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ABBREVIATIONS

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acac - acetylacetonate
bipy - bipyridine
Bu - n-butyl
t-Bu - t-butyl
COT - cyclooctatriene
Cp - cyclopentadienyl
dam - bis(diphenylarsino)methane
das - o-phenylenebis(dimethylarsine)
dppe - 1,2-bis(dipheny]phosphino)ethane
dmpe - 1,2-bis(dimethylphosphino)ethane
dpm - bis(diphenylphosphino)methane
Et - ethyl
Me - methyl
o-phen ~ o-phenanthroline
piper - piperidine
Pr - propyl
i-Pr - isopropyl
Pz - pyrazine
TMEDA (tmen) - tetramethylethylenediamine
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REVIEWS

Reviews covering the following areas of chemistry appeared in 1976: The thermodynamic properties, chemical equilibria and standard potentials of chromium, molybdenum and tungsten (ref. 1), the fluxionality of $(n^6$ -cycloheptatrienyl) Mo(CO)₃ (ref. 2), the area of substituted cyclopentadienyl rings and their synthesis (ref. 3), interpretation of potential constants and application to study of bonding forces in metal cyanide complexes and metal carbonyls (ref. 4).

SYNTHESIS AND REACTIVITY

Metal Carbonyls

The elusive formyl ligand was produced in situ via reaction of $K^{+}HB(0-i-Pr)_{3}^{-}$ with $Cr(C0)_{6}$ yielding $Cr(C0)_{5}C(0)H^{-}$ (ref. 5). Its proton magnetic resonance is at 15.25, similar to that of the well-characterized $(C0)_{4}FeC(0)H^{-}$ anion. NMR evidence for formyls of $W(C0)_{6}$, $(C0)_{5}CrPPh_{3}$, and $(C0)_{5}WPPh_{3}$, similarly produced by reaction with trialkoxyborohydries, was also reported (ref. 5). Several metal carbonyl derivatives of nucleic acid bases and nucleosides such as purine, adenine, adenosine, xanthine, etc., were prepared and characterized (ref. 6). Thus $W(C0)_{5}L$, $W(C0)_{5}L^{-}$, and $Mo(C0)_{3}enL^{-}$ were prepared by the

photolysis of $W(CO)_{6}$ in THF/ROH or thermolysis of $Mo(CO)_{4}$ en in ROH in the presence of L or L⁻. The anionic complex W(CO)₅(2-thiouracilate)⁻ was also produced by base hydrolysis of the neutral $W(CO)_{5}(2-\text{thicuracil})$ (ref. 6). Flash photolysis of $W(CO)_6$ has been reported to result in the production of $W(CO)_5$ (λ_{max} 414 nm) and CO in a one-step reaction (ref. 7). In cyclohexane a rather slow thermal reaction is observed resulting in formation of the original $W(CO)_6$ ($k_2 = 89 M^{-1} sec^{-1}$), whereas in CCl₄ a more rapid process led to the production of W(CO)₅Cl (λ_{max} 385 nm) with a rate constant $k_1 = 232 \text{ sec}^{-1}$. In the mixed solvent (CCl₄/C₆H₁²) formation of W(CO)₅Cl was the predominant process. Results of this study have been interpreted with regard to the rate of metathesis of olefins (ref. 7). The interactions of transition metal carbonyls, $Mo(CO)_6$, $Re_2(CO)_{10}$, and $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ with a hydrogen γ zeolite were studied by Xray diffraction, IR and U.V. spectroscopy and volumetric measurements (ref. 8). Complexes were located in zeolite cages. Heating produced progressive CO loss resulting in partially decomposed complexes bound to the framework (ref. 8). on complete decomposition, metal particles retained in zeolite were examined (ref. 8). Photochemical studies of ligand substitution reaction of $W(CO)_5 X$ (X=substituted pyridines) show that the $W \rightarrow X$ charge transfer state is less reactive towards dissociative loss of X than is the lowest ligand field state (ref. 9). Complexes of the form $R_2Sn:M(CO)_5$ (R = C_5H_5 , M = Cr, Mo, W; R = MeC_5H_A , M = Cr, W) have been prepared by the addition of dicyclopentadienyltin or bis(methylcyclopentadienyl)tin to THF solutions of M(CO)₅THF (ref. 10). A dramatic lowering of the tin-119 Mössbauer isomer shift from 3.74-3.83 mm s⁻¹ in the free stannylene ligands to $1.86-2.00 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$ in the complexes with a concomitant increase in the quadrupole splitting from 0.8 mm s⁻¹ to 2.51-3.13 $\,\rm mm\,\,s^{-1}$ have been interpreted as demonstrating the presence of synergic tin $\,\rightarrow\,$ metal σ - and metal \rightarrow tin (d \rightarrow p) π - binding along the tin-metal axis (ref. 10). Substituent effects on the reaction of $Cr(CO)_5C(X)C_6H_4Y$ and SiR_3H in the presence of pyridine to yield $Cr(CO)_5 py$ and $SiR_3(C(X)(H)(C_6H_4Y))$, as well as detailed kinetic studies, support the proposed mechanism of a minor first-order dissociative contribution in which the silicon hydride reacts as a nucleophile at the carbene carbon. This work was extended to reactions with other IVA hydrides; variation in rate follow the order Si< Ge << Sn (ref. 11,12). Cocondensation of Cr atoms and N₂ or N₂/Ar has afforded $Cr(N_2)_x$ where x = 1-6, which have been identified by IR/Vis-UV spectra (ref. 13). Side-on di-nitrogen bonding was proposed as a possible explanation for the "anomalous behavior" of the lower coordinated complexes, $Cr(N_2)_2$, x = 1-4 (ref. 13) Verifying earlier electrochemical studies, one- and two-electron oxidations of $Cr(CNR)_{6}(R = aryl)$ by AgPF₆ yielded $Cr(CNR)_6^+PF_6^-$ and $(Cr(CNR)_6)(PF_6)_2$ (ref. 14). These sub-18electron species (μ = 2.0 and 3.0 BM, respectively) appear to be thermally and air stable in the solid state (ref. 14).

In an attempt to prepared mixed metal carboxylates such as $MM'(0_2CR)_4$, W(CO)₆, Cr(CO)₆ and pivalic acid were reacted in refluxing <u>o</u>-dichlorobenzene (ref. 15). A compound of stoicheiometry W₃Cr₃O₂₈C₆₅H₁₁₀, containing a triangular W_3 cluster with edge-bridging oxo atoms connecting the W_3 cluster to Cr octahedra, and face bridging alkoxo groups were verified by X-ray crystallography (ref. 15). In the presence of trifluoromethylsulfonic acid, $Mo(CO)_6$ and acetic acid, reagents used to produce $Mo_2(OAc)_4$, react to yield a trinuclear complex salt $(MO_3(OAc)_6(CH_3CH_2O)_2 (H_2O_3)^{2+} - (CF_3SO_3)_2^- (ref. 16)$. Chromium hexacarbonyl reacts with tetrachloro-1,2-benzoquinone to yield $Cr(0_2C_6C1_4)_3$, whose crystal structure was reported (ref. 17). From the photochemical reactions of $M(CO)_{6}$ (M = Cr, Mo, W) and $(CH_{3})_{2}$ S-CH₂ in ether, yellow solids with the composition $((CH_3)_2S-CH_2)M(CO)_4$ were obtained in good yields (ref. 18). The isocyanides Me_3MCH_2NC , where M = Si, Ge, Sn and Pb, were prepared via the lithio species Li(CH_2NC) and MeMX (ref. 19). These were then reacted with Mo(CO)₆ to form complexes: $Mo(CO)_{6-x}(CNCH_2MMe_3)_x$ (x = 1,2, and 3) and with $Cr(CO)_6$ to form $Cr(CO)_{5}$ -CNCH₂MMe₃. IR data were recorded and shifts of v(CN) and v(CO) were interpreted in terms of the inductive effect of the Me₂M-group (ref. 19). The halogen bridged molybdenum and tungsten dimeric carbonyl derivatives have been prepared via reaction 1, where alkyl=ethyl and methyl, by Hohmann and tomDieck (ref. 20).

$$2 \operatorname{M(CO)}_{6} \xrightarrow{+3(\operatorname{NAIk}_{4})\operatorname{CI}}_{-6(\operatorname{CO})} \left[(\operatorname{CO})_{3} \operatorname{M} \xleftarrow{\operatorname{CI}}_{\operatorname{CI}} \operatorname{M(CO)}_{3} \right] \left[\operatorname{NAIk}_{4} \right]$$
(1)

The thiocarbonyl complexes $M(CO)_5CS(M=Cr, MO, W)$ were prepared by reaction of Na/Hg-reduced $M(CO)_6$ (presumably $M_2(CO)_{10}^{-2}$) with thiophosgene, Cl_2CS (ref. 21). A most convenient chemical separation of $W(CO)_5CS$ from $W(CO)_6$ illustrates the major difference in the CS and CO ligands. That is, under mild conditions such that $W(CO)_6$ is unreactive, $n-Bu_4N^+I^-$ readily reacts with $W(CO)_5CS$ forming $n-Bu_4N^+W(CO)_5CS^-$ by reaction with Ag^+ in the presence of CO. Extensive ligand substitution reactions confirm the inertness of CS to substitution, and the ability of CS to labilize CO (ref. 21). A series of reactions of tungsten thiocarbonyl complexes with electrophiles was reported (ref. 22). For example, CF_3SO_3H protonated $W(CO)(CS)(diphos)_3$ yielding $(HW(CO)(CS)(diphos)_2)CF_3SO_3$; whereas other Lewis acids add to the thiocarbonyl sulfur. Products such as $W(CO)_4(I)CSR$ were formed via alkylation of $Bu_4N(W(CO)_4(CS)I)$ by $MeOSO_2F$ and $Et_3O^+BF_4^-$. Nucleophiles such as NH_2R , NHR_2^+ , and N_3^- react with the less electron rich thiocarbonyl, $W(CO)_5CS$, forming adducts in which the donor atom binds to the thiocarbonyl carbon, ultimately yielding $W(CO)_5CNR$, $W(CO)_5(S=C(H)NR'_2)$, and

W(CO)₅NCS⁻, respectively (ref. 23). The stereospecific synthesis of trans- $W(CO)_{A}^{(13}CO)CS$ may be effected in high yield through reaction of $Bu_{A}N(trans W(CO)_4(CS)I$ with AgBF₄ or AgCF₃SO₃ in the presence of ¹³CO (25 psi) (ref. 24). The silver salt technique was also used to prepare \underline{cis} -W(CO)_A(¹³CO)L (L = CNC_6H_{11} , P(4-C1C₆H₄)₃) from <u>cis</u>-W(CO)₄(L)Cl⁻. Studies of intramolecular isomerization of trans-W(CO) $_{A}$ (¹³CO)CS and of CO dissociation are included in this report (ref. 24). The X-ray structural data of $\frac{\text{trans}-W(CO)_{A}(CNC_{6}H_{11})(CS)$ have shown that the W-C bond lengths of the three isoelectronic ligands increase in the order: W-CS(1.944Å) < W-CO(2.0645Å, ave.) < W-CNC₆H₁₁(2.158Å) (ref. 25). Using data from this and other thiocarbonyl derivatives an excellent correlation was observed between the C-S distances and the CS stretching frequencies (ref. 25). The behavior of $M(CO)_{5}CS$ (M = Cr or W) towards UV photolysis in an Ar or CH_a matrix is to produce two isomeric forms of $M(CO)_a CS$ (ref. 26). Based on interpretation of the IR of 13CO labelled molecules the two structures are proposed to be square pyramidal C_{4y} (CS at apex) and square pyramidal C_{5} (CS in basal plane) (ref. 26). Stereospecifically labelled $\underline{trans}-W(CO)_A(^{13}CO)(CS)$ was also used to determine that the photolytic loss of CO from the axial or equatorial position with respect to the thiocarbonyl is equally probable (ref. 27). Importantly, rearrangement occurs after loss of CO, in an excited state, and this leads to the observed geometrical distribution of C_{4v} and C_{s} W(CO)₄(CS) fragments (ref. 27).

Novel derivatives of $M(CO)_6$ included the synthesis of $(CpFe(CO)_2)_3Sb \rightarrow M(CO)_5$ (M = Cr, W) (ref. 28). The ferrio-stibane ligand was prepared by reaction of SbBr₃ or SbF₃ with Na⁺CpFe(CO)₂ (ref. 28). Similar metal-bridging stibane derivatives such as $((Cp)(CO)_2Fe)R_2Sb \rightarrow M(CO)_5$ (R = Me or Br; M = Cr, W), $((Cp)(CO)_2Fe)_2BrSb \rightarrow M(CO)_5$, and $((Cp)(CO)_3MO)R_2Sb \rightarrow Mn(CO)_2Cp$ (R = Me or Br) were also reported (ref. 29). The similarly stibane-bridged complexes $(Cp(CO)_3M')Br_2Sb - M(CO)_5(M$ and M = Cr, W) could be converted to difluoro derivatives by treatment with AgBF₄ (ref. 30). Continuing this work, $Cp(CO)_3W-AsMe_2$ and $(Cp(CO)_3W)_2SbMe$ were found to react with Ni(CO)₄ under mild conditions to give L \rightarrow Ni(CO)₃ products (ref. 31). At higher temperatures both products could be further reacted with L, splitting out CO as Ni(CO)₄ and yielding 4-membered metallo-Va-cycles, for example, I (ref. 31).



Synthesis of μ -(tetraphenyldiphosphine)decacarbonyldimolybdenum, (CO)₅MoPPh₂-PPh₂Mo(CO)₅(I) has been achieved by treatment of (CO)₅MoPPh₂Cl with ethylmagnesium bromide (ref. 32). The (CO)₅Cr-bound ligand PMe₂SH can be methylated with diazomethane to yield Cr(CO)₅PMe₂SMe (ref. 33). In addition, Na reduction of Cr(CO)₅PMe₂SH yields the anion Cr(CO)₅PMe₂S⁻ which in the presence of Cr(CO)₅THF can be used to link two Cr centers thus preparing ((OC)₅Cr + PMe₂S - Cr(CO)₅)⁻ (ref. 33). Other ligand bridging complexes recently synthesized were (CO)₅Cr-PMe₂PMe₂-M where M=Mn(CO)₂Cp, Fe(CO)₄, Co(CO)Cp, Ni(CO)₃, etc. (ref. 34). Photolysis of (CO)₅Cr-PMe₂PMe₂ yielded the dimetailocycle (CO)₄Cr(PMe₂-PMe₂)₂Cr(CO)₄ (ref. 34). The synthesis and ³¹P NMR spectra of a series of pentamethylcyclopentadienylphosphanes (II) have been reported by Jutzi and co-workers (ref. 35).



Comparison of crystallographic and spectral characterizations of $Mo(CO)_5(P-(CH_2)_6N_3)$, III, suggested the ligand to be of σ -donating capability similar to PPh₃ and of steric properties similar to PMe₃ (ref. 36).



Novel pentacarbonyl derivatives of the type $M(CO)_5P(t-Bu)_2EMe_2Cl$ (M = Cr, Mo, W; E = Ge, Sn) were prepared and their spectral properties recorded (ref. 37). The reaction of RR_2 with Me_3SnCH_2I initially gave quaternary phosphonium cations $(RR_2PCH_2SnMe_3)^+(R = (CO)_5MPPh_2CH_2CH_2, M=W, Mo, R = Ph; R=R = Ph; RMe, R = Ph; RPh, R = Me)$, which were unstable in HCCl₃ and MeOH but stable in Me₂SO (ref. 38). Derivatives of $M(CO)_6$, monosubstituted with the cage compound P_4O_6 , were prepared and the mass spectra, 31 P NMR and v (CO) IR spectra recorded (ref. 39). The CH₃C(CH₂As)₃Cr(CO)₅ derivative (IV) has been synthesized from the corresponding cyclic triarsane and Cr(CO)₆ in THF under photolysis (ref. 40).



Two routes which lead to the Ph_2As_2 bridged complex V are shown in the following diagram (ref. 41)



Schenk has reported the preparation of substituted carbonyl metallates of the type $[LM(CO)_4X]$ L = phosphine, phosphite, M = Mo, W, X = Cl, Br) by thermal or photochemical CO-displacement from the parent pentacarbonyl metallate. These new derivatives were isolated as the tetraethylammonium salts and characterized by their infrared spectra in the v(CO) region in tetrahydrofuran solution (ref. 42) Trifluoroacetic acid has been shown to protonate the series of metal carbonyl derivatives $M(CO)_{6-n}(PA_3)_n$ (M = Mo W, A=CH₃, OCH₃; n=3, 4). Infrared and proton NMR studies demonstrate stereochemical non-rigidity in these $[HM(CO)_{6-n}(PA_3)_n]^+$ heptacoordinated cationic species (ref. 43). The reaction of trans-Mo(N₂)₂(dppe)₂ with DMF gives the carbonyl complex, Mo(CO)(DMF)(dppe)₂, which reacts readily with N₂ gas to form the dinitrogen complex, trans-

Mo(CO)(N₂)(dppe)₂; the dinitrogen ligand is so labile as to be displaced to afford the complexes, $[Mo(CO)(dppe)_2]_n$ and $Mo(CO)L(dppe)_2(L = donor compounds)$ (ref. 44). Complexes of aromatic or α,β -unsaturated nitriles R'CN of the type $(R'CN)_2(PR_3)_2Mo(CO)_2$ and $(R'CN)(PR_3)_3Mo(CO)_2$ are new chromophores (ref. 45). Their intense electronic absorption band in the visible spectrum is strongly influenced by substituents and solvent polarity (ref. 45).

Derivatives such as $(L-L)M(CO)_4(M = Cr, Mo, W)$ and $(L-L)M(CO)_3Br_2$ (M = Mo, W) where L-L is the very bulky, sterically shielding neopentyldiphosphine ligand, $(Me_3CCH_2)_2PCH_2CH_2P(CH_2CMe_3)_2$ were prepared by the thermal displacement of CO from $M(CO)_6$ and via bromination of $(L-L)M(CO)_4$ respectively (ref. 46). A triligating ligand, $(Me_3CCH_2)P[CH_2CH_2P(CH_2CMe_3)_2]_3$ formed facial derivatives of $Mo(CO)_3$ and $Cr(CO)_3$ when the ligand was reacted with (cycloheptatrienyl) $M(CO)_3$ (ref. 46). Monodentate N-diphenylphosphinohydrazine derivatives, $LM(CO)_5$, $L_2M(CO)_4$ and $L_3M(CO)_3$, are all phosphorus bound (ref. 47). The chelate complexes VI, VII, and VIII could be readily prepared by either thermal substitution of CO, or by a labile ligand technique; however the authors were unable to prepare binuclear, phosphinohydrazine bridging complexes (ref. 47).



Various oxidation reactions of $Mo(CO)_2(dppe)_2$, with NOPF6, NOC1, Br₂ and I₂ were examined and analyzed by conductance, IR and NMR (³¹P and ¹⁹F) (ref. 48). Low temperature ³¹P NMR showed that $[Mo(CO)_2(dppe)_2F]^+$ is a rigid system while $[Mo(CO)_2(dppe)_2Br]^+$ and $[Mo(CO)_2(dppe)_2I^+$ are fluxional (ref. 48).



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Reaction of Ph_2PC1 with NH_2CHRCO_2Me (R=H, iso-Pr) affords stable bidentate aminophosphines, $(Ph_2P)_2NCHRCO_2Me$; transition metal complexes (optically active for R=iso-Pr) are reported for Mo(0) (ref. 49).

Whereas <u>cis</u>-azobenzene reacts with $Cr(CO)_5$ -THF to yield the nitrogen-lone pair ligated, mononuclear complex (PhNNPh)-Cr(CO)₅, <u>trans</u>-azobenzene reacts with the THF-Cr(CO)₅ complex, <u>not in solution but during the course of drying the</u> <u>residue</u>, to yield the dinuclear species, IX (ref. 50). Thermal reaction of these reagents in diglyme leads to π -arene complexes (ref. 50).



The reactions of aminetungsten pentacarbonyls and bis(amine)-tungsten tetracarbonyls with bromine or iodine to provide $W(CO)_4(amine)X_2$ and $W(CO)_3$ -(amine)_2- X_2 derivatives have been described (ref. 51). The iodide compounds are more stable than their chlorine analogs. The complexes were shown to be nonelectro-

lytes in benzene solution by conductivity measurements (ref. 51). The reaction of $M(CO)_5NCCH_3$ (M = Cr, Mo, W) with sodium bis(trimethylsily1) amide does not lead to the transformation of a CO group into CN⁻, but instead, to a deprotonation to give the anions $[M(CO)_5NCCH_2]^-$ (ref. 52). Both mononuclear $Cr(CO)_5^ (C_2N_2N_4)$ and binuclear $[Cr(CO)_5]_2(C_2H_2N_4)$ are formed when s-tetrazine $(C_2H_2N_4)$ is added to a photolysed solution of $Cr(CO)_6$ in diethyl ether (ref. 53). A centrosymmetric structure is proposed for the binuclear, s-tetrazine-bridged complex $[Cr(CO)_5]_2(C_2H_2N_4)$ (ref. 53). The corresponding molybdenum and tungsten compounds are also described (ref. 53). Complexes of the type $M(CO)_5L$ (L=benzo, cinnoline and phenanthridine; M=Cr, Mo, W) (X,XI) have been prepared (ref. 54). Bonding through the nitrogen base has been established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR studies (ref. 54).



Alkylation of $M(CO)_5 NCX^-$ by $R_3 O^+$ or $ROSO_2 F$ has yielded some twenty neutral cyanates, thiocyanates, and selenocyanates of Cr and W, all N-bound (ref. 55). No RXCN derivatives of Mo nor R-NCX derivatives of any VIB metal could be ioslated (ref. 55). Sellmann, et. al., have reported the synthesis, properties and reactions of $[(CO)_5 Cr]_2 N_2 H_4$, $(CO)_5 CrN_2 H_4$ and $(CO)_5 CrN_3]$, as well as attempts to prepare $[(CO)_5 Cr]_2 N_2$ and $(CO)_5 CrN_2$ (ref. 56).

Vrieze and co-workers have reported the preparation and properties of $M(CO)_4(RN=S=NR)(M=Cr, Mo, W; R=i-Pr,t-Bu)$ (XII) and $M(CO)_5(RN=S=NR)$ (M=Cr, W; R=Et, i-Pr) (XIII) (ref. 57). The pentacarbonyl derivatives were shown to be fluxional; attributed to a gliding movement of the metal atom along the N=S=N system (ref. 57).

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Binuclear complexes containing 2,3-diazabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-ene (DBH) (XIV and XV) are very readily formed (ref. 58). For M = Mo, the cis-Mo(CO)₄(DBH) complex spontaneously converts to XIV at room temperature even in the presence of excess DBH (ref. 58).



XIV

Reflux of pyridine-2-carboxylic acid (picH) with $M(CO)_6$ in MeOH afforded H₂, CO, and $[Cr(pic)_3]$, $[Mo(pic)_3]$ ·MeOH and $W(pic)_4$ (ref. 59). A mixed carbonyl-pic derivative whose structure was proposed to be that of a dinuclear complex, XVI was obtained in the stoiochiometric reaction of $W(CO)_6$ and picH (ref. 59).



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The reactions of the W(I) complex of picolinic acid (Hpic), $[W(CO)_3(pic)]_n$, with certain monodentate tertiary phosphines affords a convenient route to complexes of the type $W(CO)_3(PR_3)_3$ and $HW(CO)_2(PR_3)_2(pic)$. The latter hydrido complexes of W(II) were characterized by IR and NMR spectroscopy (ref. 60). The synthesis of many transition metal carbonyl derivatives of aminoalkynes included that of $(Et_2N)_4C_4W(CO)_4$, prepared by photolysis of $W(CO)_6$ and $Et_2NC \equiv CNEt_2$, whose possible structure is XVII (ref. 61).



Photochemical reaction of 1-ally1-3,5-dimethylpyrazole with $M(CO)_6$ (M= Cr, Mo, W) has afforded novel mono-olefin derivatives in which both pyrazoly1-N and the

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olefinic portion of the allyl group are coordinated to the metal in the <u>cis</u>configuration (XVIII) (ref. 62). The ligand N-allylpyrazole bound to chromiumand molybdenum-tetracarbonyl was found to be easily displaced by other donor ligands such as tertiary phosphines or phosphites (ref. 62).



XVIII

Isolation and characterization by I.R., UV-visible and ¹H NMR of the following types of complexes were reported (ref. 63).

1. $[\{M(CO)_5\}_2L]$ a. M = Cr, W $L = RS(CH_2)_nSR$ 1. R = Me and n = 62. R = Et and n = 2 or 4b. M = W R = Me or t-Bu; n = 22. $[M(CO)_5L]$ a. M = Cr or W $L = MeSCH_2Ph$ b. M = Cr $L = EtS(CH_2)_2SEt$ 3. $[M(CO)_4L]$ M = Cr, Mo or W $L = EtS(CH_2)_2SEt$

Bonding of the alkyl sulphide to group 6 metal carbonyls is discussed. The bridged ligand complexes of n = 2 decompose affording the related chelate complex and the parent hexacarbonyl (ref. 63). Phosphine sulfide metal complexes $M(CO)_5S:PHR_2$ (R = Me, Et, Ph; M = Cr, Mo, W) were prepared by the indirect photochemical reaction of $M(CO)_5(THF)$ with $R_2HP:S$ (ref. 64). These complexes undergo intramolecular rearrangements under mild conditions to give $(CO)_5MPR_2SH$ (ref. 64). Band-shape fitting studies for the NMR spectra of the benzylic nethylene protons of $M(CO)_4L[M = Cr, Mo, W; L = (PhCH_2SCH_2)_2]$ showed that the coalescence phenomenon observed in the temperature-dependent NMR spectra resulted from inversion of configuration about the ligand S atoms rather than from reversal of the chelate ring (ref. 65). The thioketene, 1,1,3,3-tetramethyl-2-thiocarbonylcyclohexane in tetrahydrofuran solvent (ref. 66).



XIX

Yellow complexes of the composition $(CH_3)_2S(=0)CH_2M(CO)_5$ have been obtained from the reaction of $(THF)M(CO)_5$ (M=Cr, Mo, W) with $(CH_3)_2S(=0)CH_2$ in tetrahydrofuran. Their infrared and proton NMR properties were described (ref. 67). The hitherto unreported complex, $W(CO)_5SH_2$ was prepared via photolysis of $W(CO)_6$ in the presence of H_2S gas in pentane (ref. 68). Lustrous green crystals, sublimable with partial decomposition, were obtained and characterized (ref. 68).

Several heptacoordinate VIb carbonyl-halides and isocyanide complexes were described according to their structural deviation from idealized symmetries of D_{5h} , C_{3v} and C_{2v} (ref. 69). $[M(CO)_2(NO)(o-phen \text{ or }-bipy)]_2$ (M = Mo, W) derivatives have resulted from the reaction of a benzene solution of $M(CO)_4(o-phen \text{ or }-bipy)$ with a slow stream of NO (ref. 70). Under similar conditions $M(CO)_4$ - $(Ph_2PCH_2CH_2AsPh_2)$ (M = Cr, Mo) gave $M(NO)_3(Ph_2PCH_2CH_2AsPh_2)$, whereas $W(CO)_4$ - $(Ph_2PCH_2CH_2AsPh_2)$ afforded the nitrosyl carbonyl complex $W(CO)(NO)_2(Ph_2PCH_2CH_2-AsPh_2)$ (ref. 70). A study of halogen oxidation of some amine chromium and amine molybdenum carbonyls was reported (ref. 71). Isolated species include (ref. 71), $Cr(CO)_3(amine)X_2$, $Mo(CO)_4(amine)X_2$, $Mo(CO)_3(amine)_2X_2$, $Mo(CO)_2(amine)_2X_2$, and $[Mo(CO)_3(amine)_3X]X$.

Aromatics and Cyclopentadienyls

Aromatics. Bis(2,6-dimethylpyridine)chromium was prepared by the co-condensation method (ref. 72). Two crystal modifications were analyzed by x-ray crystallography and both show the 2,6-dimethylpyridine units to be parallel but staggered relative to each other (ref. 73). Substituted bis(arene)chromium complexes were prepared by reacting $(C_6H_6)Cr(C_6F_5H)$ synthesized by the metal atom/vapor co-condensation technique with n-BuLi and converting the lithiated complex to $(C_6H_6)Cr(C_6F_5X)$ (X = SiMe₃, Co₂Li, CMe₂OH, CpFe(CO)₂, etc.) (ref. 74). Several compounds in which π -sandwich organometallics, such as dibenzenechromium or -molybdenum, cyclopentadienyl-cycloheptatrienylchromium, etc., have been intercalated into crystalline ZrS₂ were reported (ref. 75). The stoichiometry of the compounds is 1/6 bis-arene "guest molecules" per ZrS₂ unit and 1/4

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metallocene "guests" per ZrS₂ (ref. 75). Noteworthy is that successful intercalates occur with those sandwich complexes whose ionization potentials are low, < 6.2 eV (ref. 75). The reactions of $[CpMo(n^6-C_6H_5C1)]$ with ligands such as 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane (dppe), CH₃CN, COT, etc., have been explored (ref. 76). Several non-carbonyl containing products were observed and the x-ray crystal structure of one of them, $[(Cp)Mo(dppe)(n^4-C_6H_8)][PF_6]$, was reported (ref. 76). Ring poly-substituted products were obtained on reacting fluorinated bis(arene)chromium complexes such as $(n^6-C_6H_5F)_2Cr$ and $(n^6-C_6H_6)(n^6-C_6F_6)Cr$ with the nucleophiles NaOMe, n-BuLi, PhLi, and t-BuLi (ref. 77). Tertiary butyllithium is also capable of proton abstraction from $(n^6-C_6H_6)(n^6-C_6F_6)Cr$ yielding the condensed product (XX) (ref. 77).



Bridged dibenzenechromium complexes (XXI, XXII and XXIII) were prepared in 6, 29, and 15% yields, respectively, from the reaction of 1,4-diphenylbutane with Cr vapor (ref. 78).



XXIII

In comparison with $(C_{6}H_{6})Cr(CO)_{3}$, $(C_{6}H_{6})_{2}Cr$ is relatively light stable (ref. 79). The major part of the light energy absorbed by $(C_{6}H_{6})_{2}Cr$ leads neither to its decomposition nor ligand exchange, nor can it be transferred to common low energy triplet acceptors. Internal dissipation of energy, either by rapid conversion to the ground state or by rapid reversible isomerization, must be an important process (ref. 79).

Studies on reactions of the carbanion addition product (XXIV) with weak acids led Semmelhack and coauthors to propose a metal-protonated intermediate, (XXV), which subsequently decomposes to the neutral precursor of XXIV, $C_6H_6Cr(CO)_3$, and RH. Strong acids, however, protonate the cyclohexadienyl ligand to yield the diene (XXVI) (ref. 80).



In marked contrast to the action of $NO^{+}PF_{6}^{-}$ on $(arene)Cr(CO)_{3}$ yielding $(arene)-Cr(CO)_{2}NO^{+}PF_{6}^{-}$, reactive fragments formulated as $CrCl(CO)(CO)_{2}$ are apparently formed using NOCl as nitrosylating reagent (ref. 81). Addition of CpNa, indenyl-lithium and fluorenyllithium to this derivative yields $CpCr(CO)_{2}NO$, $(n^{5}-indenyl)-Cr(CO)_{2}NO$ and $(n^{5}-fluorenyl)Cr(CO)_{2}NO$, respectively (ref. 81). The molecular structure of $(1'-\underline{t}-butyl-2',2'-dimethylpropyl)-\pi-(tricarbonylchromium)benzene has been reported and the temperature dependence of its ¹H NMR spectrum studied over the temperature range 0-115°C (ref. 82,83). Two conformers were detected, where the conformational isomerism is caused by a restricted rotation about the bond between the alkyl group and the complexed aromatic ring (XXVII). The free energy of activation (<math>\Delta G^{\neq}$) for the interconversion was determined to be 16.9 kcal-mol⁻¹ (ref. 82,83).

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The metal-bound SMe_2 ligand in $(C_6H_6)Cr(CO)_2SMe_2$ and Cp-manganese analogues can be reversibly S alkylated, yielding metal-bound sulfonium cation derivatives, i.e., $C_6H_6Cr(CO)_2SMe_3^+$ (ref. 84). The IR wavenumbers and half-band width's of the carbonyl stretching vibrations of several substituted η^6 -(tricarbonylchromium)benzenes in isoctane solution are reported (ref. 85). Only small perturbations of C_{3v} symmetry are observed (ref. 85). The effect of coordination of $C_6H_5SiMe_xCl_{3-x}$ (x=0-3) to Cr(CO)₃ is to increase reactivity of the aryl silane towards phenyl-silicon bond cleavage by HCl, thus producing $C_6H_6Cr(CO)_3$ and SiMe_xCl_{4-x} (ref. 86). The dependence of reactivity on pressure changes (5-4000 atm) was discussed in terms of mechanistic possibilities (ref. 86). Reaction of toluenetricarbonylmolybdenum with diphenylacetylene led to four products: 1. A red complex gave properties identical to bis(pentaphenylcyclopentadienyl)molybdenum, 2. A purple complex gave properties identical with tetraphenylcyclobutadienebis (diphenylacetylene)carbonylmolybdenum, $(Ph_{4}C_{4})$ -(Ph₂C₂)₂MoCO, 3. A yellow compound tentatively assigned as hexaphenyldewarbenzene and 4. The green compound's analysis is as shown below (XXVIII): (ref. 87)



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When warmed to room temperature in an atmosphere of CO the co-condensation products of Cr atoms and styrene at -196°C in a pentane matrix were $(n^6 C_{6}H_{5}C_{2}H_{3}$)Cr(CO)₃ and polystyrene derivatives ($C_{8}H_{8}$)_nH₂Cr(CO)₃(n=3-7) (ref. 88). Pyridine n-complexes are prepared by treating 2,6-dimethylpyridine and 2,3,5,6-tetramethylpyridine with Cr(CO)₆ (ref. 89). Thus, tricarbonyl(2,6dimethylpyridine)chromium(0) and tricarbonyl(2,3,5,6-tetramethylpyridine)chromium(0) are obtained (ref. 89). IR and ¹H NMR spectra are discussed together with those of tricarbonyl(pentamethylpyridine)chromium(0) and tricarbonyl(2,4,6trimethylpyridine)chromium(0) (ref. 89). Bly and co-workers have prepared the substituted benzyl tosylates, p-phenyl, $p-(n^6-phenylchromiumtricarbonyl)$, p-(p'-phenylchromiumtricarbonyl)nitropheny]), m-pheny], m- $(n^{6}$ -pheny]chromiumtricarbony]) and m-(p'-nitropheny]) and measured their solvolysis rates in buffered and/or unbuffered acetic acid (ref. 90). Their relative reactivities with respect to benzyl tosylate (1.00) were found at 69.0° C to be the following: 10.8, 7.14, 0.742, 0.571, 0.134 and 0.173, respectively (ref. 90). The ability of α -(n-phenylchromiumtricarbonyl) to stabilize electrophilic centers was compared with that of α -ferrocenyl (ref. 90). An examination of the pyrolysis of the sodium salt of tricarbonyl-(acetophenone)chromium(p-tosylhydrazone) in order to generate tricarbonyl-



(methylphenylcarbene)chromium was accomplished to study the effect of the tricarbonylchromium group on the spin state of a carbene and stereochemistry of the resulting products (ref. 91).

The crystal and molecular structure of the compound $[(C_6H_3Me_3)(CO)_3Mo(HgCl_2)_2]_2$ (XXIX) was determined from x-ray diffractometer data (ref. 92). The structure consists of centrosymmetric dimers in which the $(C_6H_3Me_3)(CO)_3MoHg_2Cl_2$ ring has one Mo bonded to each Hg (ref. 92). The average upward shift of 58 cm⁻¹ in the IR CO stretching frequencies on complex formation is consistent with a bonding model in which formally nonbonding electrons of Mo are donated into empty σ orbitals on Hg (ref. 92).



Hetero-atom π -complex derivatives of VIb metal tricarbonyls (4) were synthesized by reacting the λ^5 -phosphorin with M(CO)₆ or M(CO)₃(CH₃CN)₃ in dioxane (ref. 93). An x-ray crystal structure determination of the air stable solid derivative of Cr showed the Cr(CO)₃ moiety to be skewed away from the P in the still planar ring (ref. 93).



Yet another heteroatom π -complex (XXX) was prepared by reacting the cyclic $C_2B_2N_2$ derivative with $Cr(CO)_3(CH_3CN)_3$ (ref. 94). Spectroscopic data suggests that the Tigand acts as a hexahapto-6-electron donor ligand (ref. 94).



A paramagnetic chromocarborane, $(Et_4N)_2[4,4'-Cr-(1,6-C_2B_{10}H_{12})_2]$, was prepared in a series utilizing the $C_2B_{10}H_{10}R_2^{2-}$ ligand and early transition metals (ref. 95).

Cyclopentadienyls.

The relative basicity of the different sites in a variety of cyclopentadienyl and arene derivatives of group VIB and VIIB transition metal carbonyl and nitrosyl complexes towards Lewis acids in solution has been investigated using infrared spectroscopy (ref. 96). Adduct formation at the metal atom was observed for CpRe(CO)₂L (L=CO, PR₃) with SnC1₄, SnBr₄, TiCl₄; (arene)M(CO)₃ (M=Cr, Mo, W) with $SnCl_4$, $TiCl_4$; and $Ph_3PC_5H_4M(CO)_3$ (M=Cr, Mo, W) with $TiCl_4$ and AlCl₂. The carbonylnitrosyl complexes CpM(CO)₂NO and CpM(CO)(NO)PPh₂ (M=Mo, W) were reported to form adducts, depending on their donor and acceptor nature, involving the oxygen atoms of CO or NO groups or the metal atom (ref. 96). On the other hand, CpCr(CO)₂Cl was reported to react with Lewis acids via the chlorine atom (ref. 96). Similarly, studies of CpCr(CO)₂Cl and MoCl₂(NO)₂ $(PMe_3)_2$ with FeCl₃ indicate coordination of FeCl₃ at the Cr-Cl and Mo-Cl sites (ref. 97). All carbonylmetallate monoanions which are weaker nucleophiles than $CpFe(CO)_{2}^{-}$ and $Re(CO)_{5}^{-}$, including $CpM(CO)_{3}^{-}$ (M=Mo, W) have been shown to be unreactive toward Ph_AAs^+ at room temperature (ref. 98). Reduction of isocyanide derivatives of metal carbonyl halides such as CpMo(CO)₂(CNMe)Cl, CpMo(CO)(CNMe)₂-Cl, and Mn(CO)_{5-x} (CNMe)_xBr (x=1-3) with Na/Hg yield the corresponding anions (ref. 99). Typically, such anions react with HgI₂ to yield, for example, CpMo(CO), (CNMe)HgI or [CpMo(CO),(CNMe)],Hg, and with IVa halides to yield, for example, CpMo(CO)₂(CNMe)R where R=GeMe₃, SnMe₃, PbPh₃, and CH₂CN (ref. 99). Alkyl halides other than CH₂(CN)Cl reportedly give reaction products complicated

by insertion rearrangements (ref. 99). In an additional report of facile reductions of metal carbonyls, the procedure for using the electron carrier system Na/hexamethylphosphorictriamide was described for a number of cyclopentadienyl derivatives including the reductive cleavage of [CpMo(CO)3]2 yielding CpMo(CO)₃ (ref. 100). The reaction of PCl₃ and Na⁺[CpM(CO)₃]⁻(M=Cr, Mo, W) or CpM(CO)₃SiMe₃ yielded CpM(CO)₃PCl₂ (ref. 101). Addition of S₈ produced CpM(CO)₃Cl formation, whereas substitution of a CO by PPhMe₂ destabilized the complex (ref. 101). The photochemical synthesis of CpCr(CO)L(NO), where L=py, $CH_{3}CN$, γ -picoline, PPh₃, simple olefins, cycloolefins, π -acid olefins, and alkynes, was reported (ref. 102,103). A binuclear derivative, linked by 1,5-cyclooctadiene, [CpCr(CO)(NO)]₂C₈H₁₂ was also prepared (ref. 103). Inglis and Kilner were unable to insert carbon monoxide into the M-N bond of complexes such as $CpM(CO)_2X$ (X=N-CR₂ or N(R)R'), but rather $[CpM(CO)_3]_2$ or M(CO)₆ were the observed carbonylation products (ref. 104). Reactions of acetylenes with the perfluorothiolates CpM(CO)₃SR_F proceed with CO loss to give the formally electron-deficient CpM(CO)(RC₂R)SR_F (M=Mo or W; R=Me, CF₃, Ph; $R_F = CF_3$, C_6F_5) (ref. 105). The reaction of CpMo(CO)₃Cl with SFO₂(OMe) proceeded with chloride abstraction; with the same alkylating agent K₃[Cr(CN)₅NO] was methylated yielding [Cr(CNMe)₅(NO)][SFO₃]₂ (ref. 106). Alkali metal salts of CpM(CO)₃ react with chlorocarbonylferrocene to produce $CpFe(n^5-C_5H_4C(0)W(CO)_3Cp)$ and the decarbonylate CpFe(n^5 -C₅H₄-Mo(CO)₃Cp) in the case of M=Mo⁻(ref. 107). Irradiation of $[CpMo(CO)_3]_2$ with visible light (5) in halogenated solvents was observed to afford the CpMo(CO)₃X derivatives (ref. 108).

$$[CpMo(CO)_3]_2 \xrightarrow{hr}{CHX_2} > 2CpMo(CO)_3 X$$
(5)

The preparation of $CpW(CO)_2LX$ where L is a phosphine or phosphite and X is Me, $GeMe_3$ or $PbMe_3$ is effected by reaction of $CpW(CO)_2L^-$ with the appropriate iodo-group IVa moiety (ref. 109). Analogous silicon complexes could not be formed. A rather detailed analysis of ¹H, ³¹P, and ¹³C NMR data was included (ref. 109). Photolysis of $Me_2Sn[Mo(CO)_3Cp]_2$ as well as $Me_2SnCl[Mo(CO)_3Cp]$ yields $[CpMo(CO)_3]_2$, unlike Me_2Sn and Me_2SnCl derivatives of other metal carbonyls (M=Fe, Co, Mn) which proceed to yield M-M bonds bridged by Me_2Sn and CO (ref. 110). Two of the four isomers which resulted from the reaction of $CpMo(CO)_3Cl$ with $(s)-(-)-N-(\alpha-phenylethyl)-l-naphthothioamide were obtained$ optically pure by fractional recrystallization (ref. 111). Epimerization ratesand activation energies were consistent with a configurational change at themolybdenum center (ref. 111). Preparation of cyclopentadienyltricarbonyl (n¹-2-oxopropyl)-molybdenum and -tungsten and (XXXI) are described (ref. 112).



Other paramagnetic metallocenes were prepared by reacting 1,3-diphenyl- and l-methyl-3-phenyl-cyclopentadienyllithium with transition metal salts such as $CrCl_2$ (ref. 113). A detailed analysis of the ¹H NMR and paramagnetic shifts for these complexes was included (ref. 113).

Cyclopentadienyldicarbonyl-molybdenum and -tungsten complexes with chelating ligands derived from Schiff bases of benzaldehyde have been prepared by the reaction sequences given below (ref. 114). Using S-(-)- α -phenylethylamine as the amine component, mixtures of diastereoisomers were formed, from which (+)₃₆₅-Mo and (+)₃₆₅-W complexes could be obtained optically pure by fractional crystallization. Epimerization of these complexes in the temperature range 0°-30°C in toluene was shown to obey a first-order rate law (ref. 114).



The optical induction of chelate ligands LL' in CpMo(CO)₂LL', where the ligands contain an asymmetric center and two configurations at the molybdenum atom exist, has been investigated by Brunner and coworkers (ref. 115). Typical complexes are illustrated below (XXXII,XXXIII) where $R^*=SCH(CH_3)(C_6H_5)$ (ref. 115).



The Cp(CO)₂M(R-<u>N-N-R</u>') (M=Mo, W; R-aryl and R'=aryl or alkyl) complexes have been prepared from CpMo(CO)₃Cl and the corresponding silver triazenide salts (ref. 116). Temperature dependent ¹³C NMR spectra have shown some of these species to be fluxional involving an interchange of the two CO groups <u>via</u> a Berry pseudorotation process (ref. 116). Mass spectral studies of these complexes demonstrate the formation of nitrene type species [(Cp)(CO)_pM=NR]⁺, n=0,



Reaction of PhLi with (XXXIV) in ether at -78° gave 22% (XXXV) (ref. 117).



Novel alkyl and acyl analogues of $CpMo(CO)_3C(O)R$ (XXXVI) (XXXVII) were formed according to the reaction below (ref. 118).



The interesting transformation illustrated in (8) suggested a diene-metal

carbonyl precursor-intermediate which was in fact observed for the analogous iron derivative in this and a previous work (ref. 119).



Sodium amalgam reduction of complexes such as (XXXVIII) produces the arsinometallocycle complex (XXXIX) which reacts with $Ph_3C^+BF_4^-$ yielding (XL) (ref. 120). The stereochemical non-rigidity of (XL) is rationalized according to a sp-tbp isomerization process (ref. 120).



Reaction of $F_3CC \equiv CCF_3(1)$ with MoCl(CO)₃(Cp) gives the cyclopentadienone complex MoCl(CO)[(CF₃)₄C₅O](Cp) (XLI) (ref. 121). If the displaced CO is removed, the product is MoClL₂(Cp) together with minor amounts of [MoCl(L)(Cp)]. Reaction of L with WCl(CO)₃(Cp) gives only WClL₂(Cp) which was structurally identified by x-ray crystallography as an octahedral 16-electron species in which the acetylene acts as a 2 electron donor (ref. 121).



The extraction of an ethoxide anion from \underline{trans} -CpMo(CO)₂(PPh₃)C(O)CH₂CH₂C(OEt)₂H by BF₃ in ether has been found to afford the cationic complex (XLII) in 91% yield (ref. 122). The saturated carbon atom in this cyclic ligand is unusually reactive, with a variety of reactions involving this carbon center being described (ref. 122).



Larger rings. Studies of cycloheptatrienyl derivatives of Mo included the synthesis of $[Mo(n^7-c_7H_7)(n^6-c_6H_6)][BF_4]$, $[Mo(a:ac) (H_20)(n^7-c_7H_7)]^+$, $[MoX(acac)-(n^7-c_7H_7)]$ and $[Mo_2X_3(n^7-c_7H_7)_2]$ (ref. 123). The last compound possesses an unsymmetrical or mixed-valence ground state, as indicated by electronic absorption and ESCA measurements (ref. 124). Chemical synthesis employing metal evaporation techniques have been used to synthesize $Cr(C_7H_7)(C_7H_10)$, $Cr(C_7H_8)-(PF_3)_3$, metal carbonyls (e.g., $Cr(C0)_6$), and anhydrous metal acetylacetonates (ref. 125). Green and Pardy have reported the synthesis of the compounds $[Mo(n^7-c_7H_7)(dppe)Y]$ (Y=C1, I, Me, H), $[Mo(n^7-c_7H_7)(dppe)C1]^+A^-$ (A⁻=PF_6^- or I⁻), and $[Mo(n^7-c_7H_7)(dppe)L]^+PF_6^-$ (L=C0, MeCR or dppe) (ref. 126). Reaction of (guaiazulene)Mo₂(C0)₆ with PEt₃ produces the two isomers, (XLIII) and (XLIV) (ref. 127). Temperature dependent ¹³C NMR studies on these complexes aided in determining that the cyclopentadienyl-bound M(C0)₃ fragment of the parent hexacarbonyl is more internally labile. Further studies showed that the presence of alkyl substituents on the azulene ring in the parent hexacarbonyl had only a small effect on the fluxionality (ref. 128). Similarly, the effect of the metal (comparing Mo to W) is inconsequential to rates of C0 scrambling (ref. 128).





The aryl-sulfinato complexes $n^7-C_7H_7MO(CO)_2SO_2R$ have been synthesized by reaction of $n^7-C_7H_7MO(CO)_2I$ with the Ag-SO₂-R compounds (ref. 129). The sulfinate group is S-bonded. Mononuclear and dinuclear thioaryl complexes were isolated by reaction of $n^7-C_7H_7MO(CO)_2Br$ with aryl mercaptans R'-S-H in the presence of $(C_2H_5)_3N$ which functioned as a proton acceptor (ref. 129). IR data indicate the dependence of the π -acceptor abilities of the sulfur atom from R' (ref. 129). Reaction of $[(n^7-C_7H_7)MO(CO)_3]$ [PF₆] with ditertiary phosphine ligands afforded products of three types; the monosubstituted complexes [LM(CO)_2Ph_2P(CH_2)_nPPh_2]-[PF₆] (L= $n^7-C_7H_7$, M=MO, n=1); the chelated complexes [LM(CO)Ph_2P(CH_2)_nPPh_2]-[PF₆] (L= $n^7-C_7H_7$, M=MO, n=1 and 2); and the dinuclear complex $[(n^7-C_7H_7)MO-(CO)_2]_2-[\mu-Ph_2PCH_2CH_2Ph_2][(PF_6)_2]$ (ref. 130).

Contrary to previous reports, Kane-Maguire and coworkers have demonstrated that formation of the phosphonium adducts $[(C_7H_7PBu_3)M(CO)_3]^{\dagger}$ is the first detectable reaction upon treating $[(C_7H_7)M(CO)_3]^{\dagger}(M=Cr, Mo, W)$ cations with tri-n-butylphosphine with subsequent steps leading to $(Bu_3P)_3W(CO)_3$ (12) (ref. 131).

$$[(C_7H_7)M(CO)_3]BF_4 + PBu_3 \xrightarrow{acetone} [(C_7H_7PBu_3)M(CO)_3]BF_4 \xrightarrow{excess PBu_3}{acetone}$$

$$[(PBu_3)_3M(CO)_3] + [C_7H_7PBu_3]BF_4$$
(12)

Phosphonium salts such as $[[C_7H_7 \cdot P(0Bu)_3]Cr(C0)_3]BF_4$ resulted from the addition of $P(0Bu)_3$ to $[(C_7H_7)Cr(C0)_3]BF_4$ (ref. 132). A kinetic investigation of the similar reaction with $P(n-Bu)_3$ established that rate=k[complex][P(n-Bu)_3] (ref. 133). Within the VIB metal series k is roughly independent of metal,

however, there is a difference between analogous metal complexes with (C_6H_7) -Fe(CO)⁺₃ > $(C_7H_7)Cr(CO)^+_3 >> (C_6H_6)Mn(CO)^+_3$ (ref. 133). An investigation of the reaction of $[C_8H_9Cr(CO)_3]PF_6$ with PPh₃ at low temperatures produced an orange powder that precipitates on addition of the ether and analyses as $[C_8H_9PPh_3Cr-(CO)_3]PF_6$ (XLV).



The reaction of tropylium and homotropylium complexes of molybdenum and tungsten with alkylphosphines has been investigated by Salzer. Ring addition is observed when low temperatures are maintained, while ring- or CO-substitution occurs at room temperature (ref. 135). A mechanistic scheme for these reactions is proposed. The compound $[C_7H_7Mo(CO)_2L]^+$ is attacked by $P(i-Pr)_3$ at the carbocyclic ring, giving a phosphonium salt (ref. 135).

Tricarbonyl-n-1,3,5-cycloheptatriene-chromium(0) reacts photochemically with trimethyl-phosphine, -arsine, or -phosphite respectively to form the complexes $CrC_7H_8(CO)_2L$ (L=P(CH₃)₃, As(CH₃)₃, P(OCH₃)₃ and CrC₇H₈(CO)[P(OCH₃)₃]₂. The ¹H, 13 C and 31 P NMR spectra of these complexes are temperature dependent as a result of a hindered motion of the C_7H_8 ligand (ref. 136). Reactions of cycloheptatrienemolybdenum tricarbonyl, C_7H_8 Mo(CO) $_3$, with maleic acid or fumaric acid esters (L) at 60-80°C do not give the expected mononuclear tricarbonyl derivatives, Mo(CO)₃L₃ but yield binuclear CO-bridged complexes [Mo(CO)₃L₂]₂ in which the ester molecules are π -coordinated across the C:C double bond (ref. 137). The binuclear complexes $[Mo(CO)_{3}L_{2}]_{2}$ (L=maleic acid or fumaric acid esters) react with 2,2'-bipyridine or 1,10-phenanthroline with elimination of CO giving the mononuclear dicarbonyl compounds Mo(CO)₂QL₂ (O≈bipy.ophen) with cis-carbonyl ligands (ref. 138). In the reaction of ophen and fumaric acid esters with C₇H₈Mo(CO)₃, tricarbonyl complexes mer-Mo(CO)₃(ophen) with a meridional arrangement of ine CO ligands are formed (ref. 138). A variety of substituted thiourens have been found to react with cycloheptatrienemolybdenum tricarbonyl to yield the $Mo(CO)_5$ (thiourea) derivatives (13) (ref. 139). On the other hand,

these sulfur donor ligands react with $MO(CO)_4B$ (B=o-phen or bipy) to afford the mixed ligand derivatives $MO(CO)_3BL$ (ref. 139). Infrared spectroscopy in the v(CO) region was used to characterize these derivatives (ref. 139).



Addition of $(Bu0)_3^P$ to $[(C_7^H_7)Cr(C0)_3]BF_4$ gave a novel phosphonium salt which is remarkably stable (ref. 140).

The preparation of the compounds $(triene)M(CO)_3$ (M=Mo, W) are described where the triene ligands are bicyclic derivatives of cyclooctatriene as shown below (XLVI,XLVII) (ref. 141). These tricarbonyl complexes of molybdenum were found to readily react with carbon monoxide to afford the corresponding (triene)Mo-(CO)₄ derivatives. Although it was generally found that these ligands are stabilized against valence isomerization by complex formation, bicyclo-[6.2.0]deca-2,4,6-triene Mo(CO)₃ rearranges at 125° to give bicyclo[4.2.2]deca-2,4,7triene Mo(CO)₃ (XLIX) (ref. 141).



XLIX

(14)

XLVIII

The reaction of cyclooctatetraene with $[CpMo(CO)_3]_2$ in refluxing octane proceeds with CO loss and 1,4 hydrogen migrations within the ring to yield (L) (ref. 142). In polar solvents further rearrangement occurs, yielding (LI). X-ray crystal studies confirmed the structures of the two isomers (ref. 142).



The <u>in situ</u> reduction of $CrCl_3$ by $(\underline{i}-C_3H_7)MgBr$ in the presence of the appropriate 8-membered cyclic diene, triene, or mixtures yielded the π -complexes (LII), (LIII), and (LV). Dehydrogenation of (LII) yielded (LIV) (ref. 143).



Alkyls and Hydrides

Alkyls. In the presence of B_2H_6/C_6H_6 the molybdenum acetyl complex [(Cp)-(CO)₂(PPh₃)Mo(COCH₃)] has been observed to undergo smooth reduction to the [(Cp)(CO)₂(PPh₃)MoCH₂CH₃] derivative with concurrent [(Cp)(CO)₂(PPh₃)MoH] formation (ref. 144). Several σ -alkyl- π -cyclopentadienyltungsten tricarbonyl derivatives, CpW(CO)₃R (R=i-Pr, n-Bu, sec-Bu, n-Am and i-Am) have been prepared and their infrared spectra in the ν (CO) region discussed (ref. 145). The bridged carbyne complex, (Me₃SiCH₂)₂W(μ -C-SiMe₃)₂W(CH₂SiMe₃) was prepared by the reaction of (Me₃SiCH₂)₂Mg and WCl₄ in THF (ref. 146). In hydrocarbon sol-vents only W₂(CH₂SiMe₃)₆ was obtained (ref. 146).

The perfluoromethyl derivative, $CpMo(CF_3)(CO)_3$ reacts with but-2-yne photochemically to form the 16-electron species $CpMo(CF_3)(CO)(MeC_2Me)$ (ref. 147), however the more electron-rich methyl and benzyl derivatives of Mo and W react to give the oxymetallocycle, or vinylketone derivative (LVI) (ref. 148). Further reactions of (LVI) with MeC=CMe and other ligands such as isocyanides, phosphines and CO are also reported.



 $CpMo(CO)_{2}(CH_{3}C:NC_{6}H_{5})$ was prepared by treating $[(Cp)Mo(CO)_{2}C=NC_{5}H_{5}]^{-}$ with MeI in THE (ref. 149). An x-ray crystal structure analysis shows the presence of a π -bonded iminoacyl group (ref. 149). The product is formed by isocyanide insertion into a Mo-Me bond with incorporation of the N atom into the coordination sphere of the Mo atom (ref. 149). Reaction of $M(Cp)(CH_2R)(CO)_3$ (M=Mo, W; R=3-, 4-pyridylium;) with $Tl(ClO_A)_3$ in aqueous acidic solution involved a rapid two-electron oxidation followed by a series of reactions giving the corresponding pyridinioacetic acid as the main organic product (ref. 150). The reaction between 1- and 2-trialkylsilyl-3-chloroprop-1-ene and various metal complexes gave η^{1} and η^{3} -silylallyl complexes of Mo and W (ref. 151). The general reactions employed involve the use of metal anions in a salt elimination reaction and oxidative addition reactions (ref. 151). Carbon dioxide was found to attack the W-N bond of W2Me2(NEt2)4 to yield oxygen-bound CO2 insertion products, retaining the WEW bond and the W-C bond (ref. 152). X-ray crystal structure analysis showed the carbamato ligands act as monodentate, non-bridging bidentate and bridging bidentate ligands; in solution these are readily equilibrated as evidenced by NMR studies (ref. 152). A new σ-bonded alkyl derivative of tungsten (VI), MeWCl₅ was prepared from WCl₆ and HgMe₂ (ref. 153). The reaction of this species with simple unidentate ligands gave extensive reduction, and adducts were obtained with bidentate ligands, e.g., MeWCl₅(diphos) (ref. 153). Spectroscopic (UV/Vis) detection of $[RCr(H_20)_5]^{2+}$ (R=alkyl, phenyl) as intermediates in the reduction of organic peroxides by Cr^{++} was used to suggest the nature of various alkoxy-radicals produced during the reduction process (ref. 154). An expanded group of $(H_20)_5 CrR^{++}$ complexes were investigated as to the kinetics of R^- transfer to Hg^{++} or $MeHg^+$, forming RHg^+ or MeHgR, respectively, and $Cr(H_{2}O)_{6}^{3+}$ (ref. 155). The reaction rate expression was first

order in each reagent and the rates depend on R. Electron withdrawing groups (e.g., EF₃) and substituents retarded the rates of reaction. Enormous (<-100 e.u.) negative entropies of activation were reported (ref. 155). Several members of the family of $(H_20)_5 CrR^{2+}$ complexes react cleanly with the interhalogen molecule, IBr (ref. 156). Products of reaction are exclusively the organic iodide RI, $Cr(H_20)_6^{3+}$, and Br⁻; RBr and $(H_20)_5 CrBr^{2+}$ are not formed (ref. 156).

Hydrides. When sodium borohydride was allowed to react with CoCrCl₂·THF, hydrido species such as CpCrH₂·THF and CpCr(BH₄)₂ resulted but were not isolated (ref. 157). In the presence of P(OMe), however, the complex CpCr[P(OMe)], H was obtained; the chemical and dynamical structural properties of the compounds were studied (ref. 157). Studies of the dependence of equivalent conductance on concentration for several transition metal-organic salts suggested that most exist as ion-pairs in the common solvent, THF. Included in this study were $Et_a N^{\dagger}\mu-H[Cr(CO)_5]_2^{-}$ and $Li^{\dagger}Mo(CO)_5C(O)Ph^{-}$ (ref. 158). The bridging hydride complex μ -H[W(CO)₅][W(CO)₃(NO)P(OMe)₃] may be readily prepared by stirring μ -H[W₂(CO)₉NO] with P(OMe)₃ in hexane at room temperature (ref. 159). X-ray crystal structure analysis shows the $P(OMe)_3$ to be on the W bearing the NO (which is itself trans to the -H-) and cis to the -H-W-NO linkage. A review of W-H-W complexes is included (ref. 159). Optically active aziridines react with CpMo(CO)₃H stereospecifically maintaining chirality at the two carbon centers and creating two new chiral centers at Mo and N, (LVII) (ref. 160). The resulting complex (LVII) did not epimerize in solution (ref. 160).



At low temperatures $CpW(CO)_{3}H$ reacted with p-toluenesulfonylazide with loss of N₂ to produce the amido derivative (LVIII) (ref. 161).

 $MH_2(Cp)_2$ (M=Mo, W) with RLi (R=Me, Ph, Bu) gave the tetramers (LIX) (M=Mo, W) (ref. 162). (LIX) reacted with various organic compounds, e.g. with PhCH₂Br and PhCOC1 to give $M(CH_2Ph)_2(Cp)_2$ and $MH(Cp)_2(COPh)$, respectively. With CO_2 (LIX) gave $M(Cp)_2(CO)$ and with CO, the Mo tetramer gave both $Mo(Cp)_2(CO)$ and the cyclopentenyl compound $Mo(Cp)(n^3-C_5H_7)(CO)_2$ (ref. 162).





Metal-Metal Bonded Complexes

 $(Cp)_2W_2(CO)_6$ has been shown to react with the amines (L) (L=ethyl-, isopropyl-, diethyl-, butyl-, and cyclohexyl-amine) at room temperature to give $(Cp)_{2}W_{2}(CO)_{5}L$ derivatives (ref. 163). Similar complexes were formed by the potentially chelating ligands ethylenediamine, o-phenanthroline, and 2,2'bipyridine (ref. 163). Reduction of these amine derivatives with sodium amalgam with subsequent treatment with Mn(CO)₅Br afforded the mixed metal species, $[(Cp)W(CO)_2L]Mn(CO)_5$ and $[(Cp)W(CO)_3]Mn(CO)_5$, which were separated by column chromatography (ref. 163). $Cp_2M_2(CO)_6$ (M=Mo and W) underwent efficient photoheterolysis to a metal carbonyl anion on irradiation in solvents of high donicity (ref. 164). Retention of configuration in the replacement of C1 by CH_2SiMe_3 was observed in the reaction of <u>anti-W_2Cl_2(NEt_2)</u> and LiCH_2SiMe_3 (ref. Isomerization of the kinetically controlled product to the thermodynam-165). ically favored $\underline{gauche}-W_2(CH_2SiMe_3)_2(NEt_2)_4$ was monitored by NMR and activation energy parameters computed (ref. 165). (Cp)2Mo2(CO)4(u-EtCECEt) has a molecular structure that lacks symmetry (ref. 166). Two (Cp)Mo groups are connected by a Mo-Mo bond of 2.977(1) \check{A} with the usual sort of crosswise acetylene bridge. There are two terminal CO groups on Mo(1) and one on Mo(2). The 4th CO group is in a semi-bridging posture with Mo(2)-C = 1.936(6) and Mo(2)-C = 2.826(6) (ref. 166). The reaction of Pd(C-N)LC1 (L=pyridine, C-N=(LX)) with Mo(CO)₃(Cp) has afforded a bimetallic Pd-Mo complex (ref. 167). On the other hand, due to steric hindrance, the analogous process with the palladium complexes where $L=PEt_3$ and PPh_3 was found not to occur (ref. 167). Reaction of this bimetallic complex with PPh3 led to metal-metal bond cleavage with formation of [Pd(C-N)PPh₃Py][Mo(CO)₃(Cp)]. This ionic complex decomposes with loss of pyridine and C-N ligands to give the new tetrametallic $[PPh_3PdMo(CO)_3(Cp)]_2$ cluster (ref. 167).



 $Mo(Cp)_2H_2$ with $Mg(C_6H_{11})Br$ (C_6H_{11} -cyclohexyl) gave the cyclic dimer (LXI), and with MgRX (e.g. RX=BuBr, PhBr) gave similar adducts $Mo(Cp)_2H_2$ -MgRX (ref. 168). $Mo(Cp)_2H_2$ with AlMe₃ gave the complexes LXII and LXIII which contained Mo-Al bonds (ref. 169).



Carbenes and Carbynes

Carbenes. Biscarbene complexes, $\operatorname{cis-M(CO)}_{4L_2}$ (M=Cr, Mo, W), with cyclic carbene ligands (L=I,2-dimethyI-4-pyrazolin-3-ylidene, I,3-dimethyl-4-imidazo-lin-2-ylidene, 2,4-dimethyl-1,2,4-triazolin-3-ylidene and I,3-dimethyl-benzimidazolin-2-ylidene) were prepared by thermal disproportionation of M(CO)₅L at 100-150°C, and the photo-induced conversion to the corresponding trans-isomers was investigated (ref. 170). Fischer and co-workers have prepared the diethoxy-carbene derivative of chromium pentacarbonyl from the reaction of Cr(CO)₆ with KOC₂H₅ followed by alkylation with [(C₂H₅)₃0]BF₄ (ref. 171).



Brunner, Doppelberger, Fischer and Lappus have synthesized a series of chiral aminocarbene pentacarbonylchromium(0) complexes containing a 1-napthyl or 2naphthyl group at C(carbene (LXIV)) (ref. 172). It was demonstrated by ¹H NMR spectroscopy that rotation around the aryl-C (carbene) bond was highly restricted in the 1-naphthyl derivatives at temperatures up to +80°C, whereas in the 2-naphthyl derivatives rotation was rapid down to -90°C (ref. 172).



(2-Oxacyclopentylidene)pentacarbonylchromium(O) and (5-methyl-2-oxacyclopentylidene)pentacarbonylchromium(O) have been prepared from the reaction of the corresponding carbene complexes and ethylene oxide (LXV) (ref. 173). The thermodynamic acidities of these two derivatives were found to be nearly equal. The rate of the base catalyzed deuterium exchange for R=H is 1.57 times faster than that for R=CH₃, whereas the reactivity of the anions generated from the hydrogen complex is 2.6-5.2 times less than that of anions generated from the methyl complex (ref. 173).



Hydroxycarbene complexes may be dehydrated to yield binuclear carbene anhydrides of the form (LXVI) (ref. 174). Chemical characterizations of (LXVI) included reaction with dimethylamine which yielded the aminocarbene, $(CO)_5 CrC(Ar)NMe_2$ and the dimethylammonium salt of pentacarbonylchromiumbenzoate. Tetraalkylammonium halides reacted with (LXVI) to yield the carbyne complex, $trans-(X)Cr(CO)_4(\exists CAr)$ as well as $[NR_4][(CO)_5 CrC(0)Ar]$ (ref. 174).

With tungsten as central metal, however, the dehydration of $(CO)_5$ WC(OH)Ar or $(CO)_5$ WC(OH)Me yielded the binuclear carbyne complexes (LXVII) (ref. 175).

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LXVII

Fischer and co-workers have described the preparation and spectral properties (mass spectrum, ¹H and ¹³C NMR, and v(CO)) of chlorodiethylaminocarbene-pentacarbonyl chromium from ethoxydiethylaminocarbene-pentacarbonyl chromium and BCl₃ (ref. 176). Attempts to prepare the analogous fluorocarbene derivative via reaction of $Cr(CO)_5C(NEt_2)(OEt)$ with BF₃ led to the carbyne complex $[Cr(CO)_5^{-}(\equiv CNEt_2)][BF_4]$, which was isolated and characterized (ref. 177). Treatment of this carbyne complex with $[n-Bu_4N]F$, however led to the desired $Cr(CO)_5C(F)^{-}(NEt_2)$ (ref. 177). ¹³C-¹⁵N coupling constants in methyldimethylaminocarbenepentacarbonyl derivatives of chromium and tungsten have been reported (ref. 178). These parameters were used to provide bonding information in these species.

Katz, Lee and Acton found that (diphenylcarbene)pentacarbonyltungsten, without added cocatalysts, is an effective initiator of metatheses of numerous <u>cis</u>-cycloalkenes, converting them into polyalkenamers 90% or more of whose double bonds are <u>cis</u> (LXIX) (ref. 179).



They also examined whether molecule (LXX) would react with cyclobutene and norbornene (ref. 180). The fact is that (phenylmethoxycarbene)pentacarbonyl-tungsten in small amounts brings about metatheses of both to the corresponding polyalkenamers, and the stereochemistries of the transformations are remarkable (ref. 180).



In marked contrast to the reaction of $M(CO)_5C(R')R"$ with PR_3 at low temperatures which yielded phosphine-carbene carbon adducts, no such complexes were observed

in similar reactions with heavier VA donor ligands (ref. 181). At higher temperatures carbonyl as well as carbene substitution products, such as <u>cis</u>/-<u>trans</u>-(CO)₄Cr(L)C(OMe)Me, LCr(CO)₅ and <u>trans</u>-L₂Cr(CO)₄ (L=AsR₃, SbR₃ and PR₃), were observed (ref. 181). Fischer and Held have reported the synthesis of pentacarbonyl π -olefin complexes of tungsten from the reaction of (CO)₅WC(OMe)Ph with alkyllithium reagents (17) (ref. 182).

$$(1)RCH_{2}Li/Ether/-78°C (CO)_{5}WC(0CH_{3})Ph \frac{(1)RCH_{2}Li/Ether/-78°C}{(2)Si0_{2}/Pentane/-40°C} (CO)_{5}W=C(CH_{2}R)Ph \Rightarrow (CO)_{5}W(HCR=CHPh) (18)$$

Boron trifluoride promotes ethanol loss in pentacarbonyl-(3-dimethylamino-3-phenyl-1-ethoxy-2-propenyldiene)chromium and -tungsten (LXXI) yielding the allenylidene complex (LXXII) (ref. 183).

$$(CO)_{5}MC(OEt)CH=C(NMe_{2})Ph \xrightarrow{BF_{3}}{THF} (CO)_{5}M=C=C=C(NMe_{2})Ph$$
(19)

At room temperature the homolysis product of the PhLi/Cr(CO)₅C(OMe)Ph adduct, $Li^{+}[(CO)_{5}CrC(OMe)Ph_{2}]^{-}$, is Ph₂(MeO)C-C(OMe)Ph₂ (ref. 184). A similar product was obtained on reacting the alkoxycarbene with ICN, i.e., Ph(MeO)(CN)C-C(CN)-(OMe)Ph (ref. 184). In another reaction of alkoxycarbene complexes, 2-pentyne reacted with Cr(CO)₅C(OMe)Ph at 45°C to yield (LXXIV) and at 90°C to yield (LXXV) (ref. 185).

A carbene-thio-carbonyl complex (LXXVI), characterized by a crystal structure determination, was prepared by the reaction of Li[CHS(CH₂)₃S] with Cr(CO)₆, followed by ethylation with $[Et_30][BF_4]$ (ref. 186). The proposed mechanistic scheme involved a hydroxycarbene intermediate (ref. 186).



Thermal disproprotionation of the 1,3-dimethyl4-imidazolin-2-ylidene metal pentacarbonyl (metal=Cr, Mo, W) yielded $M(C0)_6$ and $\underline{cis}-(C0)_4M(C_5H_8N_2)_2$ (ref. 187). Ligand substitution reactions proceed as illustrated in (20 and 21) where $L=P(\underline{c}-C_6H_{11})_3$ or py, and $L'=PPh_3$ or $CN(\underline{c}-C_6H_{11})$. Hindered rotation about the cyclic carbene ligand was studied by 'H NMR (ref. 187).

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$$Me \begin{pmatrix} N \\ N \\ N \\ Me \end{pmatrix} + L \longrightarrow cis - Cr(CO)_4 (C_5 H_8 N_2)_2 + CO + Cr(CO)_5 L \quad (20) \\ Me \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Me \begin{pmatrix} N \\ N \\ N \\ N \\ OC)_5 Cr - C \end{pmatrix} + L \longrightarrow cis - Cr(CO)_4 (C_5 H_8 N_2) L + CO \quad (21)$$

The reaction (22) of $(CO)_5 CrC(R)NH_2$ (R=CH₃, C₆H₅) with aminoacetylene has been described by Dotz (ref. 188).

$$(CO)_{5}Crc(R)NH_{2} + CH_{3}C=CN(Et)_{2} \frac{C_{6}H_{6}}{20^{\circ}} > (CO)_{5}CrC(R)(N=C(Et)NEt_{2})$$
 (22)

Further rearrangements of the acetylene insertion product from reaction (23) led to metallocyclic derivatives (ref. 189).

$$(CO)_{5}Crc(OMe)Ph + Et_{7}NC=CNEt_{7} \rightarrow (CO)_{5}Cr-C(NEt_{7})(C(NEt_{7})=C(OEt)Ph)$$
 (23)

The carbene complexes $[(CO)_5 CrC(OC_{2H_5})R]$ (R=Bu, Ph) have been found to react with the sulfides SR^1R^2 ($R^1=C_{2H_5}$; $R^2=C_{2H_5}$, CH_2Ph) to afford the neutral pentacarbonyl(thio)chromium(0) complexes $[(CO)_5 CrSR^1R^2]$ (ref. 190). The complexes were fully characterized by chemical analysis, IR, NMR, and mass spectroscopy. In addition the structure of one of these, $(CO)_5 CrS(C_{2H_5})CH_2Ph$, was confirmed by a single-crystal X-ray study (LXXVI) (ref. 190).



The successful use of carbene complexes as amino protecting groups in peptide synthesis, via the aminolysis of alkoxycarbenes to yield $(CO)_{5}MC(NHR)R'$, was

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Carbynes. Several carbyne complexes of the type $\underline{trans}_{(X)M(CO)_4(\equiv CR)(X=C1, Br, I; M=Cr, W; and R=Me, Et, Ph)$ were prepared by the reaction of BX_3 on the alkoxycarbene M(CO)_5C(OR')R in pentane in -20°C (ref. 195). All complexes prepared melt with decomposition at temperatures between 0-35°C and hence must be handled cold (ref. 195). Carbon monoxide loss is observed also when $\underline{cis}_{LCr(CO)_4C(OMe)Me}$ (L-PMe₃, AsMe₃, or SbMe₃) reacts with BX_3 (X=C1, Br, I) thus yielding a meridional isomer of (L)(X)Cr(CO)_3(=CMe) in which the halogen is \underline{trans} to the carbyne ligand (ref. 196). Several reactions of the chlorocarbene complex $Cr(CO)_5C(C1)NMe_2$ was described in which abstraction of Cl⁻ yielded the cationic carbyne, $Cr(CO)_5(\equiv CNMe_2)^+$ (ref. 197). Reconversion into a carbene complex, $Cr(CO)_5C(NMe_2)_2$ was effected by addition of LiNMe₂ to the carbyne carbon (ref. 197). Fischer and coworkers have synthesized a large number of π -cyclopentadienyl(dicarbonyl)carbyne complexes of tungsten by the procedure described below (ref. 198).

$$Br(CO)_{4}W \equiv C-R + LiC_{5}H_{5} \frac{THF}{-50^{\circ}C} \Rightarrow \pi - C_{5}H_{5}(CO)_{2}W \equiv C-R + LiBr + 2CO$$
(24)

Whereas $\underline{\operatorname{cis}}$ -LM(CO)₄C(OMe)R complexes (L=VA donor ligands) react with BX₃ to yield L(CO)₃(X)M(\equiv CR), cationic carbyne complexes, $[\underline{\operatorname{trans}}$ -Cr(CO)₄ (L)(\equiv CMe)]⁺-BX₄⁻, are obtained upon reaction of the $\underline{\operatorname{trans}}$ substituted alkoxycarbene complexes with BX₃ (ref. 199). Neither is halide substitution observed in the reaction of (n^6 -arene)Cr(CO)₂C(OMe)Ph with BCl₃, but again a cationic carbyne complex, (n^6 -arene)Cr(CO)₂(\equiv CPh)⁺ is produced (ref. 200). Aminolysis leads to (n^6 -arene)Cr(CO)₂⁻C(NR₂)Ph (ref. 200). A carbyne derivative (LXXVII), quite air stable in the solid state and containing ferrocene as a substituent on the carbyne carbon, was prepared according to (ref. 201).



Halo-carbyne complexes such as $BrM(CO)_4(\equiv CPh)$ (M=Cr, Mo, W) could readily be converted to binuclear complexes such as $(CO)_5Re-Mo(CO)_4(\equiv CPh)$ when reacted with the alkali metal salt of an appropriate transition metal carbonylate (ref. 202). Reaction of <u>cis</u>-Cr(CO)₄(PMe₃)[:C(OMe)Me] with BF₃ gave 65% <u>mer</u>-(F₃B)Cr(CO)₃-(PMe₃)(:CMe), which on treatment with water gave 35% [<u>mer</u>-(H₂O)Cr(CO)₃(PMe₃)-(:CMe)]⁺BF₄ (ref. 203). The addition of trimethylphosphine to the carbyne carbon atom of dicarbonylbenzenephenylcarbynechromium tetrachloroborate has been demonstrated by Kreissl and Stückler to afford a cationic metal-substituted yield (LXXVIII) (ref. 204).

$$\left[(C_6H_6)(CO)_2Cr \equiv CC_6H_5\right]\left[BCI_4\right] + P(CH_3)_3 - \frac{ether/CH_2CI_2}{-50 \,^{\circ}C}$$

(26)

$$[(C_6H_6)(CO)_2CrC < C_6H_6 \\ P(CH_3)_3][BCI_4]$$

In contrast, the carbyne complex, $CpW(CO)_2(\equiv C-C_6H_4Me)$ was found to react with PMe₃ to yield a transition metal substituted ketene, $CpW(CO)(PMe_3)_2C(\equiv C=0)C_6H_4Me$ (ref. 205). The reaction of $Br(OC)_4W\equiv CC_6H_4Me-p$ with PMe_3 gave 86% $Br(OC)_3^-$ (Me₃P)WC(:PMe₃)- C_6H_4Me-p (ref. 206). Fischer and Wagner have shown that trans- $Br(CO)_4W\equiv CCH_3$ in the presence of Lewis acids (e.g., TiCl₄) is a catalyst for the polymetathesis of cycloolefins (ref. 207).

Olefins, Allyls and Chelates

Olefins. The photochemical synthesis of butadienetetracarbonylchromium and <u>trans,trans</u>-2,4-hexadienetetracarbonylchromium has been described by Koerner von Gustorf and coworkers (ref. 208). The latter complex was shown to be an intermediate in the photocatalytic hydrogenation of <u>trans,trans</u>-2,4-hexadiene with

 $Cr(CO)_6$ to give <u>cis</u>-3-hexene (ref. 208). <u>Trans</u>-(NBD) $Cr(CO)_3[P(C_6H_5)_3]$ (NBD= norbornadiene) has been prepared from the low temperature photolysis (NBD)Cr- $(CO)_4$ in the presence of $P(C_6H_5)_3$ (ref. 209). The quantum yields of the room temperature photoinduced conversion of $(NBD)Cr(CO)_4$ in the presence of H₂, of $P(C_6H_5)_3$ and of both reagents, were observed to be 0.140, 0.105 and 0.104, respectively (ref. 209). Primary photoinduced formation of monodentate (NBD)Cr-(CO), was proposed to account for these observations (ref. 209). The triene complex, (bicyclo[6.1.0]nona-2,4,6-triene)molybdenum tricarbonyl, has been observed to react with ¹³CO in solution to afford stereospecifically the axially labelled 13 CO tetracarbonyl derivative (ref. 210). Further reactions of this ¹³CO derivative with triphenylphosphine or bis (1,2-diphenylphosphino)ethane resulted in formation of the cis disubstituted phosphine derivatives with retention of the 13CO label (ref. 210). The synthesis of the (triene)Cr(CO)₃ complexes of bicyclic derivatives of cycloocta-1,3,5-triene has been described by Salzer where triene-bicyclo[1.1.0]nona-2,4,6-triene, 9-an<u>ti</u> carbethoxy bicyclo[6.1.0]nona-2,4,6-triene, and bicyclo[6.2.0]deca-2,4,6-triene (ref. 211). The complex where triene-bicyclo[6.1.0]nona-2,4,6-triene was found to rearrange at 100°C to afford bicyclo[4.2.1]nona-2,4,7-triene Cr(CO)₃ (LXXIX) (ref 211). Complexes of the general formula $(triene)M(CO)_3P(OPh)_3$ where the triene is bonding to the metal as a diene (M=Mo, W) have been prepared for the first time (ref. 211).



(27)

Compounds containing no CO's such as $[Mo(C_3H_5)(arene)(olefin)]^+$ were obtained from the hydrolyzed mixtures of $[AlEtCl_2]_2$, $[Mo(C_3H_5)(arene) Cl]_2$ and olefin (olefin=norbornadiene, cyclooctatetraene, or cycloheptatriene) (ref. 212).

Allyls. An extensive series of n^3 -allylcarbonyl complexes of molybdenum and tungsten containing 1,2-ethanediylidenedimines (LXXX) as ligands have been prepared by Hsieh and West (ref. 213). The reactions of these complexes with a number of reagents including MeLi, C_5H_5 , SnCl₂, Ag⁺ and Lewis bases have been investigated (ref. 213).



Included in an extensive work regarding the chemistry of n^{1} -allylic and π -olefinic derivatives of CpFe(CO)₂ was a brief account of the reactivities of n-allylic complexes of CpW(CO)₃, CpMo(CO)₃ and CpCr(NO)₂ with tetracyanoethylene to yield the (3+2) cycloaddition products, (LXXXI) (ref. 214).

$$M \rightarrow CN$$

$$M = CpMo(CO)_3, CpW(CO)_3 and CpCr(NO)_2$$

$$LXXXI$$

 n^{1} and n^{3} -silylallyl complexes of molybdenum have been prepared by the reaction sequences shown below (LXXXVII) (ref. 215).

CpMo(CO)₃⁻Na⁺ + trans-Me₃SiCH=CHCH₂CL THF





The kinetic product of the reaction of NOPF₆ with the endo-exo isomeric mixture of CpMo(CO)₂(n^3 -C₃H₅), (LXXXII) slowly converts to the thermodynamically more stable exo- π -allylic salt (LXXXIII) (ref. 216). Based on concurrent studies with 2-methylallyl derivatives, it was proposed that a concerted S_E2 attack of NO⁺ displaces CO and promotes formation of a n^1 -allyl intermediate (ref. 216).



Chelates. Irradiation of $CpM(CO)_3Me$ (M=Mo, W) in the presence of acetylene gives rise to the metallocyclic complex (LXXXIV) (ref. 217).



Methyl iodide adds to $CpMo(CO)(NCMe)_2^{-}$ to produce, through isocyanide insertions, an imino-dimethylamino carbene unit, i.e., $CpMo(CO)I(Me_2N-C-C(Me)-NMe)$, whereas $CpMo(CO)_2(NCMe)^{-}$ can have only one insertion thus yielding $CpMo(CO)_2(CNMe_2)$ in which the MeN=CMe group is proposed to be a 3-electron donor (ref. 218). The analogous tungsten complex, $CpW(CO)_2(CNMe)^{-}$ yields $CpW(Me)(CO)_2(CNMe)$ without insertion (ref. 218). Attempts to prepare di- or tridentate ligates from cyclic trithiones by replacing the diene or triene from (bicyclo-[2.2.1]heptadiene)- $M(CO)_4$ (M=Cr, Mo) or (cycloheptatriene) $Mo(CO)_3$ resulted in carbonyl abstraction and the preparation of $LM(CO)_5$ derivatives such is LXXXV, LXXXVI, and LXXXVII (ref. 219).



ORGANIC SYNTHESIS AND CATALYSIS

Molybdenum hexacarbonyl, but not $W(CO)_6$ or $Cr(CO)_6$ under the same conditions, acts as a deoxygenation agent as well as catalyzes the formation of thioacetals from α -bromosulfoxides (ref. 220). Catalytic properties of: $H_2[Mo_2O_A(OH)_2-$ (H₂0)₂]·3H₂0, Mo(CO)₆, MoO₂(acac)₂, MoO(OH)₃(t-C₆H₁₁O₂)₂ and Mo(V)acetylacetonate in the epoxidation run of cyclohexene with cumene hydroperoxide were examined (ref. 221). Kinetic studies for the model reaction at a molar ratio of cyclohexene: cumene hydroperoxide:Mo catalyst=1:1:0.002 at 85°C and 90°C in nitrobenzeno and benzene were examined (ref. 221). H₂[Mo₂O₄(OH)₂(H₂O)₂]·H₂O shows highest catalytic selectivity due to its electronic structure (ref. 221). A 1:4 mixture of PhLi and WC1₆ arylates ethers and tertiary amines at the lphaposition (ref. 222). E.g., Et₂O gave 80% EtOCHPhMe and Et₃N gave 35% Et₂-NCHPhMe (ref. 22). No reaction was observed with sulfides and phosphines (ref. 222). The photochemical preparation of Cr(CNAr)₅(olefin) from Cr(CNAr)₆, where Ar=phenyl, p-tolyl, p-anisyl; olefin=fumaronitrile, dimethylfumarate, and maleic anhydride, was described (ref. 223). The weak electron acceptor acrylonitrile was unreactive under the conditions used for the synthesis whereas the strong electron acceptor tetracyanoethylene needs no illumination to effect reaction (ref. 223).

The condensation of norbornene to isomeric mixtures of dimers and small amounts of trimers was catalyzed by WCl₆, MoCl₅ and ReCl₅ (ref. 224). The catalysts were activated by trace amounts of water but <u>inactivated</u> by n-BuLi (ref. 224). Metal hydrides as well as metallocyclobutanes were suggested as intermediates (ref. 224). Alumina- or silicon dioxide-adsorbed Mo(CO)₆ has been shown to reversibly lose CO, beginning at -20°C (ref. 225). IR evidence suggests existence of species such as C_{4V} Mo(CO)₅, Mo(CO)₅L (L=OH group from alimina surface), and two or three stable subcarbonyls, Mo(CO)_x (ref. 225). Interestingly, exposure of the stable sub-carbonyls to ¹³CO apparently give only $Mo({}^{13}CO)_x$ and no mixed ${}^{13}CO{}^{12}CO$ species (ref. 225). The reduction of cyclopropene to cyclopropane and propene was found to be a good chemical probe of the Fe-Mo nitrogenase protein (ref. 226). Molybdenum sulfide acts as a

hydrogenation catalyst for alkenes and dienes and in the process conserves the molecularity of H_2 or D_2 , purportedly via Mo-alkyl intermediates (ref. 227). Further work on this system showed that hydrogenation of butadiene with HD led to formation of a mixture of $[3-D_1]$ - and $[4-D_1]$ -but-l-ene, whose ratio agrees with the kinetic isotope effect expected for isobutenyl-Mo-sulfide-surface intermediates (ref. 228). A study of the effectiveness of cyclopentadienylsodium and phenylethynylsodium as cocatalysts with WCl₆ for the metathesis of 2heptene indicated that a wide range of optimum mole ratios of RM to WCl₆ was possible with these cocatalysts (ref. 229). In addition, the new catalyst systems purportedly maintained activity and were less apt to be poisoned than their n-BuLi/WCl₆ counterparts, for example (ref. 229). The isomerization of cis-pent-2-ene that accompanies "non-productive" metathesis at low conversions was studied by Basset, et. al., using the catalysts $W(CO)_5PPh_3$ and $W(CO)_5P(OPh)_3$ with EtAlCl₂ and 0_2 as co-catalysts, as well as the WCl₆/SnMe₄ catalyst system (ref. 230). All gave ratios of <u>ca</u>. 0.8 for trans- $C_A/cis-C_A$ product distribution and of <u>ca</u>. 3 for the trans- C_5 /trans- C_4 isomerization ratio (ref. 230). Diphenylcarbenetungstenpentacarbonyl is also an effective metathesis catalyst for 1-methyl-transcyclooctene, yielding a perfectly alternating polymer [poly(1methy1-1-octene-1,8-diy1)] (ref. 231). Quantitative UV spectroscopy indicated one diphenylethene group per average polymer unit; i.e., the metathesis generator is at the ends of the polymer chain (ref. 231). Quite to the contrary regarding the generally observed selectivity preference of olefin metathesis catalysts towards internal olefin metathesis, Farona and Motz found that the $Mo(CO)_5$ (pyridine) $Me_3A1_2C1_3R_4NC1$ catalyst system produced only products of terminal metathesis (ref. 232). Thus, ethylene, dec-5-ene and totally recovered hex-2-ene were obtained from attempts to cross metathesize hex-1-ene and hex-2ene (ref. 232). Evidence for the solvent-dependent formation of an initiating and propagating metal-coordinated carbene was given (ref. 232). The importance of trace amounts of oxygen for the activity of olefin metathesis catalysts such as WCl₆/RM (RM=EtAlCl₂, ZnMe₂ or BuLi) was reported (ref. 233). In the same study WOC1_/EtAlC1_ was found to be a catalyst of high activity towards internal acyclic olefins with or without rigorous exclusion of air (ref. 233). A new, nicely homogeneous, catalyst system W(OMe)₆/EtAlCl₂ was used to illustrate the need for both 0 and C1 in these W(VI) based catalysts (ref. 233). The reaction of $MoCl_2(NO)_2L_2$ (L=Py and PPh₃) and $MoCl_3(NO)(OPPh_3)_2$ with $C_2H_5AlCl_2$, AlCl₃ and $A1(C_2H_5)_3$ under both argon and carbon monoxide has been followed by I.R. spectroscopy (ref. 234). Results from this study have been employed in discerning the nature of the catalytic activity of these complexes in olefin metathesis (ref. 234).

Some of the most exciting work in the VIB metal chemistry to be published in 1976 was in regard to the mechanism of olefin metathesis. Earlier views of a pair-wise scrambling of olefins have generally gone unsupported and the carbene-metallocyclobutane chain mechanism has emerged with stronger support for many catalyst systems. A useful review of the mechanistic aspects of olefin meta-thesis was published by Calderon, et. al. (ref. 235). Appropriate to the proposed metallocyclobutane intermediates in the olefin metathesis reaction was the report of the synthesis of the n³-allylic salt [Cp₂W(CH₂CRCH₂)]⁺PF₆⁻ (LXXXVIII) which was found to react with NaBH₄ (or NaBD₄) or NaAlH₂(OR)₂ to give metallocyclobutane derivatives (LXXXIX) (ref. 236). Acidification yielded the hydrido-olefin complex cation, (XC). Whereas thermal decomposition of (LXXXIX) (R=H) produces cyclopropane and propene, photochemical decomposition in hexane yields CH₂=CH₂ and CH₄ (ref. 237). The photochemical conversion of n⁵-C₅H₅ to n³-C₅H₅ producing a 16-electron intermediate purportedly promotes conversion of the metallocycle to the olefin-carbene complex, (XCI) (ref. 237).



Further definitive work supporting the non-pairwise exchange of alkylidene units via the carbene/metallocycle equilibrium (equation 20 and 21) in the olefin metathesis reaction was published in 1976. The selectivity of equation 20 over equation 21 was measured for several catalyst preparations including $Mo[PPh_3]_2$ - $Cl_2(NO) + Me_3Al_2Cl_3$, $W(CO)_5CPh_2$, $WCl_6 + nBuLi$, $WCl_6 + Ph_3SnEt$, and $WCl_6 + EtOH-EtAlCl_2$, utilizing 1-octene-1-d₂ and 1-hexene. In all cases simple isotopic exchange between olefins was favored. Higher selectivity was observed for those tungsten catalysts which are less effective for, or slower towards, "conventional" or productive metathesis of terminal olefins (ref. 238). In a related

study Muetterties and coworkers pointed out that interpretation of product ratios in the metathesis of terminal olefins should be approached with caution in view of the generally unknown nature of the active species in the WCl₆-based catalyst recipes (ref. 241). Those authors discuss the importance of synthesizing and comparing rearrangements of the various possible metallocyclobutane intermediates XCIII.



Olefin competition experiments utilizing $W(CO)_5C(C_6H_4Me)_2$ as the metathesis catalyst were used to suggest that relative reactivities depend on the stability of the initially formed olefin complex (XCII) (1-pentene >isobutylene >cis-2-butene>> 2-methyl-2-hexene) as well as the relative ease of M-carbene formation (XCII>> XCIII or XCIV) (ref. 239). Experiments which would test the extent of translational invariance in polymers of 1-methylcyclobutene as catalyzed by $W(CO)_5CPh_2$ were reported by Katz and coworkers (ref. 240). The poly-isoprene thus obtained analyzes to <u>ca</u>. 85% Z or <u>cis</u> formation but occasional units (1 in 10) of 2-butene and 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene occur in the polymers (ref. 240). Two separate analyses of the appearance of ethylene-d_4, -d_2, and -d_0 from 1:1 mixtures of 2,2'-divinyl-diphenyl-d_4 and 2,2'-divinylbiphenyl, (ref. 242) and from mixtures of 1,7-octadiene and 1,7-octadiene-1,1,8,8-d_4, (ref. 245) in the presence of various Mo- and W- based catalyst systems, were clas osupportive of the carbene chain mechanism (ref. 243). Crucial to the carbene chain mechanism is the origin of the carbene complex in systems where

the catalyst is not itself a carbene complex. The work reported by Gassman and lohnson addresses this problem (ref. 244). The catalytic activity of $PhWCl_3/ AlCl_3$ towards the metathesis of <u>cis</u>-2-butene is effectively quenched in the presence of Michael acceptors such as ethyl acrylate, diethyl fumarate, etc. (ref. 244). The implication is that metal-alkylidene units are trapped by these electron deficient olefins, however, only small amounts of cyclopropanes were detectable in the reactions. In a related study it was shown that simple cyclopropanes react with the catalyst system according to "retrocarbene" addition, as illustrated in equations 22 and 23 (ref. 245). Cross metathesis of ethylcyclopropane and various α - β -unsaturated esters or nitriles (equation 24) was also observed by these workers (ref. 246).



The quantitative formation of a strained polycyclic ring system from a bicyclic structure in the presence of the metathesis catalyst illustrated in equation 25 recalled the "quasi-cyclobutane" transition state for olefin metathesis (ref. 247).



KINETICS AND MECHANISMS

Rates of CO or L dissociation from VIB metal carbonyls and derivatives were included in a review which forwarded a "cis labilization theory", or transition state site preference model, to account for large differences in rates (ref. 248). That is, a better cis labilizing ligand promotes loss of CO due to its preferential occupancy (thus lowering the transition state relative to CO or another poorer labilizing ligand) of a basal site in a square pyramidal (equation 26), or an axial site in a trigonal bipyramidal, transition state species (ref. 248).



Studies of the rates of reaction of the Group VIB metal hexacarbonyls (M=Cr, Mo, W) with benzylamine, cyclohexylamine and aniline (amine) support a rate law, $-d[M(C0)_6]/dt = k_1[M(C0)_6] + k_2[M(C0)_6][amine]$ (ref. 249). The rate law is suggestive of two competing mechanisms, with the amine-independent path involving rate-determining dissociation of CO followed by amine uptake. Activation parameters for reaction of $Mo(CO)_6$ with benzylamine, and the relative insensitivity of the rate to the identity of a wide variety of incoming nucleophiles for the amine-dependent path support a mechanism (I_d) , in which M-CO bond breaking is very important (ref. 249). The mode whereby a hydride reagent labilizes CO groups was suggested by Darensbourg and Walker to possibly involve a specific hydride, μ -H[Cr(CO)₅]₂ in the case of the synthesis of P₂Cr(CO)₄ from $NaBH_{a}/Cr(CO)_{6}/P$ (ref. 250). Kinetic investigations of the thermal reaction of μ -H[Cr(CO)₅]₂ with PPh₃ were consistent with CO loss and substitution by P on the intact dimer prior to cleavage of the dimer (ref. 250). A work describing 13_{CO} incorporation into Cr(CO)₄(L-L), where L-L = O-phen, bipy, dppe, and dppl, lent further support to Brown's cis labilization theory (ref. 251). Evidence based on amine substitution reactions in W(CO)_A(tmpa)(tmpa=N,N,N',N'tetramethy1-1,3-diaminopropane) and \underline{cis} -(C₅H₁₀NH)(PPh₃)W(CO)₄ with PPh₃ and ¹³CO indicates (a) that the square pyramidal $[W(CO)_{4}PPh_{3}]$ intermediate arising from amine dissociation is fluxional, and (b) that the intermediate containing PPh_3 in the equatorial plane of the square pyramid is thermodynamically more stable than that containing PPh_3 in the axial position (ref 252). The characterization of the first bona fide reaction intermediate for a system in which the ringopening mechanism is to be inferred from kinetic data derived from studies of substitution reactions of 2,2,8,8-tetramethy1-3, 7-dithianonane-tetracarbony1tungsten(0) (ref 253). The kinetics of the formation and decomposition of the

intermediate have also been investigated, and the observations constitute conclusive evidence for the operation of the ring-opening mechanism (ref. 253). The oxidation of \underline{cis} -Mo(CO)₂(dmpe)₂(dmpe=Me₂PCH₂CH₂PMe₂) has been studied by Connor and Riley (ref. 254). With Me3CI, the hydride, [MoH(CO)2(dmpe)2]I and 2-methylpropene is observed; with PhCH₂Br, CCl₄ and Ph₃CCl, <u>cis</u>-[MoX(CO)₂-(dmpe), X and R-R are produced (ref. 254). A subsequent mechanistic study showed that paramagnetic \underline{cis} -Mo(CO)₂(dmpe)₂⁺ and RX⁻ were the first-formed species for the latter reactions. Rapid rearrangement of the cis-Mo(I) complex to the <u>trans</u> isomer occurs concurrently with the formation of R and X. Subsequent attack by RX on [trans-Mo(CO)₂(dmpe)₂]X leads to the observed 7-coordinate product (ref. 255). The kinetics of isomerization of trans-Mo(CO)₂(dppe)₂-(XCVI) and trans-W(CO)2(dppe)2(XCVII), were determined from cyclic voltammetric measurements with a vitreous \tilde{C} electrode in organic solvents (ref. 256). The isomerizations proceed by a chelate bond-rupture mechanism with rate constants of 0.11 \pm 0.006 sec⁻¹ for XCVI at 25°C and 0.09 \pm 0.02 sec⁻¹ for XCVII at 20°C (ref. 256). Intrepretation of the large variation of kinetic isotope effect $k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D}$, for the reaction described by equation 27 was according to a transition state resembling reactant more than product such that steric hindrance by the substituents greatly influences the reaction course (ref. 257).



The iodination of CpMo(CO)₃SnR₃, (C_5H_4Me)Mo(CO)₃SnPh₃, other group IV derivatives of transition metal organics was kinetically investigated (ref. 258). The kinetics were studied of the reaction Mo(CO)₃(SnMe₃), with Br₂ in CCl₄ and I₂ in various solvents (ref. 259). Br₂ is \sim 4000 times more reactive than I₂. The reaction is akin to an aromatic substitution, the proposed mechanism involves an intermediate complex that is stabilized by vertical hyperconjugation (ref. 259). A kinetic and isotopic tracer study of the reaction described by equation 28 leads the authors to suggest that an initial bimolecular halogen abstraction reaction produces CrCl²⁺ and the intermediate (CrCHCl)²⁺ which rapidly exchanges with Cr²⁺ via the chloromethylene bridged intermediate (Cr₂CHCl)⁴⁺ (ref. 260).

$$\operatorname{CrcHcl}_{2}^{2+} + \operatorname{Cr}^{2+} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{HclO}_{4}} \operatorname{CrcH}_{2}\operatorname{Cl}^{2+} + \operatorname{Cr}^{3+} + \operatorname{Crcl}^{2+}$$
(28)

The kinetics were studied of the reaction of di- μ -(diethylphosphido) bis(tetracarbonylmolybdenum)(Mo-Mo-)(I) with PBu₃ in decalin (XCII) (ref. 261). In the absence of light, it undergoes a 2-step CO substitution reaction to give the products (L¹=PBu₃, L²=CO) and (L¹=L²=PBu₃). The reaction does not go to completion in the presence of CO; the kinetics were studied of the forward and reverse reactions for each step. All the substitutions occur by a dissociative mechanism involving a reactive intermediate which has a coordinatively unsaturated 6-coordinate Mo atom. This coordinately unsaturated metal center shows an unexpectedly high sensitivity to the nature of the incoming ligand, and to steric and/or electronic variations on the adjacent metal atom (ref: 261).



PHYSICAL STUDIES

Vibration Studies

The correlation of 12 CO and 13 CO frequency and intensity data has been used quite successfully in determining the structure of matrix isolated metal carbonyl fragments (ref. 262). The fortuitous cancellation of terms which allows assignment of frequencies using the CO-factored force field for 13CO isotopic labelled fragments that is responsible for the good fit using IR-active, but not Raman-active, modes was reiterated by Burdett, Perutz, Poliakoff, and Turner (ref. 262). In a preceding paper, Jones presented calculations to show that the same CO-factored force fields yield frequency positions in considerable error for ¹²C¹⁸O data (ref. 263). A complete normal coordinate analysis was performed on M(CO)₅CS (M=Cr, W) and $\underline{\text{trans}}$ -W(CO)₄(13 CO)(CS) by Butler and coworkers (ref. 264). Significantly, the equatorial CO force construct are unaffected on substitution of CS for CO in M(CO)₆, but the carbonyl trans to the CS has a larger CO force constant but a smaller M-C(O) force constant (ref. 264). The stronger π -acceptor capacity of CS over that of CO is also reflected in the larger M-C(S) force constant (ref. 264). The Raman spectra of mixed crystals of the group VIB metal hexacarbonyls have been described by Dariuki and Kettle (ref. 265). These spectra show an averaging of spectral features in the v(CO)region for molecular e_o modes but a superposition for the a_{lo} modes. This observation was correlated with the absence of factor group splitting in the ala case (ref. 265). The vibrational spectrum of $CpW(CO)_3R$ (R=H, CD_3 , C_2H_5 and $n^1 - C_3 H_5$) has been assigned using the local symmetries C_{5v} for the Cp ring, C_{3v} for the Cp-W(CO)₃ vibrations, and C_{3v} for the W-C and C-O modes (ref. 266). The

IR and Raman spectra are given, along with proposed vibrational assignments. While the local symmetry of C_{5v} does serve as an acceptable approximation for assignment of the Cp modes, there are definite examples for most of the compounds where the C_{5v} selection rules are violated, indicating the approximate nature of the local-symmetry approach (ref. 266). Electronic Studies

The electronic spectra of a series of arenechromium tricarbonyl and dicarbonyltriphenylphosphine derivatives have been reported and their photodecay processes investigated employing visible light (ref. 267). The spectroscopic properties of mixtures of Cp_2MH_2 (M=Mo, W) and π -acidic olefins such as maleic anhydride or fumaronitrile were recorded in various solvents and found to be consistent with formation of charge transfer complexes. Indeed the $Cp_2MH_2^+$ species was reportedly formed by addition of TCNE to Cp_2MH_2 (ref. 268). Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

Some thirty substituted n⁶-(tricarbonylchromium)benzenes, including some crowded alkylsubstituted complexes, e.g. (l',l'-diethylpropyl)-, l'-t-butyl-2',2'-dimethylpropyl)-, 1,2-di-t-butyl- and 1,2,4-tri-t-butyl-n⁶-(tricarbonylchromium)benzenes were prepared (ref. 269). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded from acetone solutions of the complexes (ref. 269). Using the chemical shift increments of the aromatic protons on complex formation of C₆H₅CH-t-Bu₂ and a reference for the eclipsed conformation with the substituent staggered with respect to the carbonyl ligands, the contribution of this conformer to the conformational equilibrium of the other monoalkylsubstituted complexes was estimated (ref. 269). The proton NMR spectra of a number of alkyl and X (X=F, Cl, NR $_2$, CF₃ OR) substituted bis(arene)chromium(0) complexes were recorded on a 100 MHz instrument and assignments made (ref. 270). A dramatic reduction in J_{H-H} and $J_{\mu_{-}F}$ in the complexed arenes as compared to the free arenes was noted (ref. 270). Band-shape fitting studies for the NMR spectra of the chelate-ring methylene protons of deuterated analogs of PdX_2L and $M(CO)_4L$ (X=C1, Br; M=Cr, Mo, W; L=(Me₂CHSeCH₂)₂] showed that the coalescence phenomenon observed in the temperature-dependent NMR spectra resulted from inversion of configuration about the ligand atoms and not from reversal of the chelate ring (ref. 271). Thermodynamic activation parameters for the inversion process were determined (ref. 271).

A 13 C NMR study of substituted biphenyl- and diphenylmethane-, diphenylethane-, <u>cis</u>-stilbene- and benzophenonetricarbonylchromium complexes has been reported by Brown and coworkers (ref. 272). The 13 C NMR chemical shifts of the ring carbons directly complexed to chromium were moved about 35 ppm upfield relative to the free ligand, whereas those not complexed underwent only small changes (1-2 ppm) (ref. 272). Carbon-13 NMR measurements were taken on an extensive list of bis(arene)chromium(0) complexes, prepared by the metal

atom/vapor synthesis technique (ref. 273). Analysis of the data led the authors to conclude that complexation of the arene essentially quenches delocalization of the π -electron system. The failure of the compounds to undergo electrophilic aromatic subsitution is apparently due to the reduction of aromaticity (ref. 273). Paramagnetic metallocenes bearing n-butyl groups as substituents, (n- $BuC_5H_4)_2M$ (M=Cr, Co, Ni, V), were synthesized in order to study C-C hyperconjugation effects (ref. 274). The 13 C chemical shifts of the carbons β to the Cp ring were greatly influenced by the unpaired electron (ref. 274). The 13 C and ¹H NMR spectra are reported and interpreted for several paramagnetic metallocene species, including chromocene (ref. 275). Dimethyltetrakis(diethylamido)ditungsten may be prepared by reaction of $W_2Cl_2(NEt_2)_4$ with MeLi (ref. 276). Carbon-13 NMR data were used to determine that the interconversion of gauche and anti forms of the complex has an activation energy of about 21 kcal mol $^{-1}$ (ref. 276). Milbrath and Verkade report the first examples of ${}^{1}J95,97_{MO}31_{P}$ couplings for ten (OC)₅MoL complexes (ref. 277). ${}^{1}H_{-}[{}^{183}W], {}^{1}H_{-}[{}^{31}P]$, and ${}^{1}H_{-}[{}^{183}W, {}^{31}P]$ nuclear magnetic double and triple resonance experiments on 35 W complexes with tertiary phosphine, Cp, and other ligands were determined and used to design 183 W chemical shifts and magnetic shieldings (ref. 278). Theoretical

An experimental estimate of σ - and π -bonding in Cr(CO)₆ was provided by an xray and neutron diffraction study of charge density (ref. 279). In this work the following charges were assigned: Cr, 0.15⁺.12; C, 0.09⁺.12; C, 0.09⁺.05; and 0, -0.12⁺.05. The σ and π electron transfers are thus assumed to be nearly equal; about 0.4 electron per CO is estimated (ref. 279). The hypothetical CrH_6^{6-} was compared with $Cr(CO)_6$ in extended Hückel calculations in order to separate the effects of σ and π bonding on stabilities of trigonal prism <u>vs</u>. octahedral geometries in six-coordinate complexes (ref. 280). Extended Hückel parameters were also used to compare calculated and observed Mo-Mo distances in $Mo_2(CO)_{10}^{=}$ (ref. 281). Ionization potentials as calculated by an INDO molecular-orbital method for Cr(CO)₆ and other simple carbonyls were in good agreement with PES data (ref. 282). Binding energies of core electrons in $Cr(C_6H_6)_2$, $C_6H_6Cr(CO)_3$, and $Cr(CO)_6$ could be obtained in the solid phase using x-ray photoelectron spectroscopy by calibrating the binding energy of a valence band observed on the solid with that of a valence band observed in the gaseous phase via ultraviolet PES (ref. 283). Correlation of the Fenske method of approximate molecular orbital calculations and He I photoelectron spectra of $Cr(CO)_5CS$, W(CO)₅CS and CpMn(CO)₂CS suggested that the ionizations due to the CS ligand are around 8 eV, considerably removed in energy (lower) from that of CO (ref. 284). The better π -accepting ability of CS over CO as well as the stronger interaction of occupied σ and π CS levels with metal help explain the observations (ref. 284). Results of a theoretical study on triple decker sandwich organometallics

such as Cp_3M_2 led Hoffman and coworkers to suggest that $Cr_2(CO)_9$, containing 3 bridging CO groups, might be observable in matrix isolation experiments (ref. 285). Calculations of charge distribution and molecular orbital levels were used to discuss carbonyl vs. carbene or acyl carbon sites of nucleophilic attack on $(CO)_5CrC(OMe)Me$ and $(CO)_5MnC(=0)Me$ (ref. 286). The theoretical results best correlate with chemical observations if nucleophilic attack is frontier and LUMO controlled rather than charge controlled (ref. 286).

Extended Hückel molecular orbital calculations were used to rationalize the enhancement of non-planarity on complexation of cyclohexadienyl derivatives to metal carbonyl moities, $Fe(CO)_3^+$, $Mn(CO)_3$, and $Cr(CO)_3^-$ (ref. 287). Secondary antibonding repulsions between the metal and the lower methylene hydrogen in $C_{c}H_{7}$, evident in these calculations, are not expected to be as prominent in cyclooctatrienyl or cycloheptatrienyl complexes of M(CO)₃, M=Cr, Mo, W (ref. 287). The effect of substitution on the aromatic ring in arene-chromium tricarbonyl derivatives has been studied by ESCA (ref. 288). The chemical shifts of the core ionization energies (C ls, O ls, Cr 3s) of these derivatives were neasured and information on the bonding in these complexes was obtained (ref. 288). INDO calculations on the cations $[(C_7H_6X)Cr(CO)_3]^+$ (X=H, OMe, COOMe) reveal an increase in positive charge on the $\tilde{C}_7 H_7^+$ ion upon coordination to Cr(CO), although there is a decrease in reactivity towards nucleophiles (ref. 299). This was explained in terms of increased bond index values in the $C_7 H_7^+$ or related ion upon binding to the metal and it was concluded that the site of nucleophilic attack in $[(C_7H_7X)Cr(CO)_3]^+$ does not in general correlate with any specific electronic parameter (ref. 289). The complexes Cp_MoCO, Cp_MoCl_, Cp_2MoD_2 , $Cp_2MoCl_2^+$, and $Cp_2Mo(CO)R$ were among those discussed in a theoretical paper dealing with correlating the extent of distortion in Cp₀M fragments with electronic structure (ref. 290). This paper includes a rationale for facile plefin insertion_into M-H or M-R bonds of species such as Cp₂ZrClH. Cp₂TiClR or $Cp_{2}Ti(C_{2}H_{4})H^{+}$ vs. the inactivity of $Cp_{2}Mo(C_{2}H_{4})H^{+}$ or $Cp_{2}Nb(C_{2}H_{4})H$ (ref. 290). A nolecular-orbital study of the ground and excited-state properties of metallocenes of the first-row transition metal ions, including $Cr(Cp)_{2}^{+}$, has been reported (ref. 291).

Miscellaneous Physical Studies

Heats of reactions have been determined for $W(CO)_{6-n}(CH_3CN)_n + nCO \rightarrow W(CO)_6 + n(CH_3CN)(n=1,2,3)$ (ref. 292). Combining this data with measured heat capacities and sublimation energies and knowing standard enthalpies of formation for $W(CO)_6$, CO, and CH_3CN , the standard enthalpies of formation of each member of the series, $W(CO)_{6-n}(CH_3CN)_n$ is afforded. W-acetonitrile bond energies were derived to be 45 kcal/mole which is comparable to the bond energy of a W-carbonyl bond (ref. 292). Differential scanning calorimetry techniques were

utilized in the study of the melting of group VI transition metal hexacarbonyls in sealed, evacuated ampoules (ref. 293). Resulting thermodynamic parameters:

$$Cr(C0)_{6}: \Delta H^{\circ} = 5.6 \pm 0.1 \text{ kcal mole}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta S^{\circ} = 13.2 \text{ cal}^{\circ} C^{-1} \text{ mole}^{-1}$$

$$(m.p. = 150 \pm 2^{\circ} C)$$

$$Mo(C0)_{6}: \Delta H^{\circ} + 6.4 \pm 0.1 \text{ kcal mole}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta S^{\circ} = 15.3 \text{ cal}^{\circ} C^{-1} \text{ mole}^{-1}$$

$$(m.p. 146 \pm 2^{\circ} C)$$

$$W(C0)_{6}: \Delta H^{\circ} = 6.5 \pm 0.1 \text{ kcal mole}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta S^{\circ} + 14.8 \text{ cal}^{\circ} C^{-1} \text{ mole}^{-1}$$

$$(m.p. = 166 \pm 2^{\circ} C)$$

Combining these values with reported sublimation data, enthalpies of vaporization were calculated (ref. 293). Having obtained these new values and knowing the reported sublimation parameters, phase diagrams for solid-gas and liquid-gas were obtained. From these diagrams calculations for boiling points of Mo(CO)₆ and W(CO)₆ were 160.8 and 184.2°C, respectively (ref. 293). Domrachev and Zinov'ev have carried out thermodynamic studies of the equilibrium in the direct-synthesis reaction of dibenzenechromium from benzene and chromium (ref. 294). The heat of formation of WMe_6 (73(kJ/mole) as determined from measurements on its heat of hydrolysis was used to estimate the average W-Me bond enthalpy, 159 $\stackrel{+}{-}$ 7 kJ/mole, or 62 $\stackrel{+}{-}$ 2 kcal/mole (ref. 295). It was stressed that correlation of the enthalpy of formation with the observed thermal stability was unwarranted in view of alternate methods of thermal decomposition such as hydride transfer (ref. 295). Cyclic-voltammetry was used to study the reduction of $Cr(C0)_6$ to $[Cr_2(C0)_{10}]^2$ at a Pt electrode in MeCN (ref. 296). Cyclic voltammetry studies of dicarbene complexes of Mo and W such as $(imid)_{2}M(CO)_{4}$ (imid=1,3-dimethy1-4-imidazolin-2-ylidene) showed that both cis and trans isomers displayed a reversible wave at identically the same potential (ref. 297). The trans complexes however displayed an additional irreversible wave at more negative potentials; this was proposed to result from (in the oxidative process) production of trans⁺ which rapidly isomerizes to cis⁺ (ref. 297). The usefulness of electrochemical studies in elucidating the chemistry of metal carbonyl derivatives was further shown in a report regarding $Cr(CO)_{5}I$ (ref. 298). Iodochromium pentacarbonyl was prepared from $Et_{\Lambda}N^{+}Cr(CO)_{S}I^{-}$ by KMnO_A oxidation in acetone. The resultant blue solutions were stable at -78° but disproportionated at higher temperatures. Triphenylphosphine was readily oxidized by $Cr(CO)_5 I$ yielding Ph₃PO and $Cr(CO)_5 I^-$ (ref. 298). Vibrational, ¹³C NMR, electronic absorption, and photoelectron spectra of the complexes $W(CO)_5(4R-pyridine)$ are discussed in terms of the influence of variation of R on the trans carbonyl and the extent of π -bonding between tungsten and the

py ligand (ref. 299). Enthalpies are determined for the following reaction

$$W(CO)_{c}(4R-Py)(s) + CO(g) \rightarrow W(CO)_{c}(g) + 4-R-Py(g)$$
 (29)

The decrease in reaction enthalpy in going from R=CH₃ to R=CN is due to a weakening of W-py bond (ref. 299). Analysis of the electron spin resonance spectrum of the radical anion, [Ph(MeO)CCr(CO)₅], formed by reducing the neutral carbene complex with Na/K, indicated localization of the unpaired electron on the carbene moiety, and the Ph ring to be coplanar with the Cr-C_{carbene}-O plane as well as fixed on the esr time scale (ref. 300). Similar studies on other metal carbene complexes utilizing various one-electron reducing agents, sodium naphthalide, Mn(CO)₅, CpFe(CO)₂, CH₂PPh₃, PhLi and t-BuLi, were also reported (ref. 300). The magnetic susceptibility of chromocene has been measured between 83 and 293°K and the data are supportive of a $3\Delta(\sigma\delta^3)$ ground state (ref. 301). The fragmentation of n⁶-thiophenechromium tricarbonyl under electron impact was studied (ref. 302). The formation of the rearrangement ion CrS⁺ was observed (ref. 302). The use of radiochemistry in the preparation of organometallics was reported (ref. 303). Thus [CpMo(CO)₃]₂ containing ⁹⁹Mo undergoes β- decay producing 74.4% CpTc(CO)₅ is also found in the former process (ref. 303).

Crystal Structures

Crystal structures of the following compounds were reported: bis(2,6-dimethylpyridine)chromium, (ref. 304) dicarbonyl-n⁵-cyclopentadienyl[(3-dimethylarsino)propyl]molybdenum, (ref. 305) bis(2,6-dimethylpyridine)chromium, (ref. 306) <u>trans</u>-oxochlorotetrakis(methylisocyanide)molybdenum(IV)triiodide, (ref. 307) 1,1-dimethoxy-2,4,6-triphenyl- λ^5 -phosphorin-chromiumtricarbonyl and 4-<u>tert</u>butyl-1,1-di-fluoro-2,6-diphenyl- λ -phosphorinchromiumtricarbonyl, (ref. 308) 1:2 addition complex of tricarbonylmesitylenemolybdenum with mercury(II) chloride, (ref. 309) hexakis(trimethylsilymethyl)ditungsten, (ref. 310) trans,trans-[Cr(I)(CO)₂(PPh₂Me)₂NO)], (ref. 311) areneolefindicarbonylchromium chelate complex with (2,5-dimethylbenzyl)allyl ether as the chelate ligand, (ref. 312) carbonylcyclopentadienylhexafluorobut-2-yne-(pentafluorophenylthio)molybdenum, cyclopentadienyl(hexafluorobut-2-yne)oxo(pentafluorophenylthio)molybdenum, (ref. 313) and the iodo-bridged complex μ -I₂W₂(CO)₈ (ref. 314).

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