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## Education

- 1995 B.Sc. Faculty of Science, Chiba University (Japan)  
1997 M.Sc. Graduate School of Science, Chiba University (Japan)  
(Supervisor: Prof. Tsuneo Imamoto)  
2000 Ph.D. Graduate School of Science and Technology, Chiba University (Japan)  
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## Research and professional experience

- 2000-2002 Special Postdoctoral Researcher, Organometallic Chemistry Laboratory, RIKEN  
2002 Research Scientist, Organometallic Chemistry Laboratory, RIKEN  
(Director: Dr. Zhaomin Hou)  
2009-present Senior Research Scientist, Organometallic Chemistry Laboratory, RIKEN  
(Director: Dr. Zhaomin Hou)  
2013-present Senior Research Scientist, Advanced Catalysis Research Group, Center for Sustainable Resource Science, RIKEN

## Concurrent posts

- 2004- Guest Associate Professor, College of Chemistry, Peking University  
2008- Guest Associate Professor in School of Chemical Engineering, Dalian University of Technology

## Awards

- 2009 RIKEN Research Incentive Award  
2011 Progress Award in Synthetic Organic Chemistry, Japan

## Selected Publications

- 1) B. Wang, M. Nishiura, J. Cheng and Z. Hou,  
"Half-Sandwich Scandium Boryl Complexes Bearing a Silylene-Linked Cyclopentadienyl-Amido Ligand "  
*Dalton Trans.*, **2014**, 43, 14215-14218.
- 2) F. Guo, M. Nishiura, Y. Li, Z. Hou,  
"Cyclocopolymerization of 1,6-Heptadiene with Styrene Catalyzed by a Half-Sandwich Scandium Dialkyl Complex Bearing a Phosphine Oxide Side Arm",  
*J. Polym. Sci., Part A: Polym. Chem.*, **2014**, 52, 1509-1513.
- 3) K. Nishii, X. Kang, M. Nishiura, Y. Luo and Z. Hou,  
"Regio- and Stereospecific Living Polymerization and Copolymerization of (E)-1,3-Pentadiene with 1,3-Butadiene by Half-sandwich Scandium Catalysts",  
*Dalton Trans.*, **2013**, 42, 9030-9032.(a special issue)
- 4) B. Guan, B. Wang, M. Nishiura, and Z. Hou,  
"Yttrium-Catalyzed Addition of Benzylic C-H Bonds of Alkyl Pyridines to Olefins",  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2013**, 52, 4418-4421.
- 5) F. Guo, M. Nishiura, Y. Li, and Z. Hou,

- "Copolymerization of Isoprene and Nonconjugated  $\alpha,\omega$ -Dienes by Half-Sandwich Scandium Catalysts with and without a Coordinative Side Arm",  
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- 6) T. Li, M. Nishiura, J. Cheng, Y. Li, and Z. Hou,  
"M<sub>4</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub> Cubane-Type Rare-Earth Methylidene Complexes: Unique Reactivity toward Unsaturated C-O, C-N, and C-S Bonds",  
*Chem. Eur. J.*, **2012**, 18, 15079-15085.
- 7) F. Guo, M. Nishiura, H. Koshino, and Z. Hou,  
"Scandium-Catalyzed Cyclopolymerization of 1,5-Hexadiene with Styrene and Ethylene: Efficient Synthesis of Cyclopolyolefins Containing Syndiotactic Styrene-Styrene Sequences and Methylenecyclopentane Units",  
*Macromolecules*, **2011**, 44, 6335-6344.
- 8) J. Oyamada, M. Nishiura, Z. Hou,  
"Scandium-Catalyzed Silylation of Aromatic C-H Bonds",  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2011**, 50, 10720-10723.
- 9) S. Li, J. Cheng, Y. Chen, M. Nishiura, and Z. Hou,  
"Rare Earth Metal Boryl Complexes: Synthesis, Structure, and Insertion of a Carbodiimide and Carbon Monoxide"  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2011**, 50, 6360-6363.
- 10) W. Zhang, Z. Wang, M. Nishiura, Z. Xi, and Z. Hou,  
"Ln<sub>4</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub> Cubane-Type Rare-Earth Methylidene Complexes Consisting of "(C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>4</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)LnCH<sub>2</sub>" Units (Ln=Tm,Lu)"  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2011**, 133, 5712-5717.
- 11) F. Guo, M. Nishiura, H. Koshino, Z. Hou,  
"Cyclotropolymerization of 1,6-Heptadiene with Ethylene and Styrene Catalyzed by a THF-Free Half-Sandwich Scandium Complex",  
*Macromolecules*, **2011**, 44, 2400-2403.
- 12) M. Nishiura, J. Baldamus, T. Shima, K. Mori, Z. Hou,  
"Synthesis and Structures of the C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>4</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>-Supported Polyhydride Complexes over the Full Size Range of the Rare Earth Series",  
*Chem. Eur. J.*, **2011**, 17, 5033-5044.
- 13) L. Pan, K. Zhang, M. Nishiura, Z. Hou,  
"Syndiospecific Living Copolymerization of Styrene with  $\epsilon$ -Caprolactone by Scandium Catalysts", *Macromolecules*, **2010**, 43, 9591-9593.
- 14) M. Nishiura, Z. Hou,  
"Novel Polymerization Catalysts and Hydride Clusters from Rare Earth Metal Dialkyls",  
*Nature Chem.*, **2010**, 2, 257-268.
- 15) X. Li, M. Nishiura, L. Hu, K. Mori, Z. Hou,  
"Alternating and Random Copolymerization of Isoprene and Ethylene Catalyzed by Cationic Half-Sandwich Scandium Alkyls",  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2009**, 131, 13870-13882 .
- 16) L. Zhang, M. Nishiura, M. Yuki, Y. Luo, Z. Hou,  
"Isoprene Polymerization with Yttrium Amidinate Catalyst: Switching the Regio- and Stereoselectivity by Addition of AlMe<sub>3</sub>"  
*Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.*, **2008**, 47, 2642-2645 .
- 17) M. Nishiura, T. Mashiko, Z. Hou,  
"Synthesis and Styrene Polymerisation Catalysis of  $\eta^5$ - and  $\eta^1$ -Pyrrolyl-Ligated Cationic Rare Earth Metal Aminobenzylcomplexes",  
*Chem. Commun.*, **2008**, 2019-2021.
- 18) X. Li, M. Nishiura, K. Mori, T. Mashiko, Z. Hou,  
"Cationic Scandium Aminobenzyl Complexes. Synthesis, Structure and Unprecedented Catalysis of Copolymerization of 1-Hexene and Dicyclopentadiene",  
*Chem. Commun.*, **2007**, 4137-4139 .
- 19) X. Li, J. Baldamus, M. Nishiura, O. Tardif, Z. Hou,  
"Cationic Rare-Earth Polyhydrido Complexes. Synthesis, Structure, and Catalytic Activity for

- the cis 1,4-Selective Polymerization of 1,3-Cyclohexadiene",  
*Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.*, **2006**, *45*, 8184-8188 .
- 20) W.-X. Zhang, M. Nishiura, Z. Hou,  
"Catalytic Addition of Terminal Alkynes to Carbodiimides by half-Sandwich Rare Earth Metal Complexes",  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2005**, *127*, 16788-16789 .
- 21) M. Nishiura, Z. Hou, Y. Wakatsuki,  
"A Novel Binuclear Samarium(II) Complex Bearing Mixed Cyclopentadienide/Siloxide Ligands:  
[(C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>5</sub>)Sm{μ-OSi(O<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>}<sub>3</sub>Sm]. Synthesis, Structure, Electron-Transfer, and Unusual Metal-Coordination Reactions",  
*Organometallics*, **2004**, *23*, 1359-1368 .
- 22) M. Nishiura, Z. Hou, Y. Wakatsuki, T. Yamaki, and T. Miyamoto,  
"Novel Z-Selective Head-to-Head Dimerization of Terminal Alkynes Catalyzed by Lanthanide Half-Metallocene Complexes",  
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