New Bonding Mode of (Dithioformato)phosphine Ligand: Synthesis, Reactivity and Crystal Structure of $[W(CO)_5(PPh_2CS_2)]Et_4N$

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The phosphorus coordination of the diphenyl(dithioformato)phosphine ligand in $[W(CO)_5(PPh_2CS_2)]Et_4N$, 1 has been confirmed by an X-ray diffraction analysis; alkylation of 1 at the S atom results in the formation of $W(CO)_5[PPh_2(CS_2R)]$, 4 in high yield.

The chemistry of a zwitterionic trialkylphosphonium dithiocarboxylate ligand, $PR_3^+CS_2^-$, with three possible coordination sites, has attracted considerable attention in recent years.¹⁻⁸ Various bonding modes, which include monodentate coordination,^{1,2} bidentate coordination by chelation^{3,4} and, in dinuclear complexes, bridging coordination⁵⁻⁷ in different fashions, are known. On the other hand, the chemistry of anionic dialkylphosphinodithioformates, PR₂CS₂⁻, is much less studied. The zirconium complex Zr(η -C₅H₅)₂[η ²-S₂CP(SiMe₃)₂]Cl is the only example⁸ reported in the litera-



Scheme 1 Reagents and conditions: i, Me₃NO, Ph₂HP, MeOH, 25 °C, 4 h; ii, BuⁿLi, CS₂, Et₄NBr, MeCN, 25 °C, 1 min; iii, heat, THF, 2 h; iv, RX, CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 1 min (R = Me, X = I; R = C₃H₅, X = Br; R = C₃H₃, X = Br); v, (pip)₂W(CO)₄, MeCN, 80 °C, 1 h; vi, BuⁿLi, Et₄NBr, MeCN, 25 °C (pip = piperidine)

ture. The two sulfur containing ligands bond to the metal centre exclusively through S-coordination in all of the reported complexes mentioned above. Herein we report a new coordination mode of the $PR_2CS_2^-$ ligand, which is bonded to the metal through phosphorus-coordination with a σ,η^1 -bonding mode.

Treatment of $W(CO)_5(PPh_2H)$ with BuⁿLi and CS₂ in the presence of Et₄NBr afforded in 80% yield a red product, which was identified as $[W(CO)_5(PPh_2CS_2)]Et_4N$, 1.⁹ Satisfactory spectroscopic[†] and analytical data of 1 were obtained. In the ³¹P NMR spectrum of 1, a resonance at δ 59.08 with a

2: IR v/cm^{-1} (THF), v(CO): 1993m, 1879vs, 1859sh, 1833s. ³¹P NMR: 24.23 (${}^{1}J_{W-P}$ 187.4 Hz). ¹H NMR: 1.17 (tt, 12H, N-CH₂-CH₃, ${}^{3}J_{N-H}$ 1.87, ${}^{3}J_{H-H}$ 7.3 Hz); 3.13 (q, 8H, N-CH₂-CH₃, ${}^{3}J_{H-H}$ 7.3), 7.43 (m, 6H, Ph), 7.69 (m, 4H, Ph). ¹³C NMR: 7.5 (N-CH₂-CH₃), 52.8 (N-CH₂-CH₃), 205.8, 213.9, 214.0, 214.5, 215.2 (CO), 264.6 (CS₂).

3a: IR v/cm^{-1} (KBr), v(CO): 2071m, 1988s, 1957sh, 1911vs. ³¹P NMR: 64.26 (${}^{1}J_{W-P}$ 248.0 Hz). ${}^{1}H$ NMR: 2.71 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.50 (m, 6H, Ph), 7.66 (m, 4H, Ph). ${}^{13}C$ NMR: 21.9 (CH₃), 198.1 (d), 198.1, 199.8, 200.3 (CO), 240.3 (CS₂).

3b: IR v/cm⁻¹ (KBr), v(CO): 2070m, 1988s, 1929vs. ³¹P NMR: 64.49 (t, ¹J_{W-P} 248.6 Hz). ¹H NMR: 3.96, 4.00 (q, 2H, S-CH₂CHCH₂), 5.14, 5.19, 5.25, 5.34 (q, 2H, S-CH₂CHCH₂), 5.78 (m, 1H, S-CH₂CHCH₂), 7.53 (m, 6H, Ph), 7.68 (m, 4H, Ph). ¹³C NMR: 41.0 (S-CH₂CHCH₂), 121.0 (S-CH₂CHCH₂), 129.6, (Ph), 130.6 (S-CH₂CHCH₂), 198.0, 199.7, 200.2 (CO), 238.3 (CS₂).

3c: IR v/cm^{-1} (KBr), v(CO): 2073m, 1957m, 1919vs. ³¹P NMR: 64.64 (t, ¹J_{W-P} 189.12 Hz). ¹H NMR: 2.47 (t, 1H, S-CH₂CCH, ³J_{H-H} 2.89), 4.04 (d, 2H, S-CH₂CCH, ³J_{H-H} 2.89), 7.48 (m, 6H, Ph), 7.69 (m, 4H, Ph). ¹³C NMR: 26.6 (s, SCH₂CCH), 72.7 (s, SCH₂CCH), 75.8 (s, SCH₂CCH), 196.9 (d), 198.3, 198.8 (CO).

4a: IR v/cm⁻¹ (KBr), v(CO): 1987m, 1854m, 1830vs, 1800vs, 1783s; v(CN): 1476m. ¹H NMR (CD₃CN): 1.21 (tt, 12H, N-CH₂-CH₃, ${}^{3}J_{N-H}$ 1.87, ${}^{3}J_{H-H}$ 7.3 Hz), 1.59 (m, 6H, N-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂), 3.15 (q, 8H, N-CH₂-CH₃, ${}^{3}J_{H-H}$ 7.3 Hz), 3.82 (m, 4H, N-CH-CH₂-). ¹³C NMR: δ 7.6 (N-CH₂-CH₃), 24.7 (N-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂), 26.0 (N-CH₂-CH₂), 47.5 (N-CH₂-CH₂), 52.9 (N-CH₂-CH₃), 204.0 (CO), 213.0 (CS₂), 213.8 (CO).

4b: IR ν/cm^{-1} (MeCN), $\nu(CO)$; 2072m, 1937vs. ³¹P NMR: -10.31 (¹ J_{W-P} 224.58 Hz). ¹H NMR: 6.95 (d, 1H, PH, J_{P-H} 358 Hz), 7.47, 7.67 (m, 10H, Ph).



Fig. 1 ORTEP drawing for the anion of $[W(CO)_5(PPh_2CS_2)]Et_4N$, 1 (Ph = C₆H₅), with thermal ellipsoids shown at the 50% probability level. Selected bond distances (Å) and bond angles (°) are as follows: W-P 2.553(1), P-C 1.872(5), C-S(1) 1.669(5), C-S(2) 1.650, W-S(1) 4.056(2), W-S(2) 4.946(2); C(4)-W-P 97.5(1), W-P-C 112.2(2), P-C-S(1) 112.7(3), P-C-S(2) 119.6(3).

tungsten satellite (${}^{1}J_{W-P}$ 238.24 Hz) indicates phosphorus coordination of the ligand. The unusual bonding mode for the PPh₂CS₂⁻ ligand has been confirmed by an X-ray diffraction study.‡ The structure of the anion of 1 is shown in Fig. 1. The

[†] Selected spectroscopic data: ¹H and ¹³C-{¹H} NMR are recorded at 298 K in CD₃CN and given as δ relative to SiMe₄, ³¹P NMR data: H₃PO₄ external standard. For 1: IR v/cm⁻¹ (KBr), v(CO): 2062m, 1979s, 1947s, 1904vs; v(CS): 1027s, 990w. ³¹P NMR: 59.08 (¹J_{W-P} 238.24 Hz). ¹H NMR: 1.18 (tt, 12H, N-CH₂-CH₃, ³J_{N-H} 1.87, ³J_{H-H} 7.3 Hz), 3.10 (q, 8H, N-CH₂-CH₃, ³J_{H-H} 7.3 Hz), 7.35 (m, 6H, Ph), ⁷C6 (m, 4H, Ph). ¹³C NMR: 7.6 (N-CH₂-CH₃), 53.0 (N-CH₂-CH₃), 199.6 (CO), 255.4 (CS₂).

[‡] Crystal data for 1: C₂₆H₃₀NO₅PS₂W, space group $P\overline{1}$, a = 10.688(3), b = 11.070(2), c, = 12.785(2)Å, $\alpha = 88.26(1)$, $\beta = 81.87(2)$, $\gamma = 74.08(2)^{\circ}$, V = 1440.0(5)Å³, Z = 2, $D_c = 1.65$ g cm⁻³, $\mu = 4.32$ mm⁻¹, observed reflections 4557, $2\theta_{max} = 2-49.8^{\circ}$. The structure was solved by using the heavy atom method, a series of difference Fourier maps and refined by least-squares refinements with R = 0.028 and $R_w = 0.025$. Hydrogen atoms were included in the structure factor calculations in their expected positions on the basis of idealized bonding geometry but were not refined by least-squares. Atomic coordinates, bond lengths and angles, and thermal parameters have been deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre. See Notice to Authors, Issue No. 1.

coordination geometry about the tungsten atom can be described as distorted octahedral. The CS₂ unit is attached to the phosphorus atom through carbon with no bonding interaction between the tungsten metal centre and the sulfur atoms, the W–S(1) and W–S(2) distances are 4.056(2) and 4.946(2) Å, respectively. Obviously, **1** was formed by a deprotonation step followed by a nucleophilic attack at the carbon atom of CS₂. In the reaction of W(CO)₄(NHC₅H₁₀)₂ with BuⁿLi and CS₂, the CS₂ insertion into the W–N bond gave [W(CO)₄(S₂CNC₅H₁₀)]Et₄N **5a**. The insertion of CS₂ into the Pt–F bond of [Pt(PPh₃)₂F][HF₂] gave [Pt(S₂CF)(PPh₃)₂], where the dithiofluoroformate ligand coordinates to Pt through two S atoms.¹⁰ To our knowledge, complex **1** is the first example of phosphorous coordination of the PR₂CS₂⁻ ligand.

The reaction of 1 with MeI in CH_2Cl_2 gave a neutral complex W(CO)₅[PPh₂(CS₂CH₃)] 4a in 80% yield. The alkylation takes place at the sulfur atom. In the ¹³C NMR spectrum of 4a, a singlet at δ 21.86 is attributed to the Me of the -CS₂Me group.¹¹ Lack of J_{P-H} coupling of this resonance contrasts with the observation of a doublet resonance $({}^{2}J_{P-C})$ 14.7 Hz)¹² for the methyl group of the compound [W(η - $C_{5}H_{5}$ (S₂C(Me)PMe₃)(CO)₂] where the methyl group is bound to the carbon atom. The ³¹P NMR spectrum of **4a** shows a resonance at δ 64.26 (¹J_{W-P} 247.95 Hz), close to that of 1. Two other alkylation products W(CO)₅[PPh₂-4b $W(CO)_5[PPh_2(CS_2CH_2 (CS_2CH_2CH=CH_2)],$ and C=CH)], 4c from allylic bromide and propynyl bromide, respectively, were prepared. The resonances in the ³¹P NMR spectra of 4b and 4c are at δ 64.49 (${}^{1}J_{W-P}$ 248.56 Hz) and δ 64.64 (${}^{1}J_{W-P}$ 189.12 Hz), respectively. Complex 4c decomposed at room temp. in about 20 min.

Thermolysis of 1 in tetrahydrofuran (THF) gave a cationic product identified as $[W(CO)_4(PPh_2CS_2)]Et_4N$, 3 based on its analytical and spectroscopic data (see Scheme 1). The IR spectra of 3 exhibits four absorption bands at 1993, 1879, 1859 and 1833 cm⁻¹, a typical pattern for a *cis*-M(CO)₄L₂ unit in octahedral geometry. In the mass spectrum of 3, the molecular ion along with the CO fragmentations are detected with a highest observed peak at *m*/z 817 corresponding to the $[W(CO)_4(PPh_2CS_2][Et_4N]_2^+$ cation. The ³¹P NMR spectrum of 3 shows a resonance at δ 24.23, again with a tungsten satellite (¹J_{W-P} 187.4 Hz) indicating phosphorus coordination. Compared with the ³¹P chemical shift of the compound 1, the relatively up-field shift of this resonance suggests different chemical environments for the $PR_2CS_2^-$ ligand in 1 and 3. A new chelation mode of the bidentate $PR_2CS_2^-$ ligand *i.e.* chelation through the phosphorus and one of the sulfur atoms is proposed. The structure and chemical reactivity of 3 are currently under investigation.

Attempts to prepare a dinuclear complex using the $PR_2CS_2^-$ unit of 1 as a bridging ligand led to cleavage of the $P-CS_2$ bond. For example, in the reaction of 1 with $[W(CO)_4(NHC_5H_{10})_2]$, the CS_2 of 1 inserted into the W-N bond of $[W(CO)_4(NCH_5H_{10})_2]$ to yield the known dithiocarbamate complex $[W(CO)_4(\eta^2-S_2CNC_5H_{10})]Et_4N$ 5a and the starting material $W(CO)_5(PPh_2H)$ 5b.

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