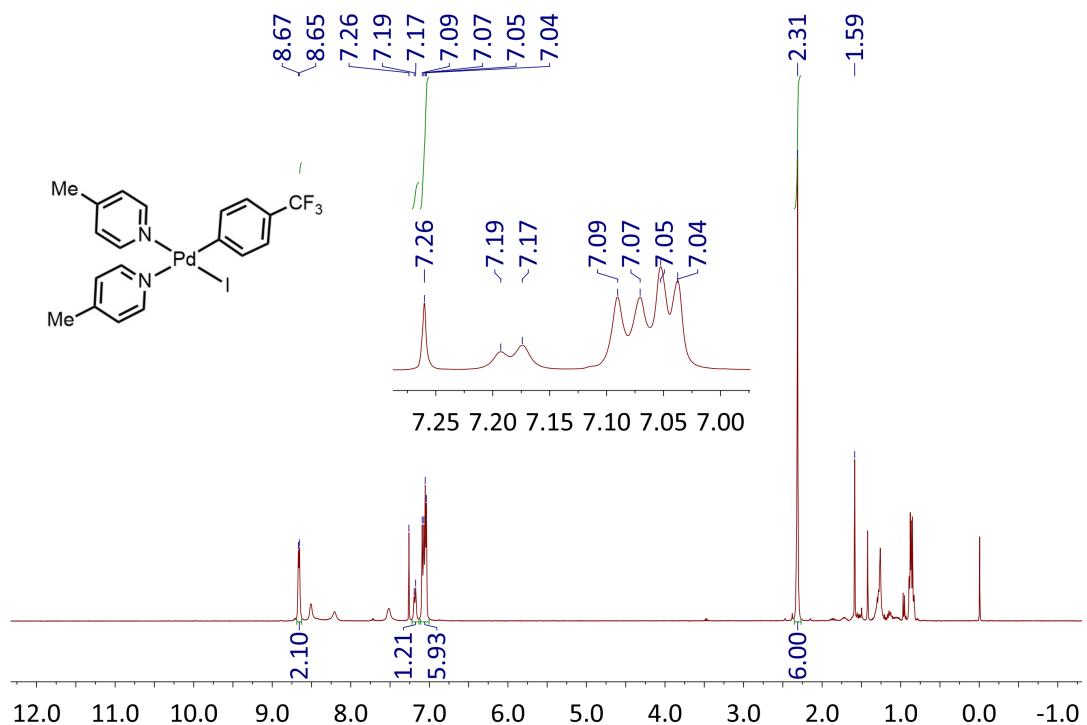
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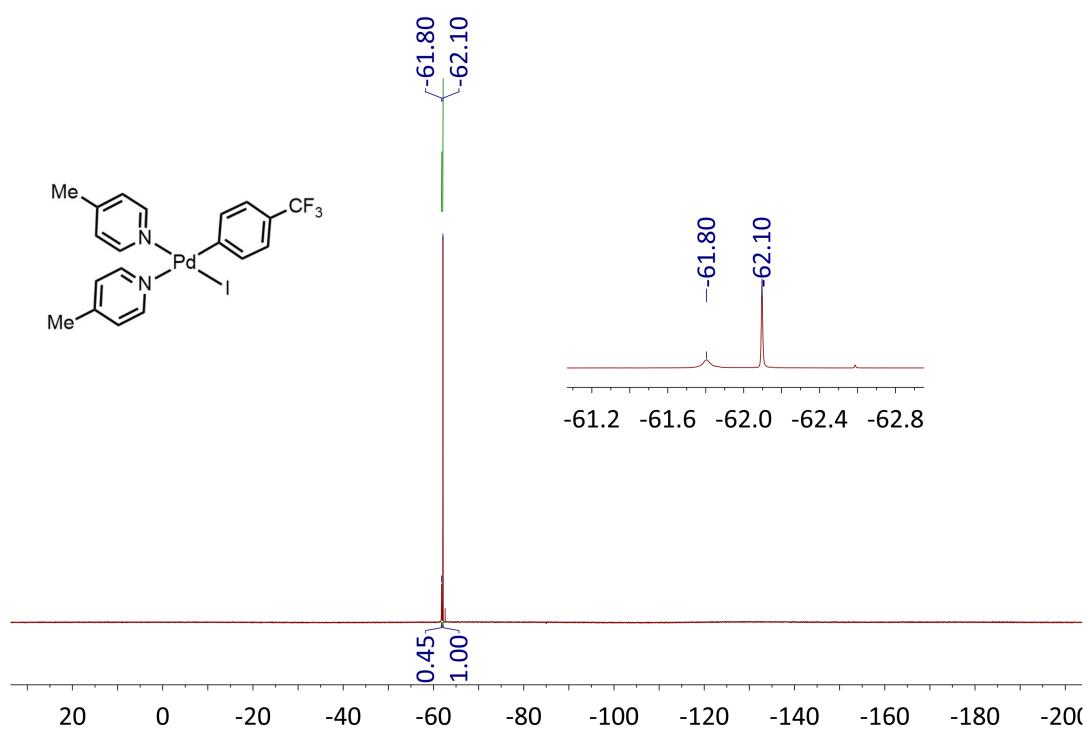
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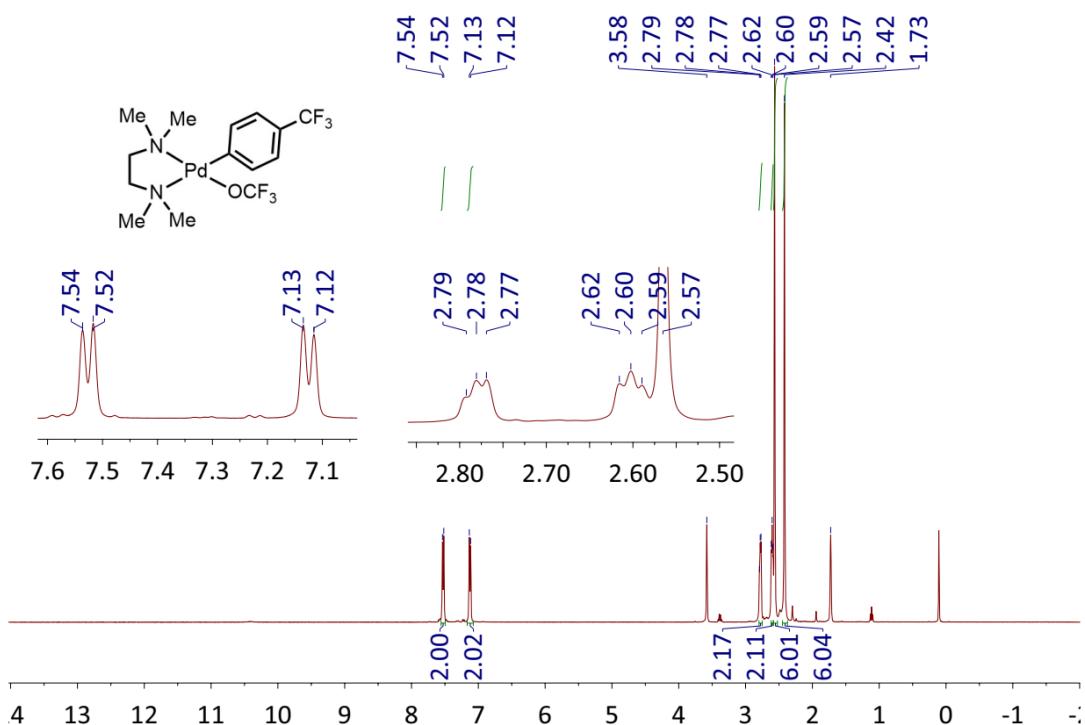
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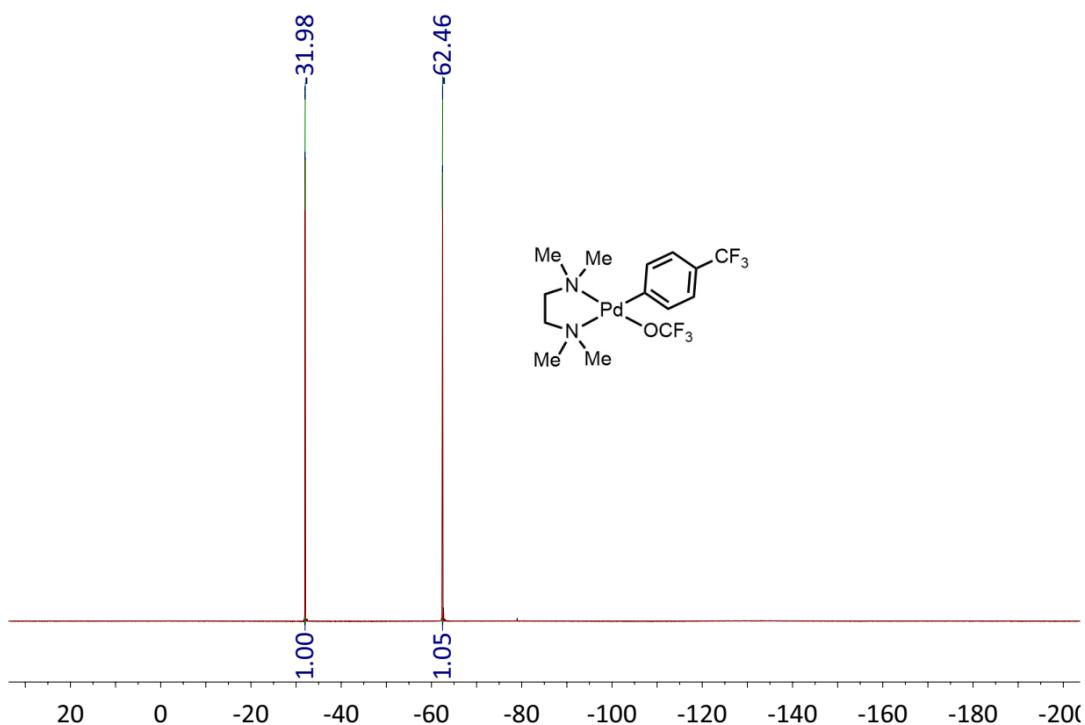
**<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of [cis-(4-MePy)<sub>2</sub>Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 1b**



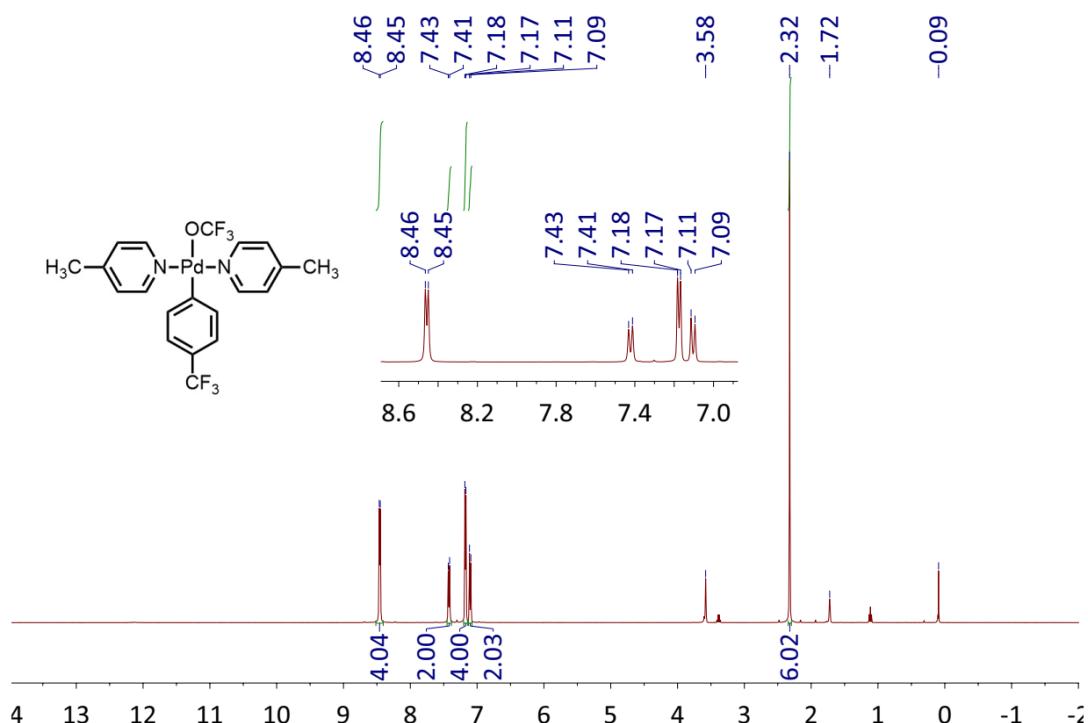
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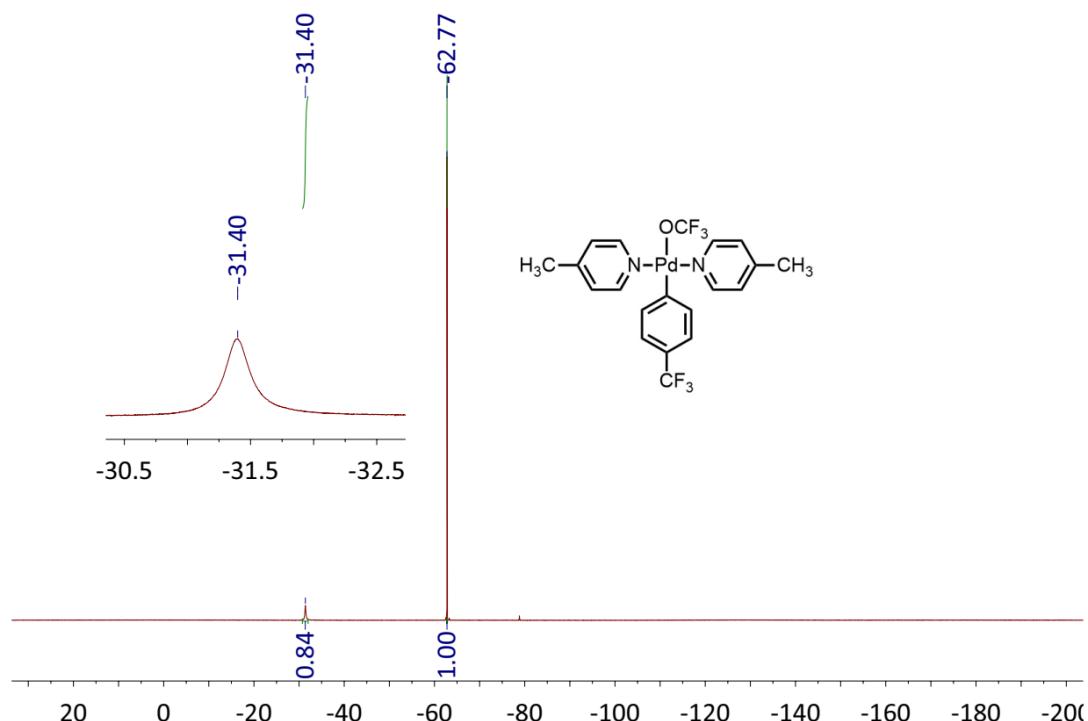
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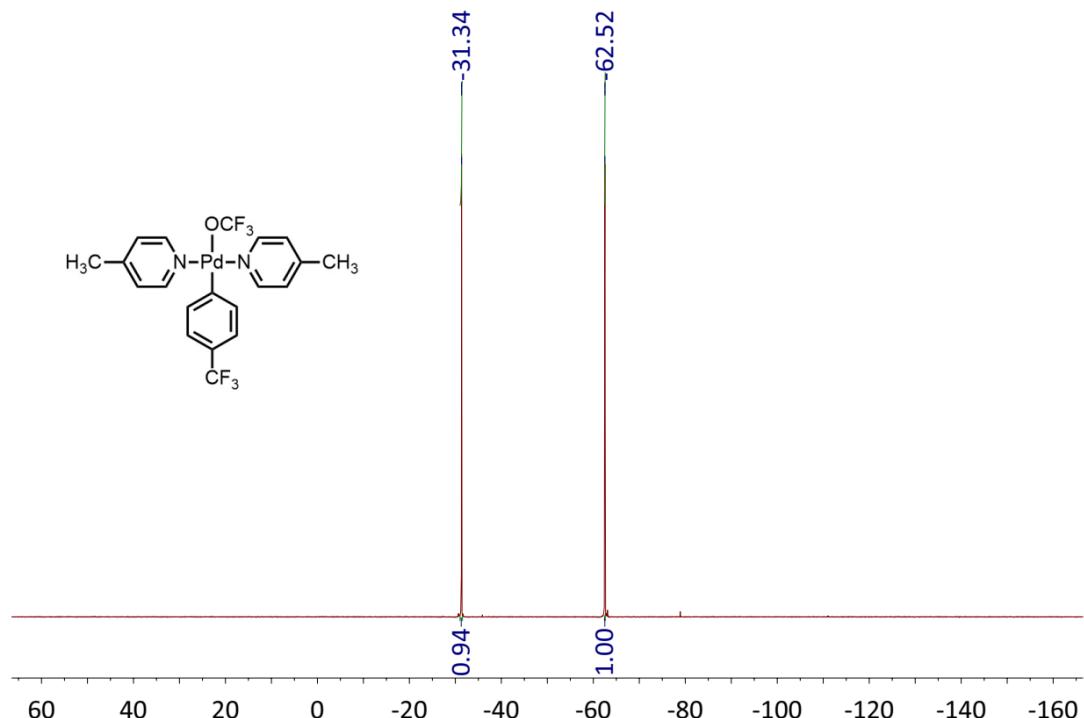
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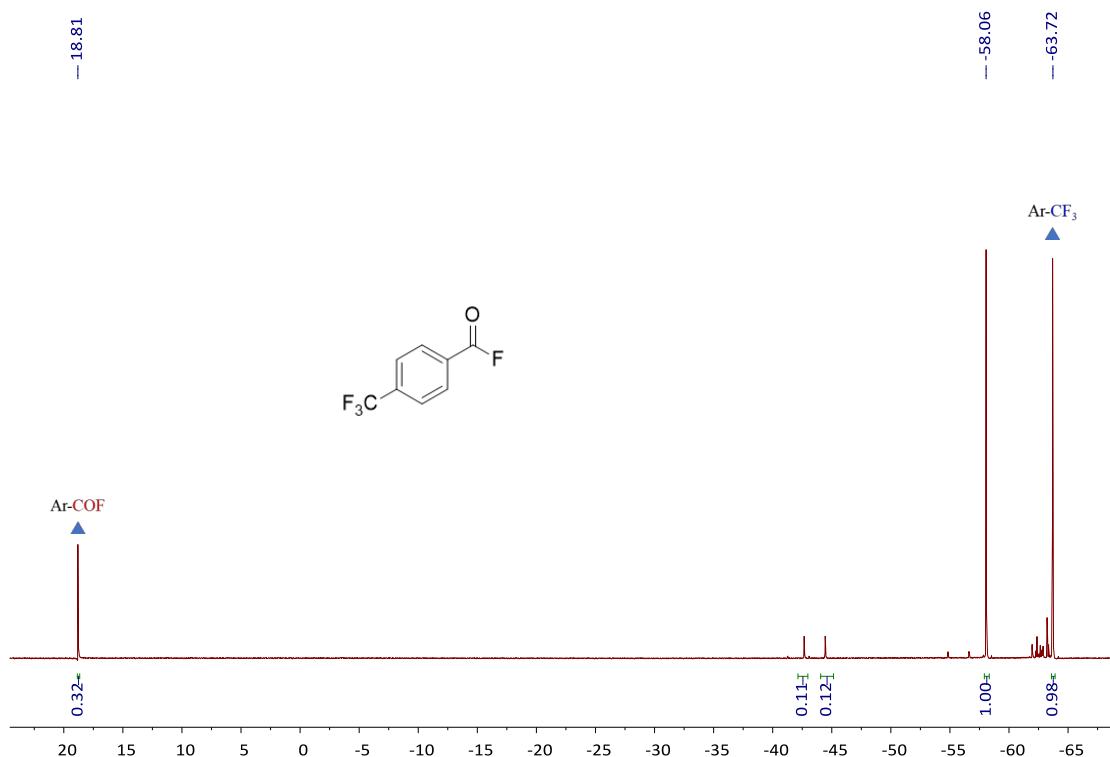
<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (400 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>) of [trans-(4-MePy)<sub>2</sub>Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 2b



**<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (565 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 253 K) of  
[*trans*-(4-MePy)<sub>2</sub>Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 2b**



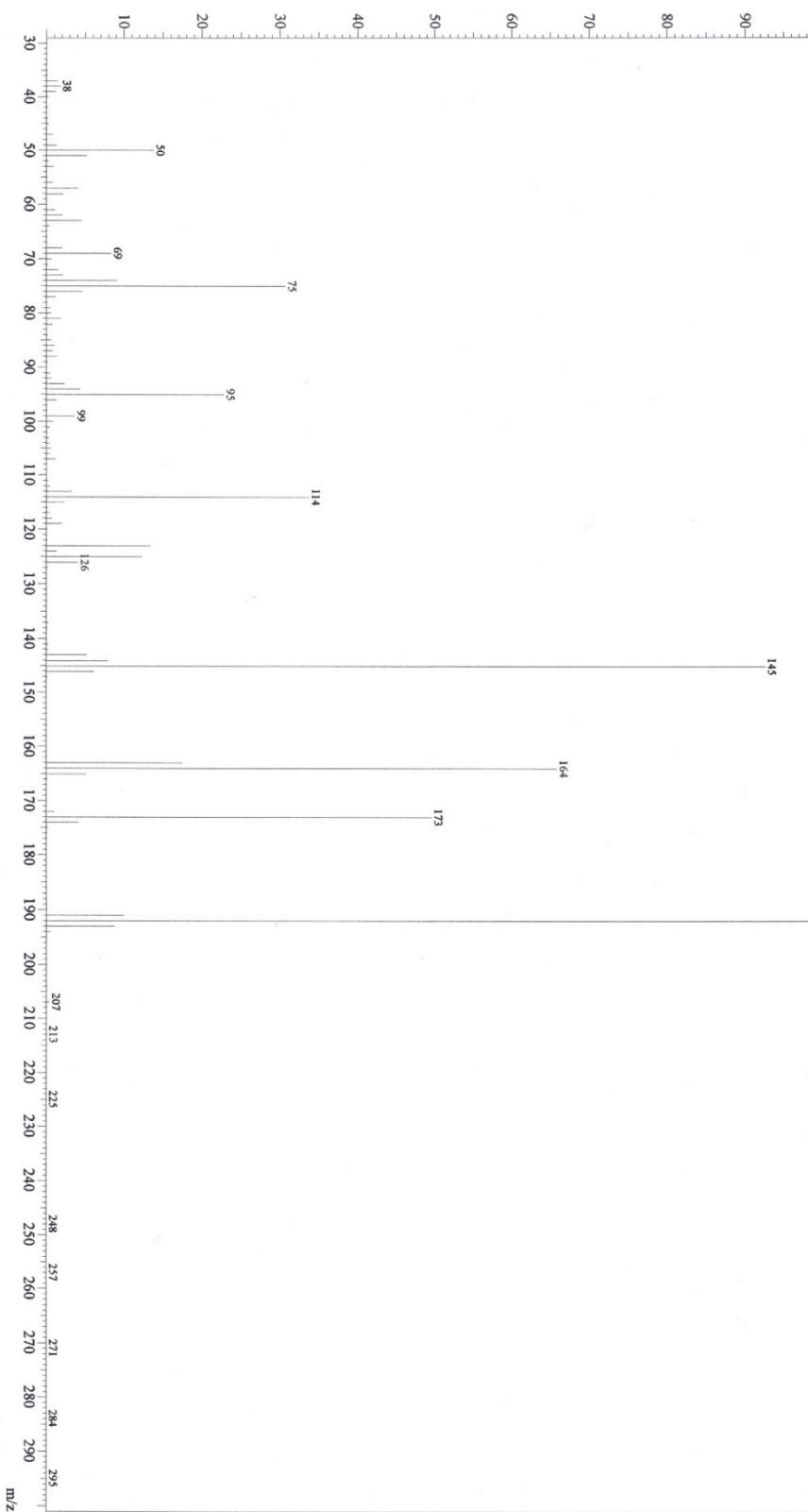
**<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (376 MHz, unlocked) of  
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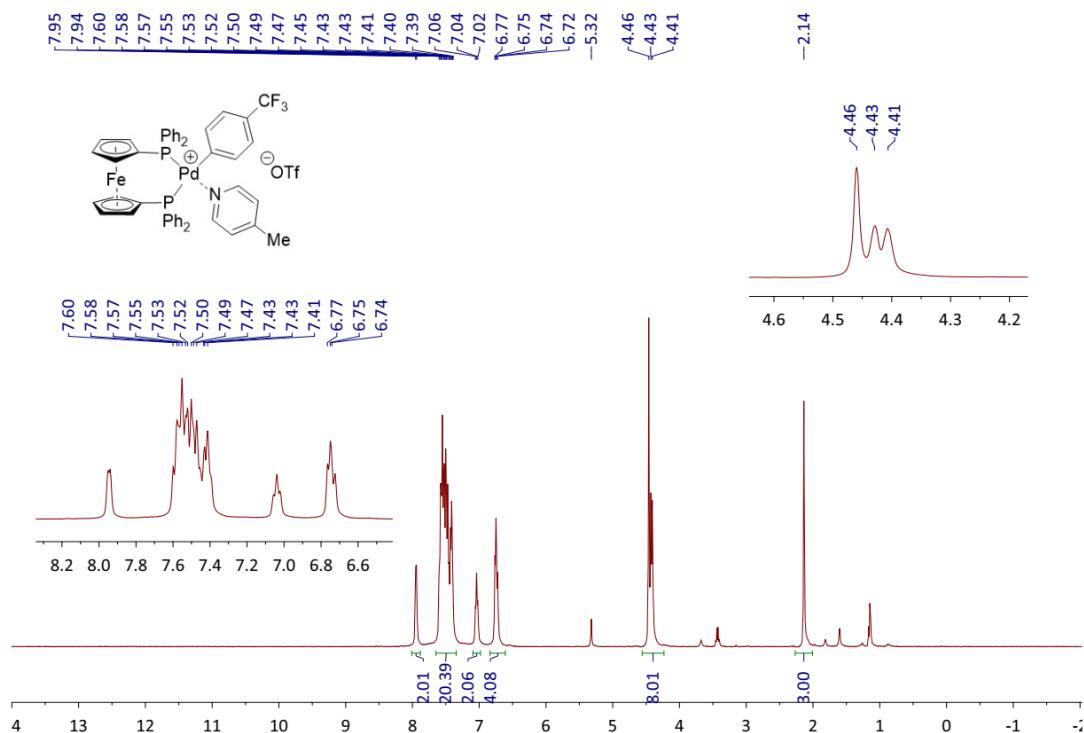
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Spectrum

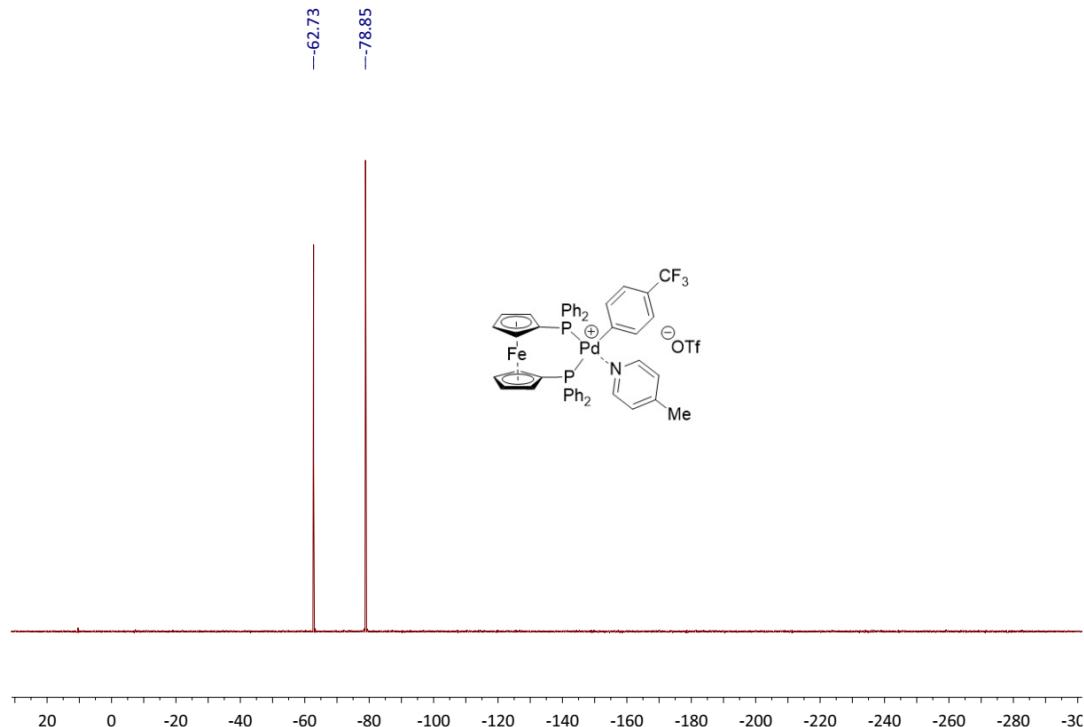
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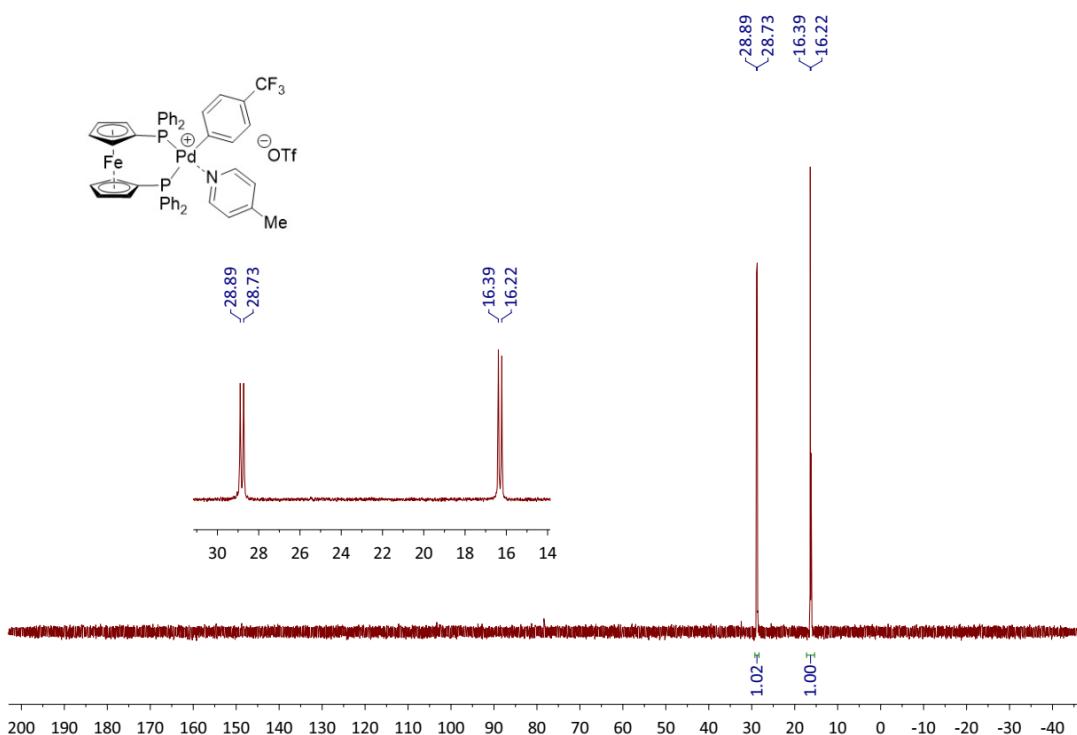
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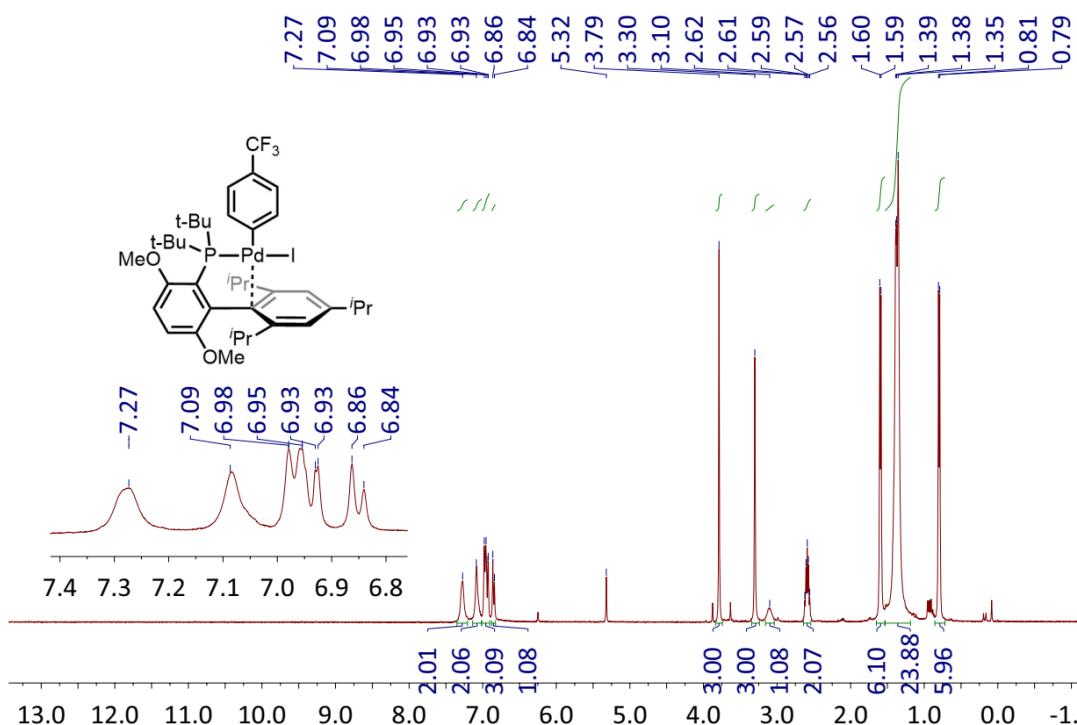
**<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of  
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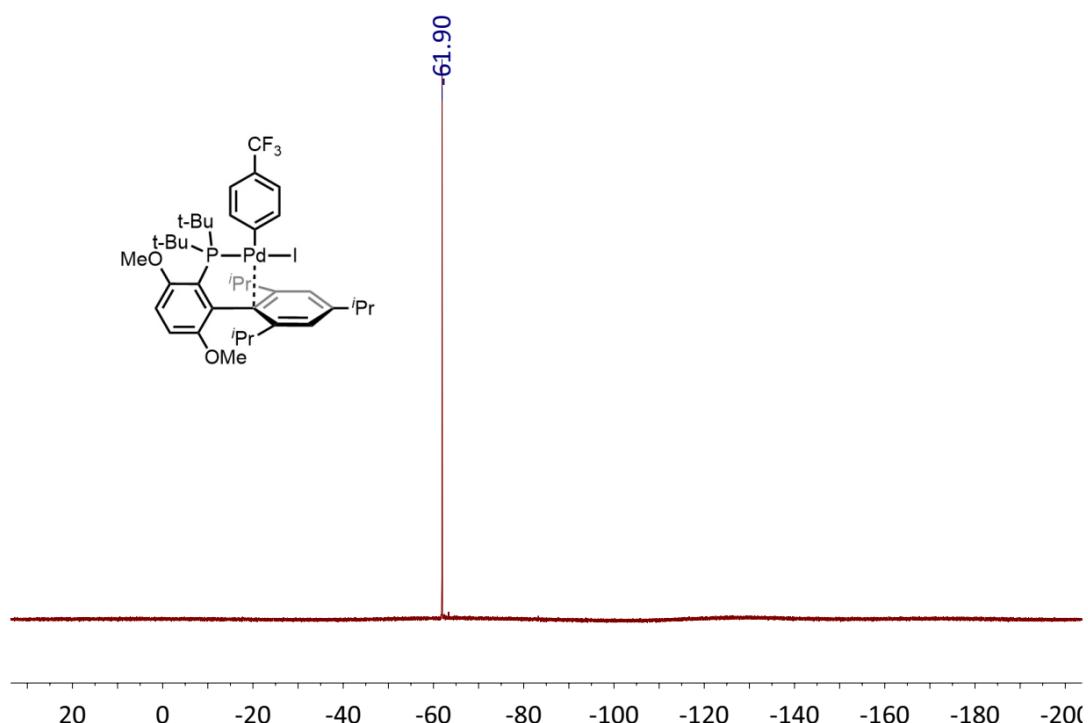
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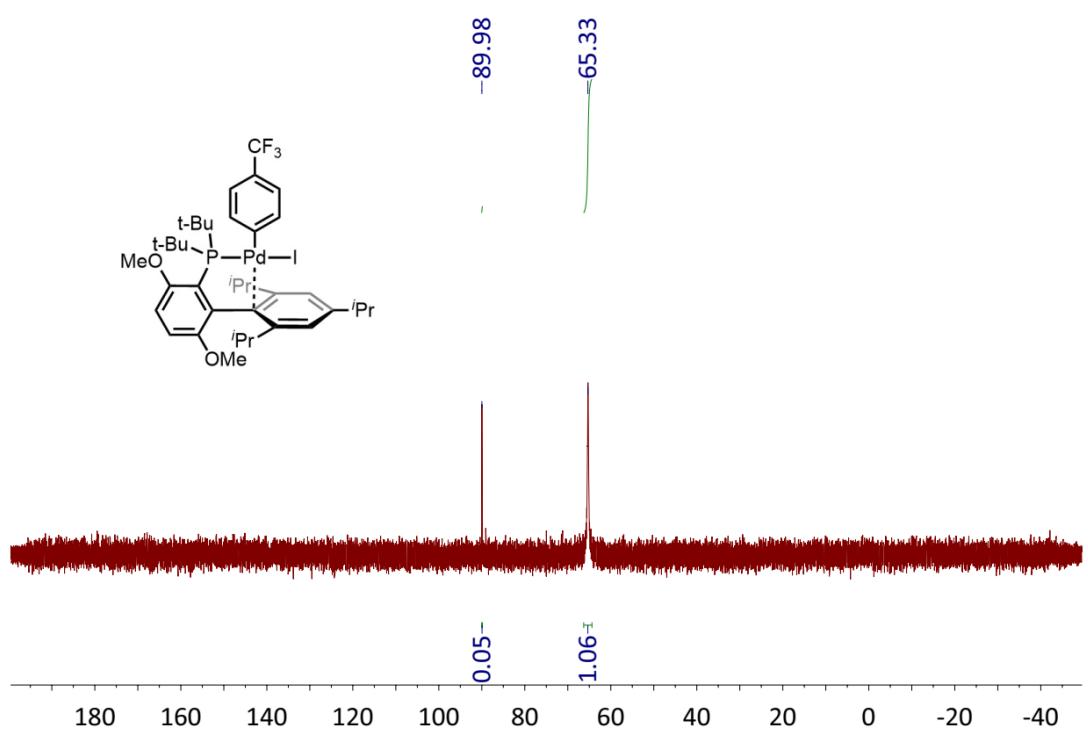
**$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of [ $(^{\text{t}}\text{Bu-BrettPhos})\text{Pd}(\text{4-CF}_3\text{Ph})$ ] 4a**



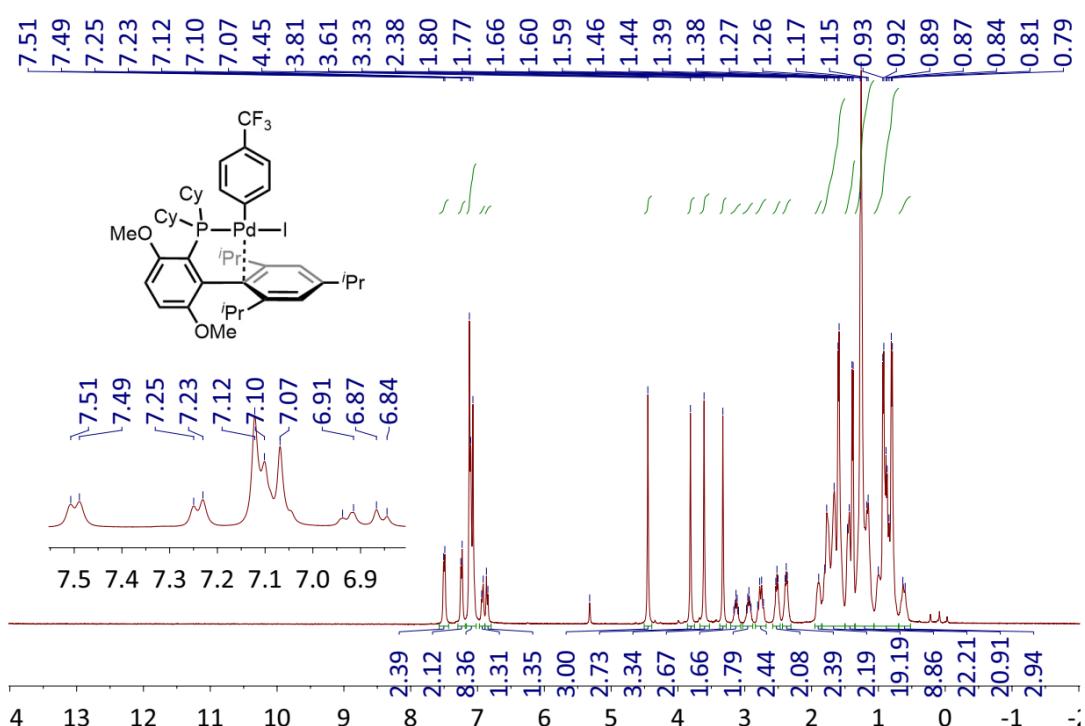
<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (376 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of [(<sup>t</sup>Bu-BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4a



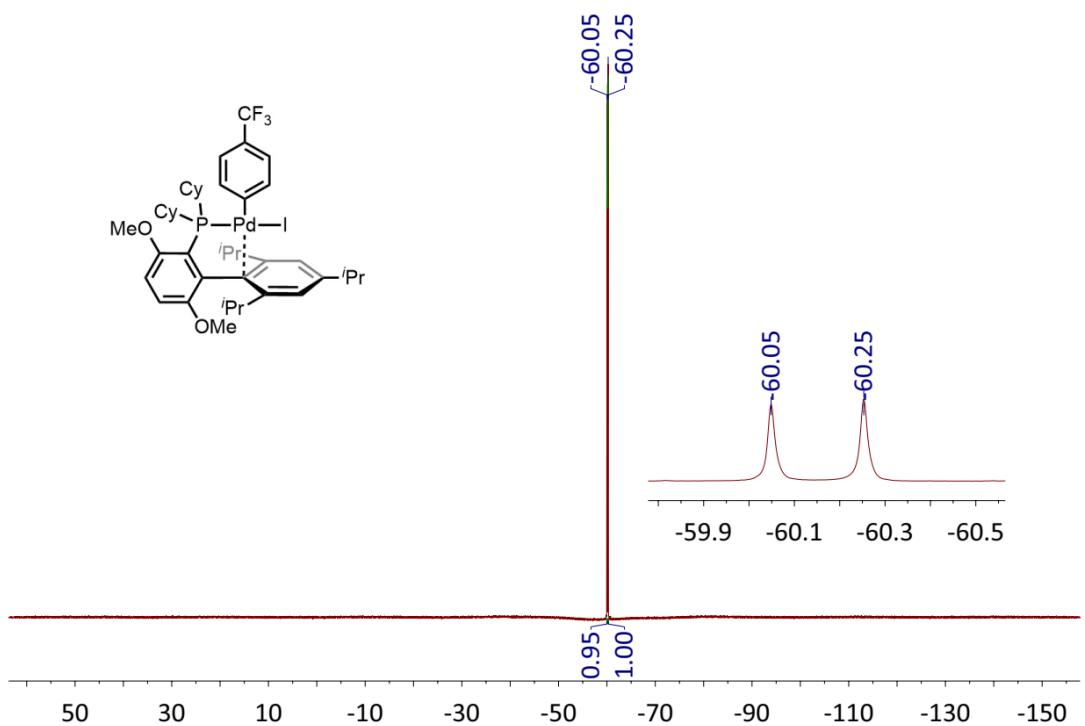
<sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of [(<sup>t</sup>Bu-BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4a



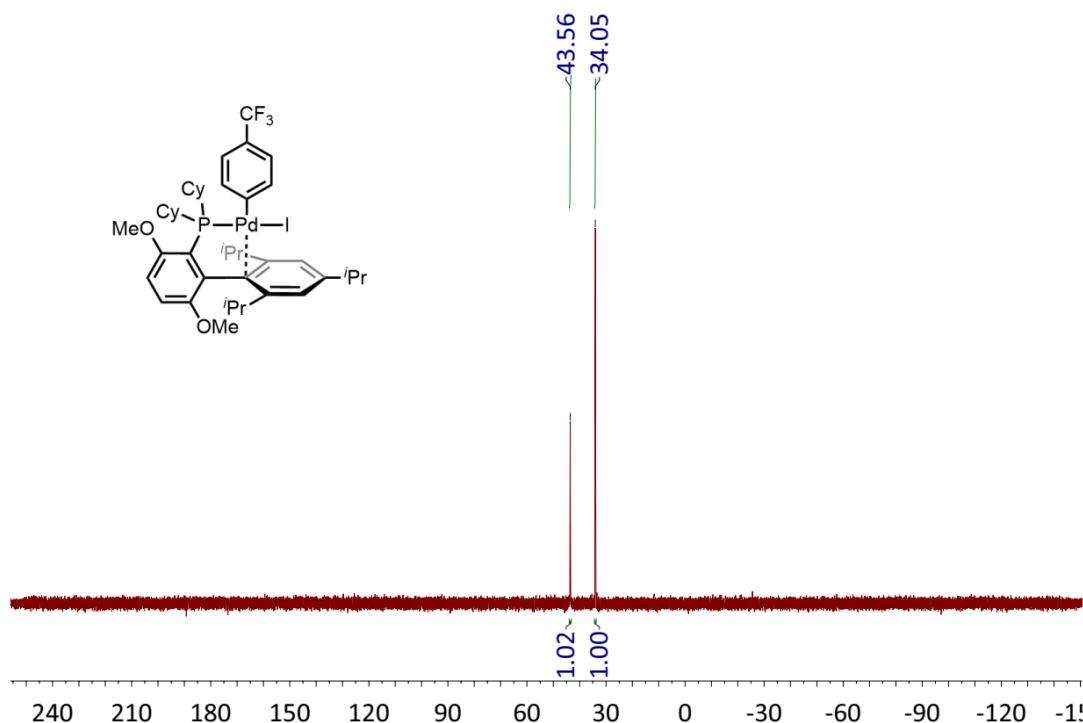
**<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of [(BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4b**



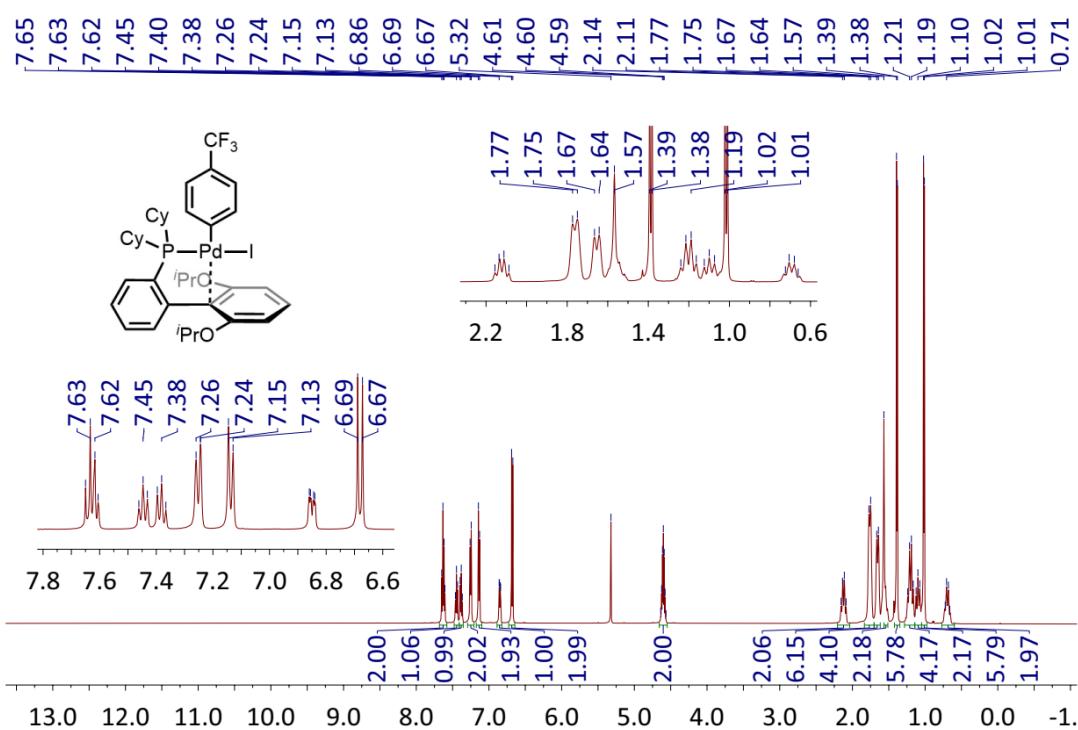
**<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (376 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of [(BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4b**



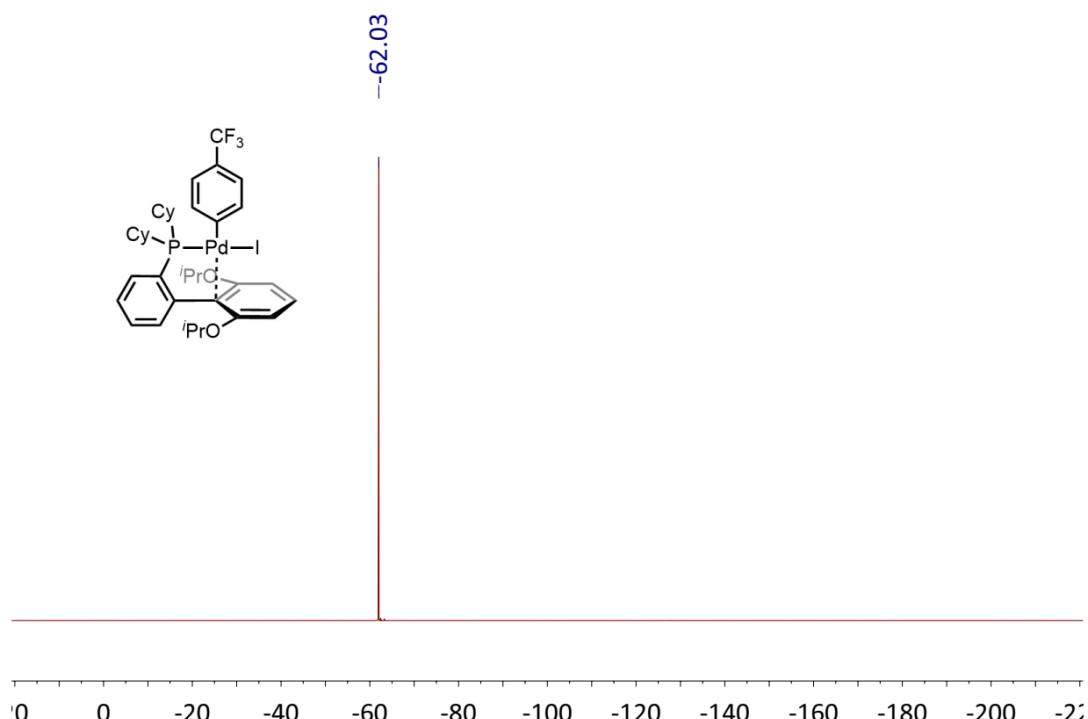
**$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectrum (162 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of [(BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4b**



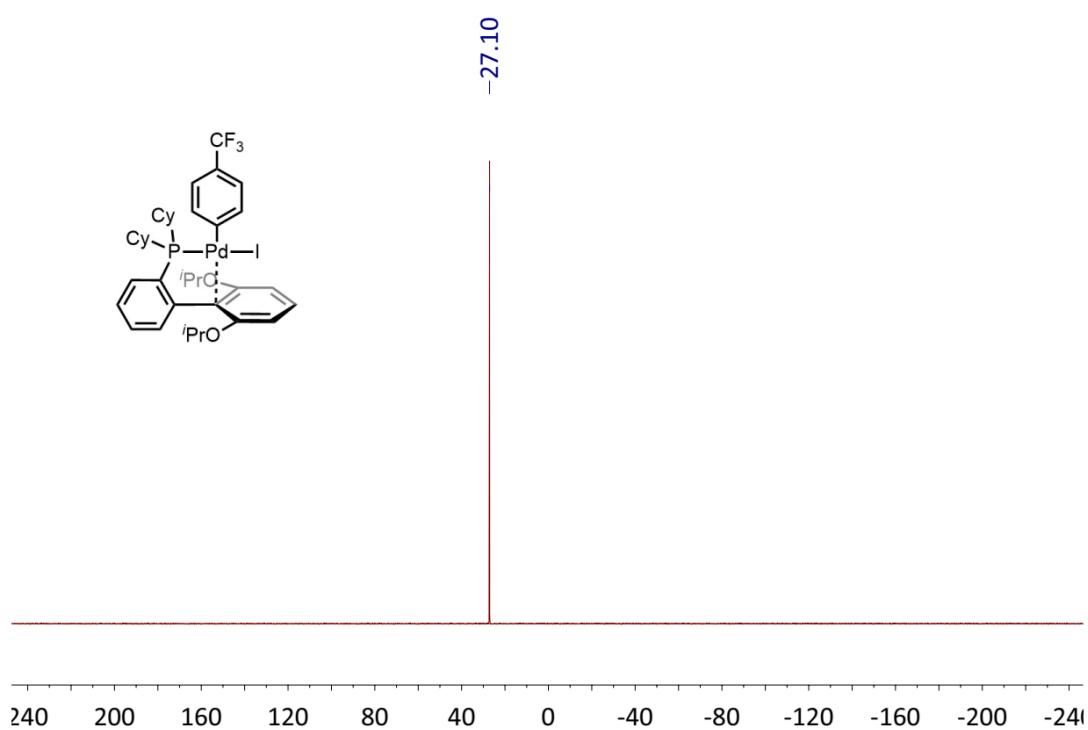
**$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (500 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of [(RuPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4c**



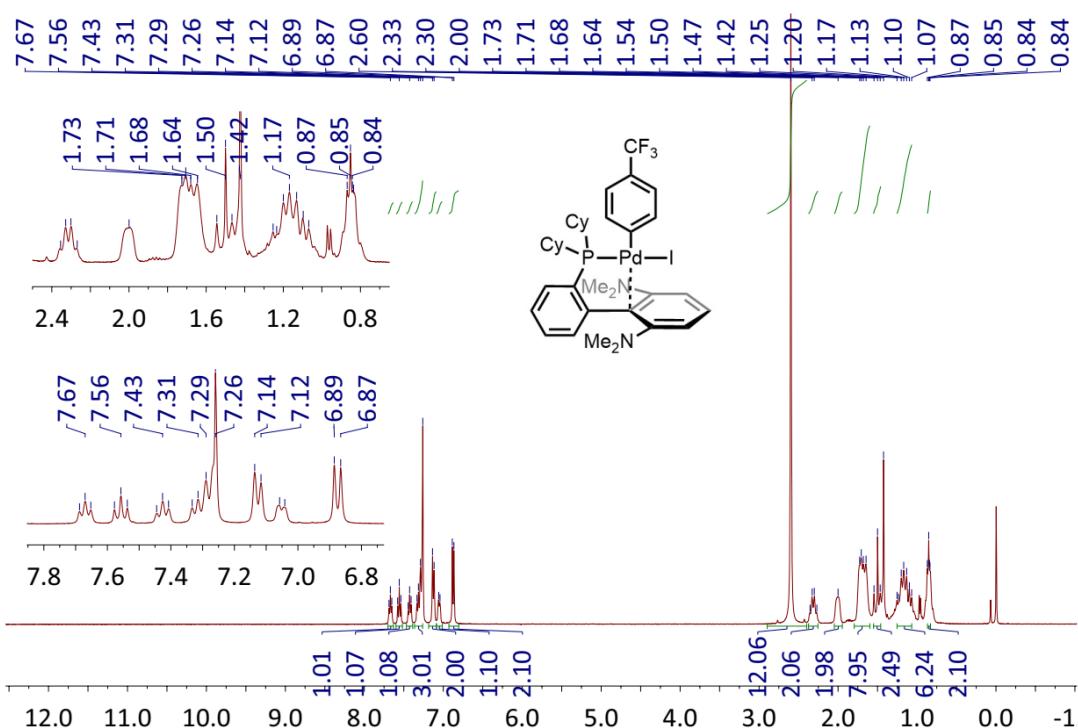
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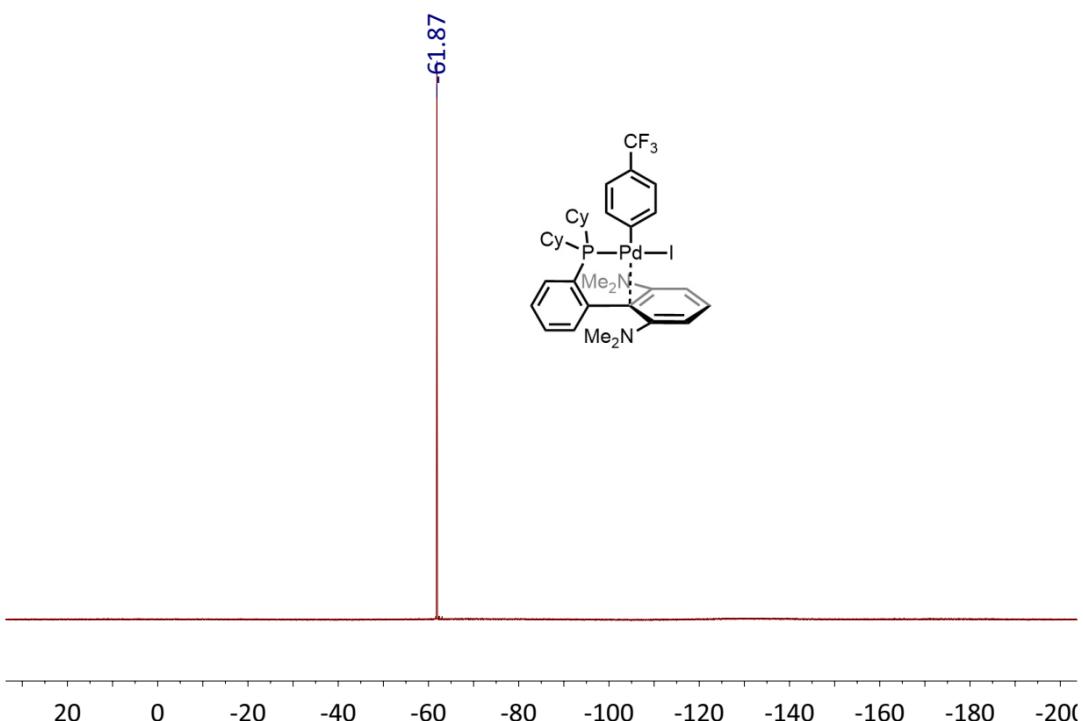
**<sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (202 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of [(RuPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4c**



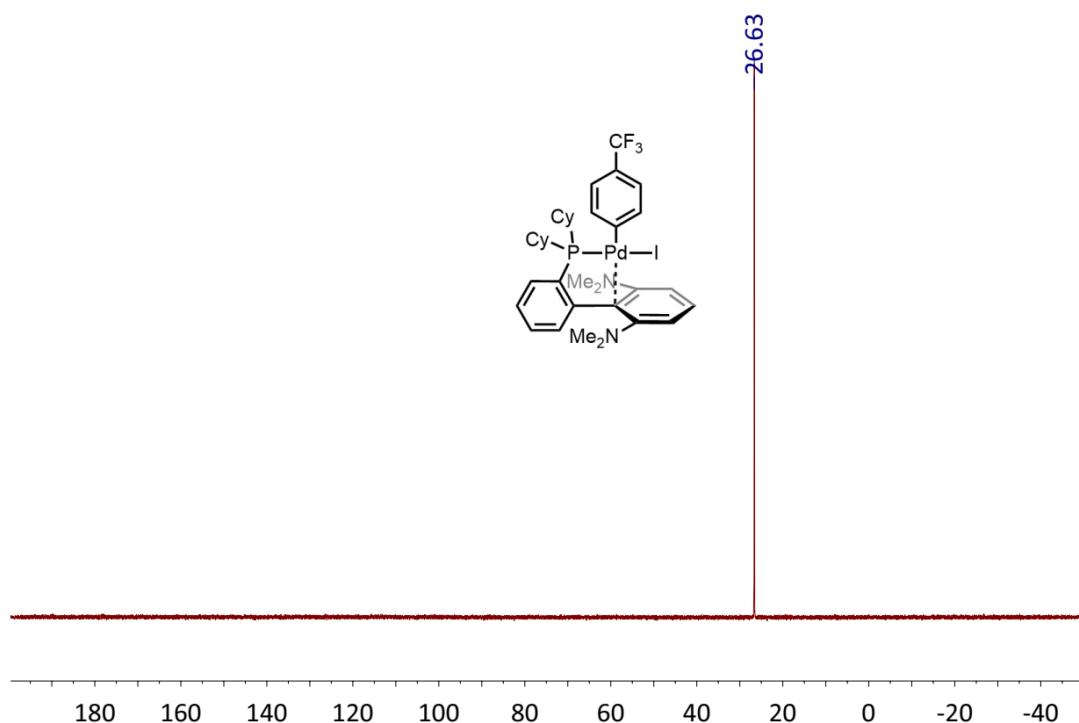
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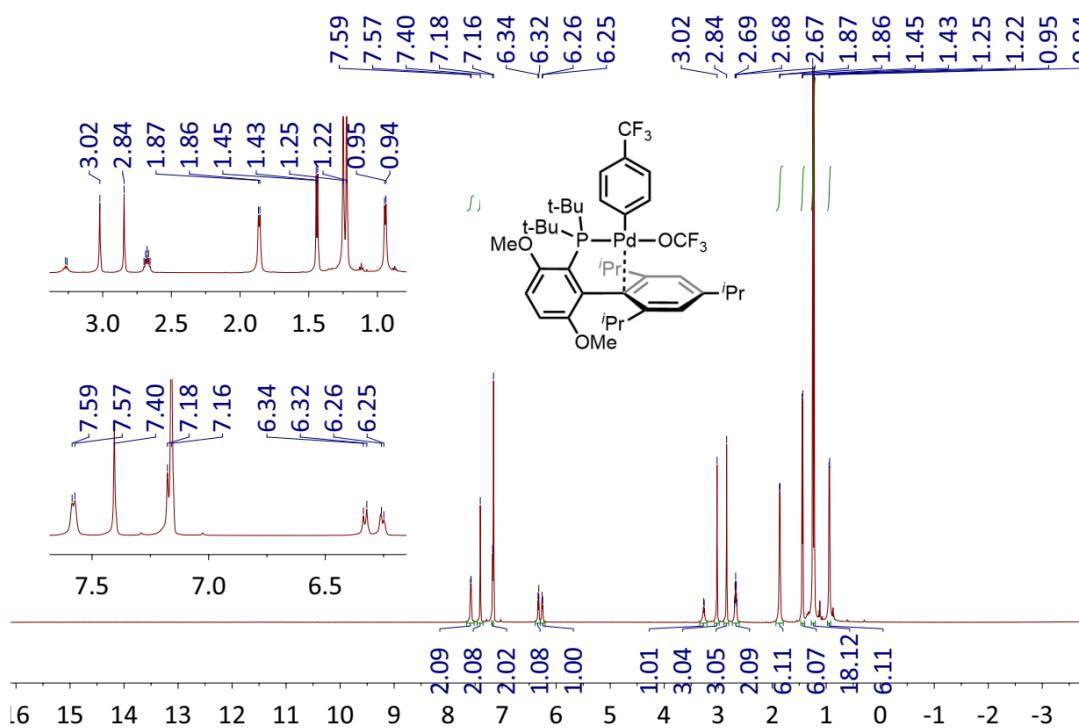
<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of [(CPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4d



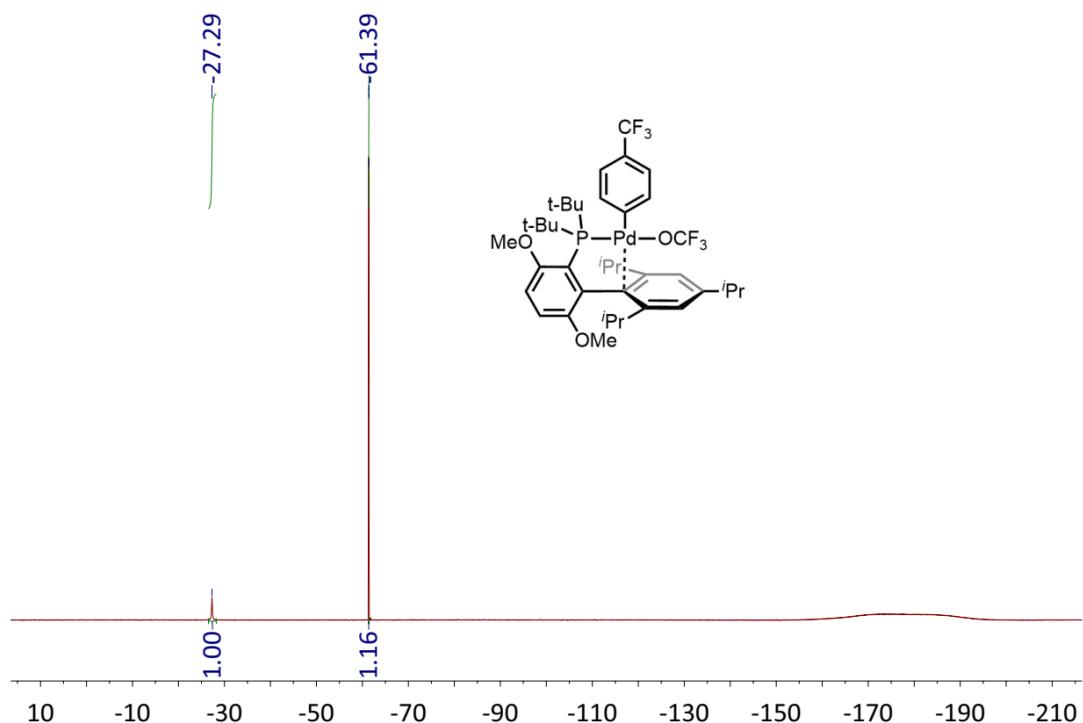
**<sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of [(CPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(I)] 4d**



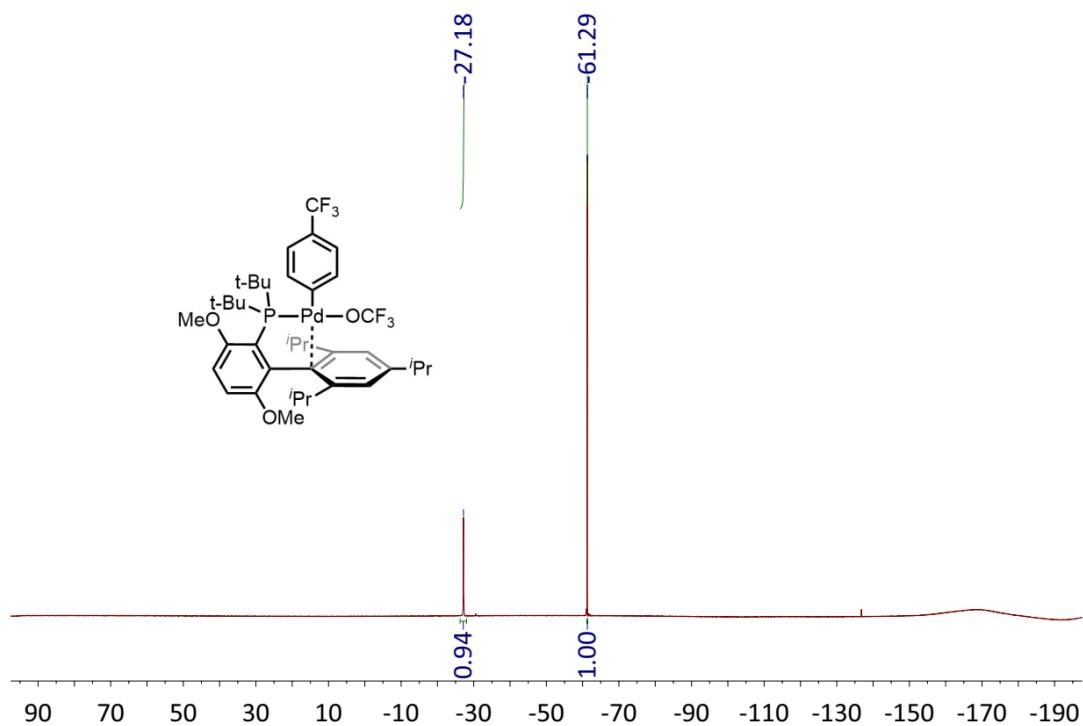
**<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) of [(t-Bu-BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5a**



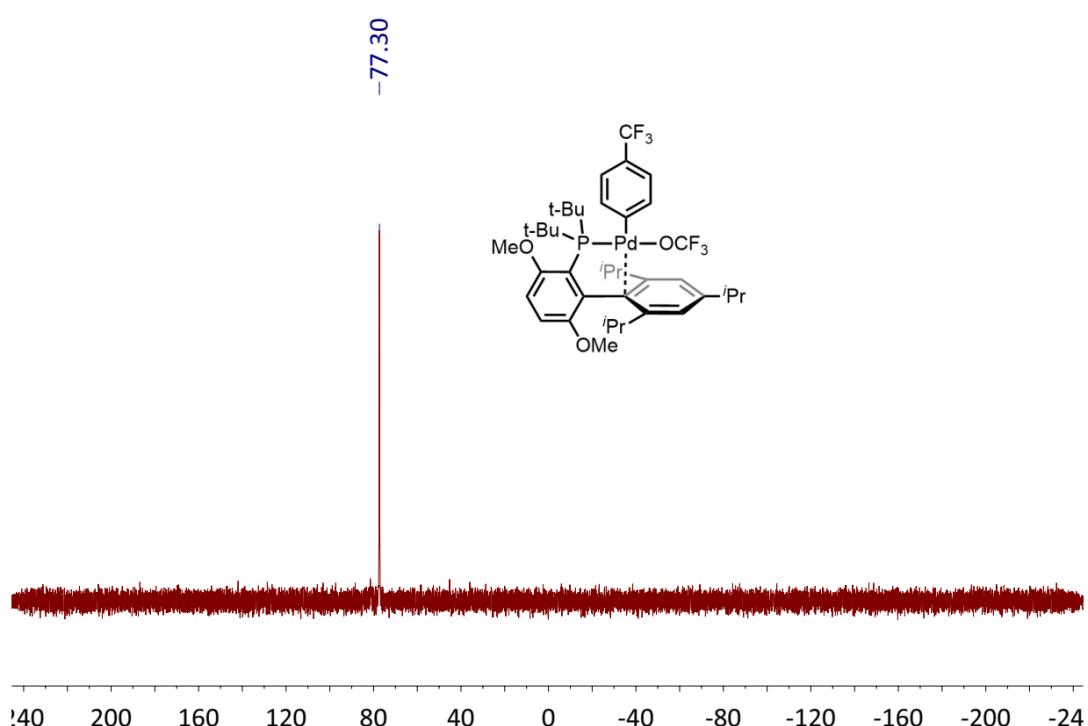
<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (565 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) of (*t*-Bu-BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>) **5a**



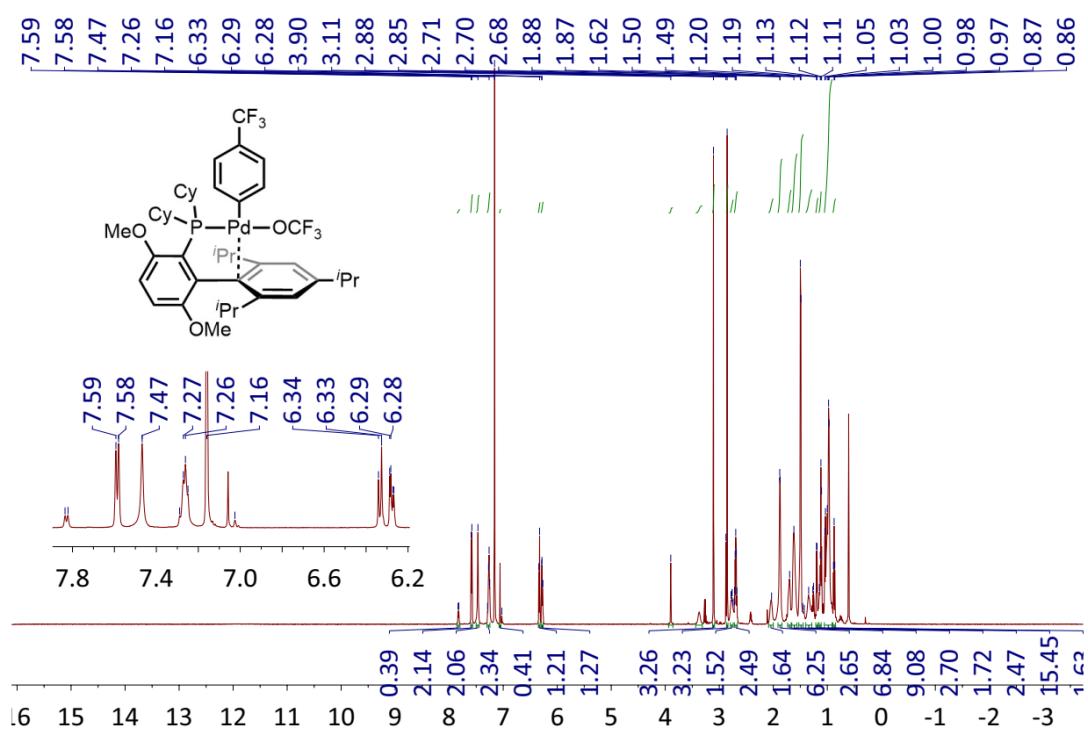
<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 283 K) of [(*t*-Bu-BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] **5a**



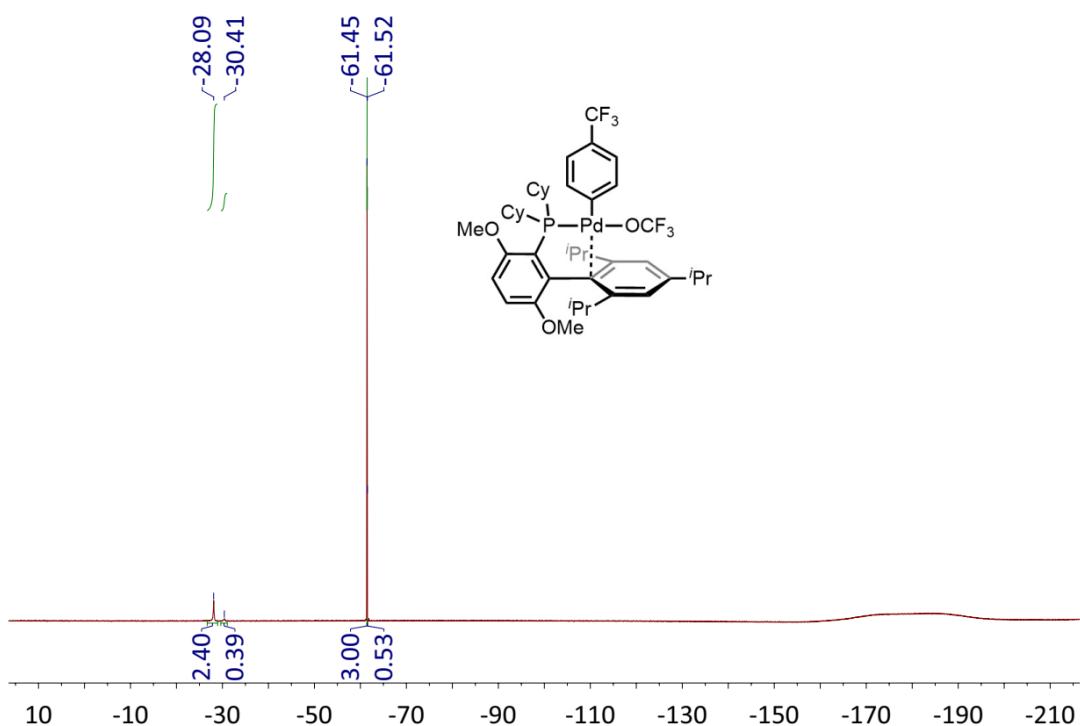
<sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (243 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) of [(<sup>t</sup>Bu-BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5a



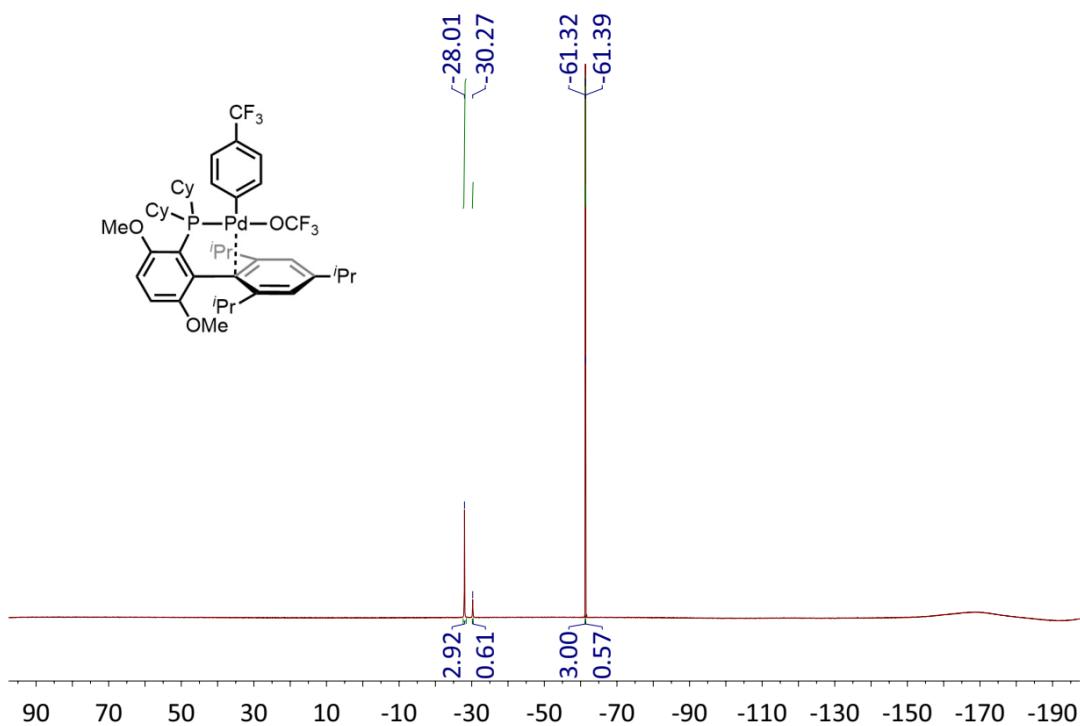
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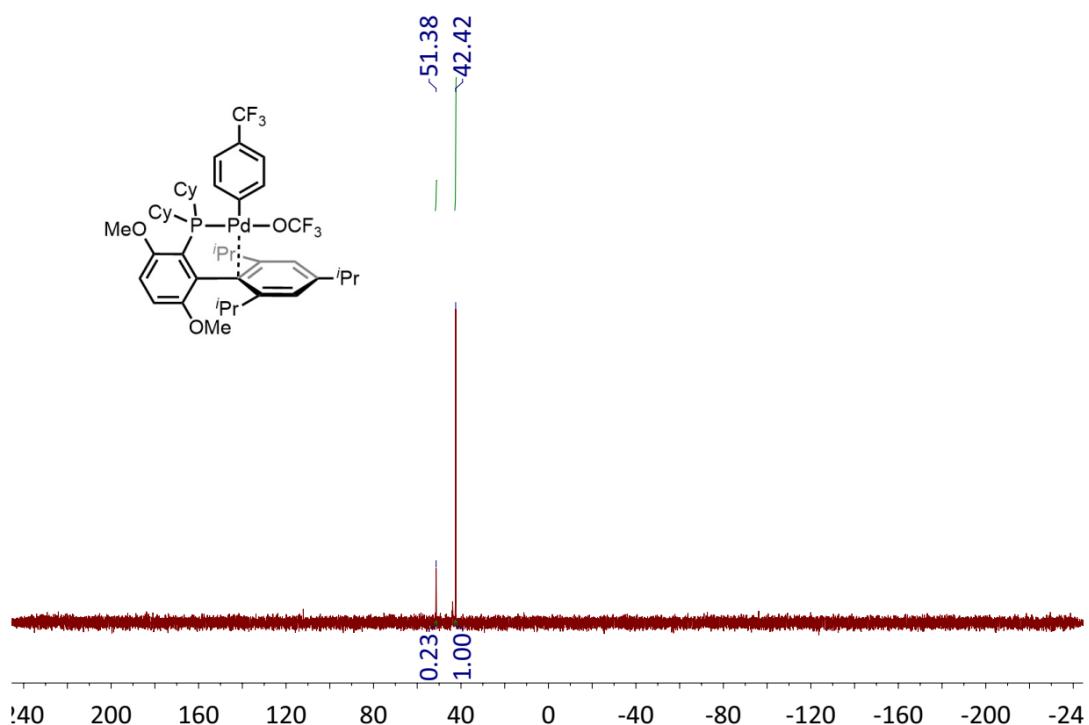
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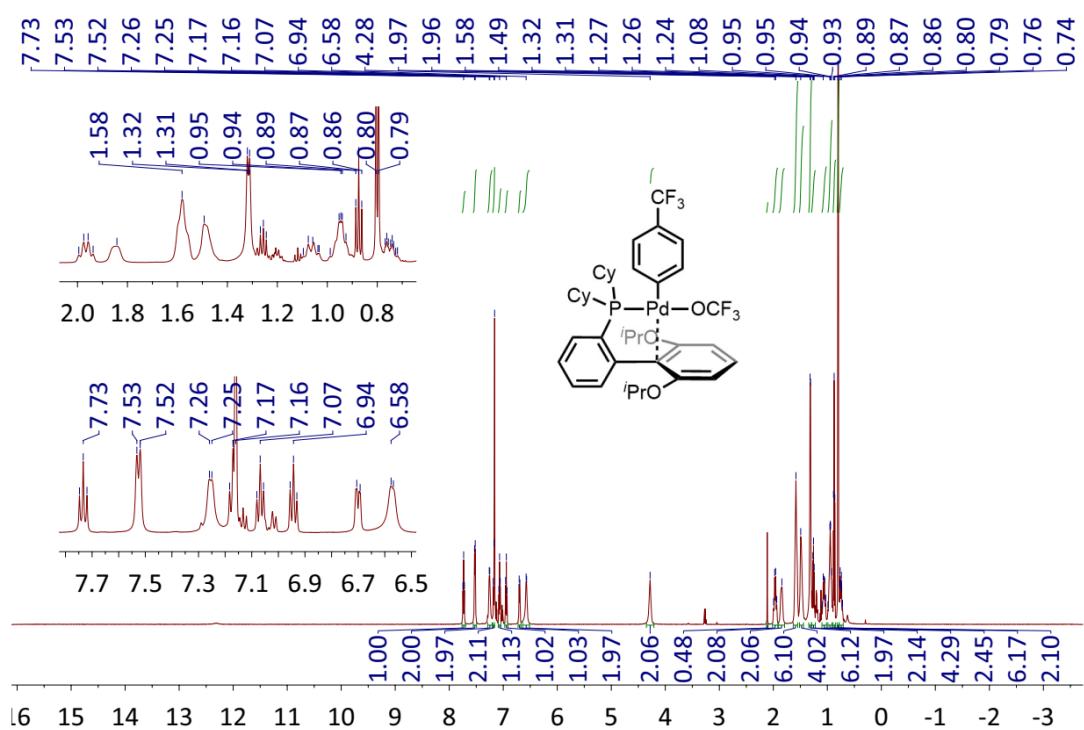
**<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (565 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 283 K) of  
[(BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5b**



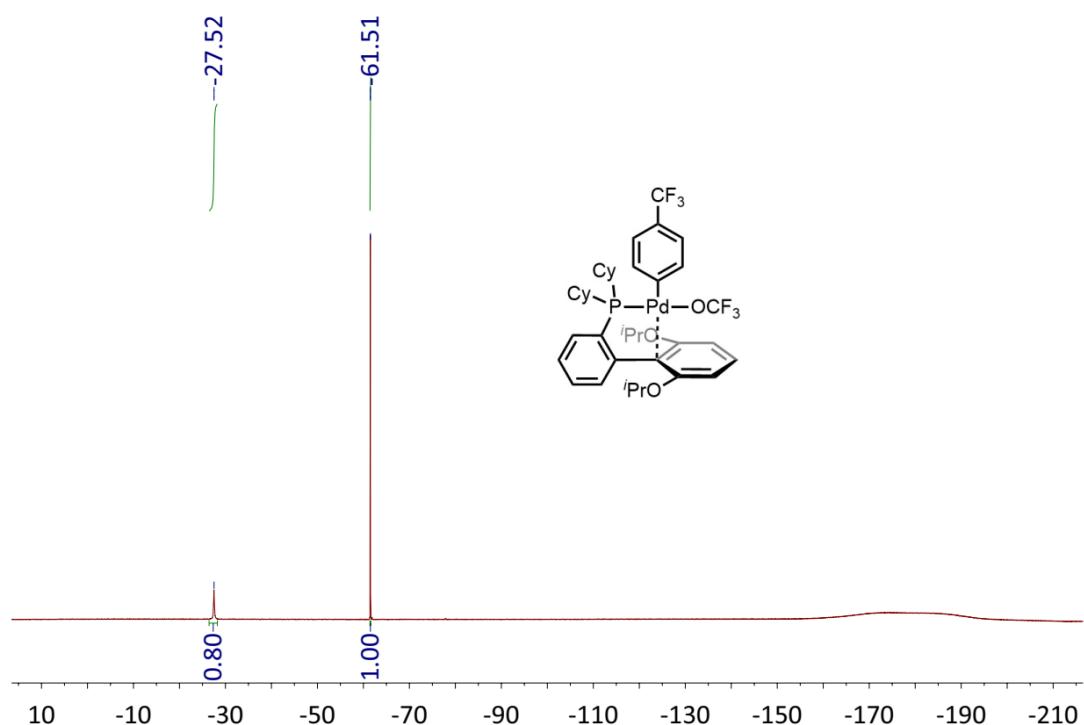
<sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (243 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) of [(BrettPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5b



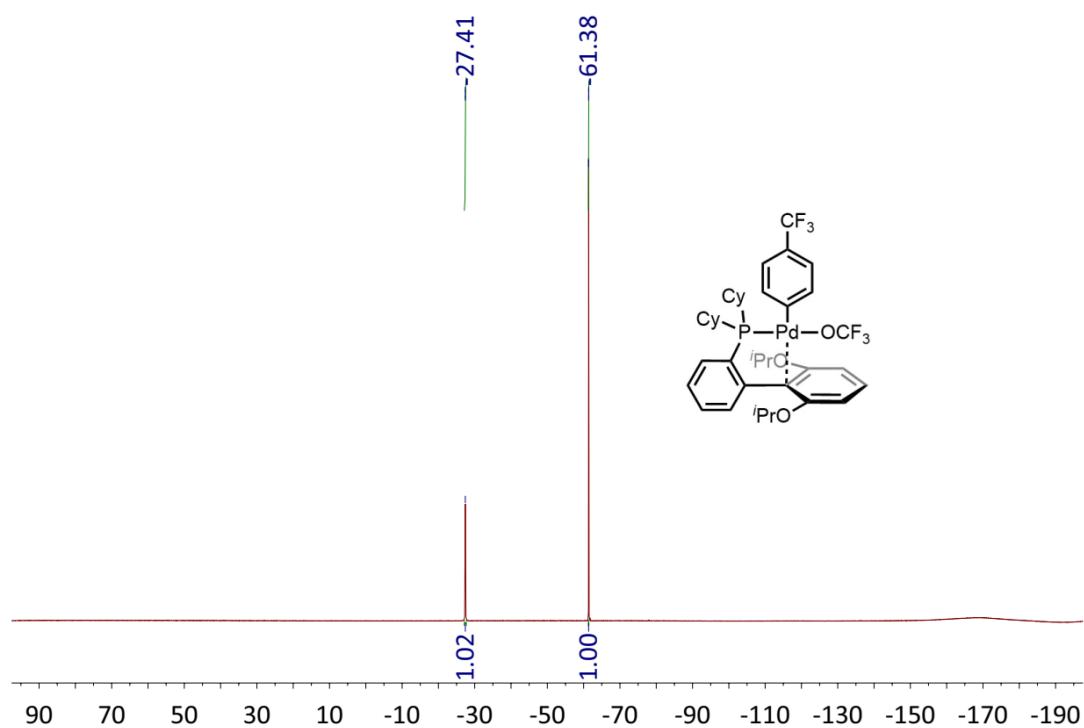
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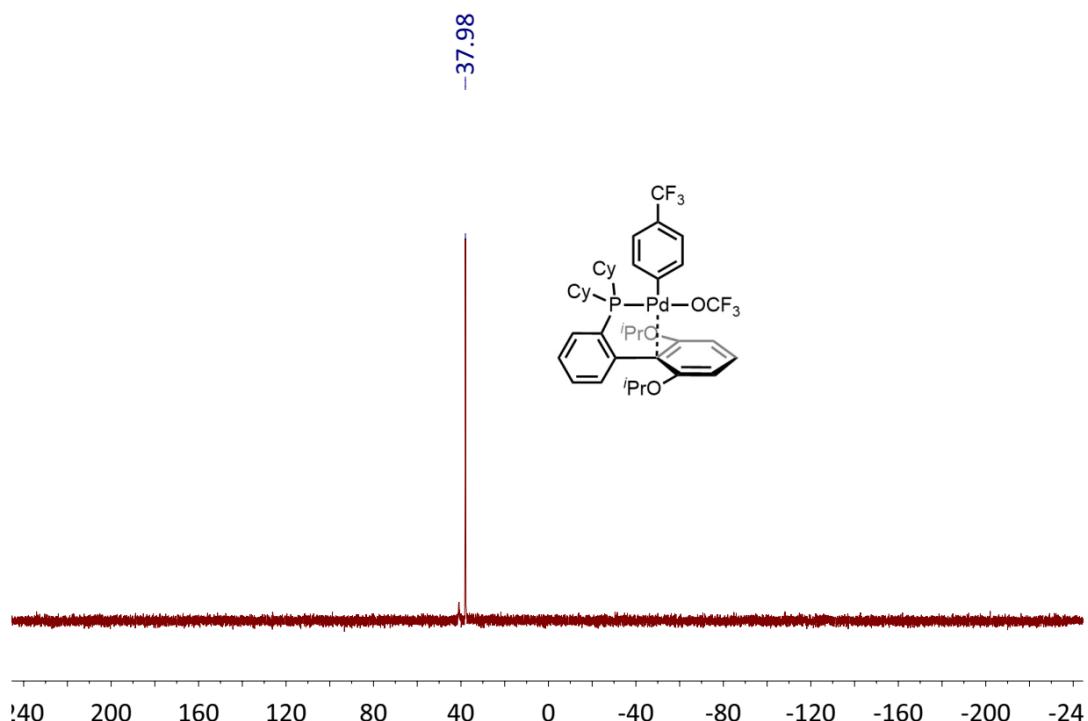
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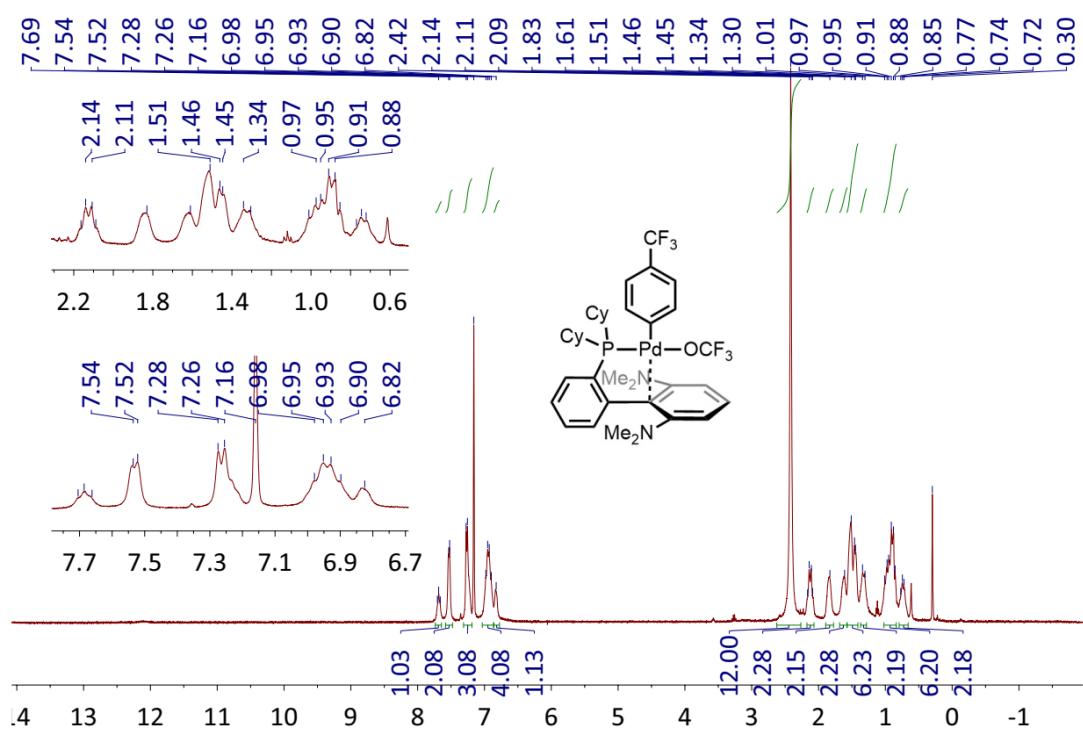
<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (565 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 283 K) of [(RuPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5c



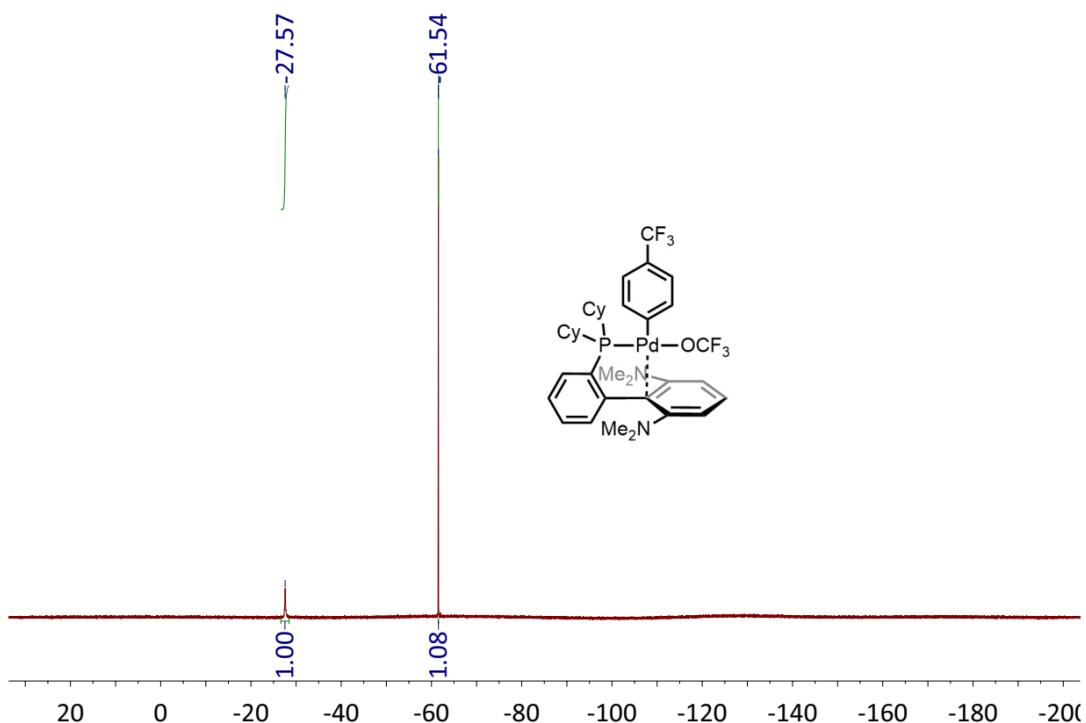
<sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (243 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) of [(RuPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5c



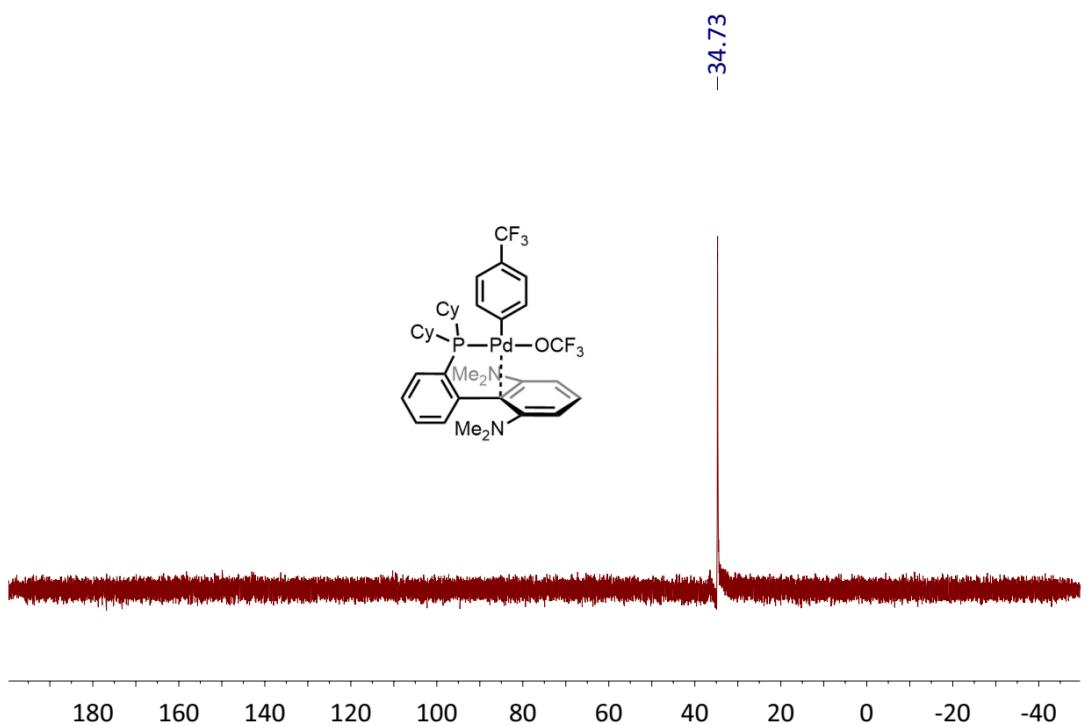
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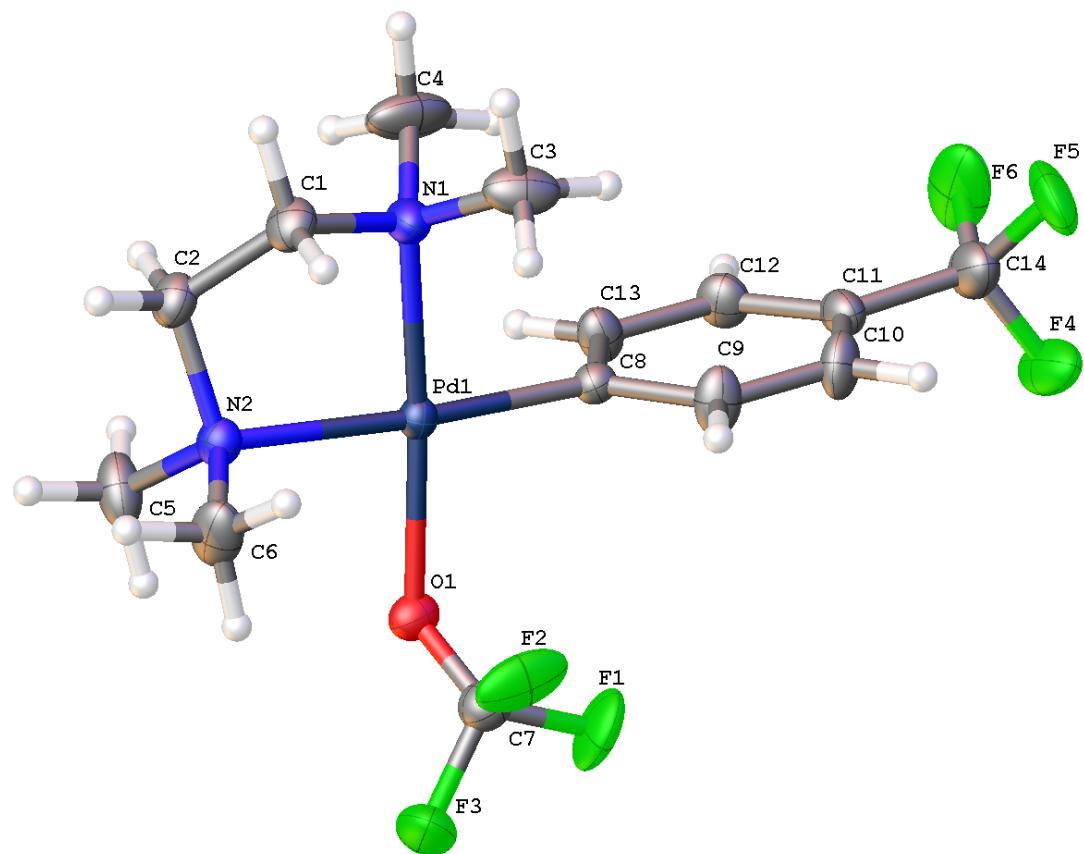
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<sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (162 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) of [(CPhos)Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] 5d



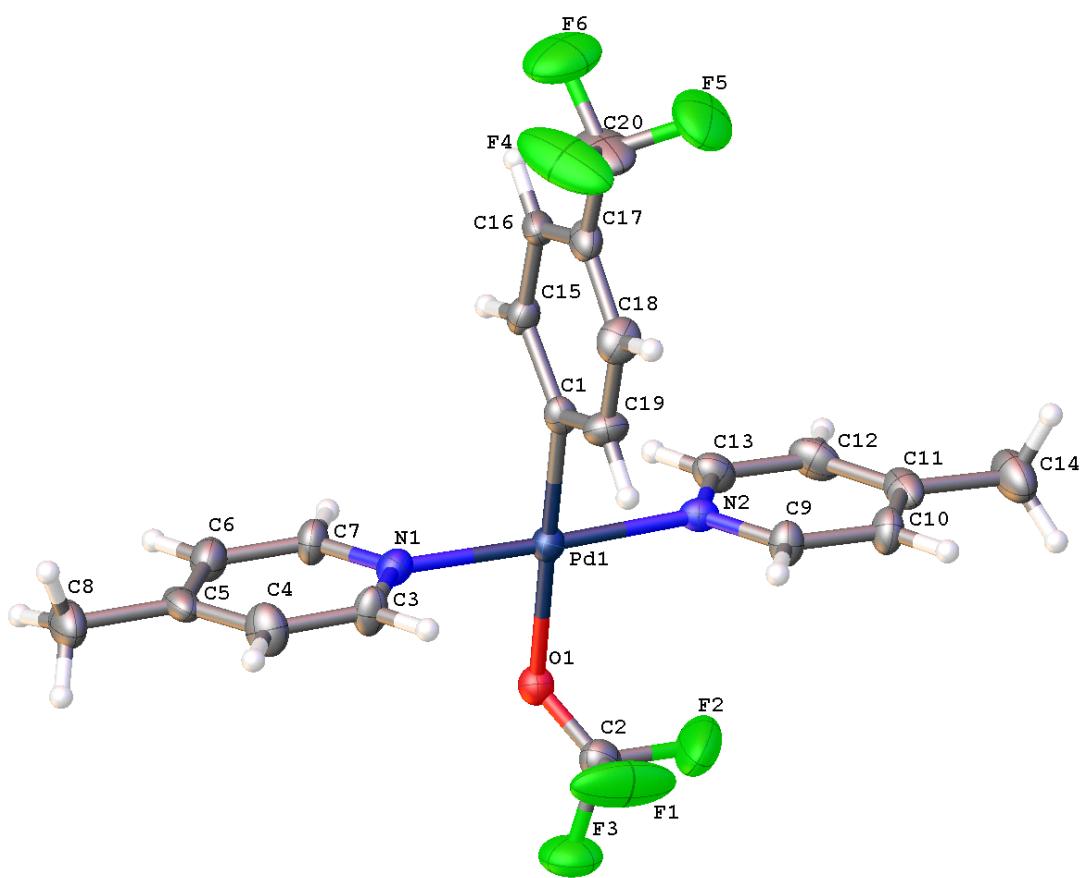
**X-ray diffraction data of complexes 2a, 2b, 3b', 3c, 5a**



**Figure S3.** ORTEP diagrams of  $[(\text{TMEDA})\text{Pd}(4\text{-CF}_3\text{Ph})(\text{OCF}_3)]$  **2a**.

**Table S1-1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **2a**.

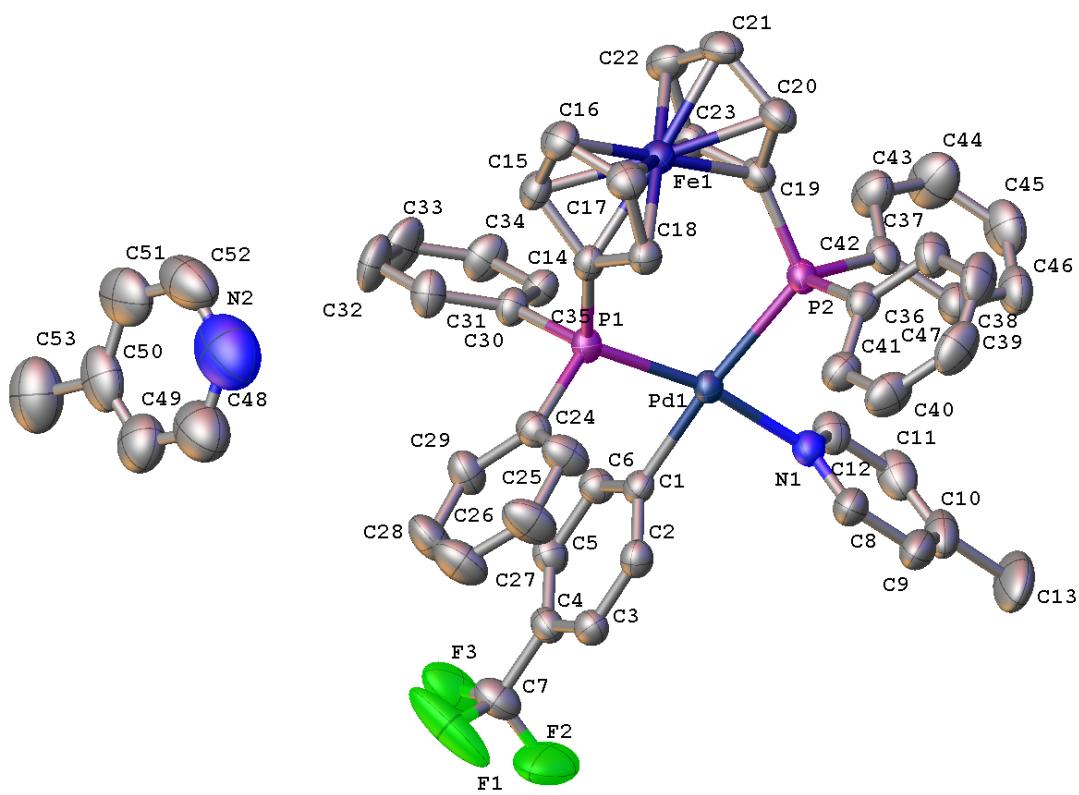
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Formula weight	452.72		
Temperature	193(2) K		
Wavelength	0.71073 Å		
Crystal system	Tetragonal		
Space group	I 41 c d		
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 22.1489(5)$ Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ .	
	$b = 22.1489(5)$ Å	$\beta = 90^\circ$ .	
	$c = 14.1421(3)$ Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .	
Volume	6937.7(3) Å <sup>3</sup>		
Z	16		
Density (calculated)	1.734 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>		
Absorption coefficient	1.133 mm <sup>-1</sup>		
F(000)	3616		
Crystal size	0.180 x 0.150 x 0.110 mm <sup>3</sup>		
Theta range for data collection	2.510 to 25.996°.		
Index ranges	-27≤h≤23, -22≤k≤27, -17≤l≤17		
Reflections collected	16497		
Independent reflections	3401 [R(int) = 0.0249]		
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.5 %		
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents		
Max. and min. transmission	0.7456 and 0.5885		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>		
Data / restraints / parameters	3401 / 111 / 293		
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.054		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0178, wR2 = 0.0416		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0193, wR2 = 0.0424		
Absolute structure parameter	-0.028(10)		
Extinction coefficient	n/a		
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.213 and -0.327 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>		



**Figure S4.** ORTEP diagrams of [*trans*-(4-CH<sub>3</sub>-py)<sub>2</sub>Pd(4-CF<sub>3</sub>Ph)(OCF<sub>3</sub>)] **2b**.

**Table S2-1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **2b**.

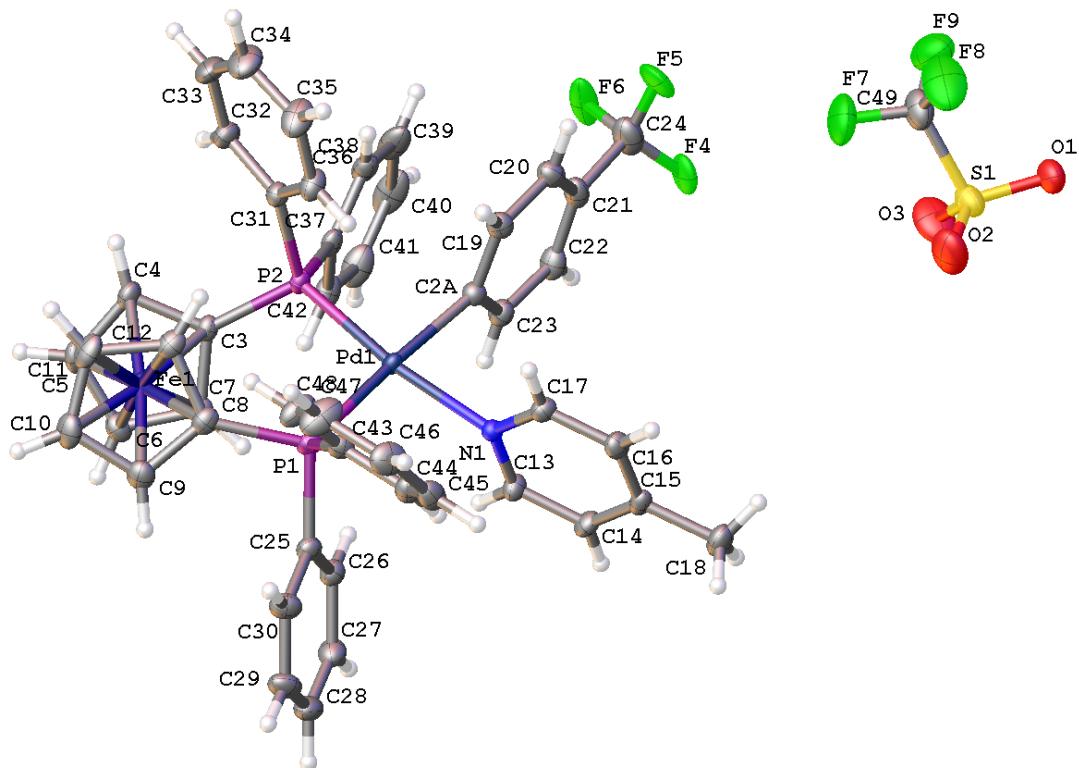
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Empirical formula	C20 H18 F6 N2 O Pd		
Formula weight	522.76		
Temperature	170.0 K		
Wavelength	1.34139 Å		
Crystal system	Monoclinic		
Space group	P 1 21/n 1		
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 13.1935(5)$ Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ .	
	$b = 11.4522(5)$ Å	$\beta = 105.432(3)^\circ$ .	
	$c = 14.0786(6)$ Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .	
Volume	$2050.51(15)$ Å <sup>3</sup>		
Z	4		
Density (calculated)	1.693 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>		
Absorption coefficient	5.273 mm <sup>-1</sup>		
F(000)	1040		
Crystal size	0.05 x 0.03 x 0.02 mm <sup>3</sup>		
Theta range for data collection	3.551 to 54.995°.		
Index ranges	-16≤=h≤=16, -13≤=k≤=11, -17≤=l≤=17		
Reflections collected	20044		
Independent reflections	3867 [R(int) = 0.1270]		
Completeness to theta = 53.594°	99.1 %		
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents		
Max. and min. transmission	0.7508 and 0.4564		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>		
Data / restraints / parameters	3867 / 31 / 273		
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.059		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0908, wR2 = 0.2048		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1456, wR2 = 0.2376		
Extinction coefficient	n/a		
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.705 and -1.624 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>		



**Figure S5.** ORTEP diagrams of  $[(\text{DPPF})\text{Pd}(\text{4-CF}_3\text{Ph})(\text{4-MePy}) \bullet (\text{4-MePy})] \text{ 3b}'$ .

**Table S3-1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **3b'**.

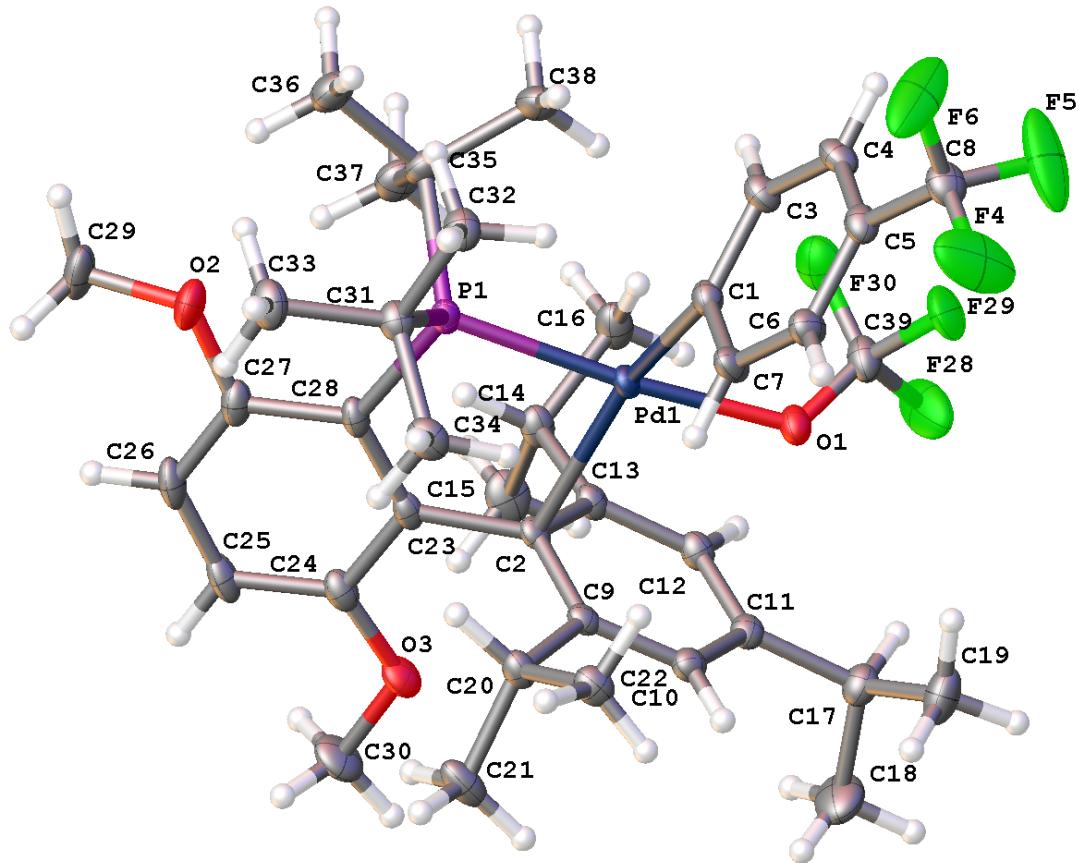
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Empirical formula	C106 H92 F6 Fe2 N4 P4 Pd2		
Formula weight	1984.21		
Temperature	169.96 K		
Wavelength	1.34139 Å		
Crystal system	Monoclinic		
Space group	P 1 21/c 1		
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 10.3574(2)$ Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ .	
	$b = 17.7893(3)$ Å	$\beta = 95.5760(10)^\circ$ .	
	$c = 27.4578(5)$ Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .	
Volume	5035.19(16) Å <sup>3</sup>		
Z	2		
Density (calculated)	1.309 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>		
Absorption coefficient	4.116 mm <sup>-1</sup>		
F(000)	2028		
Crystal size	0.08 x 0.06 x 0.05 mm <sup>3</sup>		
Theta range for data collection	3.548 to 54.976°.		
Index ranges	-12≤=h≤=12, -21≤=k≤=21, -33≤=l≤=32		
Reflections collected	65324		
Independent reflections	9569 [R(int) = 0.0553]		
Completeness to theta = 53.594°	99.9 %		
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents		
Max. and min. transmission	0.7508 and 0.4841		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>		
Data / restraints / parameters	9569 / 0 / 561		
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.018		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0420, wR2 = 0.1032		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0553, wR2 = 0.1105		
Extinction coefficient	n/a		
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.524 and -0.741 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>		



**Figure S6.** ORTEP diagrams of  $[(\text{DPPF})\text{Pd}(\text{4-CH}_3\text{-Py})(\text{4-CF}_3\text{-Ph})][\text{OTf}]$  **3c**.

**Table S4-1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **3c**.

Identification code	mj22132		
Empirical formula	C48 H39 F6 Fe N O3 P2 Pd S		
Formula weight	1048.05		
Temperature	213.0 K		
Wavelength	1.34139 Å		
Crystal system	Orthorhombic		
Space group	Pbca		
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 21.6907(5)$ Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ .	
	$b = 17.7028(4)$ Å	$\beta = 90^\circ$ .	
	$c = 22.6847(5)$ Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .	
Volume	8710.6(3) Å <sup>3</sup>		
Z	8		
Density (calculated)	1.598 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>		
Absorption coefficient	5.205 mm <sup>-1</sup>		
F(000)	4240		
Crystal size	0.07 x 0.07 x 0.05 mm <sup>3</sup>		
Theta range for data collection	3.276 to 54.877°.		
Index ranges	-26≤h≤26, -21≤k≤21, -27≤l≤26		
Reflections collected	88491		
Independent reflections	8247 [R(int) = 0.0699]		
Completeness to theta = 53.594°	99.7 %		
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents		
Max. and min. transmission	0.7510 and 0.5513		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>		
Data / restraints / parameters	8247 / 48 / 587		
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.053		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0348, wR2 = 0.0844		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0456, wR2 = 0.0896		
Extinction coefficient	n/a		
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.467 and -0.784 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>		



**Figure S7.** ORTEP diagrams of  $[('t\text{-Bu-BrettPhos})\text{Pd}(4\text{-CF}_3\text{Ph})(\text{OCF}_3)]$  **5a**.

**Table S5-1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **5a**.

Identification code	mj20146_0m		
Empirical formula	C39 H53 F6 O3 P Pd		
Formula weight	821.18		
Temperature	170.05 K		
Wavelength	1.34139 Å		
Crystal system	Triclinic		
Space group	P-1		
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 12.1827(4)$ Å	$\alpha = 87.361(2)^\circ$	
	$b = 12.7262(4)$ Å	$\beta = 71.886(2)^\circ$	
	$c = 13.4392(4)$ Å	$\gamma = 80.533(2)^\circ$	
Volume	$1953.34(11)$ Å <sup>3</sup>		
Z	2		
Density (calculated)	1.396 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>		
Absorption coefficient	3.158 mm <sup>-1</sup>		
F(000)	852		
Crystal size	0.08 x 0.06 x 0.05 mm <sup>3</sup>		
Theta range for data collection	3.010 to 54.996°.		
Index ranges	-14≤=h≤=14, -15≤=k≤=14, -16≤=l≤=16		
Reflections collected	28966		
Independent reflections	7427 [R(int) = 0.0494]		
Completeness to theta = 53.594°	99.8 %		
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents		
Max. and min. transmission	0.7508 and 0.5105		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>		
Data / restraints / parameters	7427 / 0 / 465		
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.031		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0411, wR2 = 0.1055		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0456, wR2 = 0.1092		
Extinction coefficient	n/a		
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.215 and -1.068 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>		