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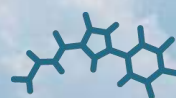
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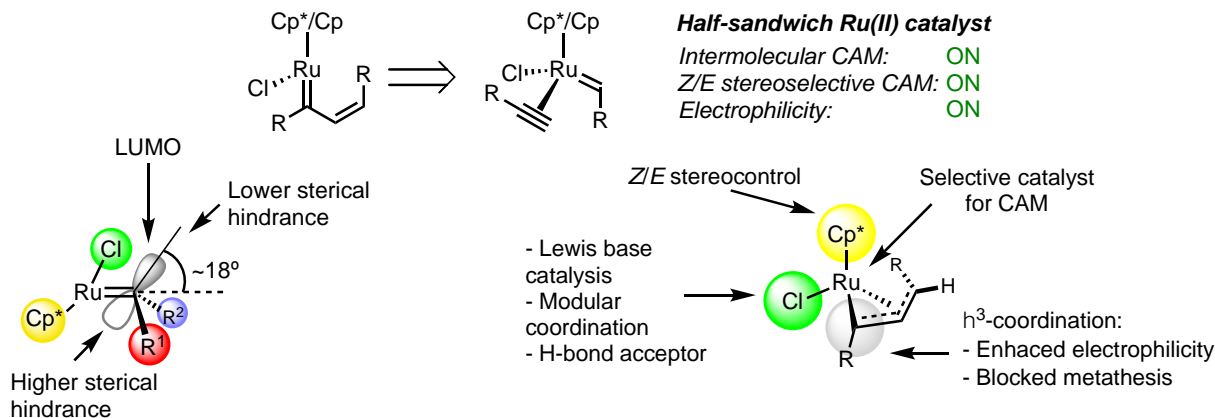
# NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN CATALYTIC RUTHENIUM CARBENE/ALKYNE METATHESIS (CAM)

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Ruthenium vinyl carbenes derived from Cp/Cp\*RuCl-based complexes have been routinely invoked as key intermediates in tandem reactions involving a carbene/alkyne metathesis (CAM).<sup>[1]</sup> These species are isoelectronic with the Grubbs-type family of catalysts, but their structural geometry and ligand properties make them more distinctive in catalytic reactions. The piano-stool arrangement of Cp\*RuCl-vinylcarbenes favors a  $\eta^3$ -coordination mode which induces a deformation from planarity of the ruthenium carbene. Such distortion seems to increase the reactivity of the ruthenium vinyl carbene. In addition, the presence of the chloride ligand in an appropriate disposition acts as a Lewis base cocatalyst and promotes nucleophilic attacks to the ruthenium vinyl carbene (Figure 1).<sup>[2]</sup> The combination of these effects are directly related to the divergent behavior of these species.<sup>[3]</sup>



**Figure 1.** Reactivity and properties of ruthenium carbenes and their CAM-derived vinyl carbenes

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