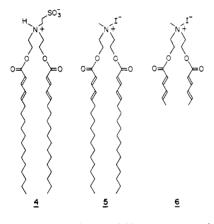
phore is not aggregated. The lipid phase transition is 11 °C for bilayers of 3a;¹² therefore, the membranes were in the liquid analogous phase during the measurement at room temperature.

The longer chain disorbyl PC **3b** forms bilayer membranes with a phase transition at 33 $^{\circ}$ C.¹² The absorption maxima (room temperature) of 3b in acetonitrile is the same as 3a, 257 nm. However, in water the 3b vesicles absorption shows a hypsochromic shift to 242 nm with a diminished extinction coefficient. This indicates the chain terminal sorbyl group is aggregated in the bilayer solidlike phase. When the vesicles are warmed above the phase transition temperature, 40 °C, the absorption shifts to 257 nm with a doubling of the extinction coefficient.

Previously we reported a 6000-fold difference in photosensitivity of lipid diacetylene bilayers as a function of the lipid structure.¹³ The reactivity of the phospholipid and dialkyl dimethylammonium halide analogues was interpretable based on the conformational preferences of these molecules. The glycerol backbone of phospholipids is approximately perpendicular to the plane of the bilayer with the two alkyl chains extending unequal distances into the bilayer membrane.¹⁴ The synthetic lipid dialkyl dimethylammonium salts¹⁵ have planes of symmetry, which suggest that both hydrocarbon chains penetrate equally into the bilayer membrane.

Indeed, the molecular assemblies of the symmetrical molecules 4 and 5 in water show a pronounced hypsochromic shift from the



monomer absorption maxima at 260 nm to approximately 235 nm ($\Delta \nu = 4000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$). This spectral effect is similar to that observed upon the formation of dimers and higher aggregates of dye molecules in monolayers and adsorbed on surfaces.¹⁶ The size of the shift indicates the aggregates in these vesicles are larger than dimers. We propose that the spectral shift is due to the bilayer induced close packing of the chromophores in these symmetric molecules. A test of this hypothesis is provided by the absorption of aqueous dispersions of 6, which forms micelles in water. In contrast to the longer chain bilayer former, 5, the absorption maximum of 6 in water is not shifted. Consequently, the chromophores have more freedom of motion in the micelle and are not constrained in a structure that favors aggregation. This is consistent with the view that amphiphile chain packing is looser and more disorganized in micelles than bilayers. In contrast to micelles, tightly organized assemblies of dienoylcontaining amphiphiles such as monolayers and multilayers should show short wavelength absorption due to aggregate formation. This prediction has recently been confirmed.¹⁷

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In summary, the unsymmetrical dienovl PCs do not show evidence of bilayer-induced aggregation, whereas the symmetrical dimethyldialkylammonium halides favor chromophore aggregation with a pronounced hypsochromic absorption shift. These data demonstrate the utility of dienoyl lipids as probes of lipid chain packing in lipid assemblies.

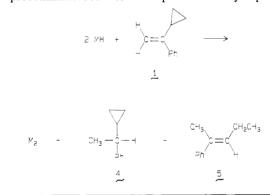
Hydrogen Atom Transfer Reactions of Transition-Metal Hydrides. Utilization of a Radical Rearrangement in the Determination of Hydrogen Atom Transfer Rates

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The reaction of a transition-metal hydride with an unsaturated substrate is a critical step in several catalytic reactions. Commonly accepted mechanisms¹ for homogeneous hydrogenation and hydroformylation have traditionally involved even-electron intermediates conforming to the 16- and 18-electron rule.² Recently, kinetic and spectroscopic (CIDNP) evidence has been reported in support of odd-electron pathways for reactions of metal hydrides with substituted styrenes,³ anthracenes,⁴ allenes,⁵ and conjugated dienes,⁶ all of which form stabilized (benzylic or allylic) radicals. We report a new approach, in which metal hydrides are reacted with vinylcyclopropanes, which contain a radical clock.⁷

The reaction of α -cyclopropylstyrene (1, 0.052 M) with $HCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$ (0.155 M) in benzene at room temperature resulted in hydrogenation of the carbon-carbon double bond as the predominant reaction and produced 1-cyclopropyl-1-



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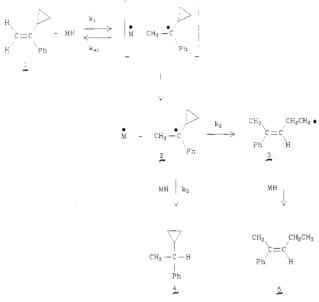
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Table I. Reaction Conditions and Product Yields from the Reaction of Metal Hydrides with α -Cyclopropylstyrene (1)

МН	[MH], M	[1], M	conditions ^a	% yield ^b 4	% yield ^b 5
$HCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$	0.155	0.052	4 d, 22 °C	85	7
$HMo(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$	0.579	0.20	24 h, 65 °C	68	25
$HMo(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$	0.545	0.20	2 h, 100 °C	43	48
$HW(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$	0.571	0.20	50 h, 100 °C	23	65
$HFe(CO)_2(C_5H_5)$	0.05	0.017	14 d, 22 °C	83	0.8
$HFe(CO)_2(C_5Me_5)$	0.230	0.068	7 h, 65 °C	62	30
$HFe(CO)(PMe_3)(C_5H_5)$	0.264	0.093	20 h, 65 °C	17	64

^aIn benzene or toluene solvent (or deuteriated analogues), except HFe-(CO)₂(C₅H₅), which was carried out in hexane. ^b Yields are based on consumed 1 and were determined by GC with an internal standard. Reactions were carried out to 97-100% conversion, except HFe(CO)(PMe₃)(C₅H₅), which was anayzed at 82% conversion.

Scheme I



phenylethane (4) in 85% yield. A small amount (7%) of the rearranged product (E)-2-phenyl-2-pentene (5) was also formed. $HFe(CO)_2(C_5H_5)$ also reacted with 1 at room temperature to give a good yield of 4 and a trace of 5. Several related metal hydrides react with 1 at 65-100 °C to produce substantial quantities of 5 in addition to 4; results are summarized in Table I. We propose the mechanism shown in Scheme I, which involves hydrogen atom transfer from the metal hydride to 1, followed by subsequent hydrogen atom transfer to the unrearranged (2) or rearranged (3) carbon-centered radicals.

Several lines of evidence argue against alternative mechanisms. The reactions proceed identically when carried out under vacuum or under 1 atm CO, indicating CO dissociation is unlikely. The similar reactivity of HCr(CO)₃(C₅H₅) (p $K_a = 13.3$)^{8a} and HFe(CO)₂(C₅H₅) (pK_a = 19.4)^{8b} rules out proton transfer re-activity of the hydrides^{8c} and subsequent carbocation rear-rangement.⁹ Addition of $[(C_5H_5)Cr(CO)_3]_2$ to a solution of $HCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$ and 1, and photolysis into the 620-nm band of the dimer, resulted in no change in the rate of formation of 4 and 5. A large rate acceleration would have been expected if the mechanism involved 17-electron $(C_5H_5)Cr(CO)_3$ as a chain-carrying species.¹⁰

The unsubstituted cyclopropylcarbinyl radical ring opening rearrangment¹¹ is a well-known radical clock⁷ ($k = 2.1 \times 10^8 \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 25 °C).¹² The substituted cyclopropylcarbinyl radical utilized in this study is a tertiary benzylic radical which rearranges more slowly. Our preliminary results from pulse radiolysis of (c- C_3H_5)(CH₃)(Ph)COCOCH₃ in hexane at 22 °C provide an estimate of $k_2 \approx 4 \times 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1}$ for this ring-opening rearrangement.¹³ The competition for radical 2 between rearrangement (first order, k_2) and trapping by MH (second order, k_3) predicts formation of more of the rearranged product 5 at lower $[HCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)]$. Accordingly, a plot of [4]/[5] vs. $[HCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)]$ gives a straight line with a slope of $k_3/k_2 = 1.1 \times 10^2 \text{ M}^{-1}$. Use of the value of k_2 allows the calculation¹⁵ of the absolute rate constant for hydrogen atom transfer from HCr(CO)₃(C₅H₅) to **2** as $k_3 \approx$ $4 \times 10^7 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. For HFe(CO)₂(C₅H₅) in hexane we estimate $k_3 \approx 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. A recent study of radical chain reactions by Darensbourg, Newcomb, and co-workers gave a measurement of $k = 1.81 \times 10^7 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for the rate constant of hydrogen atom transfer from HCr(CO)₅⁻ to the 2,2-dimethyl-3-butenyl radical.¹⁷ This rate constant is very similar to an earlier estimate by Bergman et al. of $2 \times 10^7 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for the reaction of $\text{HV}(\text{CO})_3(\dot{\text{C}}_5\text{H}_5)^-$ with the 2-allyloxyethyl radical.¹⁸ In contrast, rate constants for hydrogen atom donation from the main group hydride HSnBu₃ to simple alkyl radicals such as ethyl, isopropyl, or butyl span the narrow range of $(1.5-2.4) \times 10^6 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1.19}$

To assess the possibility of similar hydrogen atom transfer reactivity of a metal hydride to form a radical which does not benefit from benzylic stabilization, we reacted $HCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$ with 2-cyclopropylpropene.²⁰ At 68 °C (under vacuum or 1 atm CO) the products were 2-methyl-2-pentene and isopropylcyclopropane (combined yields $\sim 80\%$), with the unrearranged/rearranged product ratio increasing linearly with $[HCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)]$. The kinetics of the reaction were found to conform to the rate law $-d[CH_2=C(c-C_3H_5)(CH_3)]/dt = k[CH_2=C(c-C_3H_5)-$

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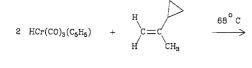
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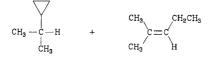
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 (CH_3)][HCr(CO)₃(C₅H₅)]; at 68 °C, $k = 2.2(3) \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. Use of $DCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$ led to the observation of an inverse isotope effect, ${}^{3,4,6}k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D} \sim 0.5$. Additionally, the reversibility of the equilibrium³⁶ between the reactants and the caged radical pair was demonstrated by ¹H NMR observation of deuterium incorporation into the vinyl and methyl positions of 2-cyclopropylpropene when it was reacted with $DCr(CO)_3(C_5H_5)$. To our knowledge this is the first direct experimental evidence for hydrogen atom transfer from a metal hydride to an alkene which cannot form a stabilized benzylic or allylic intermediate, and we are exploring the reactivity of this alkene with other metal hydrides. We are also studying the reactions of 1 with $HCo(CO)_4$ and $HMn(CO)_5$ to compare its behavior under catalytic and stoichiometric conditions.

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Crystal Structures and Stereospecific Propylene Polymerizations with Chiral Hafnium Metallocene Catalysts

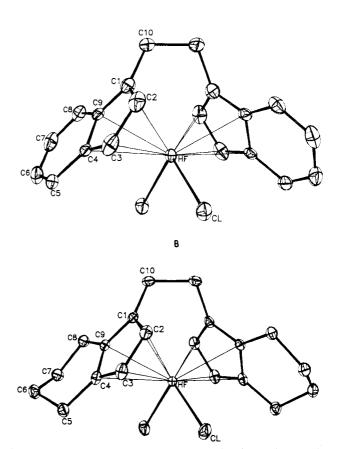
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Ligand effects on stereoregulation with homogeneous catalsyts¹⁻³ have stimulated considerable interest in Ziegler–Natta propylene polymerizations with metallocene catalysts.⁴⁻¹¹ The major lim-



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Figure 1. (a) Molecular structure of rac-Et[Ind]₂HfCl₂. (b) Molecular structure of rac-Et[IndH₄]₂HfCl₂. The atoms are represented by their 40% probability ellipsoids, and the figures depict the 1R-enantiomers.

Table I. Polymerization Results with Chiral Hf and Zr Metallocenes^a

metallocene (mg)	polym, T, °C	10 ⁻⁶ ·Rp, g/mol-M·h	10 ⁻³ •₩w	₩/Mīn	mp, ℃
Et[Ind] ₂ HfCl ₂ (0.17)	50	26.8	≥724	2.2	136
$Et[Ind]_2HfCl_2$ (3.4)	50	43.6	304	2.3	136
$Et[IndH_4]_2HfCl_2$ (1.41)	50	9.1	150	2.2	142
$Et[IndH_4]_2HfCl_2$ (1.48)	80	34.8	42	2.4	127
$Et[Ind]_2ZrCl_2$ (1.44)	50	21.2	28	2.1	134
$Et[IndH_4]_2ZrCl_2 (1.45)^b$	80	25.5	9	2.1	117

"Conditions: The polymerizations were studied in propylene/toluene mixtures unless otherwise stated. ^bBulk propylene. See Supplementary Materials for additional details.

itations to development in this area have been that the titanium catalysts are unstable at conventional polymerization temperatures^{1,2} and that the zirconium analogues only produce low molecular weight oligomers in significant quantities.^{3,10,11}

In this contribution we describe the structures and the polymerization behavior of both rac-ethylenebis(indenyl)hafnium(IV) dichloride (rac-Et[Ind]₂HfCl₂) and rac-ethylenebis(4,5,6,7tetrahydro-1-indenyl)hafnium(IV) dichloride (rac-Et-[IndH₄]₂HfCl₂). The results are compared to those with Ti and Zr analogues. The new Hf catalysts are the first metallocenes to provide high yields of high molecular weight isotactic polypropylene.

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