

Unorthodox C,O Binding Mode of Me₂BINOL in Pt(II) Complexes

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The enantiomeric forms of 1,1'-bi-2-naphthol (BINOL) have often been incorporated into early transition metal catalyst systems as chiral auxiliaries for asymmetric induction.¹ When bound to a metal through both oxygen atoms, the ligand adopts a C₂-symmetric conformation that effectively controls the orientation of bound substrate, providing excellent stereoselectivity in a variety of reactions. Including the ligand in late transition metal catalysts could extend the usefulness of BINOL, an idea recently explored through the synthesis of BINOL-containing Os, Pt, and Pd complexes.² All of the crystal structures of binaphtholate complexes (Ti, Mo, W, Pt, and lanthanides) published to date show BINOL (or 3,3'-disubstituted BINOL derivatives) coordinated to the active metal center(s) in the expected O,O' fashion.^{2–4} Herein we report the observation of a novel C,O binding mode for the modified BINOL ligand 3,3'-dimethyl-1,1'-bi-2-naphthol (Me₂BINOL) in a late metal system.

Recently, we compared the interactions of (*R*)- and (*S*)-BINOL with the chiral diphosphine (2*S*,3*S*)-bis(diphenylphosphino)butane ((*S,S*)-chiraphos) in square planar Pt(II) complexes to contrast the flexibilities of these chiral ligands.⁴ (*S*)-BINOL and (*S,S*)-chiraphos were designated "matched" ligands because they favor the same conformation (δ -skew; Scheme 1) of the five-membered diphosphine chelate ring. X-ray analysis of ((*S,S*)-chiraphos)Pt((*S*)-BINOL) confirmed adoption of the δ conformation in the complex. In the "mismatched" case, (*R*)-BINOL, which induces the λ conformation in the diphosphine,⁵ competes with (*S,S*)-chiraphos for structural dominance. Despite the fact that eight conformationally distinct molecules of ((*S,S*)-chiraphos)Pt((*R*)-BINOL) are present in the crystallographic asymmetric unit, all diphosphine chelates adopt the δ conformation; thus (*S,S*)-chiraphos has a stronger conformational preference than (*R*)-BINOL.

The main source of steric contention between BINOL and a diphosphine is the interaction of BINOL's 3- and 3'-hydrogens with the phosphine's phenyl groups. To increase the magnitude of this interaction, BINOL was modified by methylation at these positions.⁶ The matched and mismatched complexes, ((*S,S*)-chiraphos)Pt((*S*)-Me₂BINOL) (**1S**) and ((*S,S*)-chiraphos)Pt((*R*)-Me₂BINOL) (**1R**), were synthesized as shown in Scheme 2.⁷

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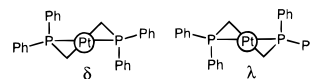
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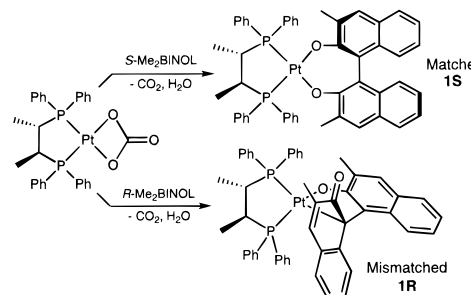
(5) Deduced from the crystal structure of (dppe)Pt((*R*)-BINOL), in which dppe adopts exclusively the λ conformation [dppe = 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane]. (*S,S*)-chiraphos inherently prefers the δ conformation, which places the backbone *trans*-methyl substituents in pseudoequatorial positions on the chelate ring.

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Scheme 1



Scheme 2



As expected, the C₂-symmetric, O,O'-bound binaphtholate **1S** closely resembles ((*S,S*)-chiraphos)Pt((*S*)-BINOL)⁴ by X-ray crystallography⁸ and ³¹P NMR, giving a single resonance at 28.0 ppm (¹J_{Pt–P} = 3560 Hz). However, the ³¹P spectrum of the mismatched complex **1R** consists of two doublets (*J*_{P–P} = 23 Hz), one at 30.1 ppm with ¹J_{Pt–P} similar to that of **1S** (3540 Hz) and one at 48.7 ppm with a substantially reduced Pt–P coupling constant (2440 Hz). The smaller Pt–P coupling constant indicates binding of a ligand that exerts a stronger trans influence than oxygen-bound BINOL.

Single-crystal X-ray analysis revealed that the asymmetry of **1R** is due to a novel C,O Me₂BINOL coordination mode, which allows the ligand to avoid unfavorable steric interactions with the phenyl groups of (*S,S*)-chiraphos (Figure 1).⁹ The O → C migration of Pt initiates an enol→keto tautomerization of BINOL that destroys the aromaticity of ring A and positions the A/B binaphthyl rings perpendicular to the C/D binaphthyl plane. Consistent with this picture is the short C₃₁–O₂ bond distance (1.245(9) Å, compared to C₁₁–O₁ 1.342(9) Å). In accordance with the observed ¹J_{Pt–P} values, the Pt–P₁ bond distance is 2.229(2) Å (trans to O), while the Pt–P₂ bond distance is 2.268(2) Å (trans to C). The distance of the centroid of BINOL aromatic ring B from the plane containing phosphine phenyl ring E is 3.23 Å, indicating a short slipped π -stack in the solid state.¹⁰

Me₂BINOL undoubtedly adopts the C,O binding mode in **1R** in response to unfavorable steric interactions in a hypothetical O,O'-bound complex. These unfavorable interactions occur on combination of the mismatched (*R*)-Me₂BINOL and (*S,S*)-chiraphos pair of ligands and are less significant in the matched case. **1R** is able to accommodate the peculiar C,O binding mode for several reasons. (1) Formation of the fully aromatic B ring helps offset the loss of partial aromaticity in the A ring. This effect is known to shift the reactivity of BINOL from the 2 to the 1 position (e.g., Scheme 3).¹¹ (2) Tautomerization (O → C) produces a five- rather than seven-membered metal chelate. (3) The soft acid Pt(II) center coordinates the softer benzyl enolate

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(8) Crystal data for **1S**: orthorhombic, space group *I*222, yellow crystal 0.30 × 0.20 × 0.05 mm, *a* = 18.2701(8) Å, *b* = 18.6389(8) Å, *c* = 26.7318(12) Å, *Z* = 8, *R*_f = 0.047, GOF = 2.53.

(9) Crystal data for **1R**: orthorhombic, space group *P*2₁2₁2₁, yellow crystal 0.25 × 0.25 × 0.40 mm, *a* = 11.8022(5) Å, *b* = 14.2088(6) Å, *c* = 28.8782(13) Å, *Z* = 4, *R*_f = 0.058, GOF = 2.28.

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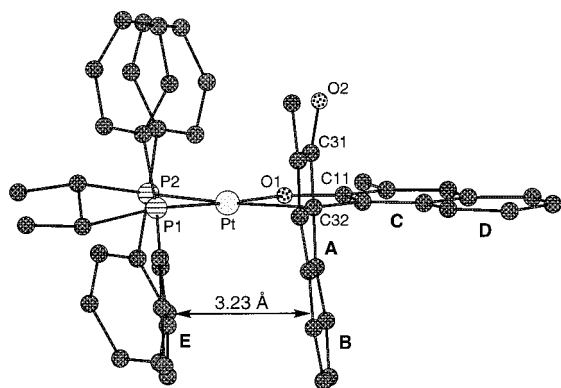
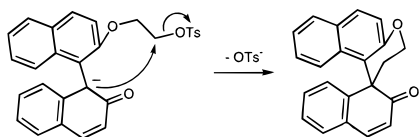


Figure 1. X-ray structure of **1R**. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg): Pt–P₁ 2.229(2), Pt–P₂ 2.268(2), Pt–O₁ 2.050(5), Pt–C₃₂ 2.199(7), C₁₁–O₁ 1.342(9), C₃₁–O₂ 1.245(9), P₁–Pt–P₂ 85.70(7), O₁–Pt–C₃₂ 82.7(2), P₁–Pt–C₃₂ 103.9(2), P₂–Pt–O₁ 87.7(1).

Scheme 3



carbon.¹² The latter argument is often invoked to explain why late transition metal enolates are generally C-bound, while early transition metal enolates are O-bound.¹³

The relative ground-state energies of **1S** and **1R** were determined through a binaphtholate exchange reaction (eq 1). Integration of the ³¹P NMR resonances of the Pt complexes afforded a *K*_{eq} of 1.4(3) at 25 °C in CD₂Cl₂ ($\Delta G^\circ = -0.2(1)$ kcal·mol⁻¹).¹⁴ Although the O,O'-bound form of **1S** and the C,O-bound form of **1R** have nearly the same ground-state energy, attempts to observe a C,O-bound form of **1S** were unsuccessful.¹⁵ We hypothesize that the C,O form of **1R** is stabilized by the short slipped π -stack seen in the X-ray structure, which is unavailable in **1S** for conformational reasons.¹⁰



Unlike **1S** and **1R**, the complex (dppe)Pt((*R*)-Me₂BINOL) exists as an equilibrium mixture of C,O-(**2C_O**) and O,O'-bound (**2O_O**) isomers (**2O_O** \rightleftharpoons **2C_O**).¹⁶ The equilibrium constant is solvent dependent: *K*_{eq} = 3.3(2) in CH₂Cl₂ and 1.38(5) in chlorobenzene (25 °C).^{14,17} A crystal grown from a chlorobenzene solution of **2** and analyzed by X-ray diffraction revealed that only **2C_O** crystallizes from the equilibrium mixture.¹⁸ As predicted by analogy to the (*S,S*)-chiraphos complexes, dppe adopts the δ conformation in **2C_O** as in **1R** (the structures are almost identical).

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(15) No C,O-bound **1S** was observed by ³¹P NMR at 90 °C in chlorobenzene; no O,O'-bound **1R** was observed at –80 °C in CH₂Cl₂. Experiments were designed based on the **2O_O**/**2C_O** equilibrium (*vide infra*).

(16) ³¹P{¹H} NMR (121.5 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ = 46.4 (d, ²*J*_{P–P} = 8.9 Hz, ¹*J*_{P–Pt} = 2510 Hz; *trans* to C, **2C_O**), 28.6 (d, ²*J*_{P–P} = 8.9 Hz, ¹*J*_{P–Pt} = 3560 Hz; *trans* to O, **2C_O**), 23.8 (¹*J*_{P–Pt} = 3660 Hz; **2O_O**).

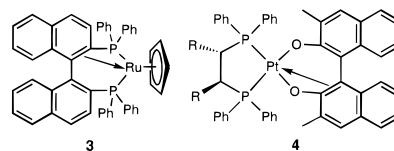
(17) In CH₂Cl₂: 76% **2C_O**: 24% **2O_O**; $\Delta G^\circ = 0.67$ kcal·mol⁻¹ (25 °C). In chlorobenzene: 58% **2C_O**: 42% **2O_O**; $\Delta G^\circ = 0.18$ kcal·mol⁻¹ (25 °C).

(18) Crystal data for **2C_O**: monoclinic, space group *P*2₁, yellow crystal 0.35 × 0.15 × 0.05 mm, *a* = 11.6797(7) Å, *b* = 18.7909(11) Å, *c* = 18.3581(10) Å, β = 107.941(1)°, *Z* = 4, *R*_y = 0.036, GOF = 1.15.

Presumably dppe adopts the λ conformation in **2O_O**. Dissolution of crystalline **2C_O** results in rapid equilibration with **2O_O** (minutes).

The relationship of **2C_O** to **2O_O** was further investigated through variable temperature ³¹P NMR experiments. Heating in chlorobenzene causes the equilibrium to shift toward **2C_O** (*K*_{eq} = 1.1 at –5 °C, 2.1 at 75 °C). A van't Hoff analysis yielded values for ΔH° of +1.9(4) kcal·mol⁻¹ and ΔS° of +7(1) eu.¹⁹ ΔS° is unexpectedly large and positive for this unimolecular reaction. This is partially due to the loss of symmetry on conversion of **2O_O** to **2C_O** (~+1.4 eu),²⁰ while the rest of the gain can probably be ascribed to solvation effects. Consistent with this hypothesis, different values for ΔS° (+3(2) eu) and ΔH° (0.2(4) kcal·mol⁻¹) were obtained upon carrying out the van't Hoff analysis in CD₂-Cl₂.

Broadening and partial coalescence of the ³¹P resonances for the isomers was also observed as temperature increased in the chlorobenzene experiments. Rate constants for the interconversion of **2O_O** and **2C_O** were obtained by simulation of the broadened spectra.²¹ The barrier for the **2O_O** → **2C_O** conversion (ΔG^\ddagger) is 16.07(6) kcal·mol⁻¹ at 25.7 °C. A weighted nonlinear least squares Eyring analysis produced values for ΔH^\ddagger and ΔS^\ddagger of 14.6-(3) kcal·mol⁻¹ and –4.7(9) eu, respectively.²² The recent discovery of η^2 -coordinated biaryl diphosphines such as **3**²³ suggests that **4** is a reasonable intermediate or transition state structure for the **2O_O**/**2C_O** interconversion.



In summary, we have observed that Pt(II) binaphtholates can access a novel C,O binding mode that is, in some cases, competitive with the traditional O,O' coordination mode. Steric interactions between the diphosphine and Me₂BINOL ligands determine whether the C,O or O,O' binding mode is preferable in a given complex. Since dynamic exchange between these forms is possible, the C,O-bound isomer could be important to the reactivity of late metal BINOL systems.

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