

Figure 3. FTIR difference spectra obtained after the first two oxidations of 2.0 mM (OEP)Co in CH₂Cl₂, 0.2 M TBAP under 1 atm of CO. The first oxidation was carried out at 0.75 V and the second at 1.05 V. Both spectra are presented as the difference between the spectra of the electrooxidized species and neutral (OEP)Co under the same experimental conditions.

CH₂Cl₂ under a N₂ atmosphere and are located at $E_{1/2} = 0.67, 0.85,$ and 1.17 V vs SCE. The first oxidation was initially assigned as a Co(II) → Co(III) transition,¹⁵ but later infrared, Raman, and ENDOR studies indicated that a Co(II) π cation radical is generated in noncoordinating media.¹⁷⁻¹⁹

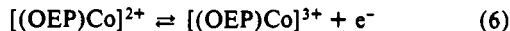
The first oxidation of (OEP)Co (reaction I) shifts by -73 mV per 10-fold increase in P_{CO} , and this value may be compared with a theoretical slope of -59 mV for the case where one CO molecule is complexed to the product of the first oxidation, as shown in eq 4.



The second oxidation (reaction II) shifts by $+61$ mV per 10-fold increase in P_{CO} , and this slope may be compared to a theoretical $+59$ mV slope that would be obtained for an electrode reaction in which the CO molecule dissociates to give [(OEP)Co]²⁺, as shown in eq 5.



$E_{1/2}$ for the third oxidation of (OEP)Co (reaction III) is independent of the CO partial pressure and is also identical with the value obtained under a N₂ atmosphere. This lack of dependence on CO partial pressure is consistent with the electrode reaction given in eq 6, and this was confirmed by thin-layer UV-visible and FTIR spectroelectrochemistry.



The initial UV-visible spectra of (OEP)Co are independent of the gas above the solution (see Table I), indicating that neither CO nor N₂ interacts with the neutral complex. However, large spectral differences exist in the product generated after abstraction of one electron from (OEP)Co. The singly oxidized complex under a N₂ atmosphere has a substantially decreased Soret band (located

at 377 nm) and a spectrum virtually identical with the one reported in the literature for [(OEP)Co]⁺Br^{-15,18} or [(OEP)Co]⁺ClO₄^{-15,17,18}. The latter two species have been characterized as Co(II) π cation radicals and have spectra that are quite different from the species generated after the abstraction of one electron from (OEP)Co under a CO atmosphere. This spectrum is shown in Figure 2 and has bands at 412, 529, and 560 nm. It resembles the spectrum of singly oxidized (OEP)Co in CH₂Cl₂ containing methanol¹⁷ or H₂O¹⁸ and is assigned as that of a genuine Co(III) complex, i.e. [(OEP)Co^{III}(CO)]⁺.

The two one-electron oxidations of [(OEP)Co]⁺ and [(OEP)Co(CO)]⁺ give products that have identical UV-visible spectra under N₂ or CO (see Figure 2 and Table I). The UV-visible data are thus consistent with the electrochemical results, which indicate that CO binds only to the singly oxidized complex, and this was confirmed by in situ FTIR spectroelectrochemistry.

The first oxidation of (OEP)Co produces a species that has a strong IR band at 2137 cm⁻¹ and is assigned as the CO vibration of [(OEP)Co(CO)]⁺. There are no discernible π -cation-radical bands in the region of 1540–1570 cm⁻¹. This contrasts with [(OEP)Co^{II}]⁺ under N₂, which has a 1560-cm⁻¹ band and has been assigned as a Co(II) π cation radical.^{6,7}

A strong 1559-cm⁻¹ band is present after controlled-potential oxidation of [(OEP)Co(CO)]⁺ at 1.05 V (reaction II), and at the same time, there is a loss of the CO vibration (see Figure 3). These spectra indicate the generation of a porphyrin π cation radical only after loss of the CO axial ligand in the second oxidation. The π -cation-radical band disappears after the third oxidation of (OEP)Co, and an identical IR spectrum is obtained under CO or N₂ atmospheres. This agrees with the formation of a [(OEP)Co^{III}]³⁺ product, as shown by the electrochemical and UV-visible data presented earlier.

In summary, all of the spectroscopic and electrochemical data are consistent with the formation of [(OEP)Co^{III}(CO)]⁺ under a CO atmosphere. This compound has a well-defined Co(III) UV-visible spectrum and a strong CO vibration at 2137 cm⁻¹. The only previously characterized [(OEP)M^{III}(CO)]⁺ complex is (OEP)Ir(CO)Cl, which has a 2056-cm⁻¹ vibration in CH₂Cl₂ under N₂.⁸ The [(OEP)Co(CO)]⁺ derivative is relatively stable in CH₂Cl₂ under CO, but the carbon monoxide axial ligand is lost upon either reduction to give (OEP)Co^{II} or oxidation to give [(OEP)Co^{III}]²⁺.

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Syn and Anti Isomers of Pd₂Cl₂(μ -dpmMe)₂ (dpmMe = 1,1-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane)

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Bis(diphenylphosphino)methane (dpm) is one of the most extensively used bidentate, bridging ligands within homo- and heterobimetallic complexes.² Replacement of one of the methylene hydrogens by a methyl group yields 1,1-bis(diphenyl-

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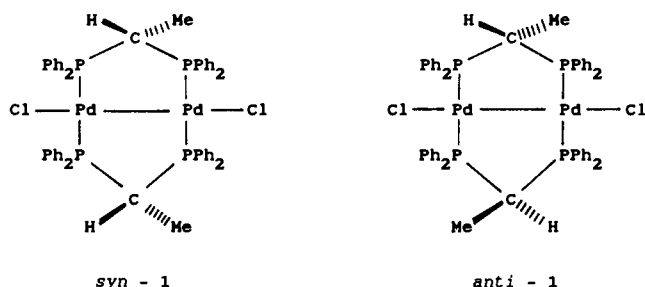
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Table I. NMR and Other Spectral Data for Dinuclear Palladium-dpmMe Species^a

complex	methine proton			methyl protons			³¹ P{ ¹ H} δ _p
	δ _H	J _{HH}	J _{HP}	δ _H	J _{HH}	J _{HP}	
<i>anti</i> -Pd ₂ (<i>anti</i> -1) ^b	4.94 (q qn)	6.80	6.17	1.02 (d qn)	6.80	6.14	17.2 (b s)
<i>syn</i> -Pd ₂ (<i>syn</i> -1) ^c	4.85 (q qn)	6.75	4.85	1.11 (d qn)	6.75	6.62	12.2 (s)
<i>syn</i> -Pd ₂ (μ-CO) ^d	2.75 (un)			1.21 (un)			33.5 (s)
<i>syn</i> -Pd ₂ (μ-SO ₂)	4.50 (q qn)	7.20	6.90	1.04 ^e			39.2 (s)
<i>syn</i> -Pd ₂ (μ-S)	5.36 (q qn)	7.27	7.42	1.06 (d qn)	7.27	5.84	19.1 (s)
<i>syn</i> -Pd ₂ (μ-SO)	5.39 (t q)	7.51	15.15	1.13 (d tr)	7.51	9.60	<i>f</i>
	4.17 (t q)	7.46	11.92	1.04 (d tr)	7.46	9.83	
<i>syn</i> -Pd ₂ (μ-Se)	5.60 (q qn)	7.18	7.31	0.95 (d qn)	7.18	6.10	18.6 (s)
<i>syn</i> -Pd ₂ (μ-O)	5.14 (q qn)	6.17	7.05	1.29 (d qn)	6.17	6.26	22.0 (s)
<i>syn</i> -Pd ₂ (μ-SeO)	6.72 (t q)	7.23	16.05	1.10 (d tr)	7.23	9.79	<i>f</i>
	4.22 (t q)	7.12	10.94	1.02 (d tr)	7.12	10.25	

^a Pd₂ = Pd₂Cl₂(μ-dpmMe)₂; data measured in CD₂Cl₂ or CDCl₃ at ~20 °C; ³¹P shifts relative to 85% H₃PO₄, downfield being positive; b = broad, s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, qn = quintet, un = unresolved multiplet; J in Hz; the integrations are correct. ^b δ_C 41.55 qn (CH, J_{CP} = 9.1), 14.92 s (CCH₃). ν(Pd-Cl), polyethylene: 252 cm⁻¹ with sharp shoulder at 256 cm⁻¹. λ_{max}, nm (log ε (ε, M⁻¹ cm⁻¹)), CH₂Cl₂: 402 (3.97), 342 (4.32), 292 (4.48). ^c δ_C 41.60 qn (CH, J_{CP} = 9.8), 15.16 s (CCH₃). ν(Pd-Cl): 263 cm⁻¹. λ_{max}, nm (log ε): 398 (3.87), 340 (4.22), 286 (4.42). ^d ν(CO), CH₂Cl₂: 1726 cm⁻¹. ^e Overlaps with Me signals of *syn*-1 present in solution. ^f An unanalyzed AA'BB' pattern; see refs 3 and 7.

Chart I



phosphino)ethane, abbreviated dpmMe to signify methylated dpm, and we have used this ligand with the aim of immobilizing Pd moieties on polymers for use in selective binding of CO in gas streams.³ It is now clear that use of dpmMe adds a new dimension to the chemistry of tertiary-diphosphine-bridged systems, because of the existence of anti and syn isomers, which are illustrated in Chart I for Pd₂Cl₂(μ-dpmMe)₂ (1). We have earlier isolated and characterized (including an X-ray crystallographic analysis) 1 as the anti form,³ and now wish to report on the syn form. Such isomers within solutions of Ag₂(μ-dpmMe)₂²⁺ and Hg₂(μ-dpmMe)₂⁴⁺ have been detected by NMR,^{4,5} but assignments could not be made; our work describes the first isolation of both isomers within any dpmMe systems.

Results and Discussion

anti-1 is prepared via a ligand-exchange reaction of the 2-(diphenylphosphino)pyridine complex Pd₂Cl₂(μ-Ph₂P(py))₂ with dpmMe;³ ¹H and ³¹P{¹H} NMR data on the crude reaction product reveal the presence of the syn isomer (see Table I), which can be prepared in small yields by repeated workup of the residue obtained from the mother liquor from the *anti*-1 synthesis, followed by final recrystallization from CHCl₃/MeOH at -10 °C. *syn*-1 is best prepared, however, from the crude, yellow-orange product formed from Pd₂Cl₂(μ-Ph₂P(py))₂; this anti-syn mixture (~2:1) is treated with ~140 atm of CO at 20 °C to generate largely *syn*-Pd₂Cl₂(μ-CO)(μ-dpmMe)₂, analogous to the corresponding A-frame dpm complex.^{2,6} Loss of the labile CO during the workup procedure (see Experimental Section) gives *syn*-1.

The synthetic procedure illustrates well the marked difference in reactivity of *syn*- and *anti*-1 toward small molecules such as CO, SO₂, and H₂S. The anti isomer shows no reactivity toward these reagents under conditions where the syn isomer forms, respectively, the bridged-CO, -SO₂, and -S (with concomitant H₂

formation) A-frame species, with chemistry analogous to that of Pd₂Cl₂(μ-dpm)₂,^{2,3,7} *syn*-1, like *anti*-1,⁸ forms μ-Se and -O derivatives on reaction with elemental Se and *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid, respectively. Selected spectroscopic data for the various syn products and *anti*-1 are given in Table I; the μ-S, -SO, -Se, and -SeO species have been isolated, while the other syn species have been formed in situ. In all the syn species, except the μ-SO and -SeO derivatives, the two CH (and Me) protons are equivalent, as are the P atoms, and the ¹H NMR splitting patterns (which show virtual coupling to the remote P atoms^{3,8}) and singlet ³¹P{¹H} resonances are as expected. The μ-SO and -SeO species have inequivalent CH (and Me) protons that each couple to the two adjacent P atoms, the data being consistent with pyramidal geometry at the chalcogen atom, as found for Pd₂Cl₂(μ-dpm)₂(μ-SO).⁷

A quantitative explanation for the greatly enhanced reactivity of *syn*-1 (vs *anti*-1) must await structural data on the syn isomer and its A-frame derivatives. In *anti*-1, the Me groups occupy the less sterically crowded pseudoequatorial positions of the fused five-membered chelate rings, which are both in a chair conformation;³ the A-frame derivatives of Pd₂Cl₂(μ-dpm)₂ adopt boat conformations for both rings,^{2,9} and if this holds for A-frame derivatives of *anti*-1, one Me group would necessarily be inside the boat, a sterically unfavorable location, and this could account for the decreased reactivity of *anti*-1.

As well as marked differences in reactivity, *syn*- and *anti*-1 may be distinguished by differences in their ³¹P{¹H} shifts,¹⁰ the ¹H shifts and J_{HP} values for the methine protons, ν(Pd-Cl) values, and electronic spectra (Table I).

The binding of CO and SO₂ by *syn*-1 is reversible at ~20 °C, and under these gases at 1 atm total pressure in CHCl₃, about 50% conversion to the respective A-frame product is observed; the affinity for these gases is 500–1000 times less than that shown by Pd₂Cl₂(μ-dpm)₂ under corresponding conditions^{3,6,9} and must result from steric constraints imposed by incorporation of the Me groups. The Me groups, via interactions with ortho hydrogens, might inhibit rotation of the Ph groups about the P-C bond,³ and this could hinder axial approach of the gas to the metal. Qual-

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- The broad singlet of *anti*-1 (half-width 2.8 ppm at 25 °C) splits at -40 °C into two multiplets centered at 22.1 and 11.8 ppm; the P atoms in the solid-state structure are inequivalent.³ The nature of the process(es) leading to the "averaged" ³¹P signal is not established, but is likely related to fluxionality within the chelate rings. In Au₂Cl₂(μ-Ph₂PC₂H₄PPH₂)₂, where the P atoms are joined via a cyclopropylidene group, chloride dissociation and exchange in solution lead to equivalence within the P (and H) atoms;¹¹ chloride dissociation is not observed in our Pd₂ systems.
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itatively, the off-rates for the gases appear much faster than in the dpm systems, and this could be of value in gas separation technology.¹² The H₂S reaction at 1 atm and 20 °C, as in the dpm system,¹³ is complete in minutes.

syn-1 in CHCl₃ isomerizes very slowly to the anti form (*t*_{1/2} ~ 15 days). Within the A-frame products of 1, however, the *syn* species are preferred; thus, the μ -Se and -SeO derivatives of *anti-1* spontaneously convert to the *syn* forms.¹⁴ Of note, the *syn* form of an A-frame species, in a boat conformation with both Me groups pseudo-equatorial, allows for minimum steric interactions (just the two methine hydrogens) for the bridged moiety.

The synthesis of *syn-1* from *anti-1* is clearly based on preferred formation of the *syn*- μ -CO species.

Experimental Section

The sources of the materials, syntheses of the precursor complexes, and instrumentation used have been described earlier.^{3,6,8}

***syn-1* and Derivatives.** What proved to be a 2:1 mixture of *anti*- and *syn-1* was prepared as described in ref 3 to the stage of precipitation by addition of Et₂O. This mixture (1.07 g, 1 mmol) was dissolved in 25 mL of CH₂Cl₂ and the solution exposed to ~140 atm CO for 60 h at -20 °C without stirring. The CO was then released and the solution volume reduced to 5 mL by evacuation; addition of 20 mL of Et₂O precipitated yellow crystals (0.81 g) that contained a *syn*-*anti* mixture in about a 4:1 ratio by ¹H NMR. Dissolution in 3 mL of CHCl₃ and reprecipitation by addition of 10 mL of MeOH gave 0.33 g of a material with 95% *syn* content.

The syntheses of the *syn*- μ -S and -Se complexes and oxidation of these to the monooxo derivatives by using *t*-BuOOH follow the procedures described in refs 7 and 8 for the dpm analogues. For convenience, mixtures of *anti*- and *syn-1* were generally used as precursors, but the pure *syn* products were readily isolated from the CHCl₃/MeOH reprecipitation procedure described above. All the isolated complexes gave satisfactory elemental analyses. The *syn*- μ -O species, formed in situ at -50 °C by using *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid,⁸ remained sufficiently stable at ~20 °C to record the ¹H NMR spectrum at this temperature, while the *anti*- μ -O species¹⁴ decomposed above -25 °C.

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Synthesis, Structure, and Properties of Potassium Bis(L-cysteinato-*N,S*)nickelate(II) Sesquihydrate

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Introduction

The existence of Ni-S ligation at the Ni site(s) of the [NiFeS] hydrogenases,¹⁻⁴ as demonstrated by recent spectroscopic studies,⁵⁻⁷ has raised new interest in the structure and coordination chemistry

of monomeric nickel complexes with S₂-containing ligands. Model studies have indicated that the unusual redox properties of the nickel site arise from the presence of soft thiolato S atoms in the first coordination sphere of nickel.⁸⁻¹⁰ Structural and spectroscopic parameters of the cysteinato complexes of nickel therefore deserve special attention. Despite earlier reports,¹¹⁻¹⁶ precise structural information on such complexes is yet unavailable. As part of our systematic analogue studies,^{10,17,18} we report here the synthesis and structure of potassium bis(L-cysteinato-*N,S*)nickelate(II) sesquihydrate (1). Synthetic procedures that yield impure samples of this complex have been published by other groups. The present procedures allow isolation of pure material. The ¹H and ¹³C spectra of 1 are also discussed.

Experimental Section

Preparation of Compounds. L-Cysteine and L-cysteine ethyl ester hydrochloride were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. In the following preparations, all operations were performed under a pure dinitrogen atmosphere.

K₂[Ni(SCH₂CH(NH₂)COO)₂·1.5H₂O (1). To a solution of dipotassium cysteinato (KSCH₂CH(NH₂)COOK), prepared from 0.61 g (5 mmol) of L-cysteine and 0.58 g (10.3 mmol) of KOH in 20 mL of ethanol, was added with stirring a solution of 0.29 g (1 mmol) of nickel nitrate hexahydrate in 5 mL of ethanol. The initial brown mixture turned cloudy and a flocculent green precipitate appeared within 10 min. After

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