

**Figure 2.** Experimental and simulated ESR spectra of copolymer-attached  $\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2$ .

**Table I.** Spin-Hamiltonian Parameters

	copolymer-attached		
	$\text{CpNbCl}_3^a$	$\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2^a$	$\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2^b$
$g_{xx}$	$1.981 \pm 0.002$	$1.976 \pm 0.002$	$1.980 \pm 0.0005$
$g_{yy}$	$1.990 \pm 0.002$	$1.952 \pm 0.002$	$1.940 \pm 0.0005$
$g_{zz}$	$1.908 \pm 0.002$	2.017	$2.000 \pm 0.001$
$T_{xx}^c$	$-0.0105 \pm 0.0001$	$-0.0106 \pm 0.0001$	$-0.01066 \pm 0.00002$
$T_{yy}^c$	$-0.0093 \pm 0.0001$	$-0.0159 \pm 0.0001$	$-0.01598 \pm 0.00002$
$T_{zz}^c$	$-0.0214 \pm 0.0001$	( $-0.00528$ )	$-0.00528 \pm 0.00002$
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<sup>a</sup> At  $-126^\circ\text{C}$ . <sup>b</sup> In chloroform-ethanol (9:1) glass at  $-196^\circ\text{C}$ .  
<sup>c</sup> In  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

action that is not included in eq 1. If an uncalculated quadrupole interaction is indeed present, then failure to include it in determining spin-Hamiltonian parameters could lead to errors of approximately  $0.00005 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in principal values of the hyperfine tensor but to no significant errors in the principal values of the  $g$  tensor.

Principal values of the  $g$  and hyperfine ( $T$ ) tensors for copolymer-attached  $\text{CpNbCl}_3$  and copolymer-attached  $\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2$  are listed in Table I. Overall estimated uncertainties also are given. For copolymer-attached  $\text{CpNbCl}_3$ , the  $x$  and  $y$  patterns might be interchanged. There do not seem to be enough resolved features of the  $z$  pattern of copolymer-attached  $\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2$  to permit a confident and precise determination of  $g_{zz}$  and  $T_{zz}$ . The values of  $g_{zz}$  and  $T_{zz}$  still are regarded as unknown; however, their input values used in obtaining the calculated copolymer-attached  $\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2$  spectrum are given in parentheses. For comparison, spin-Hamiltonian parameters reported by Stewart and Porte<sup>1</sup> for dichlorobis( $\eta^5$ -cyclopentadienyl)niobium ( $\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2$ , not attached to any polymer) in chloroform-ethanol (9:1) glass at  $-196^\circ\text{C}$  are also given in Table I.

The analyses of the spectra strongly support the identities and assumed structures of the two copolymer-supported Nb(IV) species. The supported  $\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2$  must have the same structure as the unsupported compound and the  $\text{CpNbCl}_3$  a "piano stool" structure with a "local"  $C_{3v}$  axis through the three chlorine atoms. The unsupported  $\text{CpNbCl}_3$  is unknown.

**Registry No.**  $\text{CpNbCl}_3$ , 71463-31-5;  $\text{Cp}_2\text{NbCl}_2$ , 12793-14-5; styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer, 9003-70-7.

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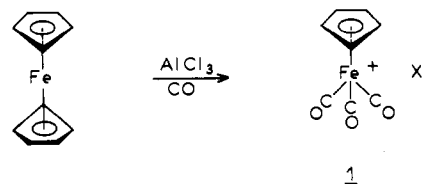
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## Ligand Exchange in Ferrocene with a $\eta^1$ Ligand: CO. A Bridge between Ferrocene and Cyclopentadienyl-Iron-Dicarbonyl Chemistry

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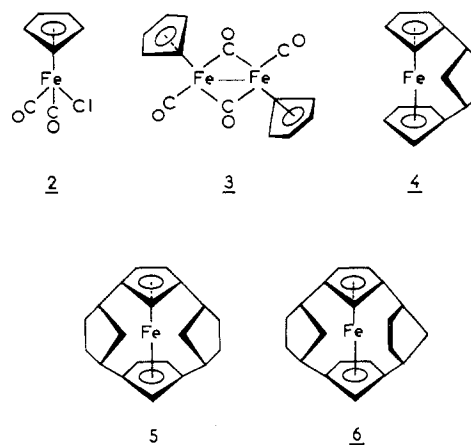
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The plethora of ferrocene chemistry can be categorized into (i) reactions retaining the sandwich structure and (ii) complete decomplexation with use of drastic conditions.<sup>1</sup> The only ligand-exchange reactions known involve replacement of one<sup>2</sup> or both<sup>3</sup> cyclopentadienyl rings with arenes, a promising field with respect to activation and arene synthesis.<sup>4</sup> Yet this latter chemistry falls into the first of these two categories. We report here the first transformation of ferrocene to a nonsandwich organometallic compound, namely, its reaction with CO using  $\text{AlCl}_3/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  to give  $\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})_3^{+5}$  (eq 1). Since this reaction proceeds cleanly in good yield, it opens a useful bridge between rich chemistries of both ferrocene<sup>1</sup> and "Fp".<sup>6</sup>



## Experimental Section

Into a 500-mL steel autoclave were successively introduced 2.79 g of ferrocene (15 mmol), 0.81 g of aluminum powder (15 mmol), 0.27 g of water (15 mmol), and 40 mL of heptane. The mixture was flushed with  $\text{N}_2$  and 6 g of  $\text{AlCl}_3$  (45 mmol) was added under  $\text{N}_2$ . The autoclave was pressurized with 100 atm of CO, mechanically shaken, and heated to  $120^\circ\text{C}$  for 12 h (CO pressure by now was 120 atm). The reaction mixture was then hydrolyzed at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  with 100 mL of ice water and filtered, and the two phases were separated. The aqueous phase was washed twice with 100 mL of ether and then added to a filtered solution of  $\text{NaPF}_6$  (20 mmol). The pale yellow precipitate was filtered, dried, and recrystallized from acetone. A 3.7-g yield of  $\text{PF}_6^-$  salt (70%) was isolated.  $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3^+\text{PF}_6^-$  exhibited a single peak at  $\delta = 6.18$  in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_3\text{COCD}_3$ ) and peaks at  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  2135 and  $2072 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum.<sup>5</sup> The organic layer was washed with  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  and water and dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ . After removal of the solvent, the residue was chromatographed on thick layer plates of silica with hexane as eluant. A 0.3-g yield of ferrocene, 0.05 g of **4**,<sup>7</sup> and 0.01 g of the mixture of **5**<sup>7</sup> and **6**<sup>7</sup> were isolated and identified by TLC, melting point, and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR. See Table I for various experimental conditions. At  $80^\circ\text{C}$  and 5 atm (no  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), 5% of **4**, 0.5% of **5** + **6**, 20% of **3**, and traces of **2** were formed (5% ferrocene was recovered).



**Table I.** Yields in Ligand Exchange between Ferrocene and CO with Different Reaction Conditions (12 h)

temp, °C	P(CO), atm	presence of H <sub>2</sub> O	yield, %
80	5	no	10
80	100	no	20
80	100	yes	47
110	120	no	30
110	120	yes	70

### Discussion

The lack of report of ligand exchange of a ferrocene ring with 2-electron ligands is related to the use of a Lewis acid necessary for the Cp cleavage. Therefore, only those 2-electron ligands which do not interact too strongly with AlCl<sub>3</sub> (e.g., CO) are valid candidates. From our mechanistic studies<sup>2c</sup> (aluminum chloride complexes either to the ring providing its cleavage or to the metal thus inhibiting the cleavage) it follows that water hydrolyzes the Fe-Lewis acid bond formed,<sup>8</sup> thus considerably assisting the ring cleavage. Therefore the best stoichiometry is ferrocene/AlCl<sub>3</sub>/Al/H<sub>2</sub>O = 1/3/1/1 (instead of anhydrous conditions: ferrocene/AlCl<sub>3</sub>/Al = 1/2/1). After hydrolysis of the reaction mixture,  $\eta^5$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Fe(CO)<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>Cl<sup>-</sup> was the only organometallic product found in the aqueous phase; minor amounts of known<sup>7</sup> d<sup>6</sup> iron neutral complexes are isolated from the organic phase (see Experimental Section). Thus the simplicity of the reaction and the low cost of the reactants make eq 1 a very convenient route to **1** in comparison to the other known procedures<sup>5</sup>—a finding of interest because of the great number of Fp complexes accessible by nucleophilic attack of **1**.<sup>9</sup>

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