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## Synthesis and Structural Characterization of the Bent Nitrosyl Organometallic Complex $[NBu_4][Pt(C_6Cl_5)_2Cl_2(NO)]^{[\pm]}$

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The title complex has been prepared in 36% yield by reaction of  $[NBu_4]_2[trans-Pt(C_6Cl_5)_2Cl_2]$  with NOClO<sub>4</sub> (1:1) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The anion exhibits an almost tetragonal-pyramidal

Nitrosyl-metal complexes constitute a well-defined area in inorganic chemistry, which has been extensively studied and reviewed<sup>[1]</sup>. The early bonding model based on the NO<sup>+</sup>/NO<sup>-</sup> dichotomy<sup>[2a]</sup> has been largely superseded by calculation techniques relying on the MO correlation method<sup>[2b]</sup>. This approach has proven remarkably successful in comprehensively rationalizing both the structure and the reactivity of the known nitrosyl-metal complexes. The surprisingly few reports on mononuclear nitrosyl complexes of platinum<sup>[3]</sup> and our previous findings<sup>[4]</sup> about the anomalous geometry of the complex [NBu<sub>4</sub>][Pt(C<sub>6</sub>Cl<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>(NO)] have prompted us to extend our studies to other related anionic platinum substrates.

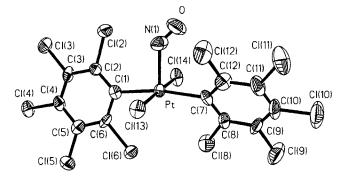


Figure 1. Thermal ellipsoid plot of the (*SPY*-5-21)-dichloronitrosylbis-(pentachlorophenyl)platinate(1–) (**2b**<sup>-</sup>) anion. Selected distances [Å] and angles [°]: Pt–N1 2.054(9), Pt–C1 2.107(9), Pt–C7 2.124(9), Pt–Cl13 2.312(2), Pt–Cl14 2.313(2), N1–O 1.141(14); Pt–N1–O 119.5(8)

Complexes  $[NBu_4]_2[trans-Pt(C_6X_5)_2Cl_2]$  [X = F (1a)<sup>[5a]</sup>, Cl (1b)<sup>[5b]</sup>] react with NOClO<sub>4</sub> in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at room temperature according to eq. (1). Once isolated as solids, the salts  $[N(PPh_3)_2]2a$  and  $[NBu_4]2b$  are reasonably stable and can be handled and weighed in the air. However, over long periods of time, they are best kept below 4°C. In solution, their stability is much more limited. geometry (X-ray analysis), the platinum atom being virtually located in the basal plane and the NO ligand occupying the apical position. The Pt-N-O unit is bent [119.5(8)°].

$$[NBu_4]_2[trans-Pt(C_6X_5)_2Cl_2] + NOClO_4 \rightarrow [Pt(C_6X_5)_2Cl_2(NO)]^-$$
(1)
1a: X = F
b: X = Cl
(1)

The crystal structure of  $[NBu_4]2b$  has been determined by X-ray diffraction methods (Figure 1). The anion  $2b^-$  has been found to exhibit an almost tetragonal-pyramidal geometry: the platinum atom is virtually located in the basal plane<sup>[6a]</sup>, and the NO ligand occupies the apical position of the pyramid<sup>[6b]</sup>. The Pt-N-O unit is clearly bent [119.5(8)°] towards one of the chlorine atoms (torsion angle Cl14-Pt-N1-O 27.6°).

Nitrosyl derivatives of  $\{M-N-O\}^8$  configuration in a five-coordinate environment have been predicted to exhibit a linear arrangement if they adopt a trigonal-bipyramidal geometry or a bent disposition in tetragonal-pyramidal structures<sup>[2b]</sup>. To our knowledge, however, none of these possible geometries have been materialized as yet in the platinum chemistry. In fact, the only mononuclear nitrosyl complex of platinum structurally characterized,  $[NBu_4][Pt(C_6Cl_5)_4(NO)]$ , is in contradiction to these theoretical expectations, as it has been shown to contain a linear Pt-N-O unit in a tetragonal-pyramidal global environment<sup>[4]</sup>. Complex [NBu<sub>4</sub>]2b is therefore, the first mononuclear nitrosyl complex of platinum whose structure agrees with that theoretically predicted<sup>[7]</sup>. According to the classical point of view, which relates the coordination geometry of the M-N-O unit (either linear or angular) with the charge of the nitrosyl ligand (+ or -, respectively), a linear arrangement should be expected to exhibit a shorter M-N distance<sup>[1b]</sup> as observed for instance in the model complex [RuCl(NO)<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][PF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>[8]</sup>. On the contrary, a comparison of the structural features concerning the Pt-N-O unit in complexes  $[NBu_4][Pt(C_6Cl_5)_4(NO)]$  and  $[NBu_4][Pt(C_6Cl_5)_2Cl_2(NO)]$  reveals that the Pt-N distance is longer in the former [2.22(6) Å, linear] than in the latter complex [2.054(9) Å, angular].

The synthetic method applied to the preparation of these simple five-coordinate platinum compounds (eq. 1) can be considered as an evidence of the marked basic character exhibited by the platinum center in the starting products **1a** and **1b**. This seems to be a

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[+]</sup> Throughout this paper, the convention of Enermark and Feltham to classify metal-nitrosyl complexes  $\{M-N-O\}^n$  according to the number of electrons (*n*) with an important d character has been used (see ref.<sup>[2b]</sup>).

general feature of anionic square-planar complexes of platinum(II)<sup>[9]</sup>.

Further work aimed to extend the synthetic method reported here to other platinum substrates is being carried out.

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## Experimental

The starting compounds  $1a^{[5a]}$ ,  $1b^{[5b]}$ , NOClO<sub>4</sub><sup>[10a]</sup>, and  $[N(PPh_3)_2]Cl^{[11]}$  were prepared according to literature methods.

Caution: it is advisible not to attempt the following reactions in organic solvents other than CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> or CHCl<sub>3</sub>, as NOClO<sub>4</sub> is known to react violently with, for instance, acetone, diethyl ether, and ethanol<sup>[10b]</sup>.

Tetra-n-butylammonium Dichloronitrosylbis(pentachlorophenyl)platinate ([NBu<sub>4</sub>]2b): During the reaction of a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 ml) solution of **1b** (0.30 g, 0.24 mmol) with NOClO<sub>4</sub> (31 mg, 0.24 mmol), the initially yellow solution gradually turned red. After 30 min of stirring, the solvent was evaporated in vacuo, the residue was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (60 ml) and the extract filtered off. Concentration of the filtrate afforded a residue which upon treatment with MeOH (10 ml) gave a brown solid. Yield 87 mg (36%). - IR (Nujol):  $\tilde{v}$  (cm<sup>-1</sup>) = 1776 (N-O)<sup>[12]</sup>, 846 (X-sensitive)<sup>[13]</sup>, 602  $[v_{as}(PtC_2)]$ , 335  $[v_{as}(PtCl_2)]$ . - <sup>13</sup>C NMR ([<sup>2</sup>H]chloroform, -60°C):  $\delta = 142.92 (C_{ipso}), 139.95 (p-C), 138.08 (o-C), 129.86 (m-C), 129.80$ (*m*-C), 129.47 (*o*-C), 57.54 (α-CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.35 (β-CH<sub>2</sub>), 19.41 (γ-CH<sub>2</sub>), 13.75 (CH<sub>3</sub>). – MS (FAB), m/z: 759 [C<sub>12</sub>Cl<sub>12</sub>Pt<sup>-</sup>]. C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>36</sub>Cl<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OPt (1037.1): calcd. C 32.43, H 3.50, N 2.70; found C 31.83, H 3.48, N 2.47.

Crystal Data for [NBu<sub>4</sub>]2b<sup>[14]</sup>: Suitable single crystals were obtained by low-temperature  $(-30^{\circ}C)$  diffusion of an *n*-hexane layer into a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution of the complex. Crystal size:  $0.25 \times 0.25 \times$ 0.15 mm; Siemens/STOE AED2; graphite-monochromated Mo- $K_{\alpha}$ radiation ( $\bar{\lambda} = 0.71073$  Å). C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>36</sub>Cl<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OPt:  $M_r = 1034.1$ ; space group C2/c, a = 43.861(7), b = 8.557(2), c = 20.830(5) Å,  $\beta =$  $95.03(2)^{\circ}$ , V = 7788(3) Å<sup>3</sup>,  $d_{calc} = 1.764$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>, Z = 8,  $\mu$ (Mo- $K_a$ ) = 44.53 cm<sup>-1</sup>; absorption correction:  $\psi$ -scan method (8 reflections); transmission factors: 0.3593/0.1806; T = -50 °C;  $2\Theta_{\text{max}} = 47$ ° (+h,  $+k, \pm l$ ; scan =  $\omega/2\Theta$ . 5746 independent reflections were measured, 4141 were used for calculations  $[I \ge 3\sigma(I)]$ . The structure was solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares methods<sup>[15]</sup>. R = 0.046,  $R_w = 0.060$ , 401 parameters, GOF = 0.91.

Bis(triphenylphosphoranylidene)ammonium Dichloronitrosylbis-(pentafluorophenyl)platinate ([N(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]2a): A MeOH solution (10 ml) of [NBu<sub>4</sub>]2a was prepared as described above by starting from 1a (0.30 g, 0.28 mmol) and NOClO<sub>4</sub> (35.8 mg, 0.28 mmol). Subsequent addition of [N(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl (0.23 g, 0.40 mmol) caused the precipitation of [N(PPh\_3)\_2]2a (0.11 g, 33% yield). – IR (Nujol):  $\tilde{\nu}$  $(cm^{-1}) = 1812 (N-O)^{[12]}, 961 (C-F), 782, 761 (X-sensitive)^{[13]},$ 341  $[v_{as}(PtCl_2)]$ . - <sup>19</sup>F NMR ([<sup>2</sup>H]chloroform, 23°C):  $\delta = -117.3$ (2 F, o-F), -126.2 (2 F, o-F), -161.3 (2 F, p-F), -162.7 (2 F, m-F), -164.2 (2 F, *m*-F). - MS (FAB), m/z: 629 [C<sub>12</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>F<sub>10</sub>NOPt<sup>-</sup>].

 $- C_{48}H_{30}Cl_2N_2OP_2Pt$  (1168.7): calcd. C 49.33, H 2.59, N 2.40; found C 48.88, H 2.33, N 2.11.

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