action in Figure 5 began with only copper(II) tetraglycine. An initiation reaction is required in order to produce the initial 5×10^{-9} M Cu^{III}(H₋₃G₄)⁻ found from the intercept of the log plot in Figure 5. The initiation reaction proposed for the autocatalytic autoxidation of copper(II) tetraglycine is the disproportionation of $Cu^{II}(H_{-2}G_4)^-$ as in eq 40. The equi-

$$2Cu^{II}(H_{-2}G_4)^{-} \rightleftharpoons Cu^{I}(H_{-1}G_4)^{-} + Cu^{III}(H_{-3}G_4)^{-} (40)$$

librium constant was estimated to be 10^{-8} ($\mu = 1.0$ M(Na- ClO_4)).⁵ From the conditions used for the reaction illustrated in Figure 5, the equilibrium constant for the reaction in eq 40 predicts 1.4×10^{-8} M Cu^{II}(H₋₃G₄)⁻ initially, certainly a reasonable initiation step. The reaction of sulfite and oxygen, eq 41, is also a reasonable initiation step. The SO_5^{2-} produced

$$\mathrm{SO}_3^{2-} + \mathrm{O}_2 \to \mathrm{SO}_5^{2-} \tag{41}$$

can then generate the initial $Cu^{III}(H_{-3}G_4)^-$ by oxidizing the $Cu^{II}(H_3G_4)^{2-}$ reactant. The mechanism by which the reaction in eq 41 occurs is not entirely clear. The possibility of a multistep process in which trace-metal catalysis takes part has not been ruled out; however, this type of catalysis must be considerably slower than the copper peptide catalysis.

Conclusions

The anaerobic reduction of $Cu^{III}(H_3G_4)^-$ by sulfite proceeds stoichiometrically via two reversible one-electron-transfer steps.

Kinetic evidence strongly supports the sulfite radical anion as a product of the first electron transfer. An upper limit for the formal potential of the sulfite radical anion has been estimated from kinetic considerations to be +0.89 V. Hydrogen sulfite was found to be 30 times slower as a reductant than sulfite.

Oxygen, in the presence of added $Cu^{II}(H_{-3}G_4)^{2-}$, prompts a sulfite-induced oxidation to form $Cu^{III}(H_{-3}G_4)^-$. The $Cu^{III}(H_{-3}G_4)^-$ autocatalytically accelerates the induced oxidation reaction. The switching redox nature of the sulfite-O₂ reaction and the observed oscillations in the concentration of $Cu^{III}(H_{-3}G_4)$ are regulated by the relative rates at which $Cu^{III}(H_{-3}G_4)^-$ and oxygen compete for the sulfite radical. Facile electron transfer makes the copper peptide complex a catalyst for the autoxidation of sulfite. The efficiency of the catalysis

$$SO_3^{2-} + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \xrightarrow{Cu(II/III)} SO_4^{2-}$$
 (42)

is limited, however, by the rate at which sulfur-based oxidizing intermediates are lost by pathways other than those leading to the autocatalytic formation of $Cu^{III}(H_{-3}G_4)^-$.

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Kinetic and Equilibrium Study of the Reaction of (meso-Tetrakis(p-sulfonatophenyl)porphyrinato)diaguocobaltate(III) with Pyridine in Aqueous Solution

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The reaction of pyridine (py) with (meso-tetrakis(p-sulfonatophenyl)porphyrinato)diaguocobaltate(III) (Co(TPPS)(H₂O) $_{2}^{3-}$) has been investigated between pH 2 and 13 at $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄). Scheme I best depicts the reactions deduced to be important. The values of all of the parameters in Scheme I were determined and are reported. The k_1^{py} path is second order with $k_1^{py} = (9.56 \pm 0.30) \times 10^2 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 25 °C and the values of the activation parameters are $\Delta H^*_1 = 17.6 \pm 10^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ 0.4 kcal/mol and $\Delta S^{*}_{1} = 14.4 \pm 1.3$ cal/(deg mol). These parameters imply dissociative (d) activation. The k_4^{py} path is second order with $k_4^{py} = (1.22 \pm 0.12) \times 10^6 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 25 °C, and the values of the activation parameters are ΔH^{*}_{4} is second order with $\chi_4^{p_2} = (1.22 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-1} M^{-5}$ at 25 °C, and the values of the activation parameters are ΔH^{+}_4 = 11.5 ± 0.5 kcal/mol and $\Delta S^{+}_4 = 6.4 \pm 1.6$ cal/(deg mol). The parameters imply d activation and the OH⁻ ligand has labilized the Co(TPPS)(OH)H₂O⁴ by a factor of 10³ compared to Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂³⁻. The $k_2^{p_2}$ path has a pseudo-first-order rate law with the pseudo-first-order rate constant $k_{obsd} = (E[p_2] + FG)/(G + [p_2])$ at pH 13. This is interpreted to imply a dissociative (D) mechanism. The parameter E represents the first-order rate constant for formation of the 5-coordinate intermediate and has a value of (1.57 ± 0.13) × 10³ s⁻¹ at 25 °C. The values of ΔH^{+}_7 and ΔS^{+}_7 are 11.6 ± 3.1 kcal/mol and -5.1 ± 10.1 cal/(deg mol). The values of K_{a1} , K_{a2} , and K_{a1}^{py} at 25 °C are (9.4 ± 0.6) × 10⁻⁸, (1.7 ± 0.2) × 10⁻¹⁰, and (5.6 ± 0.2) × 10⁻¹⁰ M, respectively. The values of K_{1}^{py} , K_{2}^{py} , K_{4}^{py} , K_{5}^{py} , and K_{6}^{py} at 25 °C are (9.1 ± 0.9) × 10⁸ M⁻¹, (1.2 ± 0.1) × 10⁵ M⁻¹, (5.4 ± 0.8) × 10⁶ M⁻¹, (1.3 ± 0.2) × 10², and 3.4 ± 0.7, respectively. In summary, the kinetic and equilibrium properties of $Co(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$ are very similar to those of (meso-tetrakis(4-N-methylpyridyl)porphyrin)diaquocobalt(III) and (meso-tetrakis(4-carboxyphenyl)porphyrinato)diaquocobaltate(III). However there are some significant differences.

Introduction

The substitution reactions of cobalt(III) porphyrins have been of continuing interest.²⁻¹⁰ The most striking thing about

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these reactions is the unusual lability of the compounds. The anation reactions were concluded to occur by a D or an I_d mechanism. Ashley and Au-Young have reported the results of the anation reactions of NCS⁻, I⁻, Br⁻, and Cl⁻ with (*meso*-tetrakis(*p*-sulfonatophenyl)porphyrinato)diaquo-cobaltate(III), (Co(TPPS)(H_2O)₂³⁻).⁹ This paper reports the results of the investigation of the reaction of $C_5H_5N(py)$, between pH 2 and 13.0 with $Co(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$.

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Scheme I



Table I.	Molar	Absorptivities	of the	Compounds	Studied
$[\mu = 1.00]$	M (Na	aClO₄)]			

compd	λ _{max} , nm	$10^{-5} \epsilon_{max}, M^{-1} cm^{-1}$
$Co(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$	425	2.38
Co(TPPS)(H, O)(OH)4-	426	2.18
Co(TPPS)(OH), 5-	429	1.85
$Co(TPPS)(H,O)(py)^{3-}$	425.5	2.23
Co(TPPS)(OH)(py) ⁴⁻	426	2.13
Co(TPPS)(py) ₂ ³⁻	433	1.83

Experimental Section

Materials. Sodium meso-tetrakis(p-sulfonatophenyl)porphyrin (Na₄TPPS) was obtained from Man-Win Co. of Washington, D.C. The cobalt was inserted, and the Na₃[Co(TPPS)(OH₂)₂] was purified in the following manner. Approximately 50 mg of Na₄TPPS and 140 mg of CoSO₄·7H₂O (1:10 mole ratio) were added to 25 mL of 0.7 M aqueous acetic acid. The solution was heated on a steam bath for 30 min while oxygen was bubbled through it. The solution then was passed through a 1×30 cm acid washed alumina column. The alumina had been dried at 120 °C overnight. The column was eluted with 0.01 M NaOH. The effluent that was pH 9 or below was collected. The effluent that was above pH 9 was collected separately and passed through another alumina column as before. The combined effluents that were below pH 9 were evaporated on a steam bath to 10 mL. This solution was passed through a Sephadex G-10 column to separate the light molecular weight impurities. The effluent was dried on a steam bath and then dried overnight at 120 °C. The elemental analysis was performed by Galbraith Laboratories, Inc., and the cobalt analysis was performed in this laboratory with use of a Perkin-Elmer 303 atomic adsorption instrument. Anal. Calcd. for Na₃Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂, Na₃CoC₄₄H₂₈N₄S₄O₁₄: C, 48.38; H, 2.56; N, 5.13; S, 11.72; Co, 5.39; Found: C, 45.48; H, 3.59; N, 5.78; S, 10.52; Co, 5.39.

Equilibrium and Kinetic Measurements. The equilibrium and kinetic measurements were made essentially as reported previously.^{6,9} No buffers were used except for a 0.01 M sodium borate buffer between pH 8.2 and 9.8. Blank experiments confirmed that no reaction occurred between the buffer and the Co(TPPS) $(H_2O)_2^{3-}$. The ionic strength was maintained constant at 1.00 M (NaClO₄).

Results

Scheme I defines the system under investigation. The rate constant for a reaction will be used to label that path. Although all reaction paths have been delineated, they are not all applicable in this study. The molar absorptivities of the Soret band of the compounds of interest are reported in Table I.

Acid Dissociation Constants. A plot of A_{424} vs. pH (Figure 1) clearly showed that the Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂³⁻ is diprotic. It was obvious that the two steps were separated enough so that the evaluation of K_{a_1} and K_{a_2} could be performed separately. From the equilibrium constant expression, the mass balance, and Beer's law, eq 1 could be derived. A_a was the absorbance



Figure 1. Plot of A vs. pH at 25 °C, $\lambda = 424$ nm, and $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄) for the determination of K_{a_1} and K_{a_2} . The solid line is the computer fit of the data to eq 1.

 Table II. Acid Dissociation Constants of the Compounds in Scheme I

°C	$10^{7}K_{\mathbf{a_{1}}}, \mathrm{M}$	$10^{10}K_{a_2}, M$	$10^9 K_{\mathbf{a}_1}^{\mathbf{py}}, \mathbf{M}$
15 25 35	$\begin{array}{c} 0.131 \pm 0.025 \\ 0.937 \pm 0.063 \\ 5.65 \pm 1.15 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.936 \pm 0.57 \\ 1.72 \pm 0.16 \\ 2.36 \pm 0.18 \end{array}$	0.563 ± 0.019 0.776 ± 0.069 1.28 ± 0.04

at 424 nm of the acid form and A_b was the absorbance at 424 nm of the base form. The data was fit to eq 1 with use of a nonlinear least-squares program.¹¹ This program was used in all of the curve fittings, and all of the reported uncertainties are one standard deviation. The calculated values of A_a and A_b agreed within experimental error with the measured values. The values of K_{a_1} and K_{a_2} are in Table II. The values of $\Delta H^o_{a_4}$ and $\Delta S^o_{a_4}$ were determined with the use of eq 2. The values

$$K_{a_i} = e^{\Delta S^{\circ}_{a_i}/R} e^{-\Delta H^{\circ}_{a_i}/RT}$$
(2)

of K_{a_i} were weighed as $1/\sigma_{a_i}^2$, where $\sigma_{a_i}^2$ was the variance of each K_{a_i} at each temperature. The values of ΔH° and ΔS° are -6.43 ± 1.01 kcal/mol and -53.8 ± 3.5 cal/(deg mol) and 8.23 ± 0.99 kcal/mol and -17.3 ± 1.5 cal/(deg mol), respectively, for K_{a_1} and K_{a_2} . The calculated values of K_{a_1} and K_{a_2} at 45 °C were (4.6 ± 10.8) $\times 10^{-8}$ and (3.7 ± 5.4) $\times 10^{-10}$ M, respectively. The uncertainties are the estimated standard deviations derived from the uncertainties in $\Delta H^\circ_{a_i}$ and $\Delta S^\circ_{a_i}$.

Stability Constants. The values of K_2^{py} , K_5^{py} , and K_6^{py} were determined spectrophotometrically. The absorbance was measured as the ligand concentration was varied. From Beer's law, the mass balance, and the stability constant expression for K_2^{py} , eq 3 can be derived. A is the absorbance of a solution

$$A = (A_{\rm r} + A_{\rm p}K_2^{\rm py}[\rm py])/(1 + K_2^{\rm py}[\rm py])$$
(3)

of the cobalt porphyrin and py, A_r is the absorbance of a solution of the reactant, and A_p is the absorbance of the

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Figure 2. Plot of A vs. [py] at 25 °C, $\lambda = 433$ nm, and $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄) for the determination of K_2^{py} . The solid line is the computer fit of the data to eq 3.

Table III. Stability Constants at 25 °C for the Compounds in Scheme 1

parameter	value, M ⁻¹
$K_1^{\mathbf{py}}(k_1^{\mathbf{py}}/k_{-1}^{\mathbf{py}})$	$(3.13 \pm 0.62) \times 10^{5}$
$K_1^{py}(K_a, k_4^{py}/K_a, pyk_4^{py})$	$(9.05 \pm 0.90) \times 10^8$
$K_1^{\mathbf{py}}(K_{\mathbf{a}_1}^{\mathbf{y}}K_{\mathbf{a}_2}^{\mathbf{y}}K_{\mathbf{a}_1}^{\mathbf{py}}K_{\mathbf{w}})$	$(2.26 \pm 0.05) \times 10^8$
$K_{2}^{py}(k_{2}^{py}/k_{-2}^{py})$	$(8.38 \pm 1.29) \times 10^4$
$K_2^{py}(K_a, pyK_s^{py}/K_w)$	$(1.19 \pm 0.26) \times 10^{5}$
K ₂ ^{py}	$(1.15 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{5}$
$K_{4}^{py}(K_{a},K_{6}^{py}/K_{w})$	$(1.36 \pm 0.28) \times 10^{6}$
$K_{A}^{py}(k_{A}^{py}/k_{a}^{py})$	$(5.44 \pm 0.80) \times 10^{6}$
K, py	$(1.28 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{2}$
K_6^{py}	3.41 ± 0.65

product. The solid line in Figure 2 is the fit of the data to eq 3.

In the case of K_5^{py} and K_6^{py} , the values of the stability constants were close enough so that an equation such as eq 3 could not be used. From Beer's law and the mass balance and the stability constant expressions, eq 4 could be derived.

$$A = \frac{A_0 + A_1 K_6^{\text{py}}[\text{py}] + A_2 K_6^{\text{py}} K_5^{\text{py}}[\text{py}]^2}{1 + K_6^{\text{py}}[\text{py}] + K_6^{\text{py}} K_5^{\text{py}}[\text{py}]^2}$$
(4)

A is the absorbance of a solution of the cobalt porphyrin and py, A_0 is the absorbance of the solution of Co(TPPS)(OH)₂⁵⁻, A_1 is the absorbance of the solution of Co(TPPS)(py)OH⁴⁻, A_2 is the absorbance of the solution of Co(TPPS)(py)₂³⁻, $K_5^{py'} = K_5^{py}/[OH^-]$, and $K_6^{py'} = K_6^{py}/[OH^-]$. The value of $[OH^-]$ was 0.100 M. The solid line in Figure 3 is the least-squares fit of the data to eq 4. Tabulated in Table III are the values of the stability constants. K_1^{py} and K_4^{py} were too large to determine spectrophotometrically. In Table III are reported also the values of stability constants calculated from other constants. The values of K_w at $\mu = 1.00$ M is $(1.62 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-14}$ at 25 °C.¹² The values of K_w at 35 and 45 °C were calculated from the reported values of ΔH° and ΔS° at $\mu =$ 0.5 M.¹²

Kinetics. The reaction of py with $Co(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$ was studied at pH 2, various temperatures, and various py con-



Figure 3. Plot of A vs. $-\log$ [py] at 25 °C, $\lambda = 433$ nm, [OH⁻] = 0.100, and $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄) for the determination of K_5^{py} and K_6^{py} . The solid line is the computer fit of the data to eq 4.

centration. The total py concentration did not exceed 0.3 M and $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄). The free py concentration was calculated from the known total py concentration, the measured pH, and the reported value of 4.07×10^{-6} M for K_a at 25 °C.¹³ The assumption was made that [H⁺] = 10^{-pH} . The values of K_a for py at 35 and 45 °C were calculated to be 5.25 $\times 10^{-6}$ and 6.92 $\times 10^{-6}$ M from reported Δ H° value at $\mu =$ 0.5.¹³ The Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂³⁻ concentration was about 3.4 $\times 10^{-6}$ M at 25.0, 37.0, and 45.0 °C. The reaction, as well as all studied in this investigation, followed pseudo-first-order kinetics with

$$k_{\text{obsd}} = a + b[\text{py}] \tag{5}$$

The constants a and b were interpreted to be k_{-1}^{py} and k_{1}^{py} , respectively (Scheme I). The results are reported in Figure 4 and Table IV. The activation parameters were calculated with the use of the Eyring–Polanyi equation and are reported in Table IV.¹⁴

As the pH is increased from pH 2, the k_4^{py} and/or K_6^{py} path becomes increasingly important. Under the pseudo-first-order conditions employed in this investigation, the formation of $Co(TPPS)(py)_2^{3-}$ occurred also (path k_2^{py}); vide infra. This gave rise to biphasic kinetics of which the interpretation became ambiguous because of the difficulty of assigning the fast and slow steps to what reaction. Under the conditions of higher pH, but below pH 12, at which $Co(TPPS)_4(py)_2^{3-}$ does not form, the reaction is too fast to measure by stopped-flow techniques. Hence, the k_4^{py} and/or k_6^{py} reaction was studied above pH 12.

Figure 5 shows the plot of k_{obsd} vs. [OH⁻] at 1.02×10^{-3} M py, and Figure 6 shows the plot of k_{obsd} vs. [py] at 0.100

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Figure 4. Dependence of k_{obsd} upon [py] for the k_1^{py} path at pH 2.00 and $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄). The solid lines are the computer fit of the data to eq 5.

 Table IV.
 Rate Constants and Activation Parameters for Schemes 1 and 11

temp, °C	$10^{-3}k_1^{\text{py}}, M^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}a$	$10^{3}k_{-1}^{py}$, s ⁻¹ a
25	0.956 ± 0.03	3.04 ± 0.59
37	3.24 ± 0.11	4.32 ± 3.3
45	6.53 ± 0.33	14.7 ± 12.8
$\Delta H_{1}^{*} = 17.6 \pm$	± 0.4 kcal/mol, $\Delta S^{*_1} =$	14.4 ± 1.3 cal/(deg mol)
temp, °C	$10^{-3}k_2^{py}$, M ⁻¹ s ^{-1 a}	$10^2 k_{-2}^{py}$, s ⁻¹ a
25	3.16 ± 0.13	3.77 ± 0.56
35	7.07 ± 0.44	4.62 ± 2.37
45	12.5 ± 0.2	16.6 ± 1.6
$\Delta H^*{}_2 = 12.1 \pm$	0.5 kcal/mol, $\Delta S^{*}_{2} = -$	1.82 ± 1.45 cal/(deg mol)
temp, °C	$10^{-6}k_4^{py}, M^{-1} s^{-1}$	k_4 ^{py}
25	1.22 ± 0.12^{0}	0.245 ± 0.021^{b}
25 25	1.22 ± 0.12^{b} 1.31 ± 0.15^{c}	0.245 ± 0.021^{b} 0.241 ± 0.022^{c}
25 25 35	1.22 ± 0.12 ⁶ 1.31 ± 0.15 ^c 2.59 ± 0.34 ^c	$\begin{array}{l} 0.245 \pm 0.021^{b} \\ 0.241 \pm 0.022^{c} \\ 0.659 \pm 0.066^{c} \end{array}$
25 25 35 45	1.22 ± 0.12^{o} 1.31 ± 0.15^{c} 2.59 ± 0.34^{c} 4.49 ± 1.05^{c}	$\begin{array}{l} 0.245 \pm 0.021^{b} \\ 0.241 \pm 0.022^{c} \\ 0.659 \pm 0.066^{c} \\ 1.45 \pm 0.24^{c} \end{array}$
25 25 35 45 $\Delta H^*_4 = 11.5$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.22 \pm 0.12^{o} \\ 1.31 \pm 0.15^{c} \\ 2.59 \pm 0.34^{c} \\ 4.49 \pm 1.05^{c} \\ \pm 0.5 \text{ kcal/mol, } \Delta S^{*}_{4} = \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.245 \pm 0.021^{b} \\ 0.241 \pm 0.022^{c} \\ 0.659 \pm 0.066^{c} \\ 1.45 \pm 0.24^{c} \\ 6.4 \pm 1.6 \text{ cal/(deg mol)} \end{array}$
25 25 35 45 ΔH* ₄ = 11.5 temp, °C	1.22 ± 0.12^{6} 1.31 ± 0.15^{c} 2.59 ± 0.34^{c} 4.49 ± 1.05^{c} $\pm 0.5 \text{ kcal/mol, } \Delta S^{*}_{4} = 10^{-3}k_{7}, \text{ s}^{-1}$	0.245 ± 0.021^{b} 0.241 ± 0.022^{c} 0.659 ± 0.066^{c} 1.45 ± 0.24^{c} $teorem (1.6 \text{ cal/(deg mol)})$ $k_{8}/k_{9}, M$
$25 \\ 35 \\ 45 \\ \Delta H^{*}_{4} = 11.5 \\ \hline temp, ^{\circ}C \\ 25 \\ \hline$	$\frac{1.22 \pm 0.12^{\circ}}{1.31 \pm 0.15^{\circ}}$ $2.59 \pm 0.34^{\circ}$ $4.49 \pm 1.05^{\circ}$ $\pm 0.5 \text{ kcal/mol, } \Delta S_{4}^{*} = \frac{10^{-3}k_{7}, \text{ s}^{-1}}{1.57 \pm 0.13}$	0.245 ± 0.021^{b} 0.241 ± 0.022^{c} 0.659 ± 0.066^{c} 1.45 ± 0.24^{c} $6.4 \pm 1.6 \text{ cal/(deg mol)}$ $k_{8}/k_{9}, M$ 0.444 ± 0.037
$25 \\ 35 \\ 45 \\ \Delta H_{4}^{*} = 11.5 \\ \hline temp, ^{\circ}C \\ 25 \\ 35 \\ \hline $	$1.22 \pm 0.12^{\circ}$ $1.31 \pm 0.15^{\circ}$ $2.59 \pm 0.34^{\circ}$ $4.49 \pm 1.05^{\circ}$ $\pm 0.5 \text{ kcal/mol, } \Delta S^{*}_{4} = \frac{10^{-3}k_{7}, \text{ s}^{-1}}{1.57 \pm 0.13}$ 2.40 ± 0.35	0.245 ± 0.021^{b} 0.241 ± 0.022^{c} 0.659 ± 0.066^{c} 1.45 ± 0.24^{c} $6.4 \pm 1.6 \text{ cal/(deg mol)}$ $k_{8}/k_{9}, M$ 0.444 ± 0.037 0.451 ± 0.074

 $\Delta H_{7}^{*} = 11.6 \pm 3.1 \text{ kcal/mol}, \Delta S_{7}^{*} = -5.1 \pm 10.1 \text{ cal/(deg mol)}$

^{*a*} pH 2.0. ^{*b*} [OH⁻] = 0.100 M. ^{*c*} [py] =
$$1.02 \times 10^{-3}$$
 M.

M OH⁻ at 25 °C, where k_{obsd} is the pseudo-first-order rate constant. It is clear that the reaction is first order in py. Also the nonzero intercept in Figure 6 implies a path py independent or, more likely, a reverse reacton. The shape of the k_{obsd} vs. [OH⁻] plot indicates an inverse [OH⁻] dependence.

A cursory examination of the values of k_1^{py} and the concentration of Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂³⁻ at these conditions revealed that the k_1^{py} reaction path is unimportant. Assuming that only the k_4^{py} and k_6^{py} paths were important, eq 6 could be derived.

$$\frac{k_{obsd}}{K_{a_2}^{py}K_w[py] + k_6^{py}K_{a_2}[py][OH^-]}{K_{a_2}[OH^-] + K_w} + k_{-4}^{py} + k_{-6}^{py}[OH^-]$$
(6)

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Figure 5. Dependence of k_{obsd} upon $[OH^-]$ at $[py] = 1.02 \times 10^{-3}$ M and $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄). The solid lines are the computer fit of the data to eq 7 (see text).



Figure 6. Dependence of k_{obsd} upon [py] at $[OH^-] = 0.100$, $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄) and 25 °C. The solid line is the computer fit of the data to eq 8 (see text).

At the [OH⁻] concentrations in these studies, $K_{a_2}[OH^-] \gg K_w$ and eq 7 resulted. A plot of k_{obsd} vs. 1/[OH⁻] gave a very good

$$k_{\text{obsd}} = \frac{k_4^{\text{py}} K_{\text{w}}[\text{py}]}{K_{\text{s}_2}[\text{OH}^-]} + (k_6^{\text{py}}[\text{py}] + k_{-4}^{\text{py}} + k_{-6}^{\text{py}}[\text{OH}^-])$$
(7)

straight line. This implied that the k_{-6}^{py} path was negligible under these condition. The solid lines in Figure 5 are the computer fit of the data to eq 7 with the $k_{-6}^{py}[OH^{-}]$ term deleted, i.e., $k_{obsd} = (A/[OH^{-}]) + B$. The value of A was 0.126 $\pm 0.003 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, and the value of B was 0.241 $\pm 0.022 \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 25 °C.

If [py] was varied while [OH⁻] was kept constant, eq 8 resulted. The solid line in Figure 6 is the computer fit of the

$$k_{\text{obsd}} = \left(\frac{k_4^{\text{py}} K_{\text{w}}}{K_{\text{a}_2}[\text{OH}^-]} + k_6^{\text{py}}\right)[\text{py}] + k_{-4}^{\text{py}} \qquad (8)$$

data at 25 °C, i.e., $k_{obsd} = C[py] + D$. The value of C was $(1.12 \pm 0.02) \times 10^3 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, and the value of D was $0.283 \pm 0.023 \text{ s}^{-1}$.

These results give $B = k_6^{py}[py] + k_4^{py} = 0.241 \pm 0.022$ s⁻¹ and $D = k_4^{py} = 0.283 \pm 0.020$ s⁻¹. Since these two numbers are very similar and since the value of *B* was smaller than the value of *D*, it was concluded that $k_6^{py}[py]$ was negligible. The value of k_4^{py} derived from $A(k_4^{py}K_w[py]/K_{a2})$ was (1.31)

The value of k_4^{py} derived from $A(k_4^{py}K_w[py]/K_{a2})$ was (1.31 $\pm 0.15) \times 10^6 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. The value of k_4^{py} derived from $C((k_4^{py}K_w/K_{a2}[OH^-]) + k_6^{py})$, with the assumption that k_6^{py} was negligible, was (1.22 ± 0.12) $\times 10^6 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. Since these two calculated values of k_4^{py} are the same, the assumption that k_6^{py} was negligible is correct. Similar results were obtained at 35 and 45 °C. The values of k_4^{py} and k_{-4}^{py} and the activation parameters are reported in Table IV.

The addition of the second py also was studied over a wide pH range. At pH 2 and the lowest free py concentration, over 55% of the complex was in the form $Co(TPPS)_4(py)_2^{3-}$ at the end of the reaction. This second step (k_2^{py}) was not observed kineticly because it was faster than the first step. The second step was studied by adding 0.03 M total py to the Co- $(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$ solution at pH 2 before mixing. This ensured that all of the complex was in the form $Co(TPPS)_4(H_2O)py^{3-1}$ or $Co(TPPS)_4(py)_2^{3-}$ (>50%). When additional py was added, only the second step was observed. The rate law for this step was pseudo first order in $[Co(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}]_{total}$ with the pseudo-first-order rate constant having the form of eq 5 (Figure 7). The values of a and b were assigned to k_{-2}^{py} and k_2^{py} , respectively. These values at the various temperatures are reported in Table IV along with the activation parameters. It will be seen below that eq 5 is a special form of a more general expression for k_{obsd} for the k_2^{py} path that develops at higher py concentration.

The addition of the second py at various temperatures was studied between pH 8.47 to 9.72 at $[py] = 5.11 \times 10^{-5}$ M. The k_4^{py} path was too fast to be observed kineticly in this pH region. The results are in Figure 8. From Scheme I, k_{obsd} could be defined by eq 9. However, a least-squares fit of the data to $k_{obsd} =$

$$\frac{k_{2^{\text{py}}}[\text{H}^+][\text{py}] + K_{a_1}{}^{\text{py}}k_5{}^{\text{py}}[\text{py}]}{K_{a_1}{}^{\text{py}} + [\text{H}^+]} + (k_{-2}{}^{\text{py}} + k_{-5}{}^{\text{py}}[\text{OH}^-])$$
(9)

eq 9 could not be affected. With this in mind we assumed that the k_5^{py} and the k_{-5}^{py} paths were negligible. Equation 9 reduced then to eq 10. The solid line in Figure 8 is the least

$$k_{\text{obsd}} = \frac{k_2^{\text{py}}[\text{py}][\text{H}^+]}{K_{\text{a}}^{\text{py}} + [\text{H}^+]} + k_{-2}^{\text{py}}$$
(10)

squares fit of the data to eq 10. The value of k_2^{py} was (3.55 \pm 0.01) × 10³ M⁻¹ s⁻¹ at 25 °C. This compares favorably with the value of (3.21 \pm 0.11) × 10³ M⁻¹ s⁻¹ determined at pH 2. The computer value for k_{-2}^{py} was 0.0121 \pm 0.0680 s⁻¹ at 25 °C. The value of k_{-2}^{py} determined at pH 2 was 0.0356 \pm 0.0055 s⁻¹. Again this is in fair agreement. Because of this good agreement between the parameter at pH 2 and at higher pH, it is concluded that eq 10 adequately describes the data and that the k_5^{py} and k_{-5}^{py} paths are negligible. Since the least-squares fit of this data gave k_{-2}^{py} equal to 0 within one standard deviation, the values of $K_{a_1}^{py}$ were calculated by setting $k_{-2}^{py} = 0$. If k_{-2}^{py} is set equal to 0, then eq 10 can be rearranged to give eq 11.

$$1/k_{\rm obsd} = \frac{K_{a_1}^{\rm py}}{k_2^{\rm py}[\rm py][\rm H^+]} + \frac{1}{k_2^{\rm py}[\rm py]}$$
(11)



Figure 7. Dependence of k_{obsd} upon [py] for the k_2^{py} path at pH 2.00 and $\mu = 1.00$ M (NaClO₄). The solid lines are the computer fit of the data to eq 5.



Figure 8. Dependence of k_{obsd} upon pH for the formation of Co-(TPPS)(py)₂³⁻ at 25 °C, [py] = 5.11 × 10⁻⁵ M, and μ = 1.00 M (NaClO₄). The solid line is the computer fit of the data to eq 10.

A least-squares fit of $1/k_{obsd}$ vs. $1/[H^+]$ would give a straight line with a slope of $K_{a_1}^{py}/k_2^{py}[py]$. Since k_2^{py} and [py] are known, $K_{a_1}^{py}$ can be calculated. These values are reported in Table II.

Scheme II

$$CoTPPS(py)H_2O^{3-} \xrightarrow{k_7} CoTPPS(py)^{3-} + H_2O$$

$$CoTPPS(py)^{3-} + py \xrightarrow{kg} CoTPPS(py)^{2-}$$

The addition of the second py was studied also at 0.100 M NaOH and high py concentration. Under these conditions, the py dependence became less than linear. The plots of k_{obsd} vs. [py] are shown in Figure 9. The solid lines are the least-squares fit of the data to eq 12. The values of F were

$$k_{\text{obsd}} = \frac{E[\text{py}] + FG}{G + [\text{py}]}$$
(12)

fixed at the values of k_{-2}^{py} . The parameter *E* is interpreted to be k_{7}' and *G* to be k_{8}/k_{9} (Scheme II). The values of k_{7} and k_{8}/k_{9} are reported in Table IV. The activation parameters associated with k_{7} are reported also in Table IV.

Discussion

Equilibrium Constants. The first acid dissociation constant of $Co(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$ is within a factor of 100 of Co- $(TMpyP)(H_2O)_2^{5+}$ and $Co(TCPP)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$ at 25 °C with that of $(TMpyP)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$ being slightly larger and that of Co- $(TCPP)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$ being smaller ^{9,10,15} It has been suggested that these relative values simply imply that the electron density on cobalt increases in the order of $Co(TMpyP)(H_2O)_2^{5+}$, $Co(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$, and $Co(TCPP)(H_2O)_2^{3-9}$ However, K_{a_2} is 5 times greater for Co(TPPS)(OH)H₂O⁴⁻ than for Co-(TMpyP)(OH)H₂O⁴⁺. This is the opposite of the above trend. The values of K_a^{py} decrease in the order of Co-(TMpyP)(H₂O)py⁵⁺, Co(TPPS)(H₂O)py³⁻, and Co-(TCPP)(H₂O)py^{5-,10} again implying that the electron density in cobalt increases in this order. The values of the py stability constants are reported in Table III. The agreement among the derived and determined constants generally is very good. As the trans ligand changes from H₂O (K_1^{py}) to OH⁻ (K_4^{py}) to py (K_2^{py}) , the value of K_i^{py} changes from 10⁸ to 10⁵ M⁻¹. The same trends for K_1^L and K_2^L are noted for NCS⁻ and other cobalt(III) porphyrins (Table V). This decrease in the stability constants is what one would expect if OH-, NCS-, and py were placing more electron density on cobalt than on H_2O .

The value of K_1^{py} is greater for Co(TPPS)(H_2O)₂³⁻ than those for Co(TMpyP)(H_2O)₂⁵⁺ and Co(TCCP)(H_2O)₂ which are about the same (Table V). This is surprising since the values of K_1^{L} for NCS⁻ and I⁻ are all similar for the three complexes with those for Co(TMpyP)(H_2O)₂⁵⁻ being slightly larger, as expected. The values for K_2^{py} for the three complexes (Table V) are all similar, with that of Co(TPPS)(H_2O)py³⁻ being slightly larger. The value of K_4^{py} for Co(TPPS)-(OH)H₂O⁴⁻ is again about 100 times that for Co(TMpyP)-(OH)H₂O. These results are inconsistent with the idea that the values of K_i^{L} should decrease as the ability of the porphyrin to donate electron density to the cobalt(III) increases. Clearly, other factors are important and more data are needed.

Kinetics. The kinetics of the reaction of the addition of the first py will be discussed first. The order of the values of k_1^{py} are Co(TMpyP)(H₂O)₂⁵⁺ < Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂³⁻ < Co-(TCPP)(H₂O)₂³⁻ (Table V). This is the same ordering as for NCS⁻ and I⁻. This is consistent with the previous suggestion that as the available electron density from the porphyrin that could interact with Co(III) decreases, the rate constant decreases.⁹

(15) TCPP = meso-tetrakis(p-carboxyphenyl)porphyrin. TMpyP = mesotetrakis(4-N-methylpyridyl)porphyrin.

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	Ċ	o(TMpyP)(H ₂ O) ² ⁵⁺			Co(TPPS)(H ₁ ()) _{3 - с}		Co(TCPP	$(H_{1}0)_{1}^{3-}$
	K. M	<u>٦</u> _1	∆H*, kcal/mol	ΔS*, cal/(deg mol)	$10^{-2}k_{1}L, M^{-1} S^{-1}$	K ₁ L, M ⁻¹	ΔH^* , kcal/mol	ΔS*, cal/(deg mol)	$k_1 L$, $M^{-1} S^{-1}$	K_1^{L} , M^{-1} ,
0.57^{t} 0.10^{t}	$\begin{array}{ccc} 10^{6} \ a \\ (6.40 \pm 1.5) \\ (4.00 \pm 0.50) \end{array}$	5) x 10 ³ b, <i>e</i> 6) x 10 ^b	$19.0 \pm 2.0^{b.e}$ 20.3 ± 0.5^{b}	$7.4 \pm 6.8^{b,e}$ 10.4 ± 1.5 ^b	9.56 ± 0.03 3.24 ± 0.02 1.18 ± 0.01	$\begin{array}{c} (2.26 \pm 0.50) \times 10^8 \\ (2.64 \pm 0.38) \times 10^3 \\ (1.14 \pm 0.11) \times 10 \end{array}$	17.6 ± 0.4 18.4 ± 1.1 20.8 ± 1.1	14.4 ± 1.3 14.4 ± 3.7 20.7 ± 3.6	1.4 × 10 ³ 4.50 × 10 ²	≥10 ⁶ 2.93 × 10 ³
	Co(TMpyP)(H	I ₁ 0) ₁ ⁵⁺			Co(TPPS)(H	${}_{2}0)_{3}^{3-c}$		C	o(TCPP)(H ₂ O)	3-
1	$\overset{k_1}{M^{-1}}\overset{L}{\overset{S^{-1}}{s^{-1}}}$	K_{2}^{L} , M^{-1} ,	$\frac{10^{-3}k_{2}L}{s^{-1}}$	0	K ₁ Le M ⁻¹	∆H*, ^e kcal/mol	ΔS*, ^e cal/(deg mol)	$ = \frac{k_{s} L}{M^{-1} s} $		K_{a}^{L} , M^{-1} ,
144	.8 ^a .8 × 10 ^{4 a} 1	$4.8 \times 10^{4} a$ 13.7 ± 1.1 ^b	3.16 ± 0 .	13 (1.15 2.78	± 0.09) × 10 ⁵ ± 0.84	11.6 ± 3.1	-5.1 ± 10.1	2.1 × 1 1.8 × 1	6 9 0	5 × 10 ⁴ 2
	Co(TMpyP)(H ₁ 0) ₂ ⁵⁺			Ŭ	o(TPPS)(H ₂ O) ₂ ^{3-c}			Co(TPP	0.H 00 3-
	k_{4} L, M ⁻¹ S ⁻¹	$K_4^{ m L}$, M^{-1} ,		$k_{4}L, M^{-1}S^{-1}$		$K_4^{\rm L}$, M^{-1} ,	∆H*, kcal/mol	∆S*, cal/(deg mol	- (i	L, 1 S ⁻¹
	2.20 × 10 ² 1.10 × 10 ² <i>a</i>	9 × 10 ³	a (1.3 1.37	1 ± 0.14) × 10 ⁶ × 10 ³	(1.36 ± <<1	0.28) × 10°	11.5 ± 0.5	6.4 ± 1.6	1.8 3.3	× 10 ⁴ × 10 ³
b Referen	ce 6. ^c Reference	s 8 and 9 and 1	this work. d Refe	srence 10. ^e Para	meters for a D me	echanism.				



Figure 9. Dependence of k_{obsd} upon [py] for the formation of Co- $(\text{TPPS})(\text{py})_2^{3-}$ at $\mu = 1.00 \text{ M}$ (NaClO₄) and 0.100 M OH⁻. The solid lines are the computer fit of the data to eq 12.

The values of K_1^L for Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂³⁻ and py, NCS⁻, and I⁻ vary by a factor of 10⁷ while the values of k_1^L vary by a factor of 8. This is indicative of dissociative activation. The positive values of ΔS^* also imply dissociative activation. The available activation parameters are reported in Table V. The ΔH^* values are all 19.2 ± 1.6 kcal/mol. This is a remarkably small span for such diverse ligands. Again, this implies dissociative activation. And indeed, the reaction of NCS⁻ with $Co(TMpyP)(H_2O)_2^{5+}$ occurs via a D mechanism. The values of ΔS^* for the reactions are all positive but range from 7 to 21 cal/(deg mol). Again the same sign and similar values imply dissociative activation.

The value of k_4^{py} was determined under conditions at which Co(TPPS)(OH)₂⁵⁻ was the predominate species. Within the limit of error of the measurements, the k_6^{py} and k_{-6}^{py} paths were found to be negligible. The replacement of an OH⁻ ligand by any other ligand generally is not observed in other coordination complexes.

In the base aquation of $Co(NH_3)_5X^{2+}$, where X⁻ is Cl⁻, Br⁻, and NO_3^- , it has been shown that H_2O not OH^- is the entering group. By microscopic reversibility this means that for the anation of Co(NH₃)₅OH²⁺ H₂O not OH⁻ would be the leaving group.¹⁶ Also, in the base aquation of $Co(CN)_5X$, where X = N^{3-} , Br⁻, or I⁻, H₂O not OH⁻ is the entering group. Again by microscopic reversibility H₂O not OH⁻ would be the leaving group in the anation reaction.^{17,18} However, in Co(H₂NC₂- $H_4NH_2)_2SO_3OH$, OH^- is a leaving group when SO_3^{2-} is the entering group.19

The trans labilizing effect of OH⁻ has been noted in Co- $(TMpyP)(H_2O)_2^{5+}$ and $Co(TCPP)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$. The values of

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 k_1^{py}/k_4^{py} for Co(TMpyP)(H₂O)₂⁵⁺, Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂³⁻, and Co(TCPP)(H₂O)₂³⁻ are 314, 1.37 × 10³, and 13, respectively (Table V). Clearly there is no trend as there was with k_1^{py} . The activation parameters associated with k_4^{py} indicate that the increase is primarily due to a decrease in ΔH^* by about 6 kcal. This is consistent with the idea that OH⁻ places more electron density on cobalt(III) than H_2O does. This then weakens the trans bond. The positive value of ΔS^* implies dissociated activation.

The addition of the second py was studied under three different sets of conditions. Under the first condition (0.01 M H⁺), $Co(TPPS)(py)H_2O^{3-}$ was the predominate species. Under the second conditions (pH 8.47-9.72), Co(TPPS)- $(py)H_2O^{3-}$ and Co(TPPS) $(py)OH^{4-}$ were both present. Co- $(TPPS)(OH)_2^{5-}$ was the predominate species under the third condition (0.100 M NaOH).

In the Results, the conclusion that the k_5^{py} was negligible was reached. This is consistent with the observation that the k_6^{py} path is also negligible, i.e., OH⁻ is a poor leaving group. This means that the k_2^{py} path is the only one for the formation of $Co(TPPS)(py)_2^{3+}$ at all pH values. Hence the data at 0.01 M H⁺ and 0.10 M OH⁻ should be consistent with each other. Clearly Figure 7 and 9 are not of the same form. Notice that at 0.01 M H⁺ the py concentration was about 10⁻⁴ M whereas at 0.10 M OH⁻ the py concentration was about 1 M.

Two mechanisms for the k_2^{py} path that result in a k_{obsd} of the form of eq 12 are an SN₁IP and a dissociative (D) one. The SN_1IP mechanism is deemed unlikely in view of py having a zero charge. However, it can not be completely discounted. The D mechanism is illustrated in Scheme II. The rate law for this mechanism would be eq 13. Under pseudo-first-order

$$\frac{d[Co(TPPS)(py)_2^{3-}]}{dt} = \{k_7[py][Co(TPPS)(py)H_2O^{3-}] - k_{-2}^{py}k_8/k_9[Co(TPPS)(py)_2^{3-}]\}/\{k_8/k_9 + [py]\} (13)$$

conditions and the realization that Co(TPPS)(py)OH⁴⁻ is the predominate species, eq 13 can be integrated to give the pseudo-first-order rate constant (eq 14).

$$k_{\text{obsd}} = (k_7'[\text{py}] + k_{-2}^{\text{py}}k_8/k_9)/(k_8/k_9 + [\text{py}])$$
 (14)

$$k_{7}' = k_{7} / \left[\frac{K_{w} / [OH^{-}]}{K_{w} / [OH^{-}] + K_{a_{1}}^{py}} \right]$$

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If [py] is less than about 0.02 M and [OH⁻] is less than about 10⁻⁶, eq 14 becomes $k_{obsd} = ((k_7 k_9 / k_8) [py]) + k_{-2}^{py}$. This is the form of the equation observed in acid solution with $k_2^{py} = k_7 k_9 / k_8$. The slope of the tangent of the k_{obsd} vs. [py] plot in 0.100 M OH⁻ at [py] = 0 should be equal to k_2^{py} . After correction for the presence of Co(TPPS)(py)OH⁴⁻, the estimated value is $(3.3 \pm 0.6) \times 10^3$ M⁻¹ s⁻¹. The uncertainty is estimated. This is in good agreement with the value of (3.16) \pm 0.13) × 10³ M⁻¹ s⁻¹ for k_2^{py} in 0.01 M H⁺.

This k_2^{py} path is a very good example if the problem of defining fully a rate law for a reaction. Without the good fortune of being able to study the k_2^{py} path under conditions (high pH) that reduced the concentration of Co(TPPS)- $(py)H_2O^3$ and slowed down the reaction rate, an incorrect rate law would have been observed. In this particular case, the values of k_2^{py} and k_7 differ only by a factor of ~ 2 and the activation parameters associated with k_2^{py} and k_7 are similar.

The value of the activation parameters associated with k_7 are somewhat surprising. Generally when Co(III) reacts via a D or I_d mechanism, the value of ΔH^* is about 20 kcal/mol and the value of ΔS^* is about 10 cal/(deg mol).⁶ The lower value of ΔH^{*} is consistent with the idea that py places more electron density on cobalt(III) than H₂O does. The value of ΔS^{*} is hard to rationalize. It may reflect the difference in

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solvation of $Co(TPPS)(py)^{3-}$. It is interesting to note that the activation parameters associated with k_2^{py} are similar to those of the k_4^{py} path. Clearly OH⁻ > py > H₂O in labilizing the trans ligand in Co(TPPS)(H₂O)₂³⁻ when py is the entering ligand and H_2O is the leaving group. This same ordering is found in $Co(TMpyP)(H_2O)_2^{5+}$ and $Co(TCCP)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$ (Table V). However the relative differences are not as great as for $Co(TPPS)(H_2O)_2^{3-}$. The combined labilizing effects of the porphyrin and the trans ligand must wait additional information in order to be understood.

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Hydrolysis of Chlorodiphenylphosphine Complexes of Molybdenum and Palladium

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Coordination of the chlorodiphenylphosphine ligand to transition metals appears to stabilize the P-Cl bond toward hydrolysis, a normally facile process for the free ligand.¹ Under basic conditions, however, Kraihanzel has reported the successful hydrolysis of the cis isomer of bis(chlorodiphenylphosphine)molybdenum tetracarbonyl, (CO)₄Mo- $(PPh_2Cl)_2$, to give an anionic product containing a P-O-H-O-P chelate ring (Figure 1).²

Austin studied the hydrolysis of cis-Cl₂Pd(PPh₂Cl)₂ and reported the product to be cis-Cl₂Pd(PPh₂OH)₂ in which diphenylphosphinous acid, the thermodynamically unstable tautomer of diphenylphosphine oxide, was coordinated to the metal.3,4

We were interested in the hydrolytic reactivity of the trans isomer of $(CO)_4Mo(PPh_2Cl)_2$ and the resulting products. We also reinvestigated the hydrolysis of cis-Cl₂Pd(PPh₂Cl)₂ to confirm the identity of the reported compound. We detail here our findings that demonstrate the recurring formation of the same P-O-H-O-P chelate unit in both hydrolysis reactions.

No straightforward synthesis of the trans isomer of $(CO)_4Mo(PPh_2Cl)_2$ has been available to our knowledge. Kraihanzel has isolated this complex as a minor product in the preparation of (CO)₅MoPPh₂Cl.⁵ Direct substitution on $Mo(CO)_6$ with a slight excess of phosphine resulted in both cis and trans isomers of (CO)₄Mo(PPh₂Cl)₂. Careful recrystallization yielded the less soluble trans isomer in pure form as indicated by IR and ³¹P NMR data (Table I). The cis isomer can be conveniently prepared from cis-(CO)₄Mo(piperidine)₂, a useful precursor to cis-(CO)₄Mo(phosphine)₂ complexes first prepared by Darensbourg (Scheme I).⁶

Both cis- and trans- $(CO)_4Mo(PPh_2Cl)_2$ were found to be stable in neutral or acidic aqueous methanol solutions. We



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Figure 1.

Table I. ³¹P NMR Data for the Complexes

m solvent
.7 CDCl ₃
.1 CDCl
.2 Me, SO-d,
.1 CDCl,

^a Referenced to external 85% H₃PO₄; proton decoupled.

Scheme I





have confirmed Kraihanzel's report that under basic conditions the cis isomer hydrolyzed to give the anionic cis-(CO)₄Mo- $(Ph_2P-O-H-O-PPh_2)^{-2}$

Under identical conditions, the trans isomer gave the same product as supported by IR and ¹H and ³¹P NMR as well as elemental analyses (eq 1 and 2).

A trans \rightarrow cis rearrangement has therefore occurred during this reaction. Darensbourg has observed that for normal phosphine ligands, a slight thermodynamic preference for the trans isomer of $(CO)_4$ Mo(phosphine)₂ exists.⁷ This preference is readily overcome here due to the very favorable intramolecular proton bridging available only in the cis product. Many other examples of this P-O-H-O-P chelating unit have been reported. These include complexes of palladium,⁸ platinum,⁹ and ruthenium¹⁰ in addition to molybdenum.

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