

Supporting Information

Computational Studies on Rhodium(III) Catalyzed C–H Functionalization versus Deoxygenation of Quinoline *N*-Oxides with Diazo Compounds

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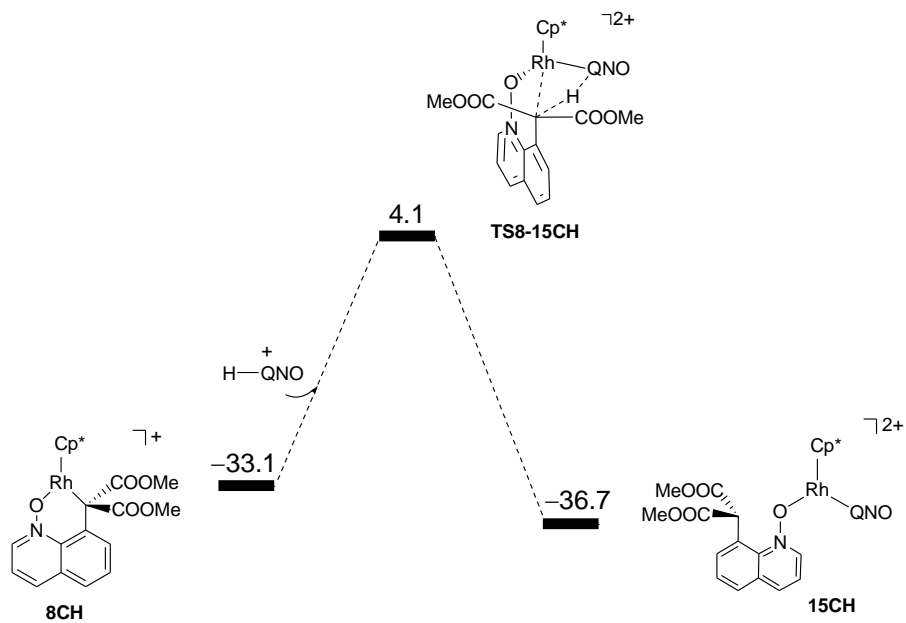


Figure S1. Free energy profile calculated for the protonation of **8CH** with $[\text{QNO-H}]^+$ via a metathesis step. The solvation-corrected free energies are given in kcal/mol.

Table S1. Comparison of results from single-point energy calculations using different DFT methods – relative free energies (kcal/mol) calculated for selected species

Reactions of dimethyl diazomalonate

Species	M06/6-311++G(d,p) //B3LYP/6-31G(d) ^a	wB97XD/6-311++G(d,p) //B3LYP/6-31G(d) ^a	B3LYP-D3/6-311++G(d,p) //B3LYP/6-31G(d) ^a
1 + N ₂ C(COOMe) ₂	0.0	0.0	0.0
TS3-4CH + N ₂ C(COOMe) ₂	25.3	26.5	25.9
TS6-7CH + H-QNO ⁺ + QNO	28.0	31.6	32.9
7CH + H-QNO ⁺ + QNO + N ₂	4.4	4.3	3.4
TS3-4DO + QNO	30.6	32.6	30.4
4DO + QNO + N ₂	12.2	13.3	8.6

Reactions of methyl phenyldiazoacetate

Species	M06/6-311++G(d,p) //B3LYP/6-31G(d) ^a	wB97XD/6-311++G(d,p) //B3LYP/6-31G(d) ^a	B3LYP-D3/6-311++G(d,p) //B3LYP/6-31G(d) ^a
1 + N ₂ C(Ph)(COOMe)	0.0	0.0	0.0
TS6-7CHPh + H-QNO ⁺ + QNO	23.6	24.8	27.7
7CHPh + H-QNO ⁺ + QNO + N ₂	-6.3	-5.6	-4.9
TS3-4DOPh + QNO	21.4	21.0	21.1
4DOPh + QNO + N ₂	-6.0	-6.5	-8.8

a) See the Computational Details section in the main text for the detailed description of the basis set. The single-point energy calculations were performed in conjunction with the solvation model density (SMD) continuum method in dichloroethane.

Table S2. Results compared with geometry optimization calculations using B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d)/SMD – relative free energies (kcal/mol) calculated for two selected transition states

Reactions of dimethyl diazomalonate

Species	M06/6-311++G(d,p) //B3LYP/6-31G(d) ^a	B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d)/SMD
1 + N ₂ C(COOMe) ₂	0.0	0.0
TS6-7CH + H-QNO ⁺ + QNO	28.0	35.5
TS3-4DO + QNO	30.6	29.8

a) See the Computational Details section in the main text for the detailed description of the basis set. The single-point energy calculations were performed in conjunction with the solvation model density (SMD) continuum method in dichloroethane.