

Water-gas shift reaction catalyzed by mononuclear ruthenium complexes containing bipyridine and phenanthroline derivatives

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Ruthenium complexes of the type $[\text{RuL}(\text{CO})_2\text{Cl}_2]$, $[\text{RuL}_2\text{Cl}_2]$, $[\text{RuL}_2(\text{CO})(\text{H}_2\text{O})](\text{PF}_6)_2$, $[\text{RuL}_2\text{Cl}]_2(\text{PF}_6)_2$, $[\text{RuL}_2(\text{CO})\text{Cl}](\text{PF}_6)$, and $[\text{RuL}_2(\text{CO}_3)] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (where L is a bipyridine or phenanthroline derivative) dissolved in aqueous 2-ethoxyethanol, and in a basic medium of KOH, triethylamine, or trimethylamine, catalyze the water-gas shift reaction under mild conditions ($\text{PCO} = 0.9$ atm at 100°C). Copyright © 2002 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.