# The study of isolobal displacement reactions. Synthesis and structures of the heterobimetallic $\mu$ -alkyne cluster complexes $\eta^{5}$ -RC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>M( $\mu$ -R<sup>1</sup>C<sub>2</sub>R<sup>2</sup>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (M=Mo, W; R=CH<sub>3</sub>C(O), CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>C)

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# Abstract

 $\eta^{5}$ -CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>Mo( $\mu$ -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>C<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (1a),  $\eta^{5}$ -CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>Mo( $\mu$ -p-CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>C<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (1b),  $\eta^{5}$ -CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>CC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>Mo( $\mu$ -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>C<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (1c),  $\eta^{5}$ -CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>W( $\mu$ -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>C<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (1c),  $\eta^{5}$ -CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>W( $\mu$ -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>C<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (1c) were prepared by reactions of the corresponding sodium salts of functionally substituted cyclopentadienyl carbonyl molybdenum (tungsten) anions with (CO)<sub>3</sub>Co( $\mu$ -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>C<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> or (CO)<sub>3</sub>Co( $\mu$ -p-CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>C<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub>, respectively. The compounds 1a-1e were characterized by elemental analysis, IR, <sup>1</sup>H NMR and mass spectroscopy, while the structure of 1c was further established by X-ray diffraction analysis. The compound crystallizes in the monoclinic space group  $P2_1/n$  with a = 8.503(1), b = 26.721(7), c = 11.033(2) Å;  $\beta = 106.09(2)^{\circ}$ ; V = 2408 Å<sup>3</sup>; and Z = 4.

Key words: Crystal structures; Cobalt complexes; Alkyne complexes; Cluster complexes; Tungsten complexes; Molybdenum complexes

#### Introduction

Heterobimetallic  $\mu$ -alkyne complexes containing the functionally substituted cyclopentadienyl VIB metal moiety and the isolobal displacement reaction between  $(\mu$ -alkyne)hexacarbonyldicobalt and functionally substituted cyclopentadienyl VIB metal anions have not appeared in the literature so far, although a number of heterobimetallic  $\mu$ -alkyne complexes have been reported and the isolobal displacement reactions were well documented [1-10]. In order to explore the reactivity of functionally substituted cyclopentadienyl VIB metal anions [11-21] and to prepare new complexes of this type, we have carried out the reactions of  $RCpM(CO)_3Na$  (M = Mo, W; R = CH<sub>3</sub>C(O), CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>C) with  $(CO)_3Co(\mu - R^1C_2R^2)Co(CO)_3$   $(R^1 = R^2 = C_6H_5;$  $R^1 = C_6H_5$ ,  $R^2 = p-CH_3C_6H_4$ ). Herein we report the results concerning this study.

#### **Results and discussion**

The sodium salts of functionally substituted cyclopentadienyltricarbonylmolybdenum (tungsten),  $\eta^5$ -RC<sub>5</sub>-H<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>3</sub>MNa (M=Mo, W; R=CH<sub>3</sub>C(O), CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>C), prepared from M(CO)<sub>6</sub> and  $\eta^5$ -RC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Na [13] were treated *in situ* with homobimetallic  $\mu$ -alkyne compounds (CO)<sub>3</sub>Co( $\mu$ -R<sup>1</sup>C<sub>2</sub>R<sup>2</sup>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (R<sup>1</sup>=C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, R<sup>2</sup>=C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> [22] and R<sup>1</sup>=C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, R<sup>2</sup>=p-CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> [23]) to give the expected compounds **1a**-**1e**, which could be regarded as a result of displacement of Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (d<sup>9</sup>ML<sub>3</sub>) in (CO)<sub>3</sub>Co( $\mu$ -R<sup>1</sup>C<sub>2</sub>R<sup>2</sup>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> by its isolobal metal fragments  $\eta^5$ -RC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>M (d<sup>5</sup>ML<sub>5</sub>) [10] (eqn. (1)).

The new compounds 1a-1e were fully characterized by elemental analysis, IR, <sup>1</sup>H NMR and mass spectroscopy. In their IR spectra four to five peaks in the region 2050–1934 cm<sup>-1</sup> were characteristic of the terminal carbonyls and one single peak at c. 1700 cm<sup>-1</sup> was characteristic of the functional carbonyl group of the organic substituent on the cyclopentadienyl ring. In their <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra two triplets appearing in the

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region  $\delta$  5–6 were assigned to four protons on the cyclopentadienyl ring; furthermore, the triplet upfield was assigned to H<sup>3</sup> and H<sup>4</sup>, and the triplet downfield to H<sup>2</sup> and H<sup>5</sup>. These assignments are in accord with those for compounds containing the same type of functionally substituted cyclopentadienyl ring [11–12]. It is noteworthy that the mass spectra of **1a–1e** all showed fragment ion peaks, such as those of alkyne R<sup>1</sup>C<sub>2</sub>R<sup>2</sup>, cluster core C<sub>2</sub>CoM, functional cyclopentadienyl RC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub> and a series of molecular ion – R<sup>1</sup> – R<sup>2</sup> – *n*CO (*n* = 0–5); but only **1a** showed the molecular ion peak of **1a** in its mass spectrum.

In order to further establish the structures of **1a-1e**, a single crystal structure determination of **1c** was undertaken by the X-ray diffraction method. Table 1 lists the fractional coordinates and equivalent thermal parameters of non-hydrogen atoms. The bond lengths and bond angles are listed in Tables 2 and 3, respectively. Figure 1 shows its molecular structure.

In general, the structure of 1c is quite similar to those previously described for  $\eta^5$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>W( $\mu$ -PhC<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> [7] and  $\eta^5$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>Mo( $\mu$ -CF<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> [8]. 1c has a quasi-tetrahedral core C<sub>2</sub>CoMo, in which the C(17)–C(27) bond is equal to 1.347(5) Å and inclined at an angle  $\theta$  of 88.3° to the Co–Mo(1) bond of 2.6873(6) Å. The average Co–C ( $\mu$ -C<sub>2</sub>) and Mo(1)–C bond lengths are 1.984(4) and 2.168(4) Å. These data are comparable to the corresponding values in  $\eta^5$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>W( $\mu$ -PhC<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (C–C ( $\mu$ -C<sub>2</sub>)=1.381(5), Co–W=2.693(1) Å,  $\theta$ =87.7°, av. Co–C ( $\mu$ -C<sub>2</sub>)=2.01(2), av. W–C ( $\mu$ -C<sub>2</sub>)=2.14(2) Å) [7], and  $\eta^5$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>Mo( $\mu$ -CF<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (C–C



Fig. 1. Molecular structure of 1c.

TABLE 1. Fractional coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters of non-hydrogen atoms for 1c

Atom	x	у	z	$B_{eq}$ (Å <sup>2</sup> )	
Мо	0.33561(6)	0.37570(2)	0.38917(5)	2.480(8)	
Co	0.0973(1)	0.30982(3)	0.28596(8)	2.58(2)	
O(1)	0.1762(7)	0.3004(2)	0.0449(5)	6.1(1)	
O(2)	-0.2492(6)	0.2853(2)	0.2150(6)	6.9(1)	
O(3)	0.2416(7)	0.2200(2)	0.4249(5)	4.9(1)	
O(4)	0.3264(7)	0.4165(2)	0.1224(5)	6.5(1)	
O(5)	0.2809(7)	0.4875(2)	0.4518(6)	5.6(1)	
O(31)	0.5290(7)	0.4304(2)	0.7361(5)	5.4(1)	
O(32)	0.4470(6)	0.3525(2)	0.7686(4)	4.9(1)	
C(1)	0.1448(8)	0.3036(2)	0.1377(6)	3.6(1)	
C(2)	-0.1146(8)	0.2944(3)	0.2422(7)	4.1(2)	
C(3)	0.1866(8)	0.2548(2)	0.3703(6)	3.4(1)	
C(4)	0.3253(8)	0.4006(3)	0.2186(6)	3.7(1)	
C(5)	0.3004(7)	0.4472(2)	0.4287(6)	3.2(1)	
C(11)	-0.0489(7)	0.4181(2)	0.2384(6)	2.8(1)	
C(12)	-0.1407(7)	0.4474(2)	0.2996(7)	3.6(1)	
C(13)	-0.2573(9)	0.4813(3)	0.2278(9)	4.9(2)	
C(14)	-0.281(1)	0.4858(3)	0.0996(9)	5.8(2)	
C(15)	-0.190(1)	0.4571(3)	0.0404(8)	6.5(2)	
C(16)	-0.072(1)	0.4226(3)	0.1086(7)	5.3(2)	
C(17)	0.0700(6)	0.3821(2)	0.3128(5)	2.4(1)	
C(21)	0.0508(6)	0.3571(2)	0.5409(5)	2.4(1)	
C(22)	0.0540(7)	0.4018(3)	0.6091(6)	3.4(1)	
C(23)	-0.0016(8)	0.4017(3)	0.7175(6)	4.0(2)	
C(24)	-0.0602(8)	0.3568(3)	0.7568(6)	4.2(2)	
C(25)	-0.0607(8)	0.3135(3)	0.6909(7)	4.5(2)	
C(26)	-0.0051(8)	0.3128(3)	0.5810(6)	3.4(1)	
C(27)	0.1059(6)	0.3583(2)	0.4247(5)	2.2(1)	
C(31)	0.6128(7)	0.3572(3)	0.4105(7)	3.6(1)	
C(32)	0.5352(7)	0.3115(3)	0.4277(6)	3.3(1)	
C(33)	0.4781(7)	0.3173(2)	0.5383(6)	3.0(1)	
C(34)	0.5210(7)	0.3663(2)	0.5856(6)	2.7(1)	
C(35)	0.6039(7)	0.3915(2)	0.5057(6)	3.1(1)	
C(36)	0.4986(7)	0.3875(3)	0.7037(6)	3.5(1)	
C(37)	0.423(1)	0.3681(4)	0.8900(6)	6.8(2)	

Anisotropically refined atoms are given in the form of the equivalent isotropic thermal parameter defined as:  $(4/3[a^2-B(1,1) + b^2B(2,2) + c^2B(3,3) + ab(\cos\gamma)B(1,2) + ac(\cos\beta)B(1,3) + bc(\cos\alpha)B(2,3)].$ 

 $(\mu$ -C<sub>2</sub>) = 1.371(7), Co–Mo = 2.692(1) Å,  $\theta$ = 88.5°, av. Co–C ( $\mu$ -C<sub>2</sub>) = 1.948(5), Mo–C ( $\mu$ -C<sub>2</sub>) = 2.127(5) Å) [8]. In addition, the two angles C(17)–C(27)–C(21) and C(27)–C(17)–C(11) in **1c** are equal to 139.3(4) and 140.1(4)°, which are somewhat larger than the corresponding values found in  $\eta^{5}$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>W( $\mu$ -Ph-C<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (136.0(3) and 139.1(4)°) [7] and  $\eta^{5}$ -C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>Mo( $\mu$ -CF<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)Co(CO)<sub>3</sub> (133.6(6) and 133.8(6)°) [8]. However, these values are in the typical range of angles 130–150 °C found for this type of bimetallic  $\mu$ -alkyne cluster compounds [24].

Finally, it is worth pointing out that the diphenylacetylene ligand takes the usual *cis*-bent configuration and the bulky methoxycarbonylcyclopentadienyl ring is located in a position opposite to the diphenylacetylene,

TABLE 2. Bond distances (Å) between non-hydrogen atoms for  $1c^a$ 

Mo-Co	2.6873(6)	C(11)-C(17)	1.470(5)
Mo-C(4)	1.975(4)	C(12) - C(13)	1.412(6)
Mo-C(5)	2.000(4)	C(13) - C(14)	1.377(8)
Mo-C(17)	2.188(4)	C(14) - C(15)	1.376(9)
Mo-C(27)	2.147(4)	C(15)-C(16)	1.414(8)
Mo-C(31)	2.355(4)	C(17)-C(27)	1.347(5)
Mo-C(32)	2.366(4)	C(21)-C(22)	1.408(6)
Mo-C(33)	2.346(4)	C(21)-C(26)	1.394(7)
Mo-C(34)	2.313(4)	C(21)-C(27)	1.482(5)
Mo-C(35)	2.326(4)	C(22)-C(23)	1.402(7)
Mo-Cp <sup>b</sup>	2.002(4)	C(23)-C(24)	1.413(8)
Co-C(1)	1.798(5)	C(24)-C(25)	1.365(8)
Co-C(2)	1.781(5)	C(25)-C(26)	1.419(6)
Co-C(3)	1.793(4)	O(31)-C(36)	1.208(5)
Co-C(17)	1.976(4)	O(32)-C(36)	1.324(6)
Co-C(27)	1.992(4)	O(32)–C(37)	1.470(5)
O(1)-C(1)	1.130(5)	C(31)-C(32)	1.426(6)
O(2)-C(2)	1.127(5)	C(31)-C(35)	1.411(6)
O(3)-C(3)	1.136(6)	C(32)-C(33)	1.442(6)
O(4)-C(4)	1.145(6)	C(33)-C(34)	1.419(6)
O(5)-C(5)	1.129(5)	C(34)-C(35)	1.439(6)
C(11)-C(12)	1.404(6)	C(34)-C(36)	1.480(6)
C(11)-C(16)	1.396(6)		

<sup>a</sup>Numbers in parentheses are e.s.d.s in the least significant digits. <sup>b</sup>Cp is the center of the five-membered ring composed of the C(31)-C(35) atoms.

which is probably due to the intramolecular steric interactions between these two ligands.

# Experimental

All reactions were carried out under a dry nitrogen atmosphere. Diglyme and THF were distilled from sodium benzophenone ketyl and purged with nitrogen prior to use.  $Mo(CO)_6$  and  $W(CO)_6$  were purchased from Stream Chemicals Inc.,  $CH_3C(O)C_5H_4Na$ ,  $(CO)_{3}Co(\mu - C_{6}H_{5}C_{2}C_{6}H_{5})$ -CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>CC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Na [13],  $Co(CO)_3$  [22], (CO)<sub>3</sub> $Co(\mu-p-CH_3C_6H_4C_2C_6H_5)Co(CO)_3$ [23] were prepared according to literature methods. The progress of the reactions was monitored by TLC and products were separated on silica gel plates  $(20 \times 17 \times 0.3 \text{ cm}, 10-14 \mu)$ . IR and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a NICOLET FT-IR 5DX spectrophotometer and a JEOL FX 90Q spectrometer. C/H analysis, MS and melting points data were obtained by using a 240C model analyzer, an HP 5988A spectrometer and a Yanako MP-500 instrument, respectively.

## Preparation of la

A solution of 0.528 g (2.0 mmol) of  $Mo(CO)_6$  and 0.26 g (2.0 mmol) of  $CH_3C(O)C_5H_4Na$  in 20 ml of THF was stirred at reflux for 12 h. Upon cooling to room temperature, 0.464 g (1.0 mmol) of  $(C_6H_5)_2C_2Co_2(CO)_6$ was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for an

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TABLE 3. Bond angles (°) between non-hydrogen atoms for 1c<sup>a</sup>

Co-Mo-C(4)	89.4(1)	C(16)-C(11)-C(17)	120.7(4)
Co-Mo-C(5)	125.2(1)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	119.0(5)
Co-Mo-C(17)	46.5(2)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	120.8(5)
Co-Mo-C(27)	47.0(2)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	119.8(6)
Co-Mo-Cp <sup>b</sup>	117.9(1)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	121.3(5)
C(4) - Mo - C(5)	85.2(2)	C(11)-C(16)-C(15)	118.6(5)
C(4)-Mo-C(17)	80.7(2)	Mo-C(17)-Co	80.3(1)
C(4)MoC(27)	116.5(2)	Mo-C(17)-C(11)	137.9(3)
C(4)-Mo-Cp <sup>b</sup>	117.5(2)	Mo-C(17)-C(27)	70.3(2)
C(5)-Mo-C(17)	79.0(2)	Co-C(17)-C(11)	130.3(3)
C(5)-Mo-C(27)	88.2(2)	Co-C(17)-C(27)	70.7(2)
C(5)-Mo-Cp <sup>b</sup>	112.7(2)	C(11)-C(17)-C(27)	140.1(4)
C(17)-Mo-C(27)	36.2(1)	C(22)-C(21)-C(26)	120.6(4)
C(17)-Mo-Cp <sup>b</sup>	158.2(2)	C(22)C(21)C(27)	118.7(4)
C(27)–Mo–Cp <sup>b</sup>	123.2(2)	C(26)-C(21)-C(27)	120.7(4)
Mo-Co-C(1)	96.5(2)	C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	119.6(4)
Mo-Co-C(2)	148.6(2)	C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	119.6(4)
Mo-Co-C(3)	99.1(2)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	120.4(4)
Mo-Co-C(17)	53.3(2)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	121.0(5)
Mo-Co-C(27)	52.1(2)	C(21)-C(26)-C(25)	118.9(5)
C(1)-Co-C(2)	101.4(2)	Mo-C(27)-Co	81.0(1)
C(1)-Co-C(3)	103.1(2)	Mo-C(27)-C(17)	73.6(2)
C(1)-Co-C(17)	107.0(2)	Mo-C(27)-C(21)	133.2(3)
C(1)-Co-C(27)	142.2(2)	Co-C(27)-C(17)	69.6(2)
C(2)-Co-C(3)	101.7(3)	Co-C(27)-C(21)	134.3(3)
C(2)-Co-C(17)	96.5(2)	C(17)-C(27)-C(21)	139.3(4)
C(2)-Co-C(27)	100.3(2)	C(32)-C(31)-C(35)	109.6(4)
C(3)-Co-C(17)	140.7(2)	C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	107.3(4)
C(3)-Co-C(27)	102.4(2)	C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	107.3(4)
C(17)CoC(27)	39.7(2)	C(33)-C(34)-C(35)	109.0(4)
Co-C(1)-O(1)	178.9(4)	C(33)-C(34)-C(36)	126.4(5)
Co-C(2)-O(2)	179.2(4)	C(35)-C(34)-C(36)	124.4(4)
Co-C(3)-O(3)	178.9(4)	C(31)-C(35)-C(34)	106.8(4)
Mo-C(4)-O(4)	176.5(4)	O(31)-C(36)-O(32)	125.8(4)
Mo-C(5)-O(5)	179.5(6)	O(31)C(36)C(34)	123.7(5)
C(12)-C(11)-C(16)	120.4(4)	O(31)-C(36)-C(34)	110.5(5)
C(12)-C(11)-C(17)	119.1(4)	C(36)-O(32)-C(37)	116.3(4)

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additional 0.5 h. The solvent was removed at reduced pressure and the residue was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The extracts were subjected to chromatographic separation on silica gel plates, using 2:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/petroleum ether as eluent to develop two bands. From the first band the unreacted starting material (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>Co<sub>2</sub>- $(CO)_6$  was removed. From the second orange band, 1a was obtained (yield 0.336 g, 58%) as a dark red solid. m.p. 97-99 °C. Anal. Found: C, 53.31; H, 2.83. Calc. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>17</sub>CoMoO<sub>6</sub>: C, 53.82; H, 2.95%. IR (KBr pellets, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$ (C $\equiv$ O), 2049(s), 2006(s), 1986(s), 1951(s);  $\nu$ (C=O), 1682(m). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.12 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.46 (t, 2H, H<sup>3</sup>, H<sup>4</sup>), 5.84 (t, 2H, H<sup>2</sup>, H<sup>5</sup>), 7.31 (s, 10H,  $2C_6H_5$ ). Mass spectrum (EI), m/z (Mo<sup>98</sup>, relative intensity): 582 ( $M^+$ , 2.4%), 428 [ $(M - 2C_6H_5)^+$ , 4.8], 400  $[(M - 2C_6H_5 - CO)^+, 2.7]$ , 372  $[(M - 2C_6H_5 - CO)^+, 2.7]$  $(M - 2C_6H_5 - 3CO)^+, 46.3], 316$  $[(M - 2C_6H_5 - 4CO)^+, 3.4], 288 [(M - 2C_6H_5 - 5CO)^+,$  6.7], 181 [C<sub>2</sub>CoMo<sup>+</sup>, 0.5], 178 [(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 44.0], 107 [CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, 1.5].

# Preparation of 1b and 1c

1b and 1c are dark red solids, prepared using the same procedure as that for 1a, but some of the starting materials were changed accordingly.

For preparing 1b, 0.478 g (1.0 mmol) of (p- $CH_3C_6H_4)(C_6H_5)C_2Co_2(CO)_6$  was used instead of  $(C_6H_5)_2C_2Co_2(CO)_6$ . 0.37 g (62%) of 1b was obtained as a dark red solid. m.p. 104-105 °C. Anal. Found: C, 54.72; H, 3.39. Calc. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>19</sub>CoMoO<sub>6</sub>: C, 54.57; H, 3.22%. IR (KBr pellets,  $cm^{-1}$ ):  $\nu(C=O)$ , 2049(s), 2008(s), 1983(s), 1950(s);  $\nu$ (C=O), 1680(s). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ, ppm): 2.12 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)), 2.33 (s, 3H, p-CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.41 (t, 2H, H<sup>3</sup>, H<sup>4</sup>), 5.81 (t, 2H, H<sup>2</sup>, H<sup>5</sup>), 7.08-7.41 (m, 9H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>). Mass spectrum (EI) m/z (Mo<sup>98</sup>, relative intensity): 484 [(M-4CO)<sup>+</sup>, 3.4%], 456  $[(M-5CO)^+, 16.7], 400 [(M-p-CH_3C_6H_4 C_6H_5-CO)^+$ , 14.8], 372 [( $M-p-CH_3C_6H_4-C_6H_5-C_6H_$  $(M-p-CH_3C_6H_4-C_6H_5-3CO)^+$ 17.3], 316  $[(M - p - CH_3C_6H_4 - C_6H_5 - 4CO)^+, 9.5]$ , 288  $[(M - p - CH_3C_6H_4 - C_6H_5 - 5CO)^+, 9.4], 181 (C_2Co-$ Mo<sup>+</sup>, 24.7), 192 (p-CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>C<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 34.6).

For preparing 1c, 0.292 g (2.0 mmol) of CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>CC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Na was used instead of CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Na. 0.34 g (57%) of 1c was obtained as a dark red solid. m.p. 94–96 °C. *Anal.* Found: C, 52.31; H, 2.83. Calc. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>17</sub>CoMoO<sub>7</sub>: C, 52.37; H, 2.87%. IR (KBr pellets, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$ (C=O), 2050(s), 2008(s), 1980(s), 1968(s), 1944(s);  $\nu$ (C=O), 1728(m). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 3.67 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.40 (t, 2H, H<sup>3</sup>, H<sup>4</sup>), 5.89 (t, 2H, H<sup>2</sup>, H<sup>5</sup>), 7.30 (s, 10H, 2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>). Mass spectrum (EI) *m/z* (Mo<sup>98</sup>, relative intensity): 542 [(*M*-2CO)<sup>+</sup>, 15.6%], 514 [(*M*-3CO)<sup>+</sup>, 14.9], 458 [(*M*-5CO)<sup>+</sup>, 81.7], 181 (C<sub>2</sub>CoMo<sup>+</sup>, 6.4), 178 [(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 100], 123 (CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-CC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, 18.0).

## Preparation of 1d

A solution of 0.704 g (2.0 mmol) of  $W(CO)_6$  and 0.26 g (2.0 mmol) of CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Na in 20 ml of diglyme was stirred at reflux for 6 h. After the solvent was stripped at reduced pressure, 0.464 g (1.0 mmol) of  $(C_6H_5)_2C_2C_2(CO)_6$  and 20 ml of THF were added and the reaction mixture stirred for an additional 0.5 h. After the same workup as that for 1a, 0.205 g (31%)of 1d was obtained as a brick-red solid. m.p. 100-102 °C. Anal. Found: C, 46.61; H, 2.21. Calc. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>17</sub>CoO<sub>6</sub>W: C, 46.74; H, 2.56%. IR (KBr pellets, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$ (C=O), 2050(s), 2004(s), 1983(s), 1977(s), 1945(s);  $\nu$ (C=O), 1684(m). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.16 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.63 (t, 2H, H<sup>3</sup>, H<sup>4</sup>), 5.89 (t, 2H,  $H^{2}$ ,  $H^{5}$ ), 7.31 (s, 10H, 2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>). Mass spectrum (EI) m/z (W<sup>184</sup>, relative intensity): 528 [(M-5CO)<sup>+</sup>, 7.3%], 458  $[(M-2C_6H_5-2CO)^+, 6.3], 430 [(M-2C_6H_5-$   $(M - 2C_6H_5 - 4CO)^+$ , 4.9], 374  $(M - 2C_6H_5 - 5CO)^+$ , 11.3], 267 ( $C_2CoW^+$ , 29.7), 178  $(C_6H_5)_2C_2^+$ , 100].

# Preparation of 1e

A solution of 0.704 g (2.0 mmol) of  $W(CO)_6$  and 0.292 g (2.0 mmol) of  $CH_3O_2CC_5H_4Na$  in 20 ml diglyme was stirred at reflux for 6 h. After the solution was stripped at reduced pressure, 0.464 g (1.0 mmol) of  $(C_6H_5)_2C_2Co_2(CO)_6$  and 20 ml of THF were added and the reaction mixture stirred for an additional 0.5 h. After the same workup as that for 1a, 0.338 g (49%) of 1e was obtained as a dark red solid. m.p. 96-98 °C. Anal. Found: C, 45.88; H, 2.55. Calc. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>17</sub>CoO<sub>7</sub>W: C, 45.64; H, 2.50%. IR (KBr pellets, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$ (C=O), 2049(s), 2000(s), 1967(s), 1934(s);  $\nu$ (C=O), 1729(s). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ, ppm): 3.69 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.54 (t, 2H,  $H^3$ ,  $H^4$ ), 5.94 (t, 2H,  $H^2$ ,  $H^5$ ), 7.25 (s, 10H, 2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>). Mass spectrum (EI), m/z (W<sup>184</sup>, relative intensity): 628  $[(M-2CO)^+, 22.1\%], 600 [(M-3CO)^+, 38.6], 572$  $[(M-4CO)^+, 100], 544 [(M-5CO)^+, 46.5], 474$  $[(M-2C_6H_5-2CO)^+, 4.0], 418 [(M-2C_6H_5-4CO)^+,$ 2.7], 390  $[(M-2C_6H_5-5CO)^+, 3.5]$ , 267  $(C_2CoW^+, C_2COW^+)$ 10.3), 178  $[(C_6H_5)_2C_2^+, 90.4]$ , 123  $(CH_3O_2CC_5H_4^+, 1.4)$ .

# X-ray structural determination of 1c

Single crystals of 1c were obtained by slowly evaporating its solution in 1:2  $CH_2Cl_2/petroleum$  ether. A well-formed single crystal with the approximate dimensions  $0.2 \times 0.2 \times 0.3$  mm was selected and mounted on the tip of a glass fibre. All X-ray data were collected on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer with graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å). A total of 4516 independent reflections was collected in the range  $2 \le \theta \le 24^{\circ}$  with  $\omega - 2\theta$  scan mode, of which 3169 reflections with  $I \ge 3\sigma(I)$  were considered to be observed and used for structural refinements. The intensity data were corrected for Lp and empirical absorption effects.

The crystal belongs to monoclinic space group  $P2_1/n$ . Cell parameters: a = 8.503(1), b = 26.721(7), c = 11.033(2) Å;  $\beta = 106.09(2)^\circ$ ; V = 2408 Å<sup>3</sup>; Z = 4;  $D_x = 1.64$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>;  $\mu = 12.38$  cm<sup>-1</sup>; F(000) = 1192.

The structure was solved by the heavy-atom method. The Mo atom was first located by Patterson analysis and the other non-hydrogen atoms were found from successive difference-Fourier syntheses. The final refinement by the full-matrix least-squares method for the coordinates and the anisotropic thermal parameters of the non-hydrogen atoms converged to give the agreement factors R = 0.036 and  $R_w = 0.044$ . The highest residual electron density peak is equal to 0.75 e/Å<sup>3</sup> on the final difference Fourier map.

All calculations were performed on a PDP 11/44 computer using the SDP-PLUS program system.

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