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Reactivity of cyclometallated platinum complexes with chiral ligands

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Abstract

The reaction of $[Pt_2Me_4(\mu-SMe_2)_2]$ with 3-substituted iminic thiophenes and 2-phenylpyridine gives platinum (II) [C,N] cyclometallated complexes which contain a labile ligand (SMe₂ or CH₃CN). Several platinum (II) complexes have been synthesized by substitution reactions with phosphine or sulfoxide ligands to introduce, in most cases, a second chiral center. The new complexes' reactions with methyl iodide were subsequently studied and showed results that are dependent on the steric and electronic effects of both the cyclometallated ligand and the ancillary phosphine or sulfoxide ligand. The structure of $[PtMe((R)-C_{10}H_7CHMeNCHC_4H_2S)(CH_3CN)]$, a synthetic precursor, is also reported.

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1. Introduction

Square-planar platinum (II) and specifically cyclometallated complexes are of interest for several reasons including their interesting photochemical and photophysical properties, their potential use as molecular devices, and more generally as products or intermediates in catalytic reactions [1]. In addition, oxidative addition reactions involving transition metals are fundamental steps in stoichiometric and catalytic processes [2]. We have recently focused attention on the stereoselectivity of oxidative addition of alkyl halides to chiral square-planar platinum (II) complexes. Following our results for the oxidative addition of methyl iodide to platinum (II) complexes with chiral imines derived from (S)-methylbenzylamine [3] and those derived from the more sterically demanding (R)-(1-naphthyl)ethylamine [4] we decided to undertake additional studies on analogous compounds but with other chiral ligands such as sulfoxides and phosphines. In view of the high degree

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of stereoselectivity for the oxidative addition reaction of methyl iodide to platinum (II) complexes containing chiral imines derived from (R)-(1-naphthyl)ethylamine we were interested as to how varying the fourth ligand in the coordination sphere would affect the oxidative addition results and the complexes' reactivity in general.

2. Results and discussion

Compound [PtMe(PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S)(SMe₂)] (1a) [5] and [PtMe((R)-C₁₀H₇CHMeNCHC₄H₂S)(SMe₂)] (2a) [4] were prepared as previously reported.

Displacement of the dimethylsulfide ligand by dimethylsulfoxide or by racemic methyl(*para*-tolyl)sulfoxide were studied. While the reactions with dimethylsulfoxide took place at room temperature, those involving methyl(*para*tolyl)sulfoxide required a twofold excess of methyl(*para*tolyl)sulfoxide, and that the reaction mixture be refluxed for 4 h in acetone for the substitution reaction to take place.

In an attempt to more easily obtain the compounds with a methyl(*para*-tolyl)sulfoxide ligand, compound [PtMe-((R)-C₁₀H₇CHMeNCHC₄H₂S)(CH₃CN)] (**2b**) containing an acetonitrile ligand was prepared from the reaction of

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3-(*R*)-(C₁₀H₇)CHMeNCHC₄H₃S and [Pt₂Me₄(μ -SMe₂)₂], using acetonitrile as solvent, following a reported procedure for analogous compounds [6]. Acetonitrile was more easily displaced than SMe₂ and the substitution process did not require an excess of sulfoxide. The reaction of [Pt₂Me₄(μ -SMe₂)₂] with 3-PhCH₂NCH(C₄H₃S) was also carried out in acetonitrile at room temperature and gave a 1:1 mixture of [PtMe(PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S)(SMe₂)] (1a) and [PtMe(PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S)(CH₃CN)] (1b) but after refluxing the mixture in acetonitrile for 2 h, the substitution was complete. It is likely that the larger steric bulk of the dangling naphthyl moiety, compared to benzyl, facilitates the substitution of the dimethylsulfide for the less-sterically demanding acetonitrile ligand.

The compounds shown in Scheme 1 were characterized by NMR and elemental analyses. In the ¹H NMR spectra, only one set of resonances was observed for **1c**, **1d** and **2c**, while **2d** consists of two sets of signals of approximately equal intensity corresponding to two diastereomers (R_C, S_S) and (R_C, R_S). The reaction of **1a** with enantiomerically pure (R)-methyl(*para*-tolyl)sulfoxide ligand gave one isomer (R_C, R_S) only, which indicates that no racemization of the chiral ligand takes place upon coordination.

The presence of coordinated dimethylsulfoxide, in 1c and 2c, is evidenced by a resonance at 2.73 ppm coupled

to platinum (${}^{3}J$ (H–Pt) = 20) which integrates to six hydrogens for 1c, and by two resonances at 2.74 and 3.12 ppm coupled to platinum (${}^{3}J$ (H–Pt) = 19 and 22 Hz) and integrating to three hydrogens each for 2c. The values of the coupling constants are consistent with coordinated *S*-dmso *trans* to a C atom [7]. For compound 1d, and for the two isomers of 2d, resonances corresponding to the sulfoxide methyl protons, which are coupled to platinum, and the *para*-tolyl substituents are observed. The ${}^{13}C$ NMR spectra of compounds 1c, 1d and 2c were recorded and confirm the presence of coordinated sulfoxide.

The oxidative addition reaction of methyl iodide to compounds 1c and 1d was also studied in order to compare the results with those previously obtained for 1a [5]. Additional interest arise from the fact that sulfoxide ligands may coordinate either through S or O atoms and the increase in the oxidation state of the platinum may promote the isomerization of these ligands. However, in both cases, compound [{PtMe₂(PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S)}(μ -I)₂] (1e) is formed. The absence of coordinated *S*- or *O*sulfoxides in both the IR and ¹H NMR spectra points to an iodide bridged platinum (IV) dimer, a structure which was confirmed by FAB-MS. Of the two methyl resonances the one at lower field is assigned to the equatorial methyl [8]; the ²J(H-Pt) values (72 and 68 Hz) are smaller



(i): + SOMe₂ (1:1) in CH₂Cl₂ at room temperature, 4h. (ii): + rac-SOMe(p-C₆H₄Me) (2:1 for **1a** and **2a** or 1:1 for **1b** and **2b**) in refluxing acetone, 4h. (iii): + MeI in CH₂Cl₂ at room temperature, 1h. (iv): + PPh₃ (1:2) in CDCl₃.

than those observed for 1c (79 Hz) and 1d (80 Hz) which is consistent with the oxidation of the platinum center to platinum (IV) [1k,1n]. As previously reported [9] a low affinity of sulfoxide ligands for platinum (IV) may account for these results.

Analogous results were obtained upon oxidative addition of methyl iodide to compounds 2c and 2d, and the corresponding compound [{PtMe₂((*R*)-C₁₀H₇CHMe NCHC₄H₂S)}(μ -I)₂] (2e) was obtained and characterized by its ¹H NMR spectrum in solution. The reactions of compounds 1e and 2e with triphenylphosphine lead to for-

mation of the corresponding platinum (IV) derivative **2e** [5] and **2f** [4], respectively.

In an attempt to study the effect that the fourth ligand in the coordination sphere has on the reaction with methyl iodide, complexes with the chiral ligand, (+)-neomenthyldiphenylphosphine were prepared. The chiral phosphine reacted with complex **1a** or **1b** to give [PtMe((R)-C₁₀H₇-CHMeNCHC₄H₂S)(PPh₂R^{*})], **1g** (R^{*} = neomenthyl). Similar reactions were performed with complexes **2a/2b**, **3a**, and **4a** to give **2g**, **3g** and **4g**, respectively (Scheme 2). The precursor **4a** was prepared from [Pt₂Me₄(μ -SMe₂)₂]



(i) :+ L *= PPh₂R* (1:1) in acetone at room temperature, 2h. (ii): + MeI in acetone at room temperature, 1h

and phenylpyridine in acetone. An analogous cyclometallated compound derived from 2-phenylpyridine with dimethylsulfoxide has recently been reported [10]. The phosphine complexes were characterized in solution by NMR spectroscopy as they were always contaminated with small amounts of free phosphine ligand, however, one isomer was observed in all cases. The reactions of the phosphine complexes with methyl iodide were then studied in acetone solution. Complexes 1g and 4g gave similar results of oxidative addition that were monitored in solution by phosphorous NMR. The single peak for the platinum (II) species disappeared while two new peaks appeared due to the formation of two platinum (IV) diastereomers formed by the oxidative addition of the methyl iodide. The ratio of 1:1.2 for the pair of diastereomers was determined by the integration of the peaks in the phosphorous NMR. No subsequent products were observed therefore the compounds are concluded to have the stereochemistry indicated (Scheme 2), arising from trans oxidative addition followed by very fast isomerization of the phosphine. This places the bulky phosphine in a more favored axial position and allows fac stereochemistry for the three carbon donors [1k-5]. The reaction of methyl iodide with complexes 2g and 3g gave no platinum (IV) oxidative addition species; only decomposition products and dissociation of the phosphine were observed. This can be attributed to the combination of steric bulk of both the phosphine and the methyl/ benzyl or naphthyl/ethyl moieties not allowing for the S_N2 oxidative addition to occur.

Suitable crystals of **2b** were obtained as orange crystals from acetonitrile solution. The crystal structure is shown in Fig. 1, and confirms the expected geometry. The molecules are held together in the crystal by van der Waals forces. The methyl ligand is *trans* to the nitrogen atom, the C=N group is included in the five-membered metallacycle, and the stereochemistry of the asymmetric carbon is R. Selected bond lengths and angles are listed in Table 1. These values are in the usual range for analogous compounds [3–5]. The angles between adjacent atoms in the coordination sphere of platinum lie in the range 78.97(8)–

C(8)

C(6)

Pt

C(1)

C(4)

C(3)

C(5)

C(2)

Fig. 1. Molecular structure of compound 2b.

N(2)

Table 1								
Selected	bond	lengths	(Å)	and	angles	$(\circ)^{a}$	for	2ŀ

Selected bolid lengths (1) and angles () for ab							
Pt-C(1)	2.046(2)						
Pt-C(2)	1.956(2)	C(2)-Pt-C(1)	94.48(10)				
Pt-N(1)	2.1326(17)	C(1)-Pt-N(2)	90.02(9)				
Pt-N(2)	2.048(2)	C(2)-Pt-N(1)	78.97(8)				
N(1)-C(6)	1.296(3)	N(2) - Pt - N(1)	96.50(7)				
C(5)–C(6)	1.444(3)						
C(2)–C(5)	1.394(3)						

^a Estimated standard deviation in the least significant figure are given in parentheses.

96.50(7)°, the smallest angle corresponding to the metallacycle and the largest to the N(2)–Pt–N(1) angle. The latter is smaller than N–Pt–P for the analogous compound $[PtMe((R)-C_{10}H_7CHMeNCHC_4H_2S)(PPh_3)]$ (106.0(1)°) [4], which indicates a less congested molecule.

Cyclometallated platinum (II) complexes with chiral sulfoxides and phosphines were readily prepared. The oxidative addition reactions of the complexes with methyl iodide revealed interesting results: (1) Dimethylsulfoxide readily dissociates from the harder platinum (IV) but not from the softer platinum (II). (2) As the bulk of the cyclometallated ligand increases, dissociation of chiral phosphine is enhanced as no six-coordinate platinum (IV) products are observed when the group bonded to the imine nitrogen is larger than benzyl, but products were readily seen when PPh_3 was used [4]. (3) Oxidative addition to platinum (II) usually gives trans products followed by isomerization to give apparent cis products [1n-5]. The products obtained for the large chiral phosphine above show only the final mixture of isomers and none of the initial trans products. This is contrary to results for the thiophene ligand system with PPh₃ previously reported [5]. The extra bulk [11] of the ligand most likely increases the rate of isomerization for the platinum (IV) complexes. Unfortunately, we were unable to determine the effect that two chiral centers as in 2g and 3g have on the oxidative addition reaction of methyl iodide.

3. Experimental

3.1. Instrumentation

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at the Unitat de RMN d'Alt Camp de la Universitat de Barcelona using Varian Gemini 200 (¹H, 200 MHz), Bruker 250 (¹³C, 62.5 MHz) and Mercury 400 (¹H, 400 MHz; ¹³C, 100 MHz) spectrometers, or Varian Mercury 300 MHz (¹H, 300 MHz; ³¹P, 121.44 MHz) at the Department of Chemistry, Bard College and referenced to SiMe₄ (¹H, ¹³C) and H₃PO₄ (³¹P). δ values are given in ppm and *J* values in hertz. Microanalyses and mass spectra were performed by the Serveis Científico-Tècnics de la Universitat de Barcelona. FAB-MS were carried out in a VG-Quattro spectrometer with a 3-nitrobenzyl alcohol matrix and ES-MS in a ZQ spectrometer using a CH₃CN/H₂O mixture as eluent.

3.2. Preparation of the compounds

Compounds $[Pt_2Me_4(\mu-SMe_2)_2]$ [12], **1a** [5], and **2a** [4] were prepared as reported. (+)-neomenthyldiphenylphosphine was purchased as technical grade 85% purity from Sigma–Aldrich.

[PtMe(PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S)(CH₃CN)] (1b) was obtained from the reaction of 70 mg of ligand PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S with 100 mg $(1.74 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol})$ of compound [Pt₂Me₄(μ - SMe_2] in acetonitrile (10 mL). The mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature and an orange solid precipitated. The solid was filtered and was then refluxed in 10 mL of acetonitrile for 2 h. The resulting red solution was evaporated to ca. 5 mL and orange crystals were formed at room temperature after 4 h. Yield: 70 mg. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.04$ [s, ²*J*(H–Pt) = 80.4, 3H, Me–Pt]; 1.89 [s, J(H-Pt) = 7.6, 3H, CH₃CN]; 5.05 [s, ${}^{3}J(H-Pt) = 10.4, 2H, CH_{2}; \{7.08 \text{ [d, } {}^{4}J(Pt-H) = 38, J(H-Pt) \}$ H) = 4.8, 1H]; 7.17 [d, J(H-H) = 4.8, 1H], thiophene}; 7.28–7.39 [m, Phenyl]; 8.30 [s, ${}^{3}J(H-Pt) = 54.8$, 1H, CHN]. ES-MS: 436 [M-Me]. Anal. Found: C, 40.9; H, 4.1; N, 5.5; S, 7.7. Calc. for C₁₅H₁₆N₂PtS: C, 39.91; H, 3.57; N, 6.20; S, 7.10%.

 $[PtMe{C_{10}H_7CHMeNCHC_4H_2S}(CH_3CN)]$ (2b) was obtained from the reaction of 93 mg of ligand $C_{10}H_7CHMeNCHC_4H_2S$ with 100 mg (1.74 × 10⁻⁴ mol) of compound $[Pt_2Me_4(\mu-SMe_2)_2]$ in acetonitrile (10 mL). The mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature and an orange solid precipitated. The solid was filtered and dried under vacuum. Yield: 100 mg (56%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.99$ [s, ²J(H–Pt) = 80, 3H, Me– Pt]; 1.25 [s, J(H-Pt) = 8, 3H, CH₃CN]; 1.82 [d, J(H-Pt) = 8, 2H, CH₃CN]; 1.82 [d, J(H-Pt) = 8, 2H H) = 6.6, 3H, MeCH]; 5.91 [q, J(H-H) = 6.6, 1H, CHMe]; $\{7.09 \text{ [d, } {}^{4}J(\text{Pt-H}) = 38, J(\text{H-H}) = 4.8, 1\text{H}\}; 7.19 \text{ [d, } J(\text{H-H}) = 38, J(\text{H-H}) = 38, 100 \text{ J}$ H) = 4.8, 1H], thiophene}; $\{7.44 \ [d, J(H-H) = 6.8, 1H];$ 7.50 [t, J(H-H) = 7.6, 1H], 7.51 [t, J(H-H) = 7.2, 1H], 7.58 [t, J(H-H) = 8.0, 1H], 7.79 [d, J(H-H) = 8.4, 1H], 7.91 [d, J(H-H) = 7.8, 1H], 8.12 [d, J(H-H) = 8.8, 1H], naphthyl}; 8.44 [s, ${}^{3}J(H-Pt) = 57.2$, 1H, CHN]. FAB-MS: 500 [M-CH₃], 474 [M-CH₃CN], 459 [M-CH₃-CH₃CN]. Anal. Found: C, 46.8; H, 4.1; N, 5.5; S, 6.4 Calc. for C₂₀H₂₀N₂PtS: C, 46.59; H, 3.91; N, 5.43; S, 6.22%.

[PtMe(PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S)(SOMe₂)] (1c) was obtained by treating a dichloromethane solution of compound 1a (25 mg, 53×10^{-3} mmol) with an equimolar amount of SOMe₂. The mixture was stirred for 4 h at room temperature and the solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was triturated with a small amount of water. The resulting solid was filtered and washed with hexane. Yield: 20 mg (77.4%). ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.85$ [s, ²*J*(H^a-Pt) = 79, 3H, Me^a]; 2.73 [s, ³*J*(H^b-Pt) = 20, 6H, Me^b]; 5.19 [s, ³*J*(H^c-Pt) = 11, 2H, H^c]; {7.21 [d, ⁴*J*(Pt-H) = 33, *J*(H-H) = 5, 1H]; 7.29–7.33 [m, 6H], aromatics}; 8.41 [s, ³*J*(H^d-Pt) = 60, 1H, H^d]. ¹³C NMR (62.5 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -19.79$ [*J*(C^a-Pt) = 688, C^a]; 43.04 [*J*(C^b-Pt) = 50, C^b]; 63.03 [C^c]; {127.15 [2C]; 128.38 [2C]; 138.29 [1C], Ph}; {125.23; 125.99 [*J*(C-Pt) = 49]; 148.16, thiophene}; 168.18 [$J(C^d-Pt) = 59$, C^d]. Anal. Found: C, 35.7; H, 3.8; N, 2.8. Calc. for $C_{15}H_{19}NOPtS_2$: C, 36.88; H, 3.92; N, 2.87%.

[PtMe(C₁₀H₇CHMeNCHC₄H₂S)(SOMe₂)] (**2c**) was obtained from **2a** using the same procedure as for **1c**. Yield: 20 mg (77.7%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.90$ [s, ²*J*(H^a-Pt) = 78, 3H, Me^a]; 1.81 [d, *J*(H-H) = 6, 3H, Me^c]; 2.74 [s, ³*J*(H^b-Pt) = 19, 3H, Me^b]; 3.12 [s, ³*J*(H^b-Pt) = 22, 3H, Me^b]; 6.54 [q, *J*(H-H) = 6, H^c]; {7.10-7.13 [m]; 7.46-7.56 [m]; 7.81-7.86 [m]; 8.12 [d, *J*(H-H) = 8, 1H]}; 8.23 [s, ³*J*(H^d-Pt) = 62, 1H, H^d]. ¹³C NMR (62.5 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -19.34$ [*J*(C^a-Pt) = 694, C^a]; 20.98 [C^c]; 43.37 [*J*(C-Pt) = 50, C^b]; 43.87 [*J*(C-Pt) = 52, C^b]; 60.09 [C^c]; {124.47; 125.19; 125.24; 125.61; 126.05; 126.76; 128.56; 128.71; 131.60; 134.24; 138.38; 149.58, aromatics}; 164.58 [*J*(C^d-Pt) = 60, C^d]. Anal. Found: C, 43.8; H, 4.0; N, 2.4. Calc. for C₂₀H₂₃NOPtS₂: C, 43.47; H, 4.20; N, 2.53%.

 $[PtMe(PhCH_2NCHC_4H_2S){SOMe(p-C_6H_4Me)}](1d)$ was obtained by adding rac-SOMe(p-C₆H₄Me) (16.3 mg, 0.105 mmol) to an acetone solution of compound 1a (25 mg, 53×10^{-3} mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 4 h and the solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/MeOH and the resulting solid was filtered. Yield: 20 mg (66.8%). ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.03$ [s, ²J(H^a-Pt) = 80, 3H, Me^a]; 2.38 [s, 3H, Me^c]; 3.10 [s, ${}^{3}J(H-Pt) = 19$, 3H, Me^b]; {4.96 $[J(H-H) = 15, {}^{3}J(H-Pt) = 15];$ 5.22 [J(H-H) = 15], 2H, AB quartet, H^d]; {7.64 [d, J(H-H)]; {7.64 [d, H) = 8, 2H]; 7.06–7.27 [m, 9H], aromatics}; 8.28 [s, ${}^{3}J(\text{H}^{e}-\text{Pt}) = 60, 1\text{H}, \text{H}^{e}$]. ${}^{13}C$ NMR (62.5 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -19.42$ [s, $J(C^{a}-Pt) = 689$, C^{a}]; 21.31 [s, C^{c}]; 44.11 $[s, J(C^{b}-Pt) = 58, C^{b}]; 62.80 [s, C^{d}]; \{126.00 [2C];$ 128.41 [2C]; 128.58 [2C]; 129.99 [2C]; 123.99; 125.68; 126.29; 127.20; 130.46; 137.94; 142.90; 148.82], aromatics}; 167.86 [s, C^e]. Anal. Found: C, 43.7; H, 4.0; N, 2.6. Calc. for C₂₁H₂₃NOPtS₂: C, 44.67; H, 4.11; N, 2.48%.

 $[PtMe(C_{10}H_7CHMeNCHC_4H_2S){SOMe(p-C_6H_4Me)}]$ (2d) was obtained as a mixture of diastereomers following the same procedure as for 1d, starting from 2a (ratio rac- $SOMe(p-C_6H_4Me)$: Pt = 2:1) or from **2b** (ratio rac- $SOMe(p-C_6H_4Me)$: Pt = 1:1) or as a single isomer when (R)-SOMe(p-C₆H₄Me) was used. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): isomer (Rc,Ss): $\delta = 1.18$ [s, ²J(H-Pt) = 77.6, 3H, Me^a]; 1.36 [d, J(H-H) = 6.4, 3H, Me^f]; 2.47 [s, 3H, Me^c]; 3.30 [s, ${}^{3}J(H-Pt) = 18.8$, 3H, Me^b]; 6.49 [q, J(H-Pt) = 18.8, J(H-Pt)H) = 6.4, H^d]; 7.86 [s, J(H-Pt) = 61.6, 1H, H^e]. Isomer (Rc,Rs): $\delta = 1.13$ [s, ²J(H–Pt) = 79.2, 3H, Me^a]; 1.77 [d, $J(H-H) = 6.8, 3H, Me^{f}$; 2.33 [s, 3H, Me^c]; 3.11 [s, ${}^{3}J(H-Pt) = 18.8, 3H, Me^{b}; 6.30 [q, J(H-H) = 6.8, H^{d}];$ 8.29 [s, 1H, J(H-Pt) = 61.6, H^e]. Aromatic region: 6.93 [d, J(H-H) = 5.0, 1H]; 6.97 [d, 2H, J(H-H) = 8.4]; 7.07[d, 1H, J(H-H) = 4.8]; 7.16 [td, 2H, J(H-H) = 8.0; 1.5]; 7.24–7.29 [m, 3H]; 7.34 [td, 1H, J(H-H) = 7.0; 1.0]; 7.39 [d, 2H, J(H-H) = 8.4], 7.45–7.59 [m, 6H]; 7.65 [t, 2H, J(H-H) = 8.0; 7.83 [d, 2H, J(H-H) = 8.0]; 8.07 [d, 2H,

J(H-H) = 8.4], 8.30 [d, 2H, J(H-H) = 8.4]. FAB-MS: 628 [M], 613 [M-CH₃], 474 [M-SOMe(*p*-C₆H₄Me)], 459 [M-CH₃-SOMe(*p*-C₆H₄Me)]. Anal. Found: C, 49.5; H, 4.3; N, 2.2; S, 9.9. Calc. for C₂₆H₂₇NOPtS₂: C, 49.67; H, 4.33; N, 2.23; S, 10.20%.

[{PtMe₂(PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S)}(μ-I)₂] (**1e**) was obtained as a white solid upon treating 20 mg (41 × 10⁻³ mmol) of **1c** in dichloromethane with an excess of methyl iodide (0.2 mL). The mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature and the solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was washed with a small amount of ether and dried *in vacuo*. Yield: 18 mg (79.6%). ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.12$ [s, ²*J*(H^a–Pt) = 72, 3H, Me^a]; 2.54 [s, ²*J*(H^b–Pt) = 68, 3H, Me^b]; 5.66 [m, 2H, H^c]; {7.10 [d, *J*(H–H) = 6, 2H]; 7.35–7.45 [m, 5H], aromatics}; 7.94 [s, ³*J*(H^d–Pt) = 44, 1H, H^d]. FAB(+)-MS, *m/z*: 1104 [M], 1056 [M–3Me], 1041 [M–4Me], 395 [Pt(PhCH₂NCHC₄H₂S)]. Anal. Found: C, 31.1; H, 2.8; N, 2.3; S, 6.7. Calc. for C₂₈H₃₂I₂N₂Pt₂S₂: C, 30.44; H, 2.92; N, 2.53; S, 5.80%.

[{PtMe₂(C₁₀H₇CHMeNCHC₄H₂S)}(μ -I)₂] (2e) was characterized in solution upon treating 20 mg of 2c in dichloromethane with an excess of methyl iodide. The mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature and the solvent was removed by evaporation. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.89$ [s, ²*J*(H^a–Pt) = 73.6, 3H, Me^a]; 1.94 [d, *J*(H–H) = 6.4, 3H, H^e]; 2.84 [s, ²*J*(H^b–Pt) = 68.8, 3H, Me^b]; 6.67 [q, *J*(H–H) = 6.4, 1H, H^c]; 8.61 [s, ³*J*(H– Pt) = 44.8, 1H, H^d].

 $[PtMe(C_6H_4NC_5H_4)(SMe_2)]$ (4a) was prepared similarly to a precursor previously reported [10]. One equivalent of phenylpyridine dissolved in 5 ml of acetone was added to 100 mg of [Pt2Me4(µ-SMe2)2] dissolved in 20 mL of acetone. The solution was stirred for 16 h and the solvent removed by evaporation. The remaining oil was triturated with ether to give a solid that was washed with ether and pentane and dried in vacuo. Yield 65%. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.07$ [s, ²J(H^a-Pt) = 83, 3H, Me^a]; 2.45 [s, ${}^{3}J(H^{b}-Pt) = 25$, 3H, Me^b]; {7.08-7.28 [m]; 7.60-7.64 [m]; 7.76-7.86 [m]; 8.90 [d, ${}^{3}J(H-H) = 6,$ $^{3}J(\mathrm{H}^{\mathrm{c}}-\mathrm{Pt}) = 62,$ 1H, H^c], aromatic protons}.

[PtMe(C₆H₄NC₅H₄)(PC₂₂H₂₆)] (**4g**) was obtained from **4a** by reacting a 1:1 ratio of (+)-neomenthyldiphenylphosphine to platinum complex in acetone solution for 1 h. The solvent was removed by evaporation and the resulting crude product was washed with hexane but free ligand could not be entirely removed. Recrystallization in acetone/hexane, hexane, and methylene chloride failed. ³¹P NMR (121.44 MHz, *d*⁶-acetone): $\delta = 27.55$ [s, ¹*J*(P-Pt) = 2504].

[PtMe(C₆H₅CH₂NCHC₄H₂S)(PC₂₂H₂₆)] (**1g**) was prepared similarly to **4g**. ³¹PNMR (d^6 -acetone) $\delta = 26.64$ [s, ¹J(Pt–P) = 2500].

[PtMe(C₁₀H₇CHMeNCHC₄H₂S)(PC₂₂H₂₆)] (**2g**) was prepared similarly to **4g**. ³¹PNMR (CDCl₃) δ = 29.91 [s, ¹J(Pt-P) = 2503]. [PtMe(C₆H₅CHMeNCHC₄H₂S)(PC₂₂H₂₆)] (**3g**) was prepared similarly to **4g**. ³¹P NMR (121.44 MHz, d^6 -acetone): $\delta = 27.55$ [s, ¹J(P–Pt) = 2504].

[PtMe₂I(C₆H₅CH₂NCHC₄H₂S)(PC₂₂H₂₆)] (**1h**) was characterized by phosphorous NMR in d^{6} -acetone solution when following the oxidative addition reaction of **1g** with MeI. ³¹P NMR (121.44 MHz, d^{6} -acetone): $\delta = -13.45$ [s, ¹*J*(P–Pt) = 942]; minor isomer: $\delta = -12.38$ [s, ¹*J*(P– Pt) = 958].

[PtMe₂I(C₆H₄NC₅H₄)(PC₂₂H₂₆)] (**4h**) was characterized similarly to **1h**. ³¹P NMR (121.44 MHz, *d*⁶-acetone): major isomer: $\delta = -12.35$ [s, ¹J(P–Pt) = 938]; minor isomer: $\delta = -10.55$ [s, ¹J(P–Pt) = 947].

3.3. X-ray structure determination

X-ray diffraction data were collected on a Bruker APEX 2 CCD platform diffractometer (Mo K α ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å)) at 115 K. A suitable crystal was mounted in a nylon loop with Paratone-N cryoprotectant oil. During data examination and space group determination with XPREP, the $\sigma(I)$ values were normalized and multiplied by a factor of 0.5. The structure was solved using direct methods and standard difference map techniques, and was refined by full-matrix least-squares procedures on F^2 with SHELXTL (Version 6.14) [13]. All non-hydrogen atoms were included in calculated posi-

Table 2 Crystal data, data collection, and refinement parameters for **2b**

Formula	$C_{20}H_{20}N_2PtS$		
Habit, color	Parallelepiped, yellow		
Size, mm	$0.23 \times 0.10 \times 0.05$		
Lattice type	Orthorhombic		
Space group	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$		
a (Å)	8.1945(1)		
b (Å)	12.1261(2)		
c (Å)	17.9478(2)		
$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	1783.42(4)		
Ζ	4		
Fwt. $(g mol^{-1})$	515.53		
$D_{\rm c} ({\rm g}{\rm cm}^{-3})$	1.920		
$\mu (\mathrm{mm}^{-1})$	7.988		
<i>F</i> (000)	992		
θ Range (°)	2.03-36.32		
Index ranges	$-13 \leqslant h \leqslant 13$,		
	$-20 \leqslant k \leqslant 20,$		
	$-28 \leqslant l \leqslant 29$		
Reflections collected	38,820		
Unique reflections	8628 ($R_{\rm int} = 0.0393$)		
Completeness to $\Phi = 36.32^{\circ}$	99.9%		
Abs correction	Empirical		
Max., min. transmission	0.6908, 0.2609		
Data, restraints, parameters	8628/0/221		
$R_1, wR_2 (I > 2\sigma(I))$	0.0179, 0.0385		
R_1 , wR_2 (all data)	0.0193, 0.0392		
Goodness-of-fit (on F^2)	1.075		
Largest difference in peak, hole ($e \text{ Å}^{-3}$)	1.036, -0.959		
Abs structure parameter	0.004(4)		

tions and were refined using a riding model. Crystal data and refinement details are presented in Table 2.

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Appendix A. Supplementary material

CCDC 614928 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for **2b**. These data can be obtained free of charge via http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html, or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; fax: (+44) 1223-336-033; or e-mail: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk.

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