bonylbis(η^{5} -phenylcyclopentadienyl)diiron (9) rests upon its composition (Anal. Calcd for C26H18O4Fe2: C, 61.66; H, 3.56. Found: C, 61.44; H, 3.50.), molecular weight (Rast) (calcd, 506; found, 510), and nmr spectrum (δ, ppm, CDCl₃) [4.63 (t, 2 H, protons 8, 11), 5.19 (t, 2 H, protons 9, 10), 7.49 (m, protons 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5)]. The ir spectra showed bridging carbonyl at 1770 and 1800 cm⁻¹, and terminal carbonyl at 1998, 1970, and 1955 cm⁻¹.

Complex 10, formed in 75% yield from spiro-[2,4-cyclopentadiene-2',5'-dimethyl-1,7'-norcara-2',4'diene] (5) had mp 138° dec. The composition (Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₄O₃Fe: C, 61.90; H, 4.52. Found: C, 61.76; H, 4.69.) and nmr spectrum $[(\delta, ppm, CDCl_3)]$ 1.70 (s, 3 H, protons on 13), 1.88 (s, 3 H, protons on 14), 2.87 (d, 1 H, proton 1), 4.53 (m, 1 H, proton 6), 4.65 (m, 1 H, proton 8), 4.74 (m, 1 H, proton 11), 5.04 (m, 1 H, proton 9), 5.30 (q, 1 H, proton 10), 5.72 (s, 2 H, protons 3 and 4)] are in agreement with expectation. The mass spectrum of 10 showed the parent molecular ion at m/e 310 (27%) and peaks for successive loss of CO, 282 (10%) and 254 (44%), and base peak for C13H14Fe at 226. The ir spectrum showed strong terminal carbonyl stretching absorptions at 1960–1985 and 2020 cm⁻¹ and acyl carbonyl stretching frequency at 1640 cm⁻¹.

The fact that the cyclohexadiene system is uncomplexed in 10 indicates that its complexation is not a necessary prerequisite for the opening of the cyclopropyl ring. In the full paper the mechanism of the reaction of the divinylcyclopropyl system with Fe₂(CO)₉ will be discussed in light of these results.

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Luminescence Quenching of Dicyanobis(1,10-phenanthroline)ruthenium(II) by Cupric Ion in Aqueous Solutions. Dynamic and Static Processes

Sir:

We wish to report on the quenching of the chargetransfer (CT) luminescence of $Ru(phen)_2(CN)_2$ (phen = 1,10-phenanthroline) by Cu^{2+} (H₂O, $\sim 22^{\circ}$). This system demonstrates what we believe to be the first unequivocal evidence for both static and dynamic quenching of a metal complex exhibiting CT luminescence.¹ Static quenching appears to proceed by coordination of $Ru(phen)_2(CN)_2$ to the Cu^{2+} by a CNbridge, and it was possible to determine the equilibrium constant, K_{eq} , by luminescence measurements only.



Figure 1. Intensity Stern-Volmer quenching plots for deactivation of aqueous $Ru(phen)_2(CN)_2$ by $CuSO_4$. Values obtained in deoxygenated solutions (\times 's) and in O₂-saturated solutions (\bullet 's): A, Stern-Volmer plot with $K_{SV} = 780 M^{-1}$; B, combination static and dynamic quenching with $K_{\rm SV} = 325 \ M^{-1}$ and $\beta K_{\rm eq} = 270$ M^{-1} ; C, Stern-Volmer plot with $K_{SV} = 130 M^{-1}$; D, combination static and dynamic quenching with $K_{\rm SV} = 55 \ M^{-1}$ and $\beta K_{\rm eq} = 270 \ M^{-1}$. See text for details. [Ru(phen)₂(CN)₂] $\sim 2 \times 10^{-5} M$. $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 480 \text{ nm}.$

The first indication that quenching was not simply diffusional, as it is with most metal complex quench ers^{3-6} and O_2 ,⁷ was the apparent slight upward curvature to the intensity, ϕ , Stern-Volmer (SV) quenching plot $(\phi_0/\phi - 1 vs. [Q])$ in deoxygenated solutions. See Figure 1. The effect was not large, however, and the data were fit fairly well by normal SV kinetics with $K_{\rm SV} \sim 780 \ M^{-1}$ (curve A). That this simple explanation was incorrect was established by making a decay time, τ , SV plot ($\tau_0/\tau - 1 vs.$ [Q]) under similar conditions; this procedure yields the true K_{sv} free of any contribution from static quenching. A linear plot resulted with $K_{\rm SV}^{\rm N_2} = 335 \ M^{-1} \ (k_2 \sim 5 \times 10^8 \ M^{-1})$ sec⁻¹) in considerable disagreement with the ϕ -derived value. Thus, both static and dynamic quenching pathways seemed to be operative.

As an additional test of the inadequacies of the diffusion only model, we measured the ϕ -quenching by $CuSO_4$ in an O_2 -saturated solution (Figure 1). Under these conditions τ of the donor is reduced by a factor of 6.15 by oxygen quenching.⁷ Since $K_{SV} = k_2 \tau_0$ and k_2 should be unaffected by oxygen, the $K_{\rm SV}$ of \sim 780 M^{-1} for a deoxygenated solution should be reduced by a factor of 6.15 to $\sim 130 M^{-1}$ for the O₂-saturated ones if all quenching were diffusional; line C is the required experimental curve. The extreme disagreement between C and the data again argues for a combinational model.

⁽¹⁾ Fujita and Kobayashi² have suggested a combinational quenching of $Ru(bipy)_{a^{2+}} by Co(C_2O_4)_{a^{3-}}$ based only on intensity data. Failure to correct for trivial effects³ probably accounts for their observations, however.

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For a combinational quenching mechanism, the intensity SV equation is

$$K_{\rm SV}^{\rm app} = [(\phi_0/\phi)_{\rm corr} - 1]/[Q] = (K_{\rm SV} + \beta K_{\rm eq}) + K_{\rm SV}(\beta K_{\rm eq})[Q]$$
 (1)

where K_{SV}^{app} is the apparent intensity SV quenching constant and K_{SV} is the true SV quenching constant. β varies from 1.000 for measurements made under optically dilute conditions to $(\epsilon_{DQ}/\epsilon_D)$ for optically dense solutions. ϵ is the molar extinction coefficient, and the subscript DQ and D represent values for the association pair and donor, respectively, taken at the excitation wavelengths. Equation 1 holds if the donor concentration is much less than [Q], which is satisfied in our experiments.

From the limiting value of $K_{\rm SV}^{\rm app}$ at low concentrations of CuSO₄ in O₂-saturated solutions, $K_{\rm SV}^{\rm O2} + \beta K_{\rm eq} \sim 325 \ M^{-1}$. Since $K_{\rm SV}^{\rm O2} = K_{\rm SV}^{\rm N2}/6.15 = 55 \ M^{-1}$, $\beta K_{\rm eq} \sim 270 \ M^{-1}$. Solid curve D is calculated from these two values and eq 1. Using $\beta K_{\rm eq}$ and $K_{\rm SV}^{\rm N2}$, curve B is obtained. In both cases there is virtually perfect agreement between the N₂ and O₂ saturated results and the theoretical curves. It should be stressed that these two curves are computed only from $K_{\rm SV}^{\rm N2}$, $K_{\rm SV}^{\rm app}$ for O₂ saturated solutions at low concentrations of quencher and the O₂ dependence of τ . It thus seems probable that the combination of diffusional and static mechanisms is the only reasonable one which can successfully account for all data.

Since our solutions were optically dilute ($A \sim 0.02$), $\beta = 1$, and $K_{eq} \sim 270 \ M^{-1}$. Thus, K_{eq} was obtained without recourse to any of the conventional techniques for measuring K_{eq} 's.

As an independent check of the existence of static quenching, we then monitored the absorption spectra of solutions containing both donor and CuSO₄. The Ru(phen)₂(CN)₂ CT band moved ~10 nm to higher energy on addition of Cu²⁺ (1.6–16 × 10⁻³ M), which demonstrates association. No isosbestic points were observed, however, which suggests formation of both a 1:1 and 2:1 copper-ruthenium adduct.

The most reasonable mechanism of association is coordination of $Ru(phen)_2(CN)_2$ to the Cu^{2+} through the free end of the CN. Several lines of evidence support this. Only substitutionally labile species $(Cu^{2+}, Ni^{2+}, and Co^{2+})$ statically quench $Ru(phen)_2(CN)_2$.⁸ Also other neutral ruthenium(II) complexes without coordinated CN only quench dynamically.⁹ Finally, CN's can form bridging ligands between metal ions in solution and the solid state.¹⁰ Since luminescence is certainly terminated by the presence of one bonded Cu^{2+} , our measured K_{eq} represents the first association constant. Our absorption data do not permit us to evaluate the second but suggest its value is not greatly different from that of the first.

The static quenching could be by nearest neighbors rather than by chemical association. The low concentration of quencher, however, makes this at most a minor pathway.¹¹ It should be noted that an expression functionally identical with eq 1 results when quenching occurs from both the emitting state and an upper state which is precursor to the emitting one. We rule this possibility out, since decay time measurements show that any upper state must have a decay at least 10^2 times faster than the emitting level. Thus, quenching of the upper level could not be significant under our conditions.

Schilt demonstrated the protonation of $Fe(bipy)_2(CN)_2$ and $Fe(phen)_2(CN)_2$ in solution.¹² Based on the blue shift of the absorption spectrum on protonation, he argued that H⁺ directly attacks the Fe^{2+} rather than the CN. The very similar spectral changes in the Ru-(phen)_2(CN)_2-Cu²⁺ system suggest that this argument is incorrect, since the bulky Cu²⁺ cannot attach itself to the Ru²⁺ directly.

Our results clearly stress the importance of combining both τ and ϕ quenching data to obtain a full understanding of the photo and chemical processes in systems involving luminescent metal complexes. Also, these results demonstrate an unusual technique for studying equilibria involving transition metal complexes. We are currently constructing a nanosecond decay time apparatus to determine ion-pairing constants between metal complexes by these methods.

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Organic Reactions at High Pressure. Cycloadditions of Enamines and Dienamines¹

Sir:

The use of very high pressures for preparative organic chemistry has been relatively little explored.² The pressure dependence of the rate constant of the reaction is $\delta \ln k/\delta p = -\Delta V^{\pm}/RT$. If ΔV^{\pm} , the activation volume, is negative, *i.e.*, if the formation of the activated complex from the reactants results in overall contraction, the rate k will increase with increasing pressure.² The effect of pressure on the rate of several Diels-Alder reactions has been determined and found to provide a large acceleration, the ΔV^{\pm} being between -25 and -38 cm³/mol.³

We would like to report our results which show that high pressure (8-20 kbars, 7895-19,738 atm) is a valu-

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