

Supporting Information for:

Unsaturated Chiral-only-at-Metal Rhodium(III) Complexes bearing SiN-type Ligands

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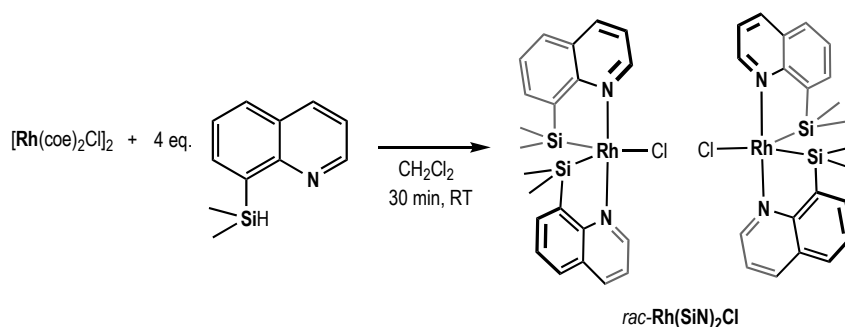
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1. General Considerations

All manipulations, unless otherwise stated, were performed under an atmosphere of argon, using standard Schlenk techniques. Glassware was oven-dried at 110 °C overnight and flamed under vacuum prior to use. Dry and oxygen-free solvents were employed. *rac*-**Rh(SiN)₂Cl**,¹ 8-(dimethylsilyl)quinoline,² Na[S-B(R-Man)₂],³ Na[R-B(S-Man)₂]³ and Na[BAr^F₄]⁴ were prepared as previously described. NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Ultra Shift 500 MHz and Bruker Advance DPX 300 MHz spectrometer. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were referenced to the residual solvent signals and ²⁹Si NMR spectra were referenced against Me₄Si (TMS). Chemical shifts are quoted in ppm and coupling constants in Hz. ESI-MS was recorded on LC-Q-TOF with Agilent Jet Stream ESI ionization source. The topographic maps were constructed using ionic fragments extracted from the corresponding X-ray structures of L-Rh(SiN)(S-B(R-Man)₂) and D-Rh(SiN)(R-B(S-Man)₂) using SambVca 2.1.⁵ The rhodium and the boron atoms, respectively, have been defined as the origin of coordinates, with the counterpart (boron and rhodium, respectively) defining the positive z axis. To calculate the topographic maps, a sphere of radius 3.5 Å is centered at z = 0 Å was constructed. Bond radii were scaled by 1.17, as suggested for related calculations. Hydrogen atoms have been included in the calculation. The most important considerations about X-ray, ECD and catalytic experiments will be discussed below in the specific sub-sections of this supporting information.

2. Synthesis and characterization of *rac*-Rh(SiN)₂Cl

Compound *rac*-**Rh(SiN)₂Cl** was prepared as described in reference 1. However, the characterization of *rac*-**Rh(SiN)₂Cl** has been depicted for a clearer description of the work.



Scheme 1. Synthesis of complex *rac*-**Rh(SiN)₂Cl**

¹H RMN (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.82 (dt, J_{1(H-H)}} = 5.2 Hz, J_{2(H-H)}} = 1.4 Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 8.24 (dd, J_{1(H-H)}} = 8.2 Hz, J_{2(H-H)}} = 1.4 Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 7.86 (dd, J_{1(H-H)}} = 6.7 Hz, J_{2(H-H)}} = 1.4 Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 7.79 (dd, J_{1(H-H)}} = 8.2 Hz, J_{2(H-H)}} = 1.4 Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 7.57 (dd, J_{1(H-H)}} = 8.2 Hz, J_{2(H-H)}} = 6.7 Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 7.42 (dd, J_{1(H-H)}} = 8.2 Hz, J_{2(H-H)}} = 5.2 Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 0.57 (s, 6H, Si-CH₃), -0.22 (s, 6H, Si-CH₃).
¹³C{¹H} RMN (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158-122 (18C_{arom.}), 6.9 (2C, Si-CH₃), 0.4 (2C, Si-CH₃).

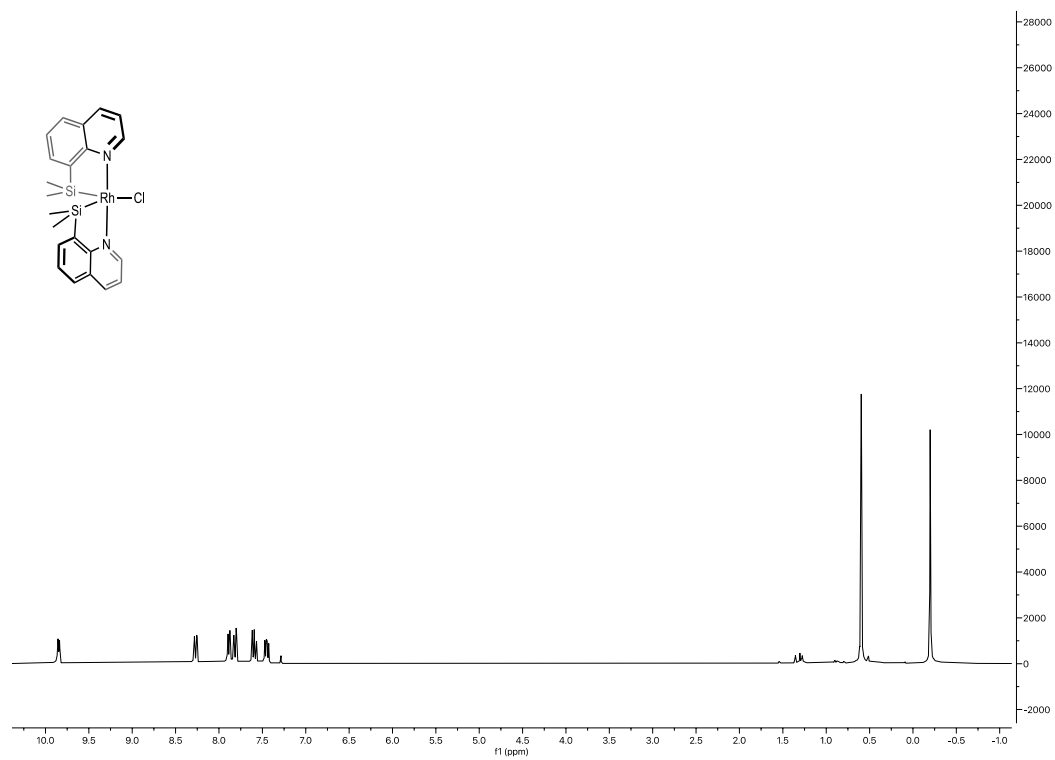


Figure S.1. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) of *rac*-Rh(SiN)₂Cl.

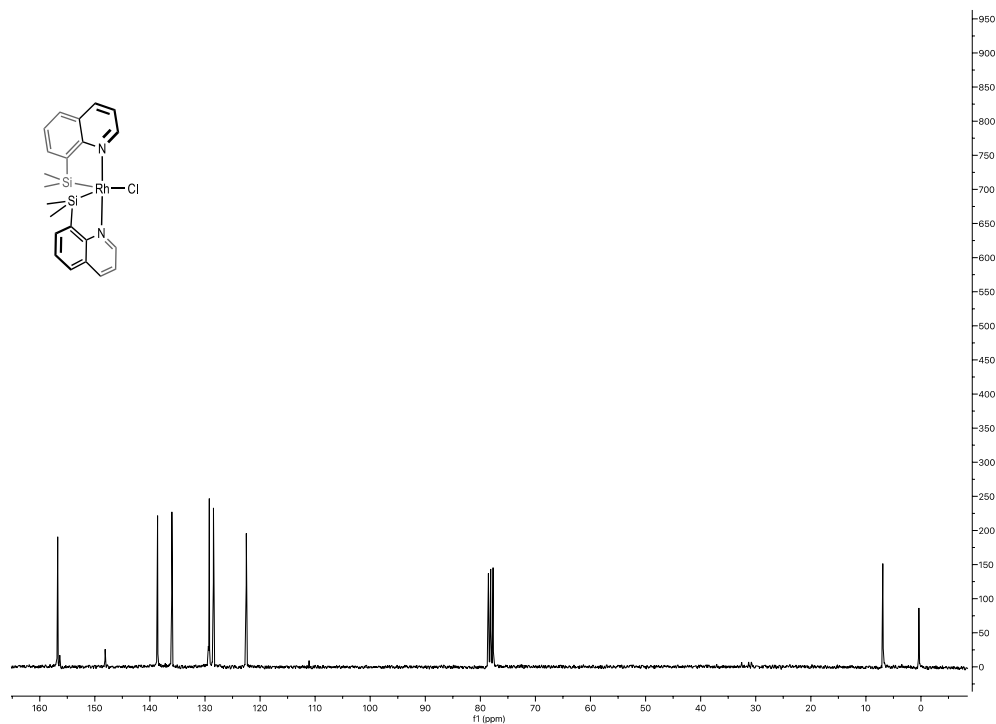


Figure S.2. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃) of *rac*-Rh(SiN)₂Cl.

3. Resolution of *rac*-Rh(SiN)₂Cl. Synthesis and characterization of Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂), Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man)₂), Δ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl, Λ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl, Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BARF₄] and Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[BARF₄].

Scheme S2 shows a reaction diagram for the synthesis of complexes Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂), Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man)₂), Δ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl, Λ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl, Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BARF₄] and Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[BARF₄].

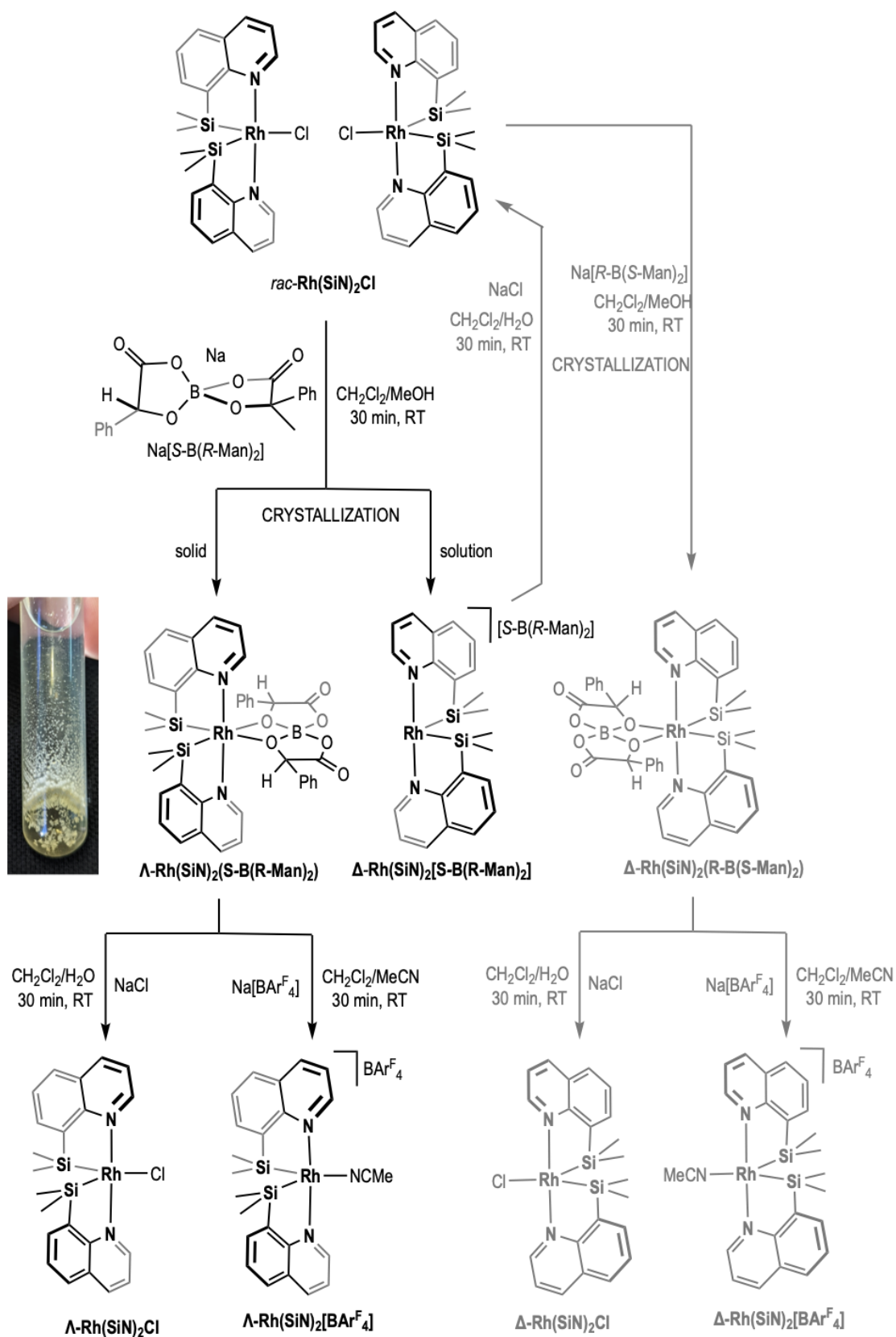
Procedure:

The reaction of *rac*-Rh(SiN)₂Cl (100 mg, 0.19 mmol) with the chiral auxiliary Na[S-B(R-Man)₂] (65 mg, 0.19 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂/MeOH (6 mL/2 mL) at room temperature for 30 min of reaction. This mixture was dried, redissolved in CH₂Cl₂ and filtered to remove NaCl, and the residue (112 mg, 0.15 mmol, 78 % yield) was analyzed by ¹H NMR in CDCl₃ (Figure S.3). The residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ and crystallized by slow diffusion of pentane. Enantiopure Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[S-B(R-Man)₂] (48 mg, 0.06 mmol) was obtained as the crystalline solid that precipitated (34 % yield).

After separation of Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[S-B(R-Man)₂] by filtration, the solvent of the mother liquor was removed under vacuum and the residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) and washed with brine (2 mL) at room temperature for 30 minutes. After the separation of the organic phase, it was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to obtain a Δ -enriched mixture of Δ / Λ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl isomers (55 mg, 0.11 mmol). This mixture was reacted with Na[R-B(S-Man)₂] (37 mg, 0.11 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂/MeOH (6 mL/2 mL) at room temperature for 30 min. After evaporation of the solvent, crystallization by diffusion of pentane on a CH₂Cl₂ solution of this mixture gave crystals of the enantiopure complex Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂) (39 mg, 0.05 mmol, 27% yield).

Independently, enantiopure complexes Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man)₂) and Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂) (50 mg, 0.07 mmol) were dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) and washed with brine (2 mL) at room temperature for 30 minutes. After the separation of the organic phase, it was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to obtain Λ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl (32 mg, 0.06 mmol, 94% yield) and Δ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl (33 mg, 0.06 mmol, 95% yield) respectively.

In a Schlenk flask, enantiopure complexes Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man)₂) and Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂) (50 mg, 0.07 mmol) were independently reacted with Na[BARF₄] (71 mg, 0.08 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) under argon. After 30 minutes, the reaction mixture was filtered to remove the formed NaCl. After removing the solvent from the filtrate by evaporation, enantiopure cationic complexes Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[BARF₄] (75 mg, 0.05 mmol, 86% yield) and Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BARF₄] (71 mg, 0.05 mmol, 78% yield) were obtained, respectively.



Scheme S.2. Spiroborate anions-mediated resolution of **rac-Rh(SiN)₂Cl**

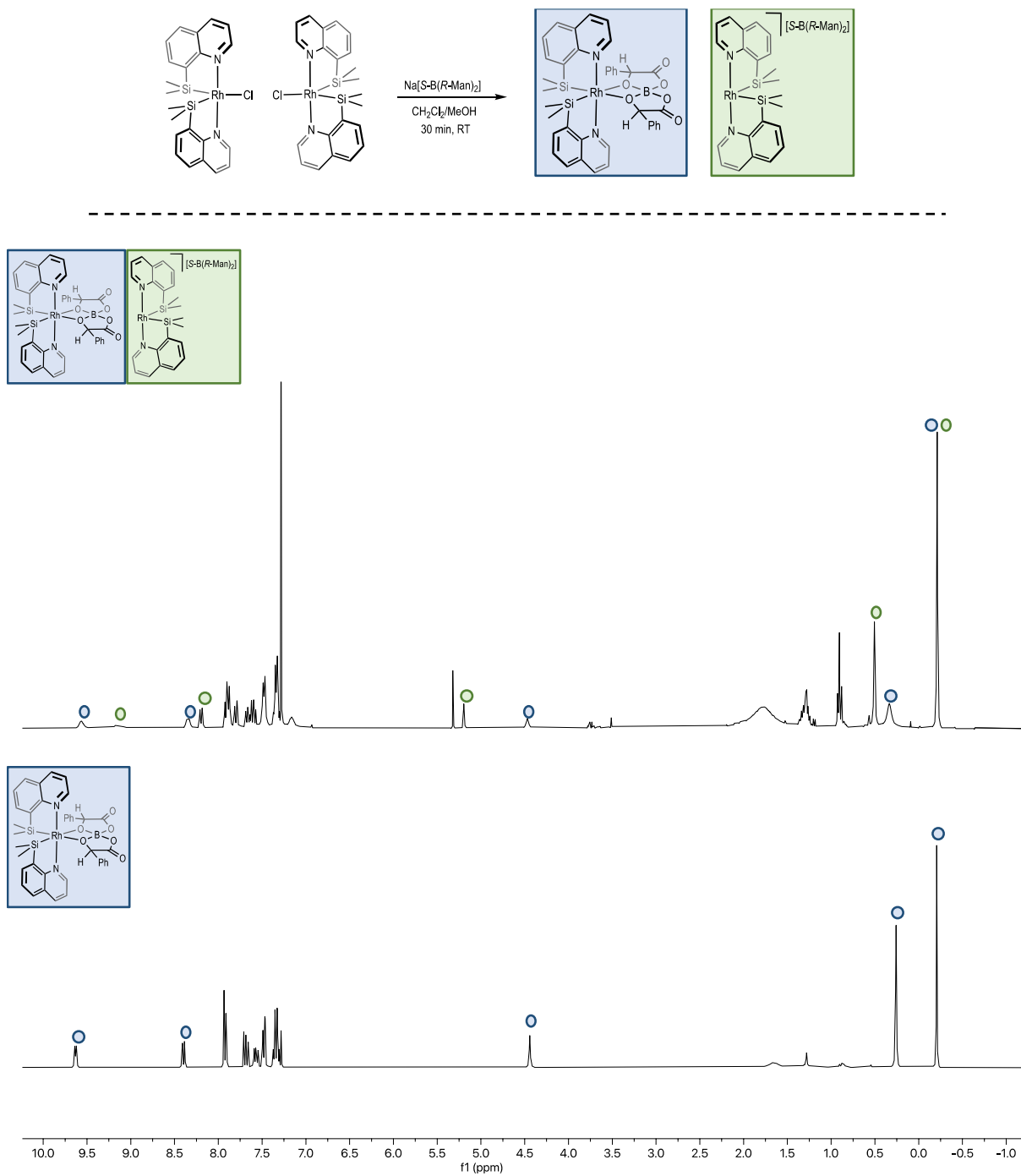


Figure S.3. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (CDCl_3) mixture of isomers after reaction of $rac\text{-Rh}(\text{SiN})_2\text{Cl}$ with $\text{Na}[\text{S-B}(\text{R-Man})_2]$ (top). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (CDCl_3) of isolated crystals of $\Lambda\text{-Rh}(\text{SiN})_2(\text{S-B}(\text{R-Man})_2)$ (bottom).

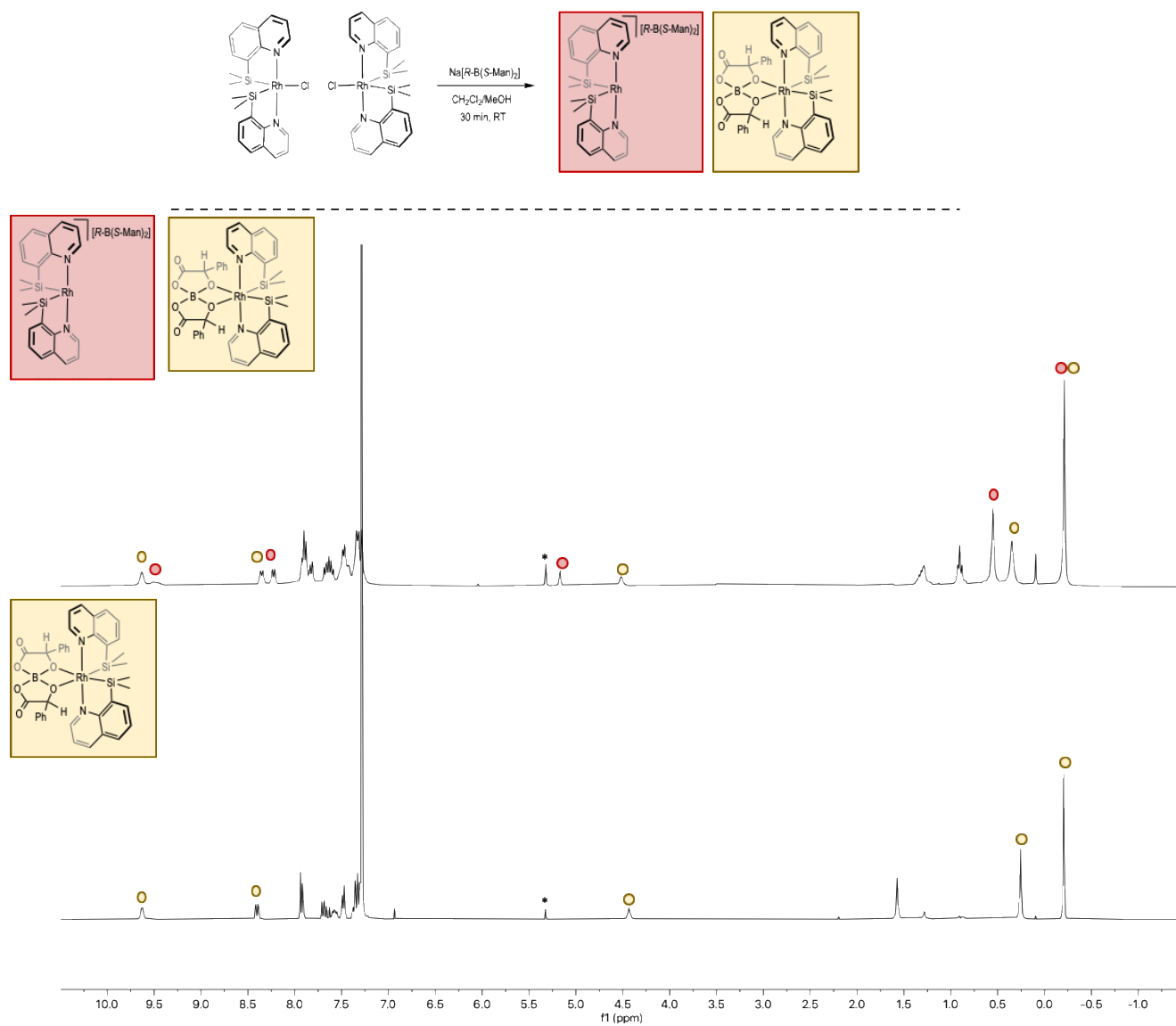


Figure S.4. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (CDCl_3) mixture of isomers after reaction of $\text{rac-Rh}(\text{SiN})_2\text{Cl}$ with $\text{Na}[\text{R-B}(\text{S-Man})_2]$ (top). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (CDCl_3) of isolated crystals of $\Delta\text{-Rh}(\text{SiN})_2(\text{R-B}(\text{S-Man})_2)$ (bottom). * = CH_2Cl_2 .

· **Characterization of Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂), Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man)₂)**

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.61 (d, $J_{3(H-H)} = 5.7$ Hz, 2H_{arom.}SiN), 8.38 (dd, $J_{3(H-H)} = 8.2$ Hz, $J_{4(H-H)} = 1.3$ Hz, 2H_{arom.} SiN), 7.91 (m, 2H_{arom.} Ph), 7.90 (m, 2H_{arom.} SiN), 7.66 (dd, $J_{3(H-H)} = 8.1$ Hz, $J_{3(H-H)} = 6.7$ Hz, 2H_{arom.} SiN), 7.54 (dd, $J_{3(H-H)} = 8.5$ Hz, $J_{2(H-H)} = 5.4$ Hz, 2H_{arom.} SiN), 7.46 (m, 2H_{arom.} Ph), 7.45 (m, 2H_{arom.} SiN), 7.36-7.27 (6H_{arom.} Ph), 4.42 (s, 2H mandelate) 0.24 (s, 6H, Si-CH₃), -0.23 (s, 6H, Si-CH₃).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 176.5 (2C, C=O), 156.2 (2C_{arom.}), 154.3 (2C_{arom.}), 147.6 (2C_{arom.}), 139.9 (2C_{arom.}), 138.7 (2C_{arom.}), 136.8 (2C_{arom.}), 129.9 (2C_{arom.}), 129.7 (4C_{arom.}), 129.4 (2C_{arom.}), 129.1 (2C_{arom.}), 127.4 (4C_{arom.}), 123.1 (2C_{arom.}), 111.1 (2C_{arom.}), 80.2 (2C, mandelate) 5.2 (2C, Si-CH₃), 0.8 (2C, Si-CH₃).

¹¹B{¹H} NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 12.2

²⁹Si NMR (Chemical shift from ¹H-²⁹Si HMBC) (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 47.1

ESI-MS (MeCN): calc: 475.054; found m/z 475.053. For the ion [C₂₂H₂₄N₂RhSi₂]⁺.

· **Characterization of Δ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl and Λ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl**

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.82 (d, $J_{3(H-H)} = 5.2$ Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 8.25 (d, $J_{3(H-H)} = 8.2$ Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 7.86 (d, $J_{3(H-H)} = 6.7$ Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 7.79 (d, $J_{3(H-H)} = 8.2$ Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 7.57 (t, $J_{3(H-H)} = 8.2$ Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 7.43 (dd, $J_{1(H-H)} = 8.2$ Hz, $J_{2(H-H)} = 5.2$ Hz, 2H_{arom.}), 0.57 (s, 6H, Si-CH₃), -0.22 (s, 6H, Si-CH₃).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.3 (2C_{arom.}), 155.9 (2C_{arom.}), 147.7 (2C_{arom.}), 138.2 (2C_{arom.}), 135.6 (2C_{arom.}), 129.0 (2C_{arom.}), 128.7 (2C_{arom.}), 128.1 (2C_{arom.}), 122.1 (2C_{arom.}), 6.5 (2C, Si-CH₃), -0.1 (2C, Si-CH₃).

²⁹Si NMR (Chemical shift from ¹H-²⁹Si HMBC) (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 48.8

ESI-MS (MeCN): calc: 475.054; found m/z 475.055. For the ion [C₂₂H₂₄N₂RhSi₂]⁺.

· **Characterization of Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BARF₄] and Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[BARF₄]**

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 9.10 (S_{broad}, 2H_{arom.}), 8.42 (S_{broad}, 2H_{arom.}), 7.95 (t_{broad}, $J_{3(H-H)} = 7.2$ Hz, 4H_{arom.}), 7.73 (s, 8H_{arom.}, BARF₄), 7.70 (m, 2H_{arom.}), 7.56 (s, 4H_{arom.}, BARF₄) 7.52 (S_{broad}, 2H_{arom.}), 2.26 (s, 3H, MeCN), 0.55 (s, 6H, Si-CH₃), -0.18 (s, 6H, Si-CH₃).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 162.0 (q, $J_{B-C} = 50$ Hz, BARF₄), 154.9 (2C_{arom.}), 153.3 (2C_{arom.}), 145.6 (2C_{arom.}), 139.7 (2C_{arom.}), 136.5 (2C_{arom.}), 135.0 (s, BARF₄), 129.2 (2C_{arom.}), 129.0 (q, $J_{F-C} = 12$ Hz, BARF₄), 128.6 (2C_{arom.}), 124.7 (q, $J_{F-C} = 273$ Hz, CF₃), 121.8 (2C_{arom.}), 119.9 (2C_{arom.}), 119.5 (s, 1C, CH₃CN), 117.6 (m, BARF₄), 4.9 (2C, Si-CH₃), 2.7 (1C, CH₃CN), -0.7 (2C, Si-CH₃).

²⁹Si NMR (Chemical shift from ¹H-²⁹Si HMBC) (500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ 52.2

ESI-MS (MeCN): calc: 475.054; found m/z 475.054. For the ion [C₂₂H₂₄N₂RhSi₂]⁺.

4. NMR spectra of complexes

4.1 Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man))₂, Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man))₂

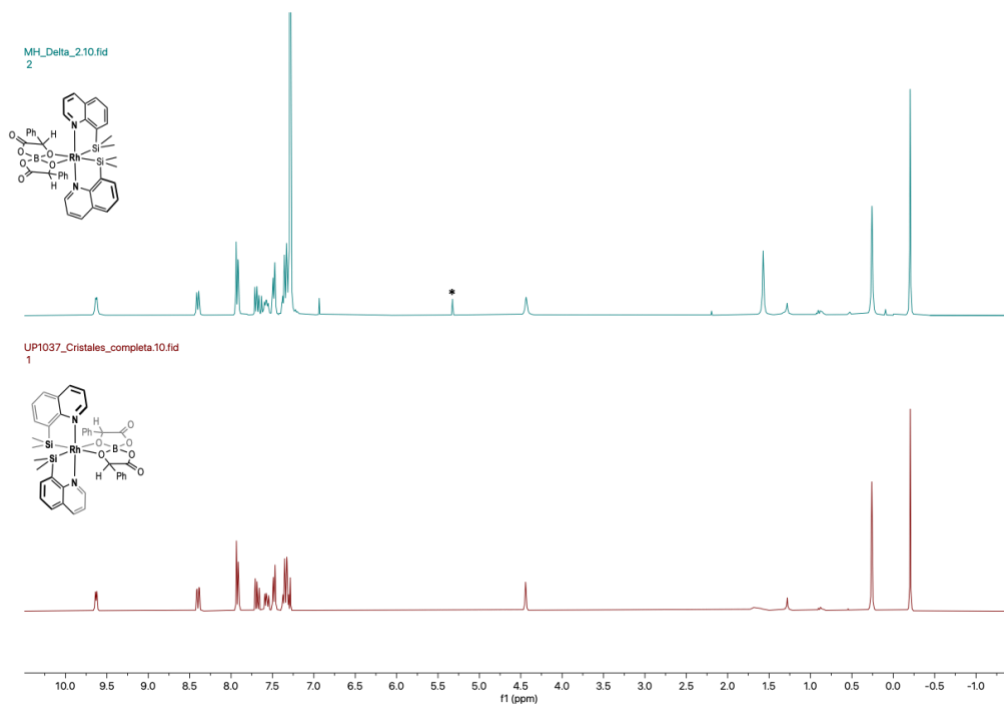


Figure S.5. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) comparison between Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man))₂, Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man))₂. * = CH₂Cl₂.

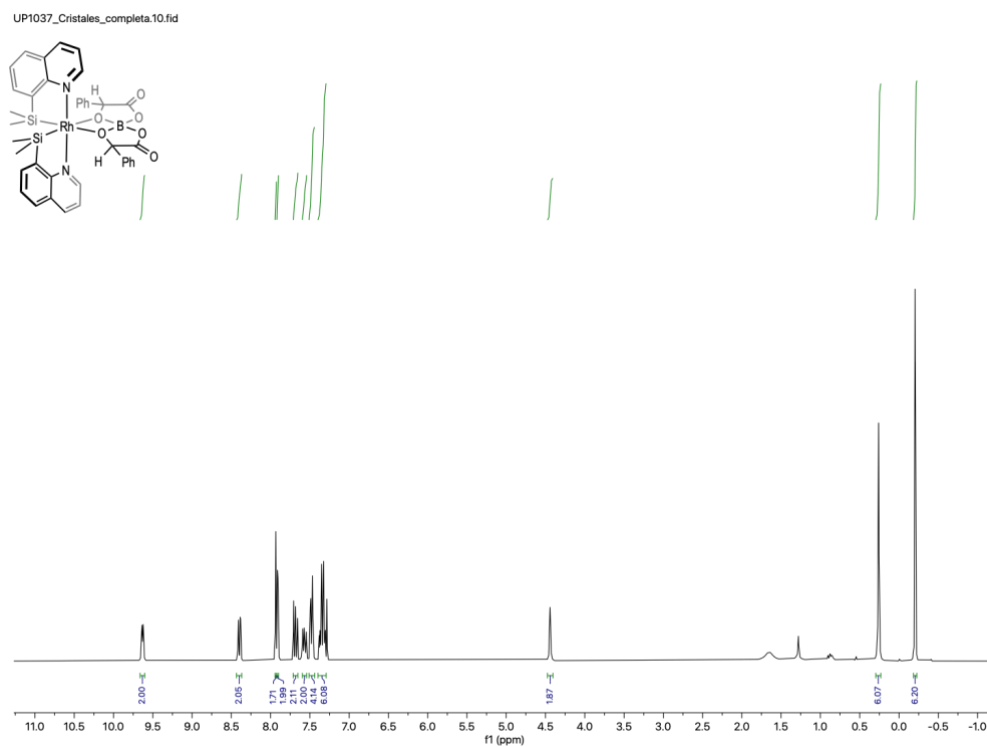


Figure S.6. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) of Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man))₂.

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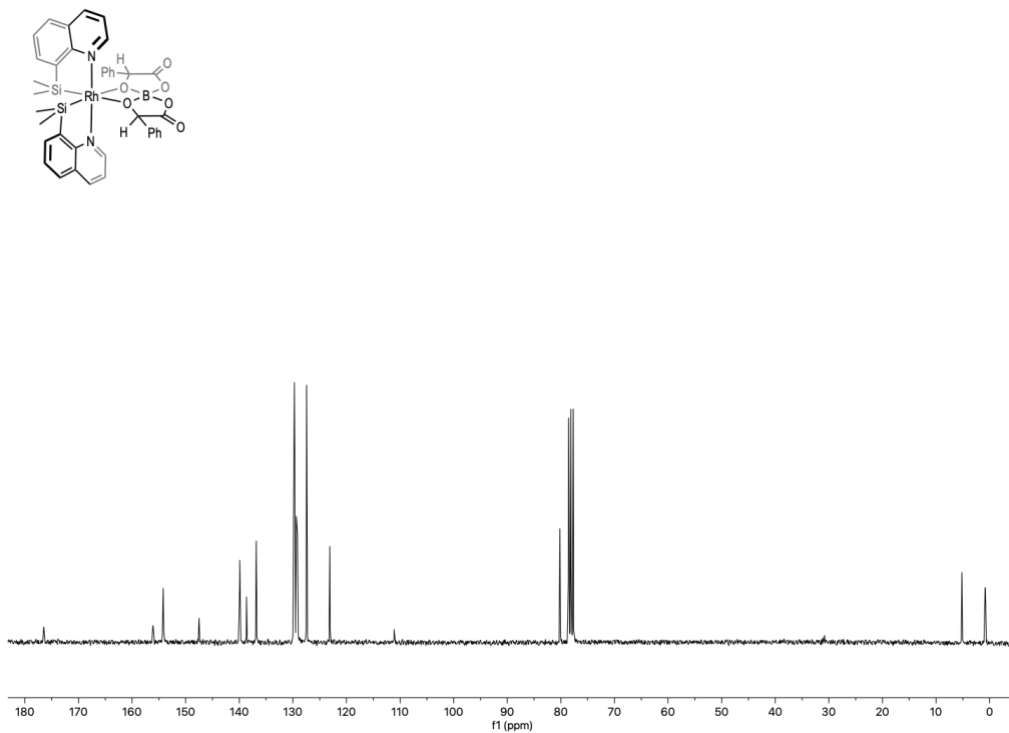


Figure S.7. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃) of Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man))₂.

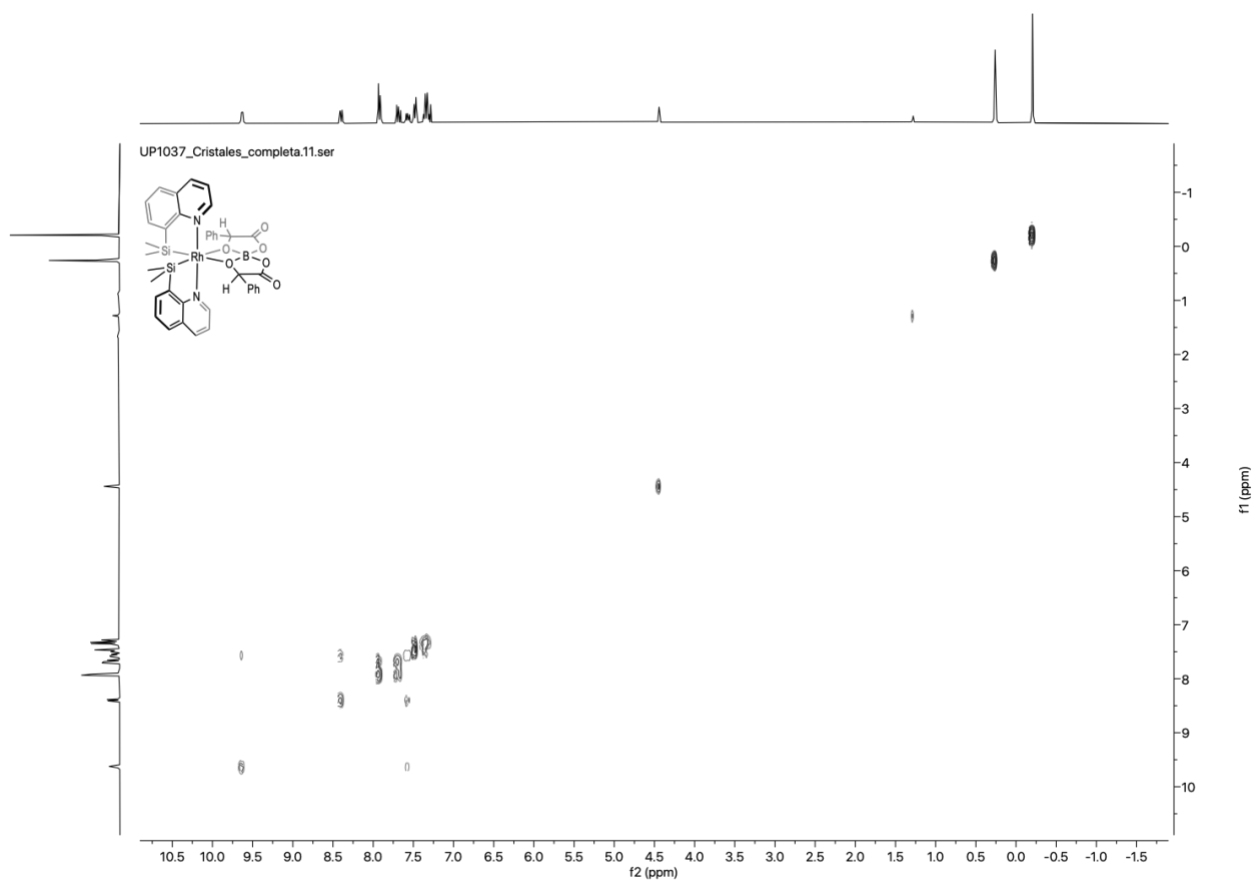


Figure S.8. ¹H/¹H COSY NMR (CDCl₃) of Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man))₂.

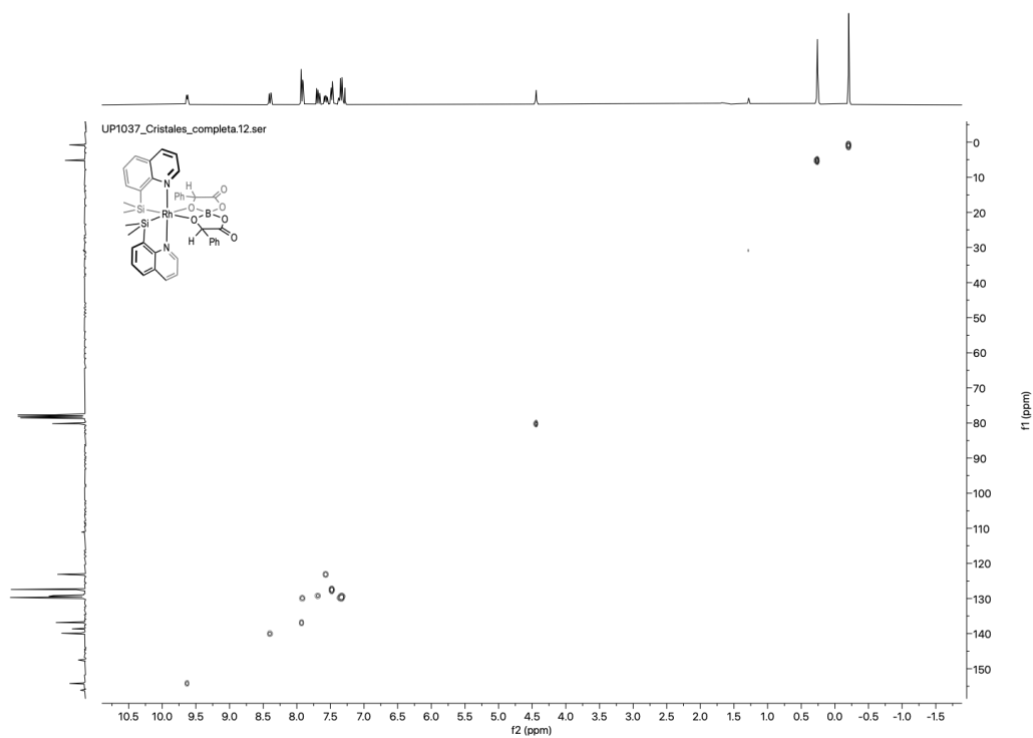


Figure S.9. $^{13}\text{C}/^1\text{H}$ HSQC NMR (CDCl_3) of Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man)₂).

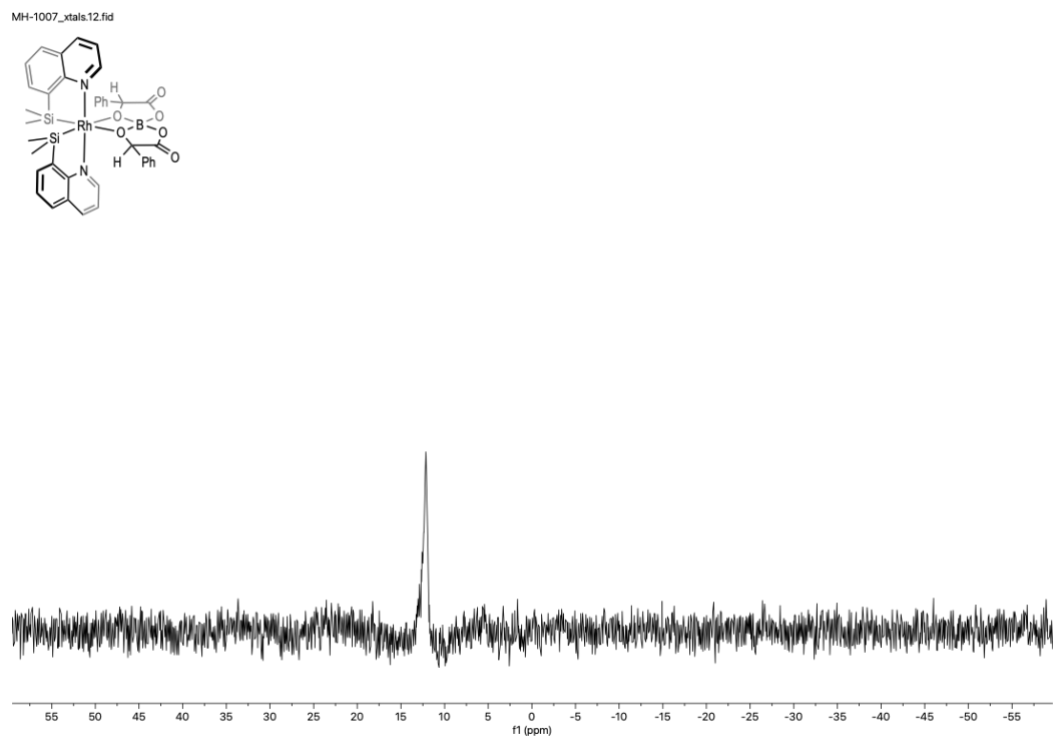


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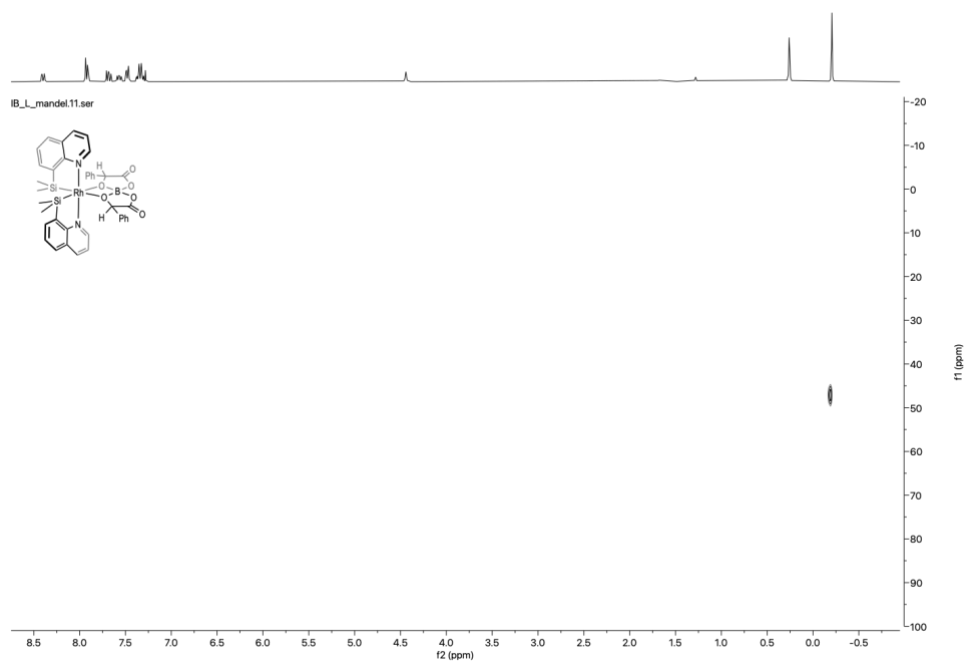


Figure S.11. $^1\text{H}/^{29}\text{Si}$ HMBC NMR (CDCl_3) of Λ -Rh(SiN) $_2$ (S-B(R-Man) $_2$).

4.2 Δ -Rh(SiN)Cl and Λ -Rh(SiN)Cl.

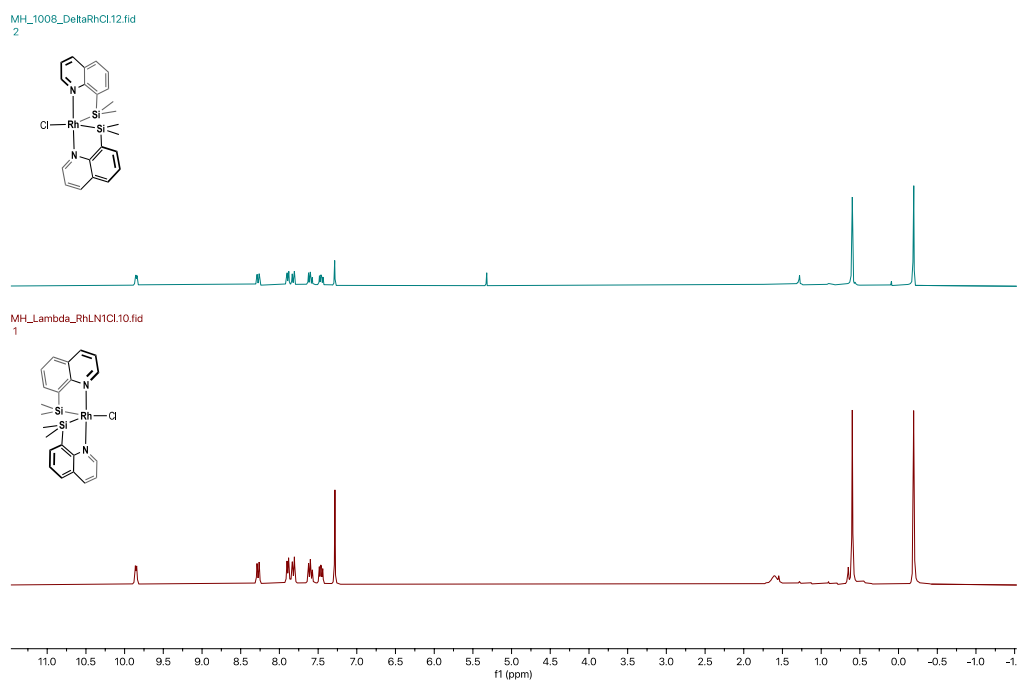


Figure S.12. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) comparison between Δ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl (top) and Λ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl (bottom).

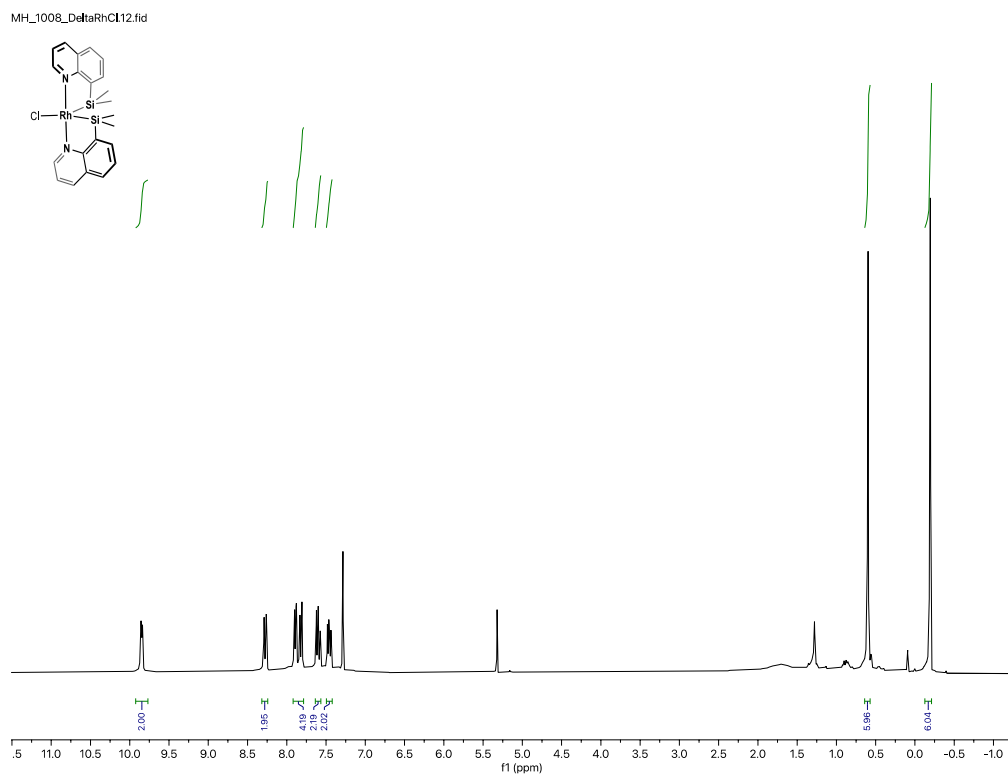


Figure S.13. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) of Δ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl.

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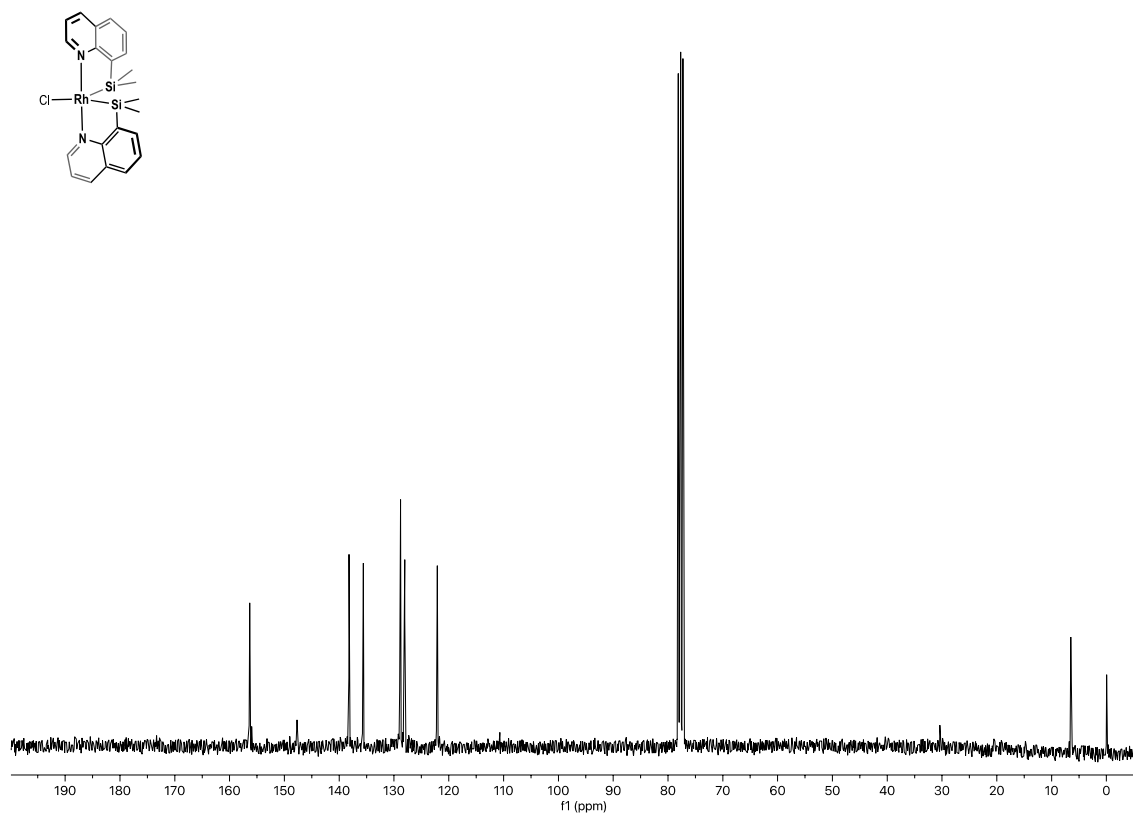


Figure S.14. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (CDCl_3) of $\Delta\text{-Rh}(\text{SiN})_2\text{Cl}$.

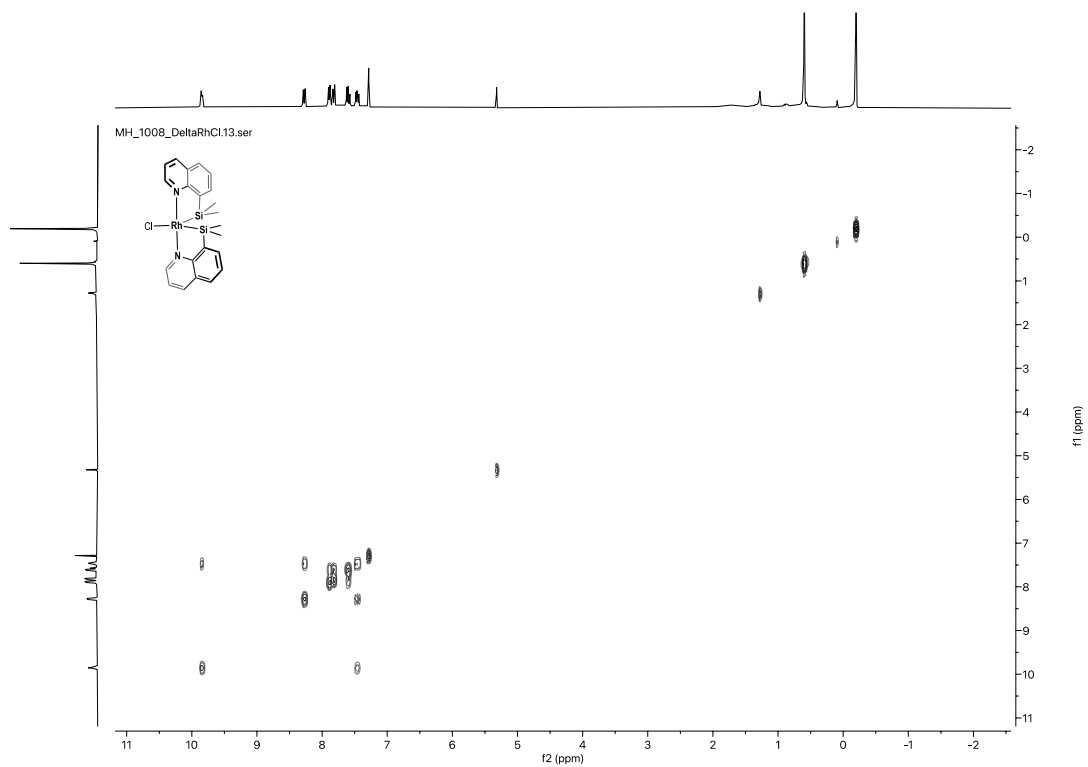
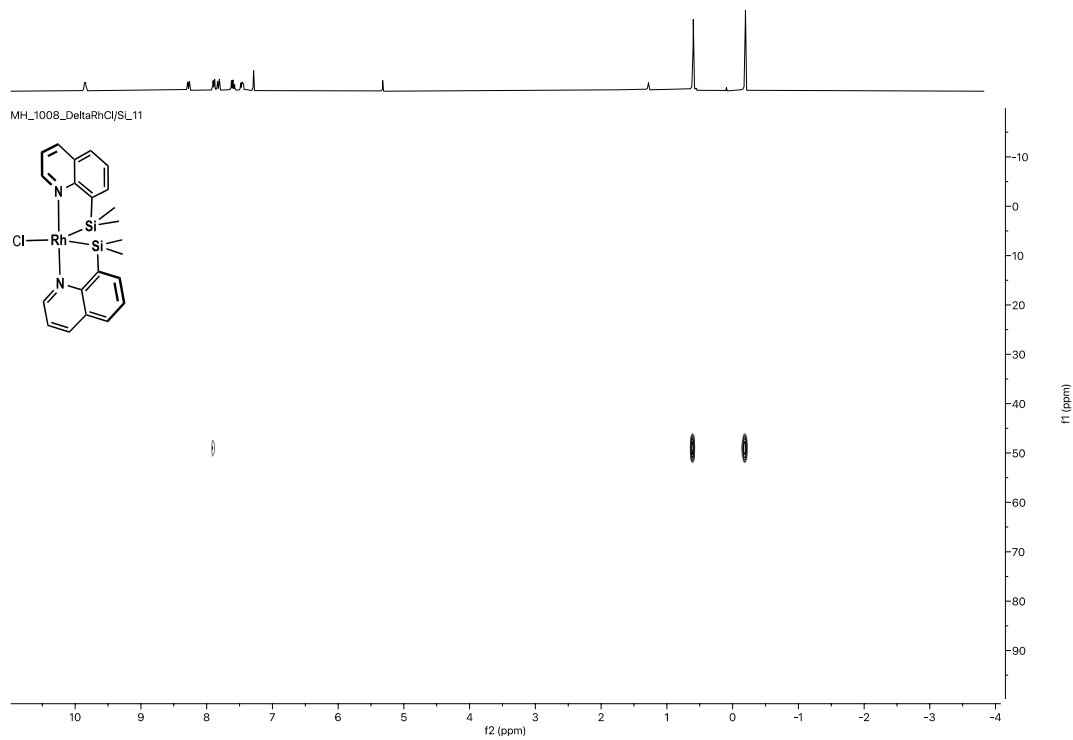
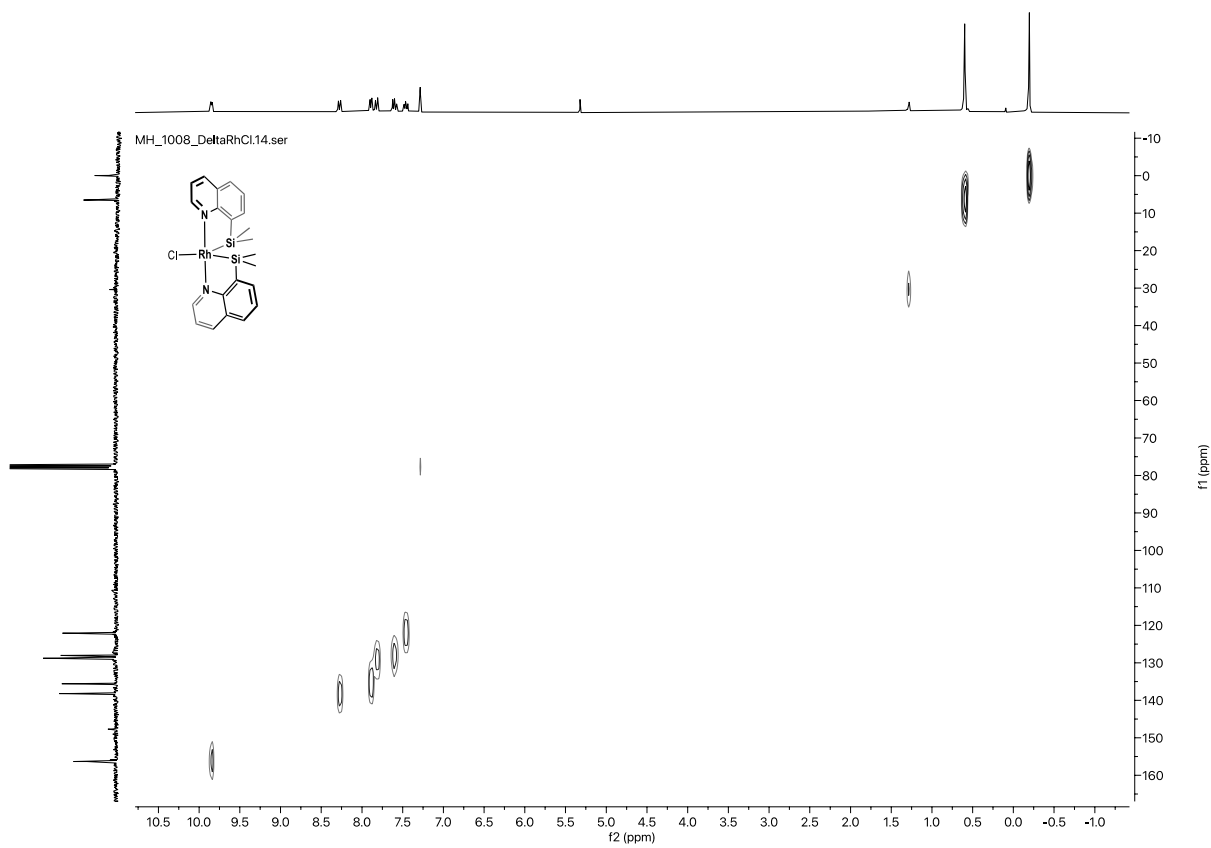


Figure S.15. $^1\text{H}/^1\text{H}$ COSY NMR (CDCl_3) of $\Delta\text{-Rh}(\text{SiN})_2\text{Cl}$.



4.3 Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BArF₄] and Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[BArF₄]

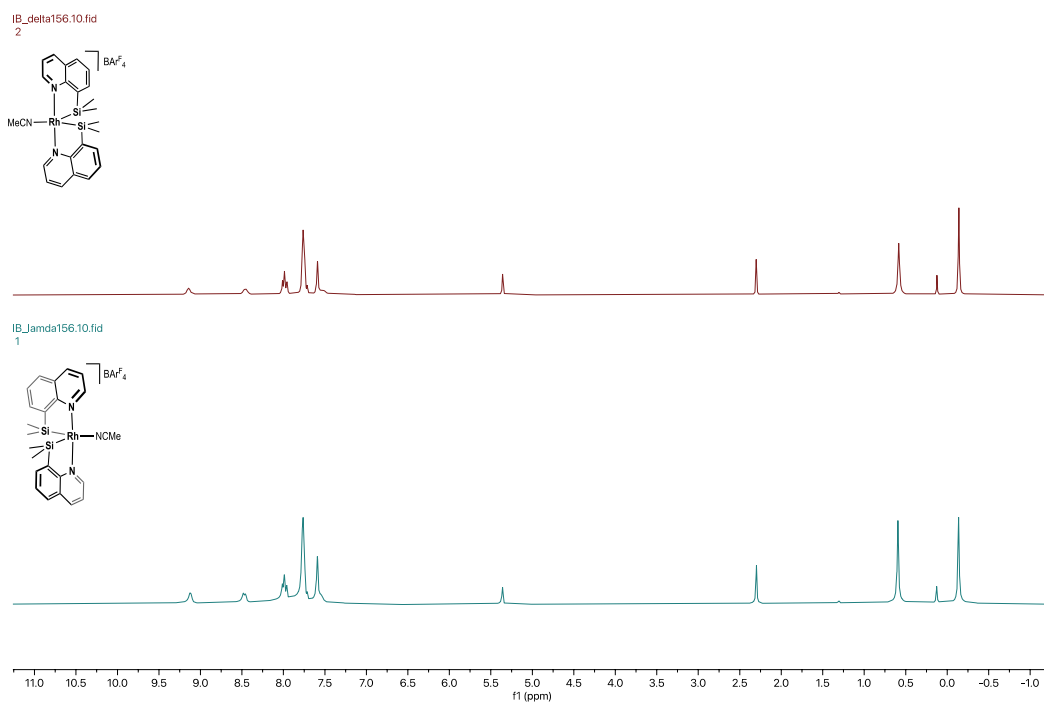


Figure S.18. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) comparison between Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BArF₄] (top) and Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[BArF₄] (bottom).

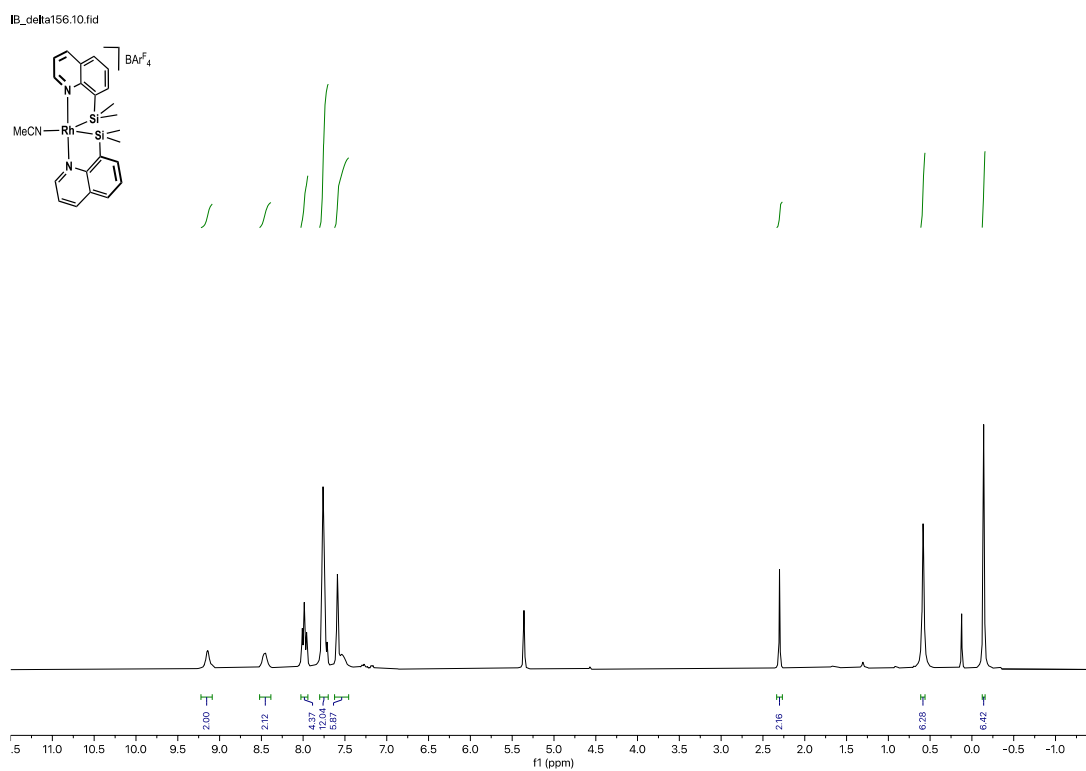


Figure S.19. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) of Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BArF₄].

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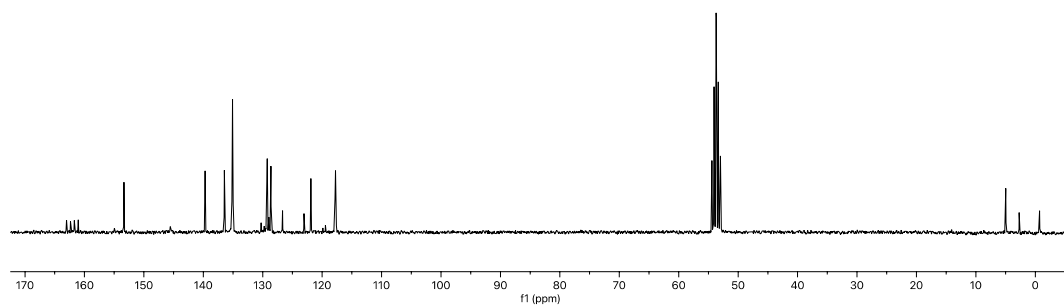
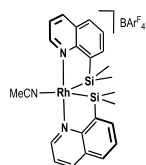


Figure S.20. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂) of Δ-Rh(SiN)₂[BArF₄].

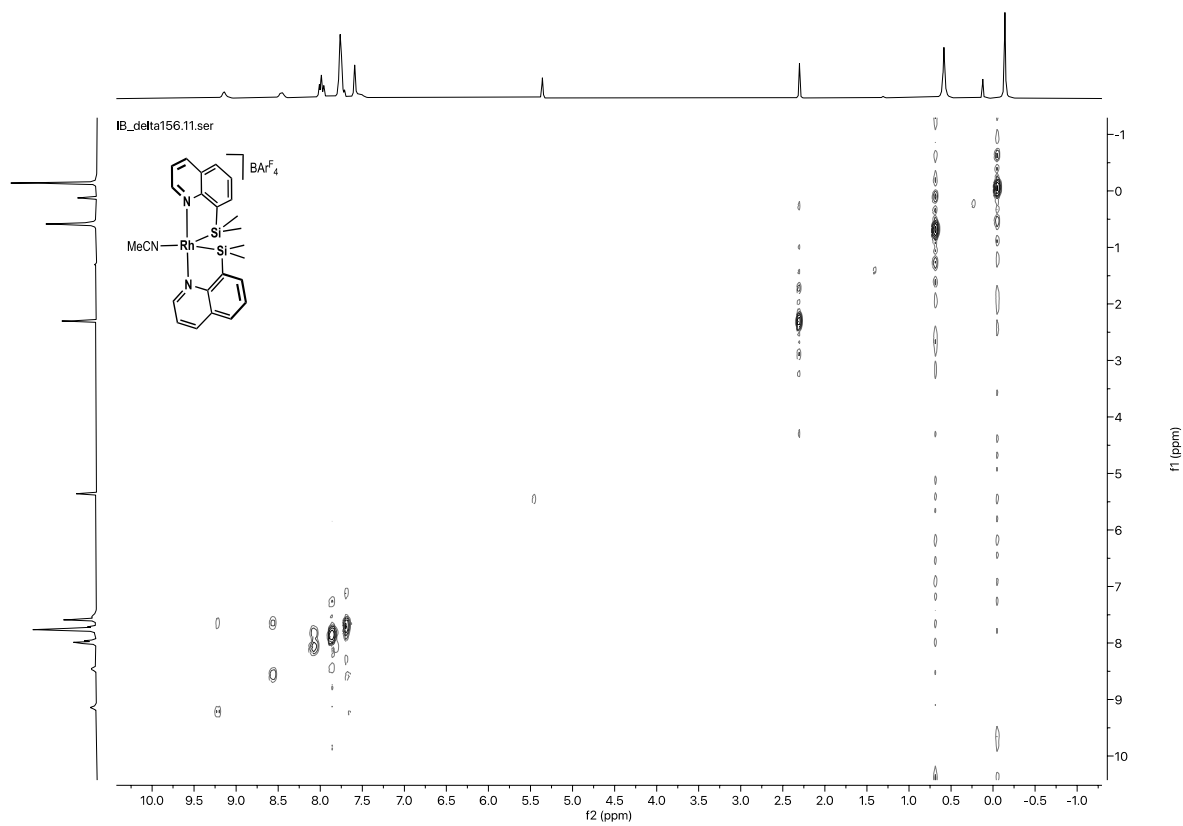


Figure S.21. ¹H/¹H COSY NMR (CD₂Cl₂) of Δ-Rh(SiN)₂[BArF₄].

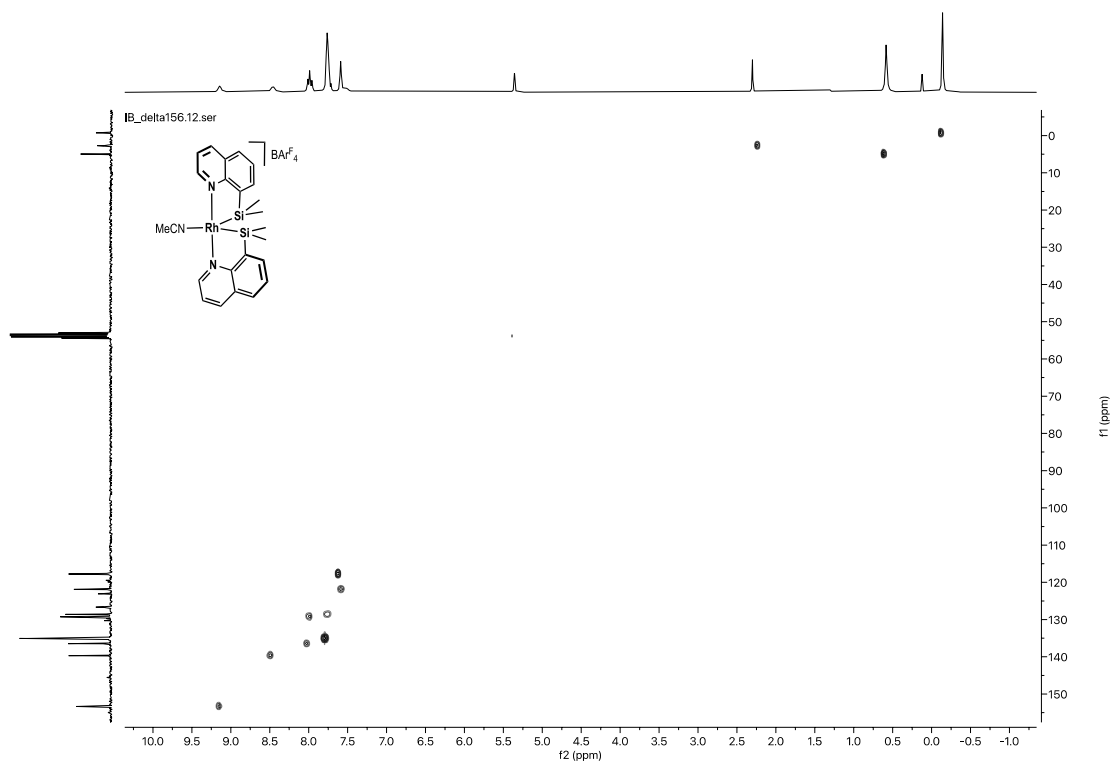


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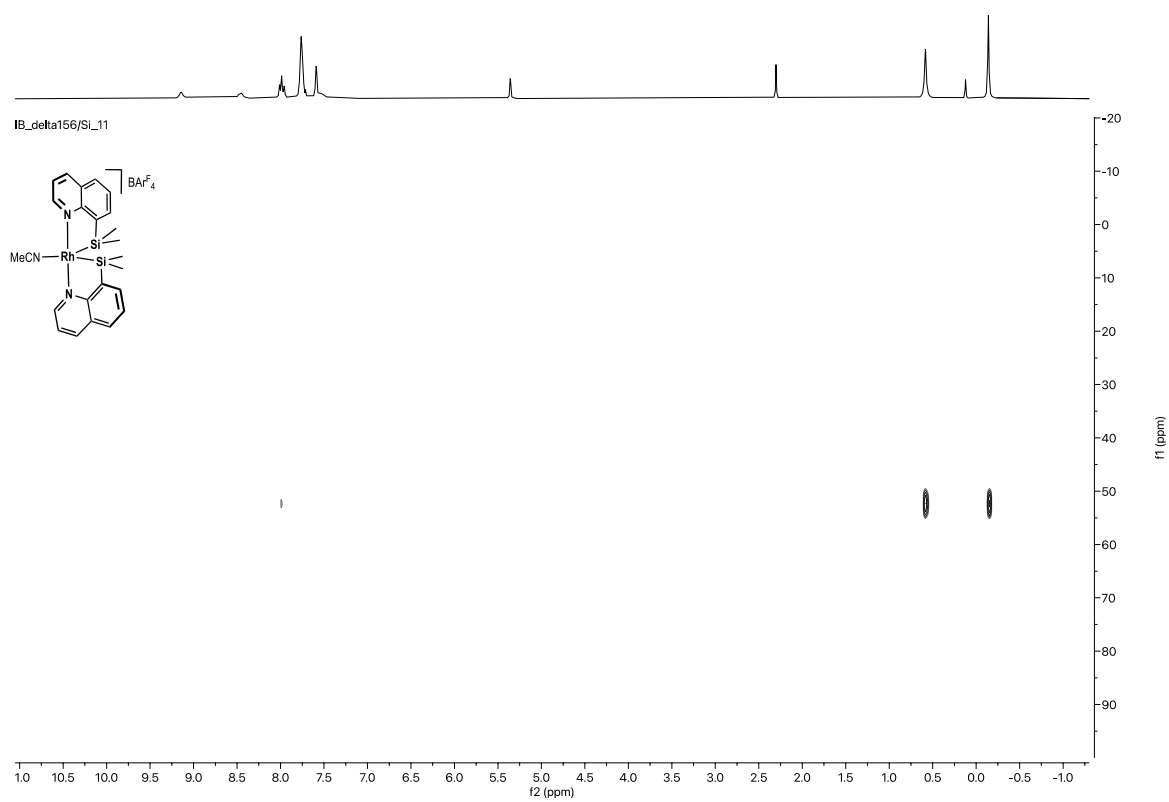


Figure S.23. $^1\text{H}/^{29}\text{Si}$ HMBC NMR (CD_2Cl_2) of $\Delta\text{-Rh}(\text{SiN})_2[\text{BARF}_4]$.

5. ESI-MS

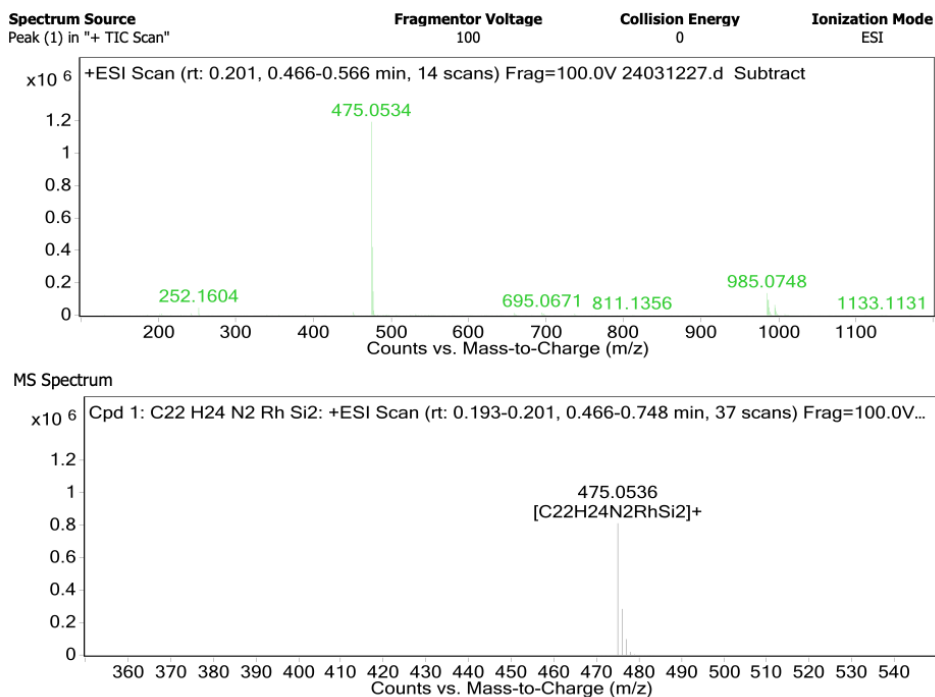


Figure S.24. ESI-MS of Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂)

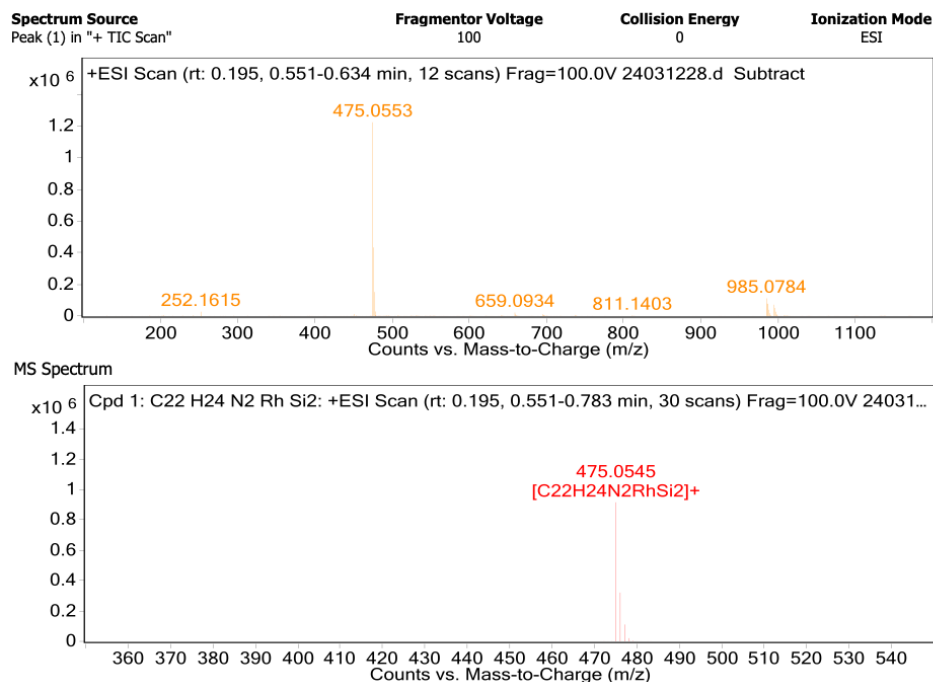


Figure S.25. ESI-MS of Δ -Rh(SiN)₂Cl.

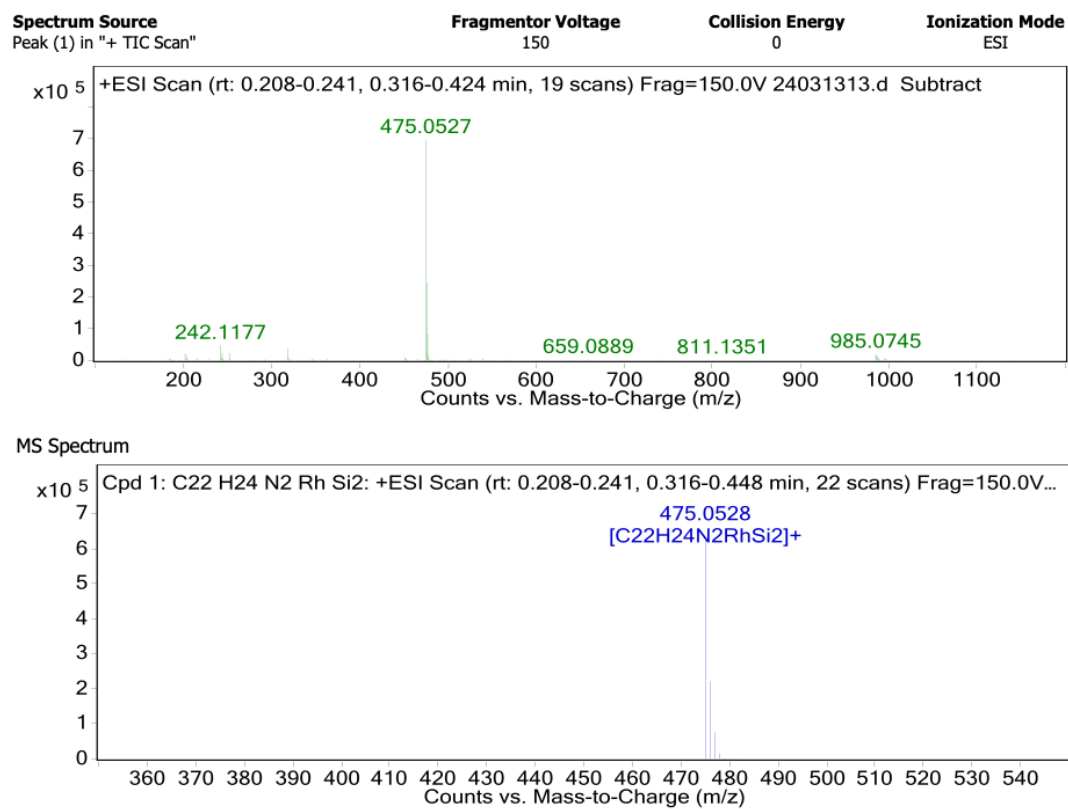


Figure S.26. ESI-MS of Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BAr^F₄].

6. X-Ray

Single crystal X-ray diffraction studies were performed on a Bruker D8-venture diffractometer equipped with a Mo K α X-ray source ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) and a Photon3 detector. The temperature during data collection was controlled by means of a dry N₂ cryostream (Oxford Cryostream 700). Suitable single crystals were selected and mounted on MiTeGen polymer loops. APEX 3 software was used to collect and reduce the data. Adsorption corrections were applied using empirical methods using symmetry equivalent reflections combined with measurements at different azimuthal angles implemented using SADABS. The structure was initially solved using the SHELXT⁶ program using an intrinsic phasing method implemented through OLEX2 (v1.5),⁷ and refined using SHELXL⁸ least squares refinement procedures against all F² values. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined with idealized geometries and assigned fixed occupancies and isotropic displacement parameters. Data for compound **Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂)** was found to be twinned and thus processed as two-component twin. Final R(F), wR(F₂) and goodness of fit agreement factors, details on the data collection and analysis can be found in Table S1. CCDC 2341547 and 2341546 contain the supplementary crystallographic data for compounds **Λ -Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man)₂)** and **Δ -Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂)**, respectively. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif

	Λ-Rh(SiN)₂(S-B(R-Man)₂)	Δ-Rh(SiN)₂(R-B(S-Man)₂)
CCDC number	2341547	2341546
Formula	C ₃₈ H ₃₆ N ₂ O ₆ Si ₂ Rh	C ₃₈ H ₃₆ N ₂ O ₆ Si ₂ Rh·CH ₂ Cl ₂
M	786.59	871.51
Crystal System	monoclinic	orthorhombic
Space group	P21	P212121
T [K]	150	150
a [Å]	10.2080(8)	8.5875(7)
b [Å]	8.5609(7)	22.565(2)
c [Å]	21.3464(16)	40.397(3)
α [deg]	90	90
β [deg]	101.940(2)	90
γ [deg]	90	90
V [Å ³]	1825.1(2)	7828.0(12)
Z	2	8
Density [gcm ⁻³]	1.431	1.479
μ [mm ⁻¹]	0.582	0.683
Reflections collected	37157	16076
R ₁ [I > 2 σ (I)]	0.0587	0.0658
wR ₂ [all data]	0.1606	0.1667
GoF	1.101	1.025
Flack parameter	0.02(3)	0.06(3)

$$^a \frac{\sum ||F_o| - |F_c||}{\sum |F_o|} \quad ^b \left\{ \frac{\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]}{\sum [w(F_o^2)^2]} \right\}^{1/2}$$

Table S1. Crystallographic data and structure refinement details of all compounds.

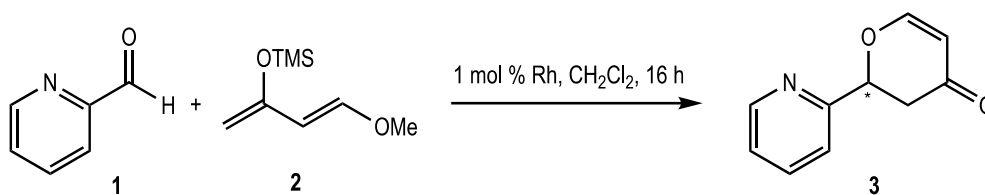
7. ECD

CD spectra were recorded on a Jasco J-1500 spectropolarimeter. The concentration of all samples was 3×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2 .

Model	J-1500
Detector	PM-539
Light Source	Xenon
CD Overload detect	216
Measure range	450-220 nm
T [K]	298
Data pitch	1 nm
CD scale	200 mdeg/0.1dOD
D.I.T.	1 sec
Bandwidth	10 nm
Scanning mode	continuous
Scanning speed	500 nm/min
Reflections collected	37157
No. of cycle	1

8. Catalysis

Rhodium-catalyzed hetero Diels-Alder reaction.



Procedure: A Young's Schlenk was filled with rhodium catalyst (1 mol%) and pyridine-2-carbaldehyde (**1**, 19 μ L, 0.2 mmol) and placed under argon. 2 mL of dry dichloromethane was added via syringe. After 30 minutes trans-3-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-1-methoxy-1,3-butadiene (**2**, 95 μ L, 0.4 mmol) was added and reacted under argon for 24 hours. After that time a ¹H NMR of the reaction crude was performed to obtain the conversion (aldehyde remaining). The reaction crude was extracted with water, the dichloromethane was dried with MgSO₄ and the solvent was evaporated. The product obtained was purified by chromatography with silica gel (Hexane/AcO_t= 1:1) obtaining **3**: 30 mg (*rac*-Rh(SiN)₂[BAr^F₄]), 31 mg (Λ -Rh(SiN)₂[BAr^F₄]), 28 mg (Δ -Rh(SiN)₂[BAr^F₄]). The enantiomeric ratios were calculated by HPLC chromatography with a chiral column.

Characterization of 5: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (td, J= 7.7, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.33 (dd, J= 7.7, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (m, 1H), 5.56 (m, 3H), 2.97 (m, 2H).

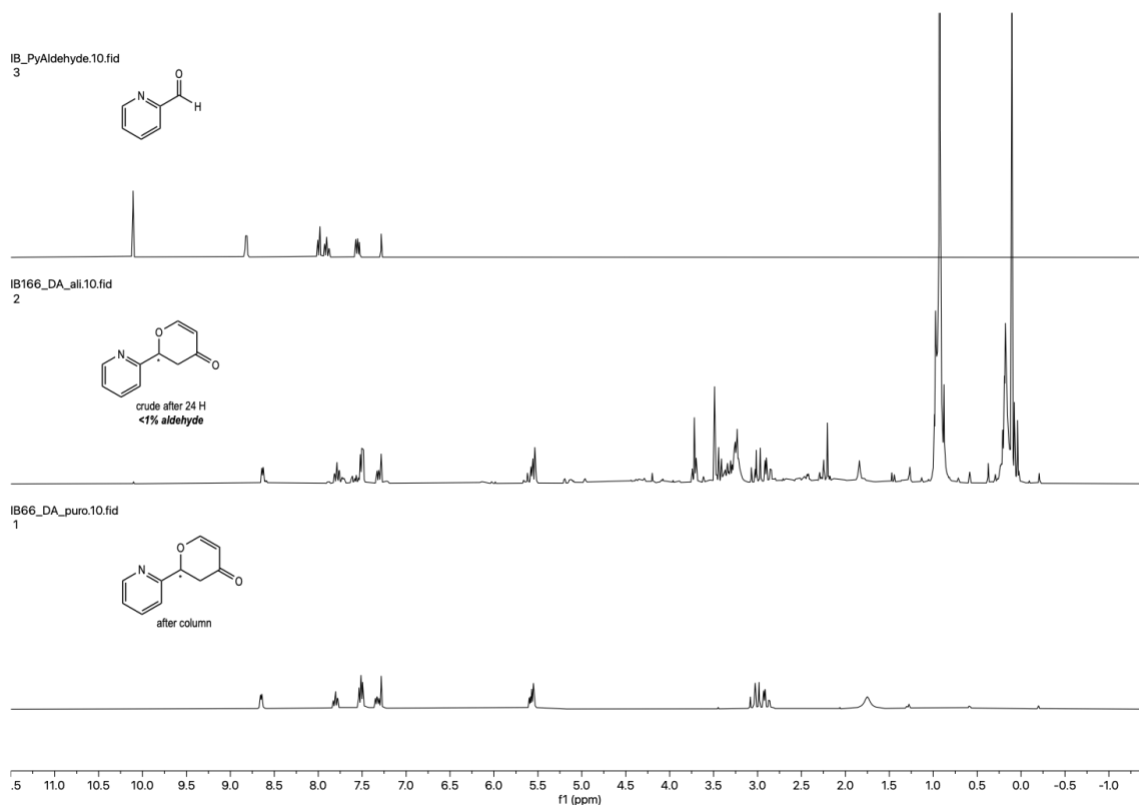
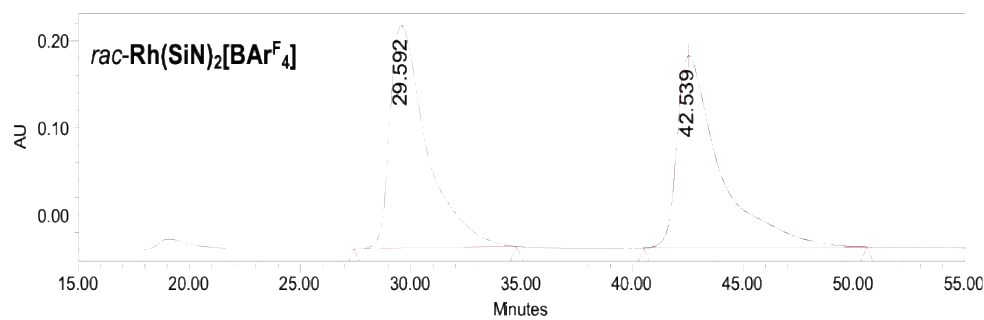
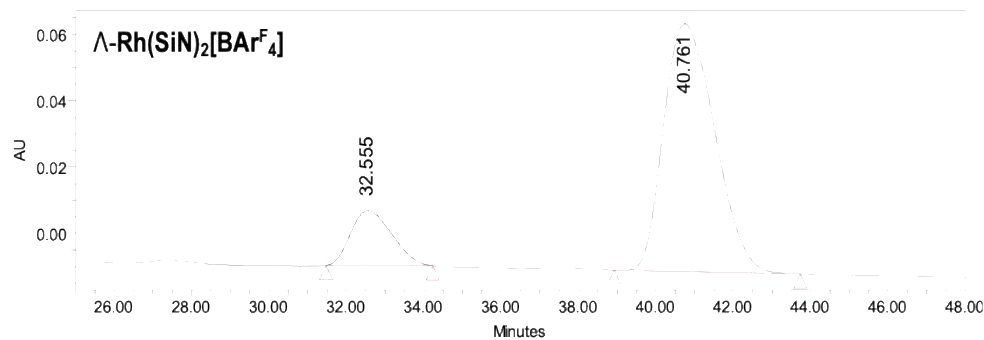


Figure S.27. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) of: pyridine-2-carbaldehyde (top), reaction crude (middle) and **5** (bottom).

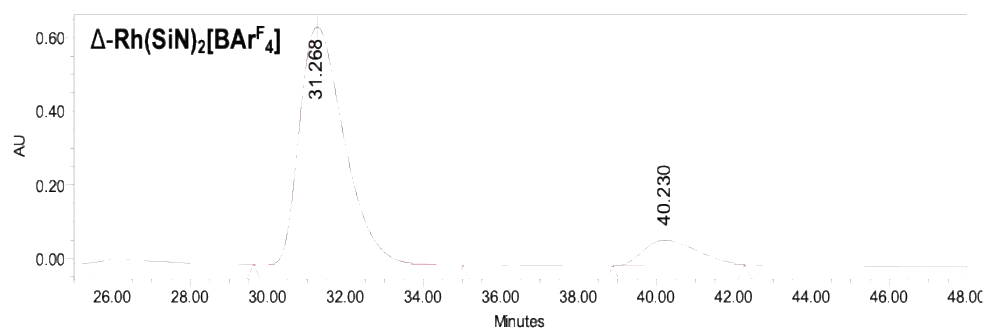
HPLC: AD-H, Hex/iPrOH= 90:10, Flow rate= 0.5 mL·min⁻¹, 25 °C



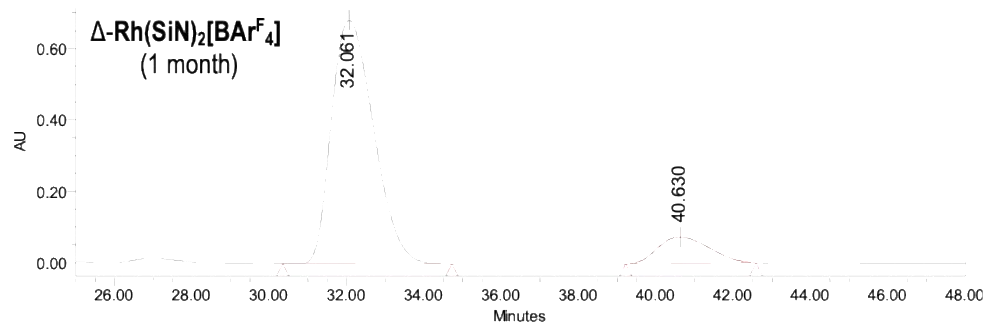
	Retention Time	% Area
1	29.592	49.80
2	42.539	50.20



	Retention Time	% Area
1	32.555	15.23
2	40.761	84.77



	Retention Time	% Area
1	31.286	88.88
2	40.230	11.12



	Retention Time	% Area
1	32.061	88.23
2	40.630	11.77

Figure S.28. HPLC spectra and tables with retention times and integrated areas.

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