

## Formation and reactivity of paramagnetic organometallic nickel complexes of 21-oxa and 21-selenaporphyrins - $^1\text{H}$ NMR and EPR investigations.

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Addition of aryl Grignard reagents to a toluene solution of nickel(II) monohalide complexes of 5.20-bis(*p*-tolyl)-10.15-diphenyl-21-oxaporphyrin (ODTDPPH) and 5.20-diphenyl-10.15-bis(*p*-tolyl)-21-selenaporphyrin (SeDPDTPH) at 203 K resulted in formation of paramagnetic  $\sigma$ -aryl nickel(II) derivatives which were identified and characterized by means of  $^1\text{H}$  NMR. The coordination of the aryl ligand has been unambiguously proven by the unique downfield pattern of the corresponding resonances. The ( $\sigma$ -aryl)nickel(II) derivatives are in the high-spin electronic state:  $(d_{xy})^2(d_{yz})^2(d_{xz})^2(d_{z^2})^1(d_{x^2-y^2})^1$ . A homolytic cleavage of the  $\text{Ni}^{\text{II}}\text{-C}$  bond has been determined for (ODTDPP)Ni<sup>II</sup>(Ar) and (SeDPDTP)Ni<sup>II</sup>(Ar) in toluene with formation of low-valent nickel species: (ODTDPP)Ni and (SeDPDTP)Ni. One-electron reduction of (SeDPDTP)Ni<sup>II</sup>Cl to generate (SeDPDTP)Ni has been investigated by means of EPR, involving  $^{61}\text{Ni}$  isotope enrichment and spectral simulations. A considerable increase in metal d-orbital contribution to the singly occupied molecular orbital has been observed upon coordination of 1-methylimidazole to (SeDPDTP)Ni.

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