

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

9,10-dihydroanthracenyl structures: original ligands for the synthesis of polynuclear complexes through selective π -coordination

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Figures

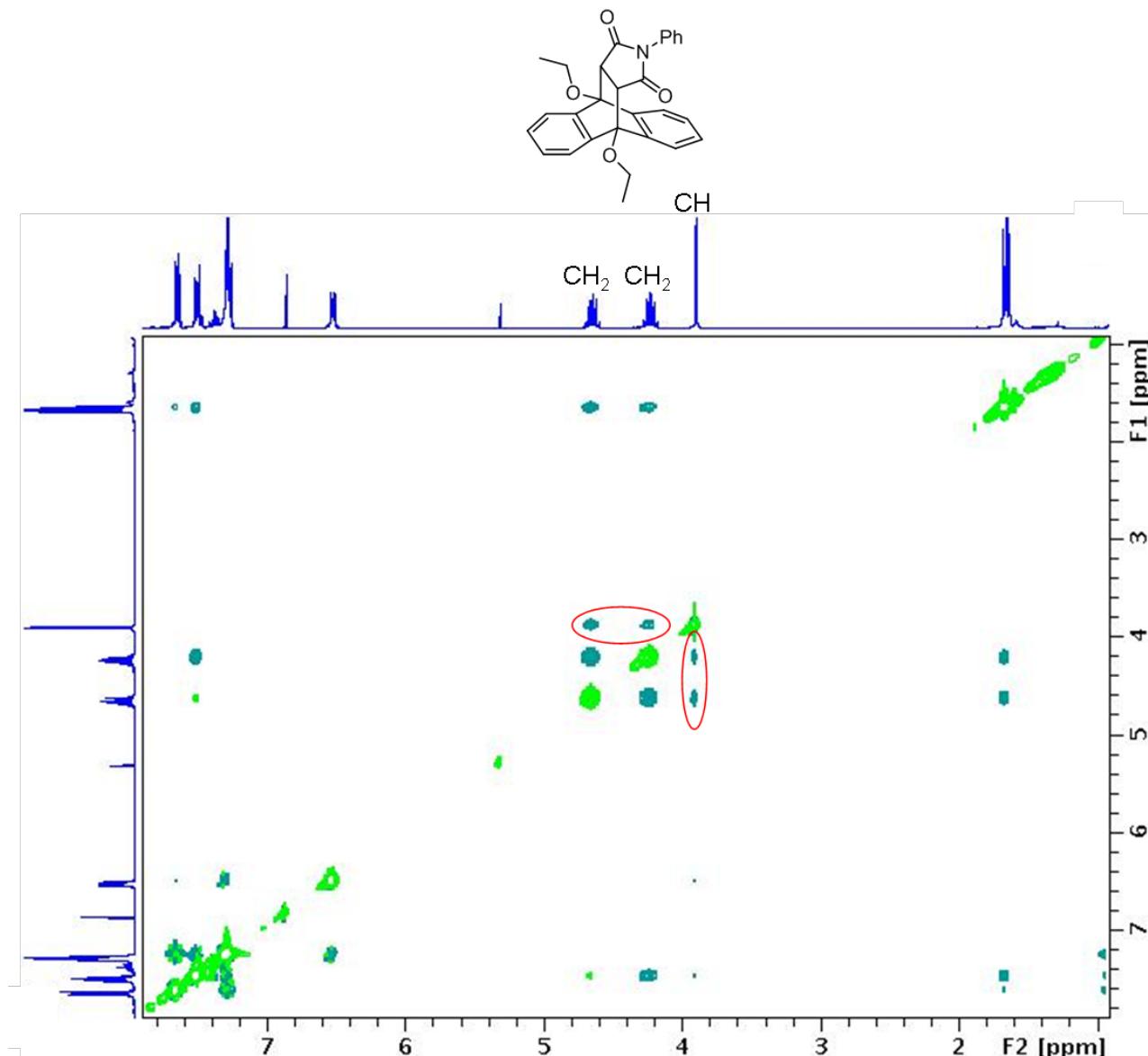


Fig. S1. Selected NOE contacts for ligand B.

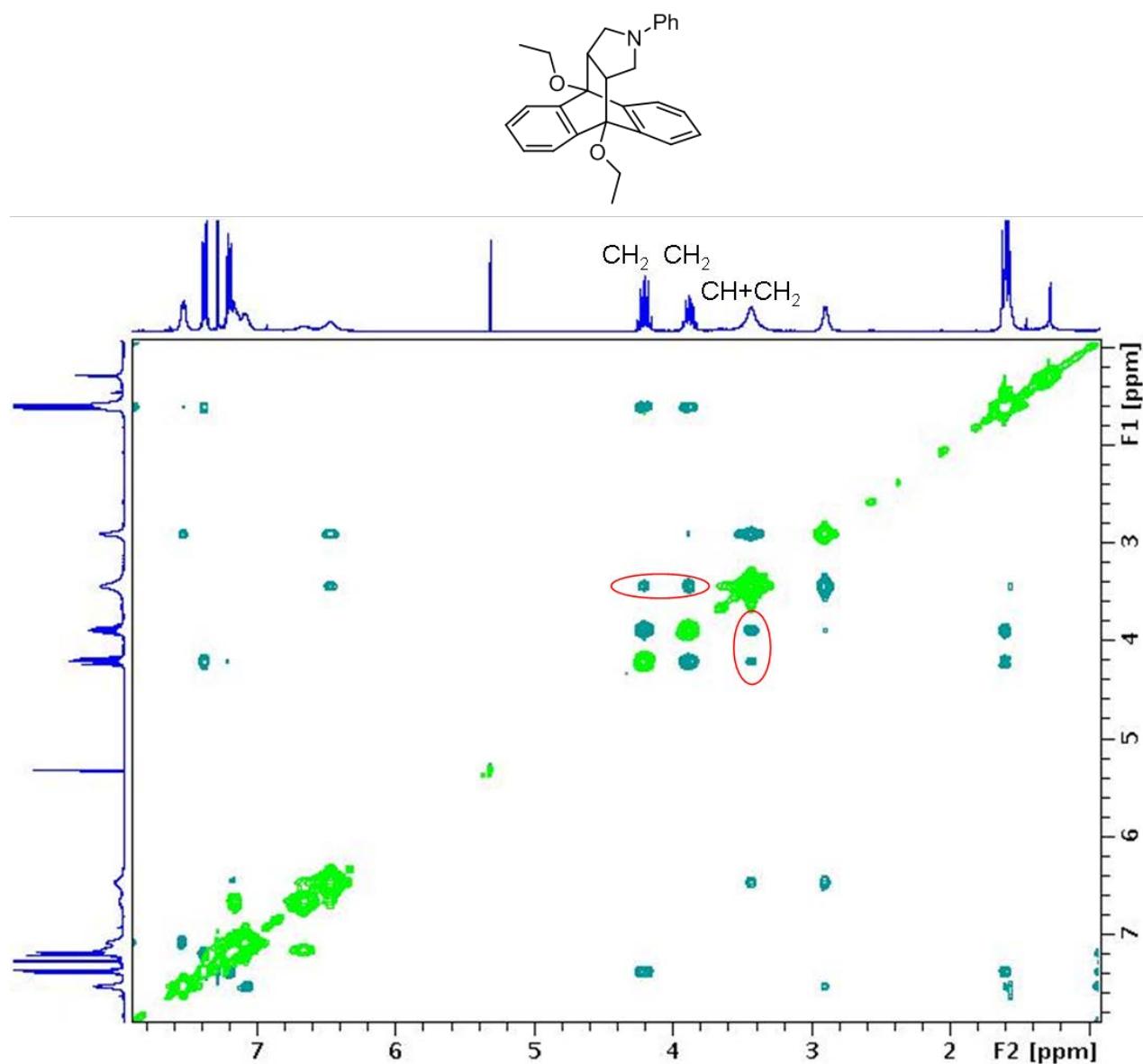


Fig. S2. Selected NOE contacts for ligand **D**.

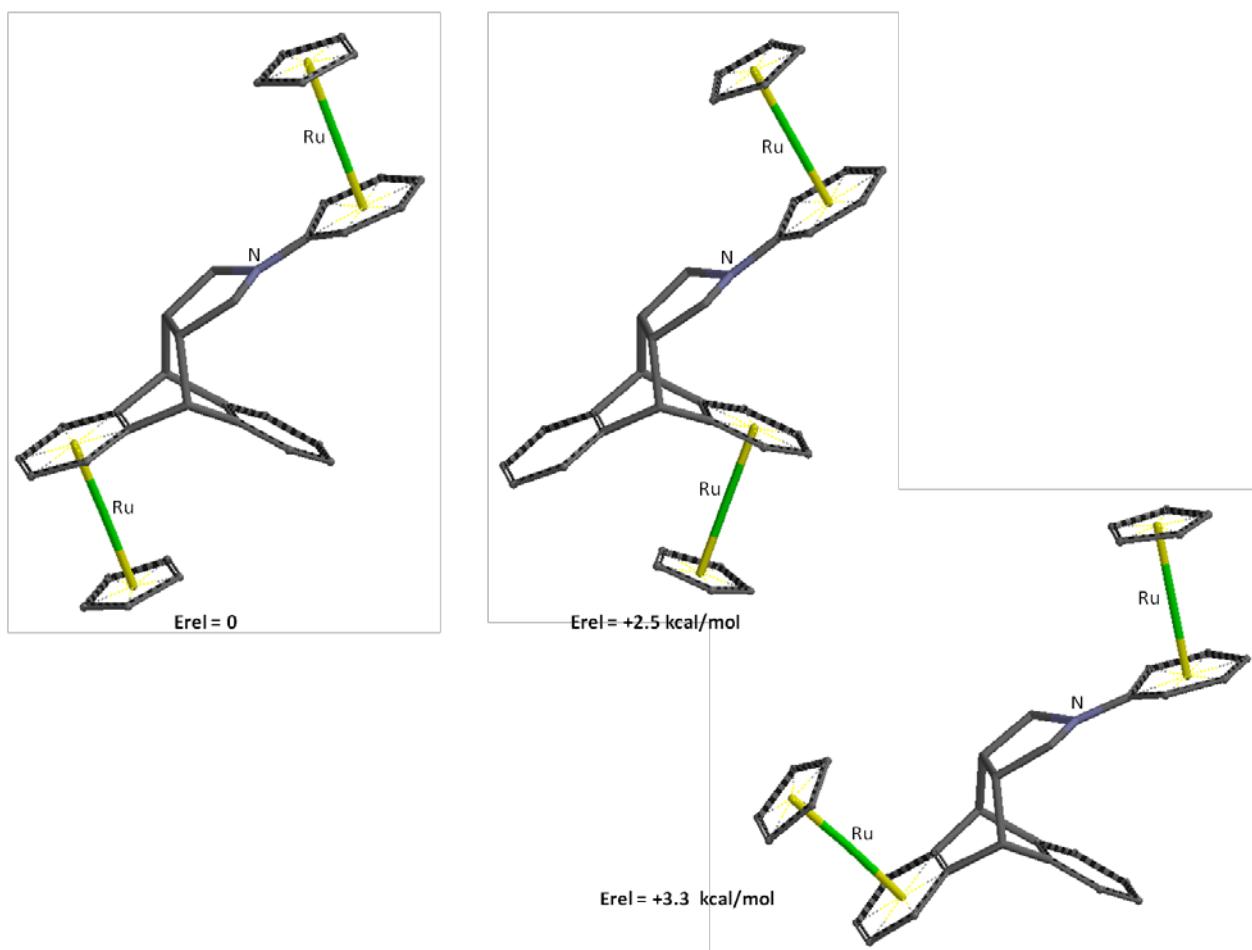


Fig. S3. Calculated structures (DFT) for cations $[\text{RuCp}((\eta^6\text{-arene})_2\text{C})]^{2+}$ showing the coordination through **Ar3** cycle (a), **Ar2** (b) and **Ar1** (c and d). Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

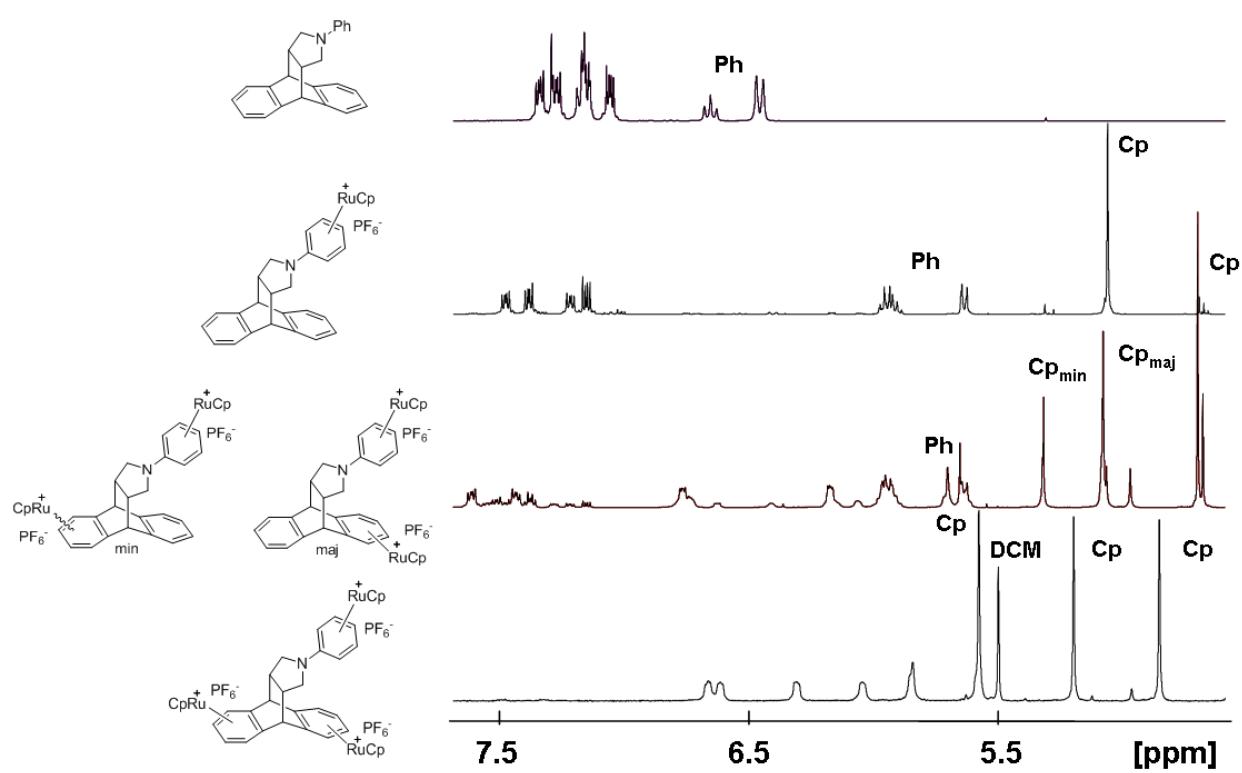


Fig. S4. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{CO}$, 298 K) monitoring of **C** by consecutive addition of $[\text{RuCp}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_3]\text{PF}_6$

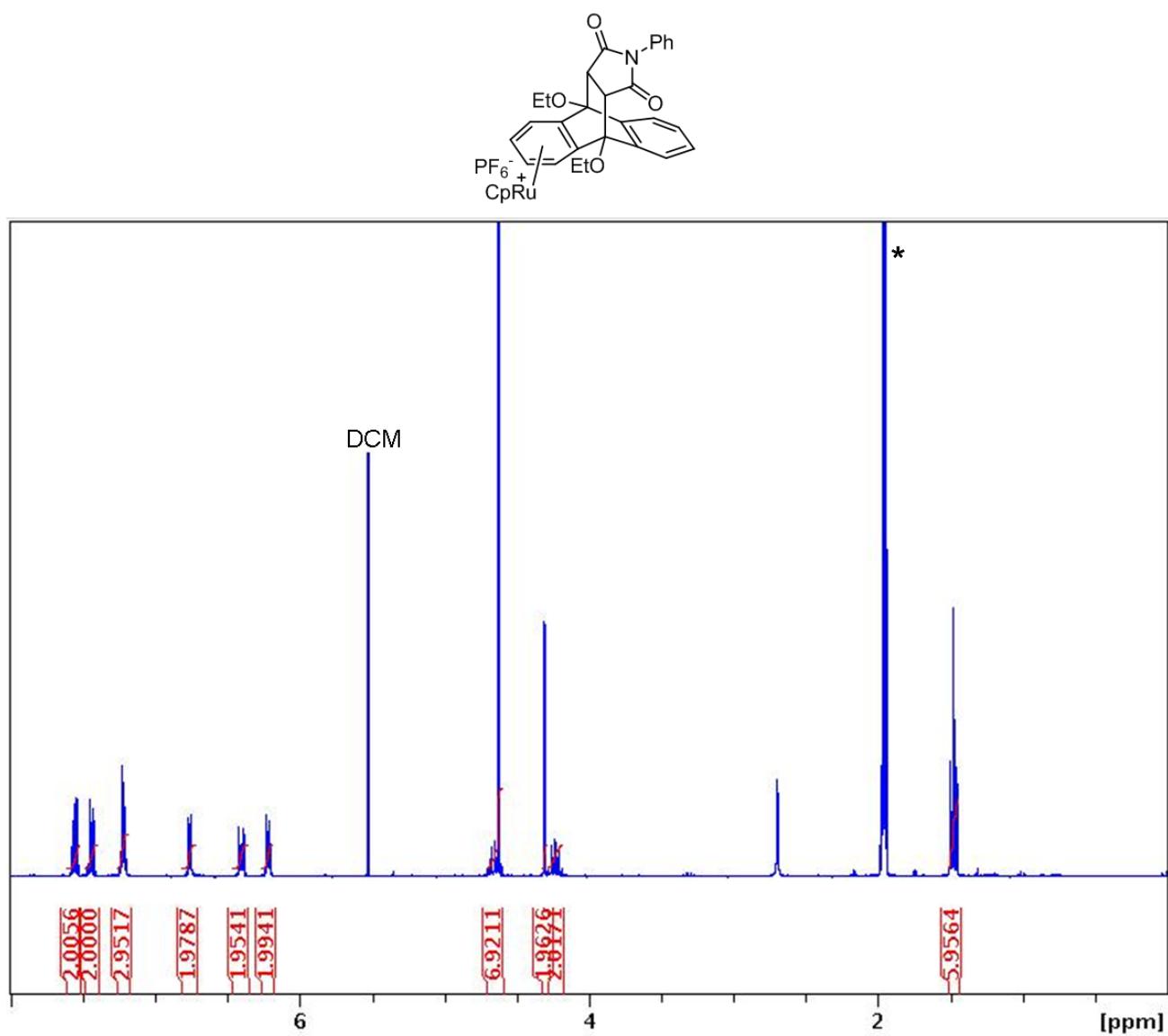


Fig. S5. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{CO}$, 298 K) spectrum for **BRu1**. * denotes partially protonated solvent.

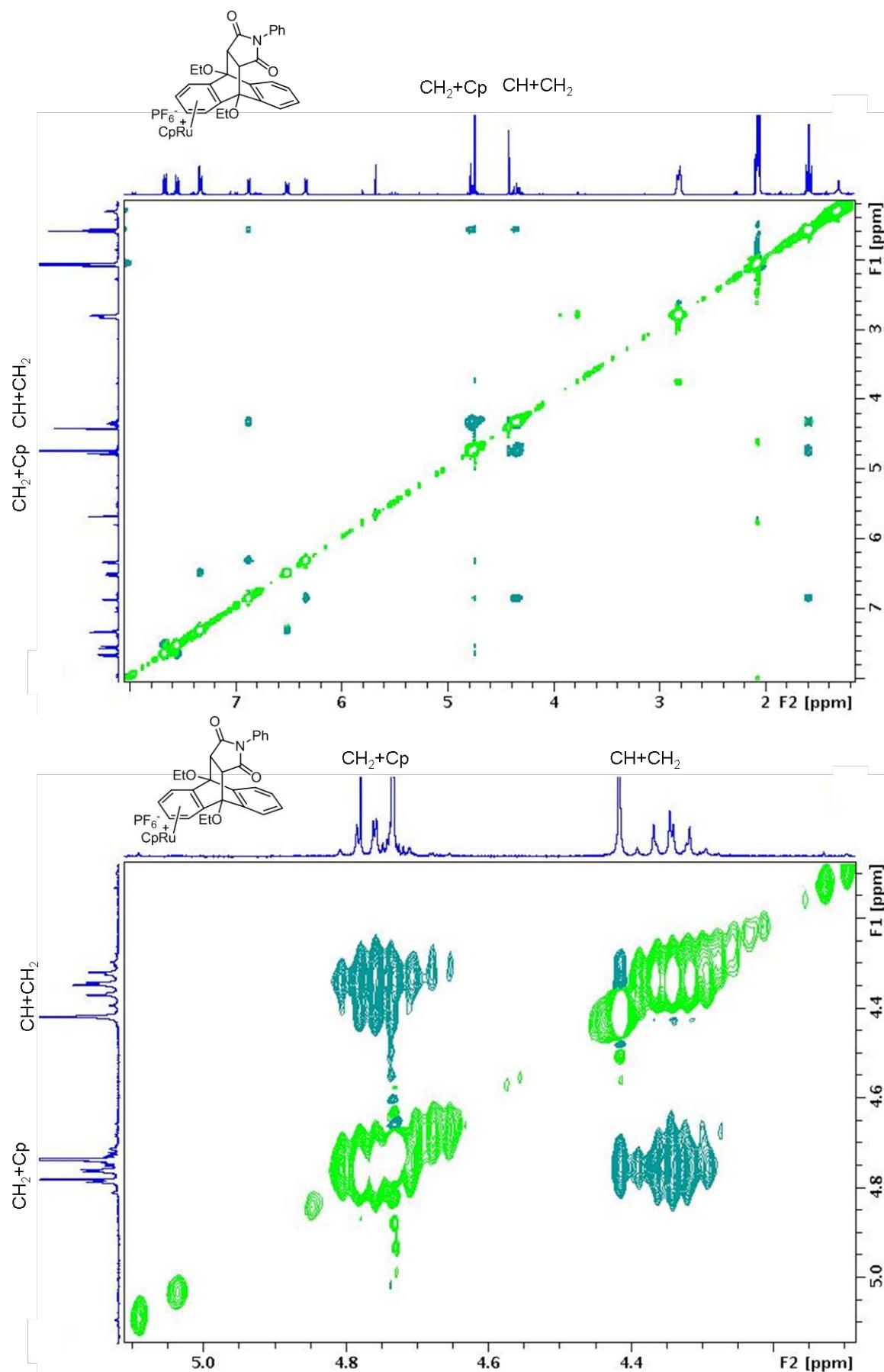


Fig. S6. NOESY NMR spectrum (300 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{CO}$, 298 K) and selected NOE contacts for **BRu1**.

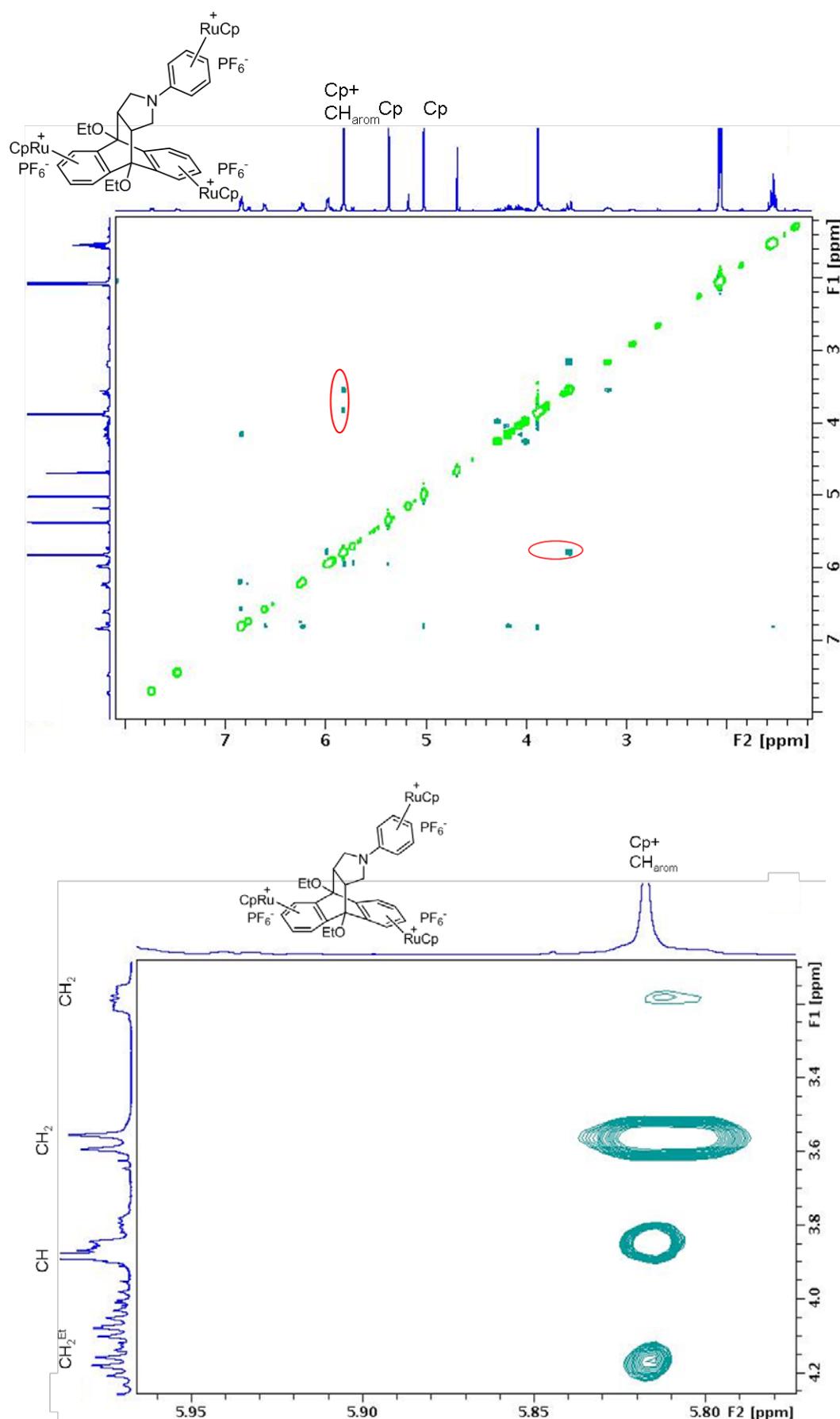


Fig. S7. NOESY NMR spectrum (300 MHz, $(CD_3)_2CO$, 298 K) and selected NOE contacts for DRu3.

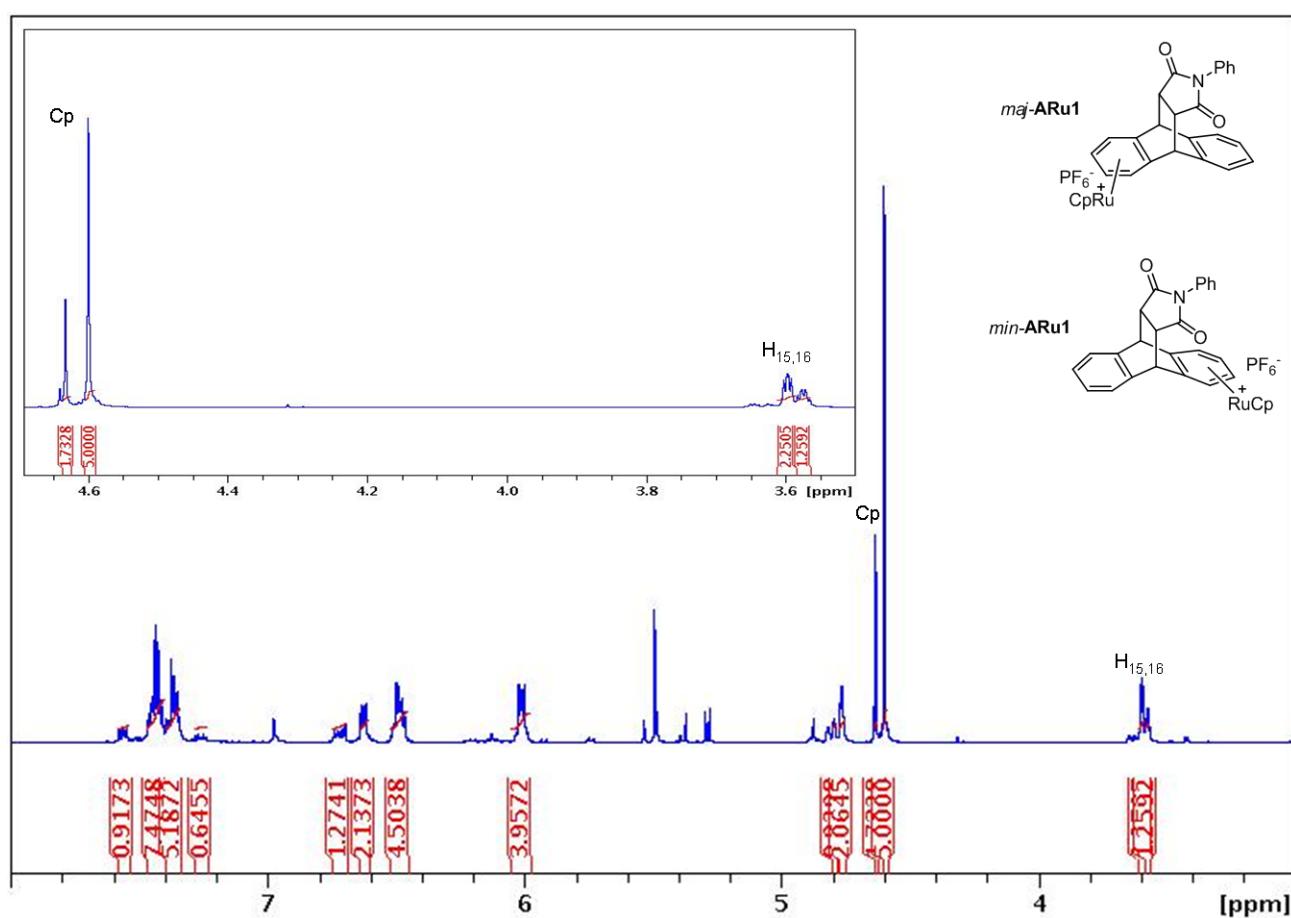


Fig. S8. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD_3CN , 298 K) spectrum for **ARu1**.

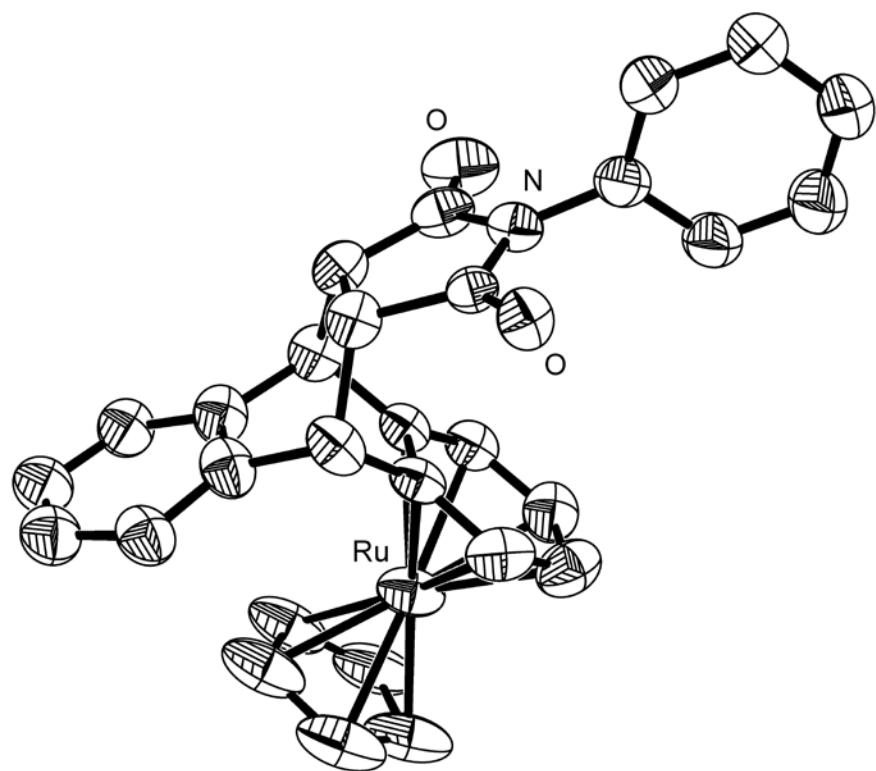


Fig. S9. Molecular view of the cation corresponding to complex **ARu1** (ellipsoids representing 50% probability). Hydrogen atoms and the hexafluorophosphate anion are omitted for clarity.

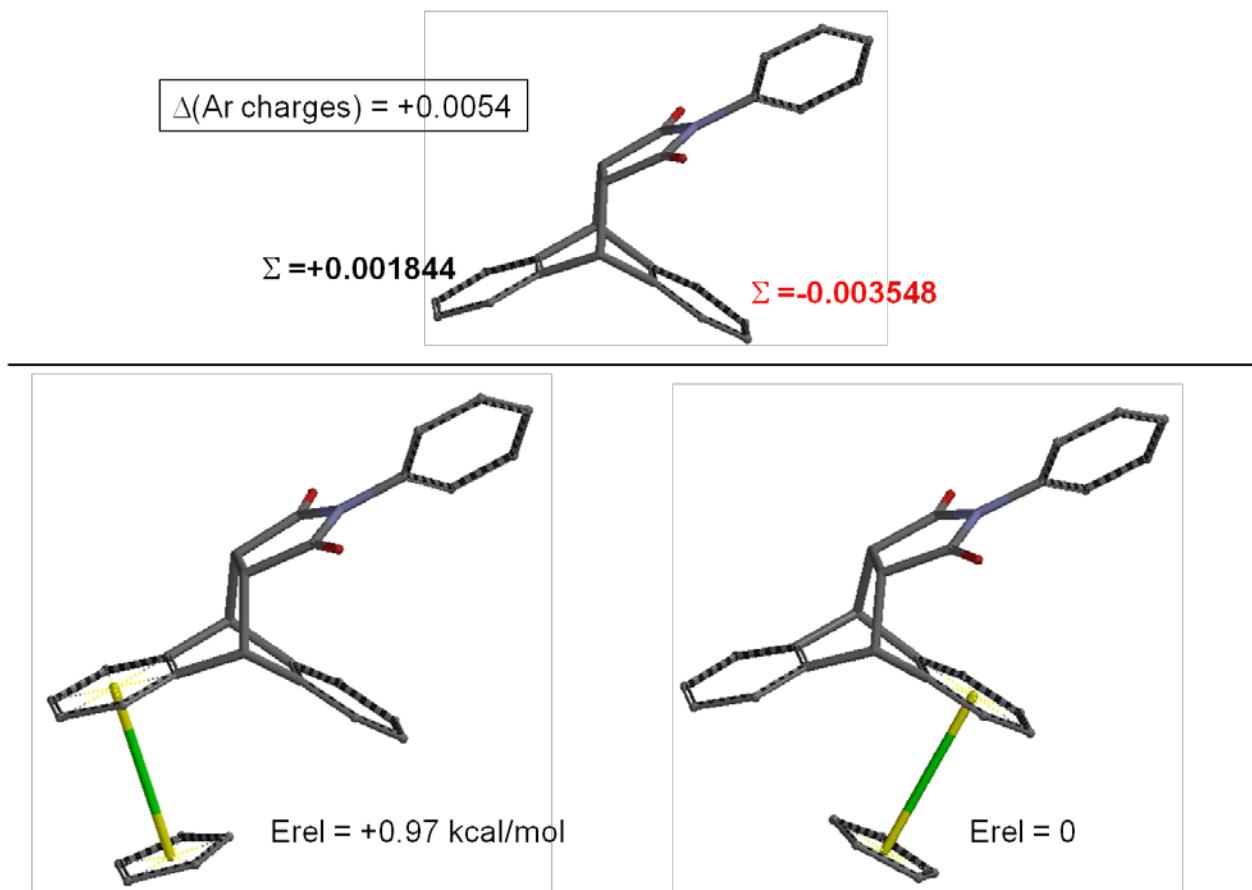


Fig. S10. Calculated structures (DFT) for cations $[\text{RuCp}((\eta^6\text{-arene})\mathbf{A})]^+$ showing the coordination through **Ar1** (bottom, left) and **Ar2** (bottom, right). Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. NAP charges calculated for ligand **A** for both aromatic cycles, **Ar1** and **Ar2**. Energy values relative to the most stable isomer.

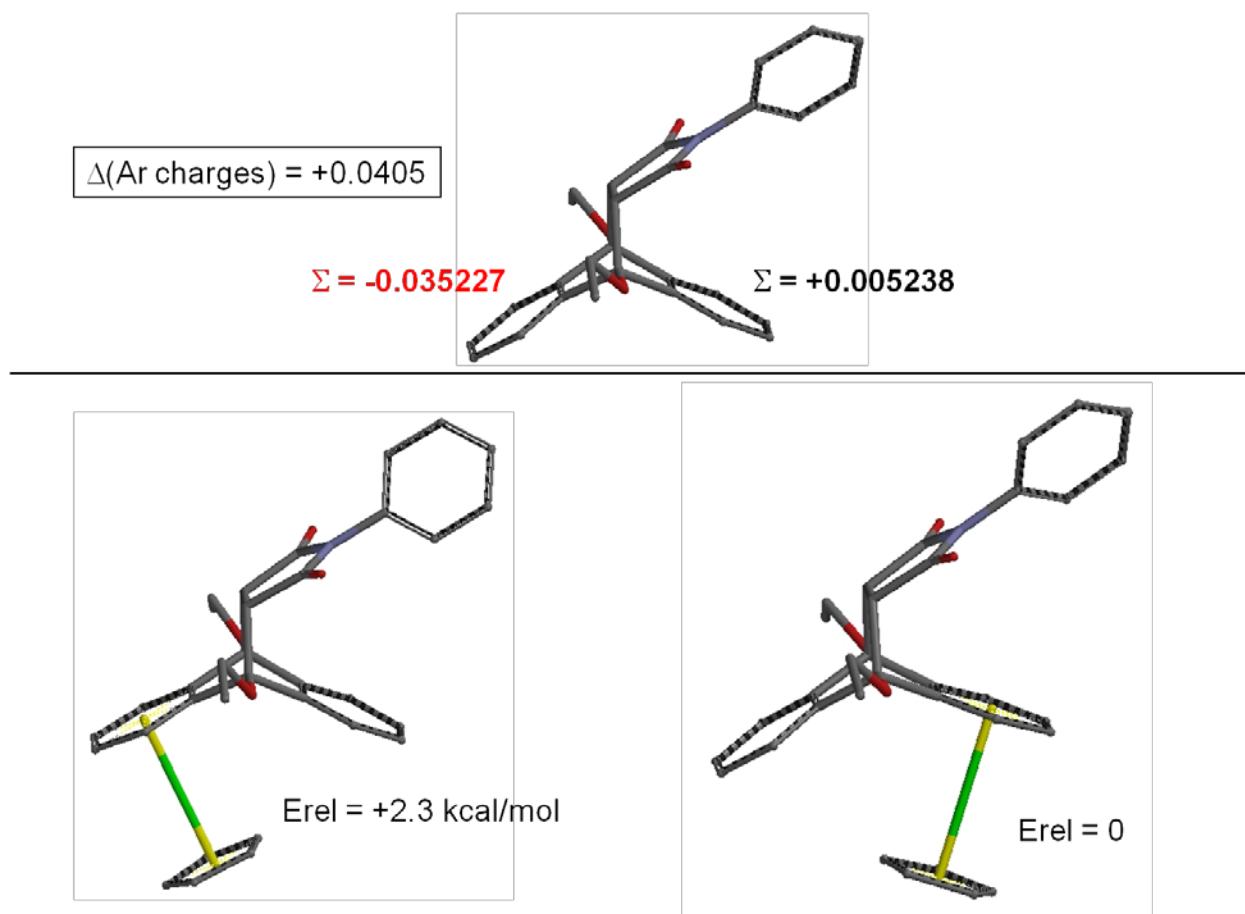


Fig. S11. Calculated structures (DFT) for cations $[\text{RuCp}((\eta^6\text{-arene})\mathbf{B})]^+$ showing the coordination through **Ar1** (bottom, left) and **Ar2** (bottom, right). Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. NAP charges calculated for ligand **B** for both aromatic cycles, **Ar1** and **Ar2**. Energy values relative to the most stable isomer.