

were obtained on standing.

(b) **Trans Isomer.** (i) Refluxing *trans*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl] (0.09 g) and AgN<sub>3</sub> (0.08 g) in methanol for ~6 h gave a brown suspension. Filtration, followed by evaporation, gave a brown solid (0.05 g). This was dissolved in a minimum amount of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and passed through neutral alumina (12 in. × 1/2 in.). The *trans* isomer was eluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> as a yellow band. Methanol was added, and orange needles were obtained on standing; yield 0.022 g (24%). A thin brown band of the hydroxo complex remained at the head of the column. When *trans*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl] was refluxed with AgN<sub>3</sub> for only 2 h, lower yields of the *trans* isomer were obtained (4%). The *cis* isomer was eluted second from the column (20%).

(ii) A more convenient preparation entailed heating solid *cis*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>] in air to a temperature of approximately 180 °C. At ca. 150 °C, the brown crystals changed to yellow. The sample was left at 170–180 °C for approximately 10 min. The yellow product was washed with diethyl ether.

[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SCN]. (a) **Cis Isomer.** The method described for the azido complex was followed. The yield of product from 0.06 g of *cis*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>I] and 0.025 g of AgSCN was 0.045 g, 85%. Dissolution in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and passage through an alumina column showed only traces of *trans* isomer (pale yellow band) which eluted first. The *cis* isomer was present as a brown band. Recrystallization from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>OH gave brown crystals.

(b) **Trans Isomer.** Solid *cis*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SCN] was heated in air to approximately 220 °C. At 210–215 °C, a color change from brown to tan occurred. Under the microscope the product appeared as tiny yellow crystals. The sample was left at 220 °C for about 10 min. The product was then washed with ether and recrystallized from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>OH.

Poor yields of the complex were obtained by refluxing *trans*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl] (0.1 g) with AgSCN (0.09 g) in methanol for 4 h. The brown product (0.09 g) obtained after filtration was treated as for the *cis* isomer. The *trans* isomer was eluted first (4%) followed by the *cis* complex (15%). The *trans* hydroxo complex remained at the head of the column.

[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>NCO]. (a) **Cis Isomer.** (i) A mixture of *cis*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>I] (0.1 g) and AgNCO (0.05 g) was refluxed in methanol for 10 min. A color change from brown to yellow occurred. A yellow-brown solid was isolated after filtration. Dissolution in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and passage through neutral alumina gave a light brown band which was readily eluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Khaki crystals were obtained; yield 0.015 g, 18%. A second yellow band, not shifted by CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, was readily eluted with CH<sub>3</sub>OH and yielded amber crystals

of *trans*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OH]·CH<sub>3</sub>OH; yield 0.015 g, 18%.

(ii) Heating *cis*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>I] (0.1 g) in acetonitrile with a slight excess of AgPF<sub>6</sub>, followed by cooling and filtering, gave a yellow-orange solution. Solid KNCO (0.05 g) was added and a brown solution resulted after boiling the mixture for several minutes. The solid was treated as in (i). The yellow *trans* isomer was eluted first (5%) followed by the *cis* isomer (25%).

(b) **Trans Isomer.** Heating solid *cis*-[RuNO(S<sub>2</sub>CNMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>NCO] in air to approximately 175 °C resulted in quantitative conversion to the yellow *trans* isomers. The product was washed with ether.

**Sodium *N*-Methyl-*N*-ethylidithiocarbamate.** *N*-Methyl-*N*-ethylamine hydrochloride (1 g) was dissolved in chilled methanol (10 cm<sup>3</sup>). Addition of CS<sub>2</sub> (1 cm<sup>3</sup>) was followed by an aqueous solution of NaOH (1 g in a minimum volume). Stirring gradually gave a yellow solution which upon slow evaporation yielded white crystals. These were collected, washed with ether and pentane, and recrystallized twice from methanol. The mother liquor yielded several batches of crystals: total yield 1.4 g, 64%; mp 113–115 °C.

**Silver Salts.** These were prepared by metathesis from silver nitrate and the required sodium salt. The labeled nitrite, Ag<sup>15</sup>NO<sub>2</sub>, was prepared from AgClO<sub>4</sub> and Na<sup>15</sup>NO<sub>2</sub> (<sup>15</sup>N 99%); yield 76%.

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## Novel Transition-Metal Complexes of Camphorquinone Dioxime Ligands

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Camphorquinone dioxime, H<sub>2</sub>CQD, is known to exist in four isomeric forms ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , and  $\delta$ ) which differ by the orientations of the OH groups on their oxime nitrogen atoms. The deprotonated  $\beta$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> coordinates via the two N atoms to form the square-planar complexes Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, Pt( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, and Cu( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O<sup>1/2</sup>dioxane. However,  $\delta$ - and  $\alpha$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> coordinate via one N and one O atom to yield square-planar complexes of the type Pd( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, and Ni( $\alpha$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>. The neutral  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD ligand forms Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>, Pt( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>, and Cu( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub> complexes in which the ligand coordinates through both N atoms. Spectroscopic evidence indicates that  $\alpha$ -,  $\gamma$ -, and  $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD are monodentate ligands, coordinating via only one N atom, in Pd( $\alpha$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and Pd( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Finally, structures for two complexes of the unusual composition Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub> and [Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl]<sub>2</sub> have been suggested. Ultraviolet-visible, infrared, ESR, and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy were employed to characterize these new types of  $\alpha$ -dioxime complexes.

### Introduction

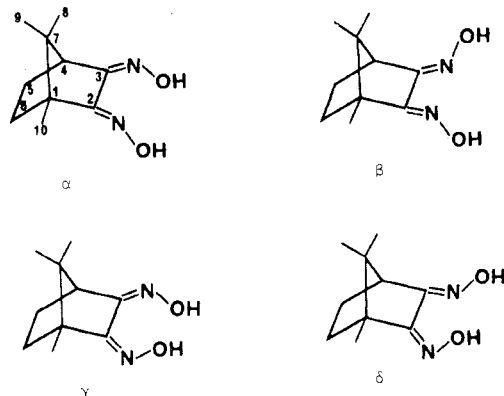
The chemistry of transition-metal complexes with  $\alpha$ -dioxime ligands has been well studied and is the subject of several reviews.<sup>1-5</sup> Yet little was known about the coordination

chemistry of transition metals with the camphorquinone dioxime ligands, H<sub>2</sub>CQD, until last year when work in this laboratory<sup>6</sup> and in Osaka University<sup>7-9</sup> was reported.

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Our interest in this area evolved from previous studies of optically active ligands<sup>10,11</sup> and a desire to prepare complexes with optically active  $\alpha$ -dioxime ligands. Unlike dimethylglyoxime, H<sub>2</sub>DMG, or cyclohexanedione dioxime, H<sub>2</sub>CHD, camphorquinone dioxime has been isolated in four isomeric forms which, henceforth, are referred to as  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ -, and  $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD as shown below. In the present paper, we describe transition-metal complexes of all of these isomers, as well as the diverse and novel ways in which these ligands coordinate to metal ions.



### Experimental Section

**Spectral Data.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were obtained on a Varian HA-100 spectrometer using Me<sub>4</sub>Si as internal reference. IR spectra (4000–200 cm<sup>-1</sup>) were obtained with KBr pellets by using a Beckman IR-4250 spectrophotometer. Electronic spectra were recorded on a JASCO-ORD/UV-5 or Cary 14 instrument with CHCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent.

**Conductivity Measurement.** The molar conductivity of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> in MeOH was measured to be 33.25 cm<sup>2</sup>  $\Omega^{-1}$  M<sup>-1</sup> using an Industrial Instruments Model RC16-B2 conductivity bridge. The cell constant was 0.3712, and the concentration of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was 1.79  $\times 10^{-3}$  M.

**Starting Materials.** Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub><sup>12</sup> and Pt(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub><sup>13</sup> were prepared according to published procedures. The optically active isomeric camphorquinone dioxime ligands were prepared from (+)-camphor by the procedures of Forster.<sup>14</sup> Deuterium-exchange reactions of the camphorquinone dioxime ligands and Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> were carried out by refluxing the compounds for 10 h in CH<sub>3</sub>OD and then reisolating them by subsequent removal of the solvent under vacuum.

**Preparation of Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.** Single crystals of Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> were prepared by dissolving 0.64 mmol of Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O in 10 mL of MeOH at 50 °C. Then 1.24 mmol of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD was added. While the mixture was being stirred, 1.24 mmol of NaOMe in 10 mL of MeOH was added. The resulting green solution was refluxed for 2–3 h. This solution was filtered while still hot. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude solids obtained were dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN and filtered. Upon standing overnight at room temperature in a stoppered flask, the filtrate yielded brown tetrahedral crystals of Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, yield 20%. Anal. Calcd for Ni(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>: C, 53.46; H, 6.74; N, 12.47. Found: C, 53.28; H, 6.60; N, 12.55.

**Preparation of Ni( $\alpha$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.** This compound was prepared by dissolving 0.32 mmol of  $\alpha$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD in MeOH containing 0.16 mmol of Ni(OAc)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O. The resulting solution was filtered. Upon allowing the filtrate to stand overnight, fine green needle-like crystals of Ni( $\alpha$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> deposited; yield 50%. Anal. Calcd for Ni(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>: C, 53.47; H, 6.75; N, 12.47. Found: C, 53.51; H, 6.75; N, 12.72.

**Preparation of Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>.** This complex was prepared by dissolving 0.96 mmol of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD and 0.32 mmol of Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O in 10 mL of MeOH, and the resulting solution was refluxed for only 1 h in the presence of 0.64 mmol of NaOMe. The green solution was then evaporated to dryness under vacuum, and the solid was dissolved in 15 mL of anhydrous CH<sub>3</sub>CN which was dried by refluxing over CaH<sub>2</sub> for 8 h and distilling under anhydrous conditions. The green CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution was filtered. The final filtrate was stored in a stoppered flask and cooled to about –25 °C. Within an hour fine green needle-like crystals of the product deposited at the bottom of the flask; yield 23%. Anal. Calcd for Ni(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>: C, 57.07; H, 7.44; N, 13.32; Ni, 6.97. Found: C, 56.95; H, 7.35; N, 13.28; Ni, 6.86.

**Preparation of Cu( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O·<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>dioxane.** This compound was obtained by dissolving 0.32 mmol of Cu(OAc)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O in 10 mL of MeOH containing 0.64 mmol of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD. The dark brown solution was refluxed for 2–3 h. After vacuum evaporation, the black oily residue was dissolved in 10 mL of dioxane; the resulting solution was filtered and approximately 5 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was added. After several days, dark brown needle-like crystals of the compound covered the bottom of the flask. The dioxane in the complex was also detected by GC with CHCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent and using an SE-52 column; yield 80%. Anal. Calcd for Cu(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O·<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 51.19; H, 7.04; N, 10.86. Found: C, 51.02; H, 6.99; N, 10.54.

**Preparation of Cu( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>.** This complex was prepared by mixing 0.32 mmol of CuCl<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O with 0.32 mmol of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD in 10 mL of absolute EtOH. After stirring of the mixture overnight, the green solution was evaporated to dryness. The solid was dissolved in 15 mL of CH<sub>3</sub>CN from which green needle-like crystals were obtained; yield 60%. Anal. Calcd for Cu(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 36.32; H, 4.89; N, 8.47; Cl, 21.44. Found: C, 36.29; H, 4.72; N, 8.35; Cl, 21.57.

**Preparation of Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.** This Pd(II) complex was prepared by suspending 0.32 mmol of  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD in 25 mL of MeOH at 50 °C. Then an equivalent amount of NaOMe was added so that a clear solution was obtained. Immediately 0.16 mmol of Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> in 10 mL of CHCl<sub>3</sub> was mixed into the solution. After the resulting yellow solution was warmed at 70 °C in a hot H<sub>2</sub>O bath for about 15 min, it was filtered into a flask containing 5 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O. The filtrate totaling about 40 mL was left standing for a period of several days after which a crop of yellow needle-like crystals of Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> were obtained; yield 45%. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>: C, 48.34; H, 6.10; N, 11.28. Found: C, 48.48; H, 6.30; N, 11.19.

**Preparation of Pd( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.** Yellow Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.32 mmol) was added to 10 mL of MeOH containing 0.64 mmol of  $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD and an equivalent amount of Et<sub>3</sub>N. After stirring of the mixture at 50 °C for 2 h, the yellow solution was filtered, and the filtrate was cooled to –25 °C. Yellow crystals of Pd( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> crystallized out after 24 h in 45% yield. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>: C, 48.34; H, 6.10; N, 11.28. Found: C, 48.41; H, 6.17; N, 11.45.

**Preparation of Pt( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.** Dark brown crystals of Pt( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> were prepared in the same manner as Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>; yield 18%. Anal. Calcd for Pt(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>: C, 41.02; H, 5.17; N, 9.57. Found: C, 40.89; H, 5.56; N, 9.15.

**Preparation of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.** Upon mixing 10 mL of CHCl<sub>3</sub> solutions of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD (0.32 mmol) and Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.16 mmol) at room temperature, yellow crystals of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> almost immediately started to crystallize out of the solution. The reaction was complete within 15–30 min in 80% yield. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 42.15; H, 5.67; N, 9.83; Cl, 12.44. Found: C, 42.08; H, 5.40; N, 9.75; Cl, 12.63.

**Preparation of Pd( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.** This compound was prepared in the same manner as Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; yield 80%. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 42.15; H, 5.67; N, 9.83; Cl, 12.44. Found: C, 42.13; H, 5.96; N, 9.53; Cl, 13.76.

**Preparation of Pd( $\alpha$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.** This complex was prepared in the same manner as Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; yield 80%. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 42.15; H, 5.67; N, 9.83; Cl, 12.44. Found: C, 42.86; H, 5.75; N, 9.64; Cl, 13.12.

**Preparation of Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>.** This complex was prepared by mixing a boiling 2:1 MeOH/CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution of  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD (0.32 mmol) and 10 mL of a CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution of Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.32 mmol). After filtration, the filtrate upon cooling to room temperature gave a crop of orange crystals of Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>; yield 30%. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 32.15; H, 4.33; N, 7.50; Cl, 18.98. Found: C, 32.38; H, 4.42; N, 7.60; Cl, 18.72.

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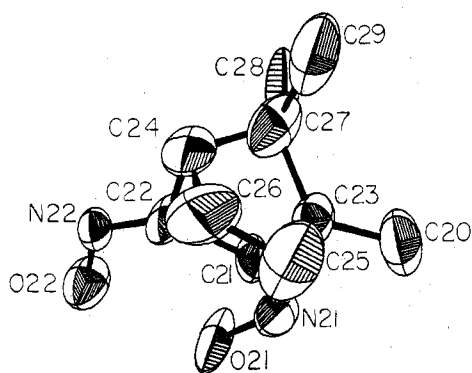


Figure 1. Computer-generated perspective view of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD.

**Preparation of Pt( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>.** The preparation of this complex was the same as above except Pt(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was used; yield 30%. It was shown by its IR spectrum to be the desired product.

**Preparation of Pd(H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>.** The same procedure as the preparation of Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub> was used; yield 70%. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 22.56; H, 3.16; N, 8.77; Cl, 22.19. Found: C, 22.60; H, 3.22; N, 8.87; Cl, 22.52.

**Preparation of Pd(H<sub>2</sub>DMG)Cl<sub>2</sub>.** This complex was prepared in the same manner as Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>; yield 60%. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 16.37; H, 2.75; N, 9.55; Cl, 24.16. Found: C, 16.34; H, 2.87; N, 9.49; Cl, 24.05.

**Preparation of [Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl]<sub>2</sub>.** Pink K<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>4</sub> (0.32 mmol) was dissolved in 5 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O at 60 °C, and 0.64 mmol of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD in 10 mL of 1:1 H<sub>2</sub>O/MeOH was added. The resulting yellow solution was then allowed to cool to room temperature. The orange-yellow product which precipitated out was filtered and air-dried; yield 60%. Anal. Calcd for Pt(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)Cl: C, 38.61; H, 5.03; N, 9.01; Cl, 5.69. Found: C, 38.55; H, 5.14; N, 8.90; Cl, 5.22. The molecular weight determination of Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl in acetone using osmometry gave 1278 g/mol while the calculated value for dimeric Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl is 1250.2 g/mol.

**Preparation of Pt(HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O.** When 2 equiv of NaOMe was added to [Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl]<sub>2</sub> in methanol, an orange solution was obtained. After being stirred for 15 min, it was evaporated to dryness under vacuum. The solid was dissolved in 15 mL of CH<sub>3</sub>CN. After filtration, diethyl ether was added to precipitate out the product which was dried under vacuum overnight; yield 60%. Anal. Calcd for Pt(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 39.79; H, 5.35; N, 9.28. Found: C, 39.94; H, 5.37; N, 9.23.

**Preparation of Pd(HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O.** This complex was prepared from equimolar Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and Et<sub>3</sub>N in acetone solvent, in a manner similar to that used for the preparation of Pt(HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O. After being stirred for 15 min, the solution was evaporated to dryness. The orange solid was washed with hot H<sub>2</sub>O, filtered, and then washed again with acetone and methanol. It was then dried under vacuum; yield 70%. Anal. Calcd for Pd(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 46.64; H, 6.28; N, 10.88. Found: C, 46.88; H, 6.36; N, 10.83.

## Results and Discussions

**Camphorquinone Dioxime Ligands, H<sub>2</sub>CQD.** The four isomers of H<sub>2</sub>CQD were first prepared by Forster.<sup>14</sup> However, not until 1967 when Daniel and Pavia<sup>15</sup> conducted <sup>1</sup>H NMR studies on these isomers were their structures established. Our X-ray structural study<sup>16</sup> of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD also indicated that it has the syn structure. A computer-generated perspective view of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD is shown in Figure 1 in which the oxime O atoms are directed toward each other.

The IR spectrum of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD in a KBr pellet gives three bands of medium intensity at 1600, 1640, and 1540 cm<sup>-1</sup>. In CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution, only the band at 1600 cm<sup>-1</sup> is observed, plus two other intense bands at 960 and 980 cm<sup>-1</sup>. These latter two bands are assigned as N–O stretching vibrations. Deuterium substitution of the oxime protons causes the 1640- and

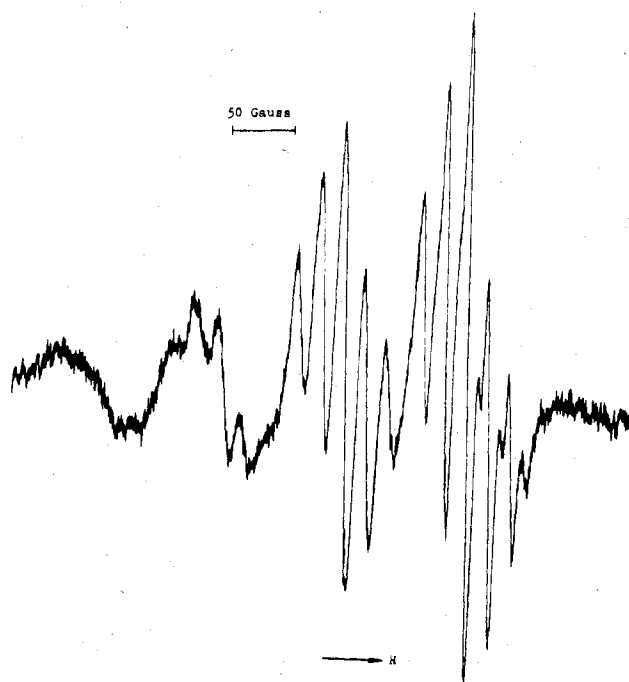
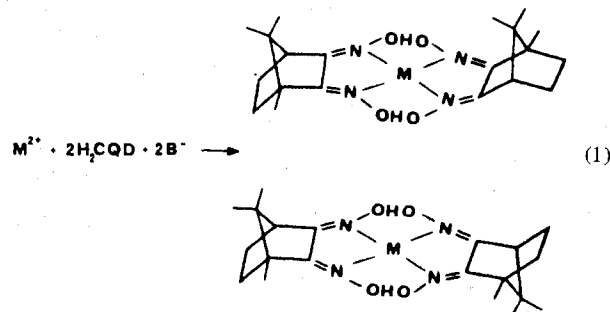


Figure 2. ESR spectrum of Cu( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> in CHCl<sub>3</sub> at room temperature recorded on a Varian E-3 ESR spectrometer.  $g = 2.08$  measured by comparison with perylene radical cation.

1540-cm<sup>-1</sup> bands to decrease in intensity and two new bands to appear at 1150 and 1090 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. They are probably associated with the OH deformation vibration of N–OH.<sup>17</sup> Therefore, we assign the band at 1600 cm<sup>-1</sup> to a C=N stretching vibration.

The CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution IR spectra of  $\alpha$ - and  $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD give  $\nu$ (C=N) absorptions at 1655, 1600 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1670, 1605 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, in good agreement with those reported by Nakamura et al.<sup>9</sup> Finally, the  $\nu$ (C=N) absorptions of  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD are not readily observed due to extensive H bonding which broadens the region between 1600 and 1700 cm<sup>-1</sup>. However, substituting deuterium for the oxime protons causes the disappearance of the broad band at 1600 cm<sup>-1</sup> and reveals two bands of medium intensity at 1670 and 1615 cm<sup>-1</sup>. They are therefore assigned as the  $\nu$ (C=N) absorptions. The N–O vibrations of  $\beta$ -,  $\alpha$ -, and  $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD are generally observed between 900 and 1100 cm<sup>-1</sup><sup>18</sup> as intense bands.

**Bis( $\beta$ -camphorquinone dioximate)copper(II)-Water-Hemikis(dioxane), Cu( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O·<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>dioxane.** H<sub>2</sub>CQD might be expected to react with metal ions in the presence of base according to eq 1. Two isomeric products are possible.



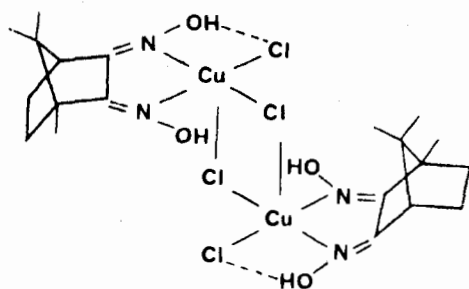
When Cu(OAc)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O was reacted with  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD in MeOH, only a dark brown product, Cu( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O·<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>dioxane, was obtained. The IR spectrum of the complex exhibits  $\nu$ -

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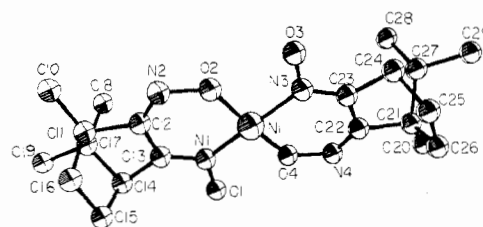
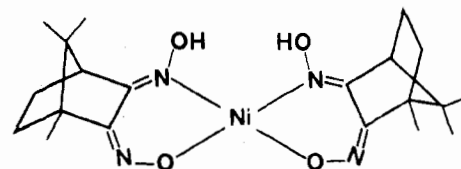
Figure 3.  $\text{Cu}(\beta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})\text{Cl}_2$  dimer.

( $\text{C}=\text{N}$ ) absorptions at 1610 and 1560  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  as was previously found for  $\text{Cu}(\text{HDMG})_2$ <sup>19,20</sup> and  $\text{Cu}(\text{HCHD})_2$ ,<sup>21</sup> this suggests that the  $\text{HCQD}^-$  ligand is N,N coordinated to  $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ . Further evidence for square-planar N,N coordination comes from the ESR spectrum shown in Figure 2. By analogy with results reported by Wiersema and Windle<sup>22</sup> for  $\text{Cu}(\text{HDMG})_2$ ,  $\text{Cu}(\beta\text{-HCQD})_2$  should have four lines due to copper ( $^{63}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Cu}$ ,  $I = 3/2$ ) nuclear hyperfine interaction plus extra lines due to nitrogen ( $^{14}\text{N}$ ,  $I = 1$ ) hyperfine interactions which can be accounted for as 9 nitrogen hyperfine lines per copper. Because of line broadening on the low-field side of the spectrum, they are not readily observed; however, nitrogen hyperfine splitting is observed on the high-field side. The  $\text{CHCl}_3$  solution spectrum (Figure 2) of  $\text{Cu}(\beta\text{-HCQD})_2$  is nearly identical with that of  $\text{Cu}(\text{HDMG})_2$ .<sup>22</sup> Although  $\text{Cu}(\text{HDMG})_2$  is known to exist as a dimer<sup>23</sup> in the solid state, little is known about the structure of solid  $\text{Cu}(\beta\text{-HCQD})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot 1/2$  dioxane; however, the presence of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and dioxane seems to be important for the formation of crystals. Its UV-vis spectrum in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  gives a broad absorption band with a maximum at 445 nm ( $\epsilon$  7.9  $\times 10^3$   $\text{cm}^{-1} \text{M}^{-1}$ ) most likely due to a d-d transition while its charge-transfer band is observed at 266 nm, comparable to that of  $\text{Cu}(\text{HDMG})_2$ .<sup>24</sup>

**( $\beta$ -Camphorquinone dioxime)copper(II) Chloride,  $\text{Cu}(\beta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})\text{Cl}_2$ .** This complex can be prepared by reacting  $\text{CuCl}_2$  with  $\gamma\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$  in the absence of added base in absolute  $\text{EtOH}$ . Unlike  $\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{DMG})\text{Cl}_2$ , it is very stable in air. Svedung<sup>25</sup> reported that the structure of  $\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{DMG})\text{Cl}_2$  consists of double chains of  $\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{DMG})\text{Cl}_2$  dimers linked together by intermolecular O-H-O bonds. Since  $\text{Cu}(\beta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})\text{Cl}_2$  has an IR spectrum very similar to that of  $\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{DMG})\text{Cl}_2$ , we believe that it probably has a similar dimeric structure as shown in Figure 3. The two molecules are bridged by Cl atoms, and the structure is probably further stabilized by intramolecular O-H-Cl bonding.

The intense IR band at 1450  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (Table V), presumably due to the  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$  absorption, was observed in  $\text{Cu}(\text{H}_2\text{DMG})\text{Cl}_2$  and is also observed in similar Pt(II) and Pd(II) compounds (see below). Svedung was unable to account for such a low frequency for a  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$  vibration, although Mikhelson and Evtushenko<sup>19</sup> assigned it to the  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$  vibrational mode.

**Bis( $\delta$ -camphorquinone dioximate)nickel(II),  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ .** This brown complex was prepared by addition of  $\text{NaOMe}$  to a methanol solution of  $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\gamma\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$ . Our earlier single-crystal X-ray structural study<sup>6</sup> established that the ligand forms a six-membered chelate ring by coordinating

Figure 4. Computer-generated perspective view of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ .Figure 5. Cis isomer of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ .

to the Ni through the N and O atoms in a trans manner as shown in Figure 4.

The reason for this unusual coordination is believed to be the bicyclic nature of the ligand which increases the C-C-N angles in the chelate ring to the point where formation of a larger ring by N,O rather than N,N coordination becomes more favorable. The IR spectrum of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  shows an absorption band of medium intensity at 1690  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Deuterium substitution studies indicate that this absorption is not associated with the OH group but presumably arises from a vibration which has considerable C=N stretching character. The other  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$  absorption occurs at 1560  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

**Bis( $\alpha$ -camphorquinone dioximate)nickel(II),  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$ .** This green complex was prepared by adding  $\alpha\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$  to a methanol solution of  $\text{Ni}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . It also probably has trans N,O coordination around the Ni as in the case of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ . This assumption is supported by the presence of two different  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$  absorptions at 1675 and 1560  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum. In a recent paper, Nakamura et al.<sup>9</sup> reported the preparation of the same Ni(II) and Pd(II) complexes of  $\text{HCQD}^-$ . Our spectral data for  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  and  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$  were in good agreement with theirs.

Although the coordination around Ni is very similar in both  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$  and  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  complexes,  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$  is observed to be less stable. Recrystallization of  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$  in boiling (1:3:1)  $\text{CHCl}_3/\text{MeOH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  partially converts  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$  into  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ . It is possible that the repulsion of the oxime O with the bridgehead methyl (see structure of  $\alpha\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$ ) destabilizes the  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$  complex relative to that of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ .

The mixed ligand complex  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})(\delta\text{-HCQD})$  has not been isolated nor has any Ni complex with cis N,O coordination (Figure 5) around Ni been detected. Such an arrangement of ligands with two oxime protons placed on the same side of the complex would presumably be less stable due to the lack of hydrogen bonding which is present in the other Ni complex.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  and  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$  are summarized in Table I. The chemical shifts of the methyl proton signals in each complex are very close to those of the free ligands (Table I). The oxime protons are downfield at 10.94 and 11.10 ppm, respectively.

The UV-vis spectra of the two complexes (Figure 6) are almost identical; their absorption maxima and  $\epsilon$  values are summarized in Table II.

**Bis( $\delta$ -camphorquinone dioximate)bis( $\delta$ -camphorquinone dioxime)nickel(II),  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2$ .** This unstable complex was prepared using a 3:1 ratio of  $\gamma\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$  to  $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and crystallized from anhydrous  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  at  $-25^\circ\text{C}$ . Once the complex crystallized out, further attempts to

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Table I.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectra of the  $\text{M}(\text{HCQD})_2$  Complexes

complex	solvent	NMR spectra, ppm		
		O-H	C(4)-H	methyl-H
$\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$	<i>a</i>	11.10 <sup>d</sup>	2.62	0.88, 0.90, 1.39 <sup>c</sup>
	<i>b</i>	<i>f</i>	2.62	0.88, 0.94, 1.39
$\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$	<i>a</i>	10.94 <sup>d</sup>	3.20	0.82, 0.96, 1.12 <sup>c</sup>
	<i>b</i>	<i>f</i>	3.20	0.82, 1.00, 1.12
$\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2$	<i>b</i>	<i>f</i>	3.25	0.82, 0.86, 0.96 1.01, 1.09, 1.12
$\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$	<i>b</i>	<i>f</i>	3.10	0.86, 1.01, 1.09 <sup>c</sup>
$\text{Pd}(\beta\text{-HCQD})_2$	<i>a</i>	12.35 <sup>e</sup>	2.90	0.82, 1.00, 1.38 <sup>c</sup>
$\text{Pd}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$	$\text{Me}_2\text{SO}-d_6$	<i>f</i>	3.24	0.80, 0.95, 1.12 <sup>c</sup>
$\text{Pt}(\beta\text{-HCQD})_2$	<i>a</i>	12.56 <sup>e</sup>	3.0	0.82, 0.98, 1.42 <sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup>  $\text{CHCl}_3$ -*d*. <sup>b</sup> Acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>. <sup>c</sup> C10-methyl. <sup>d</sup> Sharp singlet.  
<sup>e</sup> Broad and asymmetrical. <sup>f</sup> Not observed.

Table II. UV-Visible Spectra of Ni Complexes

complex	$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , nm	$\epsilon$ , $\text{cm}^{-1} \text{M}^{-1}$
$\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ <sup>a</sup>	576	$3.5 \times 10^3$
	413 sh <sup>b</sup>	$1.6 \times 10^3$
	360 sh	$3.3 \times 10^3$
	308	$1.8 \times 10^4$
$\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$ <sup>a</sup>	576	$3.3 \times 10^3$
	405 sh	$8.8 \times 10^2$
	359 sh	$1.6 \times 10^3$
	306	$1.3 \times 10^4$
$\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ <sup>c</sup>	413	
	359	
	304	

<sup>a</sup> In  $\text{CHCl}_3$ . <sup>b</sup> Shoulder. <sup>c</sup> As KBr pellet.

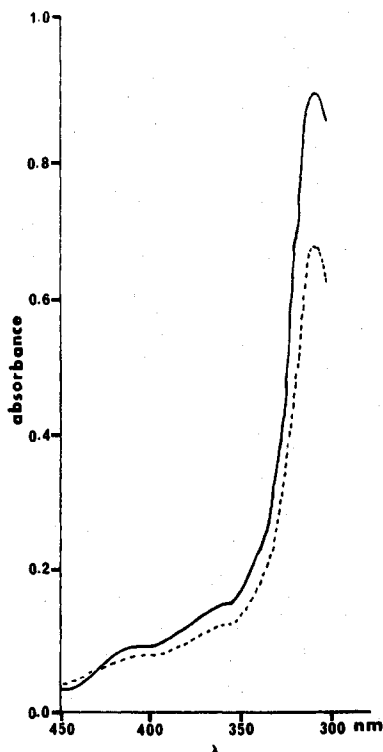


Figure 6. UV-visible spectra of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  (—) and  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$  (---) in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ .

recrystallize it led only to  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ .

Proton NMR studies established that all four ligands in  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2$  have the  $\delta$  structure. In acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>, six methyl proton signals of equal intensity are observed (Table I). The signals at 0.86, 1.01, and 1.09 ppm can be assigned to the free  $\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$  ligand while those at 0.82, 0.96, and 1.12 ppm belong to  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ . The entire  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum can be reproduced by mixing a 1:2 ratio of

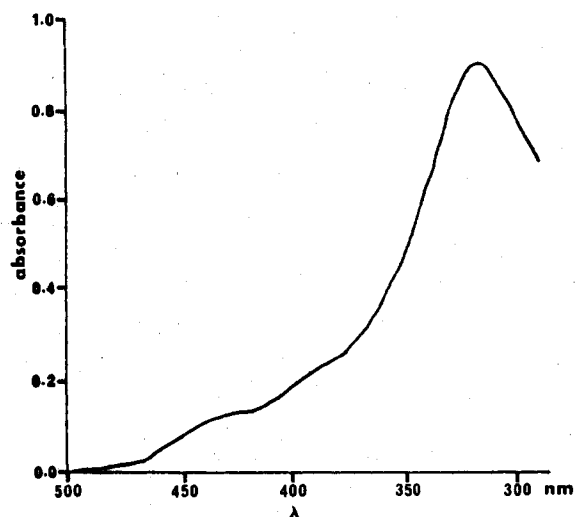


Figure 7. UV-visible spectrum of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  as KBr pellet.

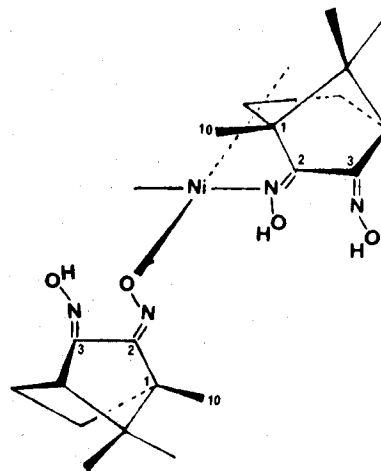


Figure 8.  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  square-planar coordination with  $\text{trans-N}_2\text{O}_2$ . Two other ligands are omitted for clarity.

$\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  and  $\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$  in acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>. This result implies that  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2$  exists as  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  and  $\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD}$  in solution, which is consistent with the fact that recrystallization of the complex gives only  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$ .

The observation of  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$  absorptions of the free ligand at 1670 and 1605  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  at 1690 and 1560  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  solvent further supports the presence of these species in solution. However, the IR spectrum of the solid complex in KBr gives only a medium intense band with slight splittings at 1565  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  which can be assigned to  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$  of N-coordinated oxime. A weak band is observed at 1690  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  which is due to the O-coordinated  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$ . The difference in the solution and solid-state IR spectra implies that, in the crystalline state, all four ligands are coordinated to the metal; the structure is probably stabilized by hydrogen bonding as indicated by the intense absorption band between 3260 and 3100  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ <sup>26</sup> in the solid-state IR spectrum.

The UV-vis absorption spectrum (Figure 7) of the solid complex pressed into a KBr pellet is very similar to solution spectra of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2$  and  $\text{Ni}(\alpha\text{-HCQD})_2$ . Such a similarity suggests that there are also two N and two O donor groups in the coordination sphere of  $\text{Ni}(\delta\text{-HCQD})_2(\delta\text{-H}_2\text{CQD})_2$ . Steric considerations favor a trans arrangement

of these donors around the Ni as shown in Figure 8. This structure is consistent with a facile solution dissociation of two  $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD ligands followed by ring closure of the  $\delta$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> ligands to give Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.

**Bis( $\beta$ -camphorquinone dioximato)palladium(II), Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.** The yellow complex Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> was prepared in H<sub>2</sub>O/MeOH/CHCl<sub>3</sub> (1:3:1) from Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>,  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD, and NaOMe. This is a different method from the one reported by Nakamura et al.,<sup>9</sup> and the product is probably a mixture of two isomers with structures shown in eq 1.

The IR spectrum of the complex clearly indicates N,N chelation of the ligands around the Pd atom. The  $\nu$ (C=N) band appears at 1550 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and the H-bonded  $\nu$ (OH) absorption at 2380 cm<sup>-1</sup> is comparable to the reported value for Pd(HCHD)<sub>2</sub>.<sup>21</sup> The UV-vis absorption spectrum exhibits a shoulder at 362 nm ( $\epsilon$  2.0 × 10<sup>3</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup> M<sup>-1</sup>) and a charge-transfer band at 274 nm ( $\epsilon$  1.4 × 10<sup>4</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup> M<sup>-1</sup>).

In its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (Table I) taken in CHCl<sub>3</sub>-d, the oxime proton with a chemical shift of 12.35 ppm downfield from Me<sub>4</sub>Si is observed as a broad asymmetric peak. Although Marov et al.,<sup>27</sup> who studied the H bonding of Ni(II)  $\alpha$ -dioximates by <sup>1</sup>H NMR, suggested that an asymmetric peak indicates the presence of isomers, there is no independent evidence for their presence in this system. However, a <sup>13</sup>C NMR study by Nakamura et al.<sup>9</sup> has shown that isomers are indeed present in this complex.

**Bis( $\delta$ -camphorquinone dioximato)palladium(II), Pd( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.** Yellow crystals of Pd( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> could be obtained by reacting Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> with  $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD in MeOH in the presence of Et<sub>3</sub>N. This procedure is different from the one reported by Nakamura et al.<sup>9</sup> and gave crystals of Pd( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub> so that elemental analyses and an <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the complex could be obtained.

It is believed to have the same N,O-coordinated structure as Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> because its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (Table I) in Me<sub>2</sub>SO-*d*<sub>6</sub> is almost identical with that of Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>. Its IR absorptions at 1560 and 1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> may be assigned to the N-coordinated and O-coordinated oxime  $\nu$ (C=N) frequencies, respectively. The  $\nu$ (OH) absorptions are observed at 3400 and 2600 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**Bis( $\beta$ -camphorquinone dioximato)platinum(II), Pt( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.** This complex was prepared by reacting Pt(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> with NaOMe and  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD in a 1:3:1 CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O solution. The brown crystalline product has the structures shown in eq 1. The UV-vis spectrum unequivocally established N,N coordination of the  $\beta$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> ligands by comparison with spectra of Pt(HDMG)<sub>2</sub><sup>28</sup> and Pt(HCHD)<sub>2</sub>. Maxima for Pt( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> occur at 411 nm ( $\epsilon$  1.3 × 10<sup>3</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup> M<sup>-1</sup>) and 340 nm ( $\epsilon$  4.0 × 10<sup>3</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup> M<sup>-1</sup>). Absorptions at 305 nm ( $\epsilon$  1.09 × 10<sup>4</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup> M<sup>-1</sup>) and 273 nm (1.14 × 10<sup>4</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup> M<sup>-1</sup>) are probably charge-transfer bands. In the IR spectrum, the  $\nu$ (C=N) absorption appears at 1570 cm<sup>-1</sup> as a broad but intense band, and H-bonded  $\nu$ (OH) bands at 3400 and 2380 cm<sup>-1</sup> are observed. Its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (Table I) resembles that of Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> showing an asymmetric peak for the oxime protons at 12.56 ppm possibly indicating the presence of both isomers (eq 1).

**trans-Bis( $\gamma$ -camphorquinone dioxime)platinum(II) Chloride, trans-Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.** A CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution of Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> in the presence of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD gives large yellow needle-like crystals of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Spectra and a conductivity measurement on this complex suggest that the  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD ligands are monodentate and coordinate to the Pd in positions trans to each other. The trans geometry is supported by the presence of only one Pd-Cl absorption band at 345 cm<sup>-1</sup> in

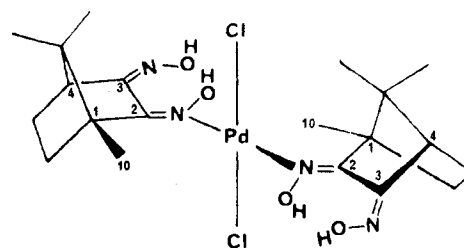


Figure 9. *trans*-Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.

Table III. <sup>1</sup>H NMR of Metal Camphorquinone Dioxime (H<sub>2</sub>CQD) Dichloride Complexes

complex	solvent	NMR of methyl-H, ppm
Pd( $\gamma$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	acetone- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.92, 1.1, 1.12
	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.76, 0.91, 1.02
$\gamma$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.76, 0.91, 1.02
Pd( $\alpha$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	MeOH- <i>d</i> / acetone- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.92, 0.95, 1.02, 1.41
	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.84, 1.33
$\alpha$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.84, 1.33
Pd( $\delta$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	MeOH- <i>d</i> / acetone- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.84, 0.87, 0.98, 1.06
	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.74, 0.88, 0.98
$\delta$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.74, 0.88, 0.98
Pd( $\beta$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD)Cl <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN- <i>d</i> <sub>3</sub>	0.98, 1.04, 1.34
	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.84, 0.90, 0.94, 1.30, 1.34
$\beta$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.83, 1.31
[Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)- ( $\gamma$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD)Cl] <sub>2</sub>	acetone- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.90, 1.00, 1.07, 1.10, 1.12
	Me <sub>2</sub> SO- <i>d</i> <sub>6</sub>	0.74, 0.90, 0.98, 1.04

Table IV. IR<sup>a</sup> Absorption Frequencies (cm<sup>-1</sup>) of Metal H<sub>2</sub>CQD Dichloride Complexes

complex	$\nu$ (C=N→M) <sup>b</sup>	$\nu$ (C=N) <sup>c</sup>	$\nu$ (M-Cl)
Pd( $\gamma$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	1535	1615	345
Pd( $\delta$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	1555	1680	300-350 <sup>d</sup>
Pd( $\alpha$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	1560	1680	300-350 <sup>d</sup>
[Pt( $\gamma$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD)- ( $\gamma$ -HCQD)Cl] <sub>2</sub>	1560	1610	330

<sup>a</sup> As KBr pellet. <sup>b</sup> Coordinated  $\nu$ (C=N). <sup>c</sup> Uncoordinated  $\nu$ (C=N). <sup>d</sup> Several  $\nu$ (M-Cl) are observed in this region.

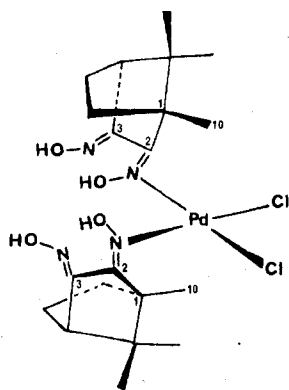
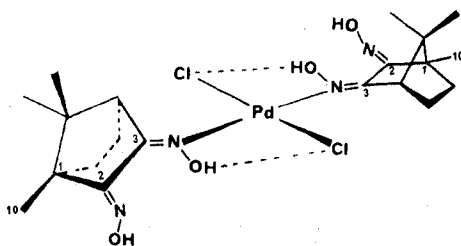
the IR spectrum of the complex in KBr. By comparison of its IR spectrum with that of the free ligand, the coordinated oxime  $\nu$ (C=N) vibration may be assigned to the band at 1535 cm<sup>-1</sup> while the uncoordinated oxime  $\nu$ (C=N) is at 1615 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Table IV). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> is summarized in Table III. The presence of other isomers is not observed. The downfield shift of the C4-H from 2.65 ppm of the free ligand to 4.34 ppm of the complex seems to indicate that coordination through the N atom of the C3 oxime is more favorable. Although coordination at the C2-N (Figure 9) is possible, this position is less favorable because of the steric interaction of the remainder of the metal complex with the C10 methyl group. Attempts to make Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub> out of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> in methanol by adding an equivalent amount of base led to the formation of Pd(HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, an orange solid of unknown structure insoluble in common organic solvents such as CHCl<sub>3</sub>, methanol, or H<sub>2</sub>O.

When a strongly coordinating solvent such as Me<sub>2</sub>SO is added to a MeOH solution of the complex, Me<sub>2</sub>SO displaces the  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD ligands which were identified by their characteristic <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (Table III).

**Bis( $\delta$ -camphorquinone dioxime)palladium(II) Chloride, Pd( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.** This complex prepared in the same way as Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> may exist as a mixture of cis and trans isomers as indicated by several  $\nu$ (Pd-Cl) bands between 300 and 350 cm<sup>-1</sup> in its IR spectrum (Table IV). A possible structure of Pd( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> is shown in Figure 10. The coordinated and uncoordinated oxime C=N absorption bands

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Figure 10. *cis*-Pd( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.Figure 11. *trans*-Pd( $\alpha$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.

appear at 1555 and 1680 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The complex is slightly soluble in acetone, and its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum exhibits four methyl proton signals (Table III) consistent with the assumption that more than one isomer is present. When excess Me<sub>2</sub>SO is added to a solution of the complex, the free  $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD is regenerated.

**Bis( $\alpha$ -camphorquinone dioxime)palladium(II) Chloride, Pd( $\alpha$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.** Pd( $\alpha$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> can be prepared in a manner similar to that of Pd( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and probably exists as *cis* and *trans* isomers. Its possible structure is shown in Figure 11. Its <sup>1</sup>H NMR and IR spectra are summarized in Tables III and IV. Four methyl proton signals appear at 0.92, 0.95, 1.02, and 1.41 ppm. Coordinated and uncoordinated  $\nu$ (C=N) are observed at 1560 and 1680 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Since the ligand coordinates through its less sterically hindered oxime N, intramolecular H bonding is possible between the Cl atoms and the ligands, as shown in the *trans* complex (Figure 11).

**Bis( $\beta$ -camphorquinone dioxime)palladium(II) Chloride, Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>.** When a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was allowed to stand for a period of 1–2 weeks at room temperature, Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub> began to crystallize out. In this reaction, the  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD ligand is transformed into the  $\beta$ -isomer. A nearly quantitative yield of the Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub> complex can be obtained by direct reaction between the ligand and Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.

As in the case of Cu( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>, an intense, sharp band at 1430 cm<sup>-1</sup> may be assigned to the  $\nu$ (C=N) frequency. Sharp bands of medium intensity also appear at 3270 and 3220 cm<sup>-1</sup> corresponding to intermolecular and intramolecular H bonding,<sup>25</sup> respectively. The similarity of their IR spectra (Table V) implies that Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub> and Cu( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub> have similar square-planar structures (Figure 3) with possible intermolecular bridging.

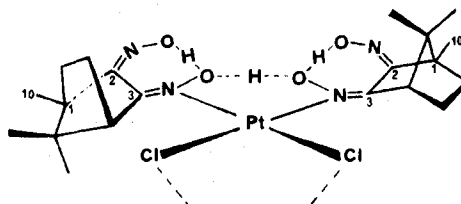
The  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD ligand is not displaced when the complex is dissolved in Me<sub>2</sub>SO, but formation of other Pd complexes occurs as indicated by the appearance of new signals in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (Table III).

The method for the preparation of Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub> can also be used to prepare Pd(H<sub>2</sub>CHD)Cl<sub>2</sub> and Pd(H<sub>2</sub>DMG)Cl<sub>2</sub>, all having the same characteristic band at about 1410 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The compound Pd(H<sub>2</sub>CHD)Cl<sub>2</sub> has not been reported in the

Table V. IR<sup>a</sup> Absorption Frequencies (cm<sup>-1</sup>) of M(dioxime)Cl<sub>2</sub> Complexes

complex	$\nu$ (C=N)	$\nu$ (OH)	$\nu$ (M-Cl)
Cu(H <sub>2</sub> DMG)Cl <sub>2</sub>	1400	3310, 3220	
Cu( $\beta$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD)Cl <sub>2</sub>	1450	3310, 3260	
Pd( $\beta$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD)Cl <sub>2</sub>	1430	3270, 3220	350, 325
Pt( $\beta$ -H <sub>2</sub> CQD)Cl <sub>2</sub>	1440	3300, 3260	345, 320
Pd(H <sub>2</sub> DMG)Cl <sub>2</sub>	1400	3300, 3200	350, 310
Pd(H <sub>2</sub> CHD)Cl <sub>2</sub>	1400	3300, 3230	350, 310

<sup>a</sup> As KBr pellet.

Figure 12. [Pt( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)( $\gamma$ -HCQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>].

literature, but Busch et al.<sup>29</sup> prepared Pd(H<sub>2</sub>DMG)Cl<sub>2</sub> by reaction of Pd(HDMG)<sub>2</sub> with acetyl chloride. Their IR spectra are summarized in Table V.

**Bis( $\gamma$ -camphorquinone dioxime)( $\gamma$ -camphorquinone dioximato)platinum(II) chloride, [Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>].** This dimeric complex was prepared by the reaction of K<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>4</sub> and  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD. A possible structure is shown in Figure 12. This particular structure requires the two ligands to be *cis* to each other. Steric considerations favor coordination at the less hindered oxime N. Such an arrangement also provides for substantial intramolecular H bonding.

The absorption bands at 1560 and 1610 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the IR spectrum may be assigned to the  $\nu$ (C=N) vibrations of the coordinated and uncoordinated oxime groups. The broad  $\nu$ (OH) absorptions at 3100 and 2800 cm<sup>-1</sup> resemble those of  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD, suggesting that  $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD and  $\gamma$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> are present in the complex. As in the case of Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, addition of base to a methanol solution of [Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> yielded the highly insoluble complex Pt(HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O of unknown structure. Attempts to isolate pure Pt( $\alpha$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and Pt( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> were unsuccessful.

### Conclusion

Camphorquinone dioxime has been shown to be capable of being either a bidentate or monodentate ligand. As a bidentate ligand in the complexes Ni( $\alpha$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, and Pd( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>,  $\alpha$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> or  $\delta$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> coordinates to the metal ion via N,O chelation. This mode of coordination is characterized by the presence of both the N-coordinated and O-coordinated  $\nu$ (C=N) absorptions in the IR spectrum.

In the complexes Pd( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, Pt( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, and Cu( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O·<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>dioxane,  $\beta$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> coordinates to the metal ion by N,N chelation. In this case, only N-coordinated  $\nu$ (C=N) absorptions are observed in their IR spectra. The failure to obtain Ni( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>, even from the reaction of Ni<sup>2+</sup> with  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD and base, is believed to be due to the bicyclic nature of the ligand which increases the C-C-N angles so that formation of five-membered chelate rings around Ni(II) becomes less favorable. This is supported by our earlier crystal structure determination of Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>.<sup>6</sup> The isolation of Cu( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O·<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>dioxane with N,N coordination of the  $\beta$ -HCQD<sup>-</sup> ligand was somewhat surprising because Cu(II) has the smallest ionic radius of the four metal ions used in these studies. Therefore the strain in the chelate ring should be greatest. This result might be understood, however, by con-

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sidering the M-N bond strength in the M(HDMG)<sub>2</sub> complexes; they are reported<sup>20</sup> to decrease in the order Pt(II) > Pd(II) > Cu(II) > Ni(II). The higher Cu-N bond strength presumably more than compensates for the strain in the five-membered rings of the Cu( $\beta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O<sup>1/2</sup>/dioxane.

In the complexes Pd( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>, Pt( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>, and Cu( $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl<sub>2</sub>, the neutral  $\beta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD ligand also chelates through both N atoms. This type of compound exhibits a strong infrared absorption for coordinated  $\nu$ (C=N) between 1450 and 1400 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

In the complexes Pd( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Pd( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and Pd( $\alpha$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, the H<sub>2</sub>CQD ligand coordinates through only one of its N atoms. Since our attempts to synthesize similar Pd complexes from H<sub>2</sub>DMG and H<sub>2</sub>CHD were unsuccessful, the Pd(H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> complexes are the first reported examples of a monodentate  $\alpha$ -dioxime ligand. This type of complex is probably stabilized to some extent by the formation of inter- or intramolecular H bonds as in the case of bis(cyclohexanone oxime)palladium dichloride.<sup>30</sup> Finally,

in [Pt( $\gamma$ -HCQD)( $\gamma$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)Cl]<sub>2</sub> and Ni( $\delta$ -HCQD)<sub>2</sub>( $\delta$ -H<sub>2</sub>CQD)<sub>2</sub>, the ligands also appear to coordinate as monodentate ligands but in the unusual proposed structures shown in Figures 8 and 12.

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## Coordinately Unsaturated Metal Clusters. A Neutron Diffraction Study of the Crystal and Molecular Structure of the Trimeric Rhodium Complex {HRh[P(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub>}<sub>3</sub><sup>1</sup>

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The molecular structure of {HRh[P(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub>}<sub>3</sub> has been determined by using neutron diffraction techniques [*T* = 110 K]. The trimeric rhodium complex is monoclinic, space group *P*2<sub>1</sub> [*C*<sub>2</sub><sup>2</sup>, No. 4], with *a* = 10.792 (6) Å, *b* = 13.438 (8) Å, *c* = 13.438 (8) Å,  $\beta$  = 91.64 (4)°, *V*<sub>c</sub> = 1948.02 Å<sup>3</sup>, and *d*<sub>calcd</sub> = 1.801 g cm<sup>-3</sup> for *Z* = 2. The neutral molecule consists of a triangular array of Rh atoms each bonded in an approximately square-planar fashion to two terminal P(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> groups and two bridging hydride ligands. The Rh-Rh separations involving single hydrogen bridges are 2.803 (7), 2.780 (6), and 2.856 (8) Å and the average Rh-H<sub>b</sub> distance is 1.76 (3) Å. The bridging Rh-H<sub>b</sub> separations reported here are the first interactions to be characterized structurally with neutron crystallographic techniques (*T* = 110 K). A discussion of the origin of the structural distortion from planarity of the {HRhP<sub>2</sub>}<sub>3</sub> cluster core is presented.

### Introduction

The di- and trimeric rhodium clusters {HRh[P(O-*i*-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub>}<sub>2</sub> (**1**) and {HRh[P(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub>}<sub>3</sub> (**2**) have recently been shown to be exceedingly active catalysts toward the hydrogenation of olefins.<sup>3,4</sup> These two clusters, the smallest oligomers for a potentially large set of hydrides of the form {HRh[P(OR)<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub>}<sub>*x*</sub>, have been shown to reversibly and rapidly add 1 molecule of hydrogen/molecule of cluster without detectable fragmentation of the cluster. The fact that the clusters themselves, rather than mononuclear H<sub>3</sub>Rh[P(OR)<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub> fragments, are the principal intermediates in the catalytic hydrogenation of olefins suggests that these clusters, their hydrogen adducts, and the hydrogen adduct-olefin complexes<sup>4</sup> may be viewed as tentative models of intermediates in olefin hydrogenation on metal surfaces.<sup>6-13</sup> Accordingly, the precise

structural and stereochemical features of these polynuclear rhodium species are of considerable interest especially since the detailed structural characterization, at the molecular level, of hydrocarbon substrates chemisorbed on metal surfaces is an exceedingly difficult task.<sup>12</sup> The isolation of large single crystals of complexes **1** and **2** has allowed structural characterization of these potential catalytic surface-substrate models.<sup>4,12,13</sup> We report here the complete neutron diffraction structural characterization of **2**. Although the nonhydrogen atom framework was previously determined by X-ray diffraction,<sup>3</sup> the complete structural characterization of the {HRhP<sub>2</sub>}<sub>3</sub> core required neutron diffraction analysis. A preliminary account of this work has been previously reported.<sup>4</sup>

### Experimental Section

The trimeric rhodium complex, **2**, is monoclinic space group *P*2<sub>1</sub> [*C*<sub>2</sub><sup>2</sup>, No. 4] with *a* = 10.792 (6) Å, *b* = 13.438 (8) Å, *c* = 13.438

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