## Preliminary communication

## Interaction of silanes with bis(triphenylphosphine)ethyleneplatinum(0); Hydrosilylation of olefins with this complex

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Various silanes react with phosphine complexes of nickel<sup>1</sup>, palladium<sup>2</sup><sup>3</sup>, and platinum<sup>4</sup>, which have been found to be effective catalysts for the hydrosilylation of olefins.

Current interest in facile oxidative additions of simple molecules to bis(triphenylphosphine)ethyleneplatinum(0)<sup>5</sup>,  $[PtL_2(C_2H_4)]$  (L = PPh<sub>3</sub> throughout this paper), prompted us to study the reaction of this complex with various silanes, as well as its effectiveness as hydrosilylation catalyst of olefins.

Reaction of 1-hexene with MeCl<sub>2</sub>SiH in the presence of  $[PtL_2(C_2H_4)]$  as catalyst gave n-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub>SiMeCl<sub>2</sub> in almost quantitative yield. With a sufficient amount of the complex (100–200 mg), fine white crystals were formed from the reaction mixture, and these were found to be  $[PtH(SiMeCl_2)L_2]$  (probably *cis*) (70% yield), m.p. 210–215°; IR (KBr): 2110 m ( $\nu$ (Pt-H)), 1240 m ( $\delta$ (Si-CH<sub>3</sub>)), 790 m and 775 m ( $\delta$ (Pt-H)/ $\delta$ (Si-CH<sub>3</sub>)), and 450 m ( $\nu$ (Pt-P), doublet). This hydridosilylplatinum(II) complex was too insoluble for its configuration to be assigned beyond doubt by NMR. Recently, several hydridosilylplatinum(II) complexes of the formula { PtH[Si(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>X)<sub>3</sub>]L<sub>2</sub>} (X = *m*- and *p*-F or CF<sub>3</sub>) have been prepared by Chatt, Eaborn and Kapoor<sup>6</sup> using [PtL<sub>4</sub>].

Under our conditions but without 1-hexene, another platinum complex was formed and this was identified as  $[Pt(SiMeCl_2)_2 L_2]$  (probably *cis*) (50% yield), m.p. 200-210°; IR (KBr): 1240 m ( $\delta$ (Si-CH<sub>3</sub>)), 800 m ( $\delta$ (Si-CH<sub>3</sub>), doublet), and 450 m ( $\nu$ (Pt-P)). The complex was sparingly soluble in benzene and gave a poor NMR spectrum; It was very unstable in CHCl<sub>3</sub> and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.

When  $HSiCl_3$  was used instead of  $MeCl_2SiH$ , the last-mentioned type of complex, *i.e.*,  $[Pt(SiCl_3)_2L_2]$  was the only product, regardless of whether 1-hexene was present or not. This complex has been obtained by treatment of  $[PtL_4]$  with  $HSiCl_3$  at  $35^{\circ 6}$ . It is likely that  $HSiCl_3$  is so reactive towards the intermediate hydridosilylplatinum(II) that it readily gives the observed  $[Pt(SiCl_3)_2L_2]$ .

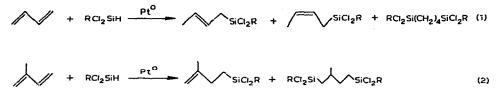
In cases where  $(EtO)_2MeSiH$ ,  $Me_2ClSiH$ ,  $Me_3SiH$ , or  $Me_2EtSiH$  were used, hydrosilulation of simple olefins such as 1-hexene and  $Me_3SiCH=CH_2$  was effectively catalyzed by  $[PtL_2(C_2H_4)]$ . However, with these silanes, the platinum(0) complex was immediately converted into red-brown crystals which were very soluble in benzene, and analyzed as  $[PtL \cdot C_6H_6]_{x}$ , m.p. > 280°. Although this complex cannot be fully characterized at present,

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a cluster structure of Pt<sup>0</sup> complex may be suggested. Gillard *et al.*<sup>7</sup> have briefly described the preparation of  $[PtL]_4$  and  $[PtL_2]_3$ .

On the basis of these observations, it can be said that the order of the stabilities of the silylplatinum complexes formed by treatment of  $[PtL_2(C_2H_4)]$  with silanes is the same  $(SiCl_3 > SiMeCl_2 > SiMe_3)$  as that observed for the adducts of silanes to  $[RhClL_3]^{8.9}$ .

Another important feature of the present catalyst became evident when conjugated dienes were used as substrates for hydrosilylation (eqn. 1 and 2). Of interest are the facts that in the case of isoprene the only mono-adduct formed was the 1,2-addition product, and that even when excess diene was present the di-adduct was also obtained in considerable amounts.



As  $[PtL_2(C_2H_4)]$  cannot catalyze the addition of silanes to inner olefins such as 2-hexene and cycloolefins at least at 80°, and as isomerization of 1-hexene to 2-isomers is slow under the conditions used, the absence of the 1,4-adduct of isoprene may be ascribed to a less favorable reaction of the conjugated diene with the platinum catalyst than that of simple olefins. This may also account for the favored di-adduct formation. Phosphine complexes of nickel<sup>1 a</sup> and palladium<sup>3</sup> catalyze 1,4-addition of silanes to isoprene, which fact suggests the intervention of  $\pi$ -allylic metal intermediates. Such  $\pi$ -allylic platinum complexes are known to be rather unusual.

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