

Isolation of a Terminal Organocerium Acetylide Complex and its Reactivity with Enolizable Ketones

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'Milder' nucleophilic alkyl group



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"Little is known of the structure of these organoceriums, or the exact nature of the reactive species."

"It must be noted that, despite extensive efforts, the solution structure of the reagent formed from $CeCl_3$ and Grignard reagents is still obscure."





Can we make a cerium hydrocarbyl complex that shows carbonyl addition reactions?

Ln & An Hydrocarbyl Complexes with Ketones





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Synthesis of Na[Ce(OTf)(bdmmp)₃]





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¹H NMR of Na[Ce(C=CPh)(bdmmp)₃] in benzene- d_6



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$Na[Ce(C \equiv CPh)(bdmmp)_3]$ in benzene-d₆, 130 °C in J. Young tube



Reactions to Coordinate Other Hydrocarbyl Groups







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Reactivity of Ce–C_{acetylide} Bond on Enolizable Ketones





Crystal Structures





http://www.chem.wisc.edu/areas/reich/pkatable/

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Carbonyl Addition Reaction with 1,1-diphenylacetone





C -2.83 H +0.13 N +0.73

1,2-addition of Benzylidene acetone into Ce-C_{acetylide} Bond





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With Highly Enolizable Ketone, *β*-tetralone











- 1. The structure of the first terminal trivalent cerium acetylide complex was determined.
- 2. Utilization of high Lewis acidity of the cerium metal ion;
 a) Even though deprotonation of α-proton was thermodynamically favorable, insertion into Ce–C bond occurred.
 b) Successfully proved 1,2-adduct from benzylidene acetone
- Lability of pendant amine groups on bdmmp⁻ afford the ketone substrates accessible to the cerium metal center, making carbonyl group more vulnerable to nucleophilic attack by the acetylide.



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