

Reactivity of the labile complex $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{NCMe})_2]$ with diphosphanes

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The reactions of $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{NCMe})_2]$ (**1**) with variable ratios of bis(dimethylphosphanyl)methane (dmpm) or bis(diphenylphosphanyl)methane (dppm) afford different products, in which the diphosphanes are acting either as a chelate, as in $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{P-P})]$ (P-P = dmpm **2**, dppm **6**) and $[\text{Mo}(\text{NCMe})(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{P-P})]$ [$\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_3$] (P-P = dmpm **4**, dppm **8**) or as a bridge as in $[\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\mu\text{-P-P})]$ (P-P = dmpm **3**, dppm **7**). The analogous reaction with tetraethyldiphosphite (tedip) affords $[\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\mu\text{-tedip})]$ (**5**) as a single product.

Introduction

We recently reported that the complex $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dmpm})]$ (**2**) (dmpm = bis(dimethylphosphanyl)methane) reacts with carbanionic reagents to afford the corresponding *cis*-dicarbonyl $[\text{MoR}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dmpm})]$ complexes. These species subsequently rearranged to the isomeric *trans*-dicarbonyl compounds, which then undergo the reductive elimination of the R-allyl coupling products.¹ We have prepared complex **2** by reaction of the known precursor $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{NCMe})_2]$ (**1**)² with dmpm, a method that has become conventional for the preparation of $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{L-L})]$ (L-L = bidentate ligand) compounds.³ However, we observed that traces of other species were formed in addition to complex **2** in some of the preparations. Having ruled out the presence of an impurity in the reagents, we hypothesized that compounds with a molybdenum : dmpm ratio different from 1 : 1 were formed along with complex **2**. Thus, we initiated a careful study of the reaction of the bis(nitrile) complex **1** with dmpm. Our findings are the subject of this paper.

Results and discussion

The reaction of $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{NCMe})_2]$ (**1**)² with an equimolar amount of dmpm afforded $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dmpm})]$ (**2**),¹ which could be isolated in high yield by crystallization. However, the reactions of **1** with substoichiometric amounts of dmpm yielded solutions containing two new compounds in ratios dependent of the amount of dmpm used (Scheme 1). Working with a Mo : dmpm ratio of 2 : 1, complex $[\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\mu\text{-dmpm})]$ (**3**) was obtained as the major product and could be isolated by fractional crystallization. A yellow single crystal of **3** was used for a structural determination by X-ray diffraction. The results are displayed in Fig. 1.

The molecule of **3** consists of two identical *cis*- $\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}$ moieties linked by two chloro bridges and a dmpm bridge. Each metal center is electron precise without considering an intermetallic bond; consistently, the Mo-Mo distance (4.027(4) Å) is outside the range of direct Mo-Mo bonds.⁴

The open face of the allyl group on each metal fragment is oriented pointing toward the carbonyls, as found for most mononuclear $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{L-L})]$ derivatives.⁵

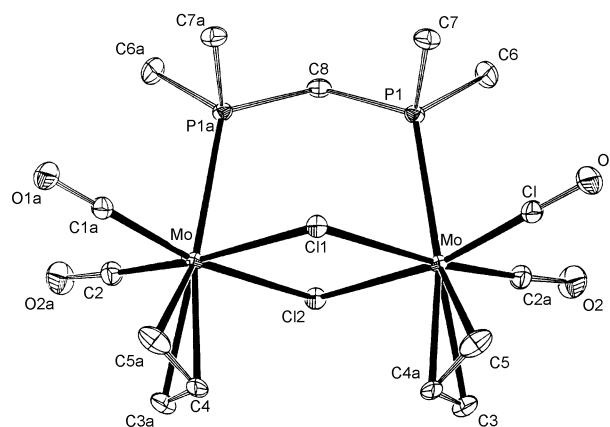


Fig. 1 Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability) and numbering scheme of **3**. Selected lengths (Å) and angles (°): Mo-Mo 4.027(4), Mo-Cl(1) 2.627(1), Mo-Cl(2) 2.627(1); Cl(2)-Mo-Cl(1) 79.10(4).

The molecule of **3** possesses a mirror plane orthogonal to the intermetallic vector. The ¹H and ³¹P NMR data (see Experimental section) are consistent with this structure being maintained in solution.

When the reaction of **1** and dmpm was carried out using an Mo : dmpm ratio of 3 : 1, the compound $[\text{Mo}(\text{NCMe})(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dmpm})][\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_3]$ (**4**) was the major product. Selective crystallization allowed its isolation, and a structural determination was carried out using single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The results are displayed in Fig. 2.

Compound **4** is a salt whose anion, consisting of two *cis*- $\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}$ fragments linked by three chloro bridges, was previously found in the compound $[\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{NCMe})_3][\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_3]$.⁶ The cation of **4** is a monometallic complex with an acetonitrile and a chelating dmpm ligand bonded to a $\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}$ fragment.⁷ Obviously, the formation of **4** is the result of ionization and intermolecular chloride transfer. This has also been found to be the case in the generation of the mentioned salt $[\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{NCMe})_3][\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_3]$ when the labile precursor **1** stands in solution of non-coordinating solvents prolonged times.⁶ However, there should be noted that the formation of the salt **4** upon reaction of **1** with dmpm is

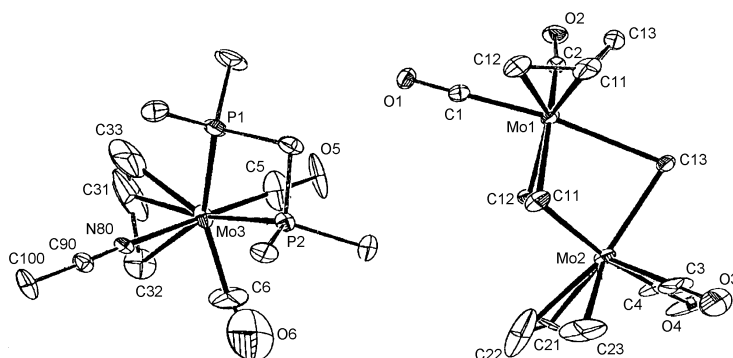
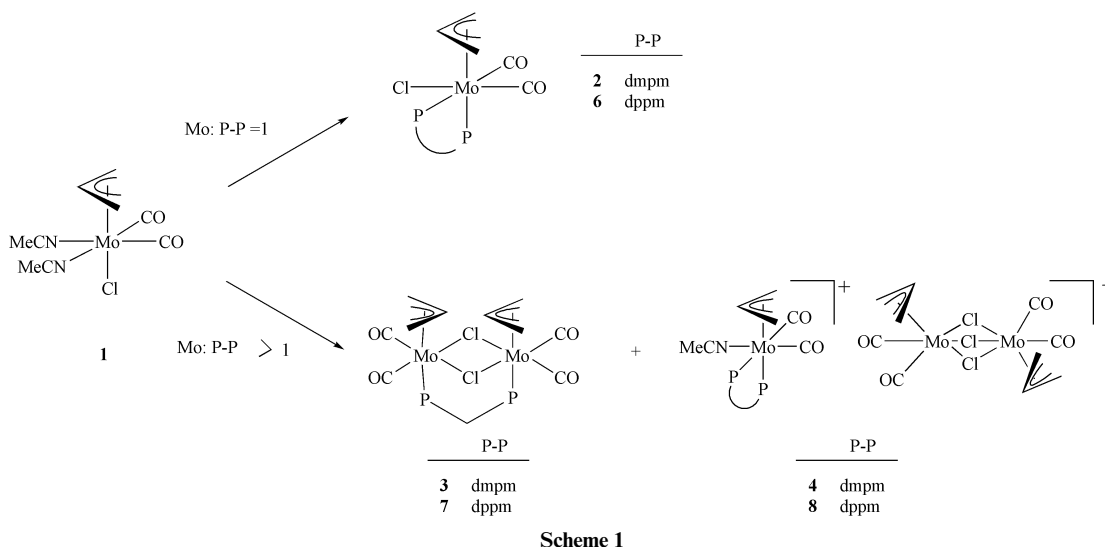


Fig. 2 Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability) and numbering scheme of **4**. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°): Mo(1)–Cl(1) 2.519(2), Mo(1)–Cl(2) 2.596(2), Mo(1)–Cl(3) 2.580(3), Mo(2)–Cl(1) 2.566(2), Mo(2)–Cl(2) 2.538(2), Mo(2)–Cl(3) 2.580(2), Mo(1)–C(1) 1.931(10), Mo(3)–N(80) 2.220(8); Mo(3)–N(1) 2.212(8), Mo(3)–P(1) 2.458(3), Mo(3)–P(2) 2.463(3), Cl(3)–Mo(2)–Cl(2) 78.20(7), Cl(1)–Mo(2)–Cl(2) 78.03(7), Cl(2)–Mo(1)–Cl(3) 79.39(8), Cl(1)–Mo(1)–Cl(3) 77.64(8), N(1)–Mo(3)–P(1) 91.8(2), N(1)–Mo(3)–P(2) 91.5(2), P(1)–Mo(3)–P(2) 66.59(9).

instantaneous. This suggests that the presence of the strongly donating dmpm ligand promotes the ionization.

Using ^{31}P NMR, we have examined how the composition of the mixtures obtained by reaction of **1** and dmpm changes with time. We found that the final formation of the dmpm-bridged bimetallic complex **3** takes place, at least in part, at the expense of the salt **4**, which, even using a Mo : dmpm ratio of 2 : 1, is initially formed as the major product. The formation of **3** from **4** implies, besides chloride transfer between molybdenum centers, a change in the coordination mode of dmpm, a process that is known to be facile for this diphosphane.⁸ Although slower than the formation of **3** from **4**, ^{31}P NMR monitoring indicated that, in the presence of excess of dmpm, the binuclear complex **3** transforms into **2**.

We reasoned that using a diphosphane which is both a poor donor and a good binucleating ligand would favor the formation of a bridged bimetallic complex like **3**. To test this idea, we have chosen tetraethylidiphosphite (tedip), which is a weaker donor than bis(dialkylphosphanyl)alkanes and shows a high preference for the bridging over the chelate coordination mode. Indeed, the reaction of **1** with tedip yielded, regardless of the Mo : tedip ratio, complex $[\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\mu\text{-tedip})]$ (**5**) (Scheme 2), which was found to be isostructural with **3** by the results of a single crystal X-ray determination, shown in Fig. 3.

Compounds **3** and **5** are the first examples of diphosphane-bridged complexes with pseudo-octahedral $\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2\}$ moieties.

The formation of similar species in the reactions of **1** with bis(diphenylphosphanyl)methane (dppm), which have been previously used to prepare the well known $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})-$

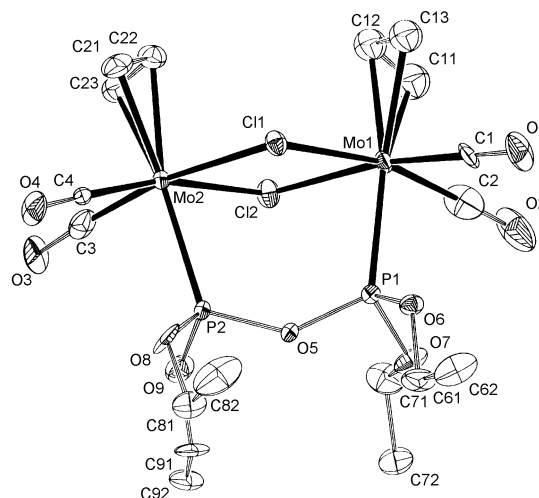
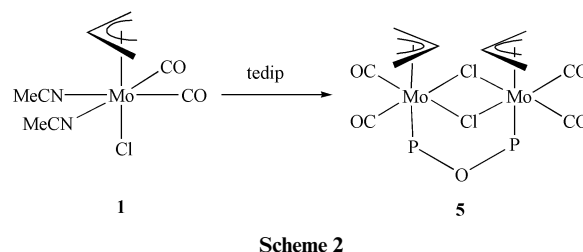


Fig. 3 Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability) and numbering scheme of **5**. Selected lengths (Å) and angles (°): Mo–Mo 3.985(2), Mo–Cl(1) 2.592(2), Mo–Cl(2) 2.588(3); Cl(2)–Mo–Cl(1) 79.45(6).

(CO)₂(dppm)]^{3c} complex, was not investigated previously. We set out to explore the possible presence of these species in the crude reaction mixtures obtained from **1** and dppm. Faller *et al.* reported the preparation of [MoCl(η³-allyl)(CO)₂(dppm)] by reaction of **1** with dppm followed by chromatographic purification.^{3c} Accordingly, we found that using a Mo : dppm ratio of 1 : 1, the main product (as shown by the ³¹P NMR spectrum) was [MoCl(η³-allyl)(CO)₂(dppm)] (**6**), characterized by X-ray diffraction (Fig. 4) (Scheme 1). The structure of **6** is, in the main, similar to that of the previously characterized 1,2-diphenylphosphanylene (dppe) derivative [MoCl(η³-allyl)(CO)₂(dppe)].^{3c} In addition, we have observed signals due to two minor products in the ³¹P NMR spectra of the crude mixtures present before chromatography. The relative amount of these byproducts increased when Mo : dppm ratios of 2 : 1 or 3 : 1 were employed. One of these species, featuring a singlet at −2.33 ppm, was found to be the kinetic product and, by analogy with the results obtained with dmpm (*vide supra*), was believed to be the salt [Mo(NCMe)(η³-allyl)(CO)₂(dppm)]-[{Mo(η³-allyl)(CO)₂]₂(μ-Cl)₃] (**8**). ³¹P NMR monitoring of the reaction mixtures showed an increase of two additional compounds featuring singlets at 13.02 and −2.03 ppm. The latter corresponds to the mononuclear complex **6** (*vide supra*). The former could be obtained as the main product using a Mo : dppm ratio of 2 : 1. This product was found to be [Mo(η³-allyl)(CO)₂]₂(μ-Cl)₂(μ-dppm)] (**7**) by X-ray diffraction (see Fig. 5). The main features of the structure of **7** are similar to those of **3** (*vide supra*). The interconversions of **6**, **7** and **8** parallel those found for the dmpm analogs (see above).

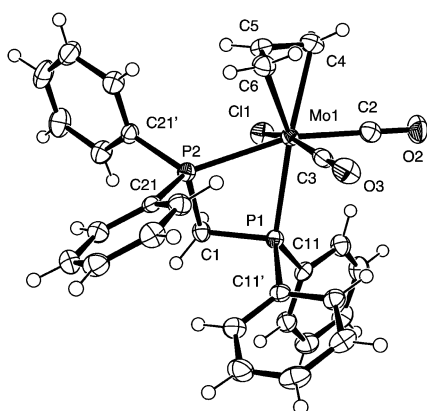


Fig. 4 Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability) and numbering scheme of **6**. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°): Mo–Cl 2.5232(9), Mo–P(1) 2.5474(10), Mo–P(2) 2.6015(9), Mo–C(2) 1.973(3), Mo–C(3) 1.941(3); P(1)–Mo–P(2) 64.47(3).

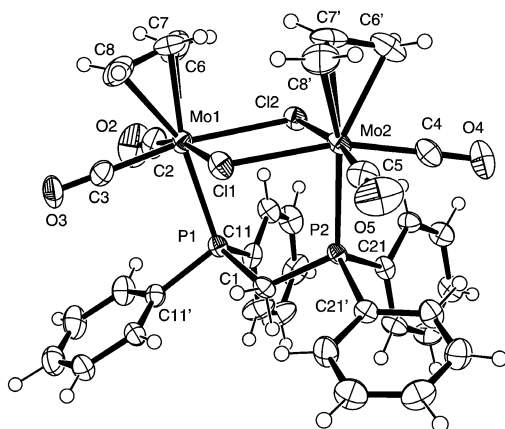


Fig. 5 Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability) and numbering scheme of **7**. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°): Mo(1)–Cl(1) 2.5793(11), Mo(1)–Cl(2) 2.6266(14), Mo(2)–Cl(1) 2.5789(13), Mo(2)–Cl(2) 2.6177(11); Cl(2)–Mo–Cl(1) 78.85(5).

In conclusion, the present work indicates that widely used diphosphanes act both as chelates and as bridges toward {Mo(η³-allyl)(CO)₂} fragments, and that chloride transfer, ionization and binucleation can occur readily in solution. The existence of these processes can be of relevance when studying the solution behavior of [MoX(η³-allyl)(CO)₂(P–P)] complexes, which have been used as allylic alkylation precatalysts.⁹

Experimental

All operations were carried out under an atmosphere of dry dinitrogen using Schlenk techniques. Solvents were dried over Na (hexane), CaH₂ (CH₂Cl₂ and MeOH) and distilled immediately before being used. IR spectra were registered in THF solutions. NMR chemical shifts (δ) are given in ppm, and coupling constants (*J*) in Hz. Apparent triplet is abbreviated “at” in the ¹H NMR spectra. All spectra were recorded at room temperature.

Preparation of [MoCl(η³-C₃H₅)(CO)₂(dmpm)] (**2**)

The addition of dmpm (50 μL, 0.32 mmol) to [MoCl(η³-C₃H₅)(CO)₂(NCMe)₂] (**1**)² (0.10 g, 0.32 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) gave a red solution which was stirred for 5 min. The volume was reduced *in vacuo* to one third and hexane was added to precipitate **2** as an orange crystalline solid. Yield: 0.11 g, 94%; Anal. Calc. for C₁₀H₁₉ClMoO₂P₂: C, 32.94; H, 5.25. Found C, 32.61; H, 5.62%. IR (ν_{CO}) (CH₂Cl₂): 1944s, 1845s cm^{−1}; ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 1.65 [at, ²J_{P–H} = 5, 6H, CH₃ dmpm], 1.73 [at, ²J_{P–H} = 5, 6H, CH₃ dmpm], 2.31 [d, ³J_{H–H} = 12, 2H, H_{anti}], 3.24 [m, 2H, CH₂ dmpm], 3.69 [m, 2H, H_{syn}], 4.75 [m, 1H, C²H]. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 13.40 [at, ¹J_{P–C} = 13, CH₃ dmpm], 17.34 [at, ¹J_{P–C} = 14, CH₃ dmpm], 40.65 [at, ¹J_{P–C} = 23, CH₂ dmpm], 62.36 [s, C^{1,3} allyl], 98.68 [s, C² allyl], 226.68 [at, ²J_{P–C} = 8, CO]. P{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ −24.38.

Reaction of **1** with substoichiometric amounts of dmpm

(a) dmpm (25 μL, 0.16 mmol) was added to a solution of **1** (0.10 g, 0.32 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and the mixture was stirred for 15 min. The solution was concentrated to 5 mL and hexane was added (20 mL), causing the precipitation of an orange solid which was washed with hexane and dried *in vacuo*. By slow diffusion of hexanes into a concentrated solution of the orange solid in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) at −20 °C red crystals of **3** were obtained. Yield: 0.05 g, 60%. Anal. Calc. for C₁₅H₂₄Cl₂Mo₂O₄P₂: C, 30.37; H, 4.07. Found: C, 30.14; H, 4.21%. IR (ν_{CO}) (CH₂Cl₂): 1934s, 1851s cm^{−1}. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 1.82 [d, ³J_{H–H} = 10.0, 4H, H_{syn}], 1.88 [d, ²J_{H–P} = 7.0, 12H, CH₃ dmpm], 2.15 [t, ²J_{H–P} = 12, 2H, CH₂ dmpm], 3.71 [d, ³J_{H–H} = 7.0, 4H, H_{anti}], 4.68 [m, 2H, C²H]. ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ −2.29.

(b) dmpm (16 μL, 0.10 mmol) was added to a solution of **1** (0.10 g, 0.32 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and the mixture was stirred for 15 min. The solution was concentrated to 5 mL, layered with hexane (20 mL) and placed at −20 °C. After several days, orange crystals of **4** were obtained. Yield: 0.03 g, 41%. Anal. Calc. for C₂₂H₃₂Cl₃Mo₃NO₆P₂: C, 28.33; H, 3.45. Found: C, 28.26; H, 3.65%. IR (ν_{CO}) (CH₂Cl₂): 1992s, 1935s cm^{−1}. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): cation [Mo(η³-allyl)(CO)₂(NCMe)(dmpm)] δ 1.90 [m, 12H, CH₃ dmpm], 2.40 [s, 3H, MeCN], 2.46 [d, ³J_{H–H} = 12.13, 2H, H_{anti}], 3.17 [m, 2H, CH₂ dmpm], 3.75 [d, ³J_{H–H} = 6, 2H, H_{syn}], 5.30 [m, 1H, C²H]. Anion [{Mo(η³-allyl)(CO)₂]₂(μ-Cl)₃] δ 0.95 [d, ³J_{H–H} = 9.6, 4H, H_{anti}], 3.46 [d, ³J_{H–H} = 6.5, 4H, H_{syn}], 3.80 [m, 2H, C²H]. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂): Cation [Mo(η³-allyl)(CO)₂(NCMe)(dmpm)] δ 4.52 [s, NCCH₃], 17.80 [m, CH₃ dmpm], 41.71 [t, ¹J_{C–H} = 27.5, CH₂ dmpm], 63.19 [s, C^{1,3} allyl], 108.55 [s, C² allyl], 125.03 [s, NCMe], 222.29 [s, CO]. Anion [{Mo(η³-allyl)(CO)₂]₂(μ-Cl)₃] δ 63.78 [s, C^{1,3} allyl], 83.28 [s, C² allyl], 228.86 [s, CO]. ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ −24.41.

Preparation of $[\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\mu\text{-tedip})]$ (**5**)

Tedip (0.16 mmol, 40 μL) was added to a solution of $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\text{CO})_2(\text{NCMe})]$ (0.32 mmol, 0.10 g) in CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL). The color of the solution changed immediately from yellow to red. The solution was concentrated *in vacuo* to 2 mL and hexane was added, causing the precipitation of a red solid which was washed with hexane and dried *in vacuo*. Yield: 0.20 g, 86%. Slow diffusion of hexanes onto a concentrated solution of **5** in THF afforded red crystals, one of which was used for a structural determination by X-ray diffraction. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{Cl}_2\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_9\text{P}_2$: C, 30.23; H, 4.22. Found: C, 30.02; H, 4.53%. IR (ν_{CO}) (CH_2Cl_2): 1948s, 1863s cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (CD_2Cl_2): δ 1.43 [t, $^2J_{\text{H-P}} = 7$, 12H, CH_3], 1.83 [d, $^3J_{\text{H-H}} = 10.7$, 4H, H_{anti}], 3.82 [d, $^3J_{\text{H-H}} = 6.7$, 4H, H_{syn}], 3.90 [m, 8H, CH_2], 4.49 [m, 2H, C^2H]. ^{13}C NMR (CD_2Cl_2): δ 16.46 [s, CH_3], 62.99 [s, CH_2], 64.83 [s, $\text{C}^{1,3}$ allyl], 74.09 [s, C^2 allyl], 223.57 [at, $^3J_{\text{C-P}} = 7.9$, CO]. $^{31}\text{P}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (CD_2Cl_2): δ 127.29.

Reaction of **1** with dppm

A mixture of dppm (0.24 mmol, 0.09 g) and $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\text{CO})_2(\text{NCMe})]$ (**1**) (0.48 mmol, 0.15 g) was charged in a Schlenk flask along with a stirbar. After three vacuum–nitrogen cycles, CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) was added. NMR samples were taken at 1 h intervals by charging 0.5 mL amounts of this reaction mixture into 5 mm NMR tubes containing capillary inserts filled with D_2O as lock signal. ^{31}P NMR monitoring indicated initial (1 h) predominance of $[\text{MoCl}(\eta^3\text{-allyl})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppm})]$ (**6**) (singlet at -2.03 ppm) and small amounts of $[\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\mu\text{-dppm})]$ (**7**) and $[\text{Mo}(\text{NCMe})(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppm})]$ [$\{\text{Mo}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\text{CO})_2\}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_3$] (**8**) (singlets at 13.02 and -2.33 ppm, respectively). After 1 day, the mixture contains similar amounts of **6** and **7** and a small amount of **8**. After 1 week the major product (approximately 70%) is **7**. At this point the orange solution was filtered through diatomaceous earth, concentrated to a volume of 5 mL and layered with hexane. A mixture of yellow crystals of **6** and orange crystals of **7** was obtained, which were separated by hand under a microscope and characterized by NMR spectroscopy and X-ray diffraction. The spectroscopic data of **6** coincide with those reported by Faller *et al.*^{3c}

7: Yield: 0.13 g, 64%. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{32}\text{Cl}_2\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_4\text{P}_2$: C, 49.96; H, 3.83. Found C, 49.79; H, 3.75%. IR (ν_{CO}) (CH_2Cl_2): 1940vs, 1854s cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CD_2Cl_2): δ 1.74 [d, $^3J_{\text{H-H}} = 10$, 4H, H_{anti}], 3.52 [t, $^2J_{\text{H-P}} = 11.5$, 2H, CH_2 dppm], 3.85 [d, $^3J_{\text{H-H}} = 7$, 4H, H_{syn}], 4.66 [m, 2H, C^2H], 7.29 [m, 20H, Ph of dppm]. $^{31}\text{P}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (CD_2Cl_2): δ 13.20.

X-Ray crystallographic study

Data in common: Bruker AXS SMART 1000 CCD diffractometer, ϕ and ω scans, Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å), graphite monochromator, $T = 295$ K. Raw frame data were integrated with the SAINT¹⁰ program. Structures were solved by direct methods with SHELXTL.¹¹ Semi-empirical absorption correction was done with SADABS.¹² All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were set in calculated positions and refined as riding atoms, with a common thermal parameter. All calculations were made with SHELXTL.

Crystal data

3: $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{24}\text{Cl}_2\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_4\text{P}_2$, $M = 593.06$, orthorhombic, space group $Pnma$, $a = 11.8955(11)$, $b = 19.191(6)$, $c = 9.294(2)$ Å, $U = 2121.8(9)$ Å³, $T = 293$ K, $Z = 4$, $\lambda(\text{Mo-K}\alpha) = 0.71073$

mm^{-1} , 2142 reflections measured, 2142 unique ($R_{\text{int}} = 0.0287$), $wR2 = 0.0918$.

4: $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{32}\text{Cl}_3\text{Mo}_3\text{NO}_6\text{P}_2$, $M = 843.57$, monoclinic, space group $P2_1/c$, $a = 9.6225(4)$, $b = 16.2346(7)$, $c = 21.4232(7)$ Å, $\beta = 93.951(2)^\circ$, $U = 3338.7(2)$ Å³, $T = 293$ K, $Z = 4$, $\lambda(\text{Cu-K}\alpha) = 1.54184$ mm⁻¹, 5465 reflections measured, 3526 unique ($R_{\text{int}} = 0.0675$), $wR2 = 0.1844$.

5: $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{Cl}_2\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_9\text{P}_2$, $M = 715.14$, monoclinic, space group $P2_1/c$, $a = 10.050(7)$, $b = 11.580(9)$, $c = 23.320(11)$ Å, $\beta = 97.82(3)^\circ$, $U = 2689(3)$ Å³, $T = 293$ K, $Z = 4$, $\lambda(\text{Cu-K}\alpha) = 1.54184$ mm⁻¹, 3961 reflections measured, 2992 unique ($R_{\text{int}} = 0.0672$), $wR2 = 0.1726$.

6: $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{35}\text{ClMoO}_3\text{P}_2$, $M = 684.95$, monoclinic, space group $P2_1/c$, $a = 15.119(5)$, $b = 10.830(5)$, $c = 23.494(5)$ Å, $\beta = 123.229(5)^\circ$, $U = 3218(2)$ Å³, $T = 293$ K, $Z = 4$, $\lambda(\text{Cu-K}\alpha) = 1.54084$ mm⁻¹, 11578 reflections measured, 6058 unique ($R_{\text{int}} = 0.0365$), $wR2 = 0.0863$.

7: $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{33}\text{Cl}_2\text{NM}_2\text{O}_4\text{P}_2$, $M = 868.35$, monoclinic, space group $P2_1/c$, $a = 14.763(5)$, $b = 15.343(5)$, $c = 17.538(5)$ Å, $\beta = 114.96(5)^\circ$, $U = 3601(2)$ Å³, $T = 293$ K, $Z = 4$, $\lambda(\text{Cu-K}\alpha) = 1.54184$ mm⁻¹, 6752 reflections measured, 6752 unique ($R_{\text{int}} = 0.0375$), $wR2 = 0.0836$.

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