

Communication

**Syntheses, Fluxional Behavior and Crystal Structures of the *endo* and *exo*  $\eta^3$ -Allyl Monocarbonyl Dithiocarbonate and Dithiocarbamate Molybdenum Complexes: Crystal Structures of *exo*-[Mo( $\eta^3$ -allyl)( $\eta^2$ -S<sub>2</sub>COC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(CO)( $\eta^2$ -dppm)] and *endo*-[Mo( $\eta^3$ -allyl)( $\eta^2$ -S<sub>2</sub>CNC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>)(CO)( $\eta^2$ -dppe)]**

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The novel *endo* and *exo* complexes [Mo( $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)( $\eta^2$ -L<sub>2</sub>)(CO)( $\eta^2$ -dppm)] are accessible by the reactions of the complexes [Mo( $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(CO)<sub>2</sub>( $\eta^2$ -L<sub>2</sub>)(X)] (L<sub>2</sub>, X = S<sub>2</sub>COEt, CH<sub>3</sub>CN; S<sub>2</sub>CNC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>; S<sub>2</sub>CNEt<sub>2</sub>) with dppm. X-ray crystal structures of *exo*-2 and *endo*-5 have been employed to elucidate the two orientations.

Fluxionality in the complexes [Mo( $\eta^3$ -allyl)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(L<sup>1</sup>)(L<sup>2</sup>)X]<sup>1</sup> (L<sup>1</sup>, L<sup>2</sup>: pyrazolylborate,  $\beta$ -diketonate, dithio, X: neutral monodentate ligand; L<sup>1</sup>, L<sup>2</sup>: diphos, pyridylphosphane, X: halide) is attributed to an intramolecular trigonal twist, in which the rotation of the triangular face formed by the L<sup>1</sup>L<sup>2</sup>X groups is relative to the face formed by the allyl and the two carbonyl groups. A novel pivoted double switch<sup>2</sup> and a pyridyl-exchange mechanism have been reported when the L<sup>1</sup>L<sup>2</sup> ligands were replaced by pyridylphosphane or their oxide ligands. X-ray crystallographic studies of the above-mentioned complexes have so far revealed three different solid-state structures as depicted in Fig. 1 (A-C).

The rigid and nonrigid cyclopentadienyl complexes *endo*-, *exo*-*cis*-*syn*-[CpMo(NO)(CO){ $\eta^3$ -CH(Ph)CHCH<sub>2</sub>}][BF<sub>4</sub>]<sup>3</sup> and *endo*-, *exo*-[( $\eta^5$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-COPhe-OMe)Mo( $\eta^3$ -allyl)(CO)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>4</sup> have become known recently. On the other hand, conformations and fluxional behavior of complexes including Mo( $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)( $\eta^2$ -SS)(CO) moiety have not been very

well studied.

Treatment of [Mo(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)( $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(CO)<sub>2</sub>( $\eta^2$ -S<sub>2</sub>COEt)] (1a) with dppm in acetonitrile at room temperature yields mixtures of the air-stable and orange-yellow complexes [Mo( $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)( $\eta^2$ -S<sub>2</sub>COEt)(CO)( $\eta^2$ -dppm)] (*endo*-, *exo*-2) with ca. 88% yield (Scheme I). In the *endo* and *exo* orientations, the open faces of the allyl group point toward the carbonyl group and away from it, respectively. The spectroscopic<sup>5</sup> and analytical data of *endo*-, *exo*-2 are obtained. In the FAB mass spectra, base peaks with the typical Mo isotope distribution are in good agreement with the [M]<sup>+</sup> molecular masses of *endo*-, *exo*-2. The IR spectra of *endo*-, *exo*-2 shows one terminal carbonyl-stretching band at 1801 cm<sup>-1</sup>. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of *exo*-2 the methylene protons of the dppm ligand and allyl protons exhibit resonances at  $\delta$  2.41, 3.86 and at  $\delta$  2.24, 2.55 (*Hanti*), 3.78, 4.21 (*Hsyn*), 4.92 (*Hcenter*), respectively. The corresponding <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR signals are at  $\delta$  41.5, and  $\delta$  54.5, 58.4, and 68.9. The <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} spectra of

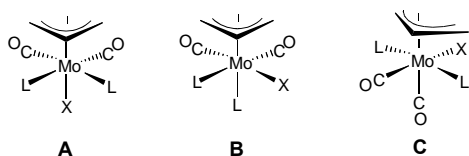
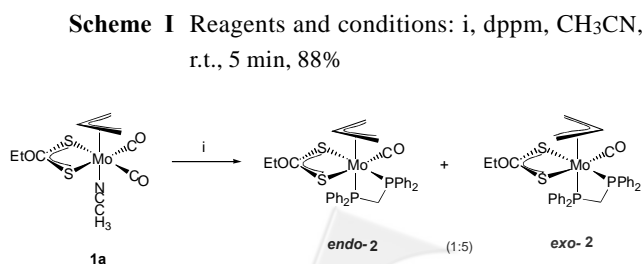


Fig. 1. Three possible structures A, B and C for [Mo( $\eta^3$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(L<sup>1</sup>)(L<sup>2</sup>)X].

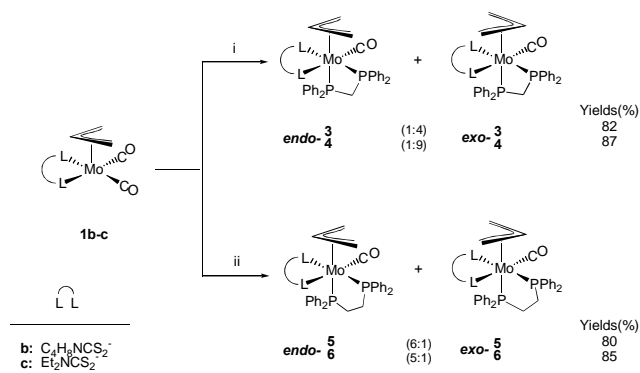


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*endo*-, *exo*-**2** show resonances at  $\delta$  6.9, 32.8 ( $^2J_{P,P} = 52.7$ ) and  $\delta$  3.4, 27.4 ( $^2J_{P,P} = 63.1$ ) with a 1:5 ratio.

Similar *endo*-**3,4** and *exo*-**3,4** complexes are prepared by using the 16 electron complexes **1b,c** with dpmm in refluxing acetonitrile (Scheme II). Ratios of 1:4 and 1:9 of complexes *endo*-, *exo*-**3** and *endo*-, *exo*-**4** are obtained by integrating from  $^{31}\text{P}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra. To investigate the relation between orientations and diphos ligand, we carried out the reactions of **1b-c** with dppe yielding complexes  $[\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\eta^2\text{-L}_2)(\text{CO})(\eta^2\text{-dppe})]^\ddagger$  ( $\text{L}_2 = \text{S}_2\text{CNC}_4\text{H}_8$ , *endo*-, *exo*-**5**;  $\text{L}_2 = \text{S}_2\text{CNEt}_2$ , *endo*-, *exo*-**6**) with ratios of 6:1 and 5:1, respectively (Scheme II). On the basis of the above-mentioned experiments, we can conclude: (1) the dpmm ligand improves the formation of *exo*-products, whereas the dppe ligand improves *endo*-products, and (2) *exo*-complexes show larger  $J_{P,P}$  coupling constants than the *endo*-complexes.

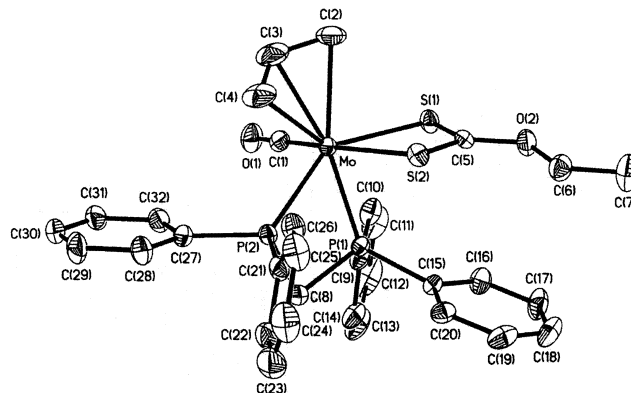
**Scheme II** Reagents and conditions: i, dpmm,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ , reflux, 1 h; ii, dppe,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ , reflux, 1 h



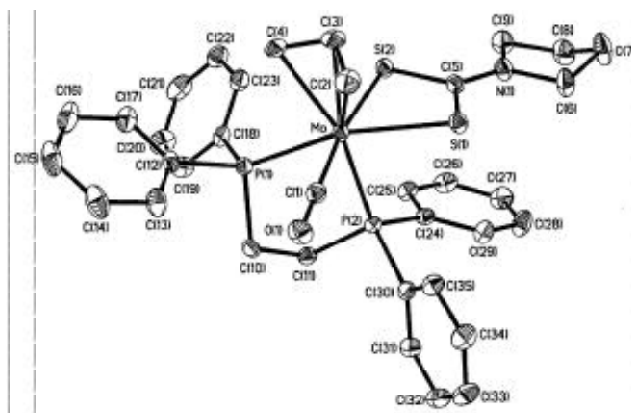
The aforementioned conformations of *exo*-**2** and *endo*-**5** have been performed by X-ray diffraction studies at 150 K.<sup>6</sup> ORTEP plots of *exo*-**2** and *endo*-**5** are shown in Figs. 2 and 3, respectively. Clearly, the open face of the allyl group is toward the carbonyl group in *endo*-**5** and away in *exo*-**2**. The two structures confirm unequivalent allyl groups. One of the sulfur atoms of dithioligand is *trans* to the diphos: S(1)-Mo-P(2), 141.77(4)° in *exo*-**2** and S(1)-Mo-P(1), 156.16(2)° in *endo*-**5**, while the other is *trans* to carbonyl: S(2)-Mo-C(1), 167.89(10)° in *exo*-**2** and S(2)-Mo-C(1), 170.65(6)° in *endo*-**5**. The Mo-S and Mo-allyl bond distances in *exo*-**2** and *endo*-**5** are consistent with the values reported for  $\text{Mo}^{\text{II}}$ -S and numerous Mo-allyl systems. The difference between the bond distances and intercarbon angle of allyl group in *exo*-**2** (1.371(7), 1.365(7) Å and 121.5(5)°) and *endo*-**5** (1.399(3), 1.423(3) Å and 116.8(2)°) is not very significant and is in the region of related  $\text{Mo}^{\text{II}}$ -allylic compounds (1.31-1.42 Å, 115-

125°).<sup>7</sup>

To test the generality of these reactions, we have studied other Mo-allyl systems. Interestingly, the reactions of  $[\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\eta^2\text{-L}_2)(\text{CO})(\text{X})]$  ( $\text{L}_2, \text{X} = \text{H}_2\text{BPz}_2'$ ; pentane-



**Fig. 2.** ORTEP drawing for  $[\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\eta^2\text{-S}_2\text{COC}_2\text{H}_5)(\text{CO})(\eta^2\text{-dppm})]$  (*exo*-**2**). Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) are as follows: Mo-C(2) 2.357(4), Mo-C(3) 2.328(4), Mo-C(4) 2.341(4), Mo-S(1) 2.5157(6), Mo-S(2) 2.6102(9), C(2)-C(3) 1.371(7), C(3)-C(4) 1.365(4); S(2)-Mo-C(1) 167.89(10), S(1)-Mo-P(2) 141.77(4), C(2)-C(3)-C(4) 121.5(5), P(1)-Mo-P(2) 67.44(3), S(1)-Mo-S(2) 68.53(3).



**Fig. 3.** ORTEP drawing for  $[\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\eta^2\text{-S}_2\text{CNC}_4\text{H}_8)(\text{CO})(\eta^2\text{-dppe})]$  (*endo*-**5**). Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) are as follows: Mo-C(2) 2.349(2), Mo-C(3) 2.230(2), Mo-C(4) 2.305(2), Mo-S(1) 2.5588(8), Mo-S(2) 2.6248(5), C(2)-C(3) 1.399(3), C(3)-C(4) 1.423(3); S(2)-Mo-C(1) 170.65(6), S(1)-Mo-P(2) 156.160(19), C(2)-C(3)-C(4) 116.8(2), P(1)-Mo-P(2) 78.858(18), S(1)-Mo-S(2) 68.071(17).

2,4-dionate, CH<sub>3</sub>CN) with dppm gave Mo(CO)<sub>2</sub>(dppm)<sub>2</sub> by the replacement of anionic bidentate ligands. This may be due to electronic factors since H<sub>2</sub>BPz<sub>2</sub> and pentane-2,4-dionate ligand are weaker donors than dithiocarbamate and dithiocarbonato ligands.

In order to investigate the fluxionality between *endo*, *exo*-**3** and *endo*, *exo*-**5** complexes, the variable-temperature <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra were recorded in the range of 210 K–333 K. In the range of 210 K–273 K, none of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra changed and the ratio was retained. As depicted in Fig. 4, the variable-temperature <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra show interconversion of *endo*-**5** to *exo*-**5** at 318 K and four doublets of different intensity at 278 K. The line shapes calculated from variable-temperature <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra<sup>8</sup> of *endo*, *exo*-**3** at 318 K yield values of 15.6 ± 0.2 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup> for ΔG<sup>‡</sup> and 14.8 ± 0.2 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup> for *endo*, *exo*-**5** at 298 K. The large activation energy of *endo*, *exo*-**3** compared with *endo*, *exo*-**5** is due to the bite angles and that dppm increases the barrier most effectively. Addition of free dppe and C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>NCS<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> ligand had no effect on these variable-temperature spectra of *endo*, *exo*-**3,5** and therefore a rearrangement involving a π-σ-π<sup>9</sup> process or dissociation of the dppe or dithiocarbamate ligand seems unlikely. Noticeably, the original ratios of *endo* and *exo* were retained when the variable-temperature experiments were finished. Compared with other intramolecular trigonal twist rearrangement complexes, the activation en-

ergy of *endo*, *exo*-**3,5** is larger than those of complexes [M(η<sup>3</sup>-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(diphos)]<sup>10</sup> (M = Mo, W; diphos = dppm, dppe) (10.0–11.9 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>), [Mo(CO)(η<sup>3</sup>-allyl){η<sup>2</sup>-S<sub>2</sub>P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>}(X)]<sup>11</sup> (X = CH<sub>3</sub>CN, 11.6; C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>NH, 12.6 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>) but similar to the allyl rotation complex [Mo(η<sup>5</sup>-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-COPhe-OMe)(η<sup>3</sup>-allyl)(CO)<sub>2</sub>] (15.0 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>4</sup> Rotation of the allyl group has been reported in complexes [CpMo(η<sup>3</sup>-allyl)(CO)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>12</sup> and [Pd(η<sup>3</sup>-allyl)(η<sup>2</sup>-LL)]<sup>9</sup> but no example in a Mo(η<sup>3</sup>-allyl)(CO)(η<sup>2</sup>-SS) system. The spectral observations on the dynamic species and the data of activation energy<sup>13</sup> of complexes *endo*, *exo*-**3,5** reveal that the isomers undergo mutual exchange by the rotation of the metal-allyl bond. The determination of other conformations of complexes with [Mo(η<sup>3</sup>-allyl)(CO)(L<sub>1</sub>L<sub>1</sub>)(L<sub>2</sub>L<sub>2</sub>)]<sup>+</sup> type (LL: neutral bidentate ligands) and controlling the regiochemistry of nucleophilic attack on the *endo*, *exo*-complexes are currently under investigation.

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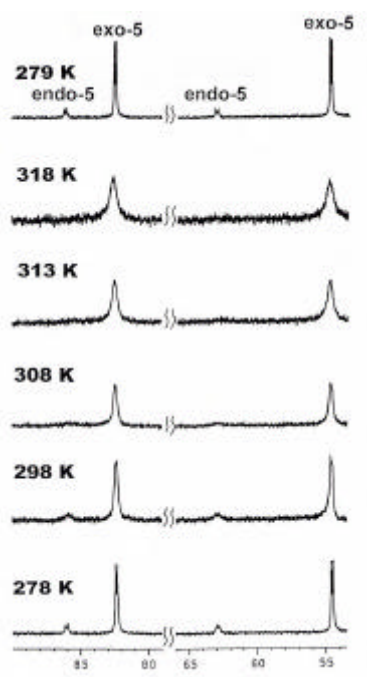


Fig. 4. Variable-temperature <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR observations of the mixture *endo*, *exo*-**5** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

(MHz) NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, relative to SiMe<sub>4</sub>, multiplicity, assignment, *J* in Hz) <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} (121.5 MHz) NMR (H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> external standard). **1a**: IR (KBr, ν<sub>CO</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1935 (vs), 1860 (vs). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 1.35 (m, 2H, *Hanti*), 1.33, (t, 3H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, *J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 11.6), 2.05 (br, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>CN), 3.29 (d, 2H, *Hsyn*, *J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 10.8), 4.22 (m, 1H, *Hcentre*), 4.46 (q, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>, *J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 11.6). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: δ 0.9 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>CN), 13.1 (s, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 56.4 (br, terminal C of allyl), 67.7 (s, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.2 (br, centre C of allyl), 116.2 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>CN), 227.2 (s, CO). MS (FAB, NBA, *m/z*): 355.9 (M<sup>+</sup>). **Endo, exo-2**: IR (KBr, ν<sub>CO</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1801 (vs). MS (FAB, NBA, *m/z*): 672 (M<sup>+</sup>), 644 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: **endo-2**: δ 6.9, 32.8 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 52.7), **exo-2**: δ 3.4, 27.4 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 63.1), <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 1.10 (t, 3H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, *J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 11.7), 2.24, 2.55 (d, 2H, *Hanti*, *J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 13.3), 2.41, 3.86 (m, 2H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.78, 4.21 (m, 2H, *Hsyn*), 4.00 (m, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.92 (m, 1H, *Hcentre*). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: δ 13.7 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>CN), 41.5 (t, PCH<sub>2</sub>, *J*<sub>P-C</sub> = 20.5), 54.5, 58.4 (s, terminal C of allyl), 66.7 (s, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 68.9 (s, centre C of allyl), 222.6 (s, CS<sub>2</sub>), 227.1 (s, CO).

**Endo, exo-3**: IR (KBr, ν<sub>CO</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1781 (vs). MS (FAB, NBA, *m/z*): 685 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: **endo-3**: δ 4.7, 32.4 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 48.1), **exo-3**: δ 1.8, 26.9 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 61.6). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: δ 204.0 (d, CS<sub>2</sub>, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>P-C</sub> = 3.5), 227.6, 227.7 (s, CO). MS (FAB, NBA, *m/z*): 697 (M<sup>+</sup>), 669 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO). **endo, exo-4**: IR (KBr, ν<sub>CO</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1806 (vs). MS (FAB, NBA, *m/z*): 671 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: **endo-4**: δ 4.0, 32.6 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 51.1), **exo-4**: δ 0.5, 27.7 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 64.2). **endo, exo-5**: IR (KBr, ν<sub>CO</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1791 (vs). MS (FAB, NBA, *m/z*): 711 (M<sup>+</sup>), 683 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: **endo-5**: δ 54.5, 82.3 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 26.1), **exo-5**: δ 62.9, 86.0 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 39.1). **endo, exo-6**: IR (KBr, ν<sub>CO</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1791 (vs). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: **endo-6**: δ 53.3, 82.7 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 26.1), **exo-6**: δ 62.3, 86.6 (d, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>P-P</sub> = 39.3).

6. *Crystal data for exo-2*: C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>32</sub>MoO<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, space group P2<sub>1</sub>, a = 10.2519(2) Å, b = 12.8528(2) Å, c = 11.7698(2) Å, β = 103.0812(9)°, V = 1510.61(5) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 2, D<sub>calcd</sub> = 1.474 gcm<sup>-3</sup>, μ = 0.707 mm<sup>-1</sup>, independent reflections 6668, θ<sub>range</sub> = 1.78-27.50°. Total number of parameters: 353. R = 0.036, R<sub>w</sub> = 0.076; GOF = 1.039, Mo Kα radiation; λ = 0.71073 Å; T = 150(1) K; ΔF = 0.946, -0.654e Å<sup>3</sup>. **endo-5**·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:

C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>39</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>MoNOP<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, space group P2<sub>1</sub>/n, a = 11.3200(1) Å, b = 15.8152(2) Å, c = 19.6732(2) Å, β = 90.3932(4)°, V = 3521.97(7) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 4, D<sub>calcd</sub> = 1.499 gcm<sup>-3</sup>, μ = 0.764 mm<sup>-1</sup>, independent reflections 8065, θ<sub>range</sub> = 1.65-27.50°. Total number of parameters: 407. R = 0.029, R<sub>w</sub> = 0.074; GOF = 1.118, Mo Kα radiation; λ = 0.71073 Å; T = 150(1) K; ΔF = 0.634, -0.517e Å<sup>3</sup>. Absorption corrections of **exo-2** and **endo-5** have been carried out. The two structures were solved by Patterson synthesis and then refined *via* standard least-squares and difference Fourier techniques. Non-hydrogen atoms were refined by using anisotropic thermal parameters.

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