

Appendix 4

*X-Ray Crystallography Reports Relevant to Chapter 3:
Decarboxylative Asymmetric Ni-Catalyzed Cross-Coupling of Benzylic
N-Hydroxyphthalimide Esters and Alkenyl Bromides*

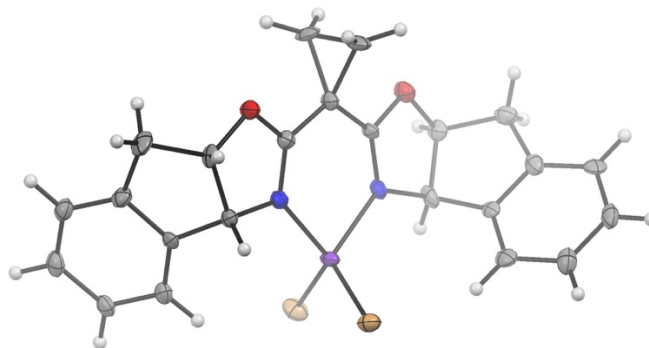
A4.1 STRUCTURAL DETERMINATION AND REFINEMENT DETAILS

Low-temperature diffraction data (ϕ - and ω -scans) were collected on a Bruker AXS KAPPA APEXII diffractometer coupled to a PHOTON 100 CMOS detector with Mo- $K\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) from an I $_{\mu}$ S HB micro-focused X-ray tube. All diffractometer manipulations, including data collection integration, and scaling were carried out using the Bruker APEXII software.¹ Absorption corrections were applied using SADABS.² The structure was solved by intrinsic phasing using SHELXT³ and refined against F^2 on all data by full-matrix least squares with SHELXL-2014⁴ using established refinement techniques.⁵ All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were included into the model at geometrically calculated positions and refined using a riding model. The isotropic displacement parameters of all hydrogen atoms were fixed to 1.2 times the U value of the atoms they are linked to. Absolute configuration was determined by anomalous dispersion.⁶ Graphical representation of the structure with 50% probability thermal ellipsoids was generated using Mercury visualization software.

A4.2 CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS OF L2·NiBr₂

A4.2.1 Special Refinement Details

Figure A4.1 Rendering of Ni-complex L2·NiBr₂.



Compound L2·NiBr₂ crystallizes in the tetragonal space group $P4_1$ with one molecule in the asymmetric unit. Data was collected with Mo- $K\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) at 100 K. The structure was solved as a merohedral twin with rotation around an axis 45° between a and b. The twin law was defined as the matrix (0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, -1.0). The BASF parameter [0.4980(14)] gave the twin ratio as 0.50:0.50. Absolute configuration was determined by anomalous dispersion (Flack = 0.011(2)).⁶

A4.2.2 Crystallographic Tables

Table A4.1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **L2·NiBr₂**.

Identification code	A15178	
CCDC Deposition Number	1501744	
Empirical formula	C ₂₃ H ₂₀ Br ₂ N ₂ NiO ₂	
Formula weight	574.94	
Temperature	100 K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Tetragonal	
Space group	P4 ₁	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 9.4823(6) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 9.4823(6) Å	β = 90°.
	c = 24.418(2) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	2195.5(3) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.739 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	4.546 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1144	
Crystal size	0.31 x 0.27 x 0.14 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	0.834 to 38.918°.	
Index ranges	-16 ≤ h ≤ 16, -16 ≤ k ≤ 16, -42 ≤ l ≤ 43	
Reflections collected	113308	
Independent reflections	12464 [R(int) = 0.0431]	
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	100.0 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.7476 and 0.5466	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	12464 / 1 / 272	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.056	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0470, wR2 = 0.1114	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0580, wR2 = 0.1168	
Absolute structure parameter	0.011(2)	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	2.381 and -1.019 e.Å ⁻³	

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