

Synthesis and Crystal Structure of the First Cluster Displaying Pd^I–Ag^I Interactions: [Ag₂Pd₂(SC₆F₅)₂(SO₃CF₃)(dppm)₃]SO₃CF₃·CH₂Cl₂

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Introduction

Only a few compounds containing a Pd–Ag bonding interaction have been structurally characterized,¹ all of them palladium(II) complexes.

It is a common belief that bis(diphenylphosphino)methane (and related ligands) locks together two metal atoms in close proximity, thus favoring the formation of metal–metal bonds and stabilizing unusual oxidation states,² as has been found for many species containing the M₂(dppm)₂ moiety. However, dppm is a very flexible ligand and can also act as a chelate or span wide distances. For instance, the metal to metal separation is 4.361 Å in [(CH₃)₂Pt(μ-dppm)₂Pt(CH₃)₂],³ 4.421 Å in [(Bu₂C₆H₂O₂)Pd(μ-dppm)₂Pd(Bu₂C₆H₂O₂)],⁴ or even 4.907 Å in [(CH₃)₂Pt(μ-dppm)₂Pt(o-C₆H₄CH₃)₂],⁶ all of them binuclear compounds doubly bridged by dppm.

Experimental Section

The compound {[Pd(μ-SC₆F₅)(μ-dppm)Pd](μ-SC₆F₅)₄·2O(C₂H₅)₂} was prepared as previously reported.⁷

C, H, and S analyses were performed with a Perkin-Elmer 2400 microanalyzer. IR spectra were recorded (over the range 4000–250 cm⁻¹) on a Perkin-Elmer 833 spectrophotometer, using Nujol mulls between polyethylene sheets.⁸ The ¹⁹F and ³¹P spectra of CDCl₃ solutions of compound **1** were run on a Varian UNITY 300 spectrometer; chemical shifts are relative to CFCl₃ or external 85% H₃PO₄, respectively. The conductivity of a 5 × 10⁻⁴ M acetone solution was measured with a Philips PW9509 apparatus, using a PW9550/60 cell. Mass spectrometric data were obtained using FAB⁺ techniques on a VG Autospec apparatus; the matrix used was 3-nitrobenzyl alcohol, and the sample was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂.

Synthesis of [Ag₂Pd₂(SC₆F₅)₂(SO₃CF₃)(dppm)₃]SO₃CF₃ (1**).** To a mixture of 0.2056 g (0.8 mmol) of Ag(SO₃CF₃) and 0.3075 g (0.8 mmol) of dppm in dichloromethane/acetone (20/5 mL) was added 0.4130 g (0.1 mmol) of {[Pd(μ-SC₆F₅)(μ-dppm)Pd](μ-SC₆F₅)₄·2Et₂O} and a further 25 mL of dichloromethane. After 24 h of stirring, the solution was filtered and evaporated to ca. 5 mL under reduced pressure, and 40 mL of diethyl ether was added. The red solid so obtained was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether (3 × 5 mL), and dried *in vacuo*.

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Table 1. Crystal and Structure Refinement Data for **1**

empirical formula	C ₉₀ H ₆₈ Ag ₂ Cl ₂ F ₁₆ O ₆ P ₆ Pd ₂ S ₄
fw	2362.94
T, K	293(2)
λ _{Mo Kα} , Å	0.710 73
cryst system	triclinic
space group	P1̄ (No. 2)
a, Å	15.462(5)
b, Å	17.297(6)
c, Å	19.933(6)
α, deg	79.03(3)
β, deg	87.14(2)
γ, deg	76.44(2)
V, Å ³	5088(3)
Z	2
D, Mg/m ⁻³	1.542
μ _{Mo Kα} , mm ⁻¹	1.033
θ range, deg	1.61–22.97
R1 ^a [I > 2σ(I)]	0.0536
wR2 ^b (all data)	0.1454
goodness-of-fit on F ² ^c	1.030
largest diff peak and hole, e ⁻ Å ⁻³	0.965 and -0.667

^a R1 = Σ||F_o| - |F_c||/Σ|F_o|. ^b wR2 = [Σ[w(F_o² - F_c²)²/Σw(F_o²)]^{0.5}, where w = [σ²(F_o²) + (0.0926P)² + 0.0000P]⁻¹; P = [max(F_o²; 0) + 2F_c²]/3. ^c Goodness of fit = [Σ[w(F_o² - F_c²)²/(N_{observns} - N_{params})]^{0.5}.

Yield: 92%. Anal. Calcd (found): C, 46.92 (46.45); H, 2.92 (2.89); S, 5.63 (5.57). Conductivity (acetone, 5 × 10⁻⁴ M): Λ_M = 162.2 S m² mol⁻¹. IR (Nujol, cm⁻¹): 1638 w, 1589 w, 1577 w, 1512 s, 1440 vs, 1279 vs, br, 1156 s, br, 1099 m, 1087 m, 1031 s, 1000 w, 974 m, 852 m, 783 m, 637 vs, 519 s, 507 w, 481 m, 351 w. ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, saturated CDCl₃ solution, 20 °C, reference CFCl₃; δ): -128.5 (br, F_o), -132.4 (d, J_{om} = 26 Hz, F_o), -160.5 (br, F_m), -162.7 (m, F_m), -150.3 (t, J_{mp} = 20 Hz, F_p), -159.5 (t, J_{m'p'} = 21 Hz, F_{p'}). ³¹P NMR (121 MHz, external 85% H₃PO₄ reference; δ): -2.0 (dm, J_{P,Ag} = 635 Hz, P_a), 11.4 (m, P_b), -0.4 (d, J_{bc} = 26 Hz, P_c). MS (FAB⁺, 3-nitrobenzyl alcohol matrix; m/e): 2129 (M²⁺ + SO₃CF₃ 5%), 1289 (M²⁺ - Pd - SC₆F₅ - dppm, 22%), 1181 (M²⁺ - 2Ag - SC₆F₅ - dppm, 23%), 1105 (M²⁺ - 2Pd - 2dppm + Ag, 38%), 981 (M²⁺ - 2Ag - 2SC₆F₅ - dppm, 100%).

X-ray Structural Characterization. Data were purchased from Crystallogics Co. A red-orange parallelepiped (0.82 × 0.58 × 0.34 mm) was sealed with epoxy in a thin-walled capillary and placed in a four-circle Nicolet (Siemens) autodiffractometer. Cell parameters were obtained from 15 reflections with 2θ > 15°. Cell dimensions and structure refinement data are available in Table 1. Of the 14 370 reflections measured (ω-scan, ±16, ±18, +21), 13 857 (R_{int} = 0.019) were unique and were used for all calculations. Data were corrected for Lorentz, polarization, and absorption effects (seven Ψ-scans with μ = 1.03 mm⁻¹, transmission factors 0.836–1.000). The structure was solved by the heavy atom method. Full-matrix least-squares analyses⁹ were performed with all non-hydrogen atoms, with the exception of solvent, anisotropic; the hydrogen atoms were included in fixed calculated positions with assigned isotropic temperature factors. The disordered solvent molecules were restrained. Refinement of 1268 parameters on all data on F² gave wR2 = 0.1454 (R1 = 0.0536, for 9939 data with F_o > 4σ(F_o)), goof = 1.030, and residual electron density 0.97 to -0.67 e Å⁻³.

Selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 2. Additional crystallographic data are available as Supporting Information.

Results and Discussion

When the recently described⁷ octanuclear palladium(I) compound {[Pd(μ-SC₆F₅)(μ-dppm)Pd](μ-SC₆F₅)₄} is reacted with additional bis(diphenylphosphino)methane (dppm) and silver triflate (1:8:8, eq 1), a heterometallic tetranuclear species is

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