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I. Metal-carbon complexes

Data have been reported for the content of organometallic nickel in marine samples [1]. The reaction between methylcobalamin and $PtCl_6^{2-}$ gives platinum(II) complexes $PtMeCl_3^{2-}$. Complete demethylation requires 2 equivalents of $PtCl_4$. A second compound is formed which is possibly $PtMe(H_20)Cl_2^{-}$ [2].

The ³¹P nmr spectra of the compounds [cis-M(L)Me(dppe)]PF₆(M=Pd,Pt; L=4-C₅H₄NX; X=Me, H, NMe₂, CO₂Me, COMe, CN) show a regular decrease in δ (³¹P) and J(³¹P-¹⁹⁵Pt) as the ρ value of the substituent X on the pyridine decreases. The trends are attributed to decreasing lone pair donation from phosphorus as the electron donating ability of the other ligands on the metal increases [3]. The crystal structures of the platinum(II) complexes trans-PtClR(PMePh₂)₂ (R=Me, CF₃, C₂F₅) show respective bond lengths for Pt-C of 2.08, 2.09 and 2.00 (average). The shorter value in the third compound is attributed to the electrostatic effect of a positive charge induced on the ligating carbon atom by the electronegative fluorine atoms. Discussion relating to estimating the trans influence of the C₂F₅ group is presented [4]. In the following paper the crystal and molecular structures of the compounds dimethyll(2-vinylphenyl)diphenylphosphine] platinum(II) and bis(trifluoromethyl) [(2-vinylphenyl)diphenylphosphine]platinum(II) (1) have been solved [5]. The



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structure of (1) is shown with the π -bonded vinyl group being coordinated almost normal to the metal coordination plane.

An nmr study has been made of complexes $PtMe_3(AA)L$ and $PtMe_3(AA)_2^-$ (L = MeOH,3,5-lutidine; HAA = amino acid). When the amino acid contains an asymmetric

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carbon atom diastereomers are formed. The effects of various substituents on the amino acid on the relative proportions of isomers, and on the chemical behavior of the compounds have been investigated [6]. The reaction of $Pt(Se_2CNEt_2)_2$ with $PtMe_2(PPh_3)_2$ gives $Pt(Se_2CNEt_2)Me(PPh_3)$ (2). The compound exists as discrete



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monomers of an essentially planar $PtSe_2PC$ core. The Pt-Me falls in the usual range [7]. A kinetic study has been made of the biomethylation reaction between platinum and methylcobalamin. An "outer-sphere" complex is formed between charged Pt(II) salts on the corrin macrocycle, which catalytically labilizes the Co-C σ -bond to electrophilic attack [8].

The compound <u>cis</u>-PtMe₂(PMe₂Ph)₂ reacts with $PtX_2Me_2(PMe_2Ph)_2$ (X = I, NO₂, NO₃) to give $PtXMe(PMe_2Ph)_2$ and $PtXMe_3(PMe_2Ph)_2$ (3). By labelling studies it is shown that when X = NO₃ the reaction occurs by methyl for nitrate exchange rather than by a redox mechanism [9]. The UV photolysis of methylplatinum complexes has

$$\underbrace{cis}_{PtMe_2(PMe_2Ph)_2}^{I} + \underbrace{Pt}_{Me_1}^{PMe_2Ph} \longrightarrow \underbrace{trans}_{PtIMe_2Ph)_2}^{I} + \underbrace{fac}_{PtIMe_3(PMe_2Ph)_2}^{I}$$
(3)

been studied both in the absence and presence of deuterated solvents. The data is in agreement with the formation of free radicals in the reaction [10]. The bond energies ΔH of the reaction of Pt(PPh₃)₂C₂H₄ have been found to be -176, -108 and -79 kJ mol⁻¹. The difference in bond energy between Pt-Me and Pt-I is small [11]. The ³¹P, ¹³C, and ¹⁹⁵Pt nmr spectra of the compounds PtMe₂[Ph₂P(CH₂)_nPPh₂] have been compared with the spectra of the compound <u>cis</u>-PtMe₂(PMePh₂)₂[12]. Irregularities in the nmr parameters can be explained on the basis of the existence.

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathsf{Pt}(\mathsf{PPh}_{3})_{2}(\mathsf{C}_{2}\mathsf{H}_{4}) \ (\mathsf{s}) \ + \ \mathsf{I}_{2} \ (\mathsf{g}) \ \longrightarrow \ \underline{\mathsf{trans}}_{2}\mathsf{Pt}(\mathsf{PPh}_{3})_{2}\mathsf{I}_{2}(\mathsf{s}) \ + \ \mathsf{C}_{2}\mathsf{H}_{4} \ (\mathsf{g}) \\ & \mathsf{Pt}(\mathsf{PPh}_{3})_{2}(\mathsf{C}_{2}\mathsf{H}_{4}) \ (\mathsf{s}) \ + \ \mathsf{CH}_{2}\mathsf{I}\mathsf{CH}_{2}\mathsf{I} \ (\mathsf{g}) \ \longrightarrow \ \underline{\mathsf{cis}}_{2}\mathsf{Pt}(\mathsf{PPh}_{3})_{2}\mathsf{I}_{2} \ (\mathsf{s}) \ + \ \mathsf{C}_{2}\mathsf{H}_{4}(\mathsf{g}) \\ & \mathsf{Pt}(\mathsf{PPh}_{3})_{2}(\mathsf{C}_{2}\mathsf{H}_{4}) \ (\mathsf{s}) \ + \ \mathsf{CH}_{3}\mathsf{I} \ (\mathsf{g}) \ \longrightarrow \ \underline{\mathsf{cis}}_{2}\mathsf{Pt}(\mathsf{PPh}_{3})_{2}\mathsf{MeI} \ (\mathsf{s}) \ + \ \mathsf{C}_{2}\mathsf{H}_{4} \ (\mathsf{g}) \end{aligned}$$

of angle strain for 4-membered but not for 5-membered rings. Alkyllithium reagents RCH_2Li react with nickelocene to give methylidene trinickel cluster compounds. These compounds $RCNi_3(n^5-cp)_3$ (R = Ph, CMe_3 , $SiMe_3$) have also been obtained by treating the σ -alkylnickel complexes $(n^5-cp)Ni(CH_2R)(PPh_3)$ with <u>n</u>-BuLi in the presence of excess nickelocene [13].

X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy nickel $2p_{2/3}$ binding energies have been measured for a series of trans square planar Ni(X)(Y)(PEt₃)₂ complexes and correlated with a calculated "charge parameter" for the nickel atoms. A good correlation for X,Y being chloro, alkyl, vinyl, acyl or phenyl, but not when both X and Y are acetylide. This failure is considered to be due to considerable π -character in the Ni-C bonds and it is suggested that such π -character is minimal in the other compounds [14].

A series of stilbene bromohydrin compounds PhCHBrCHYPh (Y = OAc, OSO_2Me , OMe, SMe) react with Pd(PPh₃)₄ with β-elimination to give stilbene. The stereochemistry of the elimination is only selective for the case of the dibromide where anti-selectivity is observed [15]. Dinuclear complexes $[PdX(R)(PPh_3)]_2$ (R = 2-(6-chloropyridyl) containing ClO_4 , BF_4^- and PF_6^- as bridging ligands X have been prepared and characterized (4) [16]. Reaction with pyridine converts these anions into the unidentate ligands giving rise to the more stable compounds (5). A palladium alkyl intermediate is postulated in the palladium catalyzed



cyclization of α -substituted N-acryloyl-o-bromoanilines to oxindole derivatives [17]. The compounds MC1(CH₂CN)(PPh₃)₂ (M = Pd,Pt) react with 8-hydroxyquinoline and 8-mercaptoquinoline to give a single isomer which is given the structure (6)[18]. The reaction of the compounds MC1(CH₂SR)(PPh₃)₂ (M=Pd, Pt) with electrophiles has been studied. With methyl iodide there is formation of methyl chloride. A

$$PdC1(CH_{2}CN)(PPh_{3})_{2} + \bigvee_{N} \bigvee_{XH} \longrightarrow Ph_{3}P - Pd - N + HC1$$

$$(6)$$

sequence involving a sulfonium intermediate is shown [19]. The addition of alcohols, thiols, water and amines to the coordinated CN group of <u>cis-[Pd(o-CH₂C₆H₄CN)L₂](BF₄)₂ (L= 2PPh₃, dppe) leads to stable N-bonded iminoether,</u>

$$\frac{\text{trans}-L_2MC1(CH_2SR) + R'X \longrightarrow L_2MC1(R')X(CH_2SR)}{\left[L_2C1M-CH_2SRR'\right]^+X \longrightarrow \underline{\text{trans}}-L_2M(X)CH_2SR + R'C1}$$

iminothioether, amide and amidine complexes respectively [20]. The structure of trans-PtCl(CH_2CN)(PPh₃)₂ (7) has a Pt-C distance of 2.08 A [21]. The structure of



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(Y= OH, OMe, SMe, SCH₂Ph, NMe₂)

(bipy)NiEt(N=CHR'BEt₂) (8), prepared from NiBr₂ or Ni(acac) and iminoborate compounds in the presence of 2,2'-bipyridine, shows a Ni-C distance of 1.97 Å [22].



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The reaction between K_2PtCl_4 and a variety of tetraorganotin compounds $SnMe_3R$ (R=Me, aryl) in DMSO gives the complexes <u>cis-PtR_2(DMSO)_2</u> and <u>trans-PtR(Cl)(DMSO)_2</u>. The reaction conditions are given and the DMSO is bonded via the S atom [23]. In an article describing the reactions of atomic metal ions with alkyl halides and alcohols in the gas phase the number of carbonyls displaced from Ni(CO)₄ by RX has been measured as well as the reaction of Ni⁺ with CH₃I. The latter reaction gives 100% of MI⁺ + Me and no product MMe⁺ + I [24]. The oxidative addition of 1-chloro-1-nitroethane with Pt(PPh₃)₄ gives nitroethane and <u>cis-PtCl₂(PPh₃)₂</u> as main products. The mechanism of the reaction involves radicals [25]. The reactivity of a series of Ni(0) complexes and NiEt₂(bipy) to diethyl malonate shows that only complexes with a high electron density at the central metal atom are able to react under oxidative substitution. From NiEt₂(bipy), the complex (9) is formed [26].



The reaction of NiR($0-\underline{p}-C_{6}H_{4}CN$)(bipy) (R= Et,Me) (10) with one mole of CO

$$\operatorname{NiEt}_{2}(\operatorname{bipy}) + 2 \operatorname{CH}_{2}(\operatorname{CO}_{2}\operatorname{Et})_{2} \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ni}[\operatorname{CH}(\operatorname{CO}_{2}\operatorname{Et})_{2}]_{2} + 2 \operatorname{C}_{2}\operatorname{H}_{6}$$
(9)

yields Ni(COR)(0-<u>p</u>-C₆H₄CN)(bipy) (R= Et,Me) (11). Esters are formed when (11) is treated with a π -acid such as CO [27]. The VSEPR model has been applied to



alkyl transition metal compounds [28]. A rationalization has been developed for the large interbond angles at α -carbon atoms, and for intramolecular non-bonded atomic radii for a series of elements, including platinum.

¹⁹F and ³¹P nmr data for the series of complexes <u>trans</u>-PtX(SCF₃)(PEt₃)₂ (X=Ph,Me,H,CF₃,C₂F₃,CN,NO,SCF₃,N₃,I,NCS,Br,C1,NO₃); <u>cis</u>-PtX(SCF₃)(PEt₃)₂ (X= Me, NO₂, SCF₃, N₃, NCS, NCO, C1); <u>trans</u>-PtX(C₂F₃)(PEt₃)₂ (X= CN, NO₂, SCF₃, N₃, I, Br, C1, NO₃); <u>trans</u>-[Pt(C₂F₃)(PEt₃)₂L]ClO₄ (L= PEt₃, P(OMe)₃, P(OEt)₃, P(OPh)₃, PPh₃, CO, py) have been used to establish scales of <u>cis</u>- and <u>trans</u>influence for X and L. It is concluded that the <u>cis</u>- effect may be much more sensitive to π -bonding, and also to steric effects, than is the <u>trans</u>- influence [29]. The compound PtMe₃(SMe) has been prepared and is tetrameric in solution (CHCl₃) and in the vapor state. The synthesis uses [PtMe₃]₂SO₄ and NaSMe [30].

In a theoretical paper using MO-SCF-CI calculations it has been found that dimethylnickel should have a linear, high-spin ground state. The nickel-carbon

bonds are predicted to be strong. Bending the molecule leads to considerable reduction in bond strength. Only the single state of the bent molecule has the correct symmetry for concerted reductive elimination, which may require thermal excitation to this state [31]. A series of complexes $PtMe_2(polyphosphine)$ have been prepared and studied by ³¹P nmr. The tridentate and tetradentate phosphines function as bidentate ligands at low temperature. Some of these compounds undergo rapid exchange of the terminal phosphine ligands [32]. The binuclear complexes $(\pm)-(Me_3PtS)_2MeE(CHR)_nEMe(E=S,Se; X= Cl,Br,I; R= H,Me; n= 0,1)$ show a series of fluxional phenomena over a range of temperatures. One of these is an intermetallic commutation by the two donor atoms of the bidentate S and Se ligands (12) [33]. A trimethylplatinum complex has been prepared using the theophyllinate



ligand. The complex is proposed to have a cyclic trimetallic structure [34]. The tetrameric $(Me_3PtBr)_4$ compound reacts with Me_2Se_2 and Me_2Se to give $(Me_3PtBr)_2MeSeSeMe$ (13) and $Me_3PtBr(Me_2Se)_2$. The structure of (13) shows a novel diselenide bridge [35]. The compound $[Pt_2Me_3(dppm)_2]^+$ has a unique structure involving a previously unpostulated conformation for a dppm bridge binuclear complex (14) [36]. Reaction of the diplatinum(I) complex $Pt_2Cl_2(\mu-dppm)_2$



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with CH_2N_2 , SO_2 , and S_8 gives adducts $Pt_2Cl_2(\mu-X)(dppm)_2$ (15) where X is CH_2 , SO_2 , or S [37]. The structure of trans-Pd(CO_2Me)(OCOMe)(PPh₃)₂ has a uniden-tate acetate ligand and respective Pd-O and Pd-C distances of 2.116 Å and 1.984 Å.



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The observance of a monodentate acetate ligand is reported to be unique for acetatopalladium compounds [38].



Palladium carbon σ -bonds have been formed by the oxidative addition of imidoyl chlorides to the compound Pd(PPh₃)₄ [39]. Carbon bonded acetylacetonato

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & & & & & & \\ RC=NR^2 & + & Pd(PPh_3)_4 & \longrightarrow & Ph_3^P - Pd - PPh_3 & + & 2 & PPh_3 \\ I & & & I \\ C1 & & & C1 \end{array}$$

complexes of platinum(II) and palladium(II), M(acac)(γ -acac)(PPh₃) give different types of complexes (16, 17, 18) when reacted with β -dicarbonyl compounds [40].



(16) $R' = R^2 = 0Me; R' = Me, R^2 = 0Me; R = Me, R^2 = 0Et$ (17) $R' = Me, R^2 = Ph$ (18) $R' = Me, R^2 = Ph; R' = R^2 = Ph$

The structure of the first α -diazomethyl group VIII transition metal complexes (19) shows the ligand coordinated to palladium via carbon [41]. A metal carbon bond is also found in the complex Pt(SPh)(PhSCSO)(PPh₃)₂. The structure (20) has been verified by X-ray crystallography [42].

A study has been reported on exchange mechanisms involving platinacyclobutanes. The authors conclude that their data are consistent with an intramolecular rearrangement process [43]. The crystal structure of carboxymethylpalladium(triphenylphosphine)pyridine (21) shows the palladium atom is C,O-chelated by an acetic acid to give a 4-membered ring [44]. In a further article on the isomerization of platinacyclobutanes the isomerization has been found to be intramolecular [45]. Skeletal isomerization of platinacyclobutane complexes between (22) and (23) has been investigated. Steric effects are dominant in favoring (23). Isomerization is retarded by added iigand L, and for R= p-tolyl and L= py the approach to



reciprocal of the observed rate constant and py is demonstrated. A mechanism



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involving reversible dissociation of ligand L, followed by skeletal isomerization of the resulting five-coordinate platinum(IV) complex is proposed [46]. A methoxyplatinum(II) complex having a metal-carbon σ bond has been prepared. The symmetrical structure (24) has been proposed based on the ¹H and ³¹P nmr data [47].



The compound bipyridylnickelacyclopentane (25) has been prepared from 1,4-dibromobutane and Ni(COD)₂ [48]. In a study of the thermal conversion of

$$2 \operatorname{Ni}(\operatorname{COD})_2 + 4 \operatorname{bipy} + \operatorname{Br}(\operatorname{CH}_2)_4 \operatorname{Br} \longrightarrow (\operatorname{bipy}) \operatorname{Ni} + (\operatorname{bipy})_3 \operatorname{Ni} \operatorname{Br}_2$$
(25)

dineopentylbis(triethylphosphine)platinum(II) (26) to bis(triethylphosphine)-3,3-dimethylplatinacyclobutane (27) it is found that the cleavage of an unactivated C-H bond proceeds by an oxidative addition to the platinum atom of a reactive trialkylphosphine dialkylplatinum(II) moiety [49].



In a further study on platinacyclobutanes, no crossover products were observed in the rearrangement of (28) to (29) in the presence of <u>p</u>-tolylcyclopropane or <u>p</u>-methylstyrene [50]. Labelling experiments were performed and their stereochemical consequences discussed. Deuterated platinacyclobutanes were decomposed to give deuterium labelled 2,3-dimethylbut-l-enes. The olefins are formed by a β -hydrogen abstraction followed by a reductive elimination, and an α -hydrogen abstraction process is not operative [51]. The thermolysis of metallacycles has been considered from an orbital symmetry approach and a rationalization presented for the effects of other ligands about the metal [52].

The reaction of Ni(COD)₂ with methacrylamine and PCy₃ gives a nickelacyclic amide complex (30) [53]. Reacting equimolar quantities of PtL_4 (L= PPh_3 , $AsPh_3$) with incan-1,2,3-trione or 2,2-dihydroxyindan-1,3-dione gives a side-bonded



ketone complex which undergoes ring expansion with indan-1,2,3-trione. This



complex has the structure (31) which has been confirmed by x-ray crystallography [54]. $Pt(COD)_2$ reacts with methylvinyl ketone at -20° to give either



 $Pt[n^2-CH_2=CHC(Me)=0]_2COD \text{ or } Pt[n^2-CH_2=CHC(Me)=0]_3$. The former isomerizes to a platinacyclopentane $Pt[CH_2CH(C(Me)=0)CH_2CH(C(Me)=0]COD$, from which the COD group may be replaced by CNBu-t or PPh₃ to give $Pt[CH_2CH(C(Me)=0)CH_2CH(C(Me)=0]L_2$ (L= CNBu-t, PPh₃). The structure of the PPh₃ complex (32) has been solved.



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Reactions with 0_2 , $(CF_3)_2CO$ and $(CF_3)_2C=C(CN)_2$ are reported [55]. The reaction between allene, Ni(O) and a chelating phosphine gives a bis-methylenenickelacyclopentane derivative (33), the structure of which has been confirmed crystallographically [56].



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Platinum(IV) phenyl complexes have been detected by ¹H and ¹³C nmr in reaction mixtures containing benzene with H_PtCl6 and Na_PtCl4 [57] . Arylnickel complexes are intermediates in the synthesis of heterocyclic compounds using NiCl₂(PPh₃)₂ [58]. A series of reactions of PtCl₂(COD) with aryl and alkyl tin complexes have been reported leading to the isolation of the compounds PtClMe(COD), $[Pt(C_6H_4SMe-\underline{p})_2]_n$, Pt(COD)(C_5H_4FeC_5H_5)Cl, Pt(COD)Cl(C_5H_4FeC_5H_5)Cl(COD)Pt. The ¹³C nmr and electronic spectra are discussed [59]. Reactions between $Pt(C_{2}H_{4})(PPh_{3})_{2}$ and organotin halides lead to insertion into either Sn-Cl or Sn-C bonds. Competition experiments indicate an order of reactivity in the oxidative addition reaction: SnMe₄ < SnPh₄ < SnMe₃Cl < SnMe₂Cl₂ < SnPh₂Cl₂, SnMeCl₃ < SnPhCL₃ < SnCl_A. The presence of radicals in the reaction mixture was not detected by radical transfer or spin-trapping experiments [60]. The reactions of trans- $[PtC1(C0)(PPh_2)_2]C10_4$ have been used to prepare a wide range of alkyl and aryl platinum compounds. Reaction pathways are suggested to explain the variety of transformations [61]. Similarly the reactions of \underline{cis} -Pt(0₂CCF₃)₂(PMe₂Ph)₂ with SnRMe₃ (R= aryl) have been investigated and a series of platinum-carbon bonded compounds isolated [62].

Palladium aryl complexes have been used in the arylation of vinyl sulfides [63]. The oxidative addition of aryl halides to Ni(0) triethylphosphine complexes gives <u>trans</u>-arylhalonickel(II) compounds, together with paramagnetic nickel(I) halides. The product ratio is dependent on halide, substituent, and solvent polarity. Kinetic and other studies are presented and the mechanisms discussed in relation to concerted or radical-chain processes [64]. The mechanism of the nickel catalyzed coupling of aryl halides to biaryls involves a radical-chain process involving paramagnetic Ni(I) and arylnickel(III) species. The initiation of the catalytic cycle is associated with electron transfer from <u>trans</u>-ArNiX(PEt₃)₂ to ArX, and it can be manipulated by choice of initiators and inhibitors [65].

A series of cationic complexes $\underline{trans} - [C_6Cl_5Ni(PPhMe_2)_2L]X$ (L=CNMe, C(NMeH)₂, C(NMeH)NMe₂, C(OMe)NMeH, C(OEt)NMeH, C(OMe)NMe₂, C(OMe)₂; X= SO₃F, ClO₄, PF₆) and $\underline{trans} - C_6Cl_5Ni(PPhMe_2)(C(OMe)=NMe)$ have been prepared. These complexes contain both a pentachlorophenyl and a carbene molety [66]. Preparative routes and spectra of the complexes are presented. Dimeric compounds are of general formula $[Pd(\mu-Cl)RL]_2$ (R=C₆F₅, C₆Cl₅; L is a neutral N,P,As,Sb,S donor ligand). The synthetic route involves the addition of the two mononuclear fragments together to form the bridged product (34) [67]. The Grignard method has been used to prepare

$$Pd(C_{6}X_{5})_{2}L_{2} + PdC1_{2} \xrightarrow{L} Pd \xrightarrow{C1} Pd \xrightarrow{C_{6}X_{5}} C_{1} \xrightarrow{Pd} L$$
(34)

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complexes NiXR(PEt₃)₂ (R=C₆Cl₅, 2,3,4,5-, 2,3,4,6- and 2,3,5,6-C₆Cl₄H or 2,4,6and 2,3,6-C₆Cl₃H₂). Metathetical replacement has been used to expand the number of new compounds [68]. Similar new compounds NiX(C₆Cl₅)bipy have been isolated. Substitution with PEt₃, PPh₃ and dppe has been studied, and addition of HCl to cis-Pd(C₆Cl₅)₂(PEt₃)₂ leads to Pd-C cleavage [69]. Paramagnetic organonickel (III) complexes RNi(PPhMe₂)₂Br₂ (R=CCl₂=CCl or C₆Cl₅) (35) have been prepared from

$$Pd(C_6C1_5)_2(PEt_3)_2 + HC1 \longrightarrow PdC1(C_6C1_5)(PEt_3)_2 + C_6C1_5H$$

trans-RNi(PPhMe2)2Br with N-bromosuccinimide [70]. In the following communication

the reactions of some diorganonickel(II) complexes with N-bromosuccinimide leads to facile bromine for hydrogen substitution in aromatic, alkynyl or alkenyl substituents, or in addition of NBS to C=C bonds [71].

The crystal structure of $PtCl(CF_3)(\underline{cis}-Ph_2PCH=CHPPh_2)$ has values of 2.275 A for Pt-P trans to CF_3 , and a distance of 2.188 Å for Pt-C. The coordination about Pt is typically square planar [72]. A Pt-CF₃ compound has been reported containing also a coordinated hydroperoxide ligand. The compound (36) is prepared from the reaction of either $L_2Pt(CF_3)OH$ or $L_2Pt(CF_3)H$ with hydrogen peroxide [73].

$$L_2^{Pt(CF_3)0H} + H_2^0$$

$$\xrightarrow{H_2^0_2} L_2^{Pt(CF_3)00H}$$

$$L_2^{Pt(CF_3)H} + H_2$$
(36)

The reaction of $[Pt\{(CF_3)C=CH(CF_3)\}(PEt_3)_2CH_3OH]PF_6$ with allene in methanol yields a metallocyclic complex $[Pt\{(CF_3)CHC(CF_3)=C(Me)CH_2OMe\}(PEt_3)_2]PF_6$ (37) [74]. The structure of (37) is shown. Reaction pathways to the formation of the complex are discussed. Alkyl palladium complexes (38) having an oxo bridge have been obtained using potassium superoxide [75]. The bridge splitting reactions of bis[(2-methoxy-5-cyclooctenyl)iodoplatinum(II)] by ligands leads to an equilibrium mixture of two stereoisomers. The stronger the σ -donor character of L the higher the proportion of the isomer having L in a <u>cis</u> position to the Pt-C σ bond [76].



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A complex (39) has been reported with two Pd-C σ bonds [77]. Both a methyl and a cyanomethyl complex of Pt have been reported having a chelating triphosphine as additional coordinating groups [78]. The reaction of cyanogen with Ni(acac)₂



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has been studied and the products isolated and characterized [79]. A carbonphosphorus bond cleavage has been found in the reaction of $MCl_2(PR_3)_2$ (M= Ni, Co, Pd; R= Ph, <u>n</u>-C₈H₁₇) with <u>p</u>-tolyllithium, <u>p</u>-tolylmagnesium halide, lithium aluminum hydride or magnesium amalgam. The thermal decomposition of Ni(mesityl)X(PEt₃)₂ (X= mesityl or Br) at 30° gives vinyl mesitylene [80]. Treating Pd(OAc)₂ in acetic acid at room temperature with PPh₃ in the presence of styrene gives <u>trans</u>-stilbene, H₃PO₄, PhP(O)(OH)₂, Ph₂P(O)(OH) and Ph₃P=0. Phenylpalladium species are considered to be involved in these reactions [81].



R= Me; L= py

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The pressure and temperature dependencies on the rates of substitution of <u>cis</u>- and <u>trans</u>-Pt(PEt₃)₂(2,4,6-Me₃C₆H₂)Br by I⁻ and thiourea in methanol show negative volumes of activation. The results are interpreted in terms of an associative process [82]. Substituent effects on the rates of uncatalyzed cis to trans isomerization have been measured along with the methanol solvolysis of arylplatinum complexes. Correlation of rates with Hammett's parameters of the Y substituents in \underline{cis} -[Pt(PEt₃)₂(YC₆H₄)X], or with the set of Swain and Lupton dual-substituent parameters indicates that σ rather than π interactions are dominant in the aryl-platinum bond [83]. The kinetics of $\underline{\text{trans-PtL}}_2(R)C1 + Y^- \longrightarrow$ <u>trans</u>-PtL₂(R)Y + C1⁻ (R= H, Et, <u>m</u>-CF₃C₆H₄, C₆F₅; L= PEt₃; Y= Br, I, N₃, NO₂, CN, SCN) fit the usual two-term rate law. It is suggested that the weakening of the Pt-Cl bond trans to strong σ donors R in the ground state is the driving force of the bimolecular reaction with a weak nucleophile (e.g. methanol solvent) which has no π-acceptor ability [84]. Protonolysis of complexes <u>trans</u>-Pt(PEt₃)₂RMe (R= Et, \underline{m} -MeC₆H₄, \underline{o} -MeC₆H₄, \underline{m} -FC₆H₄, \underline{p} -FC₆H₄, \underline{m} -CF₃C₆H₄, C₆F₅) by HCl in aqueous methanol selectively cleaves the alkyl group [85]. Rate data are given and a

trans-Pt(PEt₃)₂RMe + HCl ----> trans-Pt(PEt₃)₂RCl + CH₄

mechanism involving a three-center transition state proposed. The kinetics of the Si-Ar bond cleavages in $Me_3SiC_6H_4X$ (X= H, m-Me, m-OMe, mCl, p-Me, p-Cl) in the presence of Li_2PdCl_4 as catalyst are first order in silane and palladium complex. A mechanism is presented involving intermediate phenylpalladium compounds [86]. In a mechanistic paper dealing with the mechanism of reductive elimination, a

series of reactions involving alkyl- and arylpalladium compounds are described. The reductive elimination process is proposed to take place preferentially from Pd(IV) intermediates with retention of configuration at carbon [87].

The three geometric isomers of PtCl(Ph)CO(PMePh₂) have been prepared. Only the isomer with Ph trans to PMePh₂ readily undergoes carbonyl insertion, and gives the halo bridged acyl complex $[Pt_2(u-Cl)_2(COPh)_2(PMePh_2)_2]$, with which it equilibrates in solution. The acyl/carbonyl equilibrium is dependent on the R group which replaces phenyl [88]. An acylplatinum(II) compound (41) has been obtained by the



thermolysis of (40) [89]. The structure of $\underline{\text{trans}}_{2}[Pt_{2}(\mu-C1)_{2}(COEt)_{2}(PMe_{2}Ph)_{2}]$ has a Pt-C bond length of 1.972 Å. From the Pt-Cl distances, relative to



(P= PPh₂)

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phosphine, σ -carbon donor ligands exert a greater trans influence in binuclear complexes than they do in mononuclear Pt(II) derivatives [90]. Acylplatinum complexes of Pt(II) have been prepared from salicylaldehyde. The compound (42) has both the phenolic oxygen and the aldehyde carbon coordinated to Pt [91].



II. Metal complexes formed by insertion and related reactions.

The complexes <u>cis</u> and <u>trans</u>-PtH(YCN)(PPh₃)₂ and <u>cis</u>-PtH(YCN)(L-L) (YCN= C_2H_4CN , <u>n</u>- C_3H_6CN , <u>o</u>- $CH_2C_6H_4CN$) have been isolated. Insertion of olefin (C_2H_4CN , C_2H_3CN , NBD, allene) into the Pt-H bond of the <u>trans</u>-hydride complexes occurs to give <u>cis</u>-dialkyl complexes, but the <u>cis</u>-hydride complexes are unreactive [92]. Mechanisms are discussed. The insertion of an acetylene into the Ni-Me bond of (acac)Ni(Me)PPh₃. The reaction gives different kinetic and thermodynamic ratios of E and Z vinylnickel products (43). The structure of Z has been determined.



The effects of added phosphine are discussed [93]. Reactions between disubstituted alkynes and $[Pd(N,N-dimethylbenzylamine)X]_2$ gives bis insertion products. The structure of $[Pd[MeC=CPh)_2C_6H_4CH_2NMe_2]Br]$ (44) shows two acetylenes inserted into the Pd-C bond in a head-to-tail arrangement, the Pd being σ bonded to a carbon bearing a phenyl group [94]. Dimethylacetylene dicarboxylate and hexafluorobut-2-yne add to Pd_2(dppm)_2Cl_2 to give adducts Pd_2(dppm)_2(u-acetylene)Cl_2 where the acetylene has inserted into the Pd-Pd bond. The structure of the compound from CF_3C=CCF_3 (45) has a C-C bond length of 1.34 Å [95]. Reaction of PtIMe(bipy) with MeO_2CC=CCO_2Me gives first a 5-coordinate π -complex PtIMe(MeO_2CC CCO_2Me)(bipy), and then the product of insertion into the Pt-I bond, PtMe(C(CO_2Me)=C(CO_2Me)I)bipy (46) [96]. Formation of (46) may involve nucleophilic attack of I⁻ on the coordinated alkyne of a cationic intermediate. The reaction of isocyanides with hydroxy and methoxy alkyl complexes of platinum(II) yields insertion products (47) and (48) containing the carboxamido and imidoyl mojeties respectively [97].



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Hydroxy and alkoxy alkyl complexes used in this study can be prepared by metathesis with NaOR. Insertion reactions with SO_2 and S=C=Y are described [98]. Nickel(0)



will insert into the C-CN bond of acetonitrile to give unstable complexes [99]. Carbamatopalladium complexes (49) have been prepared from $PdMe_{2}L_{2}$ and CO_{2} [100]. 3-Methyl-2-butenoic acid and 3-methyl-3-butenoic acid, and their methallyl esters

 $PdMe_{2}L_{2} + CO_{2} + HNR_{2} \longrightarrow PdMe(O_{2}CNR_{2})L_{2} + CH_{4}$ (49)

were obtained by CO_2 insertion into π -allylpalladium complexes [101]. Sulfur dioxide reacts with [NiMe(ppp)]BPh₄(ppp=bis(2-diphenylphosphinoethyl)phenylphosphine) to give the O-methylsubfinate complex [NiOS(O)Me(ppp)]BPh₄ (50). The structure of (50) is shown [102]. Addition of tin chloride to $Pd_2(dppm)_2Cl_2$ produces $Pd_2(dppm)_2(SnCl_3)Cl$ where the tin chloride has inserted into the Pd-Cl bond. Carbon monoxide will insert into the Pd-Pd bond of this complex to give the carbonyl compound $Pd_2(dppm)_2(\mu-CO)(SnCl_3)Cl$ [103].



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III. Metal carbenes and ylides

Detailed synthetic procedures have been described for the preparation of cis-PtCl₂(PhNC)(PEt₃) and subsequently <u>cis</u>-PtCl₂[C(OMe)NHPh], <u>cis</u>-PtCl₂[C(NHPh)NHPh] and trans-[PtCl[C(NHPh)NHEt](PEt3)2]ClO4 [104]. New alkoxycarbene complexes of platinum(II) have been prepared from H2PtCl6 and either Me3CC=CH or Me3SiC=CH in i-PrOH [105]. A series of neutral carbene complexes of platinum(II) have been similarly obtained by reaction of the halide bridged dimer $Pt_2X_4L_2$ (X= Cl,Br,I; L= PMe₂Ph, PEt₃) with monosubstituted acetylenes RC≡CH(R= Ph,Me, Et) and alcohols R'OH (R'= Me, Et, n-Pr). The crystal structure of the complex cis-PtCl₂(PMe₂Ph){C(OEt)CH₂Ph} (51) shows a Pt....H contact of 2.6 Å to a hydrogen atom of the ethoxy CH₂ group [106]. In the following article the reactions of these compounds are reported. Reaction with chloride yields the acyl. Treatment with tertiary phosphines gives the cationic carbene complex. Halogen abstraction yields chloro bridged cationic carbene complexes [107]. The structures of the two compounds formed from Me₃CC=CH and Me₃SiC=CH [105] have been solved and been found to be a dimer $Pt_2C1_4\{C(CH_2CMe_3)OCHMe_2\}_2$ (52) and a monomer $PtC1_2\{C(CH_3)OCHMe_2\}_2$ (53) [108].





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Addition of a solution of n-cpW(CO)₂(CR), where R=p-tolyl,to Pt(C₂H₄)(PMe₂Ph)₂ gives a compound PtW(μ -CR)(CO)₂(PMe₂Ph)(n-cp). The structure shows the complex to have a Pt-W bond with a bridging carbyne ligand [109]. Similarly these workers have prepared dimetal complexes from metal carbene complexes. The structures of the yellow and red forms of (CO)₄Mn{ μ -(1- σ , 1-2-n-C=CHCH₂CH₂O)Pt(PMe₃)₂ have been solved, the latter being shown below (54) [110]. This group has also prepared complexes [MPt₂{ μ -C(OMe)Ph}(CO)₆(PR₃)₂] (M= Cr, W; PR₃= <u>t</u>-Bu₂MeP, PCy₃) (55). The structure of the complex with M=W and PR₃=<u>t</u>-Bu₂MeP has been solved. Related reactions forming triangulo Pt₃ compounds with bridging μ -C(OMe)Ph groups are described [111]. Bimetallic compounds with an alkylidene bridging Pt-Mn and Pt-Cr bonds have been prepared. Again the structures have been confirmed by x-ray crystallography [112].

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 $Pt(C_{2}H_{4})(PR_{3})_{2} + M\{C(OMe)Ph\}(CO)_{5} \longrightarrow [MPt_{2}\{\mu-C(OMe)Ph\}(CO)_{6}(PR_{3})_{2}]$ (55)

Metalating $[Me_3P]_2BH_2^+Br^-$ with 2 equivalents of BuLi and reacting with 0.5 equivalents MCl_2(PMe_3)_2 (M= Ni, Pd, Pt) gives the phosphonium ylide complexes $H_2B(Me_2PCH_2)_2M(CH_2PMe_2)_2BH_2$. The complexes have been characterized by ¹H, ¹¹B, ¹³C and ³¹P nmr spectroscopy, and the structure of the nickel complex shows it to be centrosymmetric with a square planar array of CH₂ carbons around the metal center and a chair conformation for both 6-membered chelate rings [113]. Transylidation has been used to form the ylide chelates (<u>t</u>-Bu)_2P(CH_2)_2M(CH_2)_2P(Bu-<u>t</u>)_2 (M= Ni, Pd) (56). With platinum only the "half-complex"[(<u>t</u>-Bu)_2P(CH_2)_2Pt(PMe_3)_2]⁺Cl

$$4(\underline{t}-Bu)_{2}P(=CH_{2}Me + MCI_{2}(PMe_{3})_{2} \longrightarrow \underline{t}-Bu \xrightarrow{P} M \xrightarrow{P} Bu-\underline{t}$$

$$\underline{t}-Bu \xrightarrow{P} Bu-\underline{t}$$

+
$$(\underline{t}-Bu)_2 PMe_2^+ C1^-$$
 + $2PMe_3$

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is formed [114]. The reaction of $MeR_2P=CH_2$ (R= Me, Me_3C) with (COD)PtMe_2 gives $(MeR_2PCH_2)_2PtMe_2$ [115]. Treating $Me_3Pt^+X^-$ (X=PF₆, OSO_2CF_3 , I) with $Ph_3P=C=PPh_3$ gives an ortho metalated ylide platinum(II) complex and methane. Structures of the compounds have been deduced from ir and nmr spectroscopy [116]. Nickelocene reacts with methylenetriphenylphosphorane to give the cation $[Ni(CH_2PPh_3)_2(n-cp)]^+$ (57). The compound can also be prepared from nickel phosphine complexes [117]. The reaction of $Pt(PPh_3)_4$ with CH_2CII yields the cationic ylide complex

$$\operatorname{Nicp}_{2} + \operatorname{Ph}_{3}\operatorname{PCH}_{2} \longrightarrow \left[\operatorname{Ni}(\operatorname{CH}_{2}\operatorname{PPh}_{3})_{2}\operatorname{cp}\right]^{+} \longleftarrow \operatorname{Ph}_{3}\operatorname{PCH}_{2} + \left[\operatorname{cpNi}(\operatorname{PBu}_{3})_{2}\right]^{+}$$
(57)

<u>cis-[Pt(PPh₃)₂(CH₂PPh₃)C1]I (58) in high yield [118]. The structure of [Pd(COD){CH(PhMe₂)(SiMe₃)}C1]PF₆ shows the chiral ylide bonded to Pd(II) with</u>

$$Pt(PPh_3)_4 + CH_2CII \longrightarrow \underline{cis} [Pt(PPh_3)_2(CH_2PPh_3)CI]I + PPh_3$$
(58)

the trimethylsilyl and dimethylphosphonium substituents oriented above and below the plane of the complex [119]. Cationic n^3 -allyl ylide and n^5 -cyclopentadienyl ylide complexes of palladium(II) have been prepared from $(R_3P^+CHCRCHR)Pd^-Cl_2$ or $[(R_3P^+CHCRCHR)_2Pd_2Cl_2]Y_2$ with silver salts of non-coordinating anions. Cationic(triphenylphosphonium $-n^5$ -cyclopentadienyl ylide)diene Pd(II) complexes (59) have been obtained from reaction of PdCl_2(diene) with AgBF₄ followed by triphenylphosphonium cyclopentadienyl ylide [120]. A further article from this

$$PdC1_2(diene) + 2AgBF_4 \rightarrow "Pd(diene)(BF_4)_2" \xrightarrow{\bigcirc} PPh_3^+ (diene)Pd \xrightarrow{+} PPh_3 (BF_4)_2$$

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group describes the preparation and nmr of these $(n^3-allyl)(n^3-allyl ylide)$ -, $(n^3-allyl ylide)(n^5-cyclopentadienyl ylide)$ -, and $(n^3-allyl)(n^5-cyclopentadienyl ylide)$ palladium(II) complexes [121]. New palladium(II) complexes containing dimethylsulfonium allylide and tetramethylenesulfonium allylide as $n^3-allyl$ ligands have been prepared (60) [122].



IV. Internal metalation reactions

o-N,N-Dimethylaminotoluene reacts with palladium acetate with metalation of the ortho methyl group. The product has the structure shown (61) [123]. A study



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has been made of the potentially bidentate ligands 8-methyl-, 8-ethyl-, 8-isopropylquinoline-2-carboxaldehyde-N-methylimine $8-RC_9H_5N-CH=NMe$ with Pd, Rh and Ir. In particular the authors have investigated the sites of metalation using ¹H and ¹³C nmr spectroscopy [124]. The kinetics of azobenzene palladation shows the reaction to be catalyzed by OAC⁻, C1CH₂CO₂⁻, OH⁻ and Et₃N. The reaction mechanism is discussed [125]. A cyclopalladated carbene complex (62) has been prepared from bis(1,3-diphenyl-2-imidazolidinylidene). Transformations of the compound have been made with AgOAc, T1(acac) and phosphites [126]. <u>o</u>-Palladated complexes of N-phenylbenzaldimine and N-phenyl-<u>p</u>-anisaldimine react at 150° with methyl acrylate



undergoing two successive methyl acrylate insertions followed by cyclization to form tetralin derivatives [127]. The reactions appear to involve vinylic palladation as an intermediate step. Acetylhydrazones of p-methylacetophenone, acetylthiophene, and acetylferrocene are readily cyclopalladated. A Pd-C bond is formed with the ortho positions of phenyl and ferrocenyl rings and with the position 3 of a thienyl ring. Reactions with pyridine are described [128]. Crown ether substituted oximes are cyclopalladated on treatment with Na₂PdCl₄/NaOac exclusively in the 16 position. The compounds react with PPha, and spectral data are presented and discussed [129]. Cyclopalladated compounds have been prepared from acetanilides. Coupling reactions of these complexes with olefins gives a variety of 2-substituted acetanilides which will undergo intramolecular cyclization to quinolines [130]. Cyclopalladation has also been used as a route to cationic condensed ring systems containing isothiazole or 1,2-dithiole nuclei [131]. An article has been published describing the asymmetric cyclopalladation of aminoferrocenes [132]. These authors also describe new pathways to enantiomeric 1,2-disubstituted ferrocenes from reactions of these cyclopalladated ferrocene compounds [133]. A crystal structure of the compound (63) shows it to have an R configuration about the chiral C atom and an S configuration at the substituted ferrocenyl moiety [134]. Other workers have treated o-palladation products of optically active 1-dimethylaminoethyllferrocene with phenylvinyl ketone and CO to give a variety of optically



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active 1,2-disubstituted ferrocene derivatives [135]. Similarly a σ -bonded palladium(II) complex has been obtained from (dimethylaminomethyl)ruthenocene by treatment with Li₂PdCl₄ [136].

The reaction of R_2PCH_2Ph (R= Cy, <u>t</u>-Bu) with PdCl₂ or PtCl₂(PhCN)₂ gives cyclometalated compounds. The mechanism of the reaction has been probed with <u>m-FC₆H₄CH₂PR₂; for Pd(II) an electrophilic pathway is proposed but no conclusion has been drawn for the case of Pt(II)[137]. Heating <u>trans-PtCl₂(t-Bu₂PCH₂OMe)₂</u> at 125° in 2-methoxyethanol gives the cyclometalated complex PtCl(<u>t</u>-Bu₂PCH₂OCH₂) (<u>t</u>-Bu₂PCH₂OMe) (64). Similarly <u>trans-PtCl₂(t-Bu₂POEt)</u> is methylated at the methyl carbon but the reaction rate is slower [138]. Palladium hydride complexes PdHX(<u>t</u>-Bu₃P)₂ (X= Cl,Br, OCOCF₃) undergo rapid intramolecular metalation in</u>



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solution under ambient conditions to give complexes of the structure $PdX(\underline{t}-Bu_2PCMe_2CH_2)(\underline{t}-Bu_3P)$. Reactions of the complexes with NaBH₄ are described [139]. The reaction of trimesitylphosphine with $PdCl_2(PhCN)_2$, $PtCl_2(PhCN)_2$ or $PtCl_2$ gives the metalated compound (65). The greater tendency of Pd than Pt to



induce cyclometalation, and the greater ease of metalation of trimesitylphosphine over trimesitylarsine suggests a steric dominance in these reactions [140]. An <u>o</u>-palladated complex of 2,5-diphenyl-1,6, $6a\lambda^4$ -trithiapentalene (66) has been prepared from PdCl₂ [141].



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V. Metal carbonyls and thiocarbonyls

A simple low risk nickel carbonyl generator fabricated from a 100ml roundbottom flask has been described. The inexpensive apparatus will yield 0.2 to 0.5g of Ni(CO)₄ per hr. [142]. A useful preparative procedure has been developed for the synthesis of Ni(CO)₂(PPh₃)₂, Ni(C₂H₄)(PPh₃)₂, Pt(CO)₂(PPh₃)₂ using zinc dust for the reduction of the M(II) precursor complexes [143]. On a large scale alkaline earth hydroxide scrubbers have been used to purify a Ni(CO)₄ stream [144]. The electronic absorption spectra of the metal carbonyls M(CO)₄ (M= Ni, Pd, Pt) have been measured. The compounds exhibit $d \rightarrow \pi^*$ CO bands in the UV region. Assignments of the bands are made [145].

An increased amount of erythrocytes and reticulocytes, and of volume and diameter of erythrocytes are the initial signs of Ni(CO)₄ poisoning (at 10 to 100 times greater than the maximum permissible concentration). The changes are further combined with an increase in the number of leukocytes and lympho-eosinopenia [146]. The distribution of 63 Ni(CO)₄ and Ni(14 CO)₄ has been studied in mice. Radioactivity from Ni(14 CO)₄ is found almost exclusively in the blood, probably because of CO binding to hemoglobin. After the administration of 63 Ni(CO)₄ the highest level of 63 Ni is found in the lung [147]. A resume has been presented on the use of dithiocarbamates for the treatment of persons exposed to Ni(CO)₄. The 3 persons who received dithiocarbamate became symptomless and returned to normal activity (work) within 72 hrs after exposure; the 4th man exposed to Ni(CO)₄ and who did not receive dithiocarbamate died within 5 days after exposure [148]. In a study on pregnant rats the specificity of Ni(CO)₄ for induction of ocular anomalies in rats appears to be unique among known teratogenic agents [149].

The molecular structure of $Ni(CO)_4$ by electron diffraction at room temperature has led to an evaluation of bond distances and amplitudes of vibration. The force constants are in general agreement with those reported from a spectroscopic study [150]. Ultrasoft x-ray spectroscopy has been used to study the electronic structure of $Ni(CO)_4$. The experimental results agree with a calculated ground state from electron d character and energy parameters [151]. The thermodynamics of evaporation of a binary mixture of $Ni(CO)_4$ and $Fe(CO)_5$ obeys Dalton and Raoult laws and thus practical calculations for separation processes of technical carbonyl mixtures by isothermal bubbling can assume equilibrium ratios for ideal mixtures [152].

The reaction of $ArTeCl_3$ and Ar_2TeCl_2 with $Ni(CO)_4$ in DMF followed by aqueous work-up gives the carboxylic acids. The suggested pathway is shown [153]. Nickel carbonyl reacts with 1,10-phenanthroline, <u>o</u>-phenylenebis(dimethylarsine), <u>cis</u>-1,2-bis(dimethylarsino)ethylene and DIARS in two consecutive, first-order reactions. The first is a dissociation of CO to give the intermediate Ni(CO)₃ which is rapidly attacked by one of the donor atoms of the chelate. The second reaction is first

$$ArTeCl_3 + Ni(CO)_4 \longrightarrow (ArTe)Ni(CO)_2Cl + NiCl_2$$

$$(ArTe)Ni(CO)_2Cl + Ni(CO)_4 \longrightarrow ArNi(CO)_2Cl + NiTe$$



order but associatively activated and involves the displacement of a second CO ligand by the attached donor atom of the chelating ligand [154]. Nickel carbonyl

$$Ni(CO)_4 + L-L \xrightarrow{-CO} Ni(CO)_2(L-L) \xrightarrow{-CO} Ni(CO)_2(L-L)$$

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in DMF has been used in a C-C bond forming reaction with α -iodomercuric ketones [155].

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{RCCH}_2\text{HgI} + \text{RCHO} & \xrightarrow{\text{N1(CO)}_4} & \text{RCCH=CHR} \\ \text{II} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

Nickel tetracarbonyl physisorbed onto partially dehydroxylated γ -alumina rapidly reacts to form a yellow complex, probably adsorbed nickel tricarbonyl. Carbon monoxide rapidly reverses this reaction [156]. Thermal treatments of the system are discussed. The crystal structure of tricarbonyl(trimethyl-1-methoxy-4-oxo-1,2-diphenyl-1,2-diphosphacyclopenten-3,3,5-tricarboxylate)nickel has been solved [157]. The preparation of mono and disubstituted mononuclear carbonyls of Ni with the cage ligand P(NMeCH₂)₃CMe are reported. Borane adducts are reported in addition to adducts of X=P(NMeCH₂)₃CMe (X= SE, PhN). Discussion of the data obtained for v(CO) and ${}^{2}J({}^{31}P-{}^{31}P)$ are presented [158]. Trigonal bipyramidal carbonylnickel compounds have been prepared by carbonylation of NiX₂(PMe₃)_n (n= 2,3) and [NiX(PMe₃)_m]BF₄ (m= 3,4). The Ni-CO distance (1.73 Å) is the shortest reported Ni-CO distance [159]. The carbonyl is stereochemically located in the equatorial position. The substituted carbonyl compounds NiL(CO)₃ and NiL₃(CO) (L= Me₂NPF₂) have been prepared. Boron trifluoride reacts with NiL₂(CO)₂ to give NiL₂(CO)₂. nBF₃ where n= 1.44 at -128°C. and 1.11 at 2°C. Infrared and nmr spectroscopy indicates that the BF₃ coordinates to the N of the coordinated Me₂NPF₂ ligands [160].

Hartree-Fock-Slater calculations have been carried out on Ni(CO)₃L for a number of ligands L. The order for σ -donation, based on extent of electron

transfer, is $CS \approx CO > MeNC > N_2 - PF_3$; and for back-bonding is MeNC > CS > CO > PF_3 > N_2. Calculations on v(CO) of \overline{CO} complexed to Ni(CO)₃ show that v(CO) is decreased by the π back-donation but is increased by the steric interaction energy between Ni(CO)₃ and CO. Thus the decrease in v(CO) is not a reliable measure of the extent of π back-bonding in the metal-ligand bond [161]. The compound [(CO)₂NiPPh₂]₂ is compared with similar first row transition metal compounds of Fe and Co; the M-M bond lengths are controlled by the electronic influence of the $Ph_{p}P$ ligands [162]. A comparative study of Ni(CO)₄, Co(CO)₄, Fe(CO)₄²⁻, Ni(N₂)₄, Co(N₂)₄⁻ and Fe(N₂)₄²⁻ by the multiple scattering X α method has correlated v(CO) and v(N₂) with back donation [163]. In a critical evaluation of an earlier article by others, Larson and Braga have used X methods to calculate the extent of "back bonding" in Ni(CO)₄. A measure of the back donation is obtained by taking the ratio of 3d charge in the unoccupied level to the total 3d charge in all molecular orbitals of t₂ symmetry. These authors conclude there is significant back donation in Ni(CO)₄ as evidenced by their (MSX α) calculation [164]. Extended Hückel theory, modified with the inclusion of two-body repulsion, has been used to reproduce and predict geometries and bond lengths of some first-row transition metal carbonyl compounds, including nickel [165].

The interstitial dihydride anion $[Ni_{12}(CO)_{21}H_2]^{2-}$ is readily converted by CO into the lower carbonyls $Ni(CO)_4$ and $[Ni_2(CO)_6H]^-$ [166]. The structure of $[Ni_2(CO)_6H]^-$ consists of two tetrahedral $Ni(CO)_3$ moieties joined by a Ni-Ni bond

$$[Ni_{12}(CO)_{21}H_2]^2 + 23CO \longrightarrow 2[Ni_2(CO)_6H]^- + 8Ni(CO)_4$$

of 2.863 Å and with the carbonyls in an eclipsed conformation. From this structure determination, and in view of the close similarity of the ir spectra of $[Ni_2(C0)_6H]^-$ and $[Ni(C0)_3X]^-$ (X= C1,Br,I), it is suggested that the latter compounds are best formulated as dimers. The structure of $[Pd_2(OAc)_2(C0)_2]_2$ consists of tetranuclear clusters. The four Pd atoms form a parallelogram with Pd-Pd distances of 2.663, 2.909 Å. Two sides of the parallelogram have bridging acetate groups and the other two sides bridging carbonyls [167]. The adsorption and electrooxidation of C0 on palladium shows 0-desorption peaks which is interpreted as being due to a C0 induced agglomeration of Pd atoms on the alloy surface [168]. The compound Pd(C0)(PPh_3)_3 can be isolated from a reaction mixture resulting from cyclohexene hydrocarboxylation by PdCl₂(PPh_3)₂. The complex can be prepared from Pd(PPh_3)_4 and C0. The ³¹P and ¹³C nmr spectra have been interpreted to suggest a rapid dissociation of PPh_3 at room temperature and a tetrahedral structure at -70° in solution [169]. A series of carbonyl palladium compounds have been prepared including some having a polymer bound diphenylphosphino group [170].

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$$PdCl_{2}(PhCN)_{2} + CO \longrightarrow PdCl_{2}(CO)(PhCN) + PhCN$$

$$PdCl_{2}(PhCN)(PPh_{2}polymer) + CO \longrightarrow PdCl_{2}(CO)(PPh_{2}polymer)$$

Force constant calculations have been carried out for $MCl_3(CO)^-$ (M=Pd,Pt). The M-C stretching force constants are proportionately more sensitive than those for CO, but for members of the same transition series the trends correlate with bond order changes. Estimated bond orders are given [171].

The structure of $[Pt_2Cl(CO)(dmpe)]PF_6$ (67) shows Pt-Cl and Pt-CO fragments linked together by a bridging dmpe ligand and a Pt-Pt bond. There is a dihedral



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angle between the two coordination planes of 40° [172]. The structure of $[Pt_2Cl_2(CO)dpam]$ (68) shows a bridging carbonyl. The structure is thus very similar to that of the Pd analog and discussion is centered on the significant



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difference between the values of v(CO) in the two compounds [173]. The carbonyl compound $[Pt_2(CO)_2(\mu-dppm)_2](PF_6)_2$ (69) and an unsymmetrical complex $[Pt_2(CO)(py)(\mu-dppm)_2](PF_6)_2$ (70) have been isolated from the reactions of the amine and pyridine complexes respectively with CO [174]. A series of platinum carbonyl dianion clusters have been studied by x-ray photoemission spectroscopy. These





include $[Pt_3(CO)_6]_n^{2+}$ (n= 2,3,4,5,6,-10). The general structure of all valence spectra, in particular that of the Pt 5d derived bands, are remarkably similar. The authors consider negligible interaction to exist between the $Pt_3(CO)_6$ layers. The binding energies are given and discussed [175]. A comparative discussion is made about metal-metal bonds. Consideration is given to surfaces and clusters and to the forces binding the metals. A section considers carbonyl compounds and particular reference is made to the compounds $M_3(CO)_6^{2-}$ (M= Ni,Pd,Pt) [176]. The one-electron states in the polyatomic transition metal carbonyls $[M_3(CO)_6]_n^{2-}$ (M=Ni, Pt; n= 1,2) were calculated using the chemical pseudopotential method. The main electronic interactions involve metal s and d orbitals and the lone pair 5σ MO's of the ligand. The symmetry-allowed electronic transitions were calculated and compared with experimental results from solution absorption spectroscopy [177]. The synthesis, structure and stereochemical implications of a compound $[Pt_{19}(CO)_{12}(\mu_2-CO)_{10}]^{4-}$ (71), which is a bicapped triple-decker sandwich, are



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reported and discussed. The compound was prepared by heating the dianion $[Pt_3(C0)_3(\mu_2-C0)_3]_3^{2-}$ in refluxing acetonitrile. The Pt_{19} framework consists
of three 5-membered rings stacked in an eclipsed conformation with the other four Pt atoms lying stacked in an eclipsed conformation with the other four Pt atoms lying on the principal fivefold axis, two internally sandwiched between the rings, and two externally capping the two outer pentagons [178]. A detailed article has been published by Chini on the comparison between large anionic carbonyl clusters and small metallic crystallites. The clusters of Pt are included in this discussion [179]. The ¹⁹⁵Pt nmr spectra have been measured for the compounds [Pt_n(CO)_{2n}]²⁻ (n= 3,6,9,12,15) and ¹³C nmr reported for n= 6,9,12 over a range of temperatures. The spectra show intramolecular rotation of the Pt₃ triangles about the principal 3-fold axis, interexchange of Pt₃ triangles, and lack of terminal/edge carbonyl exchange within the Pt₃(CO)₃(μ -CO)₃ groups. Evidence is presented for the formation of [Ni₃Pt₃(CO)₁₂]²⁻ on mixing [Pt₆(CO)₁₂]²⁻ and [Ni₆(CO)₁₂]²⁻ [180].

The cluster compounds $Pt_2M_2(n^5-cp)_2(CO)_6L_2$ (M- Mo, W; L= PEt_3 , PPh_3) have been prepared from <u>cis</u>-PtCl₂L₂ and $cpM(CO)_3$. The compounds have planar, triangular centrosymmetric arrangements of the metal atoms [181]. Treating <u>cis</u>-PtCl₂(PPh₃)₂ with $Mn(CO)_5$ gives two mixed metal carbonyl complexes, the structure of one (72), having been solved by x-ray diffraction techniques [182]. The preparation and catalytic properties of polymer-and silica-supported bimetallic clusters have

$$\underline{\text{cis}}-\text{PtC1}_{2}(\text{PPh}_{3})_{2} + 4\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_{5}^{-} \longrightarrow (\text{CO})_{5}\text{Mn} - \underbrace{\text{Pt}}_{1} - \text{Mn}(\text{CO})_{5} + (\text{CO})_{4}\text{Mn} - \underbrace{\text{Pt}}_{1} - \text{Mn}(\text{CO})_{4}$$



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been reported. Infrared data are presented for a number of compounds and the rate

of hydrogenation of ethylene by $Fe_2Pt(CO)_8(Ph_2P-\textcircled{P})_2$ is discussed [183]. The ¹³C nmr data are reported for a series of carbonyl and acyl complexes of platinum(II). Both the ¹³C chemical shifts and the magnitudes of $J(^{195}Pt-^{13}C)$ are markedly affected by changes in the cis ligands, as well as those trans to CO [184]. Furthermore, in this study it is found that the electronic charge on the complexes does not appear to exert a dominating influence on these parameters. A convenient synthesis of \underline{cis} -PtCl₂(CO)₂ (73) has been published using thionyl chloride. Yields are 72% and the product is indefinitely stable at room temperature when sealed in vials under CO [185]. On the assumption that there is a relationship between the carbonyl force constant and reactivity, the compound \underline{cis} -PtCl₂(CO)₂

$$PtCl_4^{2} \cdot nH_2^{0} + 3C0 + nSOCl_2 \rightarrow 2nHCl + nSO_2 + COCl_2 + cis - PtCl_2(CO)_2$$
(73)

predictively reacts with amines to give carbamoyl compounds (74). The structure

$$PtCl_{2}(CO)_{2} + (\underline{i}-Pr)_{2}NH \longrightarrow [(\underline{i}-Pr)_{2}NH_{2}][PtCl_{2}(CONPr-\underline{i})CO]$$

of the isopropyl compound has been solved [186].

VI. Metal olefins and vinyls

A review has appeared covering the field of Co, Ni and Cu naked metal clusters and olefin chemisorption models. Considerable reference is made to the low temperature spectroscopy of matrix isolated compounds [187].

A novel compound Ni($C_{12}H_{17}NiLi$)₂(THF)₄ (75) has been obtained by the lithiation of C12H18Ni. The complex is prepared at 0° and it is precipitated as red crystals. The structure has been confirmed cyrstallographically [188]. In the following paper this group describes the nickel(0) induced synthesis of ethyllithium from Li, H_2 and C_2H_4 [189]. A detailed synthetic procedure has been

$$C_{12}H_{18}NiLi_{2}(TMEDA)_{2} \xrightarrow{C_{12}H_{18}Ni} Ni(C_{12}H_{17}NiLi)_{2}(THF)_{4}$$

THF

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published for (1-3:6-7:10-12-n-2,6,10-dodecatriene-1,12-diyl)Ni using a metal atom reactor [190]. An equilibrium study has been made of ligand concentration control in the system Ni(0)/PPh₃/butadiene[191]. Partial control maps are presented for the distribution of oligomers and dimers in the catalyzed butadiene reaction [191]. The structures of bis(lithium-N,N,N',N'-tetramethylethylenediamine) (all-<u>trans</u>-1,5,9-cyclododecatrienenickel) (76) and tris(N,N,N',N'-tetramethyl-2-butene-1,4-diamine)dilithiumnickel (77) have been solved structurally [192].

New Pd(0) complexes Pd(olefin)(PMePh₂)₂ (olefin=styrene, ethyl methacrylate, methyl methacrylate, methyl acrylate, methacrylonitrile and dimethyl maleate) have been obtained from $PdEt_2(PMe_2Ph)_2$ and the olefin. The olefin will dissociate in solution and kinetic parameters were evaluated for this process [193]. Palladium olefin complexes PdX_2L_2 (X= Cl,Br,I; L= styrene, propylene) are prepared from $PdCl_2(PhCN)_2$ and olefin. The reaction with water has been investigated and the reactivity patterns deduced [194]. The interaction of $PdCl_4^{2-}$ with ethylene to form π -complexes has been reinvestigated using a reactor with high efficiency gas-liquid mixing. This has allowed evaluation of the equilibrium constants K_1 , K_2 and K_h . Spectra taken at high [Pd(II)] indicate dimeric species are not formed under those conditions [195].

$$PdC1_{4}^{2-} + C_{2}H_{4} \xleftarrow{K_{1}} PdC1_{3}(C_{2}H_{4})^{-} + C1^{-}$$

$$PdC1_{3}(C_{2}H_{4})^{-} + H_{2}^{0} \xleftarrow{K_{2}} PdC1_{2}(H_{2}^{0})(C_{2}H_{4}) + C1^{-}$$

$$PdC1_{4}^{2-} + H_{2}^{0} \xleftarrow{K_{h}} PdC1_{3}(H_{2}^{0})^{-} + C1^{-}$$

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Detailed synthetic procedures have been published for the preparation of $Pt(COD)_2$, $Pt(C_2H_4)_3$ and $Pt(C_2H_4)_2PCy_3$ [196]. The compound $Pt(COD)_2$ reacts with dimethyl or diethyl fumarate or maleic anhydride (olefin) to give complexes Pt(COD)(olefin). Compounds of type $PtL(olefin)_2$ (L= <u>t</u>-BuNC, PPh₃) and $Pt(\underline{t}$ -BuNC)_2 (olefin) have also been prepared. Using these olefins with $Pt(C_2H_4)_3$ the complexes $Pt(C_2H_4)(olefin)_2$ and $Pt(olefin)_3$ have been prepared [197]. Protonation of Pt(COD)(DMF) with CF_3CO_2H gives selectively the platinum (II) σ -bonded complex [$Pt(CH(CO_2Me)CH_2(CO_2Me)\}O_2CCF_3(COD)$]. The compounds $Pt(C_2H_4)_2(PR_3)$ ($PR_3^=$ $P-\underline{t}-Bu_2Me$, PCy_3 , PPh_3) react with dimethyldivinylsilane or dimethyldivinyltin to give chelate complexes[$Pt\{(CH_2=CH)_2MMe_2\}PR_3$] (M= Si,Sn) (78). Allyltrimethyltin reacts with diethylene(tertiary phosphine)platinum compounds with cleavage of the



allyl group to give complexes $[Pt(SnMe_3)(n^3-C_3H_5)PR_3]$ [198]. A Zeise salt (79) has been prepared with a nitrogen-phosphorus ylide as a chelate ligand. The nmr data suggest a delocalized structure in the ylide [199]. The synthesis and

$$Me_2P(NMe)NMeLi + PtCl_3(C_2H_4) \xrightarrow{C1} Pt \xrightarrow{N} PMe_2$$

$$H_2C \xrightarrow{CH_2} H_2C$$

structure of the Bredt olefin complex bicyclo[4.2.1]non-1(8)-enebis(triphenyphosphine) platinum(0) (80) shows the olefin the complex to be in the energetically preferred conformation of the free olefin as deduced by force field calculations [200].

$$(Ph_3)_2Pt(C_2H_4) + (Ph_3)_2 + C_2H_4$$

$$(80)$$

Catalytic amounts of $Pt(C_2H_4)(PPh_3)_2$ have been used for the isomerization of Bredt olefins [201]. The nature of diastereomeric discrimination in the series of Pt(II) complexes <u>trans(N,olefin)-choro(N-methyl(S)-prolinato)olefin</u> platinum has been studied using ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹⁵Pt nmr spectroscopy. The abundant di-

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astereomers have a stronger Pt-olefin bonding, and thus enhanced thermodynamic stability [202]. In a series of complexes the ^{15}N and ^{31}P nmr spectra are reported for the complex \underline{cis} -PtCl₂(NH₂(CH₂)₅CH₃)C₂H₄ [203]. Vibrational and nmr studies on the complexes PtCl(acac)olefin with a series of olefins reveal the σ - and π -back bonding are of comparable importance in the Pt(II)-olefin bond. The bonding is compared for Rh(I) and Ir (I). The σ -bonding of the Pt-olefin bond is stronger for PtCl(acac)(olefin) than for <u>trans</u>-PtCl₂(4-Mepy-N oxide)(olefin) [204]. A study has been made of the effect of chain length on the structure and reactivity of PtCl₂(diamine)(ethylene) complexes. Comparison is made between 4- and 5-coordinate structures, and in some cases the 5-coordinate structure is found at low temperatures [205]. The crystal structure of [PtCl(C2H4)(Me2NCH2CH2NMe2)]ClO4 shows a long C-C bond and a short metal-C distance. The elongation of the C-C bond is considered due to strong $C_{2}H_{4}$ to Pt σ donation [206]. The structure of <u>trans</u>-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(2,6dimethylpyridine) has a twofold axis passing through Pt,N, and bisecting the C=C bond [207]. Differences from previous structures center mainly on the increased tilting of the ethylene in this present case. Solvent effects are important in the photochemical behavior of <u>cis-</u> and <u>trans-PtCl₂(ethylene)(amine)</u> complexes. Dimeric compounds $Pt_2Cl_4(amine)_2$ are obtained on irradiation in CHCl₃ or Et_2O . With MeOH, DME or DMF the cis and trans complexes have a different photochemical behavior, but in all cases photodegradation to PtCl₃(ethylene) and PtCl₃(amine) is the main reaction [208]. The oxidation of $PtCl_3(C_2H_4)^-$ by Cl_2 in aqueous solution gives $ClCH_2CH_2OH$ and $PtCl_4^{2-}$ and proceeds by a sequence of steps involving a coordinated chloroalkyl complex which is hydrolyzed to the alcohol [209].

Nonempirical molecular electronic structure theory has been applied to the systems Ni(ethylene)₂ and Ni(C_2H_4)₂. For Ni(C_2H_4)₃ the twisted (D_{2d}) and "planar" (D_{2h}) conformation lie energetically within 0.1kcal of each other. For Ni(C_2H_4)₃, however, the planar conformation lies ~24kcal lower than the upright form. The lowest D_{2h} triplet state of Ni(C_2H_4)₂ is of ${}^{3}B_{3u}$ symmetry, and a number of other electronic states have been investigated [210]. An analysis based on the Hartree-Fock-Slater transition state method has been presented of the Pt- C_2H_4 bond in complexes of PtCl₃⁻ and Pt(PH₃)₂. Emphasis is again placed on the contribution to the bonding [211].

Binuclear complexes have been prepared of 1,4-diaza-3-methylbutadien-2-yl with Pd(II) and Pt(II) chlorides. The complexes have one carbon of the diene bonded to Pd or Pt, and complexation to a second metal can occur (81). Substitution of backbone ligands (dppe, dithiocarbonate, etc.) can be effected to prepare a series of complexes [212]. In the following paper the chemistry of these complexes is discussed where the second metal M is a rhodium [213]. The kinetics of the reaction of alkenes (<u>cis</u>-pentene-2, hexene-1, cyclopentene) with $PtX_2(CH_2CH_2CH_2)(THF)_2$



(X = Cl,Br) or with PtCl₂(CHPhCH₂CH₂)(THF)₂ occur with displacement of cyclopropane or phenylcyclopropane to give PtCl₂(olefin)THF. The kinetics show first order dependence on both Pt complex and olefin. Mechanistic details are discussed [214]. The compounds 1-, 2-, and 3-methyl-4-pentenylamine cyclize in a reaction mixture containing PtCl₄²⁻ to the corresponding <u>cis</u>- and <u>trans</u>-dimethylpyrrolidines with marked regio- and stereoselectivity effects. The crystal structures of two pyrrolidine compounds are also reported [215].

Treating Ni(allyl)₂ with difluorophosphoric acid under addition of 1,5hexadiene, bis(pentahapto-1,8-nonadiene-5-yl nickel(II) difluorophosphate)(82) can be synthesized. The reaction involves the 1,2-addition of the trihaptoallyl-nickel (II) fragment to the double bond of an α -olefin [216]. An exocyclic



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dimeric π -enyl complex has been formed from treating <u>trans</u>-PdCl₂(PhCN)₂ with 1,3-dimethylenecyclohexane [217].

The compound $Pt(COD)_2$ has been prepared in good yield by reduction of $PdCl_2(COD)$ with $Cocp_2$ in the presence of excess COD [218]. Reaction of dichloro(<u>o</u>-isopropenyl-N,N-dimethylaniline)Pt(II) with bipyridine and NaClO₄ gives the cationic

 $PtCl_{2}(COD) + 2Cocp_{2} + COD \xrightarrow{-20^{\circ}} Pt(COD)_{2} + 2Cocp_{2}Cl$

complex (83). The ligand arrangement about Pt(II) is a very distorted trigonal bipyramidal one with the olefin and the bipyridine groups in the equational plane [219]. N,N-diallylaniline and 2,6-diallylaniline form complexes with Pt(II). In the first complex the ligand is coordinated through two double bonds, in the second it is coordinated through the N atom and one of the double bonds [220]. From 2 series of olefin platinum(II) complexes having respectively phenolato and thiophenolato ligands trans to the olefin, the values of J(195Pt-1H(olefin)) have been used with ligand pK_a's to show a significant degree of π -acid character in the thiophenolato-sulfur atom [221]. A complex <u>cis-NiCl₂[CH₂N(CH₂CH=CH₂)₂]₂ has two</u>



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double bonds coordinated and two free, from an ir study in the solid state. From nmr data all four vinylic double bonds are equivalent in solution indicating a rapid "bonded/non-bonded" equilibrium for the double bonds [222].

A series of 1:1 complexes with palladium(II) halides and the substituted halides (84) and (85) have been prepared. In solution the complexes are chelated. Variable temperature ¹H nmr studies of two exchange processes, labilization of



the metal-olefin bond and, for the sulfur chelates, inversion at sulfur, are discussed [223]. The interaction of $Pt_2Cl_4(C_2H_4)_2$ with polar olefins having 1,1' substitution of OMe or NMe₂ groups leads to both n¹ and n² complexes. The complexes have been isolated and characterized, and the bonding is elucidated from the ¹H nmr data [224]. The ¹³C nmr spectra of $PtCl_2(CH_2=CHOR)$ py have been used to show that both the CH₂ and CH groups remain essentially sp² hybridized. Attempts to correlate ¹H and ¹³C shifts and coupling constants showed little relationship [225]. ¹³C nmr data have also been given for a series of Ni(0) complexes Ni(PR₃)₂(CH₂=C(Me)CO₂Et)(PR₃= PPh₃, PEtPh₂, PEt₂Ph, PMe₂Ph, PEt₃). The olefinic carbons move upfield by 71.5-86.5 ppm on coordination, the magnitude of the shift increasing with increase in the basicity of the phosphine ligand. Some

variable temperature ¹H nmr studies show that for the least sterically demanding phosphine ligands, the complexed olefin exchanges with the free compound on the nmr time scale [226]. A series of complexes <u>cis</u>-PtCl₂(PR₃)(olefin) (where the olefin is CH₂=CHOAc, CH₂=CHCH₂OAc; and PR₃= PMe₃, PMe₂Ph, PEt₃) have been prepared. The structure of <u>cis</u>-PtCl₂(PMe₂Ph)(CH₂=CHOAc) has been solved. Variable temperature nmr has been used to study the rotation of the coordinated olefin [227].

The compound trans-[PtH(MeOH)(PCy₃)₂]PF₆ reacts with 1,1-dimethylallene to give trans-[PtH(Me₂C=C=CH₂)(PCy₃)₂]PF₆ (86) which has the unsubstituted double bond coordinated to Pt [228]. In an article describing an application of

$$\frac{\text{trans}-[PtH(MeOH)(PCy_3)_2]PF_6}{PtH(Me_2C=C=CH_2)(PCy_3)_2]PF_6} + \frac{\text{trans}-[PtH(Me_2C=C=CH_2)(PCy_3)_2]PF_6}{PtH(MeOH)(PCy_3)_2]PF_6}$$
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asymmetric hydrogenation a method for obtaining isomerically pure (Z)-ethyl-2-acetoxy-3-deuterioacrylate (87) is described using the corresponding bromo



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compound. A method is given for recycling the palladium [229].

A cyclization reaction is described upon treating $PtCl_2(C_2H_4)(PPh_3)$ with dimethylamine. The product (88) has been characterized by spectroscopic

$$PtC1_{2}(C_{2}H_{4})(PPh_{3}) + Me_{2}NH \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} NMe_{2} \\ Pt - C1 \\ PPh_{3} \end{bmatrix}$$
(88)

techniques [230]. The reaction of olefin Pt(II) complexes with amines usually gives products of structure (amine)CH₂CH₂Pt, and the kinetics and mechanism of such a reaction has been investigated. Steric effects in the amine predominate over electronic effects. With aromatic amines attack will occur at platinum leading to the formation of pentacoordinate π -ethylene complexes [231]. The stereochemistry of hydroxypalladation, the first step in the Wacker oxidation of ethylene to acetaldehyde, has been determined using <u>cis-1</u>,2-dideuterio ethylene by intercepting the intermediate β -hydroxyethylpalladium complex with CO. It is concluded that the hydroxypalladation step proceeds steroespecifically trans [232].



A kinetic study of the reaction of $M(C_{10}H_{12}OMe)(L-L)^+$ complexes (M= Pd,Pt) with HX follows a pathway with a slow formation of $M(C_{10}H_{12})solv(L-L)^+$ and then a fast reaction with X⁻ to give $M(L-L)X_2$ [233]. The kinetics of the oxidative arylation of substituted styrenes by benzene, naphthalene and phenylmercuric acetate in the presence of Pd(OAc)₂ show pathways zero- and first-order in olefin. For the olefin dependent path a π -arene- π -olefin Pd complex is proposed as the reactive intermediate [234].

Carbonato complexes $L_2^{PtCO_3}$ (L= PPh₃, AsPh₃) react with electrophilic olefins liberating CO₂. The reaction with tetracyanoethylene is solvent dependent, and by changing conditions complexes (89),(90), or (91) can be obtained



[235]. The enthalpies of reactions (92) and (93) have been measured and the data used to explain patterns of reactivity of these compounds [236]. Enthalpy

$$\underline{\text{trans-Pt}(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2\text{MeCl}(s) + C_2(\text{CN})_4(g) \longrightarrow \text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2\text{MeCl}(C_2(\text{CN})_4)(s)$$
(92)

 $\underline{\text{trans}}_{Pt}(PPh_3)_2HCl(s) + C_2(CN)_4(g) \longrightarrow Pt(PPh_3)_2(C_2(CN)_4)(s) + HCl(g) (93)$

studies of the reaction of $Pt(PPh_3)_2(C_2H_4)$ with 3-phenylcyclobutene-1,2-dione to give the complex (94) show that the Pt-olefin bond with the substituted olefin is slightly stronger than that with styrene [237]. The geometries of binding



dibenzylideneacetone to Pt has been investigated by nmr spectroscopy for the complexes $Pt_2[(PhCH=CH)_2CO]_3$, $Pt_2[(C_6D_5CD=CH)_2CO]_3$ and $Pt_2[(C_6D_5CH=CD)_2CO]_3$. The three ligands which triply bridge the two Pt atoms are composed of one <u>s-cis,cis</u>-ligand which is distant from the Pt atoms and of two <u>s-cis,cis</u> ligands which are close to the Pt atoms [238]. A new route to complexes Ni(COD)(duroquinone), Ni(endo-dicyclopentadiene)(duroquinone), Ni(COD)_2 and Ni(tetracyclone)_2 uses Ni(allyl)_2 as starting material [239]. Benzophenonimine can be complexed to Ni(0) by reaction with Ni(COD)_2 and bipy (95). In the absence of bipy a complex Ni(PhC=NH)_2 (96) is formed [240]. A side bonded ketone

$$Ni(COD)_{2} + Ph_{2}C=NH$$

$$(96)$$

$$bipy \qquad (Ph_{2}C=NH)Ni(bipy) \qquad (95)$$

complex Pt(PPh₃)₂(alloxan) has been obtained by treating Pt(PPh₃)₂(<u>trans</u>-stilbene) with alloxan [241]. The compounds Ni(C₂H₄)(PR₃)₂ (R= Ph,Cy) and Ni(COD)(bipy) react with CS₂ to give [Ni(CS₂)(PR₃)]_x and Ni(CS₂)(bipy) respectively. The compounds do not react with CO₂ but a compound Ni(COS)(bipy) has been prepared [242].

VII. Metal acetylenes and acetylides

The structure of $Pt(PPh_3)_2(cyclooctyne)$ (97) has a planar unit along C-C-C=C-C-C in the coordinated cyclooctyne group [243]. Similar π -bonded



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complexes of $(Ph_3P)_2Pt$ have been formed from the acetylenes $RC\equiv C(R')P(S)SMe$ (R=Me,Et,Me₃Si; R'= Me, 4-MeOPh) [244]. Acetylene complexes of Ni and Pt have been prepared from the acetylene (98) derived from 15-substituted benzo-15crown-5 [245]. Treating PdCl₂ with acetylenes yields complexes which have been



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used for the hydrogenation of acetylenes in DMF [246].

Methyl <u>t</u>-butyl acetylene reacts with Pd(PhCN)₂Cl₂ to give the cyclobutadiene complex $[Pd_2(C_4t-Bu_2Me_2)_2Cl_3]_2[Pd_2Cl_6]$ at 20°. At -50° the π -acetylene complex $[Pd_3(C_2Met-Bu)_2Cl_6(PhCN)_n]$ is formed which rearranges at 0° to give the σ,π -butadienyl complex. The mechanism of the formation of the σ,π -butadienyl complex is discussed and reasons proposed for the acceleration in rate caused by positive

charge on the complex and the absence of a detectable σ -alkenylpalladium intermediate [247]. In the following paper some chemistry of the σ -butadienyl complex is described. The acetylenes Ph₂C₂ and <u>t</u>-BuC₂Ph are catalytically carbonylated in the presence of PdCl₂(PhCN)₂ to give tetraphenylcyclopentadienone and 3,4diphenyl-2,5-di-t-butylcyclopentadienone respectively. The σ , π -butadienyl complex Pd₃(n³-C(<u>t</u>-Bu)=CMeCMe=C(<u>t</u>-Bu)Cl)₂Cl₄ reacts with mono-<u>t</u>-butyl acetylene to give 1,3-dimethyl-2,4,6-tri-<u>t</u>-butylbenzene [248].

Reaction of Ni(CO)₄ with $(CF_3)_2C_2$ gives initially Ni(CO)₂(n²-CF₃C₂CF₃) which decomposes to the cluster compound Ni₄(CO)₄{ μ_3 -(n²-CF₃C₂CF₃)₃ (99). Reaction of the cluster with <u>t</u>-BuNC or dppe gives mononuclear complexes (100) [249].



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In contrast cyclooctatetraene gives $Ni_3(CO)_3[\mu_3-(n^2-CF_3C_2CF_3)]{\mu_3-(n^2-C_8H_8)}$, the structure of which is also reported. Alkynyl complexes <u>trans</u>-(mesityl)Ni (PPhMe₂)₂C=CR (R= H,Me,CH₂CH₂OH, Ph,C₆H₄OMe-<u>p</u>), <u>trans</u>-(CC1₂=CC1)Ni(PPhMe₂)₂C=CR, and <u>trans</u>-{(<u>o</u>-MeO)₂C₆H₃}Ni(PPhMe₂)₂C =CR (R=H,Ph) have been isolated. Reactions with methanol in the presence of HClO₄ can give the expected cationic carbene complex [250]. Treating Pt(C₂H₄)(PR₃) (PR₃= PCy₃,PMe₂Ph,PMePh₂,PPh₃,P<u>i</u>-Pr₂Ph) with cp₂Ti(C=CPh)₂ gives compounds [Ptfn -(PhC=C)₂Ticp₂PR₃] (101) in which the PhC=C-Ti-C=CPh group acts as a bidentate ligand to platinum. With Me₂Si(C=CPh)₂ complexes [Pt₂(-C=CPh)[µ-(1-\sigma:1-2-n-C=CPh) (µ-SiMe₂)(PR₃)₂] are formed, and the single crystal structure has been solved for the PCy₃ complex (102) [251]. A

general procedure has been reported for the high yield syntheses of (Ph3P)2Pt(C=CR)2 (R= Ph,C(CH₂)Me, (CH₂)₆C \equiv CH, CH₂OH, CH(OH)Me, CH(OH)Ph, CH₂CH(OH)Me, C₆H₁₀OH, $C(OH)(Me)Et, CH_2NHMe, CH_2NHCH_2Ph, CH_2NMe_2, CH_2NEt_2)$ using dimethylamine and cuprous iodide with the appropriate acetylene and (Ph3P)2PtCl2 [252]. When PtHC1(PPh3)2 and 1-ethynylcyclohexanol are warmed in benzene, addition of ethanol leads to an acetylide platinum complex (103) where the hydroxy group has been converted to an ethoxy group. The structure of the compound (103) has been confirmed by x-ray crystallography. The cyclohexyl ring is in a twisted chair conformation with the Pt-C-C system in an axial position. The acetylene C=Cdistance is 1.22(2) Å [253]. The mass spectra of complexes trans-(Ph3P)2Pt(C=CR)2 (R= 2-hydroxy-2-Bu, 2-hydroxy-2-Pr, 2-propenyl, 1-hydroxy-1-cyclohexyl and 1cyclohexen-l-yl) and of trans- and cis-(Ph₃P)₂Pt(C=CPh)₂ will show dehydration reactions easily under electron impact. For the phenylacetylide compounds the Pt-P bonds are more stable than the Pt-C bonds [254]. In a further mass spectral study of complexes (Ph₃P)₂PtCl(C=CR), again the Pt-P bond is the strongest. Several organic polymers are present in the spectra suggesting a rapid polymerization reaction of protolytic hydrocarbon radicals catalyzed by the platinum containing fragment [255]. The structure of the compound (Bu3P)2Ni(C=CC6H4C=CH-0)2 shows a nearly linear Ni-C=C-C moiety with the planar phenylene rings being inclined towards the coordination plane by 56.7° [256].

An infrared study has shown that complexes of acetylene with Ni,Pd and Pt are formed when the reactants are condensed on a CsI support at 20K [257].



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VIII. Metal allyls

A synthesis of π -allyl nickel complexes using transition metal powders has been described. The powders are made by alkali metal reduction of the transition metal salts and compounds (π -allyl NiX)₂ prepared using allylic halides. The work focuses mainly on nickel chemistry but there is some discussion of research on Pd allyls [258].

Using Ni(ally1)₂ and 1,8-dihydroxyanthraquinone the mono- (104) and bis (105) allylic complexes have been prepared [259]. Nickel allyls have been used



in the synthesis of linear alcohols from their reaction with paraformaldehyde [260]. An allyl complex $(n^3-C_3H_5)(n^5-cp)Pd$ (106) has been prepared from $[(n^3-C_3H_5)PdC1]_2$ and sodium cyclopentadienide[261]. Details of the preparation of the synthetic precursor are also given. The complex (106) forms red needles which decompose at 61°. Steroidal π -allyl palladium complexes have been

$$[(n^{3}-C_{3}H_{5})PdC1]_{2} + 2Nacp \longrightarrow 2Pd(n^{3}-C_{3}H_{5})(n^{5}-cp) + 2NaC1$$
(106)

obtained by reacting the following steroidal olefins with $PdCl_2$ in the presence of sodium acetate in acetic acid; 5_{α} -cholest-1-,-2-, and -3-ene; cholest-4- and -5-ene; 3-methyl- and 3-phenyl- 5_{α} -cholest-2-ene; 3_{β} -chloro- and 3_{β} -acetoxycholest-5-ene; and 5_{β} -cholest-1-,-2-, and -3-ene [262]. Oxygen nucleophiles (H0⁻, Et0⁻, i-Pr0⁻, Ac0⁻) regioselectively react at the terminal position of β -myrcene in the presence of PdCl₂ to give π -allyl complexes (107) [263]. Nickel allyls react



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with norbornene to give organic products derived mainly from double insertion and ring opening processes. The reaction is catalytic in nickel and can be used for organic synthetic purposes [264]. The crystal structure of di- μ -chlorobis [(2',3'-n-exo-3-allylnorborn-2-yl)palladium](108), prepared from [π -allyl PdCl]₂ and norbornene, where the olefin has inserted into the metal-allyl bond, shows a relatively small π component in the metal-olefin bond [265]. Treating [PdCl(allyl)]₂ with L(L=P(NEt₂)₃, trimorpholinophosphine) gives PdCl(allyl)L [266].



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The terminal carbon bonded monoanions of 2,4-pentanedione and ethyl acetoacetate in the [PdCl(β -dik-C')(bipy)] complexes have been deprotonated and converted into the trihapto dianions in the reactions with Tl(acac) [267]. Reactions of β -diketo anions with n^3 -allylbis(triphenylphosphine)platinum (II) complexes.



(R= Me,OEt)

or allyl acetates in the presence of triphenylphosphine platinum complexes, gives good yields of allylic alkylation products. Reactions of n^3 -allyl(triphenylphosphine)Pt(II) complexes with Tl acac gives stereochemically rigid, thermally stable, σ -allyl acac Pt(II) complexes [268]. The methyl groups in the complex [Pd(n^3 -allyl)(8,8'-dimethyl-2,2'-diquinoly!)]ClO₄ (109) would be too close together were it not for the Pd atom lying 1.10 Å out of the plane of the bidentate diquinolyl ligand [269]. Reactions of [(allyl)PdCl]₂ with neutral



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ligands L (L= RN=CHNHR, R=PhCH₂, <u>p-MeC₆H₄</u>, <u>p-ClC₆H₄</u>; L= RN=NNHR, R= <u>p-MeC₆H₄</u>, <u>p-ClC₆H₄</u>) yield bridge splitting reactions to give Pd(n^3 -allyl)ClL. Variable temperature ¹³C nmr spectra show two dynamic processes. The first one involved dissociation of L, and the second one of lower activation energy is considered to involve Cl-L exchange, probably via a pentacoordinate chloro bridged species [270]. The rates of cleavage of μ -Br and μ -Cl(allyl)Pd by HBr and HCl respectively is proportional to the activity of the complex and H⁺, but not to the halide ion concentration [271].

The reaction of allyl phenyl ether with a mixture of Ni(COD)2 and PPh3

leads to oxidative addition of the ether to give $Ni(n^3-C_3H_5)(OPh)PPh_3$ (110). Similar reactions of diallyl ether with $Ni(COD)_2$ in the presence of $PR_3(R=Ph,Cy)$

$$Ni(COD)_{2} + PhOCH_{2}CH=CH_{2} + PPh_{3} \longrightarrow \langle (-Ni \downarrow L + 2COD \downarrow L) \rangle$$
(110)

give uncleaved π -type complexes Ni(π -allyl ether)(PR₃) [272]. Methylenecyclopropanes having alkyl substituents on the cyclopropane ring undergo addition of the elements Pd-Cl in a 1,3-fashion. The difference in reaction mode showing a preference for 1,3- over 1,2-chloropalladation is caused by substituting a methyl group for a hydrogen on the cyclopropane ring [273]. A mechanism involving a dipolar transition state is proposed. The kinetics and isotope effects for the demetalation of π -allylpalladium chloride by HCl indicate a bimolecular mechanism in which H⁺ attacks the π -bond of the complex [274].

2,4,6-Triphenyl-3-benzoylpyrylium perchlorate reacts with PdCl₂(PhCN)₂ to give cis-(1,3,3-tribenzoy1-2-pheny1-g-ally1)Pd(II) (111). The Pd atom is σ -bonded with two carbon atoms and coordinated by two keto-oxygen atoms [275]. The crystal structure of $(n^3-allyl)PtCl(tri-p-tolylphosphine)$ is compared with the <u>t</u>-Bu₃P and PCy₃ analogs [276]. The nmr behavior of PtCl(allyl)(<u>t</u>-Bu₃P) has considered the effect of halide and phosphine on the fluxionality. Distortion effects have been investigated in the solid state by solving the crystal structure of the complex. The structure provides confirmatory evidence of asymmetry of the allyl group and is related to the nmr solution studies [277]. Treating π-allylpalladium complexes with WCl₆/EtOH/EtAlCl₂ gives primarily alkylation of the aromatic solvent by the olefin, although C-C sigma bond cleavage in the reactant is also observed [278]. Treating Na₂PdCl₄ in MeOH with allylHgCl gives $[(\pi-C_3H_5)PdCl]_2$. The π -allyl acetato complex was also formed using mercuric acetate [279]. The reductive decomposition of 1- $(methoxymethyl)-2-methyl-\pi-allylpalladium chloride in aqueous HCOOK involves$ transfer of hydrogen from the formate ion to the allyl ligand of the complex [280]. A similar study has been made in the presence of methoxide ion in methanol [281].

A convenient preparation is described for the conversion of monosubstituted terminal olefins to π -allylpalladium compounds (112) via an in situ allylic chlorination-palladation sequence [282]. Various π -allylnickel halides react with 2-pyridyl carboxylates to give β , γ -unsaturated ketones in good yields [283]. The reaction of 1,3-dienes with PdCl₂(PhCN)₂ and Me₂NH gives 4-dimethylamino π -allylic palladium complexes, which on treatment with AgBF₄ or PPh₃ are attacked



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by excess Me_2NH on the face of the allyl group opposite to that occupied by Pd to give 1,4-diamines (113) [284]. ¹H and ³¹P nmr spectra of compounds (n³-allyl) PtCl(PR₃)(PR₃= PMe₃, PCy₃, P-<u>t</u>-Bu₃, PPh₂, PPh₂Me, PPhMe₂ and P(<u>p</u>-tol)₃)



suggest there is bonding interaction between the phosphine and the allyl group via the central metal atom. Plots of chemical shifts and coupling constants against phosphine ligand cone angle are given and discussed [285]. The 13 C



and ³¹P nmr spectra of $[Pt(n^3-allyl)(PCy_3)_2]PF_6$ indicates restricted rotation about the Pt-P bond. Activation parameters have been measured. The compound with <u>i-Pr_3P</u> behaves similarly but the rotation of the $P(CH_2Ph)_3$ complex has not been stopped [286]. Two geometrical isomers of $Pd(n-crotyl)(C_6Cl_5)PPh_3$ (114,115) undergo uncatalyzed mutual interconversion in benzene at room temperature. The large decrease of the rate on adding free PPh₃ is attributed to occurence of a dissociative isomerization path involving a 3-coordinate



intermediate [287]. $0xo-\pi$ -allylpalladium(II) intermediates are involved in the cyclization of silyl enol ethers to γ , β -unsaturated ketones [288]. γ -Lactones have been obtained by treating π -allylnickel complexes with CO₂. Solvents, yields and temperatures are given for the reaction [289].



An allyl complex of nickel has been prepared from 2,5-dimethyl-1,6, $6a\lambda^4$ -trithiapentalene and Ni(allyl)₂. The structure of the complex (116) has been







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solved [290]. A cluster compound $[(n^3-C_3H_5M)_2S]_3$ (M=Ni,Pd,Pt) has been obtained by treating 2,5-disubstituted-1,6,6a-trithiapentalenes or H_2S with M(allyl)₂. The structure of the Ni complex (117) shows the compound to be a fraction of a NiS framework in which peripheral coordination sites are occupied by partial disordered n^3 -allyl groups [291].



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An interesting equilibrium has been investigated by nmr spectroscopy. In solution the isomers (118) and (119) have respectively a pentahapto-bonded cyclopentadienyl and a monohapto-bonded allyl ligand, and a monohapto-bonded cyclopentadienyl and a trihapto-bonded allyl ligand. The respective compounds are 18- and 16-electron molecules. The isomer ratio is temperature dependent



[292]. The binuclear complexes $cpPd_2L_2(2-RC_3H_4)$ (120) are formed either on reaction of equimolar amounts of $cpPd(2-RC_3H_4)$ and L (L= tertiary phosphine, phosphite, arsine) or by addition of $cpPd(2-RC_3H_4)$ and PdL_2 . In addition the reactions of the allyl complexes with I_2 , HCl and MeI are described [293].



This method of 1+1 addition has also been applied to prepare $(2-Me_3H_4)XPd_2L_2(X-Cl,L=P(\underline{i}-Pr)_3, P(\underline{t}-Bu)_3, PCy_3; X=I, L=P(\underline{i}-Pr)_3)$. Attempts to synthesize similar binuclear complexes with Ni-Ni, Pt-Pt and Ni-Pd bonds fails [294].

The reaction enthalpies have been measured for the reaction of 22 phosphines and phosphites with the allyl nickel complex (121). A three dimensional representation is plotted of the reaction enthalpies as a function of the electronic and steric parameters. Collectively the calculated enthalpies of association span a



range of 82 kJ/mol, of which 48kJ/mole is ascribed to the electronic influence and 34 kJ/mol to the steric influence. It is considered that further analysis may require a "mesomeric effect" to be taken into consideration [295].

IX. Delocalized carbocyclic systems and carboranes

Papers on CPh₃ complexes describe the crystal structures of $[M(\alpha,1,2-n^3-CPh_3)(acac)]$ (M=Pd,Pt) (122) which show a n^3 -benzylically bonded CPh₃ ligand [296]. The complexes have been prepared by treating the zerovalent compounds $M_2(dba)_3$ with Ph₃CCl, followed by treatment with acac to yield $M(CPh_3)acac$. The Pd complex shows 3 different dynamic nmr processes. These are (a) where the metal moves between the two n^3 -positions on a single phenyl via a suprafacial 1,5 -sigmatropic shift; (b) where the metal moves from one phenyl ring to another; and (c) where the ends of the acac ligand become equilibrated. Free energies are measured and discussed where possible, and the effects of phenyl substituent are considered [297]. Palladium compounds are used in the reaction of 2-acetoxymethyl-3-



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allyltrimethylsilane with olefins having electron-withdrawing groups and the reagent is a useful precursor for trimethylene-metal complexes [298]. The compound $(Ph_3C_3)Ni(CO)Cl$ reacts with ligands $L(L=THF, bipy, Ph_2PMe, Ph_2PCl, PhPCl_2, P(OR)_3)$ to give 2:1 complexes $(Ph_3C_3)NiL_2Cl$ (123). The compound $(Ph_3C_3)Ni(CO)Cl$ readily loses CO in solution and under these conditions it is an active catalyst for the isomerization of quadricyclane to norbornadiene [299]. The structure of

$$(Ph_{3}C_{3})Ni(CO)C1 + 2L \longrightarrow (Ph_{3}C_{3})NiL_{2}C1$$
(123)

<u>cis</u>-dichloro(tri-<u>n</u>-butylphosphine)(bis(N,N-dimethylamino)cyclopropenylidene palladium(II) (124) is the first precise analysis of the structure of a cyclopropenylidene transition metal complex. The C_3 ring is bonded through the unique carbon atom to the metal center and is roughly perpendicular to the metal square plane [300]. Nickelocene reacts with TCNQ to give Ni(TCNQ)₂ [301].

Nonempirical M.O. calculations have been made on a variety of cyclobutadiene metal complexes. For $C_4H_4Fe(CO)_3$ a detailed analysis of the frontier orbitals indicates the molecule is a C_4H_4Fe fragment perturbed by the carbonyls. These ideas are expanded to $C_4H_4Ni(CO)_2$ [302]. The crystal structure of $[(C_4Me_4)NiBr]_2$ (125) shows a π -bonded cyclobutadiene ring in a square with an average C-C distance of 1.464 A. The methyl groups are displaced away from the Ni atom, the average distance between the ring plane and the methyl carbon atoms is 0.20 A [303]. Treating $(Ph_4C_4)NiBr_2$ with 1,2,3,4-tetraphenyl-1,4-dilithiumbutadiene gives $(Ph_4C_4)_2Ni$ (126) [304]. A



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$$(Ph_4C_4)NiBr_2 + [PhC(Li)=CPh]_2 \longrightarrow (Ph_4C_4)_2Ni + 2LiBr$$
 (126)

cyclobutadiene palladium complex (127) formed by dimerization of an ynamine has a highly puckered four membered ring. A qualitative M.O. pertubation scheme shows first a rigid arrangement of the $PdCl_2$ unit in a plane containing the C(2) and C(4) atoms of the cyclobutadiene, and second a ring puckering resulting



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from repulsive interactions between the filled d orbitals of Pd and the p lobes located on both nitrogen atoms [305].

Reaction of Me_5C_5Li with $Ni(CO)_4$ gives $[(n^5-Me_5C_5)Ni(CO)]_2$. Conversions to $(n^5-Me_5C_5)Ni(L)X$ (L=tertiary phosphine) and $(n^5-Me_5C_5)Ni(L)R$ (R=Me,PhC C) are described [B06]. Magnetic circular dichroism spectra of cp_2Ni are reported and discussed and comment is made on the striking similarity between the solution and matrix spectra [307]. Vacuum and low-temperature electrochemical techniques on cp_2Ni lead to an electron transfer series of 3 or 4 members. The nickelocene anion is a reduction intermediate stable at -60° in DMF, and $cpNi(n_3-C_5H_7)$ is a minor product of the bulk reduction of nickelocene [308]. Molecular orbital calculations using the all-electron self-consistent-field multiple scattering

$$cp_2Ni^{2+} \xrightarrow{+0.7} cp_2Ni^{+} \xrightarrow{-0.1} cp_2Ni \xrightarrow{-1.7} cp_2Ni^{-}$$

 X_{α} method have been carried out for Nicp₂ and Nicp₂⁺. The calculated ionization energies of Nicp₂ are in good agreement with photoelectron data [309].

Metalation of PhP(S)Me₂ by BuLi followed by reaction with carbonyl derivatives gives functional and chiral phosphine sulfides of general formula PhP(S)Me(CH₂Z) where $Z=Ph_2C(OH)$, PhC(O), HC(O), CO₂Et. These sulfides were reductively complexed to cpNiI (128), and if the free phosphines are required they can be obtained by . treatment with P(OMe)₃ [310]. The complex cpNiRu₃(CO)₉{CC(H)<u>t</u>-Bu} has been



prepared from $[cpNi(C0)]_2$ and HRu_3C_2t -Bu. The structure consists of a "butterfly" arrangement of three Ru and one Ni atoms bonded to nine terminal carbonyl groups, a cp group bonded to Ni, and a rearranged <u>t</u>-butylacetylene group bonded to all the metal atoms [311]. From the reaction of $[cpNi(C0)]_2$ and $HRu_3(C0)_9(C_6H_9)$ the compound cpNiRu_3(C0)_8(C_6H_9) has been prepared. This again has the "butterfly" arrangement of metal atoms and is similar in many respects to the previous structure [312].

Nickel atoms will cause dimerization of fulvalene. The product is a headto-tail dimer and is formally derivable by a thermally forbidden [6+6] cycloaddition process followed by [1,5]-hydrogen shifts [313]. A new route is described to prepare cyclopentadienyl bridged palladium dimers (129). The method involves treating the acetate bridged complex with sodium-potassium alloy at room temperature. Reactions with Me₃SiCl, PhSH and PhCO₂H are described and the products have one of the cp groups replaced by a Cl, PhS or CO₂Ph bridging ligand [314]. Compounds of type (130) have been isolated and shown to be fluxional in solution. Two dynamic processes occur simultaneously. That with the higher activation energy is a π/σ exchange between the different cp rings; the lower activation energy process is a metallotropic rearrangement [315]. Nickelocene will react with α -bromo acids in the presence of triphenylphosphine to give cpNiBr(PPh₃) [316].





 π -Complexes of palladium with benzene have been observed by UV and nmr spectroscopy. Their stability constants have been measured and the oxidative coupling of benzene to terphenyl discussed [317]. A detailed synthetic procedure has been published for the compound Ni(C_6F_5)₂(n^6 -toluene) (131). The compound is prepared by the codeposition of nickel vapor with a C_6F_5Br and toluene mixture [318]. In a theoretical study of the delocalization in metallocycles of type

$$2Ni + 2C_6F_5Br + MePh \longrightarrow (\eta^6-MePh)Ni(C_6F_5)_2 + NiBr_2$$
(131)

 $L_n^M(C_4R_4)$ the analysis leads to a set of orbital criteria for minimizing delocalization, and to some speculations concerning the possible stability of mononuclear $L_n^M(CR)_x$ (x=3,5,6) complexes [319]. Hammett correlations and phosphine dependencies have been plotted for the complexation of benzophenone to Ni(0). The crystal structure of Ni(Ph_2CO)(PEt_3)₂ shows sideways bonding of the carbonyl. The length of the C=0 bond of 1.335 Å is approximately 0.1 Å longer than that of free benzophenone [320].

The complexes $Pt(PEt_3)_3$, $Pt(\underline{trans}-stilbene)(PR_3)_2$, $M(COD)(PMe_3)_2$ (M=Ni,Pt), Ni(COD)(PEt_3)_2 react with $\underline{closo}-1,7-R_2-1,7-C_2B_6H_6$, $\underline{closo}-4,5-R_2-4,5-C_2B_7H_7$ and $\underline{closo}-1,6-C_2B_8H_{10}$ to give carbametallaboranes $\underline{closo}-[4,5-R_2-6,6-(PR_3)-4,5,6-C_2MB_6H_6]$, $\underline{nido}-[4,5-R_2-7,7-(PR_3)-4,5,7-C_2PtB_6H_6]$, $\underline{nido}-[2,8-R_2-10,10-(PR_3)-4,5,7-C_2PtB_6H_6]$

2,8,10-C₂MB₇H₇] and <u>nido</u>-[μ -(6,10)-{Pt(PMe₃)₂}-10,10-(PMe₃)₂-7,9,10-C₂PtB₈H₁₀] respectively. The latter compound with activated charcoal gives the compound <u>nido</u>-[10,10-(PMe₃)₂-7,9,10-C₂PtB₈H₁₀]. The spectra of the compounds are reported and their mechanism of formation and molecular structures discussed [321]. Reaction of Pt₂(μ -COD)(PEt₃)₄ with 2,3-dicarba-<u>nido</u>-hexaborane(8),2,3-dimethyl-2,3-dicarba-<u>nido</u>-hexaborane(8),2,3-dimethyl-2,3-dicarba-<u>nido</u>-hexaborane(8) and monocarba-<u>nido</u>-hexaborane(9) gives respectively [<u>nido- $\mu_{4,5}$ -{trans-(Et₃P)₂Pt(H)}- $\mu_{5,6}$ -H-2,3-CB₅H₆], [<u>nido- $\mu_{4,5}$ -{trans-(Et₃P)₂Pt(H)}- $\mu_{5,6}$ -H-2,3-Me₂-2,3-C₂B₄H₄] and [<u>nido- $\mu_{4,5}$ -{trans-(Et₃P)₂Pt(H)}($\mu_{3,4}$ -H)($\mu_{5,6}$ -H)-2-CB₅H₆]. The structure of the first of these compounds (132) shows both pentagonal B-B links are bridged, one by hydrogen and the other by a <u>trans-(Et₃P)₂PtH</u></u></u></u>



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fragment, the latter demonstrating insertion by the metal nucleophile into a bridging B_2H function of the <u>nido</u>-carbaboranes [322]. Treatment of MaB_5N_8 with NiBr₂ and Nacp generates <u>closo</u>-1,6-cp₂Ni₂B₈H₈ and <u>closo</u>-1,7-cp₂Ni₂B₁₀H₁₀ and the reaction of NaB₅H₈ with cp₂Ni and Na/Hg gives <u>closo</u>-cp₄Ni₄B₄H₄ and <u>nido</u>-cp₄Ni₄B₅H₅. Nicp₂ and NaMe₂C₂B₄H₅ yield <u>closo</u>-cp₂Ni₂Me₂C₂B₄H₄ and <u>nido</u>-cp₂Ni₂Me₂C₂B₅H₅. The structure of cp₄Ni₄B₄H₄ (133) has a <u>closo</u>-D_{2d} cage geometry 323. In an nmr study of compounds [M(B₅H₈)X(dppe)] (M=Ni,Pd,Pt) it is concluded that all the



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compounds examined have a static metallo-<u>nido</u>-pentaborane structure in which the metal atom occupies a bridging position between two basal boron atoms [324]. Treating $Pt(P(CH_2Ph)_3)_2Cl_2$ with $1-Li-2-Me-1, 2-B_{10}C_2H_{10}$ gives the complex <u>cis</u>- $1-[(PhCH_2)_3PFP(CHPh)(CH_2Ph)_2]-2-Me-1, 2-(\sigma-B_{10}C_2H_{10})$ (134). The carboranyl group is σ -bonded to Pt through its C(1) atom. One phosphine is bonded through its P atom and the C atom bonded to phosphorus of one benzyl side group, leading to a three-membered Pt-P-C chelate ring [325]. Platinathiaboranes have been obtained by treating PtL₄(L= PMe_2Ph, PEt_3, PPh_3) with $1-SB_9H_9$. The complexes have the stoichiometry $L_2Pt(SB_8H_{10})$. Crystal structures have been solved for 9,9-(PPh_3)_2-6,9-SPtB_8H_{10} (135) and $8-OEt-9,9-(PPh_3)_2-6,9-SPtB_8H_9$ (136) [326].

X. <u>Metal hydrides</u>

The ligand $Ph_2PCH_2CH_2SEt(PSEt)$ has been used to prepare complexes Ni(PSEt)₂ (BF₄)₂, Ni(PSEt)₂(fumaronitrile), Ni(CO)₂(PSEt)₂ and NiH(PSEt)₂ BPh₄. This hydride complex will catalyze the isomerization of 1-pentene. The complex is believed to decompose by loss of H₂ [327]. Addition of hydrogen atoms to

 $NiH(PSEt)_{2}^{+} \longrightarrow Ni(PSEt)_{2} + H^{+}$ $NiH(PSEt)_{2}^{+} + H^{+} \longrightarrow Ni(PSEt)_{2}^{2+} + H_{2}$



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 ${\rm Ni(CN)_4}^{2-}$ ions in various salt hydrates induced by radiolysis gives ${\rm HNi(CN)_4}^{2-}$ ions in which the σ electron is strongly delocalized onto hydrogen [328]. More details on this chemistry is supplied in a full paper [329]. In an article concerning the properties and reactions of organometallic complexes in the gas phase there is a table giving values for proton affinities. Nickel and Nicp₂ are included in the list [330].

The structure of <u>trans</u>-PtH₂(<u>t</u>-Bu₃P)₂ shows the Pt-P distance of 2.277 Å. A ligand profile diagram is shown outlining the van der Waals spheres. Such a diagram can be used in conjunction with the cone angle concept [331]. The platinum hydrides PtH₂(PR₃)₂ (PR₃= PCy₃, <u>i</u>-Pr₃P, <u>t</u>-Bu₂-<u>n</u>-BuP, <u>t</u>-BuPh₂P) react with CO to give trinuclear cluster compounds (137) [332]. Palladium(II) hydrides (<u>trans</u>-PdHX(P-<u>t</u>-Bu₃)₂), formed by addition of HX to Pd(P-<u>t</u>-Bu₃)₂, undergo facile intramolecular metalation in solution giving complexes PdX(P-<u>t</u>-Bu₂CMe₂CH₂)(P-<u>t</u>-Bu₃). These complexes will change into the bridged dimeric complexes [PdX(P-<u>t</u>-Bu₂CMe₂CH₂)]₂. This chloride bridge can be cleaved by a variety



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of ligands to give the mononuclear complexes [333]. The mutual influence of ligands in <u>trans</u>-PtHX(PPh₃)₂ and <u>trans</u>-PtX(SnX₃)(PPh₃)₂ shows a trans influence for X of Cl<Br<<SnBr₃<SnCl₃. A qualitative estimate of the σ -donor and π -acceptor properties of the SnCl₃ ligand has been proposed from the relative change in the isomer shift ($\Delta \delta$) and quadrupole splitting ($\Delta \epsilon$) in the Mössbauer spectra of the complexes [334]. The complexes <u>trans</u>-PtH(SnR₃)L₂ (L= PCy₃, P(<u>i</u>-Pr)₃, P(<u>t</u>-Bu)Ph₂, P(<u>t</u>-Bu)₂Me; R=Ph) (138) have been prepared from PtH₂L₂ and HSnR₃, PtL₂ and HSnR₃, and PtH₂L₂ and ClSnR₃ [335]. Addition of water to complexes PtL₃ (L=PEt₃, P-i-Pr₃) gives platinum(II) hydrides PtHL₃ OH or PtH(S)L₂ OH, depending on

$$PtH_{2}L_{2} + HSnR_{3}(C1SnR_{3}) \longrightarrow PtH(SnR_{3})L_{2} \longleftarrow PtL_{2} + HSnR_{3}$$
(138)

the ligand L. The compound $PtH(OH)(P(i-Pr)_3)_2$ has also been obtained. The equilibria involved have been investigated by conductometric techniques. The reactions are shown. The hydration of the nitrile and double bonds of RCH=CHCN,

$$PtL_{3} \xleftarrow{K_{L}} PtL_{2} + L$$

$$PtL_{2} + H_{2}0 \xleftarrow{K_{0}} PtH(OH)L_{2}$$

$$PtH(OH)L_{2} + S \xleftarrow{K_{S}} PtH(S)L_{2} OH$$

$$PtH(S)L_{2} OH \xleftarrow{K_{d}} PtH(S)L_{2}^{+} + OH^{-}$$

catalyzed by $[PtHL_3]OH$ or $[PtH(S)L_2]OH$ and $\underline{trans}-Pt(OH)R(PPh_3)_2$ occurs in excellent yield [336]. The kinetics of hydrogen evolution in the reaction of Pd(PPh_3)_4 with HCl in dioxane solution has been studied. The importance of the Pd(PPh_3)_4 reaction with CF_3CO_2H with respect to liquid phase conversion of CO is discussed [337]. The electronic structure of a series of compounds $\underline{trans}-PdXY(PH_3)_2$ (X and Y= H,Cl,OH,OCOMe) have been calculated by the CNDO method [338]. Treating Pt(PPh_3)_3 with (C₆F₅)_3GeH gives PtH (C₆F₅)_3Ge (PPh_3)_2. Using the same procedure the complexes PtH{(C₆F₅)_3GeX}(PPh_3)_2 (X=S, Se) (139) have been isolated [339]. The crystal structure of $\underline{trans}-PtH(CF_3)(PPh_3)_2$ shows

$$Pt(PPh_3)_3 + (C_6F_5)_3 GeXH \longrightarrow H-Pt-X-Ge(C_6F_5)_3$$

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considerable steric crowding at the platinum atom [340]. The structure of <u>trans</u>-PtH(CH₂CN)(PPh₃)₂ (140) shows an angle PPtP of 169.6 [341]. The protonolysis of the Pt-C bond in <u>trans</u>-PtH(CH₂CN)(PPh₃)₂ in methanol/dichloroethane



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involves oxidative addition to the metal center followed by reductive elimination of MeCN and the formation of trans-PtHCl(PPh₃)₂. Activation parameters are given [342]. For the complexes trans-PtH(SnCl₃)L₂ (L= PPh₃, PPh₂Bz) there is an

unusually large coupling constant for ${}^{2}J(Sn,H)$. The values are in the 1650-1750 Hz range [343]. When a solution of Pt(COD)₂ and PPh₃ at 0^o is added to a separate solution of <u>trans-[PtH(Me₂CO)(PPh₃)₂]BF₄ saturated with H₂, and the whole</u>

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saturated with H₂, the dihydro bridged complex (141) is obtained. Details of the

nmr spectra are given [344]. A series of complexes of bis(diphosphine)Pt₂H₃ have been prepared from the PtH₂(L-L) or Pt₂(L-L)₂ compounds. The ir spectra show bridging and terminal hydride ligands but the nmr data suggest rapid exchange on that time scale. The crystal structure of $[Pt_2H_3{(t-Bu)_2P(CH_2)_3P(t-Bu)_2}]BPh_4$ shows a Pt-Pt separation of 2.768 Å [345]. Treating $[Pt_2H_3(dppe)_2]BF_4$ with CO or RNC gives the dinuclear hydrides $[Pt_2H(CO)(dppe)_2]X$ (142) and $[Pt_2H(CNR)(dppe)_2]X$ (R= Me, P-toly1, t-Bu) [346]. The reaction of $[Pt_2H_3(u-dppm)_2]PF_6$ with dppm

$$\begin{bmatrix} Pt_{2}H_{3}(dppe)_{2}\end{bmatrix}BF_{4} + CO \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P & 0 \\ 0 & C \\ p & Pt & Pt & Pt \\ H & Pt & p \end{bmatrix}BF_{4}$$

(142)

proceeds by reductive elimination of H_2 to give $[Pt_2H(dppm)(\mu-dppm)_2]PF_6$ (143) which has both bridging and terminal dppm ligands. The compound undergoes a reversible reaction with RSH to give (144). The structure of (143) confirms



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Reprinted with permission from ref. 347 the proposed stoichiometry and bonding [347].

A neutron diffraction analysis of the structure of Ni₄H₃cp₄ (145) shows the Ni₃H linkages to be unsymmetrical. The H atoms are slightly displaced away from the unique apical Ni atom. The Ni-H distances involving the apical Ni atom average to 1.716 Å while those involving the basal Ni atoms average to 1.678 Å [348]. The structures of Ni₆(CO)₁₂²⁻, Pt₁₂(CO)₂₄²⁻ and the distribution of CO groups in Ni₁₂(CO)₂₁H_{4-n}ⁿ⁻ (n= 2,3,4) are given. The importance of the interstitial positions of hydrogen atoms in metal carbonyls is discussed [349].

XI Metal isocyanides

The crystallographic parameters of $[Pt(CNEt)_4][Pt(CN)_4]$ have been determined from x-ray powder data [350]. Nitrogen 1s binding energies for bridging methyl isocyanide in $Pd_2(dppm)_2(\mu-CNMe)Cl_2$ and $Pd_2(dppm)_2(\mu-CNMe)(CNMe)_2$ PF₆ have been measured and are ~1 eV lower than those for terminal MeNC. For comparison XPS data are also presented for $[Pd_2(CNMe)_6](PF_6)_2$, $[Pd(CNMe)_4](PF_6)_2$, $Pd(CNME)_2I_2$ and $[Pt_2(CNMe)_6](BF_4)_2$ [351].

The compound $Pt_3(t-BuNC)_6$ reacts with SiR_3H ($SiR_3 = SiMe_3$, $SiEt_3$, $SiMe_2Ph$, $SiMePh_2$, $SiPh_3$, $Si(OEt)_3$) to give compounds $Pt(CH=N-t-Bu)(SiR_3)(t-BuNC)_2$ (145) arising from insertion of an RNC ligand into the formed Pt-H bond. The structure of (146) shows the platinum bridged by HC=N-t-Bu ligands to give a six-membered



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ring of boat conformation [352]. Reduction of $PtCl_2(2,6-xylyl isocyanide)_2$ with Na/Hg gives $Pt_7(2,6-xylyl isocyanide)_{12}$ which has both bridging and terminal isocyanide groups. The molecule contains a metal atom cluster derived from the distorted trigonal bipyramidal unit to which two extra Pt atoms have been attached in the bridging position between one basal platinum atom and each apical one [353]. The isocyanide derived complex trans-PtCl(PEt_3)_2(CH=NC_6H_4Me-p) gives 1:1 complexes with CdCl_2, HgCl_2 and AuCl, and 1:2 trans adduct with PdCl_2 [354]. Similar mixed metal complexes have been prepared from the complexes L_2Pt C(OMe)=NR 2 [355]. A linear trimetallic compound trans-Pt(CyNC)(CyNHCOEt){cpMo(CO)_3}_2 (147) has been obtained from cis-PtCl_2(CyNC){C(OEt)(NHCy)} and Na[cpMo(CO)_3]. The structure is confirmed by x-ray crystallography. The molecule is a mixed trimetallic having both coordinated carbene and isocyanide groups [356].



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XII Catalytic reactions involving complexes

A review has been published comparing catalytic activities of complexes in homogeneous systems and in fixed states [357]. The complex \underline{trans} -PtH(NO₃)(PEt₃)₂ is an active catalyst for the hydrogenation of olefins. While it is active towards both internal and terminal olefins it is ineffective towards olefins with electron-withdrawing substituents. The most effective conditions are 60° and 600 psi in methanol solvent. Reaction pathways are presented and discussed with respect to the role of methanol in the system [358]. Hydrogenation of 1,5-COD; 1,3-COD; 1,4-octadiene and 1,7-octadiene to the corresponding monoenes has been carried out under mild conditions using different allyl palladium(II) derivatives in DMA solution. Nonconjugated dienes are isomerized prior to hydrogenation. The selectivity is suggested to result from an intrinsic property due to formation of π -allylic intermediates [359]. The hydrogenation of 1,5,9-cyclododecatriene with NiI₂(PPh₃)₂ as catalyst involves initial formation of a π -complex with NiHI(PPh₃)₂ and its subsequent conversion to a σ, π complex [360]. The compound NiX₂(dppe) (X= Br,I) catalyzes the catalytic hydrogenation of 1,5,9-cyclodecatriene with 95% conversion at 150°/50 atmosphere. The activity of the catalysts decreases in the order I>Br>Cl [361]. The semihydrogenation of 15 acetylenes to olefins has been studied synthetically and mechanistically. The catalyst is a polymer-bound Pd(II) complex. Isolated bonds give selectivities of 92% or better whereas conjugated acetylenes fall in the range of 71-85%. Solvents such as DMF, THF, DMSO and EtOH give high activity. The catalytic activity is affected more strongly by the m-acidity of acetylenes than their steric factor. Kinetics and mechanism are discussed. The polymer-bound catalyst is comparable in selectivity to cationic rhodium and the Lindlar catalysts [362].

Hydrosilylation of <u>endo-</u> and <u>exo-</u>cyanonorbornenes, <u>endo-</u>methylnorbornene and camphene by SiHCl₃ on a catalyst composed of Ni(acac)₂ and PPh₃ shows that hydrosilylation occurs as stereoselective <u>exo</u>-addition to the double bond [363].



The mixture of Ni(acac)₂ and R₃Al (R= Et,<u>i</u>-Bu) catalyzes the hydrosilylation of 1,3-butadiene, isoprene, piperylene and CH₂=CHCHMeCH=CHCH=CH₂. With the first two olefins appreciable quantities of 1,4-disilylated olefins were formed [364]. The rate constants for the hydrosilylation of $4-\text{RC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ by MeSiCl₂H increases in the order R=Cl<H<Me<MeO for the catalyst Pt(PPh₃)₄. The effects of solvents and added PPh₃ are discussed [365]. The catalyzed hydrosilylation of styrene by platinum phosphine complexes and of 1-octene by nickel phosphine complexes was exmained kinetically and by ir spectroscopy. It is proposed that coordination of the silyl weakens but does not break the Si-H bond [366].

The activity of the $PtCl_2(PPh_3)_2$ -SnCl_3 catalyst system for catalyzed hydroformylations is dramatically enhanced by the use of diphosphine ligands of type $Ph_2P(CH_2)_nPPh_2$ (n= 1,2,3,4,5,6,10). The optimum ligand has n=4 which yields hexanals (n/iso=99/1) from pentene-1 with a much higher reaction rate than is found with RhH(CO)(PPh_3)_3 [367].

Racemic 1-olefins are isomerized by the homogeneous (R)-N,N-dimethyl-1phenylethylamine/i-Bu₃Al/Ni(N-methylsalicylideneamine)₂ catalytic system. Both the unchanged 1-olefins and the (E)-2 olefins formed are optically active [368]. The dimerization of diquinoethylane to tetraquinocyclobutane is catalyzed by Ni(CO)₂(PPh₃)₂ and Ni(CO)₂(dppe), and also by a mixture of Ni(COD)₂ and PPh₃. The reaction is catalyzed by PPh₃ alone but the dimerization proceeds more slowly [369]. The compound N-hydroxymethylmorpholine is an efficient H-donor molecule in the hydrodimerization of butadiene catalyzed by Ni(0) complexes mixed with triphenylphosphine. The product distribution of coupled products is given and a mechanism presented involving nickel allyl complexes [370]. The oligomerization of l-cyclopropyl-1,3-butadiene is effected using a Ni(0)-triphenylphosphine catalyst. The product (148) has the head-to-head structure which has been proven by deuterium labelling [371]. The new complexes (π -4-cyclooctene-1-yl) (trifluoroacac)Ni and (π -4-cyclooctene-1-yl)(hexafluoroacac)Ni oligomerize

$$\bigvee CH=CH-CH-CH_2 \longrightarrow H_2C=CH-CH_2-CH-CH=CH-CH=CH=CH$$
(148)

olefins such as ethylene, propylene, butene-1, hexene-1 and octene-1 to predominantly linear products in the absence of cocatalyst. The reactivity rate drops with increasing chain length. Mechanistic schemes are proposed and MO calculations made for the binding of olefin to the complexes [372]. In the catalytic cyclodimerization of norbornadiene by reaction with nickel atoms, nickelacyclopentane derivatives are formed in the presence of bipy. The compound a, a'-bipyridyl-<u>exo-trans-endo</u>-3-nickelapentacyclo 9.2.1.^{5,8}0.^{2,10}0^{4,9} pentadeca-6,12-diene is the major component. By contrast the catalytic dimerization leads predominantly to the exo-trans-exo isomer of pentacyclo 8.2.1.1.^{4,7}0.^{2,9}0^{3,8} tetradeca-5,11-diene [373]. The complex (π-allyl NiCl)₂ on γ -alumina catalyzes the oligomerization of ethylene in the presence of CF₃CO₂H, AlCl₃, AlBr₃ and TiCl₄. Addition of benzene to the reaction mixture decreases the oligomerization rate and increases the yield of trimers [374]. The mixture of Ni(acac), and i-Bu,Al does not polymerize 2,4-dimethyl-pentadiene-2,3, but leads to its reduction and isomerization to 2,4-dimethylpentene-1 and -2. A possible mechanism is discussed which involves nickel hydrides and allyls as intermediates [375]. The compounds $[NMe_4]_2[Ni_5(C0)_{12}], [NMe_4]_2[Ni_{12}(C0)_{21}H_2]$ and $[\text{NEt}_4]_3[\text{Ni}_{12}(\text{CO})_{21}\text{H}]$ in acetone are efficient catalysts for the polymerization of acetylene. The product is insoluble and air sensitive and has not been characterized fully [376].

The asymmetric addition of HCN to alkenes has been catalyzed by Pd(DIOP). The catalyst has been prepared by reduction of PdCl₂ with hydrazine in the presence of (+)-DIOP or by reduction of $[(+)-DIOP]PdCl_2$ with NaBH₄. The optical induction is 28% [377]. The catalytic hydrocyanation of acetylenes using Ni(CN)₄²⁻ has been achieved in the absence of HCN. The reaction is carried out in ethylene glycol or water solvent in the presence of NaBH₄ or Zn. A pathway



is proposed where the acetylene inserts into the Ni-H bond of NiH(CN) $_3^{2-}$ [378].

Comments are made on a previous paper and experimental evidence is given to show that DCl, which can be formed from the chloro platinum group catalysts, is also a catalyst in the hydrogen isotope exchange reaction between naphthalene and D_2O -AcOD [379]. Chloroplatinate (II) and (IV) salts have been used to catalyze the exchange of hydrogen for deuterium in methyl nonanoate. The incorporation has been followed by nmr spectroscopy using shift reagents [380].

A review has been published on catalyzed oxidations using platinum group metals. The review includes the use of complexes and covers the gas and liquid phase oxidation of olefins and complex olefins, oxidative combination and acetoxylation [381]. Complexes of platinum have been used as catalysts for the cooxidation of benzaldehyde and cyclohexene. Infrared data indicate surprisingly that when Pt(PPh₃)₄ is used as a catalyst that no oxygen adduct is formed. The activation energy for formation of cyclohexene oxide in the presence of Pt(PPh₃)₄ is 25 kcal/mol [382]. In the oxidative acetoxylation of toluene using Pd complexes the active species are found to be palladium clusters having a low oxidative state [383]. A mechanistic study has been made of the oxidation of CO to CO₂ by NiNO₂ complexes. Kinetic data for the reaction of Ni(NO₂)₂dppe with CO to form Ni(NO)(NO₂)dppe (149)

$$Ni(NO_2)_2dppe + CO \longrightarrow Ni(NO)(NO_2)dppe + CO_2$$
 (149)

and CO_2 shows a rate law first order in both Ni(NO₂)₂dppe and CO. The reaction is associative and shown below [384]. Cyclohexyl hydroperoxide is catalytically decomposed by Pd(II) complexes to yield an α , β -unsaturated linear aldehyde (150). The

$$dppe(NO_2)Ni-N < \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{matrix} + CO \xrightarrow{slow} dppe(NO_2) \overset{O}{Ni-N} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{matrix} \\ fast \\ 0 \\ c \end{matrix} \\ 0 \end{matrix} \\ fast \\ dppe(NO_2)NiNO \end{matrix} + CO \xleftarrow{fast} dppe(NO_2) \overset{O}{Ni-NO}$$

generality of the reaction is shown by the use of other hydroperoxides. A mechanism is proposed involving initial electron transfer followed by the formation of alkyl, olefin and hydro palladium compounds. Plots are made of the influence of ligands in the palladium(II) complexes and on the yield of products with time [385].



Addition of Ni $[P(OPh)_3]_4$ and EtAIC1₂ to the WC1₆-EtAIC1₂ catalytic system causes the formation of internal olefins. Through the process of cross- and homometathesis a series of olefinic products are formed [386]. Allylic alcohols RCH=CHCH₂OH (R=H,Me,Et) are converted into corresponding alkenes RCH=CHMe, α , β -unsaturated aldehydes RCH=CHCHO and water by the interaction with Ni(COD)₂ and PPh₃. A mechanism is proposed involving oxidative addition of the alcohol to Ni(0) via either O-H or C-OH bond cleavage [387]. The reaction of acetylenes and allyl halides with palladium complexes selectively gives 1,4-diene codimers. The compound PdX₂(PhCN)₂ is the most active catalyst. A mechanism is proposed involving insertion to form the palladium vinyl followed by insertion of an allylic halide into this bond. Yields are given for a wide range of substitutes [383].

The asymmetric cross-coupling reaction between phenyl halides and <u>sec</u>butyl magnesium halides has been carried out in the presence of [(+)(R)-dppp] NiCl₂. The optical purity and absolute configuration of the 2-phenylbutane (151) is

$$Me-CHMgX + R'X \longrightarrow Me-CHR' + MgX_2$$

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dependent on the halogen in the organic and on the organometallic moieties [389]. It has been found that alkenyl or aryl sulfides can be used as substrates in the $\text{NiCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ promoted coupling reaction (152). Yields and reaction times are given for a range of vinyl compounds with BuMgBr and PhMgBr. The formation of



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 H_2S was confirmed after quenching the reaction with dilute acid [390]. Allylic sulfides also couple with Grignard reagents in the presence of Ni(II)-phosphine complexes as catalysts to give the corresponding unsaturated compounds in good yields [391]. Dichloro 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene palladium(II) is an effective catalyst for the cross-coupling reaction of <u>sec</u>-butylmagnesium chloride with bromobenzene, β -bromostyrene and 2-bromopropene to give the corresponding <u>sec</u>-butyl derivatives [392]. The reaction of aryl halides with alk-1-enyl boranes is a useful method for the stereoselective synthesis of



arylated (E)-alkenes (153) in high yield. The reactions are catalyzed by $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ and bases such as NaOEt [393]. The reaction has also been used for the stereospecific cross-coupling of 1-alkenylboranes with 1-alkenyl or 1-alkynyl halides (154) [394]. Arylation of $BrZnCH_2CO_2Et$ by aromatic halides



gives a fair yield when catalyzed by soluble nickel and palladium complexes. Yields are given and some consideration of the reaction mechanism is discussed [395]. The reaction of the phenylmagnesium and methylmagnesium bromides with enol and aryl ethers in the presence of $\text{NiCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ leads to the replacement of the alkoxy group by arylation or alkylation to give the olefin (155) [396]. Styrene will couple with halopyrazines in the presence of palladium acetate as



catalyst [397]. The complex $Pt(PPh_3)_4$ can be used as a catalyst for the rearrangement of allyloxy pyridines (156) to the enones (157). A mechanism is proposed

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involving allyl platinum intermediates [398]. 2-Acetoxymethyl-3-allyltrimethysilane for methylenecyclopentane annelations are catalyzed by Pd(0) compounds [399]. A stereocontrolled approach to the synthesis of acyclic systems has been described using organopalladium templates [400]. The palladium(II) catalyzed cyclocarbonylation of acetylenic alcohols to methylene lactones proceeds via carboalkoxypalladium intermediates, followed by intramolecular cis addition to the triple bond. These intermediates have been synthesized and shown to undergo this chemistry. A PdI_2-PBu_3 -MeCN catalyst gives rates first order in CO pressure, with the rate-determining step being complexation of CO by Pd. The reaction products and rate data are used to test mechanistic postulates [401]. Palladium(0) phosphine complexes catalyze the cyclodimerization of methylenecyclopropanes and CO_2 with opening of the three-membered ring to give five-membered lactones (158) [402]. In the catalytic oxidative cyclization of 2-(butenyl-2)phenol by



(+)-[(3,2,10- η -pinene)Pd(OAc)]₂ in the presence of Cu(OAc)₂ and O₂ (159) the n^3 -pinene ligand remains attached to palladium throughout the reaction [403]. The insertion of CO into various 2-bromo-3-aminopropene derivatives in the



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presence of catalytic amounts of $Pd(OAc)_2$ and PPh_3 gives the corresponding α -methylene- β -lactams in fairly good yields [404]. Kinetic data for the arylation of styrene by $Pd(OAc)_2(PPh_3)_2$ suggest aryl transfer from phosphorus to palladium to give a σ -phenylpalladium compound. The trans cis isomerization is a first order process with an activation enthalpy of 16 kcal/mol and an activation entropy of -2leu [405]. The carbonylation of methanol to dimethyl oxalate and dimethyl carbonate in the presence of $Pd(OAc)_2$ is affected by ligands. C0 pressure and base. A mechanism is presented involving methanol attack at a coordinated carbonyl. Methoxide or C0 reaction with this product leads to the formation of MeOCOOMe or MeOCOCOMe respectively [406]. The reaction of phenols with C0 in the presence of C0 and a tertiary amine produces, in the presence of PdCl₂, diaryl carbonates and aryl salicylates (160). Only diaryl carbonates are obtained when palladium carbonyl chloride is substituted for palladium chloride

$$R \bigcirc -OH + CO + Et_{3}N + PdCl_{2}(PhCN)_{2} \longrightarrow R - \bigcirc -O - C \bigcirc -R +$$

$$OH O = O + CO + Et_{3}N + PdCl_{2}(PhCN)_{2} \longrightarrow R - \bigcirc -O - C \bigcirc -R + PhCN + Et_{3}NHCl$$
(160)

[407] The hydrocarboxylation of propene with $PdCl_2(PPh_3)_2$ as catalyst precursor gives high yields in lower alcohol solvent at 90-130 ^o and pressures of CO in the 40-120 atmosphere range (161) [408]. The catalytic activity of the compound $Pd[P(OR)_3]_2$ X₂, with R=Me,Et,<u>i</u>-Pr and X= Cl,Br,I,SCN, for the acetylene



carbonylation reaction shows a difference in activity with R and X. The selectivity for monoester formation depends on the ligands and the kinetics of the reaction are discussed [409]. The selectivity to PhCH=CHCO₂Me approaches 80% in the palladium catalyzed synthesis of methyl cinnanate from styrene, CO and methanol.

The compound MeOCuCL is reoxidant [410]. Dialkyloctadienylamines are formed selectively and in high yields upon reacting secondary amines with butadiene in the presence of catalytic amounts of Ni(acac)₂, PPh₃ and Et₃Al. Cationic allylic nickel complexes are proposed as intermediates. Details of the experimental conditions are given, especially the temperature [411].

Methylenecyclopropane and cyclohex-2-en-1-ones react in the presence of an <u>in situ</u> mixture of Pd(dibenzylideneacetone)₂ and tertiary phosphine to give 2-alkylated enones (162) [412]. C_{o} -Carboxylic acids have been obtained by the



catalyzed reaction of CO_2 and butadiene in the presence of PhONa. Complexes $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ are effective catalysts. Carboxylated products are not obtained using solely $Pd(OAc)_2$ as catalyst [413]. The nickel catalyzed cyanation of aromatic halides (163) under phase-transfer conditions improves yields and catalyst turnover. The proposed mechanism involves a pentacoordinate cyanoaryl nickel

 $R \xrightarrow{Ni(PPh_3)_3} R \xrightarrow{R} CN + NaX$ (163)

complex [414] The coupling of tetraorganotin compounds with benzyl and aryl halides is catalyzed by palladium(II) complexes, preferably benzylchlorobis (triphenylphosphine)palladium(II). The reaction is accelerated by oxygen but not by triphenylphosphine. A catalytic cycle is proposed and the generality of the reaction investigated. Electron-withdrawing groups on the bromobenzenes accelerate the reaction but a simple Hammett plot is not observed [415].

The reactions of alkenyl sulfides, benzenethiols and aryl sulfides with methylmagnesium- and arylmagnesium bromides using $\text{NiCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ gives olefins (predominantly with retention of configuration), toluenes, and biphenyls in acceptable yields [416]. The mechanism by which Ni(II) complexes catalyze the stoichiometric reaction between terminal aliphatic alkynes and <u>i</u>-Bu₃Al is considered. Deuteriolysis experiments show the occurrence of hydride nickel and nickelole species as intermediates. The proposed mechanism involves the

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formation of alkyl, hydride and Ni(O) species still containing the ligand. These catalytic species can yield products by reductive elimination or alkyl exchange reactions with the excess organoaluminum compound [417]. Reactions of O-alkyl and O-cycloalkyl S-methyl xanthates with $M(PPh_3)_4$ (M=Pd,Pt) give olefinic products resulting from 1,2-bond shift skeletal rearrangements in alkyl intermediates (164). These rearrangements are analogous to several of those occurring in hydroisomerization of cycloalkanes and alkanes at elevated



temperatures on transition metal surfaces [418]. A 1:1 mixture of Ni(COD)₂ and PBu₃ catalyzes the vinylcyclopropane-cyclopentene rearrangement (165). Allyl nickel intermediates are proposed and only such vinycyclopropanes as those being capable of complexing with the catalyst will react [419]. The cyclopropanation of



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electron-deficient olefins with <u>gem</u>-dibromides is catalyzed by Ni(0) phosphine or COD complexes [420]. The complex $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ will catalyze the transformation of 1,3-diene epoxides into ketones (166) [421]. Allylic intermediates are



(166)

proposed. The complex $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ will also catalyze the thiono-thiolo allylic rearrangement of 0-allyl phosphoro- and phosphorothionates (167) [422].

$$(Et0)_2^{P} \xrightarrow{0} (Et0)_2^{P} \xrightarrow{0} (Et0)_2^{P} \xrightarrow{0} (167)$$

XIII. Complexes and reactions of general interest

In a detailed synthetic series of papers [423,424,425] the preparative procedures for the following compounds have been described; Pd[PPh(\underline{t} -Bu)₂]₂, Pd[PCy₃]₂, Pd[P(\underline{t} -Bu)₃]₂, Pt[PPh(\underline{t} -Bu)₂]₂, Pt[PCy₃]₂, Pt(PEt₃)₃, Pt[P(\underline{i} -Pr)₃]₃, Pt(PEt₃)₄. The structure of Pt[P(\underline{t} -Bu)₃]₂ has Pt-P distances of 2.249 Å and a P-Pt-P angle of 180° [426]. Nickel(0) complexes with fluorophosphine ligands have been formed from sulfide-activated nickel [427]. In the following paper [428] the compound Ni(PF₂H)₄ has been prepared using metal atom-ligand cocondensation techniques. The compound is a colorless liquid (f_p-50°C) which decomposes slowly at room temperature. No compound Ni(PH₃)₄ has been identified. The phosphines (168) where R= Ph, Cy and n= 2-4 form P-bonded complexes with

$$R_2^{P} (CF_2)n$$
(168)

Pd and Pt [429]. The structure of a 20-membered ring binuclear complex bis[u-1,7heptanediylbis(di-t-butylphosphine)bis(dichloropalladium)]has bulky t-Bu₂P group in the four corner positions and the trans-P-Pd-P linkages and extended $(CH_2)_7$ -chains forming the sides. The macrocycle has an elongated boat ("barge") conformation [430]. A series of large chelate rings and cyclometalated products of Pd and Pt are reported with the ligands $\underline{t}-Bu_2P(CH_2)_nPBu_2-t$ (n=5-8) and Ph_P(CH_2)_PPh_2. Factors affecting the stability and conformation of large chelate rings are discussed [431]. The single crystal ESR spectra of halo 1,1,1tris(diphenylphosphinomethyl)ethane nickel(I) at 4.2K are interpreted in terms of an orbitally degenerate ground level [432]. The complex tris(2-diphenylphosphinoethyl)amine nickel tetraphosphorus (169) has been prepared by additions of elemental phosphorus to the chelate complex in THF solvent [433]. The complex is bonded to P_A via a single Ni-P bond. Principal paramagnetic susceptibilities of single crystals of $NiX_2(PPh_3)_2$ (X= Cl,Br) have been used as evidence for π -acid behavior for these ligands because of the observation of large nephelauxetic effects in these systems [434]. A diamagnetic compound (170) has been formed by the displacement of triphenylphosphine. The Ni compound is air stable but the Pd and Pt complexes are very air sensitive. The nature of the Ni compound has been established by x-ray crystallography [435]. The crystal structure of the complex cis-PtCl₂(Ph₂PC=CPPh₂).2MeCN (171) does not have the triple bonds coordinated to Pt but they interact with each other [436]. The synthesis and 31 P nmr spectroscopy of unsymmetrical <u>cis</u>-diphosphino alkenes (172) from the

"P nmr spectroscopy of unsymmetrical <u>cis</u>-diphosphino alkenes (1/2) from the coordinated alkyne phosphine and a secondary phosphine has been described. Data



are given for a large number of complexes having differing functional groups [437]. The dissymmetric chelating agent (RR,SS)-o-phenylenebis(methylphenylarsine) has been resolved into its enantiomers by fractionally crystallizing internally diastereomeric palladium complexes containing the ditertiary arsine and optically active o-metalated dimethyl(α -methylbenzyl)amine [438]. These authors also describe the preparation of the phosphine ligand and the fractional separation of the (RR,SS) and (RS)-diphos portions using the nickel complex [439]. A comment has been made that vertical ionization potentials are not a reliable guide to the donor abilities of tertiary phosphines nor to the electronic tendencies of tertiary phosphine Pt complexes to undergo oxidative addition. The note stresses the change in geometry of the phosphine on coordination and the non-bonded interactions between an ortho hydrogen and the coordinatively unsaturated metal center [440].

The crystal structure of $[PtCl(\mu-dppm)]_2$ shows distances Pt-Pt and Pt-Cl

of 2.651 Å and 2.401, 2.408 for the latter. The angle between the coordination planes is 38.6° [441]. Treating the compounds $M(PR_3)_4$ (M= Pd,Pt) with secondary phosphine sulfides and selenides at room temperature gives chalcogenophosphinito bridged metal(I) complexes (173). The paper describes a series of compounds and data for v(PS) and the ³¹P nmr shifts are reported [442].



$$2M(PR_3)_4 + 2R'_2P(X)H \longrightarrow [(R_3P)M(XPR'_2)]_2 + H_2 + 6PR_3$$
 (173)

The ¹³C nmr spectrum of $(PPh_3)_2Pt(n-CS_2)$ shows an AXX' pattern due to coupling of the CS₂ carbon to both cis and trans PPh₃ ligands. This rigid configuration is consistent with the solid state structure. These couplings do not collapse in the presence of either excess ${\tt PPh}_3$ or ${\tt CS}_2$ [443]. The compound ${\tt N}_4{\tt S}_4$ reacts with $Pt(PPh_3)_4$ to give $Pt(N_4S_4)(PPh_3)_2$ or $Pt(\tilde{N}_2S_2)(PPh_3)_2$ depending on conditions. Similar compounds are obtained from $Pt[P(OPh)_3]_4$. The compound $S_4(NH)_4$ reacts with Pt(PPh₃)₄ to give Pt($S_2N_2H_2$)(PPh₃)₂. The complexes of S_2N_2 and $S_2N_2H_2$ are considered to be square planar Pt(II) with those of S_4N_4 being 4-coordinate Pt(0) [444]. Platinum and palladium supported on silica have been obtained by the heat of treatment of $Pt(PPh_3)_4$ and $Pd(PPh_3)_4$. The metal dispersion has been determined as a function of thermal treatment [445]. The structures of Ni(SO₂)(PPh₃)₃ and Ni(SO₂)₂(PPh₃)₂ (174,175) show the SO₂ to be S-bonded to the nickel. For (174) the two SO_2 groups are nearly coplanar with each other, the dihedral angle between them being 25.3⁰. In both complexes the angles about the nickel atoms are close to tetrahedral [446]. Reactions of Pt(PPh₃)₄ with the sulfines XYC=S=O (X,Y= aryl, S-aryl, S-alkyl, Cl) yield complexes of type $Pt(XYCSO)(PPh_3)_2$. In each case the sulfine ligand is coordinated side-on via the C=S π -bond. The compounds Pt(XYCSO)(PPh₃)₂ containing reactive C-X and/or C-Y bonds (X,Y= S-aryl, S-alkyl, Cl) undergo a rearrangement in solution to give complexes of the type PtX(PPh₃)₂(YCSO) [447]. Catecholatebis (triphenylphosphine)platinum(II) compounds can be oxidized by AgOCOCF3, CuCl2, or FeCl₃ to give paramagnetic compounds. From EPR evidence the unpaired electron is localized essentially on the paramagnetic o-semiquinolate ligand [448]. The reaction of (PPh3)2Pt02 with o-diamines and o-diols gives complexes containing the diamido and phenolate groups complexed to platinum (II) (176) [449]. The



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diamido complexes can be reversibly protonated to give cationic diamino complexes. Binuclear complexes $[Pt_2(0_2)(OH)(PPh_3)_4] X(X=C10_4, BF_4, PF_6, NO_3)$ and $[Pt_2(OH)_2(PPh_3)_4] X_2$ have been prepared by the stepwise reaction of $Pt(0_2)(PPh_3)_2$ with HX (177). The reaction gives H_2O_2 . The presence of peroxo- and hydroxobridges between the two Pt atoms in $Pt_2(O_2)(OH)(PPh_3)_4$ has been confirmed by x-ray crystallography [450] Chelate compounds Ni(SH)_2(dppe) and Pd(SH)_2(dppe)(178) have been obtained by treating the corresponding <u>cis</u>-dichloro compounds with NaSH. The yields are greater than 60% [451].



$$Pt(0_2)(PPh_3)_2 + HX - - - - - > Pt_2(0_2)(OH)(PPh_3)_4 X + [Pt(OH)_2(PPh_3)_4] X$$
 (177)

 $\underline{cis}-NiCl_{2}(dppe) + 2NaSH \longrightarrow \underline{cis}-Ni(SH)_{2}(dppe) + 2NaCl$ (178)

Liquid-solid chromatography has been used for the separation and analysis of pentafluorophenyl organometallic groups containing Pt-Hg, Pt-Ge, Pt-Cd and Pt-Sn bonds. The technique has been used to monitor the synthesis of the compounds. In addition its use in the investigation of the reactivities of these compounds allows one to determine the direction of the reactions, and also the detection of intermediate formation [452].

In a series of papers the pyrazolyl nitrosyl complexes of nickel are described. The articles describe the syntheses and reactivity along with the crystal structures of $[Ni(NO)(\mu-N_2C_5H_7)]_2$ (179), $[(NO)Ni(\mu-I)(\mu-N_2C_5H_7)_2Ni(NO)]^-$ (180) and $[Me_2Ga(N_2C_5H_7)(OCH_2CH_2NMe_2)]$ Ni(NO) (180) [453,454,455]. The reaction of trans-Ni(NO_2)_2(PEt_3)_2 with CO gives CO_2 and Ni(NO_2)(NO)(PEt_3)_2. An ¹⁸O labeling study using Ni(N¹⁸O_2)_2(PEt_3)_2 establishes NO_2^- as the oxygen source in CO_2 The extent of ¹⁸O enrichment in the CO_2 product indicates that the intermediate(s) involved must be sufficiently long lived to undergo appreciable, but not statistical, oxygen scrambling between carbon and nitrogen atoms prior to the irreversible loss of CO_2 [456]. The structures of MO_2L_2 (M= Pd,Pt; L= PPh(t-Bu)_2 have been solved. The 0-O distances are given as 1.37(2) and 1.43 (2) A in the Pd and Pt complexes respectively. Total energies, bond indices (M-O and M-P), and π -orbital population of dioxygen have been calculated on compounds $MO_2(PH_3)_2$ (M=Ni,Pd) by a modified INDO MO method as functions of the interligand angle P-M-P (90^O<9 <150^O). A minimum in energy is found at =108^O. This geometrical effect in MO_2L_2 appears

to be an important factor governing the coordination bond strength of dioxygen to a metal. The structures of the compounds Pd (182) and Pt (183) are shown [457].



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