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Synthesis and Structure of $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{W}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)(\mu\text{-H})$, a Tetrahedral Tungsten-Triosmium Cluster Complex with a Unique Unsymmetrical (W, Os) Edge-Bridging Oxo Ligand^{1,2}

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The reaction of $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{12}\text{H}$ ($\text{Cp} = \eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$) with (i) Me_3NO and (ii) C_2H_2 produces the species $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)\text{H}$ (**1**) in which the $\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2$ ligand is believed to bridge the triosmium face of a tetrahedral WOs_3 cluster. Further reaction of **1** with Me_3NO yields the complex $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)(\mu\text{-H})$ (**2**), a unique species with a



bridge, which has been fully characterized both by spectroscopic methods and via a single-crystal X-ray diffraction study. Complex **2** crystallizes in the centrosymmetric triclinic space group $P\bar{1}$ (No. 2) with $a = 7.526$ (2) Å, $b = 9.372$ (2) Å, $c = 14.995$ (5) Å, $\alpha = 104.17$ (2)°, $\beta = 92.06$ (2)°, $\gamma = 109.74$ (2)°, $V = 957.0$ (5) Å³, and $Z = 2$. Diffraction data (Mo K α , $2\theta = 4.5\text{--}45.0^\circ$) were collected with a Syntex P2₁ automated four-circle diffractometer, and the structure was refined to $R_F = 3.4\%$ and $R_{wF} = 3.2\%$ for all 2507 independent reflections (none rejected). The molecule contains a tetrahedral WOs_3 core and possesses the following interesting structural features. (1) The $\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2$ ligand now bridges the $\text{W}\text{--Os}(1)\text{--Os}(2)$ triangular face. (2) The $\mu\text{-O}$ ligand bridges a tungsten-osmium edge, forming a triangular system in which $\text{W}=\text{O} = 1.761$ (8) Å, $\text{Os}(1)\text{--O} = 2.200$ (8) Å, $\text{W}\text{--Os}(1) = 2.885$ (1) Å, and $\text{W}=\text{O}\text{--Os}(1) = 92.82$ (36)°. (3) The $\mu\text{-hydride}$ ligand, which was located directly and refined, spans the $\text{Os}(2)\text{--Os}(3)$ bond.

Introduction

We recently described the synthesis and structures of the alkyne complexes $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{Ar}_2)\text{H}$ ($\text{Ar} = \text{C}_6\text{H}_5$, $p\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_3$) together with their conversion to the dialkylidyne complexes $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_9(\mu_3\text{-CAR})_2\text{H}$ upon decarbonylation.⁵ In examining the generality of this alkyne scission reaction, we have prepared an analogous complex of acetylene, $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)\text{H}$ (**1**). However, treatment of this acetylene complex with $\text{Me}_3\text{NO}/\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ does not produce the anticipated dimethylidyne complex, $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_9(\mu_3\text{-CH})_2\text{H}$. Rather, the novel oxo-acetylene compound $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)\text{H}$ (**2**) is produced as the major product.

Experimental Section

General Comments. All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen in oven-dried glassware. Solvents were rigorously dried before use. The progress of the reactions was monitored by analytical thin-layer chromatography (precoated TLC plates, Silica Gel 60, F-254, E. Merck). Preparative thin-layer plates were prepared from Silica Gel G (Type 60, E. Merck).

Infrared spectra were obtained on a Perkin-Elmer 281B spectrophotometer. Proton NMR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet Model NT-360 spectrometer (360 MHz), which is part of the NSF Regional Instrumentation Facility at the University of Illinois. Mass spectra were obtained with either a Varian MAT CH-5 (electron impact) or a Varian MAT 731 (field desorption) mass spectrometer by the staff of the Mass Spectroscopy Laboratory of the School of Chemical Sciences at the University of Illinois. All m/z values are referenced to ¹⁹²Os and ¹⁸⁴W. Microanalytical data were provided by the Mi-

Table I. X-ray Data for $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)(\mu\text{-H})$

(A) Crystal Parameters at 22 °C	
cryst system: triclinic	$\gamma = 109.74$ (2)°
space group: $P\bar{1}$ (No. 2)	$V = 957.0$ (5) Å ³
$a = 7.526$ (2) Å	$Z = 2$
$b = 9.372$ (2) Å	mol wt = 1086.7
$c = 14.995$ (5) Å	ρ (calcd) = 3.77 g·cm ⁻³
$\alpha = 104.17$ (2)°	ρ (Mo K α) = 274.2 cm ⁻¹
$\beta = 92.06$ (2)°	
(B) Measurement of Data	
diffractometer: Syntex P2 ₁	
radiation: Mo K α (λ 0.710 730 Å)	
monochromator: highly oriented graphite, equatorial mode	
reflens measd: $h, \pm k, \pm l$ for $2\theta = 4.5\text{--}45.0^\circ$	
scan type: θ (cryst)– 2θ (counter)	
scan width: $[2\theta(K\alpha_1) - 1.0]^\circ - [2\theta(K\alpha_2) + 1.0]^\circ$	
scan speed: 2.0°/min (in 2θ)	
bkgd measd: stationary cryst and counter at beginning and end of 2θ scan, each for one-fourth of the scan time	
reflens collected: 2739 total, merged to 2507 independent reflens (none rejected); file name WOS6.	
std reflens: three measd after every 97 reflens (050, 411, 118); no decay obsd	

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$\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)\text{H}$ (1**).** A red dichloromethane (50 mL)/acetonitrile (10 mL) solution of $\text{CpW}\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{12}\text{H}^6$ (61.0 mg, 0.0527 mmol) was treated with sublimed Me_3NO (4.2 mg, 0.0559 mmol) in a 500-mL glass pressure bottle. After evaporation of the solvent in vacuo, the residue was dissolved in toluene (ca. 100 mL), a partial vacuum was drawn over the greenish blue solution, and the bottle was charged with C_2H_2 to a pressure of 40 psig. The resulting orange solution was heated at 110 °C for 0.5 h. The solvent was evaporated, and **1** was isolated after preparative TLC (pentane:dichloromethane = 3:2). Recrystallization from pentane/dichloromethane gave orange crystals (18.3 mg, 0.0158 mmol, 30%). Minor products (<5% yields) were observed on the TLC plate but were not characterized. IR (CCl₄): $\nu(\text{CO})$ 2084 w, 2066 s, 2021 vs, 2005 m, 1992 m, 1960 w cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 25 °C): δ 9.32 (s, 2 H), 5.40 (s, 5 H), –21.45 (s, 1 H). MS (70 eV): m/z 1132 (M⁺). Anal.

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Table II. Final Atomic Positional Parameters for $\text{CpWOs}_3(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)(\mu\text{-H})$

atom	x	y	z	$B_{\text{iso}}, \text{\AA}^2$
Os(1)	0.12289 (6)	0.43241 (5)	0.19387 (3)	
Os(2)	0.23251 (6)	0.16393 (5)	0.16344 (3)	
Os(3)	0.31583 (6)	0.35627 (5)	0.33998 (3)	
W	-0.05678 (6)	0.17472 (5)	0.27193 (3)	
O	-0.1210 (10)	0.3365 (9)	0.2658 (6)	
O(1)	0.4769 (15)	0.5666 (11)	0.1096 (7)	
O(2)	0.2408 (17)	0.7495 (12)	0.3467 (8)	
O(3)	-0.1325 (14)	0.5288 (12)	0.0751 (7)	
O(4)	0.2287 (13)	-0.1627 (10)	0.1449 (7)	
O(5)	0.5246 (17)	0.2089 (13)	0.0282 (9)	
O(6)	0.1946 (13)	0.5624 (11)	0.4944 (7)	
O(7)	0.3894 (14)	0.1782 (12)	0.4711 (7)	
O(8)	0.7170 (13)	0.6000 (11)	0.3529 (7)	
C(1)	0.3426 (21)	0.5142 (15)	0.1396 (10)	
C(2)	0.1987 (18)	0.6288 (15)	0.2946 (10)	
C(3)	-0.0361 (18)	0.4918 (15)	0.1192 (10)	
C(4)	0.2325 (17)	-0.0372 (16)	0.1509 (9)	
C(5)	0.4197 (18)	0.1955 (14)	0.0798 (9)	
C(6)	0.2393 (16)	0.4859 (14)	0.4360 (9)	
C(7)	0.3620 (16)	0.2471 (14)	0.4230 (9)	
C(8)	0.5722 (18)	0.5061 (15)	0.3466 (7)	
C(9)	0.0180 (19)	0.2051 (16)	0.0923 (9)	
C(10)	-0.0777 (17)	0.0829 (16)	0.1314 (9)	
C(11)	-0.1580 (23)	-0.1029 (15)	0.2656 (11)	
C(12)	-0.3115 (21)	-0.0447 (21)	0.2720 (16)	
C(13)	-0.278 (3)	0.0651 (22)	0.3609 (20)	
C(14)	-0.105 (3)	0.0781 (20)	0.4006 (11)	
C(15)	-0.0411 (20)	-0.0276 (20)	0.3474 (13)	
H	0.301 (22)	0.202 (20)	0.269 (13)	10.9 (47)
H(9)	-0.008 (18)	0.186 (16)	0.040 (10)	4.0
H(10)	-0.138 (16)	-0.007 (14)	0.079 (9)	4.0
H(11)	-0.1412	-0.1786	0.2147	6.0
H(12)	-0.4163	-0.0737	0.2255	6.0
H(13)	-0.3580	0.1187	0.3874	6.0
H(14)	-0.0393	0.1509	0.4576	6.0
H(15)	0.0699	-0.0469	0.3641	6.0

Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_8\text{O}_{10}\text{WO}_3$: C, 18.12; H, 0.72. Found: C, 18.14; H, 0.69.

CpWOs₃(CO)₈(μ-O)(μ₃-η²-C₂H₂)(μ-H) (2). Compound **1** (23.2 mg, 0.0206 mmol) was treated with sublimed Me₃NO (1.65 mg, 0.022 mmol) in dichloromethane (30 mL)/acetonitrile (10 mL). After evaporation of the solvent in vacuo, a toluene solution of the residue was refluxed for 0.5 h. Purification by preparative TLC (pentane:dichloromethane = 3:2) and crystallization gave dark red crystals (7.0 mg, 0.0064 mmol, 31%). Other products (<5% yields) were not characterized. IR (C₆H₁₂): ν(CO) 2086 s, 2049 vs, 2022 w, 2011 vs, 1977 m, 1984 m, 1969 m, 1939 m cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C): δ 10.62 (d, 1 H, J = 5.2 Hz), 9.43 (d, 1 H, J = 5.2 Hz), 5.83 (s, 5 H), -9.70 (s, 1 H). MS (field desorption): m/z 1092 (M⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₈O₉WO₃: C, 16.58; H, 0.74. Found: C, 16.78; H, 0.69.

X-ray Structural Study of 2. An opaque dark red crystal of approximate size 0.10 × 0.17 × 0.20 mm was mounted and aligned on the Syntex P2₁ diffractometer at SUNY—Buffalo, and data were collected as described previously⁷ (see Table I). All data were converted to |F_o| values, following correction for absorption and for Lorentz and polarization factors. Any reflection with I(net) < 0 was assigned a value of |F_o| = 0. No data were rejected.

During subsequent calculations the analytical forms for neutral atoms were corrected for both the Δf' and iΔf'' components of anomalous dispersion.⁸ The function minimized was Σw(|F_o| - |F_c|)², with w = [(σ(|F_o|))² + 0.015|F_o|²]⁻¹. All calculations were performed with the SUNY—Buffalo modified Syntex XTL system.

The structure was solved with the program MULTAN⁹ and difference-Fourier syntheses. Full-matrix least-squares refinement led smoothly to convergence with R_F = 3.4%, R_{wF} = 3.2%, and GOF =

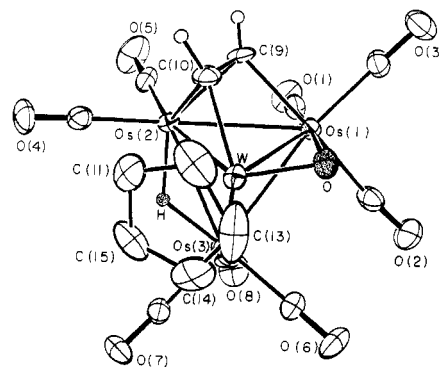


Figure 1. Labeling of atoms in the $\text{CpWOs}_3(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)(\mu\text{-H})$ molecule (ORTEP-II diagram (30% ellipsoids) with hydride ligand and acetylenic hydrogen atoms reduced for clarity). Atom C(12) of the $\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2$ ligand is not labeled; also, hydrogen atoms of this system are omitted for clarity.

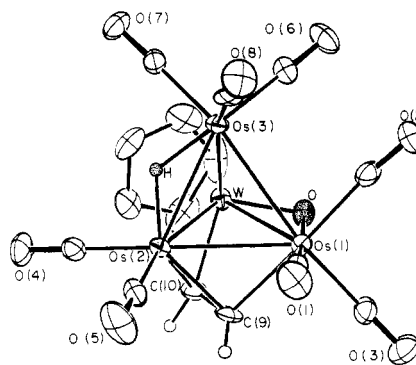


Figure 2. Another view of the $\text{CpWOs}_3(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)(\mu\text{-H})$ molecule. The molecule is projected onto the Os(1)–Os(2)–Os(3) plane, showing the distribution of ligands relative to the hydride ligand.

1.40 for 236 parameters refined against all 2507 reflections.¹⁰ The residuals for those 2266 data with $|F_o| > 3.0\sigma(|F_o|)$ were $R_F = 2.8\%$, $R_{wF} = 3.1\%$, and GOF = 1.45.

A final difference-Fourier synthesis showed no significant features. The function Σw(|F_o| - |F_c|)² showed no abnormal dependency on |F_o|, (sin θ)/λ, sequence number, identity, or parity class of the crystallographic indices; the weighting scheme is thus satisfactory. Positional and isotropic thermal parameters are collected in Table II; anisotropic thermal parameters can be sought in Table II-S (supplementary material).

Synthetic and Spectroscopic Results

The formulation of compound **1** is established by micro-analytical and spectroscopic data. The solution IR (ν(CO)) spectrum of **1** is very similar to that of CpWOs₃(CO)₁₀[μ₃-η²-C₂(p-C₆H₄CH₃)₂]₂H;⁵ the structure of the latter compound involves an intact pseudotetrahedral WO₃ core with the alkyne bound in 2σ + π fashion to the Os₃ face. An analogous structure for **1** is also consistent with the equivalent acetylenic protons, the chemical shift of which (δ 9.32) is closer to that of the triosmium complex Os₃(CO)₁₀(μ₃-η²-C₂H₂) (δ 9.67)¹¹ than to that of the tetranuclear “butterfly” complex Os₄(CO)₁₂(μ₄-η²-C₂H₂) (δ 10.28).¹²

The molecular ion observed in the mass spectrum of **2** differs from that of **1** by 40 mass units, which originally suggested that **2** might have an oxo group (**1** - 2CO + O → **2**) of some

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Table III. Interatomic Distances (Å) and Esd's for CpWOs₃(CO)₈(μ-O)(μ₃-η²-C₂H₂)(μ-H)

(A) Metal-Metal Distances			
W-Os(1)	2.885 (1)	Os(1)-Os(2)	2.844 (1)
W-Os(2)	2.779 (1)	Os(1)-Os(3)	2.942 (1)
W-Os(3)	2.742 (1)	Os(2)-Os(3)	2.726 (1)
(B) Metal-Oxygen Distances			
W-O	1.761 (8)	Os(1)-O	2.200 (8)
(C) Metal-Carbonyl Distances			
Os(1)-C(1)	1.879 (15)	Os(1)···O(1)	3.006 (11)
-C(2)	1.965 (14)	···O(2)	3.100 (11)
-C(3)	1.912 (14)	···O(3)	3.065 (11)
Os(2)-C(4)	1.848 (14)	Os(2)···O(4)	2.996 (10)
-C(5)	1.915 (14)	···O(5)	3.039 (13)
Os(3)-C(6)	1.887 (13)	Os(3)···O(6)	3.014 (10)
-C(7)	1.884 (13)	···O(7)	3.018 (10)
-C(8)	1.947 (14)	···O(8)	3.075 (10)
(D) M-C(acetylene) Distances			
Os(1)-C(9)	2.160 (14)	Os(2)-C(10)	2.191 (14)
Os(2)-C(9)	2.095 (15)	W-C(10)	2.050 (13)
(E) Distances Involved within the Acetylene Ligand			
C(9)-C(10)	1.405 (20)	C(9)-H(9)	0.76 (14)
C(10)-H(10)	0.96 (13)		
(F) W-C(cyclopentadienyl) Distances			
W-C(11)	2.428 (14)	W-C(14)	2.314 (17)
W-C(12)	2.290 (19)	W-C(15)	2.466 (18)
W-C(13)	2.296 (23)	W-Cp	2.045 ^a
(G) C-C Distances within the Cyclopentadienyl System			
C(11)-C(12)	1.431 (25)	C(14)-C(15)	1.347 (27)
C(12)-C(13)	1.423 (35)	C(15)-C(11)	1.362 (25)
C(13)-C(14)	1.361 (33)		
(H) C-O Distances			
C(1)-O(1)	1.127 (19)	C(5)-O(5)	1.125 (19)
C(2)-O(2)	1.139 (18)	C(6)-O(6)	1.127 (17)
C(3)-O(3)	1.154 (18)	C(7)-O(7)	1.135 (17)
C(4)-O(4)	1.148 (17)	C(8)-O(8)	1.129 (17)
(I) M-H Distances			
Os(2)-H	1.57 (18)	W···H	2.62 (18)
Os(3)-H	1.53 (18)		

^a Cp is, here, the centroid of the cyclopentadienyl ring.

sort. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **2** shows two 1 H signals at δ 9.43 and 10.62 with *J*(HH) = 5.2 Hz. The coupling constant suggested that the HCCH group was intact, but the chemical shifts did not eliminate the possibility of methylidyne groups (cf. H₃Os₃(CO)₉(μ₃-CH), δ 9.36,¹³ or HOs₃(CO)₁₀(μ₃-CH), δ 14.16¹⁴) or a more complex structure.

Description of the X-ray-Determined Molecular Structure of CpWOs₃(CO)₈(μ-O)(μ₃-η²-C₂H₂)(μ-H) (**2**)

The triclinic crystal contains an ordered array of discrete CpWOs₃(CO)₈(μ-O)(μ₃-η²-C₂H₂)(μ-H) molecules, which are separated by normal van der Waals distances; there are no abnormally short intermolecular contacts. No crystallographic symmetry is imposed upon the molecule. Indeed, as can clearly be seen in Figures 1 and 2, each metal atom in the tetranuclear cluster has a different ligand connectivity and the isolated CpWOs₃(CO)₈(μ-O)(μ₃-η²-C₂H₂)(μ-H) molecule is therefore chiral. However, the complex crystallizes in the centrosymmetric space group *P* $\bar{1}$ and contains equal quantities of the two enantiomers, which are interrelated by crystallographic inversion centers.

The atomic labeling scheme is shown in Figure 1. Interatomic distances and their estimated standard deviations (esd's) are collected in Table III, while interatomic angles and their esd's are listed in Table IV. The tetrahedral WO₃ cluster

Table IV. Interatomic Angles (Deg) and Esd's for CpWOs₃(CO)₈(μ-O)(μ₃-η²-C₂H₂)(μ-H)

(A) Intermetallic Angles			
Os(2)-Os(1)-Os(3)	56.18 (2)	Os(1)-Os(3)-Os(2)	60.09 (2)
Os(2)-Os(1)-W	58.02 (2)	Os(1)-Os(3)-W	60.88 (2)
Os(3)-Os(1)-W	56.15 (2)	Os(2)-Os(3)-W	61.08 (2)
Os(1)-Os(2)-Os(3)	63.73 (2)	Os(1)-W-Os(2)	60.24 (2)
Os(1)-Os(2)-W	61.73 (2)	Os(1)-W-Os(3)	62.98 (2)
Os(3)-Os(2)-W	59.76 (2)	Os(2)-W-Os(3)	59.16 (2)
(B) M-M-CO and M-M-Cp Angles			
Os(2)-Os(1)-C(1)	83.2 (5)	Os(1)-Os(3)-C(6)	93.0 (4)
-C(2)	132.5 (4)	-C(7)	160.3 (4)
-C(3)	132.4 (4)	-C(8)	99.0 (4)
Os(3)-Os(1)-C(1)	95.7 (5)	Os(2)-Os(3)-C(6)	147.5 (4)
-C(2)	77.9 (4)	-C(7)	109.6 (4)
-C(3)	167.6 (4)	-C(8)	105.2 (4)
W-Os(1)-C(1)	140.0 (5)	W-Os(3)-C(6)	90.8 (4)
-C(2)	107.8 (4)	-C(7)	99.7 (4)
-C(3)	118.0 (4)	-C(8)	159.1 (4)
Os(1)-Os(2)-C(4)	163.2 (4)	Os(1)-W-Cp	178.7
-C(5)	105.2 (4)	Os(2)-W-Cp	119.3
Os(3)-Os(2)-C(4)	115.7 (4)	Os(3)-W-Cp	115.7
-C(5)	119.5 (4)		
W-Os(2)-C(4)	102.8 (4)		
-C(5)	166.4 (4)		
(C) M-O-M Angle			
Os(1)-O-W	92.82 (36)		
(D) M-M-O Angles			
Os(2)-Os(1)-O	95.06 (22)	Os(2)-W-O	109.15 (27)
Os(3)-Os(1)-O	80.27 (22)	Os(3)-W-O	94.08 (27)
W-Os(1)-O	37.56 (22)	Os(1)-W-O	49.62 (27)
(E) O-M-C(carbonyl) and O-M-Cp Angles			
O-Os(1)-C(1)	175.9 (5)	O-W-Cp	131.0
-C(2)	87.9 (5)		
-C(3)	89.3 (5)		
(F) M-C-M, M-C-C, M-C-H, and C-C-H Angles Involved with the Acetylene Ligand			
Os(1)-C(9)-Os(2)	83.8 (5)	Os(2)-C(10)-W	81.8 (5)
Os(1)-C(9)-C(10)	112.4 (10)	W-C(10)-C(9)	108.6 (10)
Os(2)-C(9)-C(10)	74.6 (8)	Os(2)-C(10)-C(9)	67.3 (8)
Os(1)-C(9)-H(9)	129 (10)	W-C(10)-H(10)	146 (8)
Os(2)-C(9)-H(9)	128 (10)	Os(2)-C(10)-H(10)	118 (8)
C(10)-C(9)-H(9)	114 (10)	C(9)-C(10)-H(10)	105 (8)
(G) O-M-C(acetylene), C(carbonyl)-M-C(acetylene), and Cp-W-C(acetylene) Angles			
O-Os(1)-C(9)	86.0 (4)	O-W-C(10)	95.8 (5)
C(1)-Os(1)-C(9)	95.5 (6)	C(4)-Os(2)-C(9)	121.8 (6)
C(2)-Os(1)-C(9)	173.8 (6)	C(5)-Os(2)-C(9)	99.6 (6)
C(3)-Os(1)-C(9)	86.1 (6)	C(4)-Os(2)-C(10)	93.3 (6)
Cp-W-C(10)	108.4	C(5)-Os(2)-C(10)	128.1 (5)
(H) C(carbonyl)-M-C(carbonyl) Angles			
C(1)-Os(1)-C(2)	90.5 (6)	C(6)-Os(3)-C(7)	89.9 (6)
C(1)-Os(1)-C(3)	94.6 (6)	C(6)-Os(3)-C(8)	96.3 (6)
C(2)-Os(1)-C(3)	95.0 (6)	C(7)-Os(3)-C(9)	100.0 (6)
C(4)-Os(2)-C(5)	89.8 (6)		
(I) M-C-O Angles			
Os(1)-C(1)-O(1)	177.9 (13)	Os(2)-C(5)-O(5)	177.2 (13)
-C(2)-O(2)	173.5 (13)	Os(3)-C(6)-O(6)	179.0 (12)
-C(3)-O(3)	179.2 (13)	-C(7)-O(7)	178.2 (12)
Os(2)-C(4)-O(4)	178.0 (12)	-C(8)-O(8)	175.9 (12)
(J) M-H-M Angle			
Os(2)-H-Os(3)	123 (10)		

as a whole is associated with 60 valence electrons. [If we consider, for electron-counting purposes only, that all metal atoms are in a formal oxidation state of zero and that all ligands are neutral,¹⁵ then we have one d⁶ W(0) atom, three

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(15) This is simply one of a number of possible formulations; its principal (and perhaps sole) advantage is simplicity. From a purely intuitive chemical viewpoint the η²-C₂H₂W=O grouping along with the σ linkage to the acetylene ligand would appear to indicate a W(IV) species.

d^8 Os(0) atoms, sixteen electrons from the eight terminal carbonyl groups, five electrons from the η^5 -C₅H₅ system, four electrons from the μ_3 - η^2 -C₂H₂ ligand, four electrons from the bridging oxo ligand (which is involved in a W=O:→Os mode; vide infra), and one electron from the μ -hydride ligand.] Formal electron counts at the individual metal atoms are as follows: 17 e for W, 20 e for Os(1), 17^{1/2} e for Os(2), and 17^{1/2} e for Os(3).

Metal-metal distances within the WOs₃ cluster vary widely, probably as a result of the rather uneven distribution of electrons. Thus the tungsten-osmium distances (in order of increasing distance) are W-Os(3) = 2.742 (1) Å, W-Os(2) = 2.779 (1) Å, and W-Os(1) = 2.885 (1) Å; osmium-osmium distances vary over a wider range, i.e., Os(2)-Os(3) = 2.726 (1) Å, Os(1)-Os(2) = 2.844 (1) Å, and Os(1)-Os(3) = 2.942 (1) Å.

The molecule may be regarded as being composed of one (η^5 -C₅H₅)W fragment, two Os(CO)₃ fragments (about Os(1), and Os(3)), and one Os(CO)₂ fragment (Os(2)), which are linked together by metal-metal bonds and by three bridging ligands. The isolated fragments mentioned above show no unusual features (distances and angles of interest include Os-CO = 1.848 (14)-1.965 (14) Å, C-O = 1.125(19)-1.154 (18) Å, Os-C-O = 173.5 (13)-179.2 (13)°, and W-C(Cp) = 2.290 (19)-2.466 (18) Å). We will therefore confine further discussion principally to the three bridging ligands.

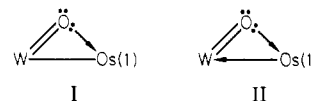
(A) The μ_3 - η^2 -C₂H₂ Ligand. This ligand is associated with the W-Os(1)-Os(2) triangular face of the tetrahedral metal cluster. Specifically, the ligand, defined by H(9)-C(9)-C(10)-H(10), is σ -bonded to atoms W and Os(1) (with W-C(10) = 2.050 (13) Å and Os(1)-C(9) = 2.160 (14) Å) and is π -bonded to atom Os(2) (with Os(2)-C(9) = 2.095 (15) Å and Os(2)-C(10) = 2.191 (14) Å). The asymmetry of the π -bonding presumably compensates for the asymmetry of the σ -bonding. The C(9)-C(10) distance of 1.404 (20) Å is consistent with the $2\sigma + \pi$ bonding mode as are the (refined) C-C-H angles—i.e., C(10)-C(9)-H(9) = 114 (10)° and C(9)-C(10)-H(10) = 105 (8)°.

The production of the present species from its precursor, CpWOs₃(CO)₁₀(μ_3 - η^2 -C₂H₂)(μ -H) (1), thus involves transfer of the acetylene ligand from an Os₃ to a WOs₂ face of the WOs₃ cluster. A similar rearrangement is observed for certain disubstituted alkyne complexes related to 1, e.g. CpWOs₃(CO)₁₀[C₂(CO₂Et)₂]H, which has also been shown to have the C₂(CO₂Et)₂ ligand bonded to one of the WOs₂ faces of a WOs₃ tetrahedral cluster.¹⁶

(B) The μ -Oxo Ligand. The oxo ligand bridges the tungsten atom and Os(1) such that W-O = 1.761 (8) Å, Os(1)-O = 2.200 (8) Å, and W-O-Os(1) = 92.82 (36)°. These distances and angles suggest the presence of a tungsten-oxygen double bond (cf. W=O = 1.661 (11) Å in the trigonal-bipyramidal species W(=O)(=CHCMe₃)(PEt₃)Cl₂,^{17,18} W=O = 1.697 (15) Å in the octahedral species W(=O)(=CHCMe₃)-(PMe₃)₂Cl₂,^{19,20} and W=O ~ 1.75 Å found in polytungstate ions²¹).

Taken with the W-Os(1) distance of 2.885 (1) Å, the W-O-Os(1) system could be represented by structure I.

However, the formal "electron-poor" nature of the tungsten atom, coupled with the formal "electron-rich" nature of Os(1) (vide supra), dictates the closely related structure, II.



The μ -oxo ligand has a deviation of only 0.251 (9) Å from the Os(1)-Os(2)-W plane (see Figure 2). The dihedral angle between the W-O-Os(1) and Os(1)-Os(2)-W planes is 10.76° (169.24°).²²

The ligand C(1)-O(1) is directly trans to the oxo ligand, with O-Os(1)-C(1) = 175.9(5)°. The carbonyl ligands C(1)-O(1), C(4)-O(4), and C(5)-O(5) are all nearly coplanar with the W-O-Os(1) plane.

(C) The μ -Hydrido Ligand. The μ -hydrido ligand was both located and refined during the X-ray structural analysis. It bridges the Os(2)-Os(3) bond with Os(2)-H = 1.57 (18) Å, Os(3)-H = 1.53 (18) Å, and Os(2)-H-Os(3) = 123 (10)°. The presence of this bridging hydride ligand is confirmed by the enlargement of the adjacent coplanar M-M-CO angles, viz., Os(3)-Os(2)-C(4) = 115.7 (4)°, Os(3)-Os(2)-C(5) = 119.5 (4)°, Os(2)-Os(3)-C(8) = 105.2 (4)°, and Os(2)-Os(3)-C(7) = 109.6 (4)°.

Usually an unsupported μ -hydride ligand is associated with (i) a *lengthened* M-M distance and (ii) abnormally large M-M-L angles for ligands adjacent to, and in the same plane as, the M-H-M system.²³⁻²⁶ In the present case, the M-M-L angles are expanded, but the Os(2)-Os(3) distance of 2.726 (1) Å is the shortest in the molecule. We attribute this anomaly to the formally "electron-poor" nature of Os(2) and Os(3) (17^{1/2} e each; vide supra) which we believe to be compensated by increased bond order in the Os(2)-Os(3) linkage.

Discussion

The complex CpWOs₃(CO)₈(μ -O)(μ_3 - η^2 -C₂H₂)(μ -H) (2) is, to the best of our knowledge, the first metal-cluster molecule found to possess an edge-bridging oxo ligand in an M=O:→M' bridging mode. As such, it is of possible relevance to the Fischer-Tropsch reaction (eq 1). This reaction is believed



to proceed via dissociative chemisorption of CO on the catalytic surface.^{27,28} Interest has previously focused on the reactions of the chemisorbed carbon atom, rather than those of oxygen atom. The latter typically is desorbed as H₂O. It has usually been tacitly assumed that the oxygen atom is bound to the surface via an ether-like linkage:



Other features of interest are as follows.

(1) The C₂H₂ ligand in CpWOs₃(CO)₈(μ -O)(μ_3 - η^2 -C₂H₂)(μ -H) coordinates to a WOs₂ face and has shifted from

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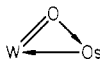
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the Os₃ face which it occupies in its precursor, CpWOs₃(CO)₁₀(μ₃-η²-C₂H₂)(μ-H).

(2) The tungsten atom has a coordination shell consisting of η⁵-C₅H₅, 3Os, σ-C, and =O. This pattern recurs in a number of other WOs₃ clusters that we are currently studying—viz., CpWOs₃(CO)₅(μ-O)(μ₃-CCH₂C₆H₄Me),²⁹ which is formed by pyrolysis of CpWOs₃(CO)₁₁(μ₃-η²-C(O)CH₂C₆H₄Me),^{30,31} CpWOs₃(CO)₉(μ-O)(μ-CHCH₂C₆H₄Me)(μ-H),³² and CpWOs₃(CO)₉(μ-O)(μ₂-C=CHC₆H₄Me)(μ-H).³³

(3) The μ-O ligand must be a four-electron donor in order to satisfy the overall saturation of the compound. The W=O group acts as a two-electron donor to Os(1), which in turn acts as a donor to the tungsten atom in order to supply sufficient electrons to the latter:



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The source of the oxo ligand in **2** is not known. In order to determine whether Me₃NO is the source of the oxygen atom, the synthesis of **2** was carried out by using 2 equiv of Me₃NO. This reaction resulted in extensive decomposition and gave a much lower yield (12%) of **2**. The oxo ligand may be derived from a CO ligand by C–O bond scission or from other possible sources (O₂, H₂O, etc.). Note, however, that the oxo-alkylidyne species CpWOs₃(CO)₉(μ-O)(μ₃-CCH₂C₆H₄Me) contains a similar oxo ligand acting as a four-electron donor across a tungsten–osmium linkage; in this case the oxo ligand and the alkylidyne ligand are produced from scission of a μ₃-η²-acyl ligand in the precursor, CpWOs₃(CO)₁₀(μ₃-η²-C(O)CH₂C₆H₄Me).²⁹

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Reactions of Metal–Metal Multiple Bonds. 10.¹ Reactions of Mo₂(OR)₆ (M≡M) and [Mo(OR)₄]_x Compounds with Molecular Oxygen. Preparation and Characterization of Oxo Alkoxides of Molybdenum: MoO₂(OR)₂, MoO₂(OR)₂(bpy), MoO(OR)₄, Mo₃O(OR)₁₀, Mo₄O₈(OR)₄(py)₄, and Mo₆O₁₀(OR)₁₂

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Mo₂(OR)₆ (M≡M) compounds and molecular oxygen react in hydrocarbon solvents to give MoO₂(OR)₂ compounds and alkoxy radicals. For R = *t*-Bu, the reaction is rapid with no isolable intermediates; for R = *i*-Pr and CH₂-*t*-Bu, intermediates of formulas Mo₃O(OR)₁₀ and Mo₆O₁₀(O-*i*-Pr)₁₂ have been isolated and characterized. [Mo(OR)₄]_x compounds react with O₂ to give MoO(OR)₄ compounds where R = *t*-Bu and *x* = 1, R = *i*-Pr and *x* = 2, and R = CH₂-*t*-Bu and *x* ≥ 2. Mo(O-*t*-Bu)₄ and O₂ also react to yield MoO₂(O-*t*-Bu)₂ and *t*-BuO• in a 1:2 ratio. A general scheme for the reaction of Mo₂(OR)₆ compounds with O₂ is proposed involving an initial facile cleavage of the Mo≡Mo bond to give MoO₂(OR)₂ and Mo(OR)₄ compounds. The subsequent course of the reaction depends on the reactivity of Mo(OR)₄ compounds. The new oxo alkoxides MoO₂(O-*t*-Bu)₂, MoO₂(OR)₂(bpy) (where R = *i*-Pr and CH₂-*t*-Bu), Mo₃(μ₃-O)(μ₃-OR)(μ-OR)₃(OR)₆ (where R = *i*-Pr and CH₂-*t*-Bu), Mo₄O₈(O-*i*-Pr)₄(py)₄, and Mo₆O₁₀(O-*i*-Pr)₁₂ have been characterized by a variety of physicochemical techniques. The oxo groups are formed from the added molecular oxygen. Crystal data: (i) MoO₂(O-*i*-Pr)₂(bpy)₂·1/2(toluene) at -161 °C, *a* = 13.907 (6) Å, *b* = 8.413 (3) Å, *c* = 19.999 (8) Å, α = 111.02 (1)°, β = 71.37 (2)°, γ = 88.98 (1)°, *Z* = 4, *d*_{calcd} = 1.455 g cm⁻³, space group *P* $\bar{1}$; (ii) Mo₃O(OCH₂-*t*-Bu)₁₀·1/3CH₂Cl₂ at -161 °C, *a* = 35.557 (19) Å, *b* = 18.969 (9) Å, *c* = 19.342 (9) Å, *Z* = 8, *d*_{calcd} = 1.283 g cm⁻³, space group *Pbcn*; (iii) Mo₃O(O-*i*-Pr)₁₀ at -162 °C, *a* = 21.274 (6) Å, *b* = 21.808 (5) Å, *c* = 10.207 (2) Å, α = 98.69 (1)°, β = 92.92 (1)°, γ = 118.03 (1)°, *Z* = 4, *d*_{calcd} = 1.452 g cm⁻³, space group *P* $\bar{1}$; (iv) Mo₆O₁₀(O-*i*-Pr)₁₂ at -162 °C, *a* = 13.082 (3) Å, *b* = 11.478 (2) Å, *c* = 9.760 (2) Å, α = 106.40 (1)°, β = 91.85 (1)°, γ = 99.81 (1)°, *Z* = 1, *d*_{calcd} = 1.738 g cm⁻³, space group *P* $\bar{1}$.

Introduction

We have shown that the Mo≡Mo bond in Mo₂(OR)₆ compounds is labile toward a number of oxidative-addition reactions. Treatment with halogens leads to the formation of Mo₂(OR)₆X₄ (M–M) compounds (R = *i*-Pr; X = Cl, Br, I),

and addition of ROOR to formation of Mo₂(OR)₈ (R = *i*-Pr).² Reaction with benzoyl peroxide gave³ a compound Mo₂(OR)₆(O₂CPh)₂ (R = *i*-Pr), believed to contain a Mo=Mo bond. These earlier findings prompted us to continue to in-

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