## Synthesis of Homo and Hetero Palladium–Platinum Bimetallic Complexes; X-Ray Crystal Structure of $Pt_2Cl_2(\mu-CO)(PPh_3)_3$

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The compounds  $M^1(CO)(PPh_3)_3$  ( $M^1 = Pt$ , Pd) react with  $M^2Cl_2(PhCN)_2$  ( $M^2 = Pt$ , Pd) in tetrahydrofuran at room temperature to afford the new homo [ $M^1 = M^2 = Pt$  (1);  $M^1 = M^2 = Pd$  (2)] or hetero [ $M^1 = Pt$ ,  $M^2 = Pd$  (3);  $M^1 = Pd$ ,  $M^2 = Pt(4)$ ] bimetallic complexes  $M^1M^2Cl_2(\mu-CO)(PPh_3)_3$  via formal oxidative-addition of the  $M^2(\mathfrak{n})$ -Cl bond at the  $M^1(0)$  centre; complex (1) has been structurally characterized by X-ray diffraction.

In the course of our studies on the synthesis of mixed transition metal clusters, we had found that the reaction of *cis*or *trans*-PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> with *two* equiv. NaCo(CO)<sub>4</sub> afforded *inter alia* the butterfly cluster Pt<sub>2</sub>Co<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>8</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.<sup>1</sup> We have now discovered that the reaction with only *one* equiv. NaCo(CO)<sub>4</sub> [tetrahydrofuran (THF), 2 h, 55 °C] surprisingly affords *inter alia* the new bimetallic complex (1) (16% yield). This yellow complex† was recognized to be identical with a by-product obtained earlier in trace amounts in the reaction of PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> with Na[Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>(η-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)] and which had been erroneously formulated as Pt<sub>3</sub>(µ-CO)<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>.<sup>1</sup>

After numerous attempts, we obtained crystals of (1) as the chlorobenzene solvate, suitable for X-ray diffraction<sup>‡</sup> from PhCl-hexane at room temperature (slow diffusion technique). The structure of this bimetallic complex is shown in Figure 1. The Pt(1)–Pt(2) bond of 2.643(3) Å is asymmetrically bridged by the carbonyl  $\mu_2$ -[C(1)O(1)]. The two metals are in different environments. Thus, the planar geometry about Pt(1) [including Pt(2), Cl(1), C(1), and P(1)] contrasts with the distorted trigonal bipyramidal arrangement about Pt(2) [including Pt(1), C(1), Cl(2), P(2), and P(3)]. The Pt(1), Pt(2), Cl(1), Cl(2), P(1), and C(1) atoms are nearly coplanar, as they deviate from the mean plane passing through them by -0.01, 0.01, 0.03, -0.10, -0.02, and 0.13 Å, respectively. The geometry about Pt(2) can also be viewed as distorted square planar when considering Cl(2), P(2), P(3), and the midpoint of

‡ Crystal data: C<sub>55</sub>H<sub>45</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>OP<sub>3</sub>Pt<sub>2</sub>·2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl, M = 1501.09, monoclinic, space group  $P_{2_1}/n$ , a = 27.774(15), b = 12.400(8), c = 17.508(6) Å,  $\beta = 91.86(4)^\circ$ , U = 6027(5) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 4,  $D_c = 1.65$  g cm<sup>-3</sup>, F(000) = 2936,  $\mu$ (Mo- $K_{\alpha}$ ) = 49.84 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The intensities of 8414 independent reflections were collected on a Siemens AED diffractometer (with θ in the range 3—23°); Nb-filtered Mo- $K_{\alpha}$  radiation and the θ-2θ scan technique were used. The structure was solved *via* conventional Patterson and Fourier methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares on the basis of 4596 observed reflections [having  $I \ge 2\sigma(I)$ ] to an *R* value of 6.7%.

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Figure 1. Molecular structure of  $Pt_2Cl_2(\mu$ -CO)(PPh\_3)\_3 (1). Important bond distances (Å) and angles (°): Pt(1)–Pt(2), 2.643(3); Pt(1)–P(1), 2.238(8); Pt(1)–Cl(1), 2.368(8); Pt(1)–C(1), 1.88(3), Pt(2)–P(2), 2.299(8); Pt(2)–P(3), 2.307(8); Pt(2)–Cl(2), 2.373(8); Pt(2)–C(1), 2.10(3); C(1)–O(1), 1.19(4); Cl(1)–Pt(1)–Pt(2), 100.8(2); Pt(2)–Pt(1)–C(1), 52.2(9); C(1)–Pt(1)–Pt(1), 108.2(9); Cl(1)–Pt(1)–Pt(1), 98.8(3); Pt(2)–C(1)–Pt(1), 83(1); C(1)–Pt(2)–Pt(1), 44.8(8); Pt(1)–Pt(2)–Cl(2), 161.0(2); Cl(2)–Pt(2)–C(1), 154.1(8); P(2)–Pt(2)–P(3), 172.4(3); Pt(1)–Pt(2)–P(3), 93.8(2); Pt(1)–Pt(2)–P(2), 89.1(2); Cl(2)–Pt(2)–P(2), 86.3(3); P(3)–Pt(2)–C(1), 91.3(8); P(2)–Pt(2)–C(1), 95.7(8).

the Pt(1)-C(1) bond. This plane, which intersects Pt(1)-C(1) nearly centrally, makes a dihedral angle of  $89.5(2)^{\circ}$  with the Pt(1) co-ordination plane.

Assigning formally the carbonyl ligand to Pt(1) confers a 16 electron environment to each metal. The asymmetric CO helps to balance the excess of electron density at Pt(2) originating from the two PPh<sub>3</sub> ligands.

The experimental observations mentioned above concerning the preparation of (1), together with its crystal structure led us to consider that this complex may arise from the oxidative-addition of the Pt-Cl bond of  $PtCl_2(PPh_3)_2$  at a  $Pt(CO)(PPh_3)_n$  ( $1 \le n \le 3$ ) centre. Thus, the platinum(0) fragment could result from the reductive carbonylation of  $PtCl_2(PPh_3)_2$  by the carbonylmetallate,<sup>2</sup> while excess of  $PtCl_2(PPh_3)_2$  would still be present because of the stoicheiometry used (Co:Pt = 1:1). We therefore treated a THF solution of  $Pt(CO)(PPh_3)_3^3$  with one equiv. of the labile platinum(II) complex  $PtCl_2(PhCN)_2$ . Complex (1) formed (3 h, room temp.) and precipitated (61% yield).<sup>†</sup>

In order to evaluate the generality of the procedure represented in equation (1), we treated  $Pd(CO)(PPh_3)_3^4$  with

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> The new complexes (1)—(4) were characterized by elemental analysis, i.r. spectroscopy, and particularly by  ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H{}$  n.m.r. spectroscopy. Selected data: i.r. (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) v(CO) (1) 1822. (2) 1861, (3) 1822. (4) 1823 cm<sup>-1</sup>; {}^{31}P{}^{1}H{} n.m.r. (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, positive downfield from H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>) (1)  $\delta$  30.20 (P<sub>A</sub>) and 21.74 (P<sub>B</sub>) p.p.m., {}^{1}J[Pt(1)-P<sub>A</sub>] 5440, {}^{2}J[Pt(2)-P<sub>A</sub>] 804, {}^{2}J[Pt(1)-P<sub>B</sub>] 59, {}^{J}J[Pt(2)-P<sub>B</sub>] 2680, {}^{J}J(P\_{A}P\_{B}) < 2 Hz; (4)  $\delta$  28.48 (P<sub>A</sub>) and 19.29 (P<sub>B</sub>) p.p.m., {}^{2}J(Pt-P\_{A}) 922, {}^{1}J(Pt-P\_{B}) 2562, {}^{J}J(P\_{A}-P\_{B}) 9 Hz.



 $PdCl_2(PhCN)_2$  under the same conditions. This afforded the new palladium(1) bimetallic complex (2) (60% yield).

The cross-reactions  $Pt(CO)(PPh_3)_3 + PdCl_2(PhCN)_2$  and  $Pd(CO)(PPh_3)_3 + PtCl_2(PhCN)_2$  [equation (1)] afforded smoothly the mixed palladium(1)–platinum(1) complexes (3) (51% yield) and (4) (62% yield), respectively.† A related conproportionation reaction has been recently reported.<sup>5</sup>

Extending the results obtained with bimetallic Pd(1)–Pd(1) complexes<sup>6</sup> mixed Pd(1)–Pt(1) systems can be useful precursors for the synthesis of new heteropolymetallic clusters containing three or four different metals.<sup>7</sup> This should apply to (3) and (4). We have found that (2) reacts with two equiv. NaW(CO)<sub>3</sub>(η-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>) (THF, 4 h, room temp.) to afford the heterotetrametallic cluster [PdW(η-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)( $\mu_3$ -CO)( $\mu$ -CO)<sub>2</sub>-  $PPh_3]_2$  (58% yield) in which the palladium centres have been formally described as Pd(I).<sup>8</sup> This cluster has previously been obtained by partial reduction of Pd(II) precursors.<sup>8</sup>

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