



SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL TO  
**Catalytic investigation of Pd(II) complexes over Heck–Mizoroki  
reaction: Tailored synthesis, characterization and density  
functional theory**

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ISOLATED YIELDS AND SPECTROSCOPIC DATA OF SYNTHESIZED COMPOUNDS

2-((E)-(p-tolylimino)methyl)-6-methoxyphenol (*L*<sub>1</sub>)

M.p.: 102 °C; Yield: 1.115 g (92.60 %). Electronic spectra  $\lambda_{\max}$  / nm  
( $\epsilon$  / mol L<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>) in DMSO: 240 (1220), 360 (385). Selected infrared absorption  
(KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$ (O-H), 3217;  $\nu$ (C-H), 2931;  $\nu$ (HC=N), 1627;  $\nu$ (C=C), 1454;  
 $\nu$ (C-O), 1265;  $\nu$ (-OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>asym</sub>, 1172;  $\nu$ (-OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>sym</sub>, 1091;  $\gamma$ (C-H)<sub>in plane</sub>, 1057;  
 $\gamma$ (C-H)<sub>out plane</sub>, 740. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra (400 MHz, CH<sub>3</sub>CN,  $\delta$  / ppm): (O-H),  
13.37 (s, 1H);  $\delta$  (HC=N), 8.93 (s, 1H),  $\delta$  (Ar-H)<sub>p-toluidine</sub>, 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.27 (m,  
2H),  $\delta$  (Ar-H)<sub>Vanillin</sub>, 7.23 (dd,  $J$  = 10.6 Hz, 2 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (dd,  $J$  = 10.8 Hz, 2.0  
Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t,  $J$  = 10.4 Hz, 10.4 Hz, 1H); (-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.42 (s, 3H); (-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.33  
(s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra (400 MHz, CH<sub>3</sub>CN,  $\delta$  / ppm): (>C=N)<sub>imine</sub>, 161.5,  
(C-OH), 151.7, (Ar-C), 150.9 (C<sub>1</sub>), 148.1 (C<sub>2</sub>), 134.4 (C<sub>3</sub>), 128.0 (C<sub>4</sub>), 123.7  
(C<sub>5</sub>), 119.5 (C<sub>6</sub>), 119.4 (C<sub>8</sub>), 119.2 (C<sub>9</sub>), 117.9 (C<sub>10</sub>), 116.4 (C<sub>11</sub>), 115.1 (C<sub>12</sub>);  
(O-CH<sub>3</sub>), 55.8; (-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.1. ESI-Mass spectra, ( $m/z$ ): calculated for  
[C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 151.099, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 211.026,  
[C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NO+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 225.032, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 227.014,  
[C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 242.116, observed 241.286. Combustion analysis for  
C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: calcd. C 74.67, H 6.27, N 5.81 %. Found C 74.59, H 6.23, N 5.75 %.

2-methoxy-6-((E)-(phenylimino)methyl)phenol (*L*<sub>2</sub>)

M.p.: 95 °C; Yield: 0.982 g (86.51 %); Electronic spectra  $\lambda_{\max}$  / nm  
( $\epsilon$  / mol L<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>) in DMSO: 250 (1237), 360 (375). Selected infrared absorption

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(KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu(\text{O-H})$ , 3216;  $\nu(\text{C-H})$ , 3034;  $\nu(\text{HC=N})$ , 1619;  $\nu(\text{C=C})$ , 1464;  $\nu(\text{C-O})$ , 1271;  $\nu(-\text{OCH}_3)_{\text{asym}}$ , 1188;  $\nu(\text{OCH}_3)_{\text{sym}}$ , 1081.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra (400 MHz,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ,  $\delta$  / ppm): (O-H), 13.34, (s, 1H); (HC=N), 8.92 (s, 1H), (Ar-H), 7.28 (m, 5H)<sub>aniline</sub>, 7.20 (dd,  $J = 9.2$  Hz, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 8.0 Hz, 1H), (-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.45 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra (400 MHz,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ,  $\delta$  / ppm): ( $>\text{C=N}$ )<sub>imine</sub>, 159.2; (C-OH), 153.0; (Ar-C), 149.5 (C<sub>1</sub>), 147.2 (C<sub>2</sub>), 135.3 (C<sub>3</sub>), 126.5 (C<sub>4</sub>), 121.5 (C<sub>5</sub>), 118.7 (C<sub>6</sub>), 118.1 (C<sub>8</sub>), 118.1 (C<sub>9</sub>), 115.0 (C<sub>10</sub>), 114.2 (C<sub>11</sub>), 113.5 (C<sub>12</sub>); (O-CH<sub>3</sub>), 51.6. ESI-Mass spectra, ( $m/z$ ): calculated for  $[\text{C}_8\text{H}_8\text{NO}_2+\text{H}^+]^+ = 151.485$ ,  $[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}+\text{H}^+]^+ = 211.152$ ,  $[\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_2+\text{H}^+]^+ = 213.053$ ,  $[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2+\text{H}^+]^+ = 228.258$ , observed 227.351. Combustion analysis for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$ : calcd. C 73.99, H 5.77, N 6.16 %. Found C 73.92, H 5.69, N 6.08 %.

*2-((E)-(4-chlorophenylimino)methyl)-6-methoxy phenol (L<sub>3</sub>)*

M.p.: 175 °C; Yield: 1.058 g (81.19 %); Electronic spectra  $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$  ( $\epsilon/\text{mol L}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$ ) in DMSO: 245 (1228), 352 (392). Selected infrared absorption (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu(\text{O-H})$ , 3249;  $\nu(\text{C-H})$ , 3137;  $\nu(\text{HC=N})$ , 1613;  $\nu(\text{C=C})$ , 1449;  $\nu(\text{C-O})$ , 1248;  $\nu(-\text{OCH}_3)_{\text{asym}}$ , 1161;  $\nu(-\text{OCH}_3)_{\text{sym}}$ , 1092.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra (400 MHz,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ,  $\delta$  / ppm): (O-H), 13.32 (s, H); (HC=N), 8.91 (s, 1H),  $\delta$  (Ar-H) 7.45 (m, 4H)<sub>chloroaniline</sub>, 7.23 (dd,  $J = 10.5$  Hz, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd,  $J = 9.5$  Hz, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 8.4 Hz, 1H);  $\delta$  (-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.49 (s, 3H);  $\delta$  (-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.33 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra (400 MHz,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ,  $\delta$  / ppm): ( $>\text{C=N}$ )<sub>imine</sub>, 157.3; (C-OH), 152.3; (Ar-C), 151.7 (C<sub>1</sub>), 147.2 (C<sub>2</sub>), 132.0 (C<sub>3</sub>), 127.2 (C<sub>4</sub>), 124.6 (C<sub>5</sub>), 116.8 (C<sub>6</sub>), 116.5 (C<sub>8</sub>), 116.1 (C<sub>9</sub>), 114.9 (C<sub>10</sub>), 113.2 (C<sub>11</sub>), 113.0 (C<sub>12</sub>); (O-CH<sub>3</sub>), 55.0. ESI-Mass spectra, ( $m/z$ ): calculated for  $[\text{C}_8\text{H}_8\text{NO}_2+\text{H}^+]^+ = 151.359$ ,  $[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_2+\text{H}^+]^+ = 227.014$ ,  $[\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{ClNO}+\text{H}^+]^+ = 231.026$ ,  $[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_2+\text{H}^+]^+ = 262.706$ , observed 261.725. Combustion analysis for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_2$ : calcd. C 64.25, H 4.59, N 5.35 %. Found C 64.17, H 4.52, N 5.24 %.

*[Pd(L<sub>1</sub>)(imdz)<sub>2</sub>]Cl (I)*

A brown crystalline solid was obtained after recrystallization of impure solid from 1: 1: 2, acetonitrile: acetone: chloroform (v/v) solvent mixture, which was dried in a desiccator over anhydrous calcium chloride under vacuum. M.p.: >300 °C; Color: brown, Yield: 0.381 g (73.69 %). Electronic spectra  $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$  ( $\epsilon/\text{mol L}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$ ) in DMSO: 703 (29), 600 (98), 440 (286), 400 (421), 370 (759), 260 (1245). Molar conductance  $\Lambda_m$  at 25 °C ( $\Omega^{-1} \text{cm}^2 \text{M}^{-1}$ ): 19 in DMSO. Selected infrared absorption (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu(\text{C-H})$ , 2843;  $\nu(\text{HC=N})$ , 1602;  $\nu(\text{C=C})$ , 1472;  $\nu(\text{C-O})$ , 1265;  $\nu(\text{H}_3\text{C-O})_{\text{asy}}$ , 1178;  $\nu(\text{H}_3\text{C-O})_{\text{sy}}$ , 1068;  $\nu(\text{H}_3\text{C})_{\text{in plane}}$ , 1028;  $\nu(\text{H}_3\text{C})_{\text{out of plane}}$ , 752;  $\nu(\text{Pd-O})$ , 534;  $\nu(\text{Pd-N})$ , 453.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra (400 MHz, DMSO,  $\delta$  / ppm): 10.94 (s, 2H, (N-H)<sub>imdz</sub>), 8.99 (s, 1H, -HC=N), 7.34 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H)<sub>imdz</sub>, 7.25 (m, 4H)<sub>imdz</sub>, (Ar-H), 7.15 (m, 4H)<sub>p-toluidene</sub>, 7.07 (d,  $J = 8.4$

Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 6.90 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 8.0 Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 6.77 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 3.41 (s, 3H, -OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.22 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra (400 MHz, dmsO,  $\delta$  / ppm): (>C=N)<sub>imine</sub>, 165.1; (imd-C), 136.5, 136.4, 122.3, 122.1, 122.0, 122.0, (Ar-C), 156.6 (C<sub>1</sub>), 150.5 (C<sub>2</sub>), 147.8 (C<sub>3</sub>), 145.1 (C<sub>4</sub>), 131.3 (C<sub>5</sub>), 130.0 (C<sub>6</sub>), 129.9 (C<sub>7</sub>), 116.1 (C<sub>8</sub>), 114.5 (C<sub>9</sub>), 114.5 (C<sub>10</sub>), 113.4 (C<sub>11</sub>), 113.1 (C<sub>12</sub>); (O-CH<sub>3</sub>), 55.8; (-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.5. ESI-Mass spectra, ( $m/z$ ): calculated for [C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 151.090, [C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 242.172, [C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>-NPd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 291.038, [C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>NPd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 347.697, [C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>NPd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 383.340, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 392.203, [C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 415.215, [C<sub>14</sub>-H<sub>15</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 428.210, [C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd]<sup>+</sup> = 450.001, [C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd]<sup>+</sup> = 482.857, [C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>22</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 519.304, observed 518.258. Combustion analysis for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>22</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd: calcd. C 48.63, H 4.28, N 13.51, Pd 20.53 %. Found C 48.54, H 4.23, N 13.44, Pd 20.45 %.

[Pd(L<sub>2</sub>)(imd<sub>z</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl (2)

The solid obtained was further recrystallized from 1:1:2, acetone: acetonitrile:chloroform (v / v) solvent mixture to yield light brown crystalline solid, which was dried in a desiccator over anhydrous calcium chloride under vacuum. M.p.: >300 °C; Color: light brown, Yield: 0.345 g (68.59 %); Electronic spectra  $\lambda_{\max}$  / nm ( $\epsilon$  / mol L<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>) in DMSO: 715 (37), 609 (91), 437 (295), 405 (408), 366 (743), 253 (1264). Molar conductance  $\Lambda_m$  at 25 °C ( $\Omega^{-1}$  cm<sup>2</sup> M<sup>-1</sup>): 16 in DMSO. Selected infrared absorption (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$ (C-H)<sub>arom</sub>, 2827;  $\nu$ (HC=N), 1589;  $\nu$ (C=C), 1438;  $\nu$ (C-O), 1251;  $\nu$ (H<sub>3</sub>C-O)<sub>asym</sub>, 1172;  $\nu$ (H<sub>3</sub>C-O)<sub>sym</sub>, 1068;  $\nu$ (Pd-O), 516;  $\nu$ (Pd-N), 437. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra (400 MHz, DMSO,  $\delta$  / ppm): 10.80 (s, 2H, (N-H)<sub>imd<sub>z</sub></sub>), 8.99 (s, 1H, -HC=N), 7.38 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H)<sub>imd<sub>z</sub></sub>, 7.27 (m, 4H)<sub>imd<sub>z</sub></sub>, (Ar-H),  $\delta$  7.22 (m, 5H)<sub>aniline</sub>, 7.18 (dd,  $J = 9.8$  Hz, 2.5 Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 6.97 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 8.4 Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 6.69 (dd,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 2.2 Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 3.48 (s, 3H, -OCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra (400 MHz, DMSO,  $\delta$  / ppm): (>C=N)<sub>imine</sub>, 162.6, (imd-C), 134.6, 134.4, 120.4, 120.3, 120.2, 120.1, (Ar-C), 153.1 (C<sub>1</sub>), 152.9 (C<sub>2</sub>), 144.6 (C<sub>3</sub>), 141.8 (C<sub>4</sub>), 128.4 (C<sub>5</sub>), 126.6 (C<sub>6</sub>), 126.2 (C<sub>7</sub>), 121.8 (C<sub>8</sub>), 117.4 (C<sub>9</sub>), 117.1 (C<sub>10</sub>), 114.8 (C<sub>11</sub>), 114.6 (C<sub>12</sub>); (O-CH<sub>3</sub>), 52.6. ESI-Mass spectra, ( $m/z$ ): calculated for [C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 151.064, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 228.258, [C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>NPd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 291.043, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>NPd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 333.654, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>NPd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 368.283, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 392.218, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>11</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>NPd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 401.246, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>Cl-N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 428.281, [C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 469.158, [C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 505.035, observed 504.125. Combustion analysis for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd: calcd. C 47.64, H 4.00, N 13.89, Pd 21.12 %. Found C 47.53, H 3.95, N 13.78, Pd 21.01 %.

*[Pd(L<sub>3</sub>)(imdz)<sub>2</sub>]Cl (3)*

M.p.: >300 °C; Color: dark brown, Yield: 0.354 g (65.92 %); Electronic spectra  $\lambda_{\max}$  / nm ( $\epsilon$  / mol L<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>) in DMSO: 711 (32), 605 (104), 445 (282), 403 (419), 375 (751), 248 (1270). Molar conductance  $\Lambda_m$  at 25 °C ( $\Omega^{-1}$  cm<sup>2</sup> M<sup>-1</sup>): 17 in DMSO. Selected infrared absorption (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$ (C-H), 2889;  $\nu$ (HC=N), 1581;  $\nu$ (C=C), 1441;  $\nu$ (C-O), 1247;  $\nu$ (H<sub>3</sub>C-O)<sub>asym</sub>, 1178;  $\nu$ (H<sub>3</sub>C-O)<sub>sym</sub>, 1060;  $\nu$ (Pd-O), 530;  $\nu$ (Pd-N), 457. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra (400 MHz, DMSO,  $\delta$  / ppm): 10.78 (s, 2H, (N-H)<sub>imdz</sub>), 8.99 (s, 1H -HC=N), 7.37 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H)<sub>imdz</sub>, 7.25 (m, 4H)<sub>imdz</sub>, (Ar-H), 7.20 (m, 4H)<sub>chloroaniline</sub>, 7.15 (dd,  $J$  = 9.2 Hz, 2.2 Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 6.90 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 7.2 Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 6.78 (dd,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 2.4 Hz, 1H)<sub>vanillin</sub>, 3.54 (s, 3H, -OCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra (400 MHz, DMSO,  $\delta$  / ppm): (>C=N)<sub>imine</sub>, 163.5; (imdz-C), 137.6;  $\delta$  137.5; 122.3; 122.1; 122.0; 122.0; (Ar-C), 154.2 (C<sub>1</sub>), 152.8 (C<sub>2</sub>), 148.6 (C<sub>3</sub>), 145.2 (C<sub>4</sub>), 132.6 (C<sub>5</sub>), 130.2 (C<sub>6</sub>), 130.0 (C<sub>7</sub>), 119.3 (C<sub>8</sub>), 115.5 (C<sub>9</sub>), 115.2 (C<sub>10</sub>), 111.8 (C<sub>11</sub>), 111.5 (C<sub>12</sub>); (O-CH<sub>3</sub>), 58.7. ESI-Mass spectra, ( $m/z$ ): calculated for [C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 151.157, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>N+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 262.106, [C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>NPd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 291.094, [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 392.18, [C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 469.134, [C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 505.015, [C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd+H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>+</sup> = 539.723, observed 538.564. Combustion analysis for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd: calcd. C 44.59, H 3.55, N 13.00, Pd 19.75 %. Found C 44.51, H 3.48, N 12.89, Pd 19.67 %.

*Coupling reaction product ((E)-1,2-diphenylethene)*

M.p.: 134-135 °C. Color: white crystals. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra (400 MHz, DMSO,  $\delta$  / ppm): 7.614 (t, 2H), 7.239 (t, 2H), 7.293 (t, 2H); 7.287 (d, 2H); 7.267 (d, 2H);  $\delta$  HC=CH, 4.13 (d, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra (400 MHz, DMSO,  $\delta$  / ppm):  $\delta$  136.99 (C<sub>1,9</sub>);  $\delta$  127.27 (C<sub>3,11</sub>);  $\delta$  126.12 (C<sub>4,12</sub>);  $\delta$  127.62 (C<sub>5,13</sub>);  $\delta$  128.67 (C<sub>6,14</sub>); (HC=CH),  $\delta$  60.13.

Table S-I. Correlation of experimental FT-IR spectra with theoretical IR spectra for complex **1**

Assignment	Wavelength, cm <sup>-1</sup>			Deviation, %
	Experimental	Theoretical		
		Unscaled	Scaled	
$\nu$ (O-H)	-	-	-	-
$\nu$ (C-H)	2843	2835	2840	0.1
$\nu$ (-CH=N)	1602	1610	1600	0.1
$\nu$ (C=C)	1427	1436	1425	0.1
$\nu$ (C-O)	1265	1267	1263	0.1
$\nu$ (C-O-C) <sub>sym</sub>	1178	1171	1176	0.1
$\nu$ (C-O-C) <sub>asym</sub>	1068	1070	1066	0.1
$\chi$ (C-H) <sub>in plane</sub>	1028	1013	1026	0.1
$\chi$ (C-H) <sub>out of plane</sub>	752	754	733	0.1
$\nu$ (M-O)	534	532	533	0.1
$\nu$ (M-N)	453	443	452	0.1

Table S-II. Selected Mulliken atomic charges of ligands and complexes

Atoms	Mulliken atomic charge					
	Ligand			Complex		
	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	1	2	3
C (connected to O)	(C2) 0.355	(C2) 0.396	(C2) 0.396	(C2) 0.396	(C2) 0.394	(C2) 0.384
C' OCH <sub>3</sub> (connected to O)	(C1) 0.086	(C1) 0.075	(C1) 0.075	(C1) 0.076	(C1) 0.072	(C1) 0.052
C (connected to imine N)	(C20) 0.356	(C21) 0.354	(C20) 0.354	(C20) 0.343	(C20) 0.359	(C20) 0.350
H (connected to O)	(H33) 0.356	(H27) 0.356	(H27) 0.355	-	-	-
O	(O22) -0.687	(O23) -0.679	(O23) -0.679	(O22) -0.678	(O27) -0.656	(O21) -0.669
N (imine)	(N25) -0.671	(N25) -0.615	(N22) -0.615	(N23) -0.582	(N22) -0.582	(N24) -0.578
N (Imdz)	-	-	-	(N33) -0.655	(N29) -0.611	(N31) -0.674
N' (Imdz)	-	-	-	(N43) -0.640	(N39) -0.653	(N33) -0.654
Pd	-	-	-	1.324	1.331	1.340

Table S-III. The calculated quantum chemical parameters of ligands and complexes

Quantum parameter	Ligand			Complex		
	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	1	2	3
$E_{\text{HOMO}} / \text{eV}$	-5.937	-5.980	-6.271	-4.508	-3.986	-5.490
$E_{\text{LUMO}} / \text{eV}$	-2.029	-0.595	-2.236	-3.137	-3.197	-3.771
$\Delta E / \text{eV}$	3.907	5.384	4.035	1.371	0.789	1.719
$\chi / \text{eV}$	3.983	3.288	4.254	3.822	3.591	4.631
$\eta / \text{eV}$	1.953	2.692	2.017	0.685	0.394	0.859
$\Sigma / \text{eV}^{-1}$	0.511	0.371	0.495	1.458	2.534	1.163
$\mu / \text{eV or Pi}$	-3.983	-3.288	-4.254	-3.822	-3.591	-4.319
$2n$	3.907	5.384	4.035	1.371	0.789	1.791
$S / \text{eV}^{-1}$	0.255	0.185	0.247	0.729	1.267	0.581
$\Omega / \text{eV}$	4.061	2.007	4.485	10.657	13.347	12.472
$\Delta N_{\text{max}} / \text{eV}$	2.038	1.221	2.108	5.575	6.103	5.386
$E, TD-F / TD-KS$	-785.615	-746.303	-856.915	-1378.681	-1339.642	-1354.039
Dipole moment, D	4.959	4.445	4.044	12.793	12.533	12.318

Table S-IV. Geometrically optimized bond lengths of ligands and complexes

Bonds	Bond length, Å					
	Ligand			Complex		
	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	1	2	3
C-O	(C2-O22) 1.431	(C2-O23) 1.430	(C2-O23) 1.435	(C2-O22) 1.431	(C2-O21) 1.435	(C2-O21) 1.437
H-O	(H33-O22)	(H27-H23)	(H27-O23)	-	-	-

	0.968	0.961	0.960			
C=N (imine)	(C20=N25) 1.298	(C21=N25) 1.293	(C20=N22) 1.297	(C20=N23) 1.299	(C20=N22) 1.298	(C20=N24) 1.299
C-O (O- CH <sub>3</sub> )	(C21-O23) 1.430	(C22-O24) 1.430	(C21-O24) 1.430	(C24-O31) 1.430	(C23-O27) 1.434	(C23-O22) 1.431
C-Cl			(C12-Cl25) 1.761	-	-	(C12-Cl25) 1.760
Pd-O	-	-	-	(Pd32-O22) 1.942	(Pd28-O21) 1.942	(Pd30-O21) 1.941
Pd-N	-	-	-	Pd32-N23 (phen) 1.981	Pd28-N22 (phen) 1.980	Pd30-N24 (phen) 1.980
Pd-N (Imdz)	-	-	-	Pd32-N33 1.978	Pd28-N29 1.977	Pd30-N31 1.976
Pd-N' (Imdz)				Pd32-N43 1.979	Pd32-N39 1.976	Pd32-N33 1.974

Table S-V. Geometrically optimized bond angles of ligands and complexes

Angles	Bond angle, °					
	Ligand			Ligand		
	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	1	2	3
∠C-C-O	(∠C3-C2-O22) 119.999	(∠C3-C2-O23) 119.997	(∠C3-C2-O23) 119.994	(∠C3-C2-O22) 122.849	(∠C3-C2-O21) 122.842	(∠C3-C2-O21) 122.616
∠C-O-H	(∠C2-O22-H33) 109.471	(∠C2-O23-H27) 109.471	(∠C2-O23-H27) 109.471	-	-	-
∠C=N-C	(∠C3-C20-N25) 120.004	(∠C3-C21-N25) 120.007	(∠C3-C21-N22) 120.005	(∠C3-C22-N23) 123.139	(∠C3-C22-N22) 123.137	(∠C3-C20-N24) 123.142
∠H-C=N (imine)	(∠H26-C20-N25) 119.999	(∠H26-C21-N25) 119.998	(∠H26-C20-N22) 119.997	(∠H38-C20-N23) 118.400	(∠H34-C20-N22) 118.400	(∠H26-C20-N24) 118.925
∠C-O-C O-CH <sub>3</sub>	(∠C1-O23-C21) 109.471	(∠C1-O24-C22) 109.472	(∠C1-O24-C21) 109.471	(∠C1-O31-C24) 109.492	(∠C1-O27-C23) 109.490	(∠C1-O22-C23) 109.471
∠N(imine)-Pd-O	-	-	-	(∠N23-Pd32-O22) 92.855	(∠N22-Pd28-O21) 92.848	(∠N24-Pd30-O21) 92.841
∠N-Pd-O (Imdz)	-	-	-	(∠N23-Pd32-O22) 92.855	(∠N22-Pd28-O21) 92.860	(∠N24-Pd30-O21) 92.853
∠N-Pd-N	-	-	-	(∠N43-Pd32-N33) 87.534	(∠N39-Pd28-N29) 87.534	(∠N39-Pd30-O31) 87.748
∠N(imdz)-Pd-O	-	-	-	(∠N43-Pd32-O22) 125.874	(∠N39-Pd28-O21) 125.874	(∠N33-Pd30-O21) 125.425
∠N(imine)-Pd-N	-	-	-	(∠N23-Pd32-N33) 90.697	(∠N22-Pd28-N29) 90.695	(∠N24-Pd30-N31) 90.629

Table S-VI. Catalysis of Heck-Mizoroki reaction in different condition by complexes

Ent.	Catal load, μmol	Solv.	T/ °C	Base	t/h	Yield*, %		TOF, h <sup>-1</sup>		Yield*, %		TOF, h <sup>-1</sup>	
						1	1	2	2	3	3		
1	0.1	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	44.656	302.5	42.285	287.5	39.476	267.5		
2	0.2	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	57.633	195.62	54.637	185.62	51.524	175		
3	0.3	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	68.326	158.25	62.392	166.25	58.518	136.62		
4	0.4	DMF+	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	89.694	152.5	76.240	129.68	74.823	127.62		

		Water									
5	0.5	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	89.308	121.5	76.005	103.25	74.661	127.18
6	0.6	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	89.246	101.03	76.404	86.45	74.856	87.16
7	0.4	DMF	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	72.519	123.12	69.725	118.43	68.214	112.8
8	0.4	Toluene	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	46.259	78.43	41.034	69.68	40.473	68.81
9	0.4	Acetonitrile	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	38.549	65.31	35.559	60.31	35.415	60.06
10	0.4	Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	29.746	50.31	28.854	48.81	27.964	47.56
11	0.4	DMF+ Water	25	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	24.572	44.06	22.554	38.18	19.863	46.06
12	0.4	DMF+ Water	40	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	35.877	60.56	34.168	57.81	21.468	36.31
13	0.4	DMF+ Water	50	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	65.568	111.31	62.359	105.93	59.216	100.62
14	0.4	DMF+ Water	60	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	69.847	118.8	68.526	116.31	62.163	105.68
15	0.4	DMF+ Water	70	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	78.442	133.1	73.056	124.06	71.225	120.93
16	0.4	DMF+ Water	90	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	89.524	152.31	76.164	129.37	74.001	125.68
17	0.4	DMF+ Water	100	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	89.512	152.18	76.408	129.62	74.614	126.93
18	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	69.465	117.81	64.556	109.68	60.509	113.18
19	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	CH <sub>3</sub> COONa	8	44.656	75.68	42.465	72.18	42.148	71.56
20	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	NaOH	8	39.694	67.56	35.469	60.6	31.968	54.06
21	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	KOH	8	28.989	49.06	26.989	45.68	24.382	41.31
22	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	2	31.297	212.75	30.857	208.75	28.957	196.25
23	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	4	61.846	210.12	60.761	189.37	55.872	189.37
24	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	6	65.648	148.75	61.299	139.2	58.469	132.08
25 <sup>#</sup>	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	41.984	71.31	39.914	67.81	36.710	62.18
26 <sup>##</sup>	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	-	-	-	-	-	-

Reaction condition: Bromobenzene (0.5 mmol); Styrene (0.6 mmol); Potassium carbonate (0.75 mmol).

\*Yield after column chromatography. <sup>#</sup>Only PdCl<sub>2</sub> used as catalyst. <sup>##</sup>Schiff base ligands as catalyst.

Table S-VII. Heck-Mizoroki reactions with different substituents catalyzed by complex **1** under optimized reaction conditions

Entry	X	Y	Catalyst loading, $\mu\text{mol}$	Solvents	$T / ^\circ\text{C}$	Base	$t / \text{h}$	*Yield, %	TOF, $\text{h}^{-1}$ Complex <b>1</b>
1	Cl	H	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	43.710	74.06
2	Br	H	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	89.694	152.5
3	I	H	0.4	DMF+	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	89.899	152.7

				Water					
4	Br	CHO	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	67.872	115.2
5	Br	OCH <sub>3</sub>	0.4	DMF+ Water	80	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	8	59.660	101.25

Substituted aryl halides (0.5 mmol) (XC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Y; where X = Cl/ Br/ I and Y = H/ CHO/OCH<sub>3</sub>). In each case styrene (0.6 mmol) and as base potassium carbonate (0.75 mmol) was used. \*Yield after column chromatography

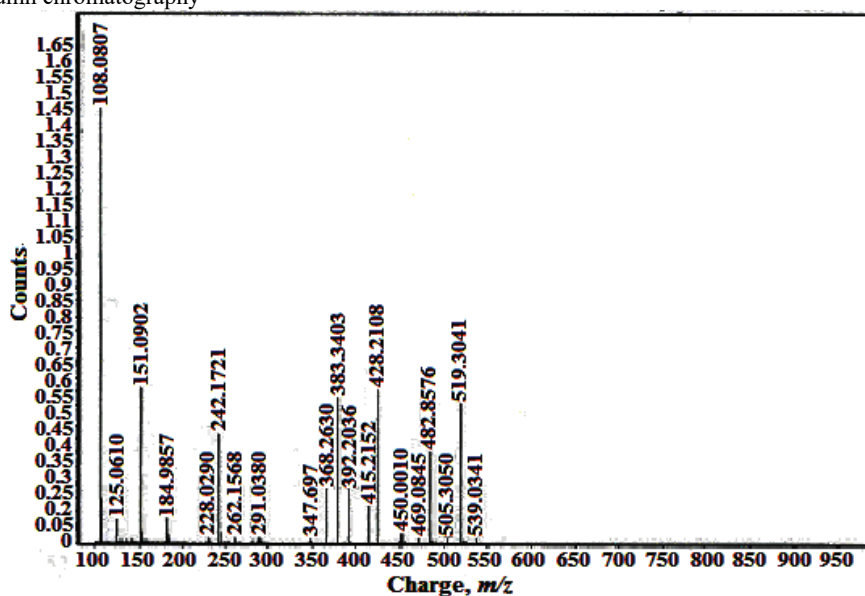


Fig. S-1. ESI-Mass spectrum of complex 1.



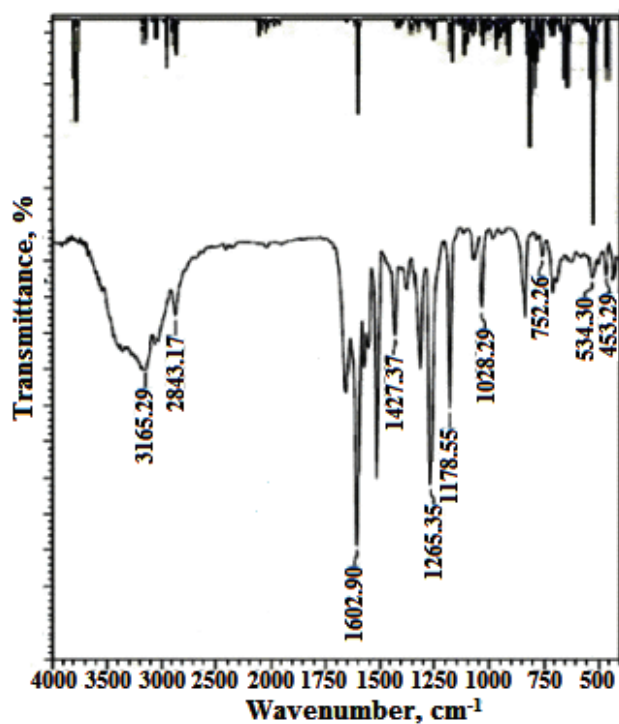


Fig. S-2. Experimental and theoretical FT-IR spectrum of complex 1.

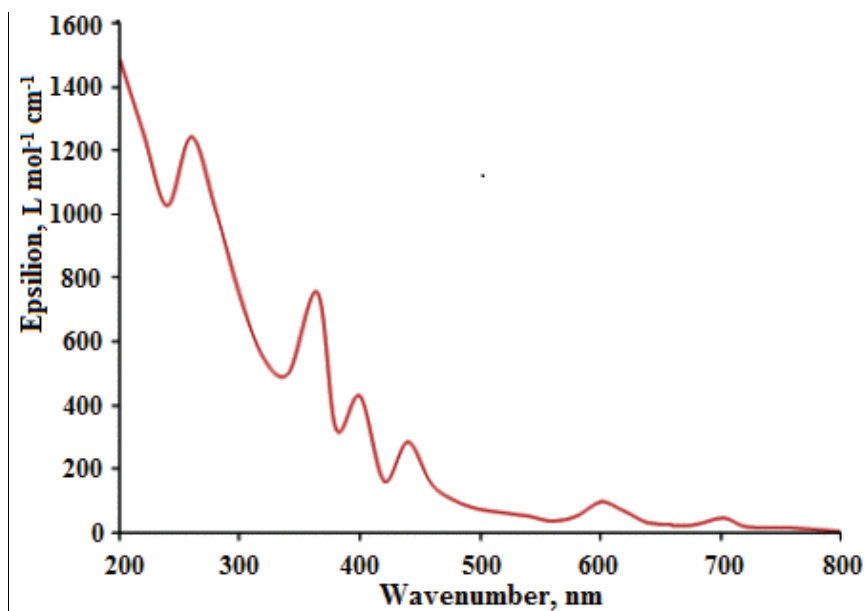


Fig. S-3. UV-Vis spectra spectrum of complex 1.

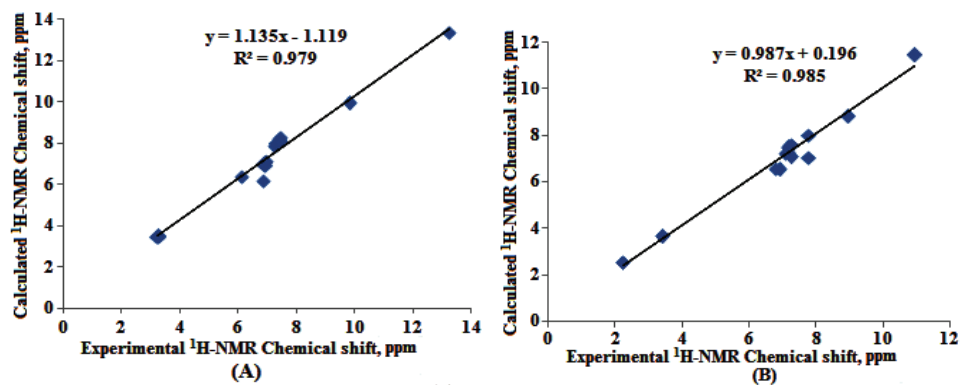


Fig. S-4. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR correlation diagram for (A) L<sub>1</sub> and (B) complex 1.

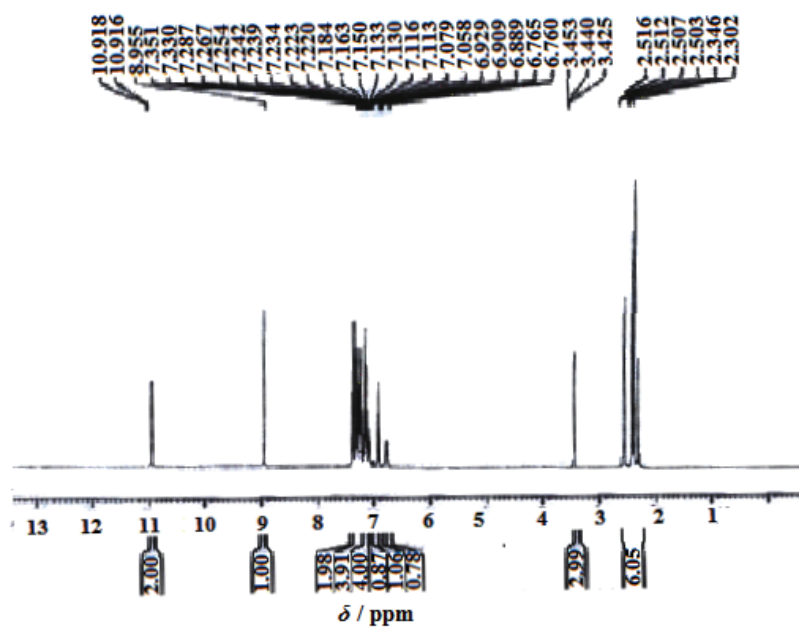


Fig. S-5. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of complex 1.

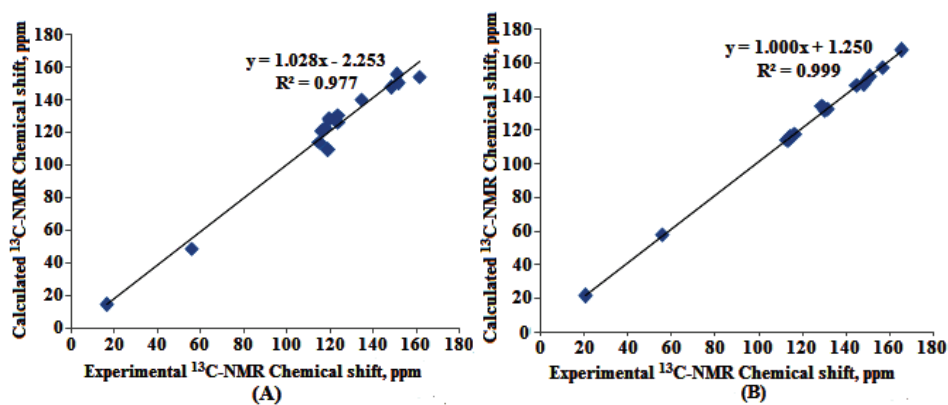


Fig. S-6.  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR correlation diagram for (A)  $L_1$  and (B) complex 1.

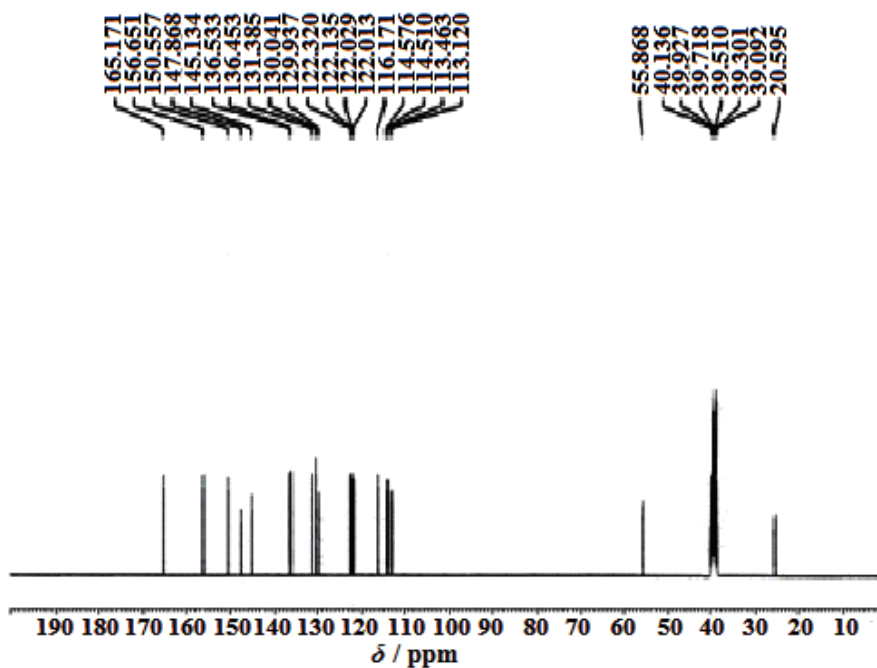


Fig. S-7.  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of complex 1.

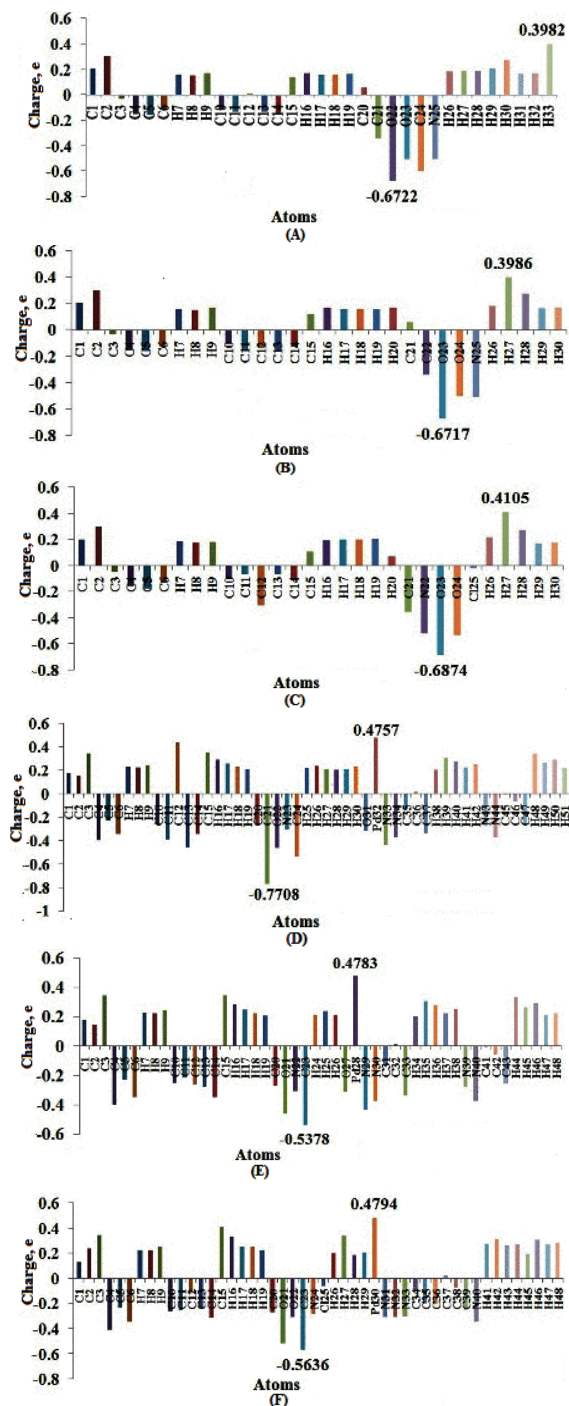


Fig. S-8. Mulliken atomic charge plot of  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ ,  $L_3$ , complexes 1, 2 and 3.

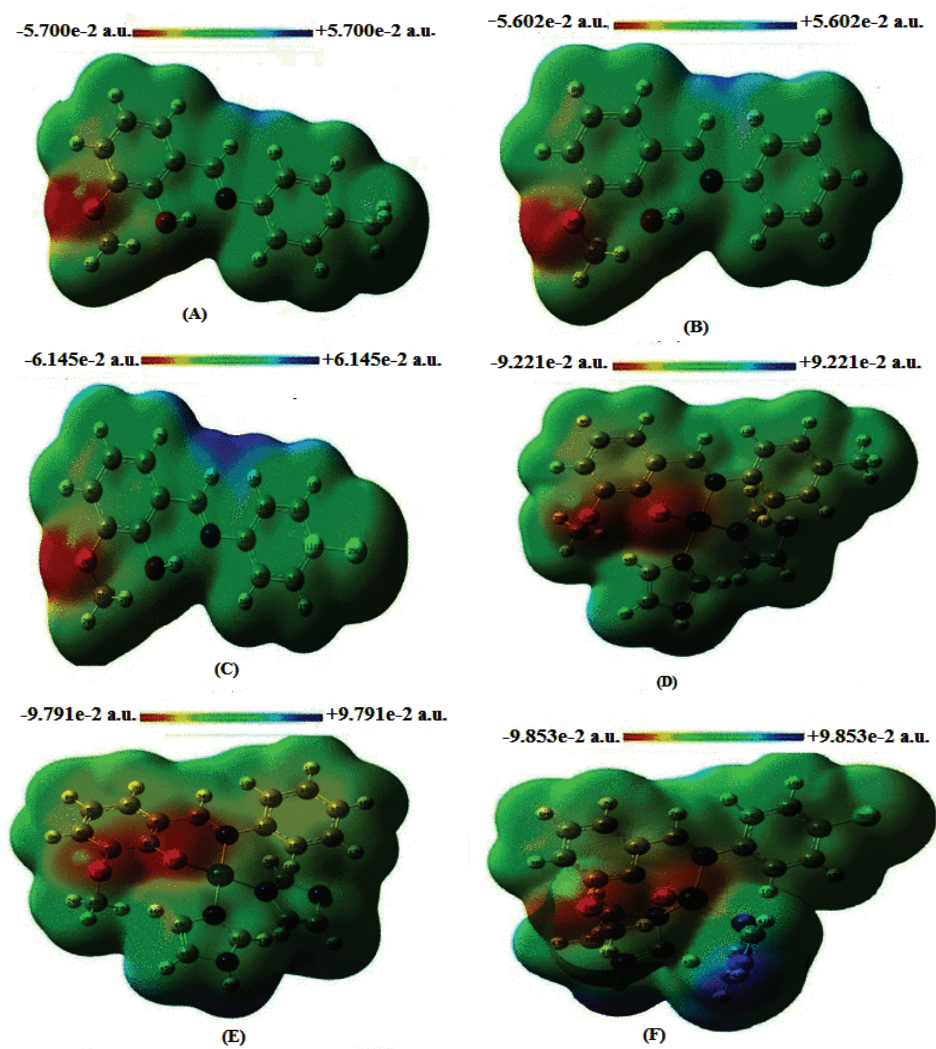


Fig. S-9. Molecular Electrostatic Potential of  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ ,  $L_3$ , complexes 1, 2 and 3.

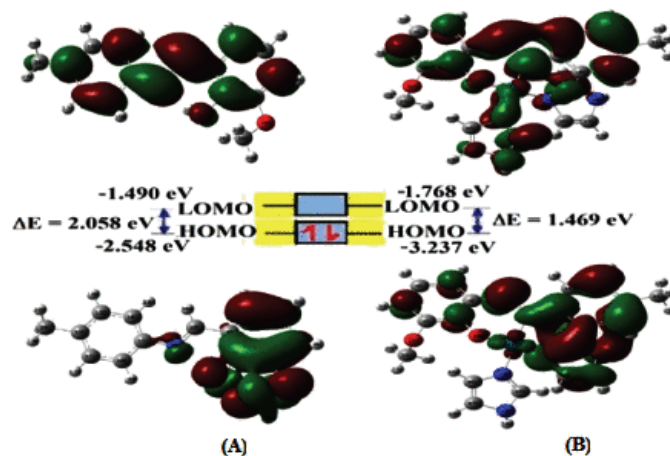


Fig. S-10. HOMO-LUMO structure with energy level diagram of (A) L<sub>1</sub> (B) complex 1.

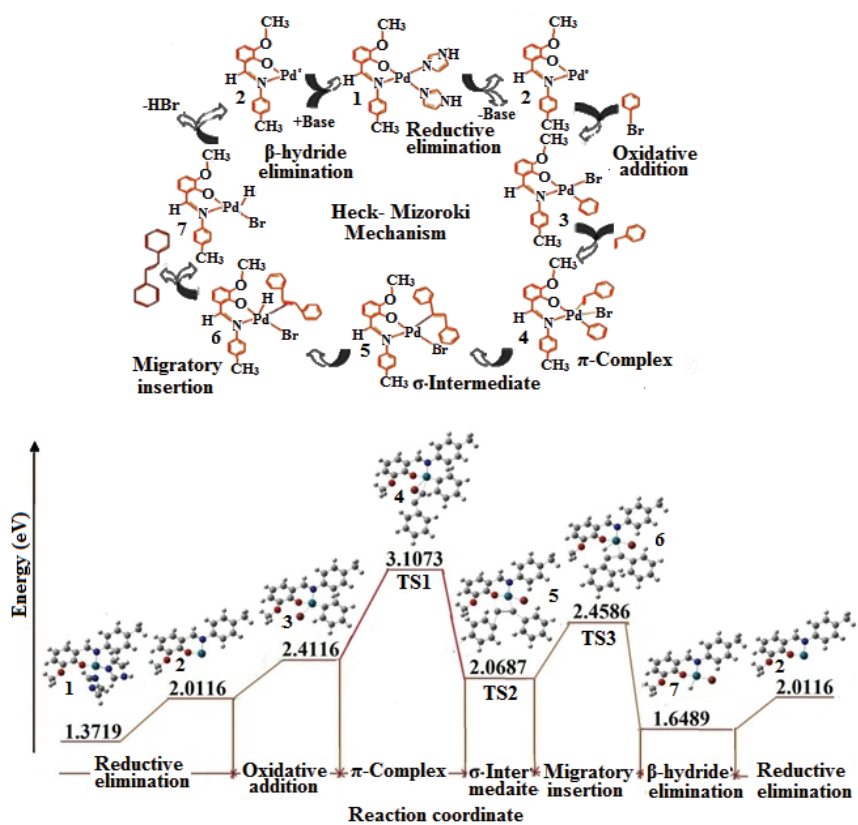


Fig. S-11. Proposed mechanism and energy profiles of the full catalytic species using complex 1.