



>>Entry Name: Hexacarbonyldi- μ -chlorodichlorodiruthenium, 12Cl, 9Cl, 8Cl

Synonym(s): Hexacarbonyltetrachlorodiruthenium

CAS Registry Number: 22594-69-0

Extra CAS Registry Numbers(s): 22941-53-3

As Di- μ -bromodibromohexacarbonyldiruthenium, [FLM05-M](#) with
X = Cl

Molecular Formula: C₆Cl₄O₆Ru₂

Molecular Weight: 512.013

Accurate Mass: 511.653594

Percentage Composition: C 14.08%; Cl 27.70%; O 18.75%; Ru 39.48%

Source/Synthesis: Synth. by reaction of Ru₃(CO)₁₂ + Cl₂ in Et₂O, or by thermal dec. of Ru(CO)₄Cl₂, or by heating Ru₃(CO)₁₂ in CHCl₃

Use/Importance: Catalyst for hydrogenation, cyclodehydration of glycols, addn. of alkenes to formates, hydrogenation of benzylideneanilines, oxidn. of alcohols with Bu^tOOH and dehydrogenation of hydroxy esters → α -keto esters, cyanohydrins → α -keto nitriles

Physical Description: White solid; yellow when impure

Boiling Point: Subl._{0.003} 120°

Solubility: Sl. sol. CHCl₃; sol. MeOH, THF

Other Data: Turns orange-brown at 215°; dec. >315°. Chloride bridges readily cleaved by THF, PPh₃ etc.

Aldrich: 28814-4

>>Variant: α -form

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>>Variant: β -form

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>>Derivative: Trichlorostibine complex

CAS Registry Number: 79056-45-4

Molecular Formula: C₆Cl₇O₆Ru₂Sb

Molecular Weight: 740.121

Accurate Mass: 737.463971

Percentage Composition: C 9.74%; Cl 33.53%; O 12.97%; Ru 27.31%; Sb 16.45%

Physical Description: Pale yellow cryst. (CH₂Cl₂)

Other Data: Stable in dry air. Dec. by moisture

>>Derivative: THF complex

Use/Importance: Valuable synthetic intermed.

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