

Involvement of Multiply Bonded Dirhenium Complexes in Mixed-Metal Assemblies. Isolation and Characterization of a New Type of Re_4Pd_2 Cluster

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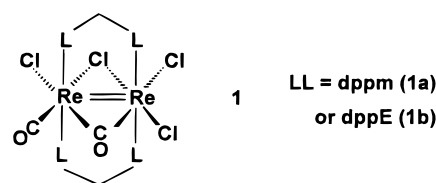
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More than any other multiply bonded dimetal core,¹ that of $[\text{Mo}^4\text{Mo}]^{4+}$ has proven to be ideal for incorporation into small cluster assemblies. Examples include ligand-bridged chains² and cyclic quartets³ containing two quadruply bonded units, as well as cyclic clusters containing three,⁴ four,⁵ or six⁶ such dimolybdenum(II) units. Examples have also been encountered in dimolybdenum(III) chemistry, e.g., $[(\text{Me}_3\text{CO})_2\text{Mo}^4\text{Mo}-(\text{OCMe}_3)_2]_2(\mu\text{-F})_4$.⁷ In addition, linear trinuclear and tetranuclear complexes that contain $\text{M}\cdots\text{Mo}^4\text{Mo}$ ($\text{M} = \text{Ru}, \text{Pd}$ or Pt)⁸ or $\text{M}\cdots\text{Mo}^4\text{Mo}\cdots\text{M}$ arrays ($\text{M} = \text{Pd}$ or Pt)^{8(b),9} can be obtained through the use of a tridentate ligand that can bridge the Mo_2 pair as well as M . In some instances, the $[2 + 2]$ cycloaddition of two M^4M bonds ($\text{M} = \text{Mo}$ or W) can occur to generate tetrametalocyclodiyne type clusters,^{10–12} but these complexes have a chemistry quite different from that of the aforementioned species, which retain their localized M^4M bonding.

Surprisingly, despite the isoelectronic nature of $[\text{Mo}^4\text{Mo}]^{4+}$ and $[\text{Re}^4\text{Re}]^{6+}$,¹ the incorporation of this dirhenium core into clusters or extended arrays has not been reported, although polymers of the type $[\text{cis-Re}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{Cl}_4(\mu\text{-LL}))_\infty$ ($\text{LL} =$ bridging bidentate ligand) have recently been characterized¹³ and the first tetrarhenium cyclodiyne type clusters have been reported.¹⁴ Because of the rich redox chemistry of multiply bonded dirhenium(III,III), (III,II), and (II,II) complexes,¹ we have begun

to examine the potential for these units to be incorporated into mixed-metal clusters. Preliminary results reported herein describe a novel Re_4Pd_2 cluster that contains pairs of $[\text{Re}=\text{Re}]^{4+}$ units that are linked by thiocyanate bridges through a $[\text{Pd}_2]^{4+}$ unit. These observations have no precedent in the aforementioned dimolybdenum chemistry that has been reported.

We have established previously that in dicarbonyl complexes of the type $\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_4(\mu\text{-LL})_2(\text{CO})_2$ (**1**; $\text{LL} = \text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2\text{PPh}_2$ (dppm) or $\text{Ph}_2\text{PC}(\text{=CH}_2)\text{PPh}_2$ (dppE)) the Cl ligand cis to the bridging



CO ligand is labile toward substitution by neutral ligands such as CO, RNC, and RCN.^{15–18} These substitutions proceed with retention of stereochemistry. The substitution of this Cl ligand in **1a** and **1b** by other *monoanionic* ligands has not previously been studied. In the present study we find that NaSCN (between 1 and 5 equiv) reacts with **1b** in methanol to afford red-brown crystals of the N-bound thiocyanate complex $\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_3(\text{NCS})(\mu\text{-dppE})_2(\text{CO})_2$ (**2**) in ca. 80% yield.¹⁹ When this reaction is carried out in the presence of $\text{Pd}(1,5\text{-COD})\text{Cl}_2$ and an excess of NaSCN, the Re_4Pd_2 cluster **3** is formed in high yield (>80%).²⁰ The structure of **3** was established by X-ray crystallography, and an ORTEP²¹ representation is shown in Figure 1.²² The uncoordinated sulfur of the N-bound thiocyanato ligand present in **2** is used to complex a Pd atom in the assembly of this cluster, the formation of which is represented in Scheme 1. The asymmetric unit comprises one-half of the molecule with an inversion center being coincident with the center of the $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-SCN})_2]$ core. The Re–Re double bond that is present in **1b** ($\text{Re}=\text{Re} = 2.5748(5)$)

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- (19) Synthesis of **2**. A sample of NaSCN (8.1 mg, 0.10 mmol) was dissolved in methanol (5 mL) and this solution added to one of **1b** (136 mg, 0.10 mmol) in 30 mL of dichloromethane. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h, during which time the reaction color changed from yellow to green to red-brown, and then filtered to remove insoluble materials. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to give a red-brown solid, which was washed with methanol (2×3 mL) and diethyl ether (2×5 mL). Recrystallization from $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ afforded red-brown microcrystals; yield, 106 mg (77%). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{56}\text{H}_{46}\text{Cl}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Pd}_2\text{Re}_2\text{S}$ (i.e., $2 \cdot \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$): C, 45.74, H, 3.15. Found: C, 46.22; H, 3.17. IR spectrum (KBr disk): $\nu(\text{NCS})$ 2081 vs, $\nu(\text{CO})_i$ 1961 vs, br, $\nu(\text{CO})_b$ 1729 m cm^{-1} . $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (CD_2Cl_2): $\delta = +12.7$ m, $\delta = +1.1$ m (centers of AA'BB' multiplets). Cyclic voltammogram (0.1 M *n*-Bu₄NPF₆-CH₂Cl₂ solution, Pt-bead electrode, scan rate 200 mV s⁻¹, potentials vs Ag/AgCl): $E_{1/2}(\text{ox}) = +0.96\text{V}$, $E_{1/2}(\text{red}) = -0.45\text{V}$, $E_{1/2}(\text{red}) = -1.33\text{V}$.

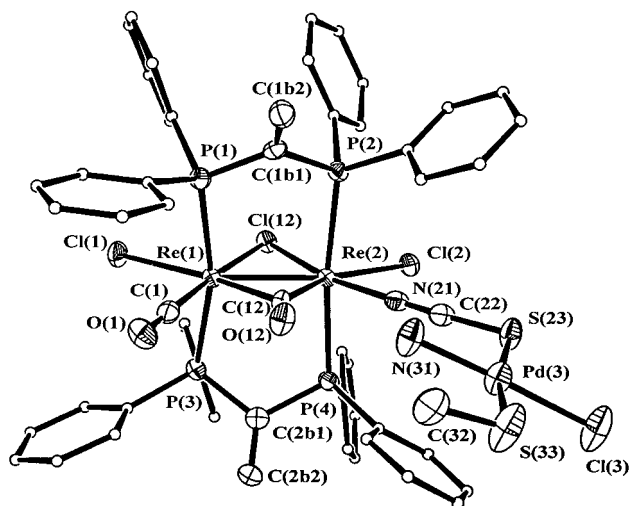
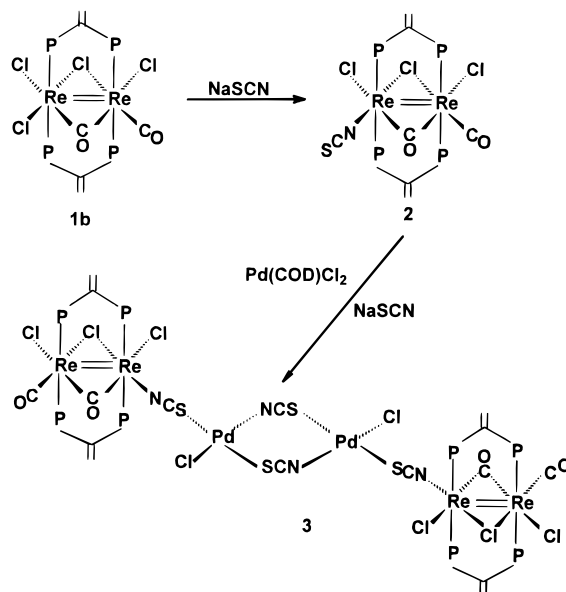


Figure 1. ORTEP²¹ representation of the structure of the asymmetric unit Re_2Pd present in the Re_4Pd_2 cluster **3**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level except for the phenyl group atoms of the dppE ligands, which are circles of arbitrary radius. The molecule contains an inversion center that is coincident with the center of the $[\text{Pd}(\mu\text{-SCN})(\mu\text{-NCS})\text{Pd}]$ ring (see the structural representation of **3** in Scheme 1) so that only one set of C, N, and S atoms is shown for these bridging thiocyanate ligands. Selected bond distances (Å) and bond angles (deg): $\text{Re}(1)\text{--}\text{Re}(2)$ 2.5775(4), $\text{Re}(1)\text{--}\text{C}(1)$ 1.915(10), $\text{Re}(1)\text{--}\text{C}(12)$ 2.192(8), $\text{Re}(1)\text{--}\text{Cl}(1)$ 2.427(2), $\text{Re}(1)\text{--}\text{Cl}(12)$ 2.4739(19), $\text{Re}(2)\text{--}\text{C}(12)$ 1.973(9), $\text{Re}(2)\text{--}\text{N}(21)$ 2.064(7), $\text{Re}(2)\text{--}\text{Cl}(2)$ 2.419(2), $\text{Re}(2)\text{--}\text{Cl}(12)$ 2.4456(19), $\text{Pd}(3)\text{--}\text{N}(31)$ 2.002(8), $\text{Pd}(3)\text{--}\text{Cl}(3)$ 2.287(3), $\text{Pd}(3)\text{--}\text{S}(33)$ 2.326(3), $\text{Pd}(3)\text{--}\text{S}(23)$ 2.333(3), $\text{S}(23)\text{--}\text{C}(22)$ 1.647(9), $\text{S}(33)\text{--}\text{C}(32)$ 1.670(12), $\text{N}(21)\text{--}\text{C}(22)$ 1.148(11), $\text{N}(31)\text{--}\text{C}(32)$ 1.130(12), $\text{Re}(2)\text{--}\text{N}(21)\text{--}\text{C}(22)$ 171.1(7), $\text{S}(23)\text{--}\text{C}(22)\text{--}\text{N}(21)$ 175.2(8), $\text{Pd}(3)\text{--}\text{S}(23)\text{--}\text{C}(22)$ 107.7(3), $\text{Pd}(3)\text{--}\text{S}(33)\text{--}\text{C}(32)$ 104.0(4), $\text{S}(33)\text{--}\text{C}(32)\text{--}\text{N}(31)$ 179.2(10).

Å)¹⁸ is retained in **3**, which has a Re–Re distance of 2.5775(4) Å. The structural parameters for the dirhenium units present in **3** are similar to those for **1b**.¹⁸ Formally, the neutral Re_4Pd_2 unit can also be considered as arising from the combination of two $[\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_3(\mu\text{-dppE})_2(\text{CO})_2]^+$ cations and a $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-SCN})(\mu\text{-NCS})\text{Cl}_2-$

Scheme 1. Reactions of **1b** with NaSCN and $\text{Pd}(\text{COD})\text{Cl}_2$ (Ph Groups of dppE Ligands Omitted)



$(\text{SCN})_2]^{2-}$ anion. The latter species has not previously been structurally characterized, although related ones that are of the type $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-SCN})(\mu\text{-NCS})\text{X}_4]^{2-}$ are known²⁵ and structurally resemble the dipalladium(II) unit present in **3**. Two types of bridging thiocyanato ligands are present in **3** that lead to two different Pd–S bonds; these have distances that are very similar (2.333(3) and 2.326(3) Å).

The regioselectivity of the substitution of the Cl ligand that is cis to the $\mu\text{-CO}$ ligand of **1b** by neutral and anionic ligands can be utilized to extend this new chemistry to the synthesis of other mixed-metal assemblies. Thus, the reactions of **1b** in dichloromethane with mixtures of TlPF₆ and *trans*-Pt(CN)₂(CN-*t*-Bu)₂^{26,27} and with TlO₃SCF₃ and Et₄N[W(CO)₅(CN)]²⁸ afford the $\mu\text{-CN}$ -bridged complexes $[\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_3(\mu\text{-dppE})_2(\text{CO})_2\{\text{NCPt}(\text{CN})(\text{CN}-t\text{-Bu})_2\}]\text{PF}_6$ (**4**) and $\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_3(\mu\text{-dppE})_2(\text{CO})_2\{\text{NCW}(\text{CO})_5\}$ (**5**), respectively.

The full scope of the chemistry that can be developed through the coordination of thiocyanato and cyano functionalities to various redox-active, multiply bonded dirhenium cores is under investigation, and full details will be presented in due course, including structural details for representative complexes.

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Supporting Information Available: X-ray crystallographic files in CIF format for **3**·10C₆H₆. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

(20) Synthesis of **3**. A solution of NaSCN (4.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in methanol (5 mL) was added to a mixture of **1b** (69 mg, 0.05 mmol) and $\text{Pd}(1,5\text{-COD})\text{Cl}_2$ (14 mg, 0.05 mmol) in 30 mL of dichloromethane. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h and filtered, and the volume of the filtrate was reduced to ca. 3 mL. The addition of diethyl ether (20 mL) afforded a yellow-brown precipitate of **3**, which was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether (20 mL), and dried. Recrystallization from $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ gave brown crystals; yield, 66 mg (84%). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{124}\text{H}_{100}\text{Cl}_8\text{N}_4\text{O}_4\text{P}_8\text{Pd}_2\text{Re}_4\text{S}_4$ (i.e., $3 \cdot 2\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$): C, 44.76; H, 3.03. Found: C, 44.92; H, 2.97. IR spectrum (KBr disk): $\nu(\text{NCS})$ 2082 vs, $\nu(\text{CO})$, 1964 vs, br, $\nu(\text{CO})_6$ 1726 cm^{-1} . ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum (CD_2Cl_2): $\delta = +12.5$, $\delta = +0.9$ (centers of AA'BB' multiplets). Cyclic voltammogram (0.1 M *n*-Bu₄NPF₆-CH₂Cl₂ solution, Pt-bead electrode, scan rate 200 mV s⁻¹, potentials vs Ag/AgCl): $E_{1/2}(\text{ox}) = +0.93\text{V}$, $E_{1/2}(\text{red}) = -0.46\text{V}$, $E_{1/2}(\text{red}) = -1.34\text{V}$.

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