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Synthesis of platinum complexes with η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H ligand. X-ray structure of [Pt(η^4 -C₅Me₄H₂)Cl₂] and [Pt{ η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H}(η^5 -C₅H₅)]PF₆

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Abstract

Reaction of isomeric mixture of 1,2,3,4-tetramethyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)cyclopentadiene with Zeise's salt dimer gave the only isomer [Pt{ $\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ }Cl₂] (1) bearing CF₃ group *exo* to sp³ carbon atom in a high yield. An attempt to prepare 1 by reaction of K₂PtCl₄ with C₅Me₄(CF₃)H using hydrochloric solution of tin dichloride as a catalyst unexpectedly resulted in a formation of [Pt($\eta^4-C_5Me_4H_2$)Cl₂] (2). The X-ray structure of compound 2 is presented. Reactions of 1 with AgBF₄ in the presence of three different cyclopentadienes C₅R¹₄(R²)H (R¹ = R² = H; R¹ = R² = Me; R¹ = Me, R² = CF₃) were studied. Crystal structure of complex [Pt{ $\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ }($\eta^5-C_5H_5$)]PF₆ (3) resulted from the reaction with cyclopentadiene was determined. When C₅Me₄(CF₃)H is used the reaction yields [Pt{ $\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ }{ $\eta^5-C_5Me_4(CF_3)$ }]BF₄ (4) unstable in solutions. Reaction with pentamethylcyclopentadiene led to complex [Pt($\eta^4-C_5Me_5H$)($\eta^5-C_5Me_5H$)]BF₄ (5) and no complexes with CF₃ containing ligands were obtained. © 2001 Published by Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction

Cyclopentadienyl complexes are the most common in the organometallic chemistry of transition metals. Complexes with the 1,2,3,4-tetramethyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)cyclopentadienyl ligand [1] are currently under active study. The source of the interest is the fact that the η^5 -C₅Me₄(CF₃) ligand is very similar to cyclopentadienyl in its electronic influence and very close to the η^5 -C₅Me₅ ligand in its steric requirements [2]. This combination of properties could allow discrimination between the influence of steric and electronic factors on chemical processes. A representative series of Group VIII metal d⁶ complexes with the η^5 -C₅Me₄(CF₃) ligand [2–7] has been synthesized along with η^4 -diene iron complex [Fe{ η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H}(CO)₃] [4]. However the platinum d⁸ compounds with these ligands are still unknown. We report here the synthesis of platinum d⁸ diene complexes with the η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H ligand.

2. Results and discussion

2.1. Synthesis of $Pt\{\eta^{4}-C_{5}Me_{4}(CF_{3})H\}Cl_{2}\}$ (1) and $[Pt(\eta^{4}-C_{5}Me_{4}H_{2})Cl_{2}]$ (2) from $C_{5}Me_{4}(CF_{3})H$

The Zeise's salt dimer reacts with the isomeric mixture of 1,2,3,4-tetramethyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)cyclopentadiene to give the complex $Pt\{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H\}$ - Cl_2] (1) as a crystalline product in a high yield (Scheme 1).

The complex 1 is the first stable d⁸ complex with an η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H ligand. The signals of the CF₃ group are observed at δ 119.2 and -68.61 in ¹³C{H}- and

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The reasons why complex 1 is obtained as a single product from a mixture of three isomers of $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ under mild conditions are not quite clear. It is probable that the stability of isomeric complexes having a CF₃ group bound to coordinated carbons is lower in comparison to the stability of 1 so that they undergo conversion into the complex 1 in the presence of an excess of diene. Carrying out the reaction with an equimolar ratio between Zeise's salt dimer and $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ results in a considerable decrease of the yield of 1.

An attempt was also made to prepare complex 1 by reaction of K_2PtCl_4 with $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ in the presence of hydrochloric solution of tin dichloride as a catalyst by analogy to the preparation of $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)Cl_2]$ [10]. Unexpectedly η^4 -tetramethylcyclopentadiene complex $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_4H_2)Cl_2]$ (2) was obtained as the only product (Scheme 2).

Complex **2** is a crystalline substance hardly soluble in common solvents. It was characterized by microanalysis

Table 1

Bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) in $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_4H_2)Cl_2]$ (2) and two crystallographically independent molecules 3' and 3" of $[Pt\{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H\}(\eta^5-C_5H_5)]PF_6$ (3+PF₆)

	2	3′	3″
Bond lengths			
Pt(1)-C(2)	2.189(5)	2.166(4)	2.160(4)
Pt(1)-C(3)	2.134(4)	2.132(4)	2.139(4)
Pt(1)-C(4)	2.147(4)	2.132(4)	2.140(4)
Pt(1)-C(5)	2.186(5)	2.155(4)	2.161(4)
C(1)–C(2)	1.502(7)	1.546(6)	1.531(6)
C(1)–C(5)	1.509(6)	1.520(5)	1.533(5)
C(2)–C(3)	1.401(6)	1.430(5)	1.444(5)
C(3)–C(4)	1.471(6)	1.443(6)	1.450(5)
C(4)–C(5)	1.410(7)	1.440(5)	1.436(5)
Pt–Cp _{diene} ^a	1.821	1.798	1.796
Pt–Cp ^b		1.907	1.905
Δ ^c	0.47	0.57	0.57
Pt–C(Cp)		2.221(4)-2.329(4)	2.219(4)-2.324(4)
C–C(Cp)		1.386(7)-1.437(8)	1.393(7)-1.455(6)
Pt(1)–Cl(1)	2.314(1)		
Pt(1)-Cl(2)	2.309(1)		
Bond angles			
Cl(2)-Pt(1)	91.55(5)		
- Cl (1)			
C(2) - C(1) - C(5)	97 9(4)	95 9(3)	96 4(3)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	110 6(4)	108 1(3)	107.8(3)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	106.1(4)	107.2(3)	107.2(3)
C(5)-C(4)-C(3)	107.0(4)	106 5(3)	106 4(3)
C(4)-C(5)-C(1)	109.0(4)	108.8(3)	108.8(3)
Twist angle ^d		36.0	20.8
i mot ungie		20.0	20.0

 $^{\rm a}\,Cp_{\rm diene},$ centre of the diene molecule, calculated with the exception of the C(1) atom.

^b Cp, centre of the Cp-ring.

 $^{c}\Delta,$ deviation of the C(1) atom from mean-square plane of the diene [C(2),C(3),C(4),C(5) atoms].

^d Twist angle, pseudotorsion angle C(1)Cp_{diene}CpC(12).

and ¹H-NMR spectroscopy. Two singlets from two pairs of equivalent methyl groups are observed at δ 1.45 and 2.24 in ¹H-NMR spectrum. Methylene protons exhibit AB spectrum at δ 2.45 and 3.30, $J_{AB} = 17.4$ Hz. The fact that the upfield resonance shows a coupling constant of $J_{H-Pt} = 14.1$ Hz and the downfield one $-J_{H-Pt} = 26.0$ Hz leads one to expect that they are *endo*-H and *exo*-H atoms respectively.

In order to confirm the structure of complex **2** an X-ray investigation was carried out (Tables 1 and 2). It revealed that the platinum atom is coordinated with the η^4 -C₅Me₄H₂ diene ligand as well as two terminal chlorine atoms (Fig. 1a). The principal geometry in **2** is close to the structure of [Pt(η^4 -C₅Me₅{*i*-Pr})Cl₂] [11]. The diene cycle in **2** is characterized by the envelope conformation with the deviation of the sp³ hybridized C(1) atom from C(2)–C(3)–C(4)–C(5) plane by 0.47 Å. In the crystal, complex **2** has an approximate *Cs* sym-

metry with the coplanar arrangement of the Pt(1), Cl(1), Cl(2) atoms and midpoints of the C(2)–C(3) and C(4)–C(5) bonds of the diene ligand (the mean deviation is 0.003 Å) (Fig. 1b). The distances Pt–C are alternated and are equal to approximately 2.187 Å for Pt(1)–C(2) and Pt(1)–C(5) bonds and to 2.140 Å for Pt(1)–C(3) and Pt(1)–C(4). The C–C bonds in the diene moiety are also essentially alternated.

The mechanism of generation of complex **2** has not been ascertained. Obviously scission of the CF_3 group occurs in the non-coordinated diene since complex **1** being exposed to hydrochloric solution of $SnCl_2$ gives no trace of **2**. It was shown earlier that under similar conditions the cleavage of the C–C bond in 5-(1methoxyethyl) - 1,2,3,4,5 - pentamethylcyclopenta - 1,3-

Table 2

Crystallographic data for $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_4H_2)Cl_2]$ (2) and $[Pt\{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H\}(\eta^5-C_5H_5)]PF_6$ (3⁺PF $_6^-$)

2	$3^{+}PF_{6}^{-}$
$C_9H_{14}Cl_2Pt$	$C_{15}H_{18}F_3Pt P_1F_6$
388.19	595.35
Yellow, plate	Yellow, plate
$0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.05$	$0.4 \times 0.1 \times 0.1$
Siemens P3	Smart 1K CCD
298	110
Monoclinic	Triclinic
$P2_1/c$	$P\overline{1}$
8.858(2)	8.6939(5)
13.633(3)	14.2620(9)
9.698(4)	15.4791(9)
	69.888(1)
108.71(2)	85.866(1)
	88.918(1)
1109.3(6)	1797.5(2)
4	4
720	1128
2.324	2.20
0.71072	0.71072
130.78	79.79
Phi-scan	Semi-empirical from
	equivalents (SADABS
	program)
0.66/0.18	0.98/0.52
$\theta/2\theta$	ω (0.3° step in ω and 10 s
,	exposure per frame)
2.67-33.08	1.52–30.04
3912	19084 ($R_{int} = 0.0303$)
$(R_{\rm int} = 0.0304)$	
3740	10198
2398	8729
166	613
0.0273	0.0312
0.0548	0.0829
0.826	1.013
0.729/-0.789	1.893/-3.906
	2 C ₉ H ₁₄ Cl ₂ Pt 388.19 Yellow, plate $0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.05$ Siemens P3 298 Monoclinic P2 ₁ /c 8.858(2) 13.633(3) 9.698(4) 108.71(2) 1109.3(6) 4 720 2.324 0.71072 130.78 Phi-scan 0.66/0.18 $\theta/2\theta$ 2.67–33.08 3912 ($R_{int} = 0.0304$) 3740 2398 166 0.0273 0.0548 0.826 0.729/-0.789

diene took place [12]. Nevertheless the mechanism proposed by the authors fails to explain the loss of the CF₃ group in C₅Me₄(CF₃)H. Probably an acidic hydrolysis of the CF₃ group [13] followed by decarboxylation results in a formation of C₅Me₄H₂ (Scheme 3).

It was demonstrated by GLC that on heating $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ in methanol hydrochloric solution of $SnCl_2$ in the absence of Zeise's salt dimer only a gradual disappearance of the diene takes place but the tetramethylcyclopentadiene is not formed. It can be proposed that $C_5Me_4H_2$ being unstable under these conditions is stabilized by coordination to Pt(II) centre in the presence of Zeise's salt dimer.

2.2. Reactions of $[Pt\{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H\}Cl_2]$ (1) with $AgBF_4$ in the presence of $C_5R_4^1(R^2)H$ ($R^1 = R^2 = H$; $R^1 = R^2 = Me$; $R^1 = Me$, $R^2 = CF_3$)

It was shown previously that pentamethylcyclopentadiene complexes $[M(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)Cl_2]$ (M = Pd, Pt) treated with silver salts in the presence of different dienes form bis-diene complexes $[M(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)(\eta^4-di$ $ene)]^{2+}$, the latter ones being spontaneously deprotonated (Scheme 4). [10,14].

The deprotonation proceeds selectively and the propensity to deprotonation increases in a series 1,3-cyclohexadiene ca. 1,5-cyclooctadiene < *endo*-H-pentamethylcyclopentadiene < *exo* - H - pentamethylcyclopentadiene < cyclopentadiene [10]. With the aim of comparing properties of the complexes with η^4 -C₅Me₅H and η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H ligands we carried out the analogous reactions with complex **1**.

Stable d⁸ complex [Pt{ η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H}(η^5 -C₅He₅)]-BF₄ (3) was obtained in a high yield from the reaction of 1 with AgBF₄ and cyclopentadiene (Scheme 5).

Signals of CF₃ group are observed at δ 131.4 and -68.61 in ${}^{13}C{H}$ - and ${}^{19}F{H}$ -NMR spectra, respectively. Cyclopentadienyl ligand exhibits singlets at δ 6.33 in ${}^{1}H$ -NMR and 96.4 in ${}^{13}C{H}$ -NMR spectra. Other signals of C₅Me₄(CF₃)H ligand are close to analogous ones for complex 1 except for the chemical shifts of the diene carbon atoms α to sp³ carbon. The latter appear to be more upfield shifted than was observed for complex 1 and close to the chemical shifts for [Fe{ η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H}(CO)₃] [4].

Single crystal X-ray structure determination was carried out for complex $[Pt{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H}(\eta^5-C_5H_5)]PF_6$ ($3^+PF_6^-$) prepared from 3 by counterion metathesis. The crystallographic unit of $3^+PF_6^-$ contains two independent molecules 3' and 3" (Tables 1 and 2) which differ from each other by values of the pseudotorsion angles C(1)Cp_{diene}CpC(12) (Cp_{diene}-centre of the diene molecule, calculated with the exception of C(1) atom; Cp-centre of the Cp-ring). This distinction between the cyclopentadienyl and diene ligands' orientation in 3' and 3" is probably caused by the



Fig. 1. Molecular structure of complex $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_4H_2)Cl_2]$ (2), (a) general view in presentation of atoms by 50% probability ellipsoids of thermal motion and (b) a view in projection on tetramethylcyclopentadiene ring.

presence of the shortened intermolecular C–H···F contact between the (η^5 -C₅H₅ ligand and PF₆⁻ anion which is observed only in the case of **3**' (H(13)···F(6') 2.31 Å, C(13)H(13)F(6') 161°)). The conformation of the diene ligand in **3**⁺PF₆⁻ (Fig. 2) is close to that in **2** with the CF₃ group *exo* to sp³ carbon atom. The distances C(2)–C(3), C(3)–C(4) and C(4)–C(5) in the diene moiety are less alternated and Pt–C distances are shortened in comparison with the data obtained for **2** (Table 1). Probably the shortening of Pt–C bonds may be explained by stronger back bonding in **3**⁺PF₆⁻, which can lead to an upfield shift of carbon atoms α to sp³ carbon of the diene in the ¹³C{H}-NMR spectrum.

Complex 3 can be prepared in the reaction of 1 with CpTl and $TlBF_4$ as well.

The cationic complex $[Pt{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H}{\eta^5-C_5Me_4(CF_3)}]^+$ (4) was obtained from reaction of 1 with AgBF₄ and 1,2,3,4-tetramethyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-cyclopentadiene (Scheme 6).

The ¹H-NMR spectrum of complex **4** shows four signals arising from equivalent pairs of methyl groups at δ 1.88, 2.14, 2.27 and 2.51 along with a quartet at δ 4.75 ($J_{H-F} = 6.4$ Hz) attributed to a hydrogen at sp³ carbon. Signals of CF₃ groups belonged to η^5 -C₅Me₄(CF₃) and η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H ligands are observed in ¹⁹F{H}-NMR spectrum at δ -52.97 and -69.79 correspondingly. The NMR data confirm the supposed structure of **4** where one of CF₃ groups is bound with sp³ carbon atom of the diene ligand.

The complex **4** is unstable in solutions and attempts to register its ¹³C{H}-NMR spectrum failed. The reasons for such differing stability of the d⁸ complexes **3** and **4** are not quite clear. As was shown earlier, substitution of C₅H₅ for C₅Me₄(CF₃) ligand leads to an increase in the stability of d⁷ complexes [7]. It is unlikely that methyl groups of η^5 -C₅Me₄(CF₃) in **4** are responsible for the instability of this compound, since the d⁸ complex $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)(\eta^5-C_5Me_5)]^+$ with pentamethylcyclopentadienyl ligand is quite stable [10]. On the other hand, the ability of trifluoromethyl substi-



Scheme 5.



Fig. 2. Molecular structure of complex $[Pt{\eta^{4}-C_{5}Me_{4}(CF_{3})H}(\eta^{5}-C_{5}H_{5})]PF_{6}$ ($3^{+}PF_{6}^{-}$), general view in presentation for one (3') of the two independent atoms by 50% probability ellipsoids of thermal motion.



Scheme 8.

tuted cyclopentadienyl anions to eliminate fluoride ion is known [15]. For instance, anion $(C_5H_4CF_3)^-$ con-

verts into 6,6-difluorofulvene [15], thallium trifluoromethylcyclopentadienides being also thermally unstable [16]. Attempts to prepare lithium and thallium tetramethyl(trifluoromethyl)cyclopentadienides proved unsuccessful as well [2]. The strong electron donor properties of the d⁸ moiety {Pt{ $\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H}$ weakening the C–F bond are the probable reason for the destabilization of complex **4**. It can be proposed that elimination of fluoride ion from **4** to give dicationic η^{6} -1,2,3,4-tetramethyl-6,6-difluorofulvene complex is followed by nucleophilic attack of F⁻ ion towards the metal atom and degradation of intermediate complexes (Scheme 7). The similar decomposition was found earlier for complex [Pt($\eta^4-C_5Me_5H$)($\eta^5-C_5Me_5$)]Cl containing chloride ion [9].

Reaction of **1** with pentamethylcyclopentadiene and AgBF₄ gave no trifluoromethyl containing compounds. The only compound isolated from this reaction was the known [10] complex $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)(\eta^5-C_5Me_5)]^+$ (5) (Scheme 8).

It is not clear in which step of the reaction the replacement of $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ by C_5Me_5H takes place. One could unambiguously state that the substitution does not occur in the starting complex 1 because no trace of the complex $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)Cl_2]$ was observed when a solution of 1 and a considerable excess of pentamethylcyclopentadiene was kept at room temperature for several hours. It is likely that $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ is substituted for the more electron donating pentamethylcyclopentadiene in dicationic compounds $[Pt\{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H\}(acetone)_x]^{2+}$ or $[Pt\{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H\}(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)]^{2+}$ and subsequent deprotonation of a dication $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)_2]^{2+}$ results in formation of **5**.

An alternative reaction path leading to **5** is the deprotonation of complex $[Pt\{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H\}(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)]^{2+}$ that must occur in this case at $C_5Me_4-(CF_3)H$ ligand containing more acidic hydrogen atom to yield $[Pt\{\eta^5-C_5Me_4(CF_3)\}(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)]^+$ (Scheme 9). Degradation of the latter cation may pro-ceed similar to **4**, the process being faster due to the more donating ability of $[Pt(\eta^4-C_5Me_5H)]^+$ moiety.

Thus, the platinum does not form stable d⁸ complexes with η^{5} -1,2,3,4-tetramethyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)cyclopentadienyl ligand while the diene η^{4} -C₅Me₄-(CF₃)H complexes are stable.

3. Experimental

3.1. General procedures

All experiments were performed under argon in solvents purified by standard methods. ¹H-, ¹⁹F{H}- and ¹³C{H}-NMR spectra were obtained with a Bruker-WP-200-SY and Varian VXR-400 spectrometers.

Chemical shifts are reported in ppm (δ); proton and carbon chemical shifts are relative to Me₄Si, fluorine chemical shifts are relative to CFCl₃. Microanalyses were performed by Laboratory of Microanalysis of Institute of Organoelement Compounds.

3.2. Crystallography

Single crystals of **2** were obtained by crystallization from concentrated chloroform solution at room temperature (r.t.). Complex $3^+PF_6^-$ prepared from **3** by metathesis reaction with NH₄PF₆ in an acetone-water mixture formed crystals under slow diffusion of DME into diluted dichloromethane solution. Crystallographic data for complexes **2** and $3^+PF_6^-$ are presented in Table 2. Both structures were solved by direct method and refined by full-matrix least squares against F^2 in the anisotropic (H-atoms isotropic) approximation using the SHELXTL-97 package. All hydrogen atoms were located from the electron density difference synthesis and were included in the refinement in isotropic approximation.

3.3. Synthesis of [1,2,3,4,-tetramethyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)cyclopentadiene]platinum dichloride (1)

To a solution of Zeise's salt dimer (0.47 g, 1.60 mmol) in benzene (100 ml) 1,2,3,4,-tetramethyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)cyclopentadiene (0.97 g, 5.10 mmol) was added. After the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at r.t. the solvent was removed in vacuo. Residue was washed with hexane and dried. Yield: 0.69 g (95%) of 1. Found: H, 3.16; C, 26.62. Calc. for C₁₀H₁₃Cl₂F₃Pt: H, 2.87; C, 26.33%. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃): 1.53 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 11.0$ Hz); 2.26 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 35.5$ Hz); 3.93 (q, 1H, $J_{H-F} = 6.2$; $J_{H-Pt} = 28.4$ Hz). ¹⁹F{F}-NMR (CDCl₃): -68.61 (d, CF₃, $J_{F-H} = 6.2$; $J_{F-Pt} = 11.0$ Hz). ¹³C{H}-NMR (CDCl₃): 9.8 (s, 2Me, $J_{Pt-C} = 17.2$ Hz); 13.8 (s, 2Me, $J_{Pt-C} = 6.3$ Hz); 62.8 (q, CHCF₃, $J_{Pt-C} = 54.5$, $J_{C-F} = 28.7$ Hz); 89.8 (s, CMe, $J_{Pt-C} = 129.4$ Hz);



Scheme 9.

112.8 (s, CMe, $J_{Pt-C} = 106.6$ Hz); 119.2 (s, CF₃, $J_{C-F} = 414.3$, $J_{Pt-C} = 43.1$ Hz).

3.4. Reaction of **1** with $AgBF_4$ in the presence of cyclopentadiene

An acetone solution (20 ml) of 1 (0.15 g, 0.32 mmol) and cyclopentadiene (0.04 g, 0.64 mmol) in a twonecked 50 ml flask was chilled to -78° C. 0.12 g (0.64 mmol) of AgBF₄ was then added, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to r.t. and then stirred for 1 h. AgCl was filtered off, the filtrate was concentrated to 5 ml and 20 ml of diethyl ether was added. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether and dried in vacuo. Yield: 0.12 g (70%) of 3. Found: H, 3.21; C, 33.49. Calc. for C₁₅H₁₈BF₇Pt: H, 3.37; C, 33.54%. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃): 2.04 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-F} =$ 1.0, $J_{H-Pt} = 36.9$ Hz); 2.75 (s, 6H, 2 Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 26.2$ Hz); 4.93 (q, 1 H, $J_{H-F} = 7.2$, $J_{H-Pt} = 65.1$ Hz); 6.33 (s, 5H, C_5H_5 , $J_{H-Pt} = 25.6$ Hz). ¹⁹F{H}-NMR (CDCl₃): -70.17 (s CF₃, $J_{\text{F-Pt}} = 7.8$ Hz); -149.08; -149.13 (BF_4) . ¹³C{H}-NMR (acetone- d_6): 10.1 (s, 2Me, $J_{C-Pt} =$ 20.7 Hz); 15.8 (s, 2Me, $J_{C-Pt} = 22.0$ Hz); 65.8 (q, Me, $J_{C-F} = 26.1; J_{C-Pt} = 125.4$ Hz); 71.3 (s, 2CMe, $J_{C-Pt} =$ 221.1 Hz); 96.4 (s, C_5H_5 , $J_{C-Pt} = 45.0$ Hz); 108.1 (s, 2CMe, $J_{C-Pt} = 63.3$ Hz); 131.4 (q, CF₃, $J_{C-F} = 416.0$ Hz).

3.5. Reaction of 1 with C_5H_5Tl

To a suspension of 1 (0.29 g, 0.50 mmol) in acetone C_5H_5Tl (0.14 g, 0.51 mmol) and TlBF₄ (0.15 g, 0.51 mmol) were added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at r.t. and a precipitate of TlCl filtered off. The filtrate was concentrated to 5 ml and 20 ml of diethyl ether was added. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether and dried in vacuo. Yield: 0.25 g (93%) of **3**. NMR data for the product are the same as previous.

3.6. Synthesis of $(\eta^4$ -tetramethylcyclopentadiene)platinum dichloride (2)

To a suspension of K_2PtCl_4 (0.67 g, 1.60 mmol) in 40 ml of methanol 0.80g (4.2 mmol) of $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ and a solution of $SnCl_2 \cdot 2H_2O$ (0.25 g, 1.60 mmol) in concentrated hydrochloric acid (10 ml) were added. After the mixture was heated under reflux for 12 h the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was extracted with dichloromethane (300 ml). The extract was filtered and the solvent removed in vacuo. The residue was washed with diethyl ether and dried. Yield: 0.18 g (29%) of **2**. Found: H, 3.29; C, 27.70; Cl, 18.45; Pt, 50.38. Calc. for $C_9H_{14}Cl_2Pt$: H, 3.63; C, 27.80; Cl, 18.24; Pt, 50.33%. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃): 1.45 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 9.2$ Hz); 2.24 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 35.5$ Hz); 2.45 (d, 1H, J =

17.4; $J_{H-Pt} = 14.1$ Hz); 3.30 (d, 1H, J = 17.4; $J_{H-Pt} = 26.0$ Hz).

3.7. Reaction of **1** with $AgBF_4$ in the presence of $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$

To a solution of $[Pt{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H}Cl_2]$ (0.13 g, 0.28 mmol) and $C_5Me_4(CF_3)H$ (0.09 g, 0.47 mmol) in acetone (20 ml) at 0°C AgBF₄ (0.11 g, 0.56 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was allowed warm to r.t. and stirred for an additional 2 h. AgCl was filtered off, the solution was concentrated to 3 ml and 25 ml of diethyl ether was added. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether and dried in vacuo. Yield: 0.08 g (43%) of 4. ¹H-NMR (acetone- d_6): 1.88 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 37.5$ Hz); 2.14 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 20.3$ Hz); 2.27 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-F} = 0.9$, $J_{H-Pt} = 11.9$ Hz); 2.51 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 24.0$ Hz); 4.75 (q, 1H, $J_{H-F} = 6.4$; $J_{H-Pt} = 67.9$ Hz). ¹⁹F{H}-NMR (acetone- d_6): - 52.97 (η^5 -C₅Me₄CF₃, $J_{F-Pt} = 35.9$ Hz); - 69.74 (η^4 -C₅Me₄(CF₃)H, $J_{F-Pt} = 8.4$ Hz); - 149.08; - 149.13 (BF₄⁻).

3.8. Reaction of **1** with $AgBF_4$ in the presence of C_5Me_5H

To a solution of $[Pt{\eta^4-C_5Me_4(CF_3)H}Cl_2]$ (0.14 g, 0.30 mmol) and C_5Me_5H (0.05 g, 0.36 mmol) in acetone (20 ml) at 0°C AgBF₄ (0.12 g, 0.64 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was allowed warm to r.t. and stirred for an additional 2 h. AgCl was filtered off, the solution was concentrated to 3 ml and 25 ml of diethyl ether was added. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether and dried in vacuo. Yield: 0.02 g (12%) of **5**. ¹H-NMR (acetone- d_6): 0.68 (d, 3H, Me, J = 6.4 Hz); 1.58 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 30.5$ Hz); 1.99 (s, 15H, C_5Me_5 , $J_{H-Pt} = 19.8$ Hz); 2.33 (s, 6H, 2Me, $J_{H-Pt} = 23.6$ Hz); 3.59 (q, 1H, J = 6.4; $J_{H-Pt} = 54.8$ Hz).

4. Supplementary material

Crystallographic data for the structural analysis have been deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, CCDC no. 149 900 for complex **2** and CCDC no. 149 901 for complex $3^+PF_6^-$. Copies of this information may be obtained from The Director, CCDC, 12 Union Road, Cambridge, CB2 1EZ, UK (fax: +44-1233-336033; e-mail: deposit@ccdc. cam.ac.uk or www: http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk).

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