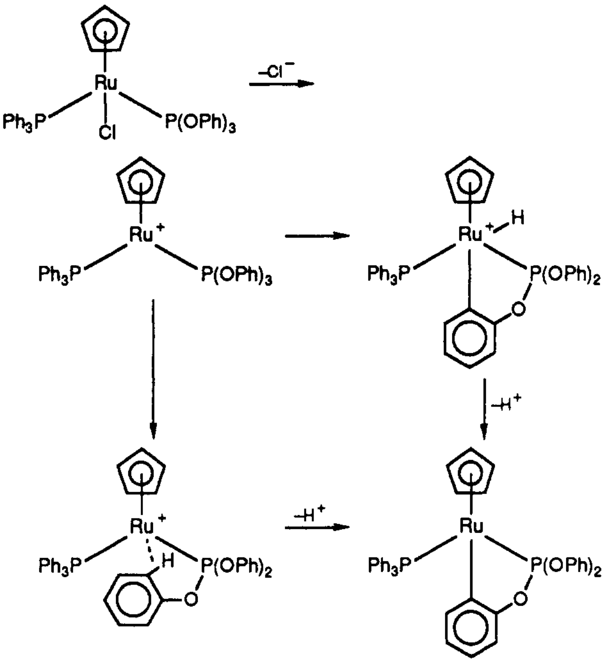
$(OPh)_3$), each of which is thermally stable under these experimental conditions.

For the case of η^5-cpRuCl(PPh_3)(P($OPh)_3$), we propose that intramolecular attack occurs at the ruthenium center via the solvated coordination site, followed by base-induced deprotonation of the unobserved intermediate (eq 4).



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These observations provide a clear example of intramolecular C–H bond cleavage being induced by the proximal generation of a vacant coordination site at a cationic metal center. This approach to effecting cyclometalation is preferable to thermolysis routes, where high-temperature reflux conditions can frequently lead to undesirable side products. Mechanistically, we cannot differentiate between a pathway involving oxidative addition at ruthenium(II) or electrophilic attack by the cationic metal center.[14] Either pathway is favored by the generation of a vacant coordination site, but electrophilic attack at the ortho C–H bond is further favored by the generation of a cationic ruthenium(II) center. Cyclometalation induced by thermolysis of η^5-cpRuClL$_2$ is less favored because it requires either attack at a coordinatively saturated center or prior ligand dissociation for attack. In both procedures, the final deprotonation step is carried out by using an amine base.

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Additions and Corrections

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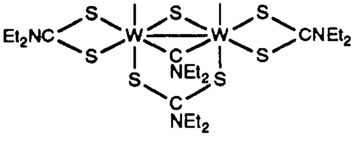
At the bottom of the second column of page 2645, complex **3** was incorrectly formulated and the bridging dithiocarbamato ligand was omitted. The formula should read



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The first partial sentence on page 2844 should read "...the bridging methyl located.[4b]"