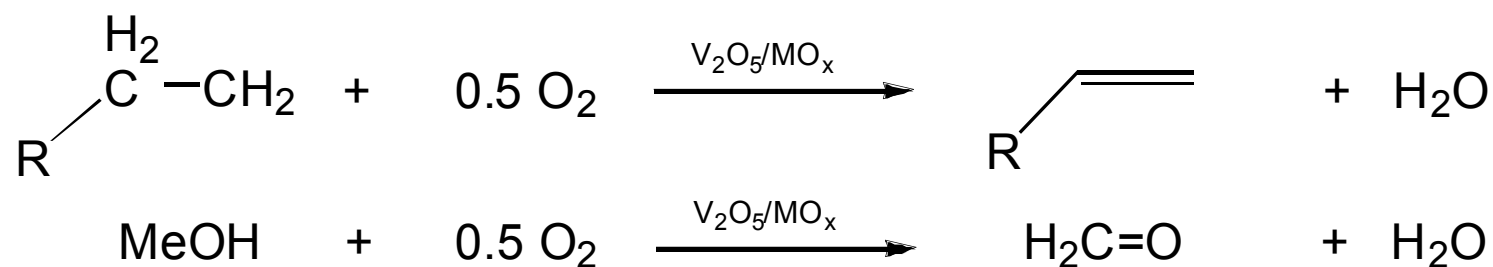

From surface-inspired oxovanadium
silsesquioxane models to active catalysts for
the oxidation of alcohols with O₂ - the cinnamic
acid/metavanadate system

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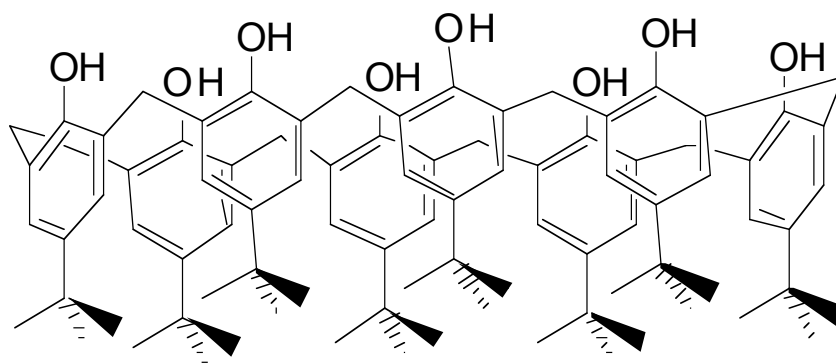
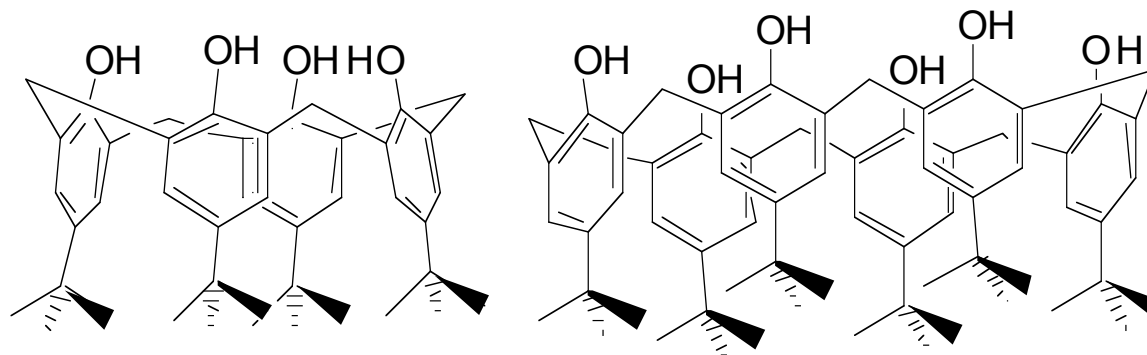
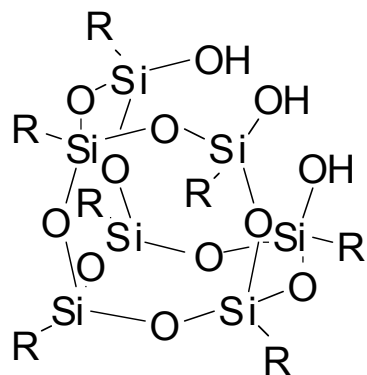
The oxidative dehydrogenation (ODH) with supported V_2O_5 -catalysts



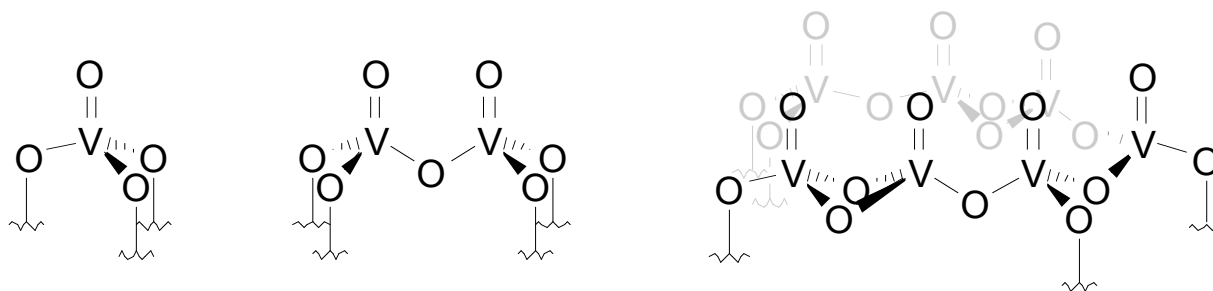
„The results of surface studies are the source of ideas for the molecular chemist in the construction of new molecules, the development of new reactions and, hopefully, the discovery of new catalysts.“

John A. Osborn, *J. Mol. Catal.* **1994**, 86, 267

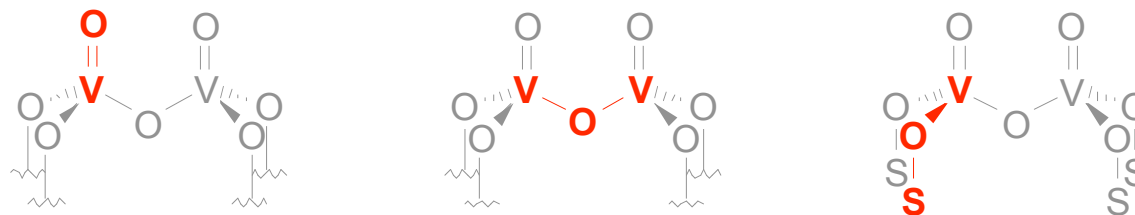
Ligands for the simulation of an oxidic environment



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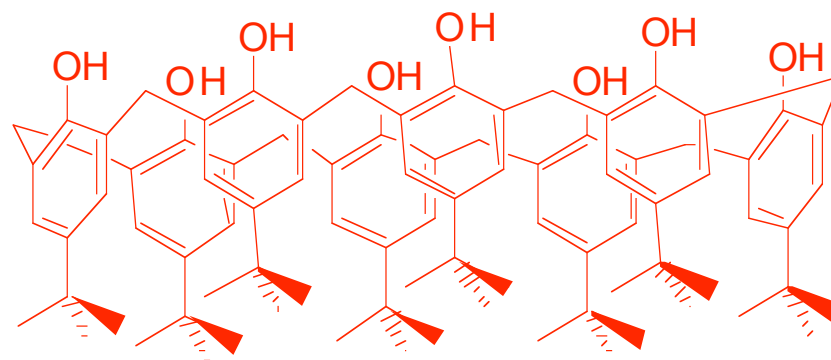
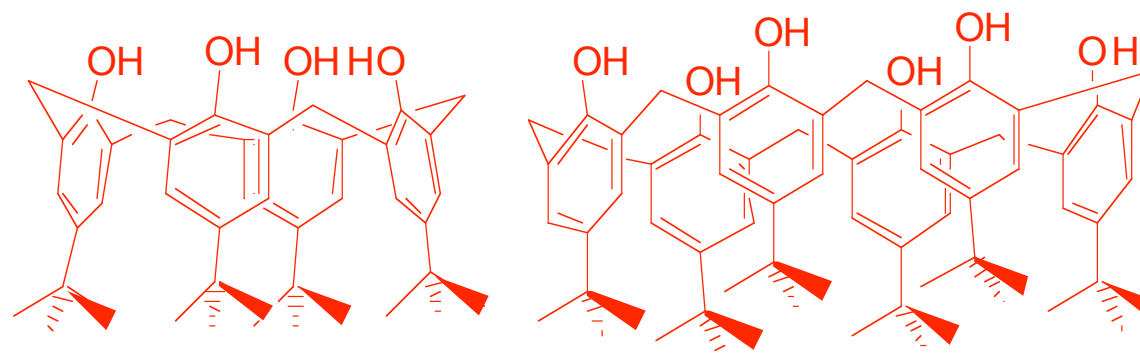
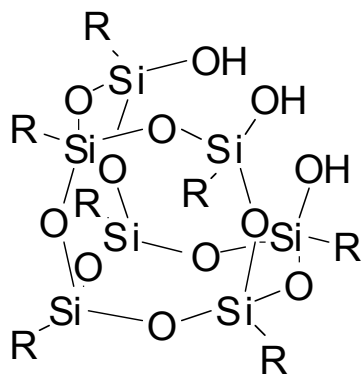


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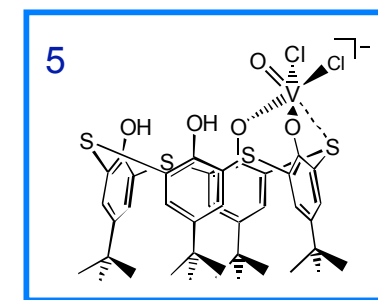
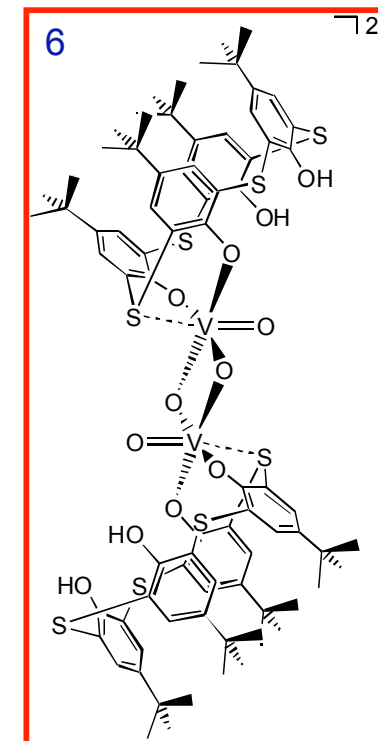
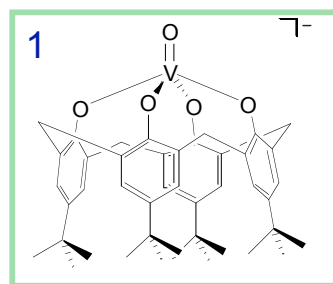
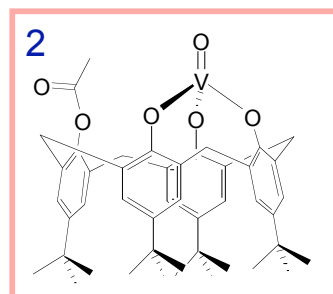
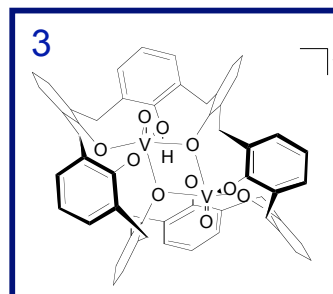
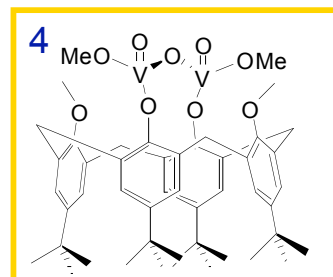
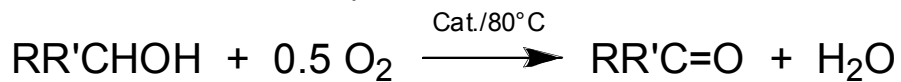
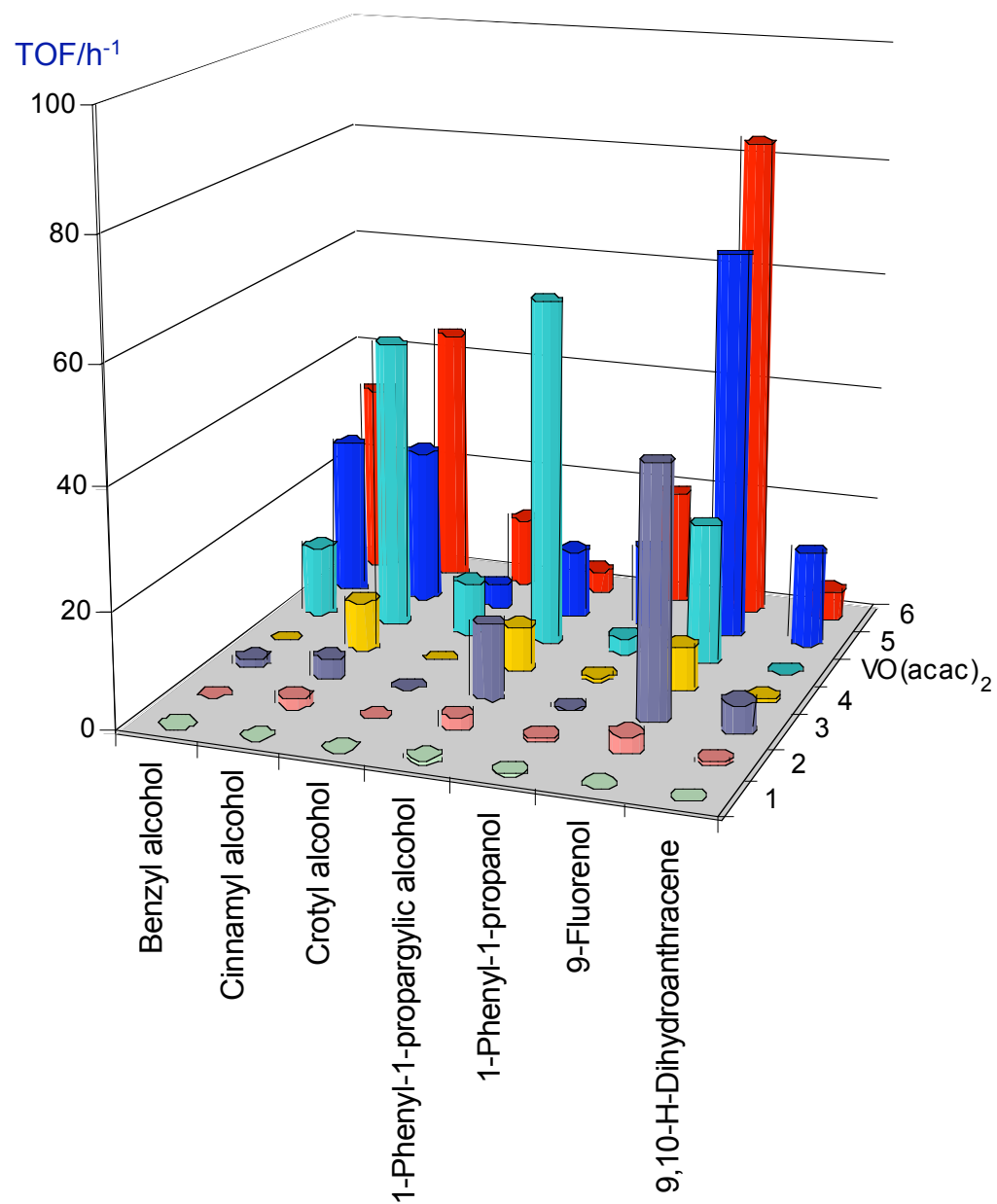


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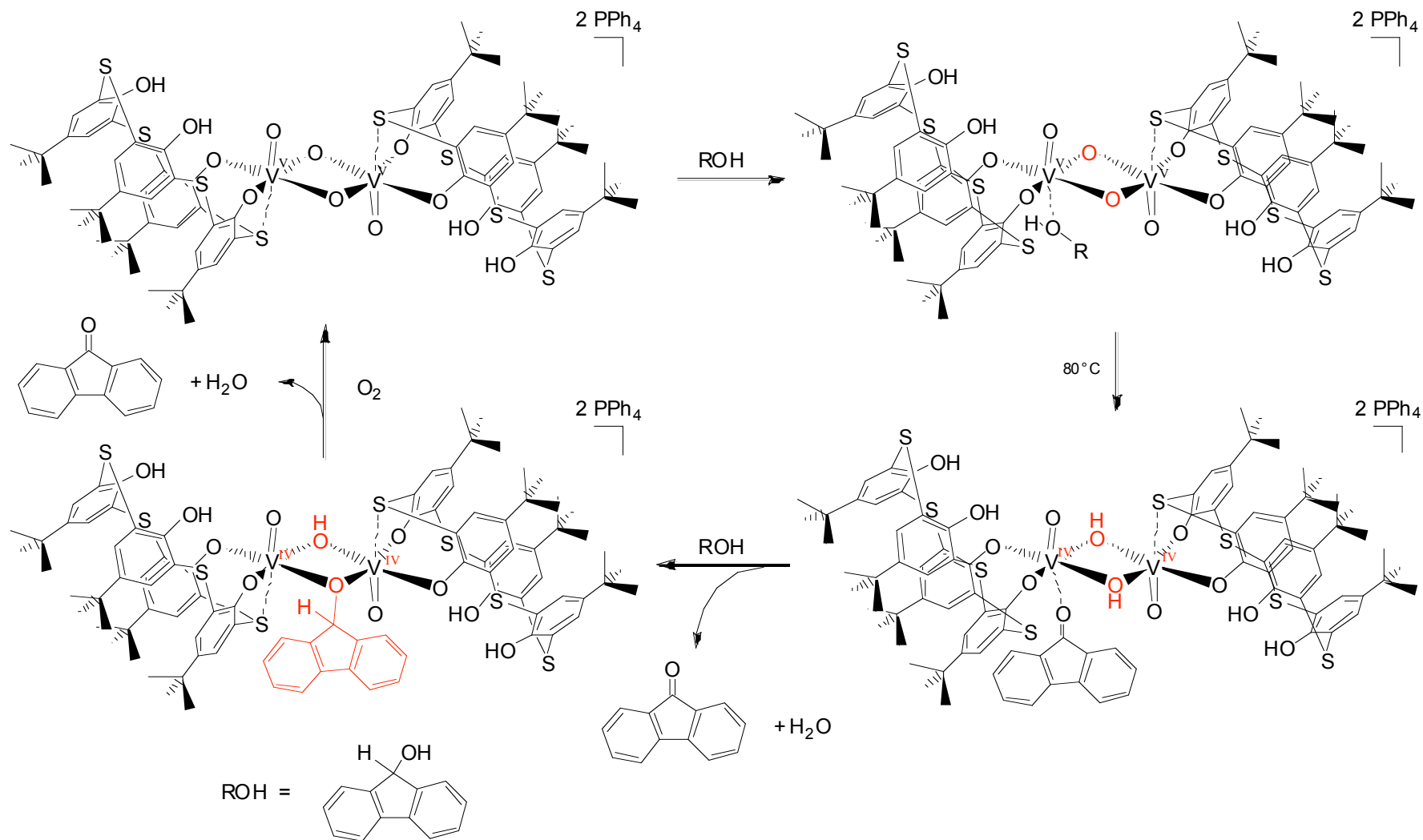
1. Calixarene chemistry



Test of model function: Catalytic activity in the ODH



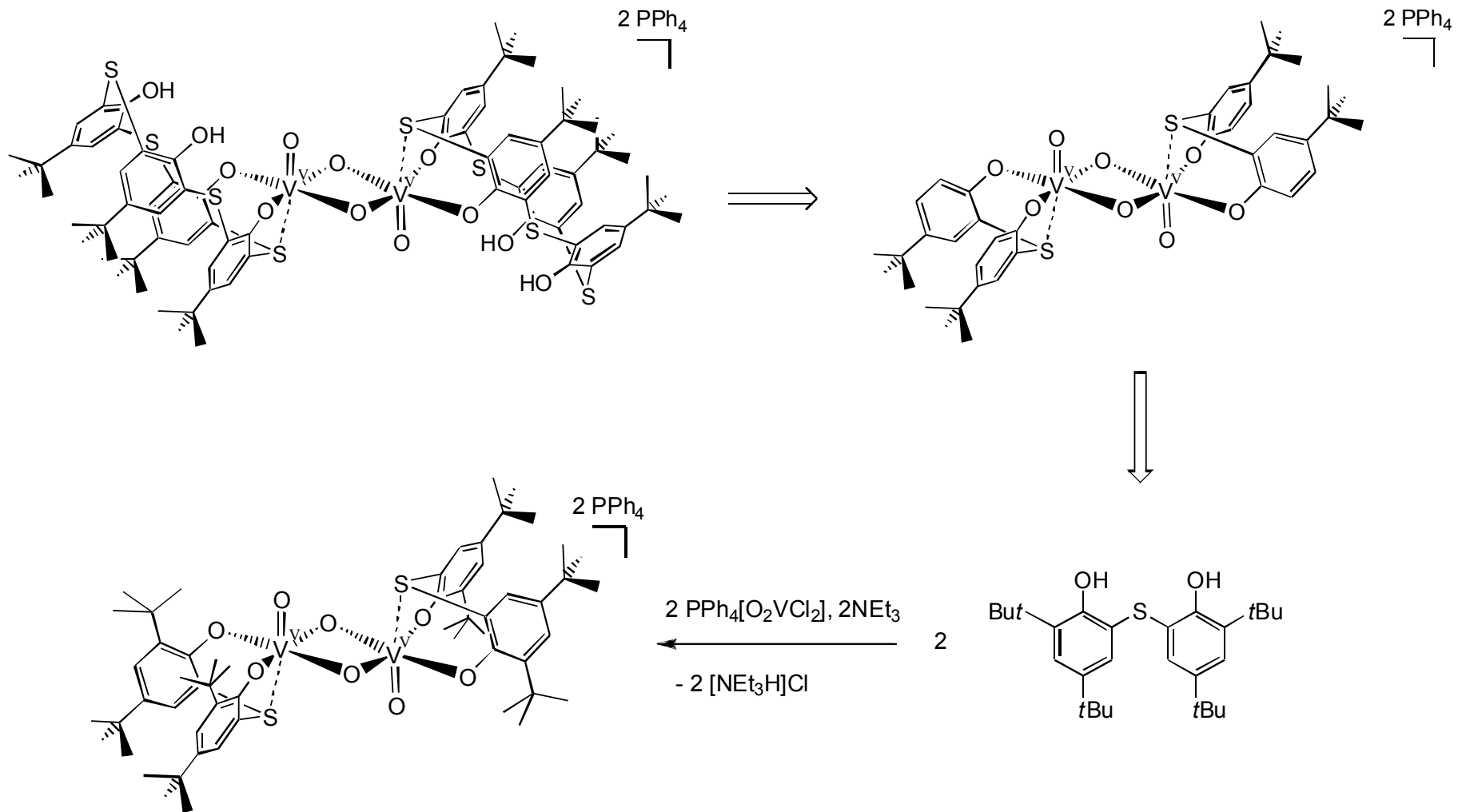
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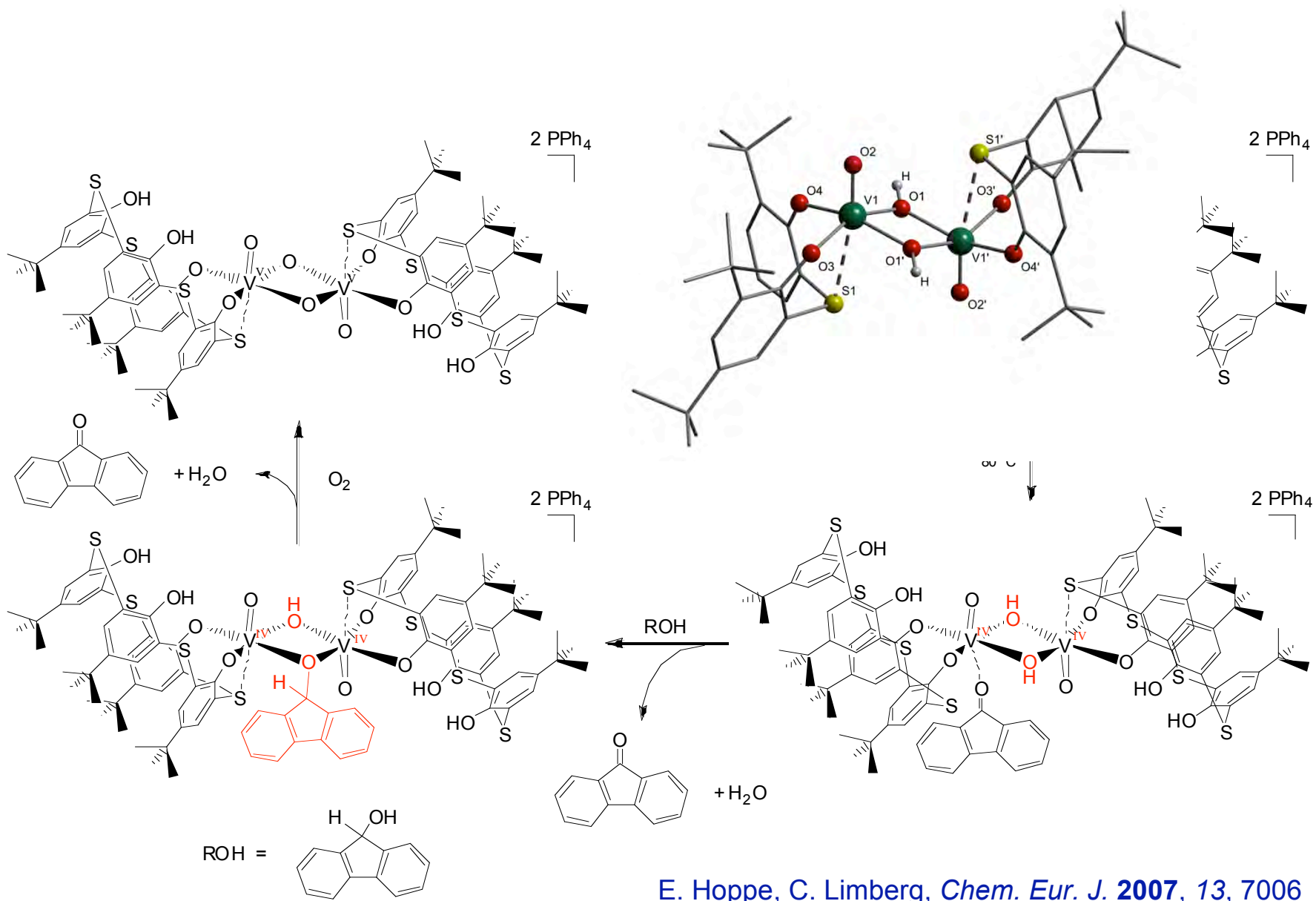


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Addressing mechanistic questions

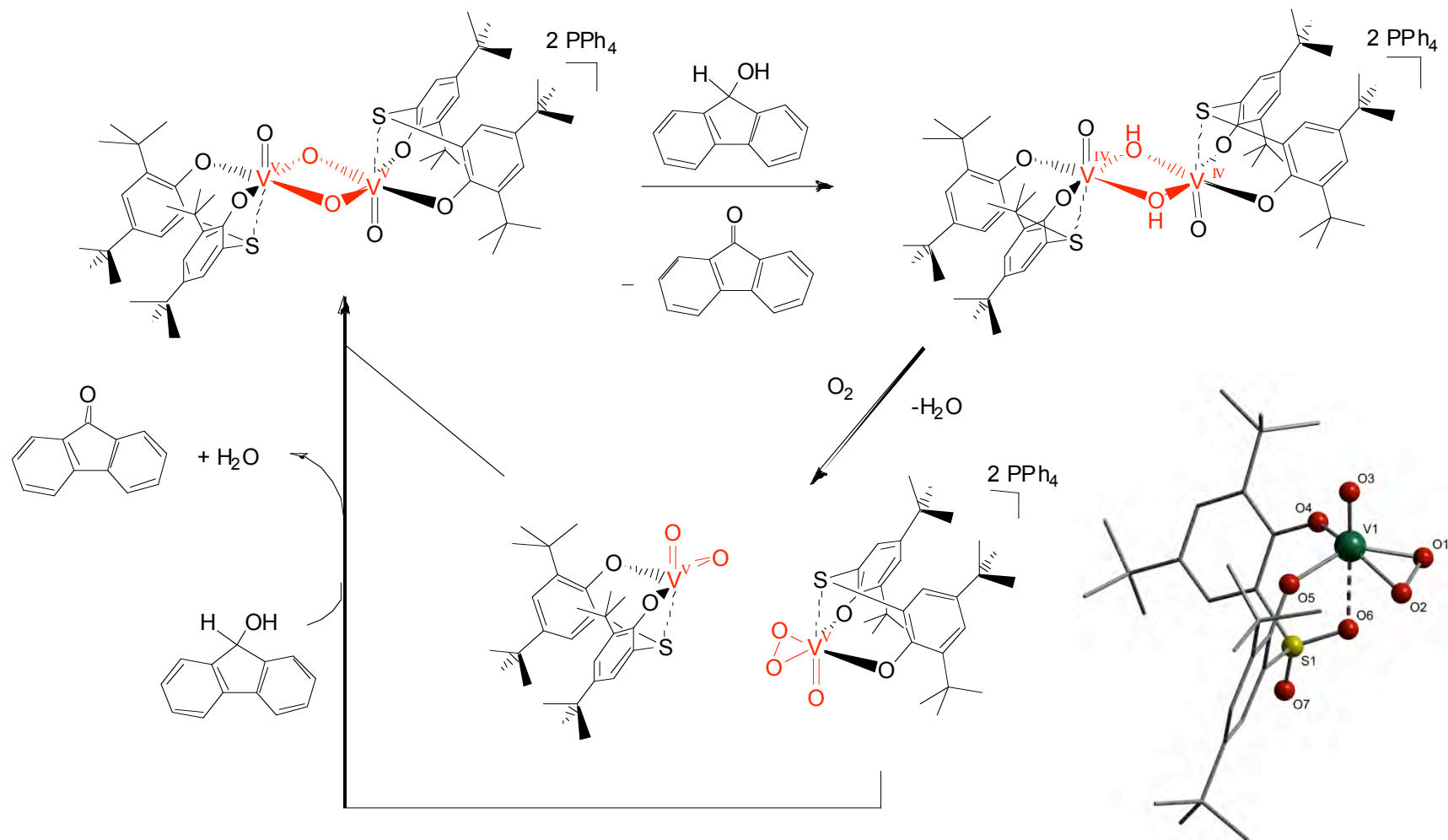




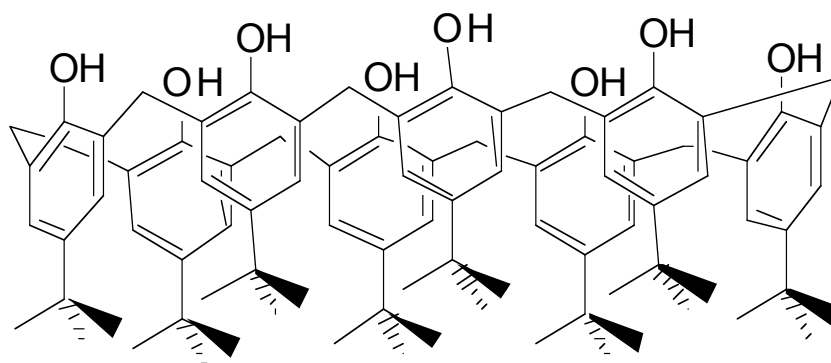
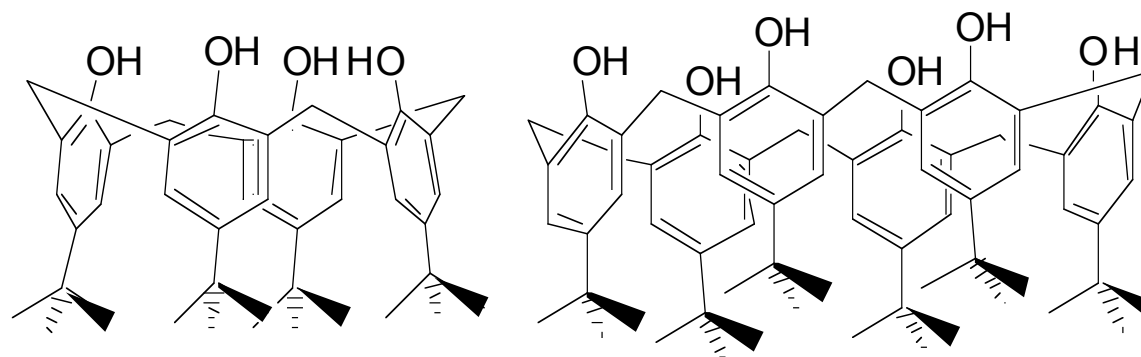
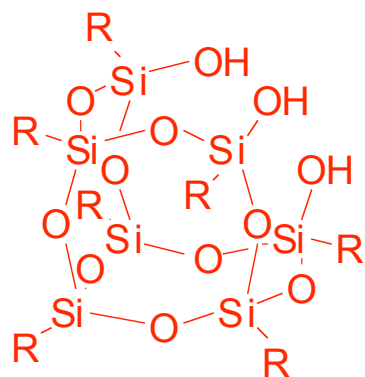
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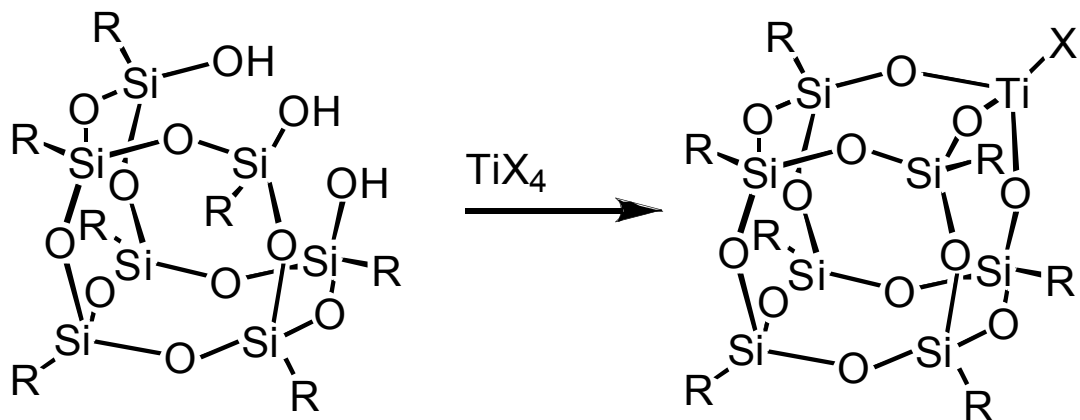
Reoxidation via Peroxides



2. Silsesquioxane chemistry

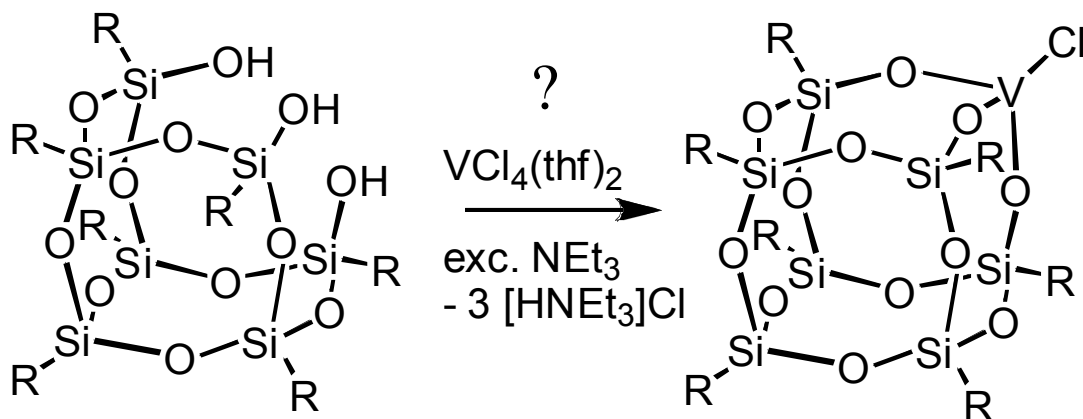


A mononuclear vanadium(IV) model



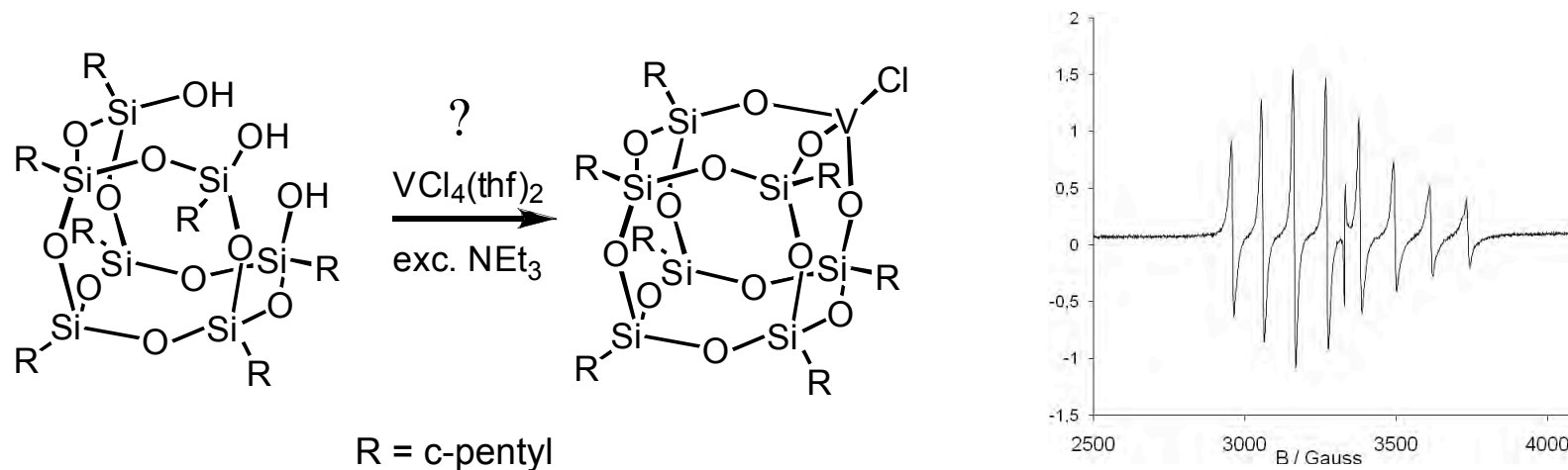
X = OEt, OiPr, OiBu, CH_2Ph , NMe_2

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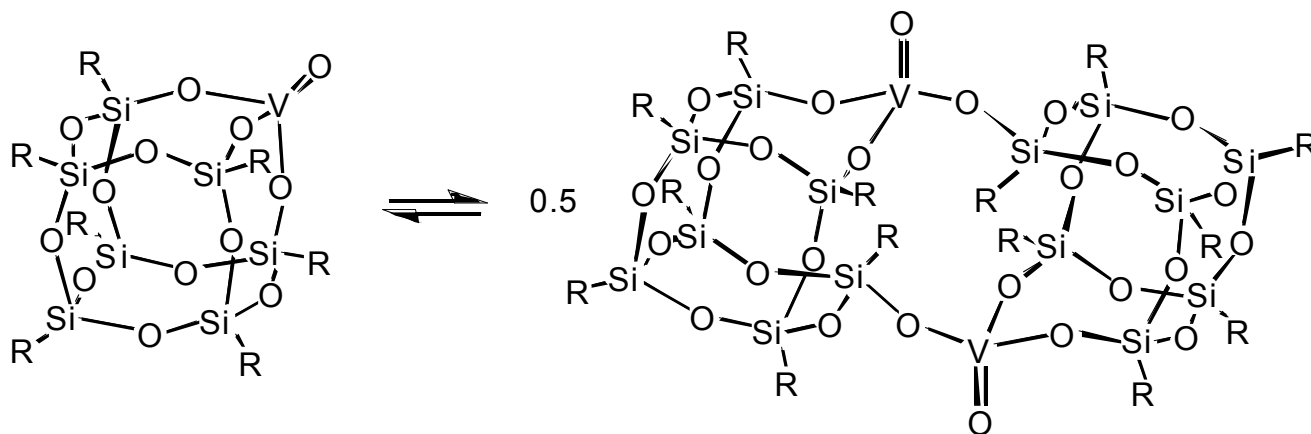
R = c-pentyl

The contents of the red-brown solution



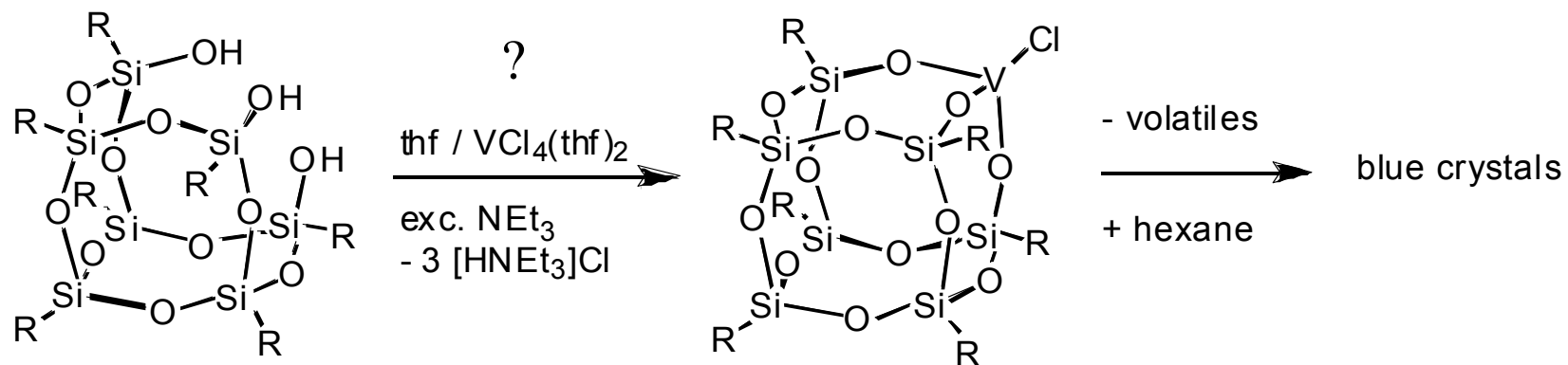
^{51}V NMR: presence of Feher-Komplex

EPR spectrum of product in THF at 293 K

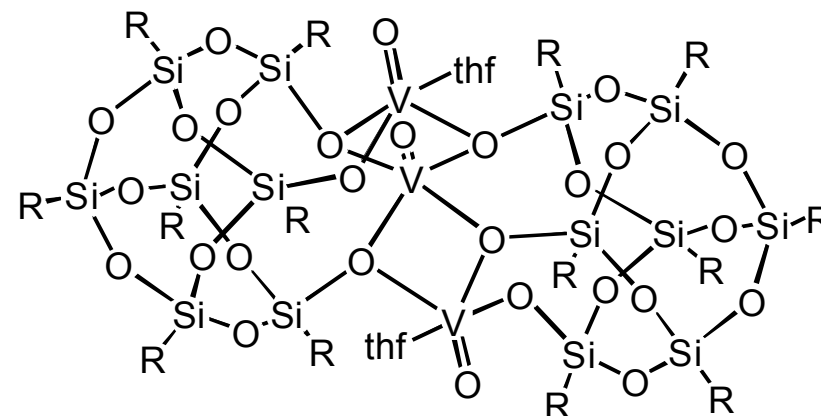
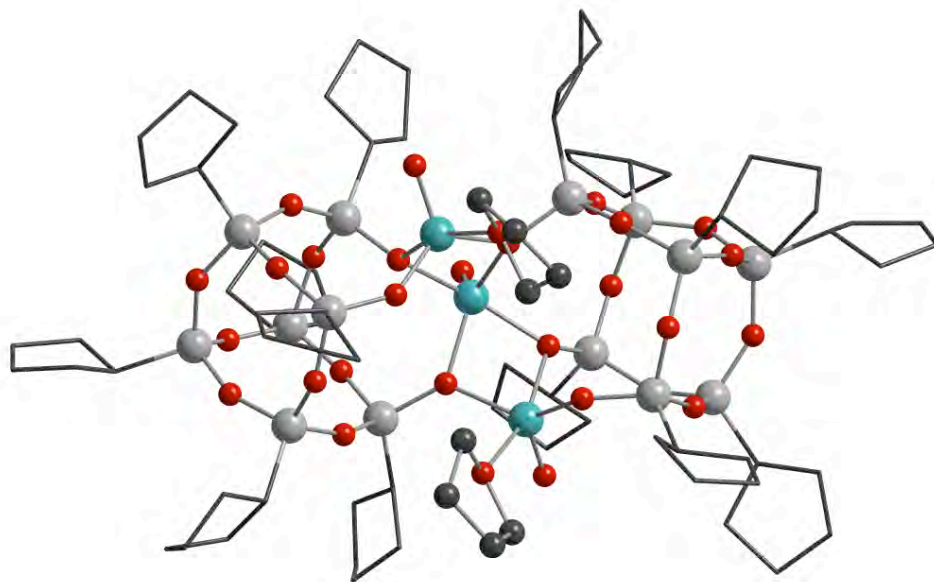


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Precipitation of a trinuclear complex from a hexane solution

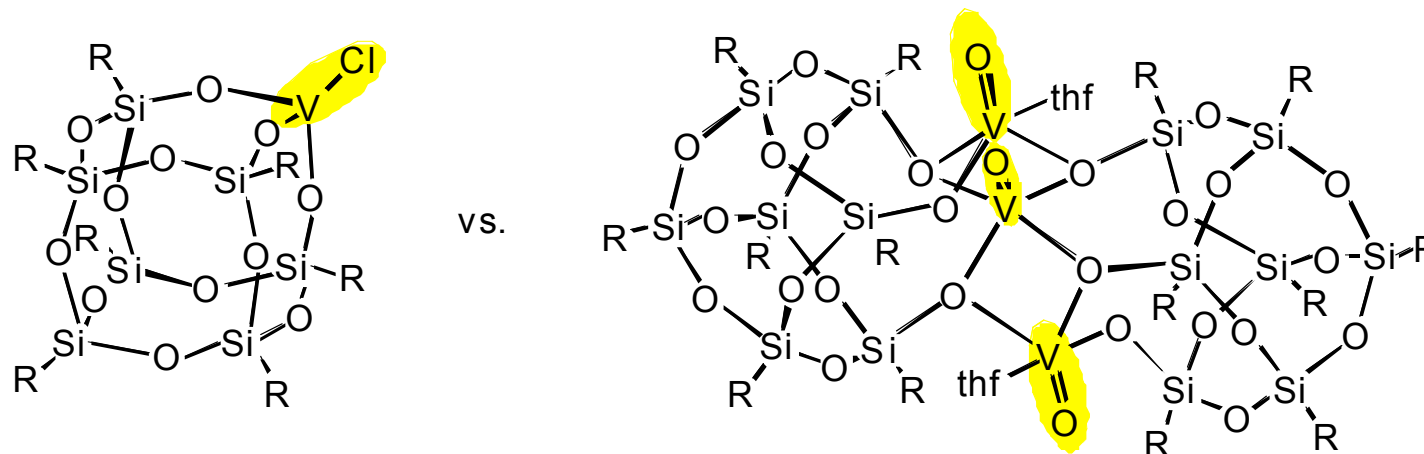


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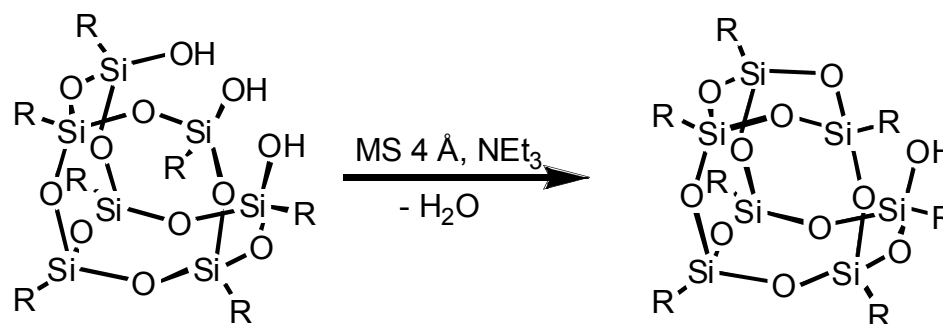


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The origin of the oxo ligands



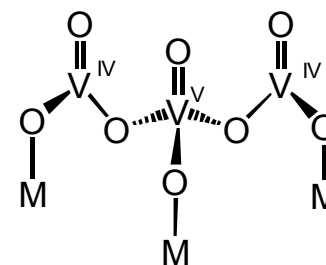
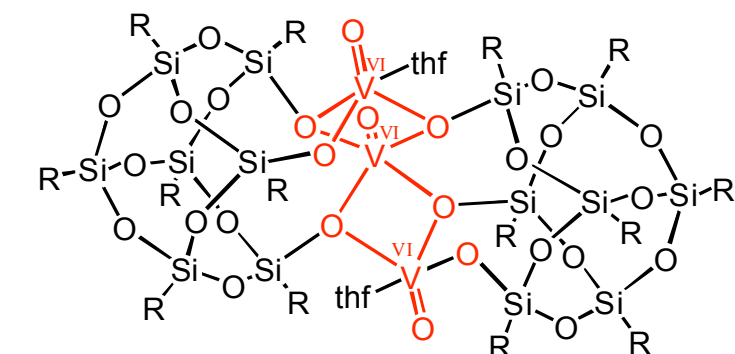
ligand decomposition + external traces of water



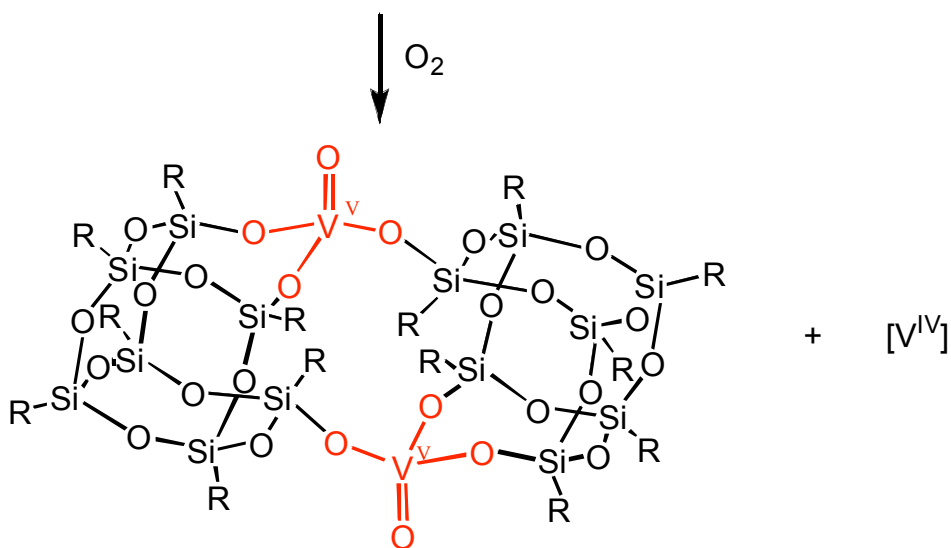
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A model for reduced trimers

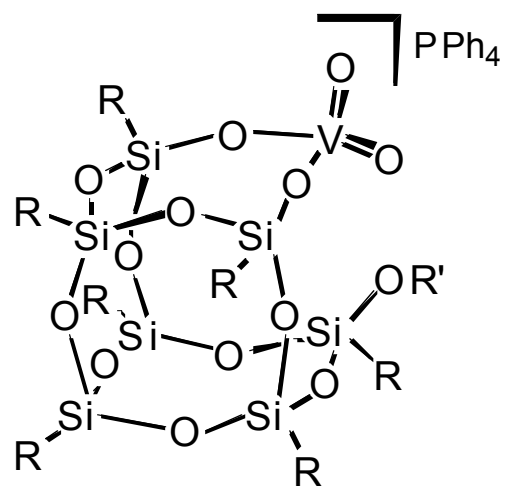


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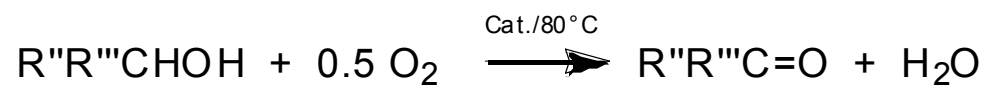
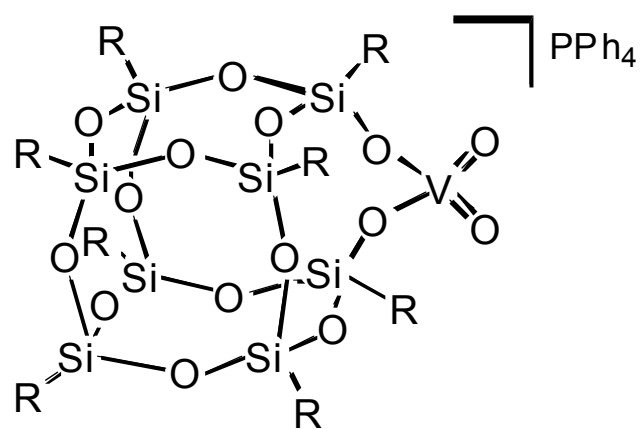
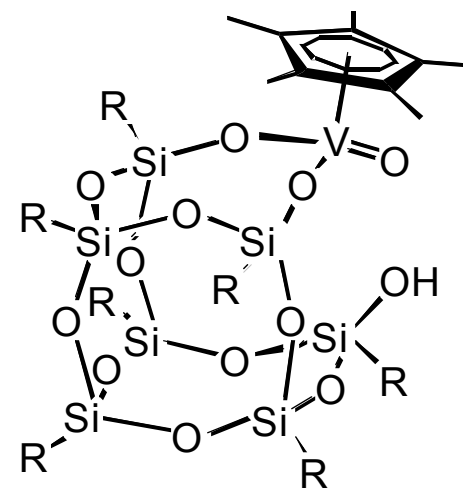


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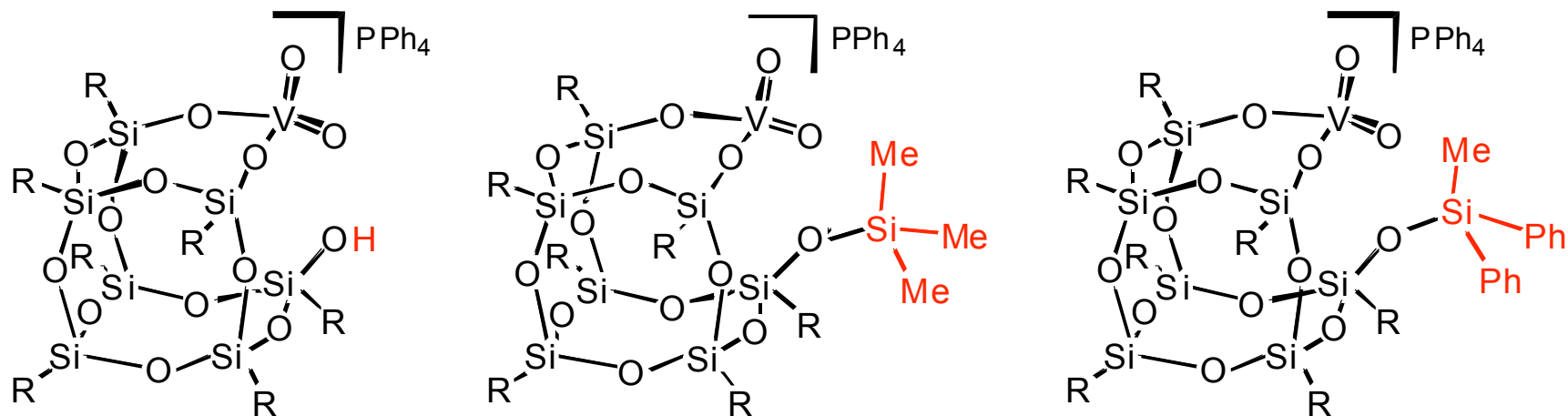
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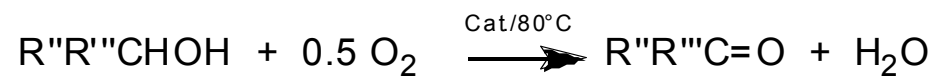
R' = H, SiMe₃, SiMePh₂
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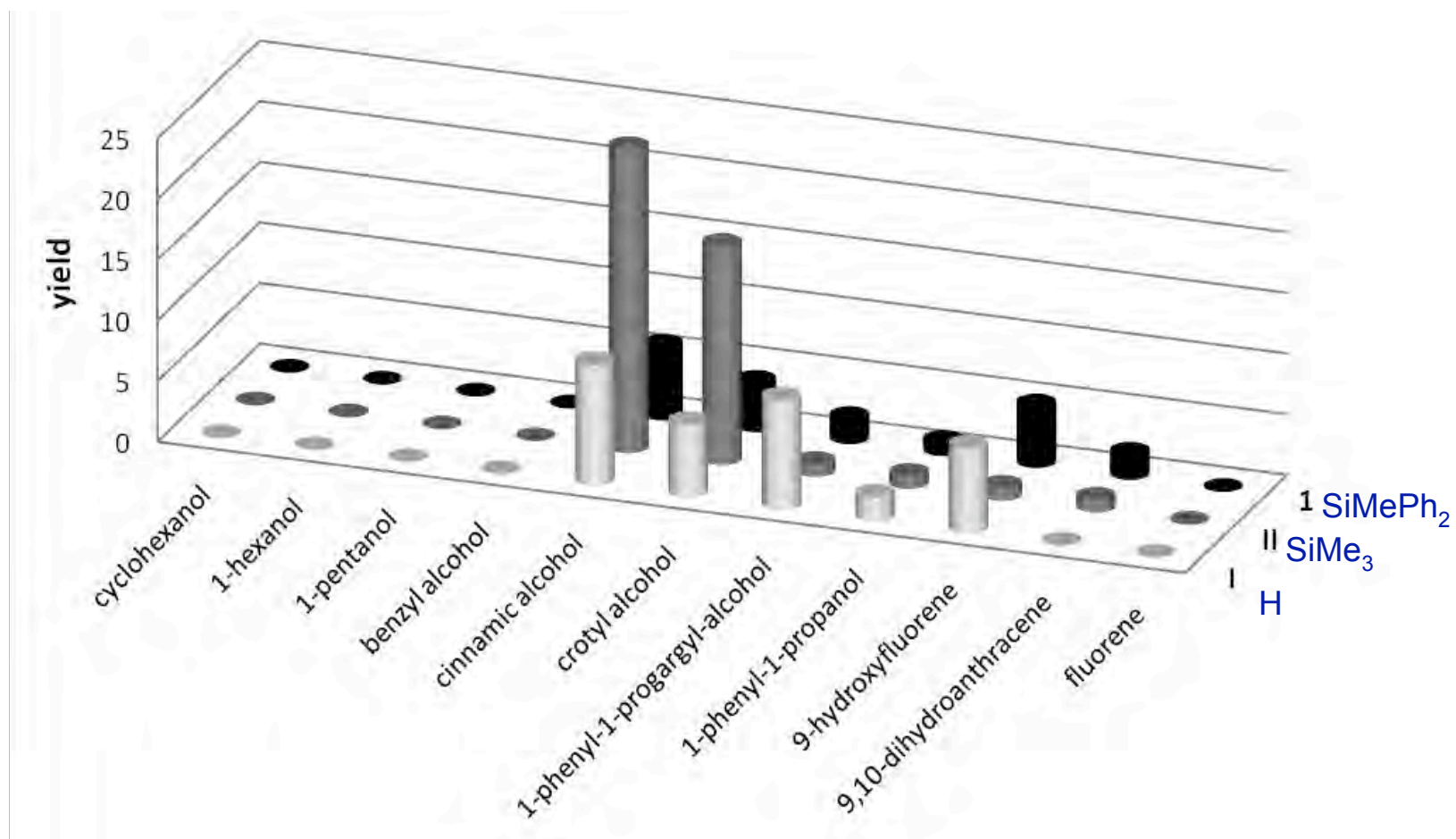


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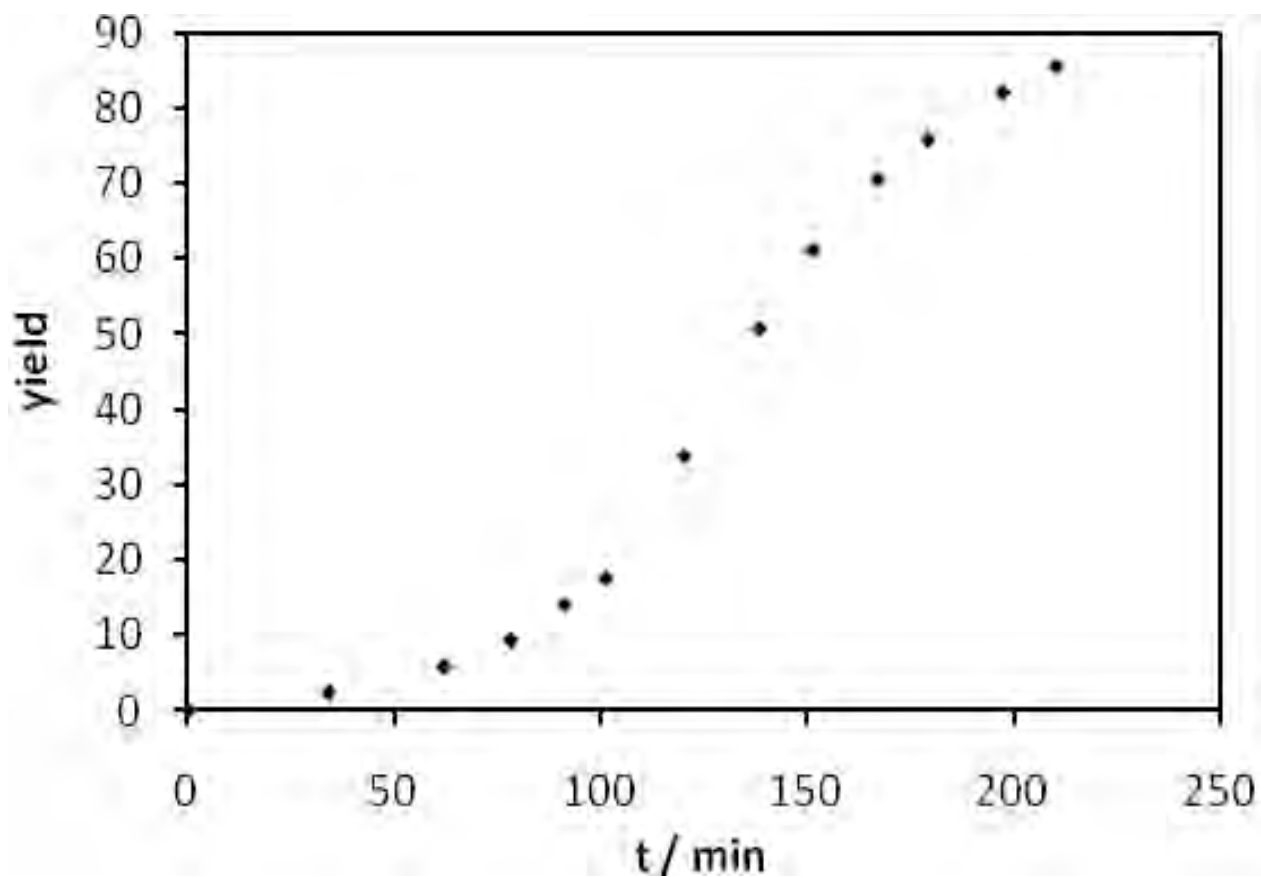
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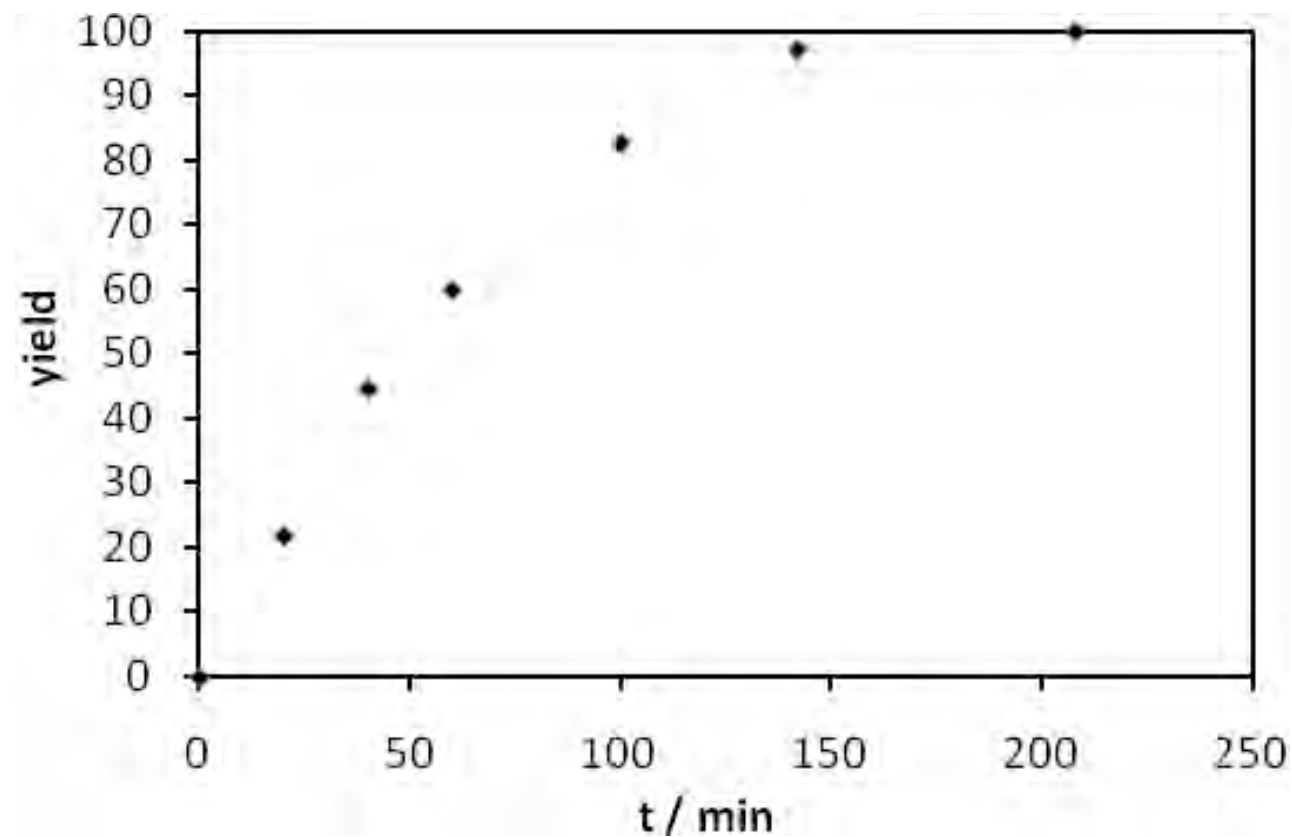
The course of catalysis



2 mmol cinnamic alcohol, 0.02 mmol Cat. and 1 g molecular sieves (3 Å) in 4 mL MeCN were heated to 80°C in an O₂/Ar atmosphere.

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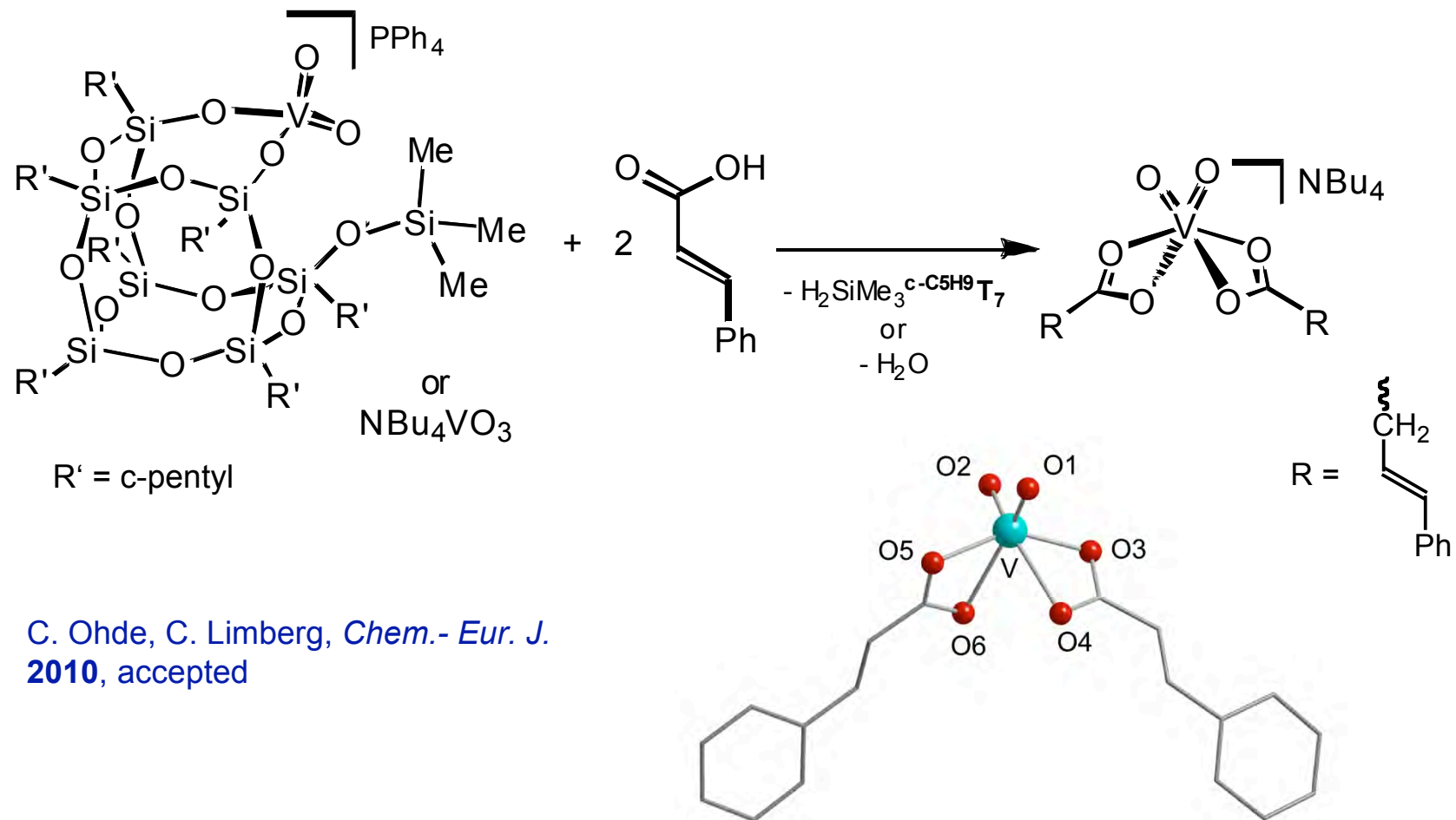
Cinammic acid generates the active catalyst



Oxidation of cinnamic alcohol in the presence of 5 mol% of cinnamic acid and 0.25 mol% of Cat.

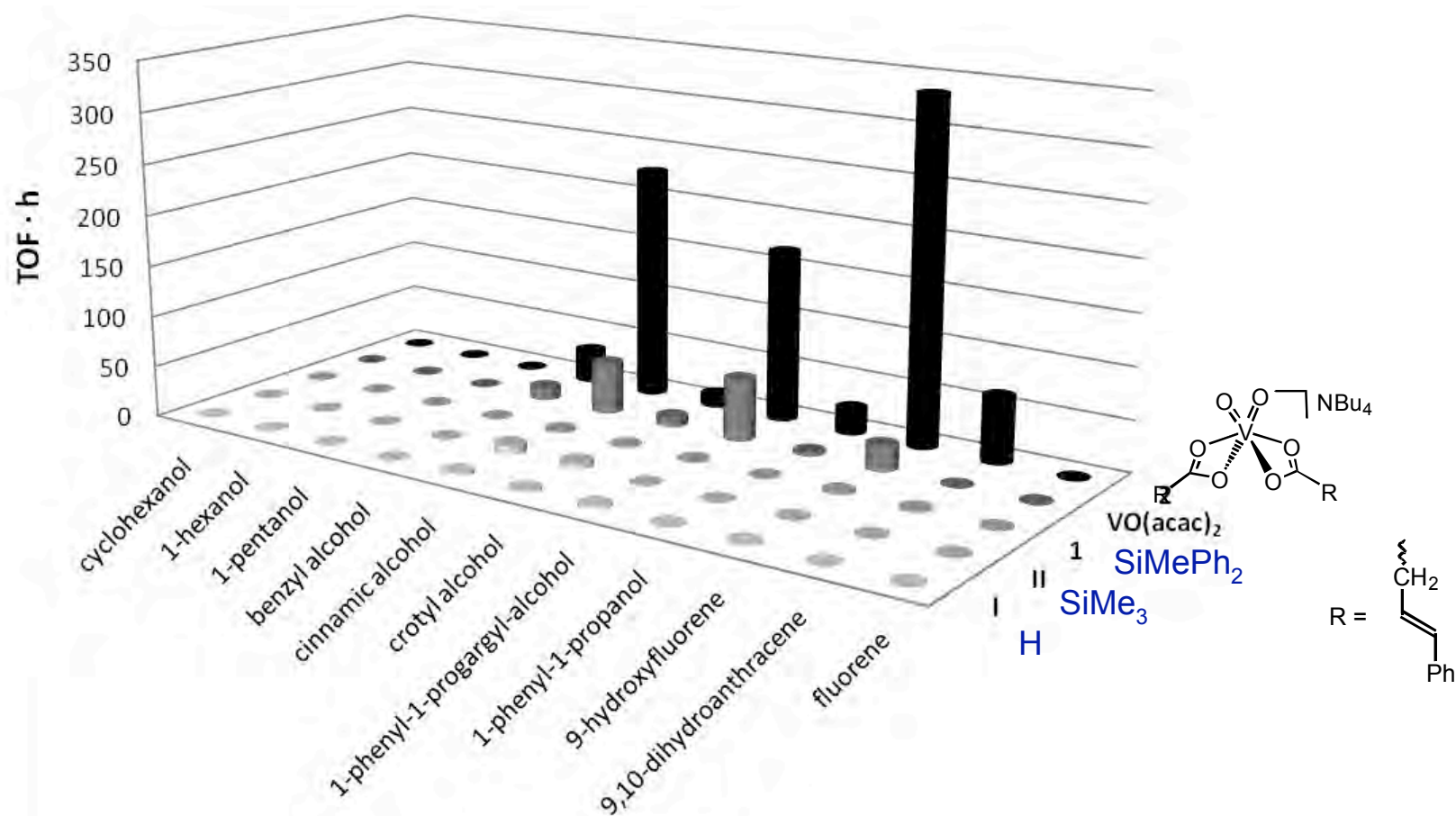
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The role of the cinnamic acid



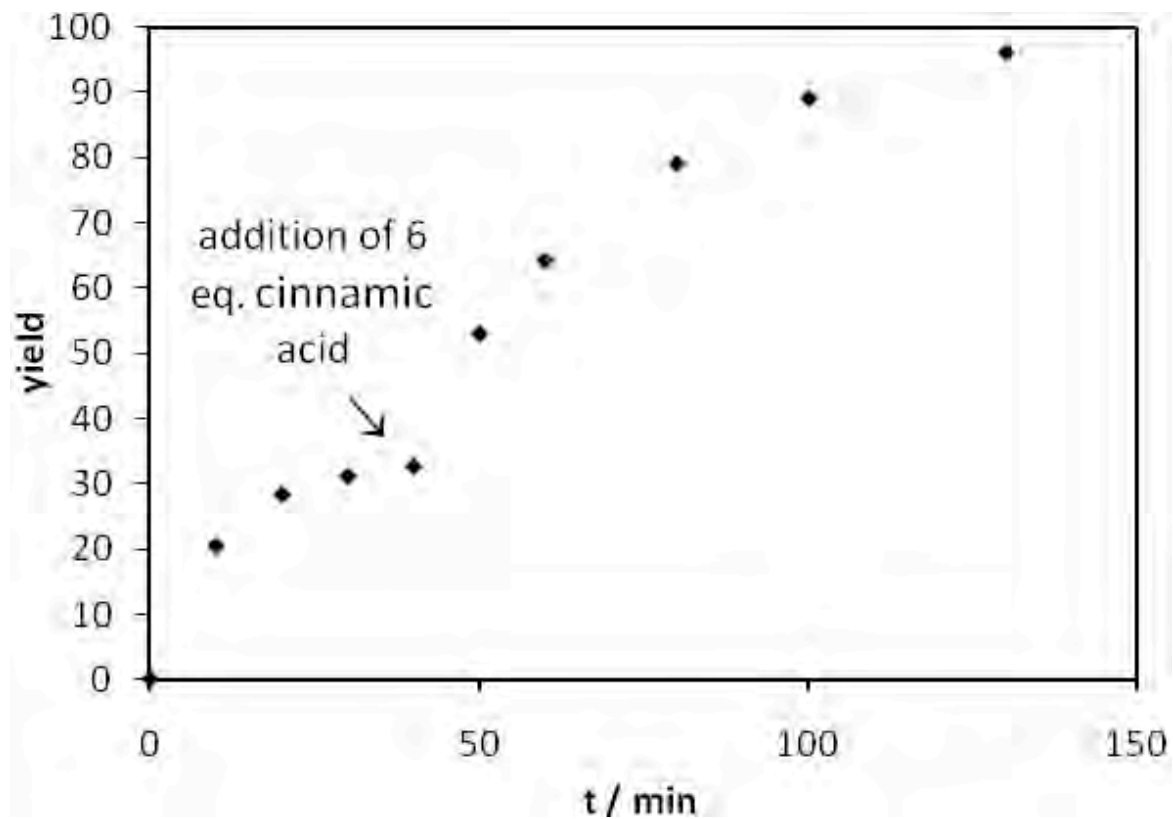
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Catalytic activity of the vanadyl cinnamate



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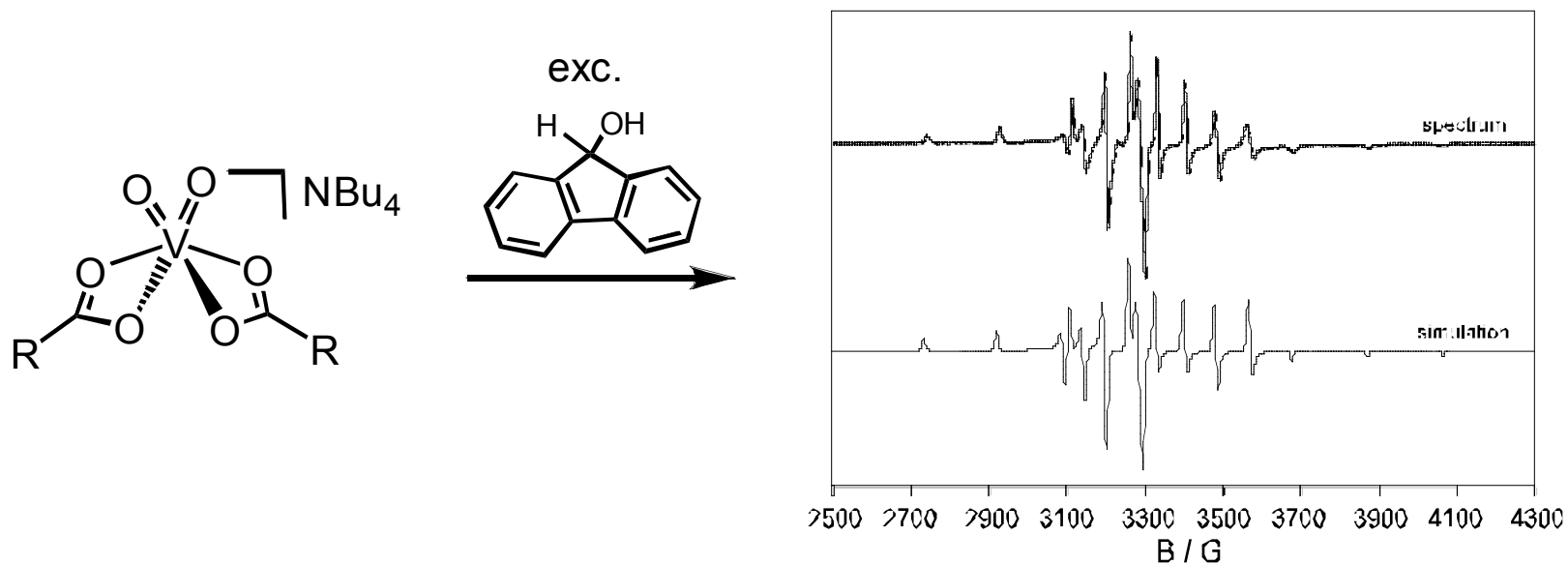
Loss of activity and regeneration



Oxidation of 9-hydroxyfluorene catalysed by the vanadylcinnamate; after 40 min 6 equivalents of cinnamic acid were added

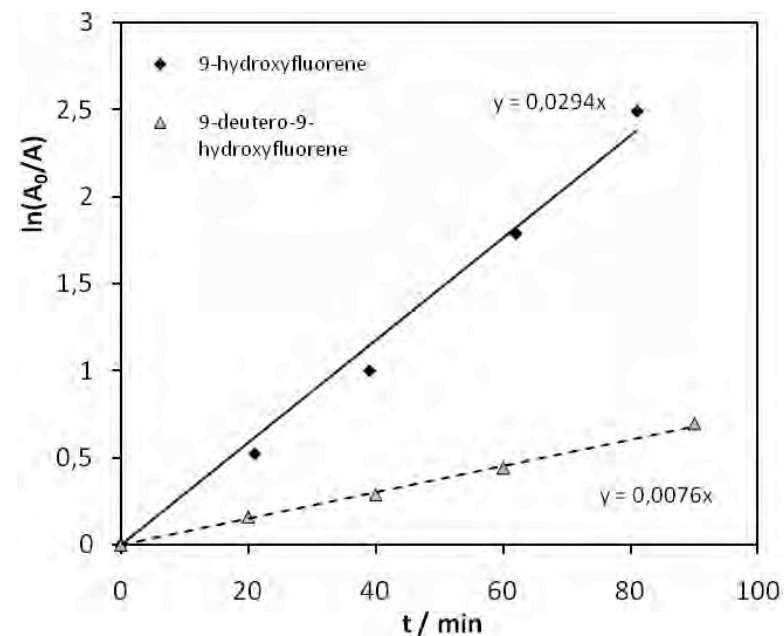
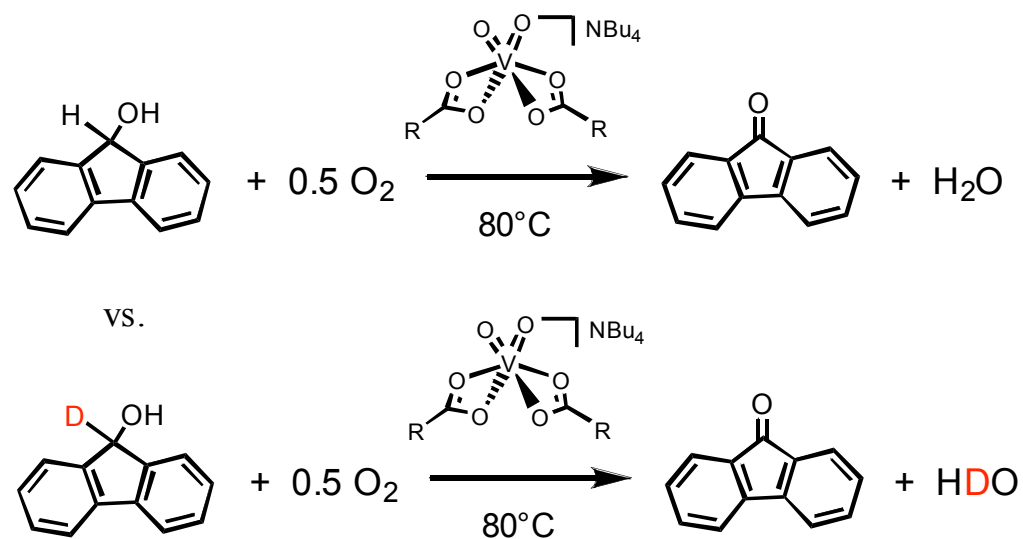
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The reduced species within the catalytic cycle



The reduced catalyst contains vanadium(IV)

The rate-determining step within the catalytic cycle

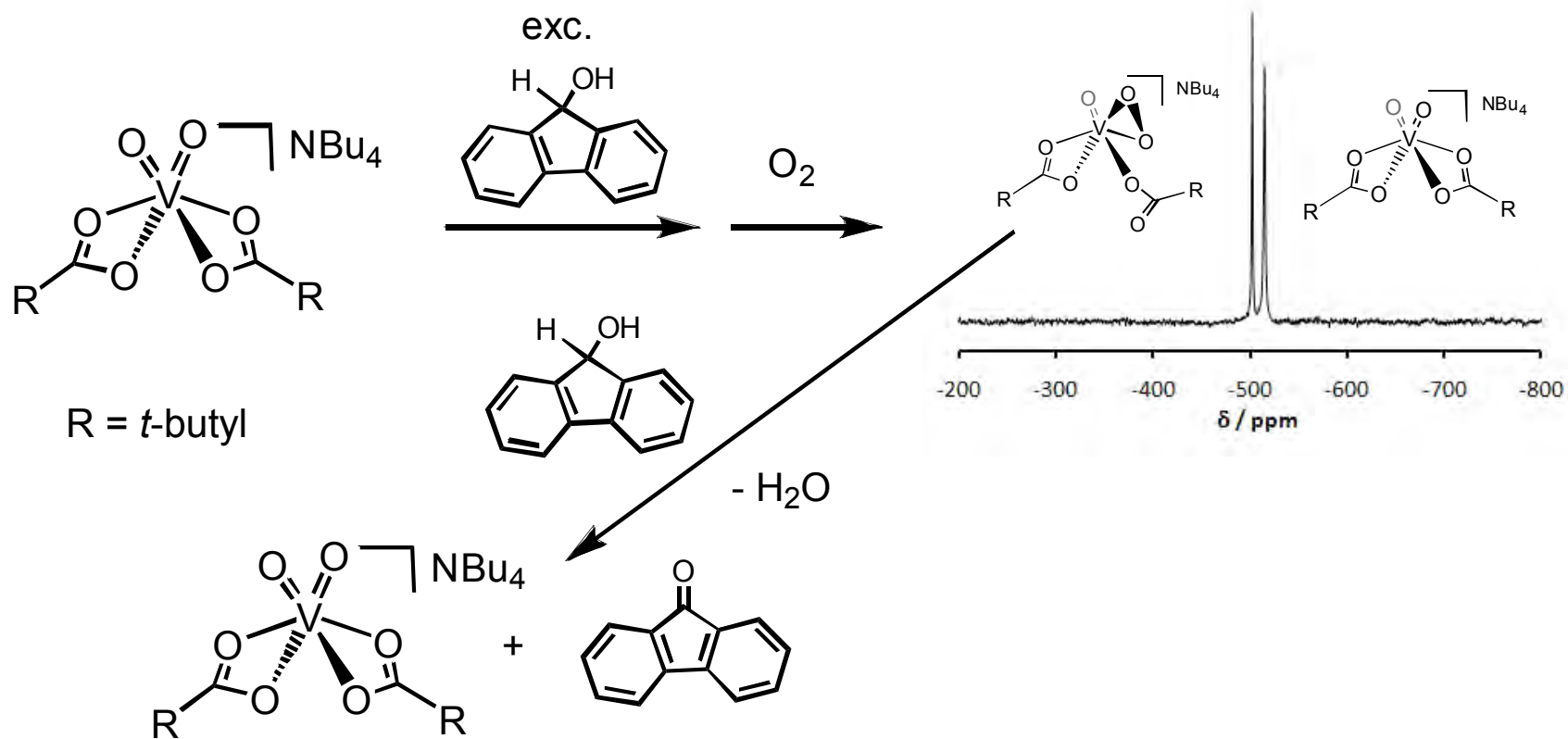


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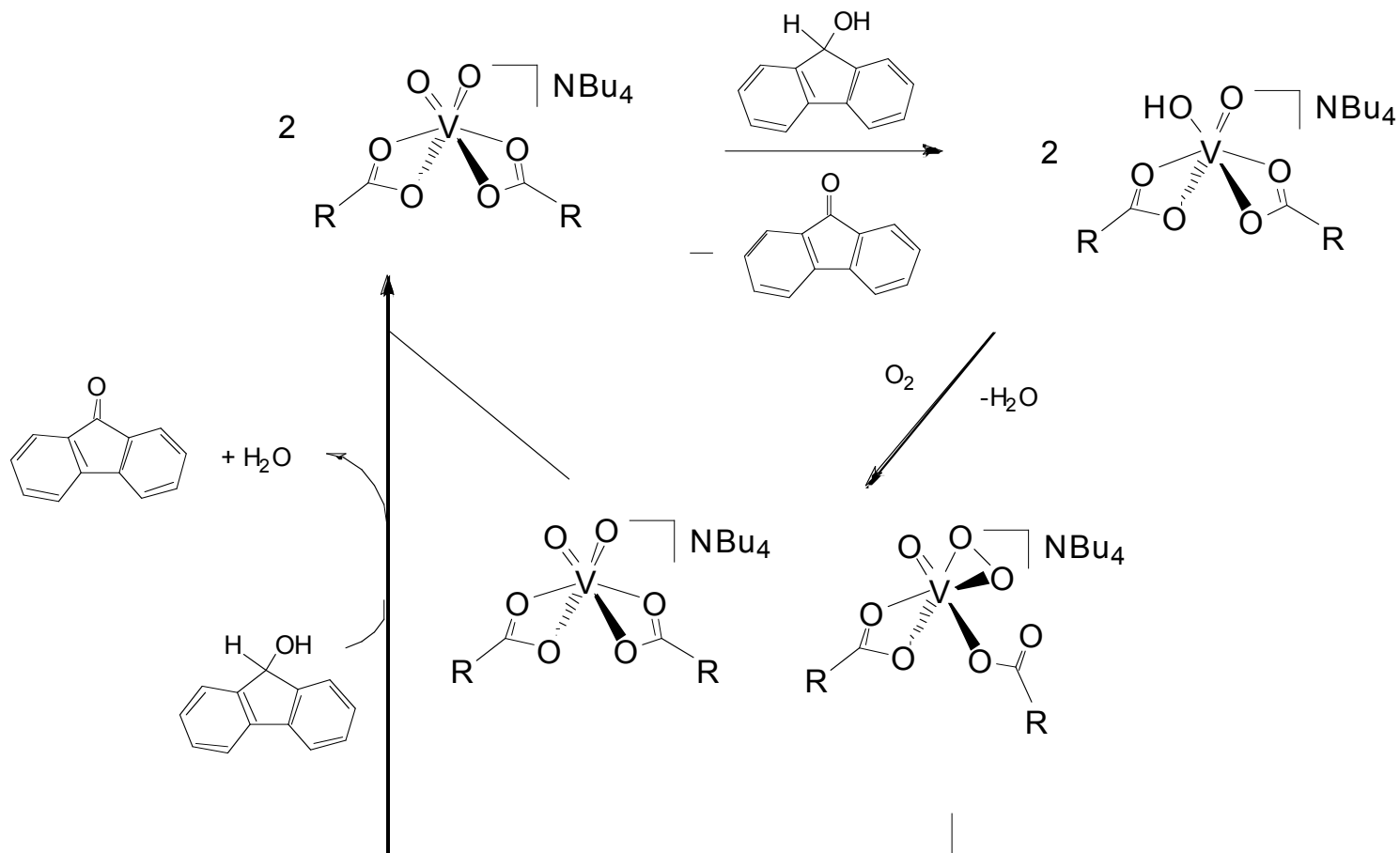
H atom transfer and quite symmetric transition state along the H-transfer coordinate, O···H···C

The reoxidation step within the catalytic cycle



Reoxidation takes place via peroxides

The complete catalytic cycle



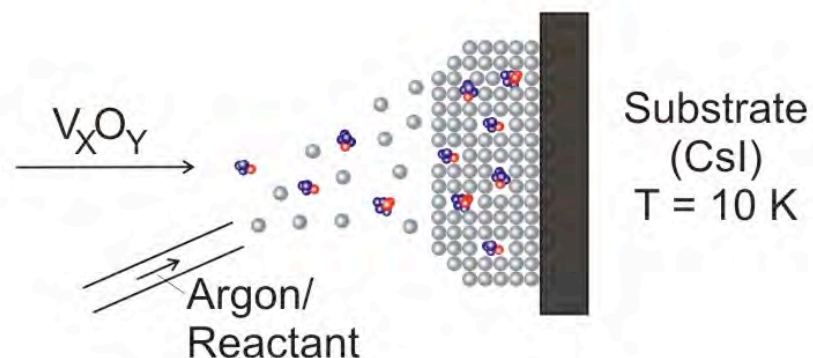
Cooperations

Detlef Schröder: ESI-MS with oxovanada calixarenes

Thorsten Siebert: fs-UV/Vis with oxovanada silsesquioxanes

Christian Hess: Characterisation of supported molybdenumoxide catalysts by UV-Raman

3. Neutral V_xO_y clusters in cryogenic matrices

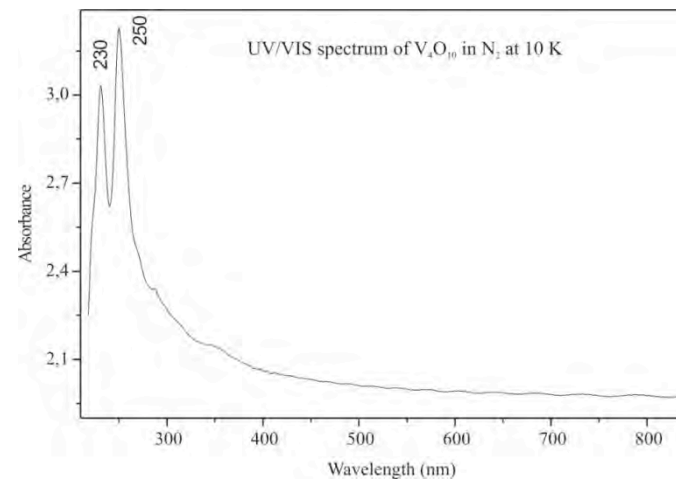
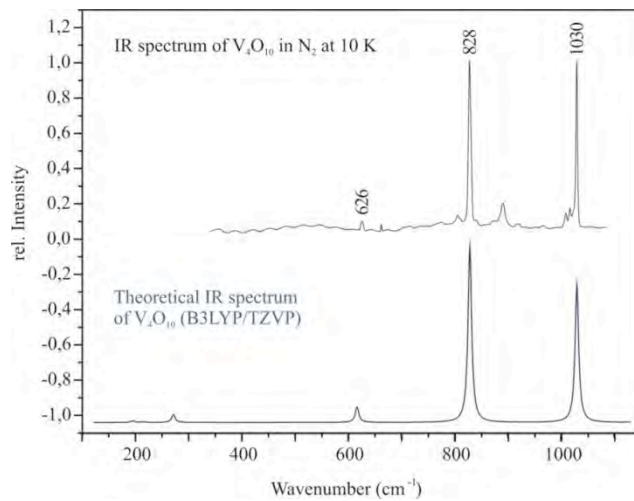
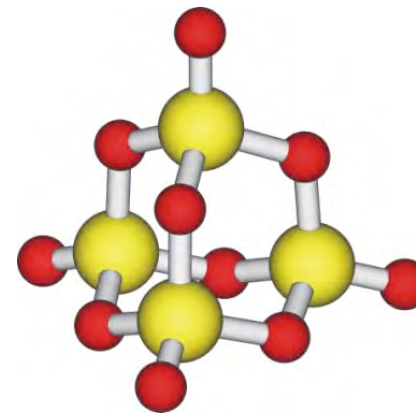
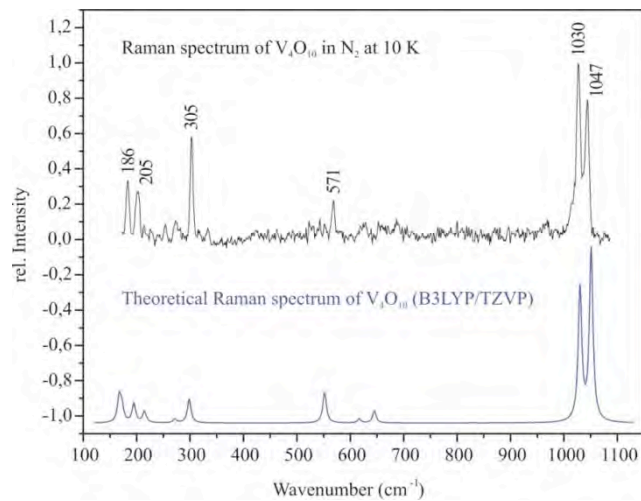


Small V_xO_y aggregates:

- simplest models
- quantum chemical investigation
- neutral V_xO_y clusters \longleftrightarrow cationic/anionic species
(structure, spectroscopic properties, reactivity)

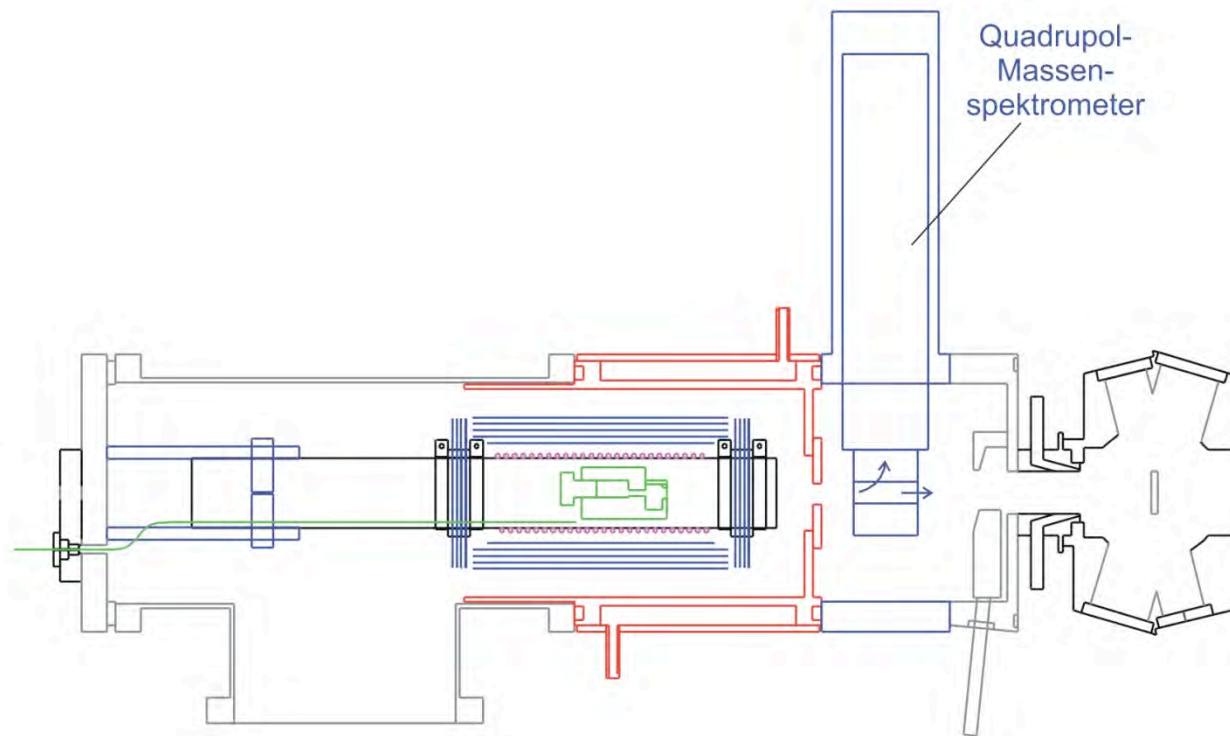
Matrix isolation
of V_xO_y clusters

V₄O₁₀



Monitoring evaporation by mass spectrometry

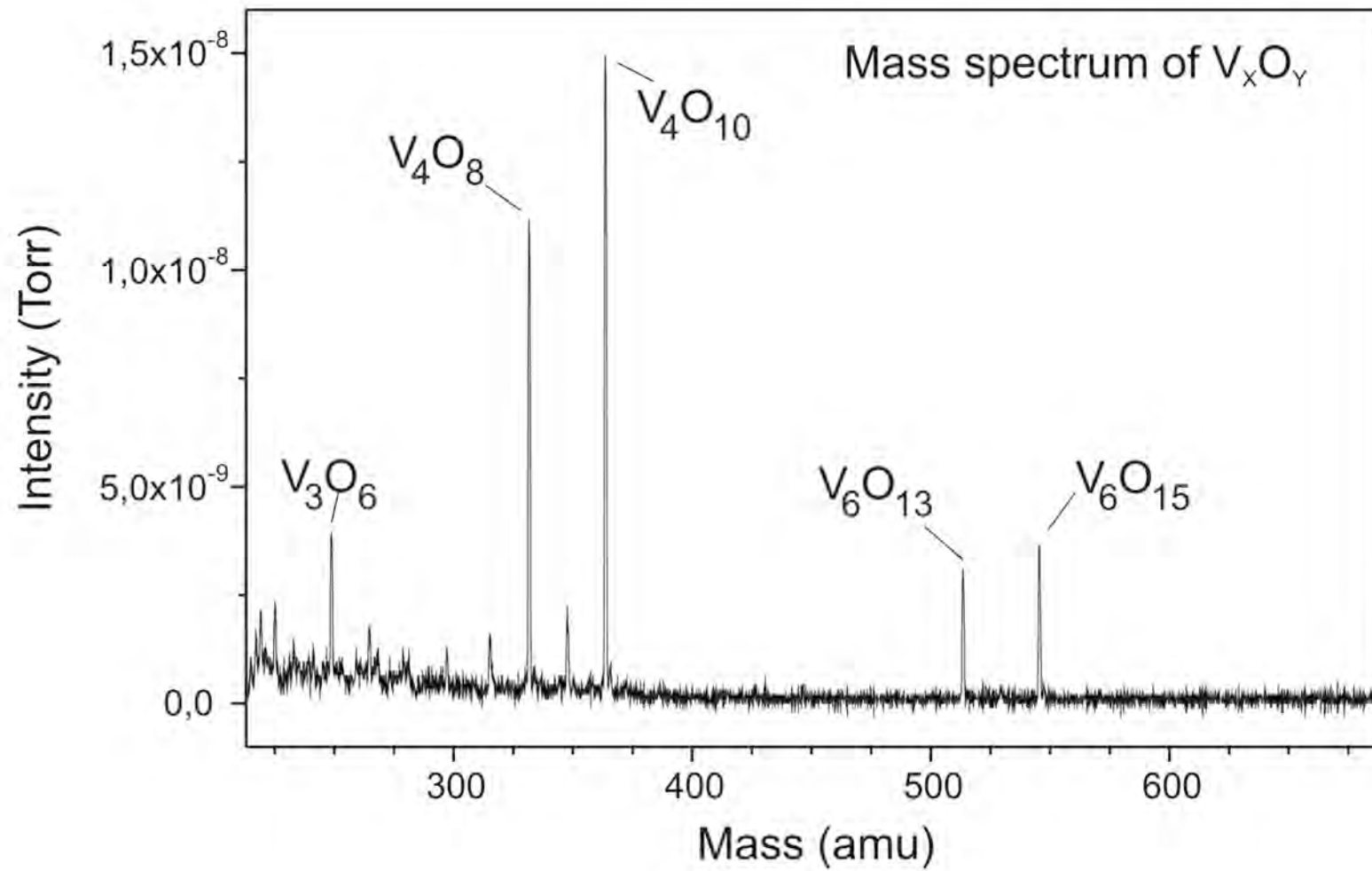
Synthesis of other V_xO_y -Aggregates : V_4O_8 , V_6O_{12} , V_6O_{14} , V_2O_4 , ...



Mass spectrometer:

- Generation of V_4O_8 , V_6O_{14} , ... (from V_2O_5 or alkoxides)
- Increase of V_4O_{10} evaporation (→ more Raman intensity for reactivity studies)
- Minimization of O_2 , CO_2 , CO formation

Monitoring evaporation by mass spectrometry



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