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Homo- and Heterodinuclear Platinum and Palladium Complexes with a Single Unsupported Monoatomic Bridging Group. Crystal Structure of the 2,6-Bis[(dimethylamino)methyl]phenylpalladium(II) Derivative [(Pd{C₆H₃(CH₂NMe₂)₂-o,o'})₂(μ-Cl)]BF₄

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There are few dinuclear complexes of the nickel triad metals in which the metals are only bridged by a single atom. It was only recently, for example, that [Ph(PEt₃)₂Pt(μ-H)Pt(PEt₃)₃H]⁺, containing a single hydride bridge between two Pt(II) centers, was structurally characterized.¹

We now report the first examples of homo- and heterodinuclear Pd(II) and Pt(II) complexes possessing a single unsupported chloro, bromo, or iodo bridge. The successful synthesis of these complexes (see Scheme I) involves the use of the terdentate anionic ligand {o,o'-(Me₂NCH₂)₂C₆H₃} (N-C-N) which, as a result of its special attachment, produces square-planar [M(N-C-N)(H₂O)]⁺ (M = Pd, Pt) species with a loosely bound H₂O molecule in a site trans to a σ M-C bond. Displacement of this good leaving group (H₂O) by a terminal halide of a neutral [M'(N-C-N)X] complex then leads to formation of the new dinuclear species [(N-C-N)M'(μ-X)M(N-C-N)]⁺, **1**. This Lewis acid-base pairing reaction² carried out at room temperature in CH₂Cl₂ affords these air-stable products in virtually quantitative yield upon evaporation of the solvent.³ The proposal for **1** of a dinuclear ionic formulation was based on IR,⁴ NMR (vide infra), and analytical data and is in accord with the observation that the complexes are readily soluble in polar solvents (e.g., CH₂Cl₂).

To firmly establish the presence of only a single halo atom bridge, we have completed a single-crystal X-ray structure determination on one representative member, **1a** (M = M' = Pd, X = Cl).⁵

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(3) Although a dinuclear species is not isolated when [Ni(N-C-N)X]⁺ is included in this reaction scheme, the resultant formation of [Ni(N-C-N)H₂O]⁺ strongly suggests the presence of such a Ni(II)-containing complex as the reactive intermediate.

(4) ν_{BF} 1080 cm⁻¹, no identifiable ν_{MX} or ν_{M'X}.

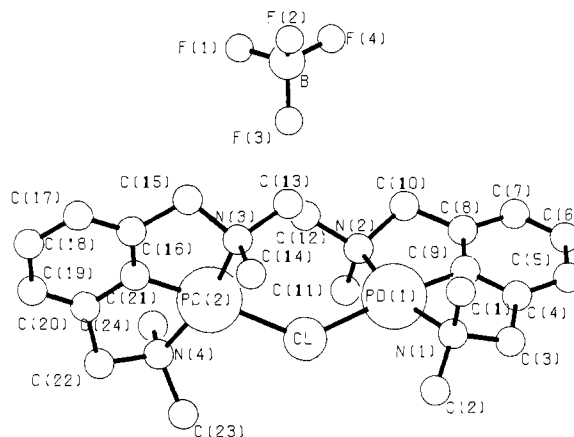
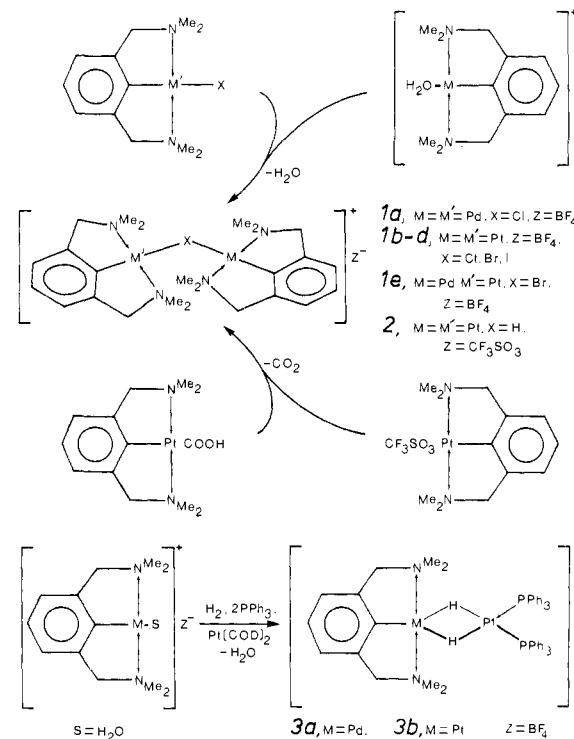


Figure 1. PLUTO drawing along with the adopted numbering scheme. Important distances (Å) are Pd(1)-Cl(1) = 2.463 (1), Pd(1)-N(1) = 2.105 (3), Pd(1)-N(2) = 2.100 (4), Pd(1)-C(9) = 1.929 (4), Pd(2)-Cl(1) = 2.458 (1), Pd(2)-N(3) = 2.094 (3), Pd(2)-N(4) = 2.104 (3), and Pd(2)-C(21) = 1.909 (4). Some relevant angles (°) are Cl(1)-Pd(1)-N(1) = 97.0 (1), Cl(1)-Pd(1)-N(2) = 100.3 (1), Cl(1)-Pd(1)-C(9) = 174.5 (1), N(1)-Pd(1)-N(2) = 162.6 (1), Cl(1)-Pd(2)-N(3) = 97.9 (1), Cl(1)-Pd(2)-N(4) = 97.6 (1), Cl(1)-Pd(2)-C(21) = 174.3 (1), and N(3)-Pd(2)-N(4) = 164.3 (1).

Scheme I



The cation (see Figure 1) as anticipated consists of two *trans*-N,N',C-[Pd{C₆H₃(CH₂NMe₂)₂}] units sharing a single bridging chlorine atom. Both Pd(II) centers have a slightly distorted square-planar coordination sphere (e.g., N(1)-Pd(1)-

(5) Pale yellow X-ray analysis crystals of **1a**, C₂₄H₃₈ClN₄Pd₂BF₄, were monoclinic space group *P*2₁/*c* with *a* = 11.163 (1) Å, *b* = 21.347 (2) Å, *c* = 12.246 (4) Å, β = 91.48 (2)°, *Z* = 4, *d*_{calc} = 1.634 g/cm³. The intensity data were measured on a Nonius-Enraf CAD4 diffractometer (Zr-filtered Mo Kα radiation) with θ-2θ scans. A total of 6691 unique reflections were measured for θ < 27.5° of which 5077 were considered observed [*I* < 2.5σ(*I*)]. The structure was solved by standard Patterson and Fourier techniques and refined by blocked full-matrix least-squares methods. In the final refinement hydrogen atoms were refined in a riding mode with a rotation parameter for the rigid methyl groups. There is some disorder in the BF₄ anion and the ligand on Pd(2) (two equivalent, mirror plane related puckering possibilities), both of which have the same occupation parameters (84:16). Final refinement converged at *R*_F = 0.042 and *R*_{wF} = 0.048. Figure 1 and the data apply to the 84% molecule.

N(2), 162.6 (1)°; C(9)-Pd(1)-Cl, 174.5 (1)°, and the two virtually equivalent coordination planes are orientated almost perpendicular to each other (88.5 (2)°).⁶ The Pd(1)-Cl-Pd(2) angle of 134.8 (1)° is a dominant structural feature, which taken with the two fairly long Pd-Cl distances (2.463 (1) and 2.458 (1) Å) gives rise to a Pd-Pd separation (4.544 (2) Å) that is much greater than that found in complexes where there is a distinct M-M bond.⁷ The large deviation of this angle from that expected for a tetrahedral halide atom (two bonds, two long pairs; cf. isoelectronic [(C₃H₅)₂(CO)₂Fe(μ-I)Fe(CO)₂(C₅H₅)], ∠Fe-I-Fe = 110.8 (1)°)⁸ is presumably steric in origin.

The solution ¹H NMR data of **1a** [60 MHz; CD₂Cl₂; δ CH₂ 4.03, CH₃ 2.95] evidences retention of both the Lewis acid-base interaction and coordination of the N donor ligands on the NMR time scale.⁹ Since in the solid-state structure there are not only inequivalent CH₂NMe₂ groupings but also diastereotopic CH₂ and Me groups, the NMR solution observation of only single CH₂ and CH₃ signals means that there is a fluxional process, most likely a rotation about the metal-halogen axes, that renders the CH₂NMe₂ environments equivalent. The ¹H NMR data for the other dinuclear species **1b-e** are similar. There is also NMR evidence for a further fluxional process¹⁰ involving a fast reversible dissociation of the dinuclear units initiated by traces of water (a weak coordinating ligand).

Complexes **1a-e** are, as far as we are aware, the first structurally characterized species in which a single halide bridge atom binds two nickel triad metal centers without the support of bidentate phosphine or arsine ligands as found in, for example, A-frame complexes.¹¹

To investigate the versatility of the [M(N-C-N)]⁺ system to act as a Lewis acid, we have extended our interest to hydride-containing species (see scheme). From the reaction of [Pt(N-C-N)(CF₃SO₃)] and [Pt(N-C-N)(COOH)]¹² in benzene at 50 °C was isolated the monohydrogen bridge complex [(N-C-N)-Pt(μ-H)Pt(N-C-N)]⁺, **2**,¹³ in almost quantitative yield [¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ -4.54 (Pt,H,Pt), J(Pt,H) = 576 Hz]. This is the first complex containing N donor ligands that has a structural relationship to the unique dihydride [Ph(PEt₃)₂Pt(μ-H)Pt(PEt₃)₂H]⁺,¹ which also contains a three-center two-electron M-H-M bridge bond.

It is also possible to synthesize dihydride-bridged complexes [N-C-N)M(μ-H)₂Pt(PPh₃)₂]⁺ (M = Pd (**3a**), Pt (**3b**)) by using a procedure in which a reactive hydride is generated in situ from the reaction of Pt(0) phosphine species and gaseous H₂. From spectroscopic data [¹H NMR (acetone-*d*₆) δ (**3a**) -3.84 (μ-H)₂, J(Pt,H) = 818 Hz]; (**3b**) -1.86 (μ-H)₂, J(Pt_A,H) = 707 Hz, J(Pt_B,H) = 385 Hz],¹⁴ these complexes are anticipated to have a geometry in which there is both a four- and a five-coordinate center, a situation also existing in the related tertiary phosphine species [(PR₃)₂Pt(μ-H)₂Pt(PR₃)₂H]BF₄ (R = Ph, Cy, Et).¹⁵

(6) Calculated from the least-squares planes of the carbon atoms of the two phenyl moieties.

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(9) N donor coordination to palladium centers is established from ¹H NMR shift data, but for platinum species this is substantiated by the presence of ¹⁹⁵Pt couplings with the CH₂NMe₂ signals.

(10) Mixing [Pt(N-C-N)Br] with [Pt(N-C-N)(H₂O)]BF₄ in CH₂Cl₂ at room temperature in ratios other than 1:1 gives rise to only one CH₂NMe₂ ¹H NMR resonance pattern (with ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites).

(11) The geometric constraints of bridging bidentate ligands can have a significant influence on the geometry of A-frame complexes. The structure of [Pd₂(Ph₂PCH₂PPh₂)₂(μ-I)(CH₃)₂]BF₄ shows a Pd-I-Pd angle of 67.0 (1) Å: Olmstead, M. M.; Farr, J. P.; Balch, A. L. *Inorg. Chim. Acta* **1981**, *52*, 47-54.

(12) Synthesized from [Pt(N-C-N)(H₂O)]BF₄ and NaCOOH in H₂O at room temperature (¹H NMR (benzene-*d*₆) δ 9.78 (COOH), J(Pt,H) = 52 Hz).

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(14) Pt_A is bound to the two PPh₃ groups. The ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites arising from Pt_B are significantly broadened owing to incomplete collapse of spin-spin coupling of ¹⁹⁵Pt to the ¹⁴N donor atoms.

The present results emphasize that for mononuclear complexes of the nickel triad Lewis acid-base pairing, via either a halide or hydride ligand, is readily attained, and therefore it may play an important role in the reaction mechanisms of ligand substitution and exchange. It is worth noting that the terdentate ligand (N-C-N) has enabled the isolation of [(N-C-N)Pt(μ-RNCHNR)-AgX] species¹⁶ containing a direct Ag-Pt interaction, and further research in this laboratory is being directed to a better understanding of this ligand's role in stabilizing heteronuclear complexes.

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Multiplet Selection in Crowded ¹H NMR Spectra via Double Quantum Coherence

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We propose a new method for tackling a perennial problem in NMR spectroscopy, that of spectral overcrowding. It allows one to detect specific multiplet resonances in circumstances where they would be partially or totally obscured by line overlap in a conventional ¹H NMR spectrum. All that is required is prior knowledge of the approximate chemical shifts and *J* couplings of the protons of interest.

Our approach was inspired by recent experiments^{1,2} for observing ¹³C-¹³C spin-spin coupling in natural-abundance ¹³C NMR spectra. The method, known as INADEQUATE,²⁻⁴ relies on the momentary creation of double quantum coherence between coupled ¹³C nuclei to suppress the strong signals from molecules with an isolated ¹³C. INADEQUATE was later extended into a two-dimensional Fourier transform experiment^{5,6} for correlating

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