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Cluster compounds containing a linear carbon chain derived from polyynediyl and polyynyl complexes, $Fp^*-(C\equiv C)_n - X$ [X = Fp^* , H; $Fp^* = Fe(\eta^5-C_5Me_5)(CO)_2$]

Reaction of polyynyl $[Fp^*-(C\equiv C)_n - H]$ and polyynediyl complexes $[Fp^*-(C\equiv C)_n - Fp^*;$ $Fp^* = FeCp^*(CO)_2]$ with di- and trimetallic carbonyls results in not only formation of cluster compounds with alkynyl and cumulenic carbon chains but also unique cluster transformations such as valence isomerization of the conjugated carbon chain, metal migration along the carbon rod and $C\equiv C$ cleavage reaction.



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Luminescent properties of carbon-rich starburst gold(I) acetylide complexes. Crystal structure of $[TEE][Au(PCy_3)]_4$ ($[TEE]H_4 =$ tetraethynylethene) Carbon-rich starburst gold(I) acetylide complexes [TEE][Au(PCy_3)]_4 ([TEE]H_4 = tetraethynylethene) and [TEB][Au(PCy_3)]_3 ([TEB]H_3 = 1,3,5-triethynylbenzene) exhibit interesting luminescent properties in the solid state, in glassy and fluid solutions.



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New ferrocenyl heterometallic complexes of 2,7-diethynylfluoren-9-one

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Macrocyclic gold(I) complexes and [2]catenanes containing carbonyl functionalized diacetylide ligands Macrocyclic gold(I) complexes of the type $[Au_2(\mu-LL)(\mu-PP)]$ are reported, where PP is a diphosphine ligand and LL is a diacetylide ligand derived from the diacetylene reagents $O=C(4-C_6H_4OCH_2C\equiv CH)_2$, RN= $C(4-C_6H_4OCH_2C\equiv CH)_2$ [R = OH, NHC- $(O)NH_2, NHC_6H_3-2,4-(NO_2)_2]$ or the 4-bromomethyl-1,3-dioxolane derivative BrCH₂- $C_2H_3O_2C(4-C_6H_4OCH_2C\equiv CH)_2$. The ability of these macrocyclic complexes to self-assemble to [2]catenanes has been studied, and the concept of a catenation trigger is developed.



Stéphane Rigaut, Johann Perruchon, Luc Le Pichon, Daniel Touchard, Pierre H. Dixneuf

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Synthesis of ruthenium acetylides: new building blocks for molecular electronics Several ruthenium(II) mono(acetylides) trans-[Cl(dppe)₂Ru-(C=C)_n-R] (n = 1-4; R = SiMe₃, H) and bis(acetylide) trans-[(dppe)₂Ru(-(C=C)₂-R)₂] (R = SiMe₃, H) were selectively obtained. The potential of this new set of building blocks for rigid rod-like structure is illustrated with the synthesis of a ruthenium(II) binuclear complex with 12 carbons between the metals.



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Heterobimetallic platinum-copper and platinum-silver transition metal complexes based on *cis*-[Pt](C=CPh)₂: an overview

The synthesis, reaction chemistry and structural aspects of alkynyl-bridged hetero(bi)-, tri-, tetra- or pentametallic transition metal complexes based on *cis*-[Pt](C=CPh)₂ species is reported. The interconversion and mechanical aspects in the formation of such species are also discussed.



Stephanie K. Hurst, Mark G. Humphrey, Joseph P. Morrall, Marie P. Cifuentes, Marek Samoc, Barry Luther-Davies, Graham A. Heath, Anthony C. Willis

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Part 31. Cubic hyperpolarizabilities of ferrocenyl-linked gold and ruthenium complexes [Fe { η -C₅H₄-(*E*)-CH=CH-4-C₆H₄C= CX}₂] [X = SiMe₃ (1), H (2), Au(Pcy₃) (3), Au(PPh₃) (4), Au(PMe₃) (5), RuCl(dppm)₂ (8)] and [Fe { η -C₅H₄-(*E*)-CH=CH-4-C₆H₄CH=CRuCl(dppm)₂}₂](PF₆)₂ (6) were prepared and 1 and 7 structurally authenticated. Measurements of cubic nonlinearities by Z-scan at 800 nm for 6 and 7 reveal large negative γ_{real} and large γ_{imag} values, a factor of 4 difference in $|\gamma|$ and two-photon absorption cross-section σ_2 values suggesting that they have potential as protically switchable NLO materials.



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10. Reaction of the metal-acetylide $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)(CO)(NO)W-C\equiv C-C(CH_3)_3]Li$ with 1,2-diiodoethane as electrophile and with various nucleophiles

Reaction of η^1 -acetylide complex **4** with 1,2-diiodoethane in THF at -78 °C, followed by the addition of Li–C=C–R and protonation, afforded the oxametallacyclopentadienyl complexes **7** and **8**. The formation of these metallafuran derivatives is discussed. The reaction intermediate could be trapped with CF₃SO₃CH₃ and characterized by X-ray crystallography.



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James Courmarcel, Gildas Le Gland, Loic Toupet, Frédéric Paul, Claude Lapinte

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Palladium-iminophosphine-catalyzed homocoupling of alkynylstannanes and other organostannanes using allyl acetate or air as an oxidant A palladium-iminophosphine complex was demonstrated to be an efficient catalyst for the homocoupling of organostannanes. Allyl acetate works effectively as an oxidant in the reaction of alkynylstannanes to give conjugated diynes, whereas biaryls and dienes are readily obtained through the homocoupling of aryl- and alkenylstannanes in an open air. $\begin{array}{c} \text{cat.} \\ \text{Pd-} & \text{PPh}_2 \\ \hline \text{PPh}_2 \\ \hline \text{PPh}_2 \\ \hline \text{PDF} \\ \hline \text{R-SnBu}_3 \\ \hline \text{DMF} \\ \hline \text{R} \\ R \\ alkynyl \\ alkynyl \\ aryl, alkenyl \\ air \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_2 = \text{CHCH}_2\text{OAc} \\ \hline \text{CH}_2 = \text{CHC}_2 = \text{CHC}_2 \\ \hline \text{CH}_2 \\ \hline \text{CH}_2 = \text{CHC}_2 \\ \hline \text{CH}_2 \\ \hline \text{CH}_2 = \text{CHC}_2 \\ \hline \text{CH}_2 \\ \hline \text{CH}_2 \\ \hline \text{CH}_2 = \text{CHC}$

Joris van Slageren, Rainer F. Winter, Axel Klein, Stephan Hartmann

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Long-lived higher excited state luminescence from new ruthenium(II)-allenylidene complexes

Ruthenium aminoallenylidene complexes trans-[Cl(dppm)₂Ru=C=C=C(NR₂)R]⁺ are luminescent at 77 K. Our studies show that the emissions are rather long-lived ($\tau = 50-175 \mu$ s) and originate from an excited ³MLCT state. Some of the complexes also display an additional lower energy emission from the triplet ground state. The MLCT character for the underlying absorption bands has been authenticated by resonance Raman spectroscopy.



Pradeep Mathur, Anjan K. Bhunia, Chimalakonda Srinivasu, Shaikh M. Mobin

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Reactivity of metal acetylides with chalcogen-bridged metal carbonyl cluster in presence of free alkyne molecule: synthesis and characterisation of $[(\eta^5-C_5Me_5)MFe_3(\mu_3-S){(\mu_3-C(H)=C(R)S}(CO)_6(\mu_3-CCPh)]$ (R = Ph, *n*-Bu and M = W, Mo) and $[(\eta^5-C_5Me_5)MFe_3(\mu_3-S){(\mu_3-C(Fc)=}C(H)S}(CO)_7(\mu_3-CCPh)]$ (M = W, Mo) Photolysis of $[Fe_3(CO)_9(\mu_3-S)_2]$ with mononuclear acetylides in the presence of free acetylene yielded two types of metal clusters. Unusual flipping of the acetylide unit and formation of a carbon–sulfur bond were observed. Crystal structures were established by X-ray diffraction techniques.



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1,4-Diynes from alkynyl-propargyl coupling reactions

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M = Li, Na, K, Mg, Cu, Zn, Al, Si, -CMe₂OAl(OR)

M' = Co, Mo, Ru

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A new approach to the synthesis of carbon chains capped by metal clusters

Elimination of AuBr{P(tol)₃} in the reaction between $Co_3(\mu_3-CBr)(\mu-dppm)(CO)_7$ and {Au[P(tol)₃]}₂{ μ -(C=C)_{*n*}} (*n*=2-4) affords novel cluster-capped carbon chains { $Co_3(\mu-dppm)(CO)_7$ }₂{ $\mu_3:\mu_3-C(C=C)_nC$ }, of which the X-ray structures of *n*=2, 4 are reported. The reaction between C₂(CN)₄ and *n*=3 gives { $Co_3(\mu-dppm)(CO)_7$ }₂{ $\mu_3:\mu_3-C(C=C)_2C$ [=C(CN)₂]C[=C(CN)₂]C} (illustrated).



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A simple synthesis of tetraethynylethenes and representative molecular structures of some dicobalt derivatives A one-pot palladium-copper catalysed cross-coupling reaction between tetrachloroethene and terminal alkynes affords the corresponding tetraethynylethenes in good yield. Reaction of 1,6-bis(trimethylsilyl)-3-4bis[(trimethylsilyl)ethynyl]hex-3-ene-1,5diyne with $Co_2(CO)_6(L_2)$ [$L_2 = (CO)_2$, (μ -dppm)] affords compounds in which one or two (*trans*) alkyne moieties are coordinated by the metal fragment.



Stephanie K. Hurst, Tong Ren

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Homo-dinuclear σ -alkynyl complexes: past, present and opportunities

Diruthenium and dirhodium paddlewheel species readily form axial alkynyl adducts that are highly redox active. $M_2P_4(CCY)_4$ type of complexes with M as molybdenum and tungsten can be prepared from the reaction between $M_2P_4(Cl_4)_4$ and LiC_2Y . Singly bonded dinulear species (M = Mo, Mn, Re and Ru) form σ -alkynyl complexes, in which the alkynyl ligand also engages strong π -interaction with metal centers.



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Reactions of metalloalkynes VII. Protonation of ruthenium ethyne-1,2-diyl complexes The acid-base chemistry of some ruthenium ethyne-1,2-diyl complexes, [{Ru- $(CO)_2(\eta-C_5H_4R)\}_2(\mu_2-C\equiv C)$] (R = H, Me) has been investigated.



Vivian Wing-Wah Yam, Keith Man-Chung Wong, Samuel Hung-Fai Chong, Victor Chor-Yue Lau, Sally Chan-Fung Lam, Lingjun Zhang, Kung-Kai Cheung

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Synthesis, electrochemistry and structural characterization of luminescent rhenium(I) monoynyl complexes and their homo- and hetero-metallic binuclear complexes

A series of luminescent rhenium(I) monoynyl complexes, $[Re(N-N)(CO)_3(C=C-R)]$ $(N-N = bpy, {}^{t}Bu_{2}bpy; R = C_{6}H_{5}, C_{6}H_{4}-$ Cl-4, C_6H_4 -OCH₃-4, C_6H_4 - C_8H_{17} -4, $C_6H_4-C_6H_5$, C_8H_{17} , C_4H_3S , C_4H_2S- C₄H₃S, C₅H₄N), together with their homoand hetero-metallic binuclear complexes, $\{Re(N-N)(CO)_3(C \equiv C - C_5H_4N)[M]\}$ (N-N = bpy, ^{*t*} Bu_2bpy ; $[M] = [Re{(CF_3)_2-bpy}]$ - $(CO)_3$]ClO₄, [Re(NO₂-phen)(CO)₃]ClO₄, W(CO)₅) have been synthesized and their electrochemical and photoluminescence behaviors determined.



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Synthesis, structures and photophysics of novel luminescent platinum-copper complexes Novel hexanuclear platinum-copper solvate clusters $[Pt_2Cu_4(C_6F_5)_4(C \equiv CR)_4(acetone)_n]$ $(R = {}^{t}Bu, n = 2$ (1); R = Ph, n = 4 (2) (acetone)_4) have been prepared starting from $[cis-Pt(C_6F_5)_2(THF)_2]$ and $[Cu(C \equiv CR)]_x$, and trinuclear complexes $[\{cis-Pt(C_6F_5)_2(\mu-C \equiv CR)_2\} \{CuL_2\}_2]$ (L₂ = bipy, dppe) using 1 and 2 as precursors. The luminiscent behaviour of all of these compounds and a comparison with the photoluminiscent properties of related platinum-silver species are also presented.



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Structural varieties in double salts of silver acetylide containing ancillary anions and terminal ligands Ag₂C₂·6AgO₂CCHF₂ (1) has a three-dimensional structure containing basket-like silver cages. In [HPyCH2OH][Ag9(C2)(CF3- $CO_2)_9(HPyCH_2OH)(H_2O)]\!\cdot\!0.5H_2O$ (Pv- $CH_2OH = 4$ -(hydroxymethyl)pyridine) (2). centrosymmetric (C2)2@Ag14 double cages are linked through additional silver atoms to generate an infinite chain, and one of the two independent 4-(hydroxymethyl)pyridinium ions acts in the O-ligating mode, which is observed for the first time. Both $Ag_2C_2{\cdot}5CF_3SO_3Ag{\cdot}2MeCN{\cdot}2H_2O$ (3) and $Ag_2C_2 \cdot 8CF_3SO_3Ag \cdot 2EtCN \cdot 3H_2O$ (4) have layer-type structures.

Reaction of $[Cp*Ru(dppe)]^+$ with B-triethynyl-*N*-trimethylborazine and piperidine produced the trimetallic complex $[Cp*-Ru(dppe)(C\equiv C)]_3B_3N_3Me_3$. Reaction of RuHCl(CO)(PPh_3)_3 with B-triethynyl-*N*-trimethylborazine gave the trimetallic complex $[RuCl(CO)(PPh_3)_2(CH=CH)]_3B_3N_3Me_3$.



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Synthesis and characterization of trimetallic complexes with a borazine core

 $\begin{array}{c} h_2 P_{p} P_{P} h_2 \\ CI - O_{S} = \underbrace{e}^{\bullet} \\ h_2 P_{p} P_{P} h_2 \end{array} \xrightarrow{e} e^{\bullet} \left[\begin{array}{c} Ph_2 P_{p} P_{P} h_2 \\ CI - O_{S} = \underbrace{e}^{\bullet} \\ Ph_2 P_{p} P_{P} h_2 \end{array} \right]$ NIR transparent NIR band

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Part 32. Synthesis, optical spectroscopy and theoretical studies of some osmium alkynyl complexes

Cyclic voltammetric studies of *trans*-[Os($C \equiv CPh$)Cl(dppe)₂] (1), *trans*-[Os($4-C \equiv CC_6H_4-C \equiv CPh$)Cl(dppe)₂] (2), and 1,3,5-{*trans*-[OsCl(dppe)₂($4-C \equiv CC_6H_4C \equiv C$)]}₃C₆H₃ (3) reveal a quasi-reversible oxidation process for each complex at 0.36–0.39 V. The UV– vis-NIR spectra of the corresponding cationic complexes 1^+-3^+ reveal a low-energy band in the near IR region (11000–14000 cm⁻¹) in each case, density functional theory (DFT) calculations suggesting that they can be assigned to transitions involving orbitals delocalized over the metal, chloro and alkynyl ligands.

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