

## NICKEL, PALLADIUM AND PLATINUM. ANNUAL SURVEY COVERING THE YEAR 1982\*

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

This survey details the accounts of the organometallic chemistry of nickel, palladium and platinum published in 1982. Material from the patent literature which was reported in Chemical Abstracts in 1982 is also included, and the organisation remains broadly similar to that in past surveys.

A number of reviews of general interest have appeared, including a wide-ranging one of compounds of the platinum group metals [1]. Oxidative addition in the coordination chemistry of the platinum metals has been discussed [2], as have compounds of palladium(IV) and platinum(IV) [3]. The use of organopalladium intermediates in organic synthesis has again been a growth area [4], and reactions of alkene, allyl and alkylpalladium complexes with nucleophiles have been specifically considered [5]. The relative two-ligand dissociation enthalpies,  $SD(Ni^{2+}-2L)$  for  $Ni^{2+}$  with fifty organic molecules have been determined [6].

## 2 METAL CARBON $\sigma$ -BONDED COMPLEXES

SCF  $X_{\alpha}$  SW calculations on  $[Me_2ML_2]$  ( $M = Ni, Pd$  or  $Pt$ ),  $[H_2PtL_2]$  and  $[HPtMeL_2]$  suggested a correlation between molecular orbital character and the rate of reductive elimination. The complexes which eliminated  $XY$  readily had occupied molecular orbitals with pronounced  $M-X(Y)$  antibonding character, and those which eliminated  $XY$  slowly had only vacant  $M-X(Y)$  antibonding orbitals [7]. Theoretical analysis of the reductive elimination of methane from  $[HPtMe(PX_3)_2]$  showed that elimination should be very facile, in good agreement with experiment [8].

Abel's group have published further studies of the dynamic nmr spectra of methyl platinum complexes. In  $[Me_3Pt(X)\{Q(Me)CH_2CH_2Q'(Me)\}]$  ( $Q = Q' = S$  or  $Se$  or  $Q = S, Q' = Se$ ), total nmr band-shape fitting methods provided accurate values for the barriers to inversion at sulphur and selenium. The effects of ligand ring size, halide and metal oxidation state were discussed [9]. The complexes  $[Me_3Pt(X)(MeSRSeMe)]$  ( $R = (CH_2)_2$  or  $1,2-C_6H_4$ ) were prepared, and the energy barriers associated with pyramidal inversion of the individual chalcogens determined [10]. Reaction of thiols,  $RSH$ , with  $\{[Me_3Pt(OH)]_4\}$  gave  $\{[Me_3Pt(SR)]_4\}$  [11].

Platinum on alumina catalysts with good reforming activity were prepared from the thermal decomposition of  $\{[Me_3PtX]_4\}$  [12]. The reaction of  $[MePt(cod)Cl]$  with chelating ligands,  $LL'$ , gave  $[MePt(LL')Cl]$ . Cationic mixed complexes,  $[MePt(LL')L^+][PF_6^-]$ , could be prepared by further reaction with  $L^+$  in the presence of  $Ag[PF_6]$  [13]. Monosubstitution of only the phosphine

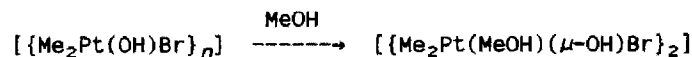
ligands in  $cis\text{-}[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)_2]$  occurred, to give  $cis\text{-}[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)(\text{CNCMe}_3)]$  [14].

Oxidation of  $[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{NN})]$  (NN = bipy or phen) by ROH in the presence of a large counterion,  $X^-$ , gave rather stable platinum(IV) complexes,  $[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{OR})(\text{NN})]^+X^-$  [15].  $cis,cis,trans\text{-}[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{NO}_2)_2(\text{PEt}_3)_2]$  was prepared by reaction of  $cis\text{-}[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]$  with nitric oxide; its structure was determined by X-ray diffraction techniques [16]. The structure of  $\text{K}_4[\text{Pt}_2(\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_5)_4(\text{Me})\text{I}]$  was confirmed by  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{31}\text{P}$  and  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  nmr spectroscopy [17].

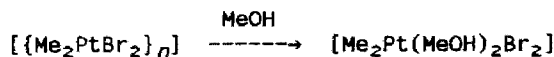
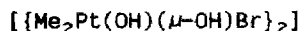
$^{195}\text{Pt}$  chemical shift anisotropy in the solid platinum complexes,  $[\{\text{Me}_3\text{Pt}(\text{acac})\}_2]$  and  $[\text{Me}_3\text{Pt}]_2[\text{SO}_4]$ , was measured. The  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  relaxation parameters were found to be strongly field dependent [18].

The rate of oxidative addition of bromomethane to  $[\text{Me}_2\text{PtL}_2]$  to give  $fac\text{-}[\text{Me}_3\text{PtL}_2\text{Br}]$  depended on L. A 2-methoxy group enhanced the reaction rate by electronic interaction with the metal. Oxidative addition of benzyl bromide and  $\alpha$ -haloesters was also studied [19]. Reaction of  $[\text{PtCl}_4]^{2-}$  with iodomethane gave  $[\text{MePt}(\text{H}_2\text{O})\text{Cl}_4]$ ; this reacted with sodium chloride to give chloromethane, and with tin(IV) chloride to give methane [20].

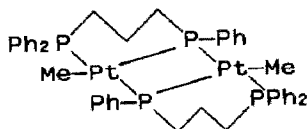
Some reactions of oligomeric methylplatinum complexes have been studied in detail (Scheme 1); the methyl groups generally acted only as spectators [21]. Reaction of  $[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{cod})]$  with  $\text{R}_2\text{P}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{PPh}$  gave the dimeric species, 1 [22].



$\text{K}[\text{OH}]$



Scheme 1 Reactions of oligomeric methylplatinum complexes [21]



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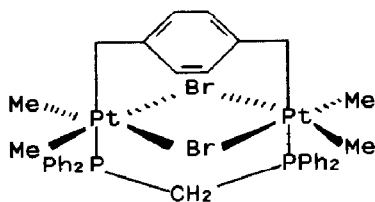
Reaction of  $cis\text{-}[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{cod})]$  with tris(thiazol-2-yl) phosphine, L, gave

*cis*-[Me<sub>2</sub>PtL<sub>2</sub>]. Many other phosphines substituted with heterocycles gave similarly successful reactions [23]. The relative proportions of diastereoisomers in [MePt(chelate)L][ClO<sub>4</sub>] (chelate = DIOP, CHIRAPHOS or other chiral phosphines; L = R- or S-PhCH(Me)NH<sub>2</sub>) were determined by <sup>31</sup>P nmr spectroscopy. The structure of [MePt(DIOP)Cl] was determined by X-ray diffraction techniques; the seven-membered chelate ring adopted a twist-chair conformation [24].

Treatment of [Pt<sub>2</sub>(μ-dppm)<sub>3</sub>] with a halomethane gave [MePt<sub>2</sub>(μ-dppm)<sub>2</sub>(η<sup>1</sup>-dppm)]X. The η<sup>1</sup>-dppm ligand could be replaced by PPh<sub>3</sub>, PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph or pyridine [25]. The "A-frame" complex, [Me<sub>2</sub>Pt<sub>2</sub>(μ-dppm)<sub>2</sub>(μ-H)], could be synthesised by the reaction of [Me<sub>3</sub>Pt<sub>2</sub>(μ-dppm)<sub>2</sub>][PF<sub>6</sub>] or [Me<sub>2</sub>Pt<sub>2</sub>(μ-dppm)<sub>2</sub>(μ-Cl)][PF<sub>6</sub>] with Na[BH<sub>4</sub>]. The μ-hydrido species was stable in the solid state and its structure was determined by X-ray diffraction. Some weak metal-metal interaction was detected. On reaction with an excess of PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph, methane was evolved, but the reaction was not quantitative and some platinum(0) complexes were also formed [26].

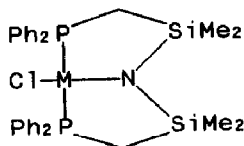
The kinetics of replacement of dmsO in *cis*-[R<sub>2</sub>Pt(dmsO)<sub>2</sub>] by ligands such as bipy and phen have been studied. The reaction proceeded *via* initial loss of dmsO to give an unsaturated three-coordinate complex [27]. The complex *cis*-[BuPt(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl] underwent isomerisation to the *trans*-species in 2-propanol. Addition of chloride ion prevented isomerisation and promoted β-elimination, to give mainly 1-butene and Z-2-butene [28].

X-ray diffraction studies of the propanone, ethanonitrile and benzene solvates of [PdCl(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] were undertaken. There was little, if any, evidence for the interaction of the nitrogen atom with the metal [29]. The preparation of 2 was described in detail, and the complex was characterised by X-ray diffraction [30].



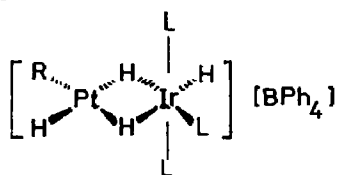
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Reaction of [Pt(dppm)Cl<sub>2</sub>] with RLi gave [R<sub>2</sub>Pt(dppm)]. Addition of an excess of dppm to this complex gave [R<sub>2</sub>Pt(η<sup>1</sup>-dppm)<sub>2</sub>], which was useful in the synthesis of bimetallic derivatives [31]. The halide in 3 (M = Ni or Pd) was readily replaced by an alkyl group using RMgBr (R = Me, CH<sub>2</sub>CH=CH<sub>2</sub>, Ph or CH=CH<sub>2</sub>); organolithium reagents gave lower yields [32].



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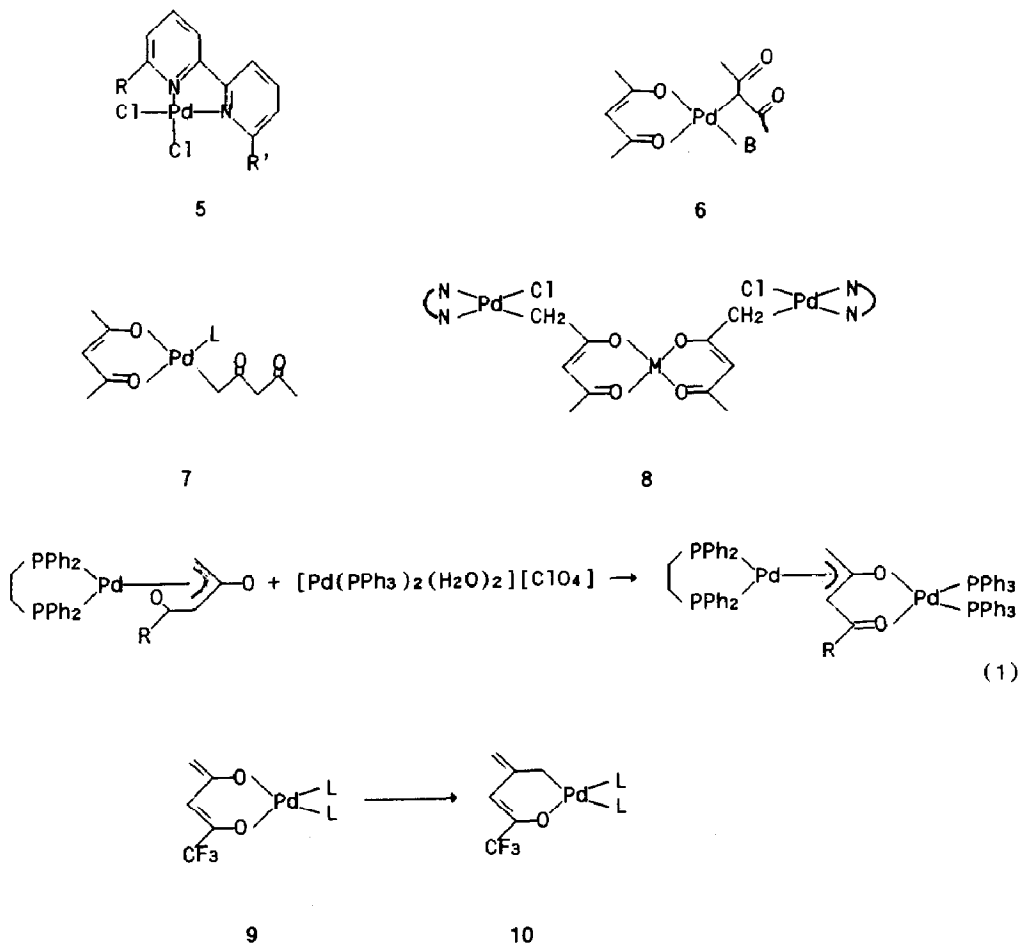
The synthesis and properties of  $[\text{RCH}_2\text{Ni}(\text{PMe}_2)(\text{S}_2\text{CNR}'_2)]$  ( $\text{R} = \text{Me}_3\text{Si}$  or  $\text{Ph}_2\text{C}(\text{Me})$ ) were described; the complexes showed dynamic behaviour on the nmr timescale [33]. Reaction of  $\text{trans-}[\text{RPt}(\text{MeOH})\text{L}_2]^+$  with  $[\text{H}_5\text{IrL}_2]$  gave the binuclear species, 4. *Cis*  $\rightleftharpoons$  *trans* isomerisation in 4 occurred via the breaking of a Pt-H bond [34].



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The rate of oxidative addition of  $\text{RX}$  to  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PET}_3)_4]$  was found to be ten to twenty fold slower than the related reactions of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PET}_3)_3\text{X}]$ . With halomethanes the main products were methane and ethane, whereas iodoethane gave ethene and ethane [35]. Reaction of  $[\text{R}_x\text{ML}_2(\text{OH})]$  with  $\text{ROOH}$  gave  $[\text{R}_x\text{ML}_2(\text{OOR})]$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Pd}$  or  $\text{Pt}$ ,  $\text{R} = \text{H}$  or  $\text{Me}_3\text{C}$ ,  $\text{R}_x = \text{CF}_3$  or  $\text{CH}_2\text{CN}$ ). The product complexes behaved as oxygen transfer agents towards  $\text{PPh}_3$ ,  $\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{NO}$  or  $\text{PhCHO}$  [36].

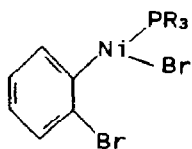
Numerous papers have described  $\sigma$ -bonded complexes of  $\beta$ -diketonates and related species. Reaction of 5 with the anion of dimethyl propanedioate resulted in substitution of both chlorine ligands [37].  $[\text{Pd}(\text{acac})_2]$  reacted with 2-, 3-, or 4-methylpyridines (B) to give complexes of type 6 [38], and a similar reaction occurred when  $[\text{Pd}(\text{hfacac})_2]$  was treated with a substituted aniline [39,40]. Reactions of the product complexes were studied [41]. Treatment of the terminally bonded acac complex, 7, with  $[\text{M}(\text{acac})_n]$  and chelating bis(nitrogen) ligands gave bimetallic species such as 8 [42,43]. Binuclear complexes were also obtained by reaction (1) [44]. Reaction of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{tfacac})\text{L}_2][\text{tfacac}]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{R}_3\text{P}$ ) with a base gave initially 9, which was rapidly isomerised to 10.  $[\text{Pd}(\text{tfacac}(2-)-\text{C},\text{O})(\text{PPh}_3)(2,6\text{-Me}_2\text{py})] \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study, and many spectroscopic data for related complexes were reported [45].



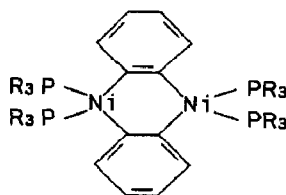
Reduction of a species described as  $[\text{Ph}_2\text{Ni}]$  resulted in deposition of nickel metal on ceramics, glass and quartz [46]. Reaction of tris(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)vanadium with  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]$  gave a species of stoichiometry  $[\text{NiV}_2(2,4,6\text{-trimethylphenyl})_6]$  [47].

The preparations of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{C}_6\text{Cl}_5)(\text{PCy}_3)_2\text{X}]$  ( $\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{I}, [\text{NCS}], [\text{NCO}]$  or  $[\text{N}_3]$ ) have been described. These complexes were rather reactive due to their steric crowding, and reacted with  $\text{HCl}$  to give  $\text{C}_6\text{Cl}_5\text{H}$ . One of the  $\text{PCy}_3$  ligands could be readily replaced by  $\text{PPh}_3$  [48]. Reaction of *trans*- $[\text{NiL}_2\text{Cl}_2]$  with  $\text{RLi}$  ( $\text{R} = 2,6\text{-dimethoxyphenyl}$ ) gave *trans*- $[\text{RNiL}_2\text{Cl}]$  and *trans*- $[\text{R}_2\text{NiL}_2]$ . Further treatment of *trans*- $[\text{R}_2\text{NiL}_2]$  with butyl lithium followed by  $\text{Me}_3\text{SiCl}$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PMe}_3$ ) resulted in lithiation of the ligand to give *trans*- $[\text{R}_2\text{Ni}\{\text{PMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3\}_2]$  [49]. Thallium(III) complexes,  $[\text{Tl}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Br}]$ , were shown to oxidise nickel(0) species such as  $[\text{NiL}_4]$  to give  $[\text{Ni}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{L}_2]$  and thallium(I) salts [50]. Cyclic voltammetry was used to study the reactions of the electrogenerated

nickel(0) complex,  $[\text{NiL}_4]$ , with 1,2-dibromobenzene. The initial product was the  $\sigma$ -aryl species, 11, which could be isolated. This reacted with further nickel(0), and there was some evidence for the production of 12 [51].

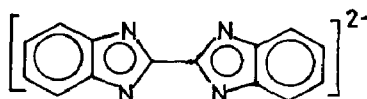


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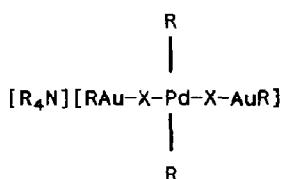


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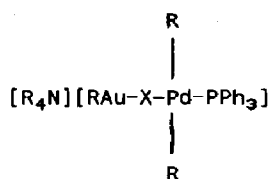
A range of complexes of bibenzimidazole, 13, have been prepared, including  $[\text{Ar}_2\text{Pd}(\mu\text{-BiBzIm})\text{Au}_2(\text{dppm})]$  ( $\text{Ar} = \text{C}_6\text{F}_5$  or  $\text{C}_6\text{Cl}_5$ ) and  $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)(\mu\text{-BiBzIm})\text{Au}_2(\text{dppm})]^+$  [52]. Mixed bimetallic complexes such as 14 and 15 ( $\text{X} = [\text{CN}]$  or  $[\text{SCN}]$ ) have been prepared from  $[\text{R}_4\text{N}][(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)\text{AuX}]$ . There was little evidence as to whether the original modes of binding of cyanide or thiocyanate to gold had been preserved in the product complexes [53].



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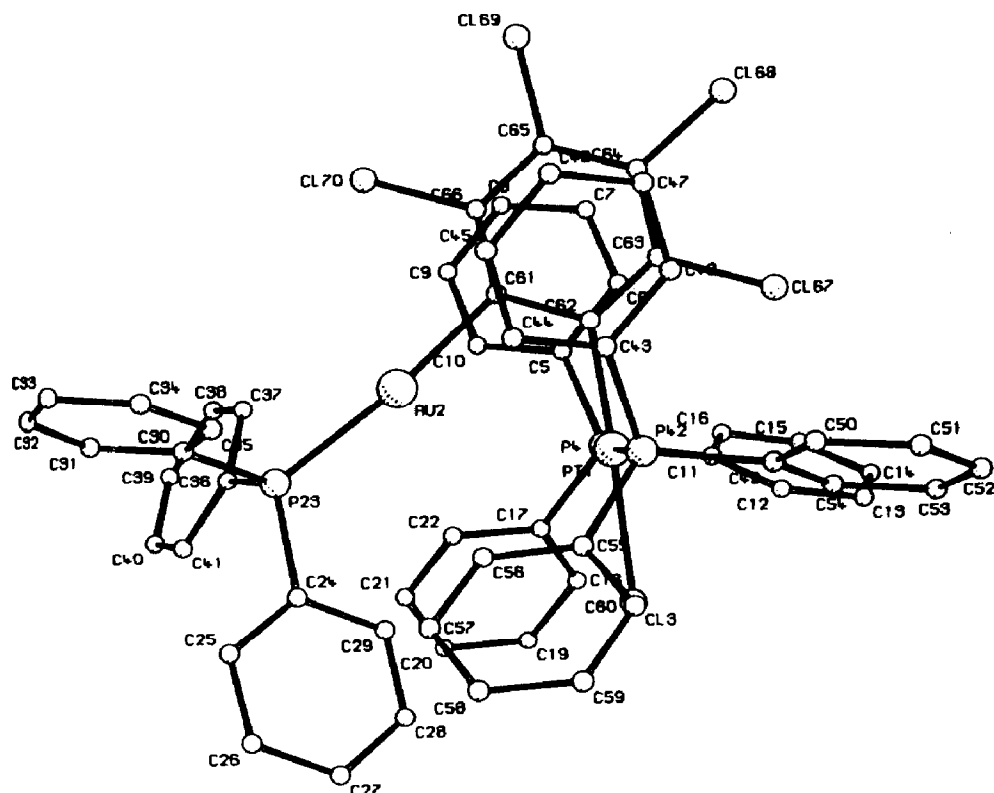
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The reaction of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_3]$  with  $[(\text{C}_6\text{Cl}_5)\text{Au}(\text{PPh}_3)]$  gave *trans*-chloro{3,4,5,6-tetrachloro-2-[(triphenylphosphine)auriophenyl]bis(triphenylphosphine) platinum(II), 16, [54]. The structure of this complex has been determined by an X-ray diffraction study. The geometry at gold was distorted linear, whilst that at platinum was approximately square planar. There were no metal- $\pi$ -interactions. It was considered that the  $\{\text{Au}(\text{PPh}_3)\}$  group activated the adjacent carbon-chlorine bond towards oxidative addition

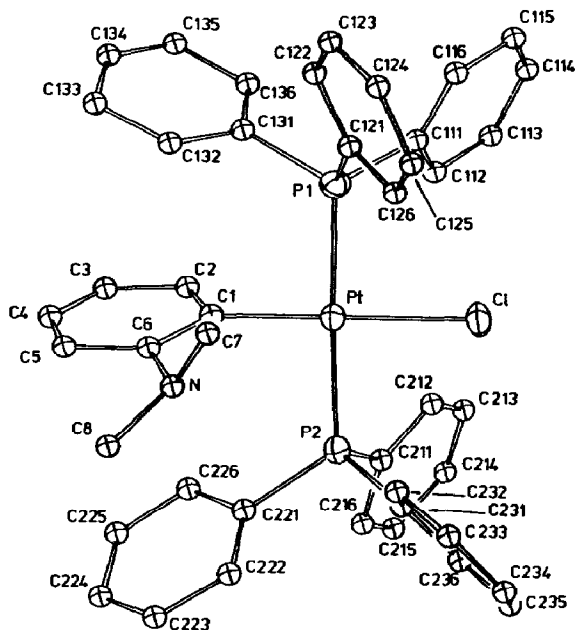
[55]. The species  $cis\text{-}[(X\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{X}']$  ( $X' = \text{Cl}$  or  $\text{Br}$ ), were synthesised by reaction of the appropriate Grignard reagent with  $cis\text{-}[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  followed by treatment of the product,  $cis\text{-}[\text{Ar}_2\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ , with hydrogen chloride. The thermal isomerisation in the crystalline phase was studied, and the related *trans*-isomers were characterised [56].



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Reaction of  $cis\text{-}[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  with 2-lithiodimethylaniline in the presence of lithium bromide gave initially the *cis*-monoadduct,  $cis\text{-}[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{-2-NMe}_2)\text{Br}]$ . This was readily isomerised to the *trans*-compound, 17, which was characterised by X-ray diffraction [57]. Thermolysis of  $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{M}(\text{dioxan})_n]$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Pd}$  or  $\text{Pt}$ ,  $n = 2$  or  $3$ ) gave complexes with only one dioxan ligand. The thermochemistry of the reactions was discussed [58].

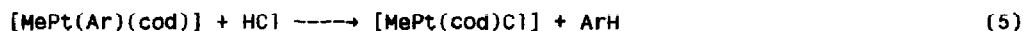
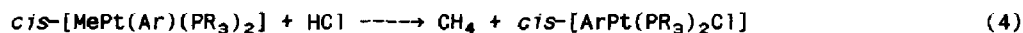
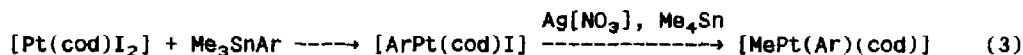
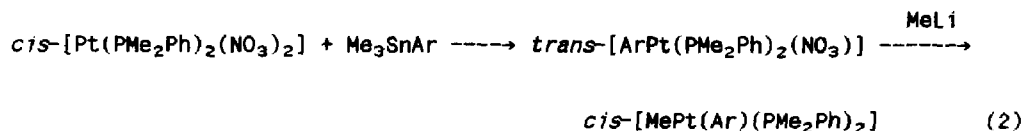




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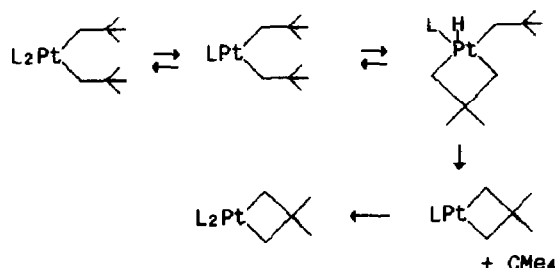
Treatment of the cationic species,  $[(M(R_3P)L)^+]$  ( $L = \text{solvent}$ ,  $M = \text{Au}$  or  $\text{Ag}$ ) with  $\text{trans-[Hpt(C}_6\text{Cl}_5)(\text{PET}_3)_2]$  gave the bridged complexes,  $[(R_3P)M(\mu\text{-H})Pt(\text{PET}_3)_2(\text{C}_6\text{Cl}_5)]^+$ , which were identified by  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{31}\text{P}$  nmr spectroscopic techniques [59]. Reaction of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_3]$  with  $\text{R}_2\text{Hg}$  resulted initially in oxidative addition to yield  $[\text{Rpt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{HgR})]$ . Treatment with  $\text{tfaH}$  gave  $[\text{Rpt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{OCOCF}_3)]$ . In the cases in which the R group was a 2-chlorinated aryl the intermediate was unstable and underwent extrusion of mercury to give a diaryl complex [60]. Complexes of the types  $\text{cis-[Rpt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{PbR}_2\text{R}')] ]$  and  $\text{trans-[Pt}(\text{PBu}_3)_2(\text{PbR}_3)_2]$  were investigated by  $^{31}\text{P}$ ,  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  and  $^{207}\text{Pb}$  nmr spectroscopy [61].

Reaction of  $\text{cis-}$  or  $\text{trans-[MePt}(\text{PMePh}_2)_2\text{Cl}]$ , or  $[\text{MePt}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]$ , with  $\text{PhLi}$  gave  $[\text{Ph}_2\text{PtL}]$  ( $L = \text{cod}$  or  $(\text{PMePh}_2)_2$ ). However, the preparation of the mixed complexes could be achieved by reactions (2) and (3). The reactions of the mixed complexes were investigated with a view to distinguishing the possible mechanisms of  $\text{S}_{\text{E}2}$ , and oxidative addition followed by reductive elimination. The  $\text{S}_{\text{E}2}$  mechanism seemed to explain both the selectivity and reactivity observed in reaction such as (4) and (5) [62].



The photolysis of  $[Et_2PdL_2]$  yielded ethene, ethane and butane in the ratio 2:2:1, irrespective of the stereochemistry of the starting material. Deuterium labelling studies suggested that there was a common intermediate, probably  $[Et_2PdL]$ , which could adopt a range of geometries [63]. A kinetic study of the thermolysis of  $[R^1R^2PtL_2]$  revealed the existence of both dissociative and non-dissociative pathways [64].

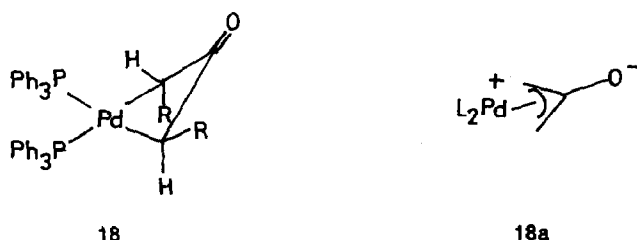
Further work from Whitesides and his coworkers has established the mechanism of reaction for the thermolysis of  $[PtL_2(CH_2CMe_3)_2]$  (Scheme 2); the driving force for the reaction would seem to be the release of steric strain [65]. The rate of the decomposition of  $[PtL_2(CH_2CMe_2Et)_2]$  was some  $10^4$  times as rapid, but the same organometallic product was formed.  $[PtL_2(CH_2CH_2CMe_3)_2]$  reacted via  $\beta$ -hydride elimination [66].



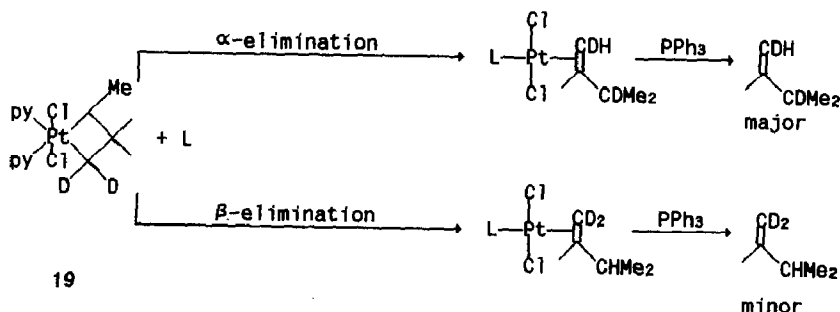
Scheme 2 The mechanism of thermolysis of neopentyl platinum derivatives [65]

The preparations and thermolysis of  $cis-[Ar_2Pt(PR_3)_2]$  have been described. On thermolysis biphenyl derivatives were produced [67].  $Trans-[Ph_2Pt(PPh_3)_2]$  was prepared and its structure was determined by X-ray diffraction. Despite the  $trans$ -stereochemistry established, thermolysis yielded biphenyl in a clean and high-yielding reaction [68].

The complex 18 was produced from the reaction of 3-oxoglutarate with  $[\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3]$  in the presence of  $\text{PPh}_3$  and in an oxygen atmosphere. X-ray diffraction studies showed that the ring was appreciably non-planar, implying a strong contribution from structures such as 18a [69].



Thermolysis of  $[\text{L}_2\text{PtCH}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{CH}_2]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{P}(\text{CHMe}_2)_3$  or  $\text{PCy}_3$ ) gave  $[\text{PtL}_2]$  together with dimethylcyclopropane and a little 2,2-dimethylpropane, by a homogeneous process. The reaction rate decreased with added phosphine indicating that the loss of phosphine was crucial to the process. Two mechanisms were proposed, one involving direct decomposition of the dissociated species, and the other proceeding via a reversible cyclometallation of the remaining phosphine [70]. Rearrangement of platinacyclobutanes such as 19 was shown, by a deuterium labelling study, to occur primarily by a 1,3-shift and  $\alpha$ -elimination, rather than  $\beta$ -elimination (Scheme 3) [71].

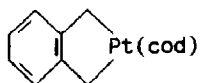


Scheme 3 Mechanism of rearrangement of platinacyclobutane complexes [71]

$[\text{Cl}_4\text{Pd}(\text{C}_3\text{H}_6)]^{2-}$  was calculated to be more stable than the related alkene/carbene complex [72].

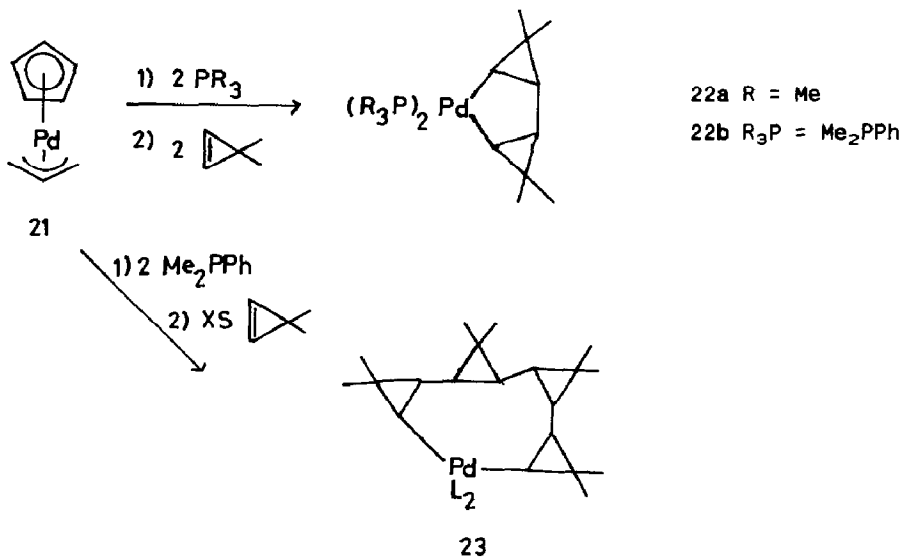
Reaction of the bis Grignard reagent,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ -1,2- $(\text{CH}_2\text{MgCl})_2$  with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})\text{I}_2]$  gave 20 [73]. When the complex *trans*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{O}_2\text{CR})_2(\text{py})_2]$  was heated in pyridine, *trans*- $[\text{R}_2\text{Pt}(\text{py})_2]$  was formed for  $\text{R} = \text{C}_6\text{F}_5$  or 3- or 4- $\text{HC}_6\text{F}_4$  [74]. Phenylpalladium intermediates were claimed in the hydrogenation of

$[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}]_2$  in the presence of amines [75].

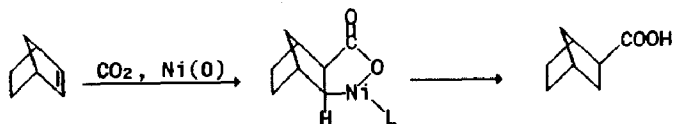


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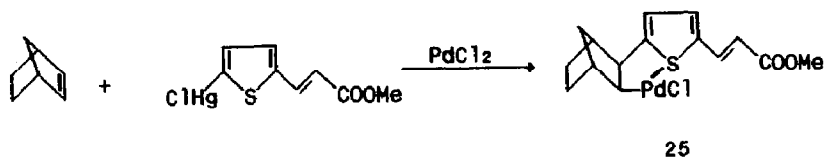
21 reacted with two molar equivalents of  $\text{PMe}_3$  followed by two moles of 3,3-dimethylcyclopropene to give only 22a; no further reaction occurred even under forcing conditions. A similar reaction was noted using  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$  as the ligand. 22b was also unreactive. However, with  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$  as the ligand and an excess of dimethylcyclopropene, 23 was the sole product. The thermolyses of 22 and 23 were studied [76].



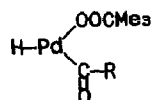
Reaction of norbornene with carbon dioxide in the presence of nickel(0) and a ligand, L, gave 24; the carboxylic acid was released on hydrolysis [77]. Addition of an organomercurial to norbornene in the presence of palladium(II) chloride yielded 25, which was used in a synthetic approach to thiophene containing prostaglandins [78].



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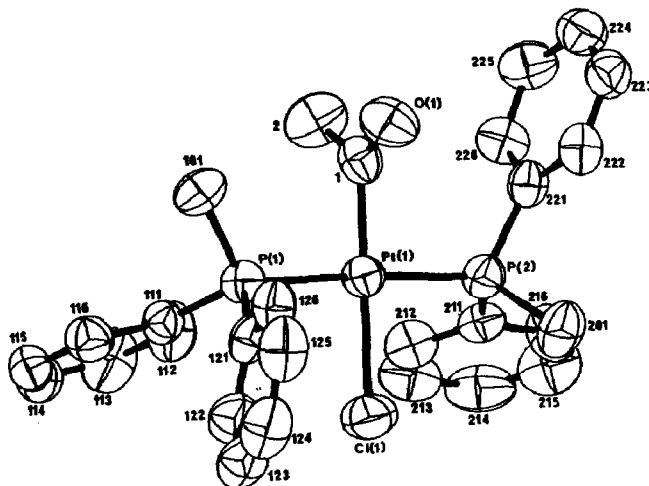


Treatment of *trans*-[EtCOPd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl] with Me<sub>3</sub>COOH gave [[RCOPd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>(μ-Cl)<sub>2</sub>], which reacted further *via* species such as 26 to give EtC(=O)OOCMe<sub>3</sub> [79].

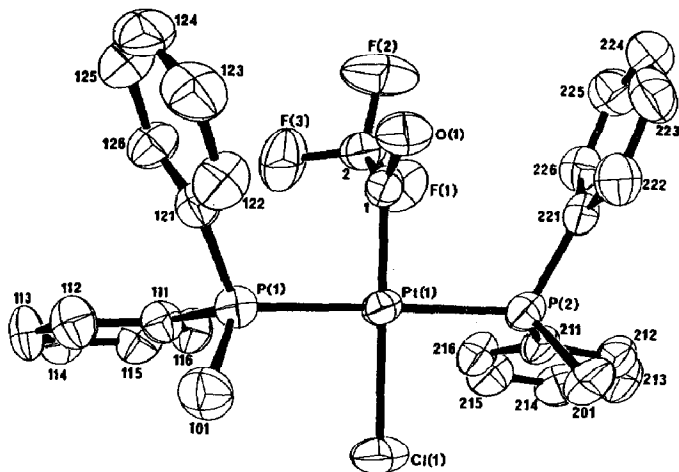


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*Trans*-[(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub>COPt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl)] was isolated from the reaction of hexene and CO with [Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>]. When SnCl<sub>2</sub> was added it proved to be a good catalyst for hydroformylation [80]. The structures of *trans*-[RCOPt(PMePh<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl] (R = CH<sub>3</sub>, 27 or R = CF<sub>3</sub>, 28) were determined by X-ray diffraction. It was shown that COCF<sub>3</sub> formed a shorter and stronger bond to platinum and exerted a larger *cis*- and a smaller *trans*-influence [81].



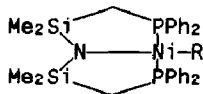
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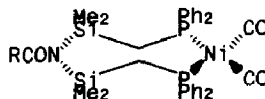
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### 3 METAL COMPLEXES FORMED BY INSERTION AND RELATED REACTIONS

Insertion of carbon monoxide into metal alkyl bonds is an important route to metal acyl complexes, and the process has been used to prepare models for the intermediates in catalytic cycles. The preparation of  $[\text{RCONi}(\text{S}_2\text{CNR}'_2)(\text{PMe}_3)]$  both by insertion of carbon monoxide into the metal alkyl and by reaction of  $[\text{RCONi}(\text{PMe}_3)_2]$  with  $[\text{R}'_2\text{NCS}_2]^-$  has been described [82]. Treatment of 29 ( $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ ) with carbon monoxide gave 30 as did the complex in which  $\text{R} = \pi\text{-allyl}$ . The reaction of 29 ( $\text{R} = \text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ ) was slower and yielded the insertion product, 31, as well as 30. 29 ( $\text{R} = \text{Ph}$ ) gave 32, which could be converted to 30 by further carbon monoxide [83].



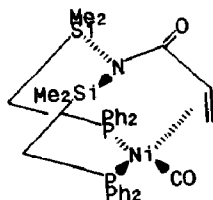
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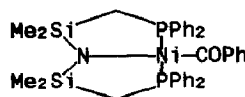
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Reaction of  $\text{trans-}[\text{PhPtL}_2(\text{SnCl}_3)]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$  or  $\text{PMePh}_2$ ) with carbon monoxide was rapid, and gave  $\text{trans-}[\text{PhPt}(\text{CO})\text{L}_2][\text{SnCl}_3]$ ; insertion to yield  $\text{trans-}[\text{PhCOPtL}_2(\text{SnCl}_3)]$  was slower. The reaction intermediates were studied by nmr spectroscopy [84]. Treatment of  $\text{cis-}[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  with a mixture of carbon monoxide and propene resulted in the isolation of

*trans*-[PrCOPt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl], which was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. From a hydroformylation reaction in the presence of SnCl<sub>2</sub>, [PrCOPt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(SnCl<sub>3</sub>)] could be isolated, and was also characterised by X-ray diffraction. It is of note that the tin-free complex did not react with ethanol, unlike its palladium analogue. This is in good accord with the observation that the platinum system catalyses hydroformylation in the presence of SnCl<sub>2</sub> and in non-polar solvents, whereas the palladium complex catalyses hydrocarboxylation in the presence or absence of SnCl<sub>2</sub> [85].

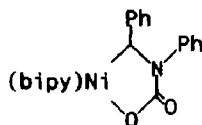


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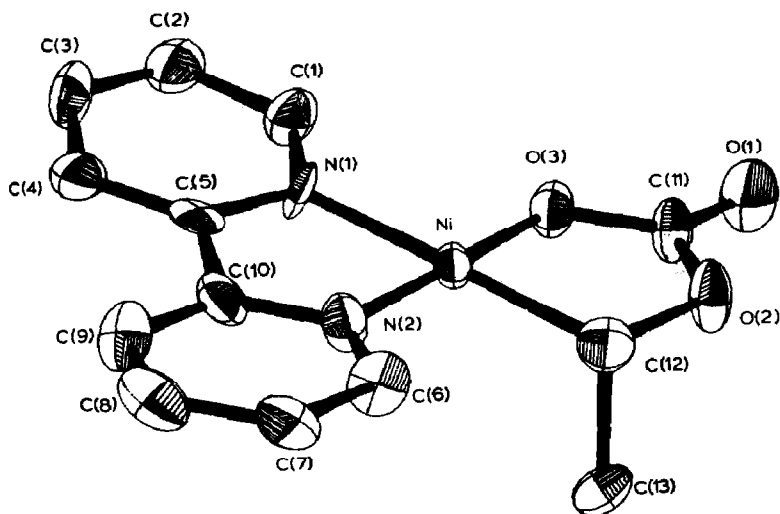
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PhCH=NPh reacted with [Ni(bipy)(cod)] with the displacement of cod to give [Ni(bipy)(PhCH=NPh)]. This may be considered as an azametallocyclopropane and reversibly and regioselectively inserted carbon dioxide to give 33 [86]. Imeda complexes reacted analogously [87]. A similar process may be considered for the related reaction with ethanal to give 34, identified by X-ray diffraction, but other mechanisms were also discussed [88]. With 2-butyne, CO<sub>2</sub> and {LNi(O)} 35 was initially obtained, and its reactions were studied [89,90].

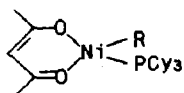
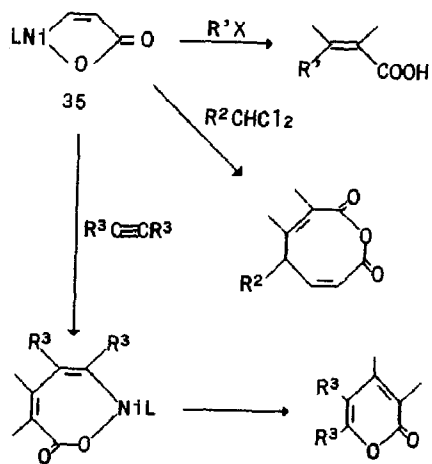


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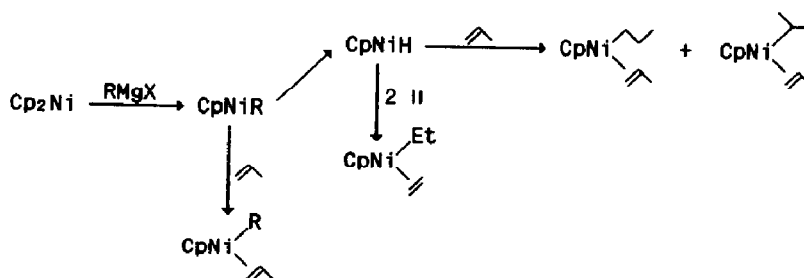
The primary process in oligomerisation of ethene has been observed for 36 (R = Me); on exposure to ethene the complexes for which R = Et, Pr and Bu could be observed [91]. Both *trans*- and *cis*-[HPT(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(SnX<sub>3</sub>)] inserted ethene at temperatures below -65 °C to give *cis*-[EtPt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(SnX<sub>3</sub>)]. The *trans*-complex reacted rapidly and the *cis*-analogue slowly. Above -60 °C isomerisation to *trans*-[EtPt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(SnCl<sub>3</sub>)] occurred [92]. Insertion of ethene or propene into metal hydride bonds has been observed for {CpNi} complexes (Scheme 4) [93,94].



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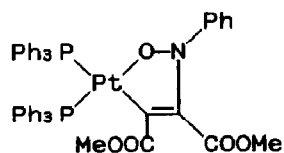






Scheme 4 Insertion of alkenes into nickel hydride bonds [93,94]

Insertion into a pseudometalocycle is responsible for the formation of 37 from  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PhNO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  and  $\text{MeO}_2\text{C}-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$  [95].

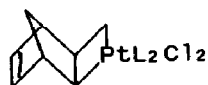


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The reaction of Zeise's dimer with 38 followed by treatment with thf/py or dmsO gave a poorly defined species, which appeared to be the product of insertion of the platinum into the three-membered ring. Addition of  $\text{PPh}_3$  regenerated 38 [96]. Later studies using solid state nmr spectroscopy indicated strongly that the species initially produced was simply related to 39 by the removal of the ligands, L [97].



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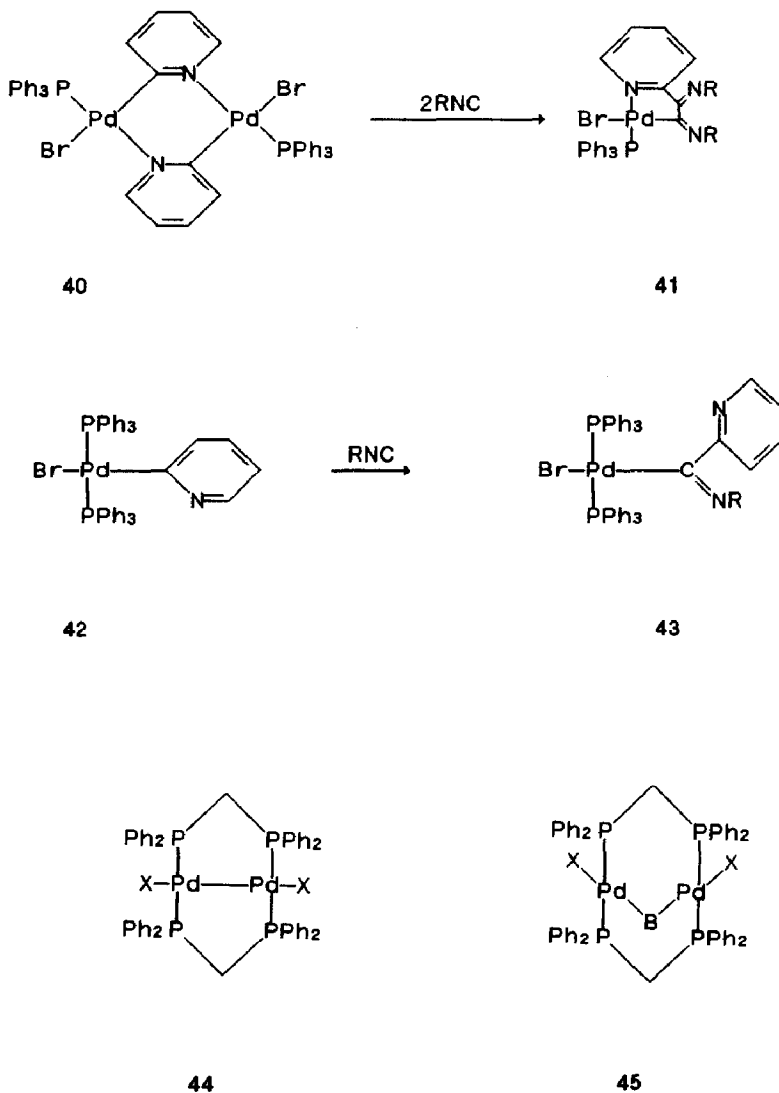


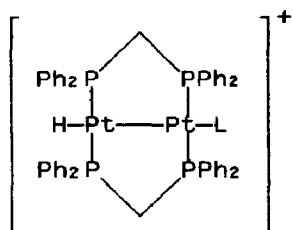
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Insertion of an isonitrile into the carbon-metal bond of the bridged dimer, 40, gave 41. Insertion also occurred into the  $\sigma$ -aryl species, 42 to give 43 as the final product [98,99].

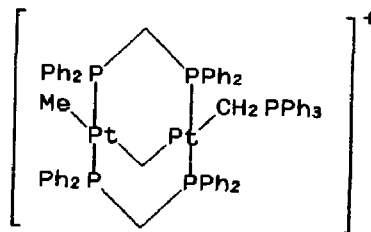
The metal-metal bonded palladium(I) species, 44, are known to insert a variety of small molecules, including CO, RNC, S,  $\text{SO}_2$ , alkynes and  $[\text{PhN}_2]^+$ . This area has been reviewed and X-ray diffraction studies on the adducts

compared. XPS implied that there was little change in oxidation state on insertion. The treatment of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\text{dppm})_3]$  with  $\text{X}_2\text{B}$  ( $\text{X}_2\text{B} = \text{COCl}_2, \text{CH}_2\text{I}_2$  or  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$ ) to give "A-frame" complexes, **45** was described [100]. A detailed description of the reaction of **44** ( $\text{X} = \text{Cl}$ ) with  $\text{CO}$  has been published [101]. Related adducts of the mixed metal complex  $[\text{PtPd}(\mu\text{-dppm})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  have been reported. The carbon monoxide adduct proved to be rather more stable than those of the homometallic species [102]. A  $\{\text{CH}_2\}$  group may be inserted into the metal-metal bond of **46** as well as into the metal hydrogen bond. When  $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$  reaction of an excess of diazomethane gave **47**, which on treatment with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  yielded **48**, identified by X-ray diffraction [103].

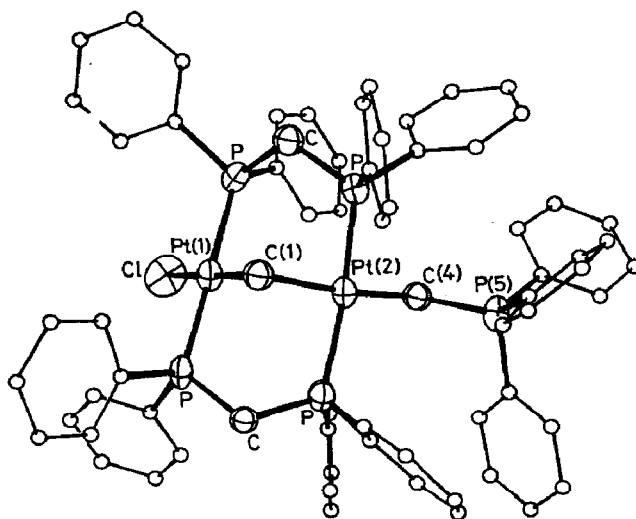




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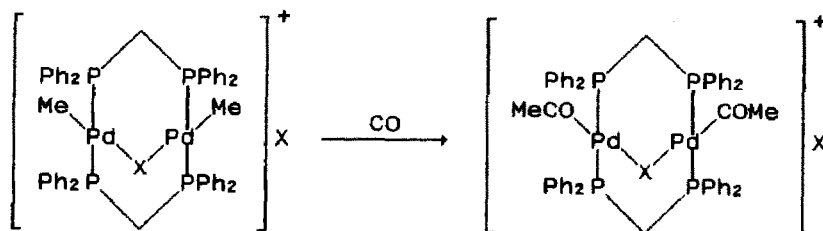
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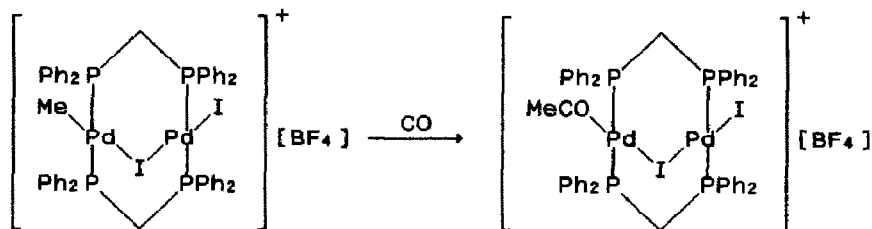
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Selected bond lengths are Pt-P 2.363(6)–2.302(6) and P-C 1.77(3)–1.89(2) Å. The PCP bond angles are equal at 116(1)° and those involving Pt(1) and Pt(2) atoms deviate from 90 and 180° by as much as 9.4 and 12.3°, respectively.

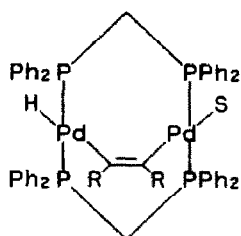
Carbonylation of 49 (X = I or Br) resulted in insertion of carbon monoxide into both of the palladium–methyl bonds. The related reactions of 50 were also reported; in this case both of the insertion products were shown to have weak metal–metal bonds [104]. Reaction of  $[\text{H}_2\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-H})(\mu\text{-dppm})_2][\text{PF}_6]$  with an alkyne bearing an electron-withdrawing group gave 51 (S = MeCN, PhCN or Me<sub>2</sub>CO) as the first identifiable product. Further alkyne in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> gave 52 [105].  $[\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-dppm})_2(\mu\text{-CH}_2)\text{Cl}_2]$  reacted with SnCl<sub>2</sub> by a double insertion process to give  $[\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-dppm})_2(\mu\text{-CH}_2)(\text{SnCl}_3)_2]$  [106].



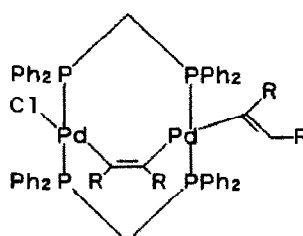
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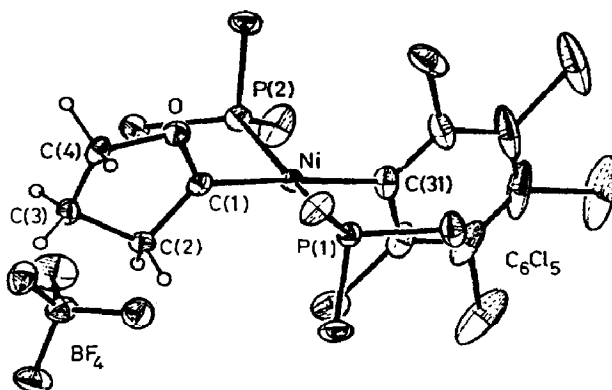


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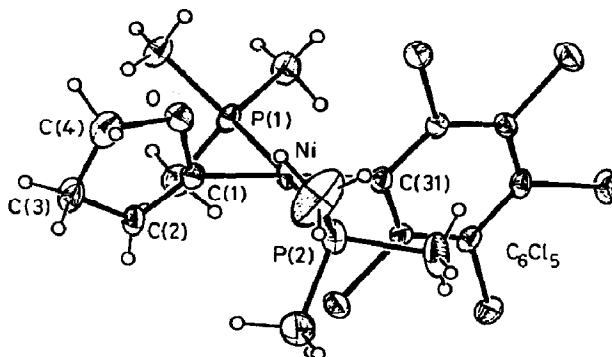
#### 4 METAL CARBENE, CARBYNE AND YLIDE COMPLEXES

The reaction of *trans*-[Ni(mes)(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] with 1-lithio-3,4-dihydrofuran gave a carbene complex by direct substitution. The related species, 53 and 54 were characterised by X-ray diffraction. The nickel to C(1) bond in 54 was 0.07 Å shorter than a normal Ni-C(vinyl) bond, giving the first clear evidence for π-bonding [107]. Carbene complexes of [Ni(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>2</sub>-2,4,6-Me<sub>3</sub>)L<sub>2</sub>] have lower

Brønsted acidity than those of  $\{\text{Ni}(\text{C}_6\text{Cl}_5)_2\}$ . Barriers to rotation were lower in the mesityl complex, reflecting its stronger *trans*-influence [108].



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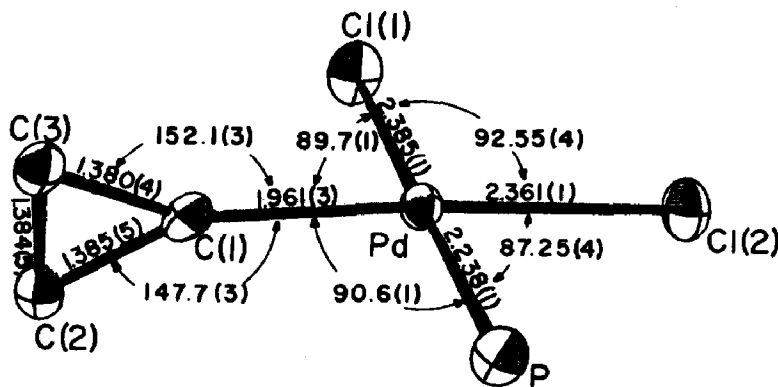
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The bonding in complexes of cyclopropenylcarbene complexes has been reviewed. The structure of the palladium derivative, 55 was described [109].

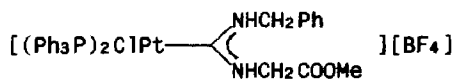
Once again this year aminocarbene complexes have been prepared by reaction of isonitrile derivatives with amines. A simple example was provided by the synthesis of 56 from  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CNCHPh}_2)(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Cl}_2]$  [110]. In the reaction of Scheme 5 the first step involved the attack of an -SH group on a coordinated isonitrile and was followed by a proton transfer [111].

Further work has emerged from Crociani's group on carbene type complexes derived from diazabutadienes. For example, 57 was reacted with  $[\{\text{Pd}(\eta^3\text{-}2\text{-R}^4\text{C}_3\text{H}_4)\text{Cl}\}_2]$  in the presence of an excess of  $\text{Na}[\text{ClO}_4]$  to give initially 58. 58 could be converted to the binuclear zwitterionic species, 59,

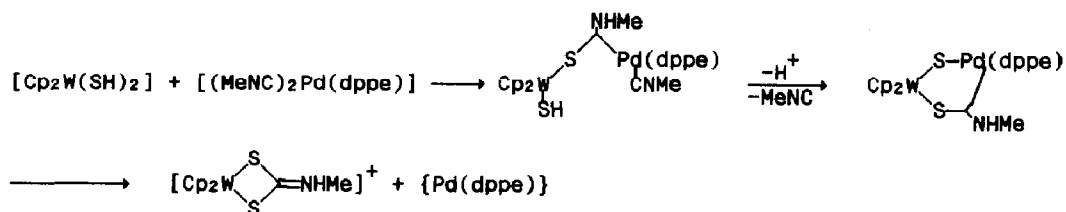
on treatment with  $[\text{Et}_3\text{NCH}_2\text{Ph}][\text{Pd}(\eta^3\text{-}2\text{-R}^4\text{C}_3\text{H}_4)\text{Cl}_2]$ , the complex being characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. The kinetics and mechanism of the reaction were investigated in some detail [112,113]. The reactions of 57 with other metal complexes were also reported [114].



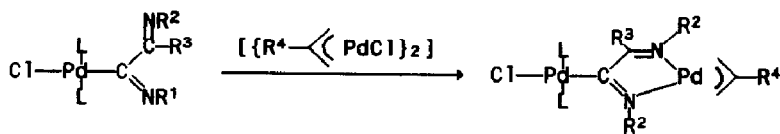
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X-ray structure of the inner coordination sphere of  
 $\text{cis-}[\text{PdCl}_2\{\text{C}(\text{NCC})_2\}(\text{PBU}_3)]$ .



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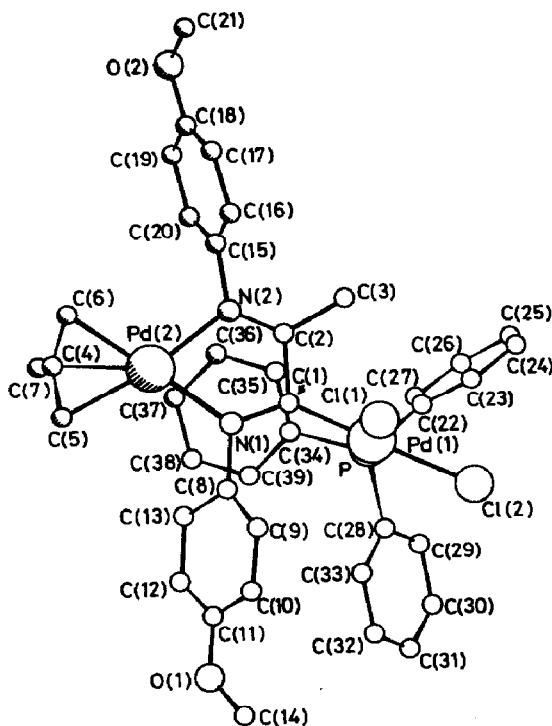


Scheme 5 Mechanism of reaction of a thiol derivatised tungsten complex with a palladium coordinated isonitrile [111].



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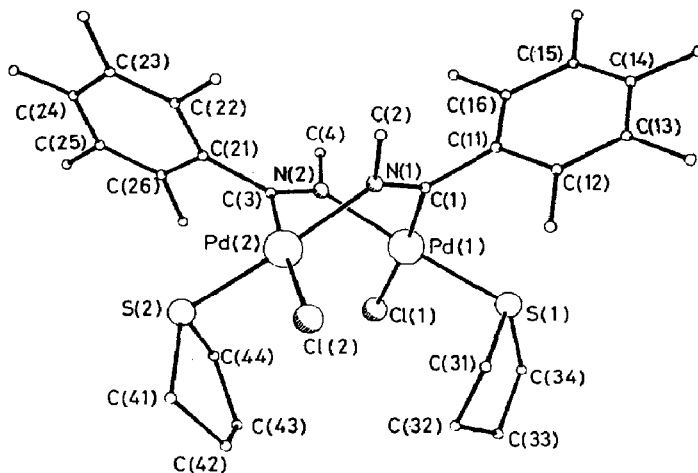
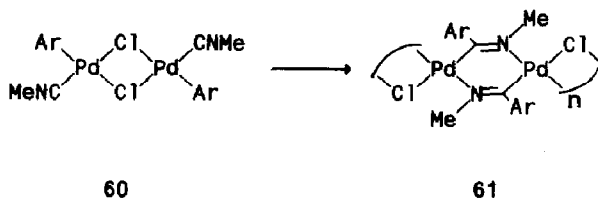
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Projection of the complex viewed along the normal to the five-membered chelate ring including Pd(2)

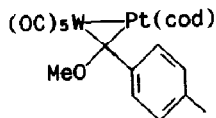
Thermolysis of the isonitrile complex, 60, gave the bridged species, 61, which was polymeric. However, bridge splitting reactions were relatively easy, with a range of ligands, including  $[\text{acac}]^-$ , isonitriles, pyridines,  $\text{PPh}_3$  and tetrahydrothiophene. 62 was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [115].



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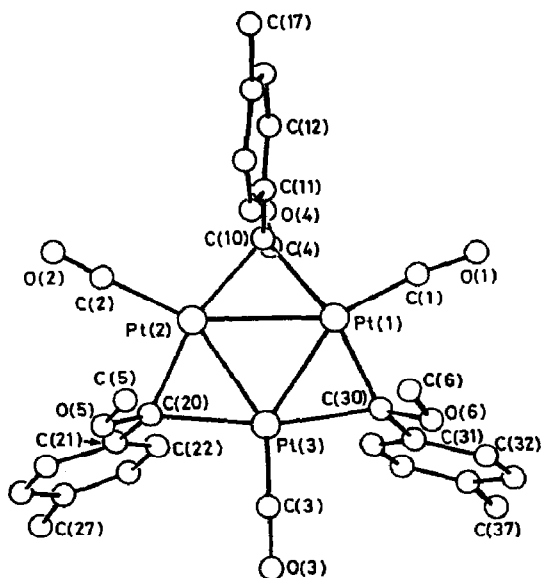
Atomic radii are arbitrary and hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.  
Unmarked atoms are fluorine.

There have been further reports of the chemistry of bridged carbene complexes from Stone's group. Whilst **63** reacted with mono and bidentate phosphines to give the products of cod substitution, with CO or RNC the clusters  $[Pt_3\{\mu-C(OMe)Ar\}_3L_3]$  were formed. Two isomers could be detected and, for  $L = CO$ , separated. **64** was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. It was concluded that whilst cod may be replaced by  $\sigma$ -donor ligands,  $\pi$ -acceptors led to fission of the metal-metal bond to give  $\{(OC)Pt=C(OMe)Ar\}$ , which then trimerised [116].



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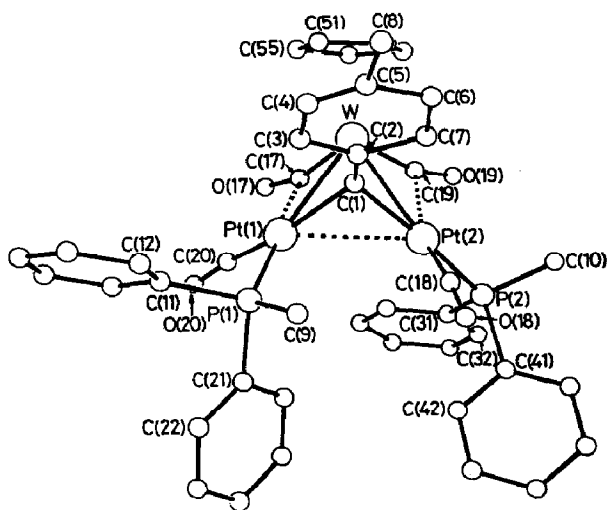
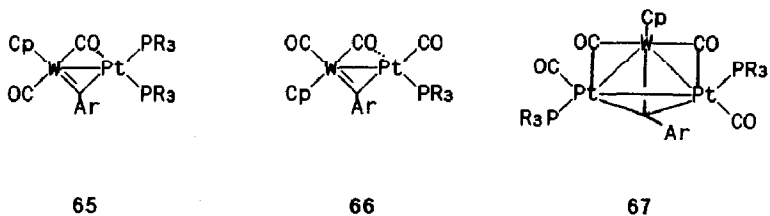


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The carbyne complex, 65, ( $R_3 = \text{Me}_3$ ) reacted with carbon monoxide to give 66 stereospecifically, together with the trimeric species, 67. The stereospecificity of the reaction reflects the strong *trans*-influence of the bridging carbyne. When the phosphine was  $\text{PPh}_2\text{Me}$  only the trimetallic complex was formed, and 67 ( $R_3\text{P} = \text{Ph}_2\text{MeP}$ ) was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. This was a butterfly type cluster related by the isolobal analogy to  $[\text{Pt}_2\text{L}_4(\mu\text{-RC}\equiv\text{CR})]$  [117]. The ketenyl complex, 68, ( $\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMe}_3$ ,  $\text{PMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$  or  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$ ) reacted with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})_2]$  to give 69 and analogues, characterised by X-ray diffraction. However, with  $R_3\text{P} = \text{Ph}_3\text{P}$ ,  $[\text{Cp}(\text{OC})_2\text{W}(\mu\text{-CAR})\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  was formed [118]. 65 was reacted with  $[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9]$  to give  $[\text{FePtW}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\mu\text{-CO})(\text{CO})_5(\text{PR}_3)_2\text{Cp}]$  when  $\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$ , and  $[\text{FePtW}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_6(\text{R}_3\text{P})\text{Cp}]$  and  $[\text{Pt}_2\text{W}((\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2(\text{PET}_3)_2\text{Cp})]$  for  $R_3\text{P} = \text{Et}_3\text{P}$ , and  $[\text{FePtW}(\mu_3\text{-CAR})(\text{CO})_6(\text{PMePh}_2)\text{Cp}]$  together with a little  $[\text{FePtW}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_5(\text{PMePh}_2)_2\text{Cp}]$  for  $R_3\text{P} = \text{Ph}_2\text{MeP}$ . X-ray diffraction studies were reported for 70 and 71; in 70 was found the longest Pt-W bond so far reported [119].

Treatment of  $[\text{Cp}(\text{OC})_2\text{Mn}=\text{C}=\text{CHPh}]$  with  $[\text{Pt}\{\text{P}(\text{OEt})_3\}_4]$  was reported to give a mixture of 72 and 73 [120].

Numerous patents have reported the use of ylide complexes such as 74 as catalysts for the oligomerisation of ethene and other alkenes [121-128].



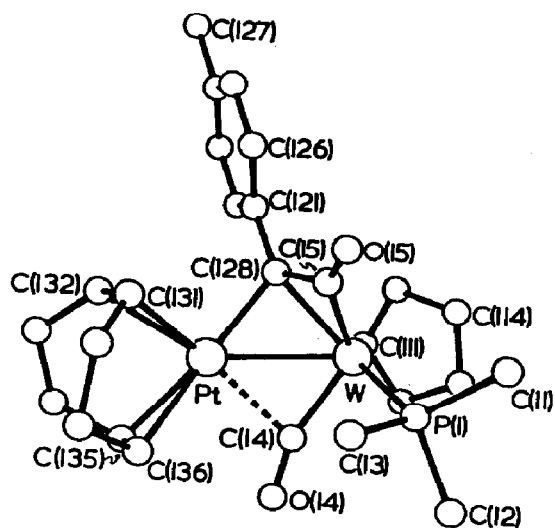
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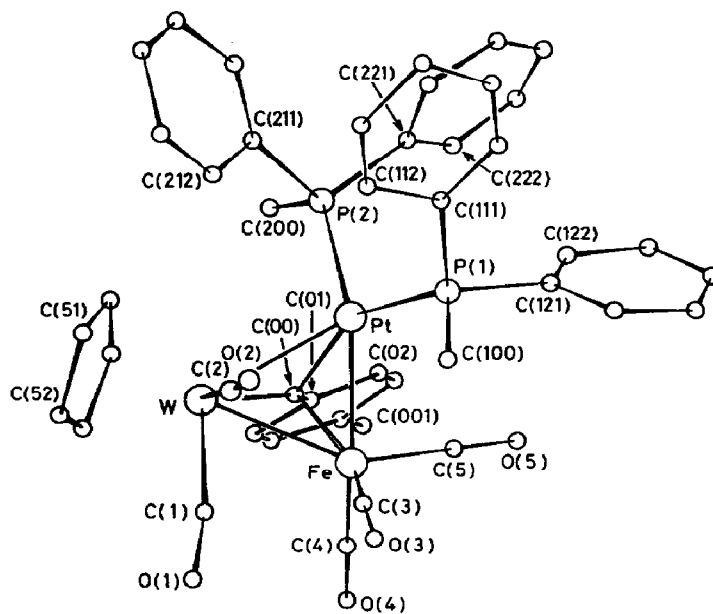
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Treatment of [Pt(PET<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>] with CH<sub>2</sub>I<sub>2</sub> gave the ylide *trans*-[Pt(CH<sub>2</sub>PET<sub>3</sub>)(PET<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>I], 75, which was characterised by X-ray diffraction. The intermediate was supposed to be *cis*-[Pt(CH<sub>2</sub>I)(PET<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>I], and related complexes were also prepared [129]. In the reaction of *cis*- or *trans*-[Pt(CH<sub>2</sub>Cl)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>I] with PPh<sub>3</sub> a novel migration of chloride from carbon to platinum occurred giving *cis*-[Pt(CH<sub>2</sub>PPh<sub>3</sub>)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl]I [130].

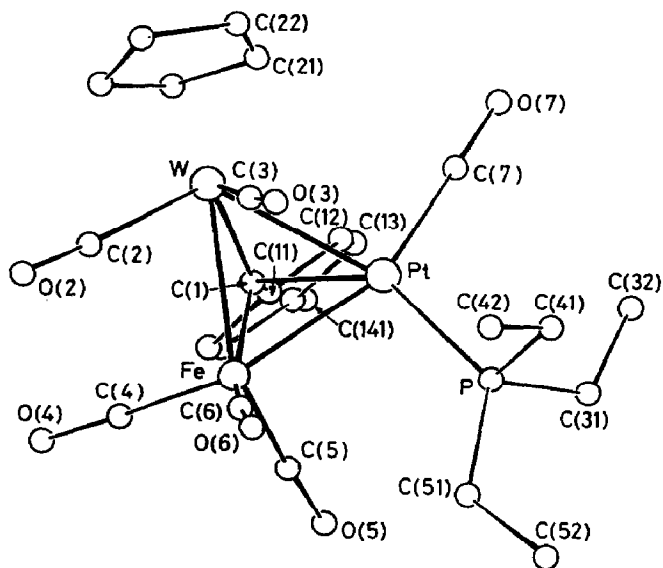
Reaction of the ylide complex, [Ph<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)Cl<sub>2</sub>], with aluminium trichloride resulted in chloride abstraction to give [Ph<sub>3</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)Cl]<sup>+</sup>[AlCl<sub>4</sub>]<sup>-</sup>. Additional ligands including Ph<sub>3</sub>As and Me<sub>2</sub>S were readily coordinated to the cation [131].



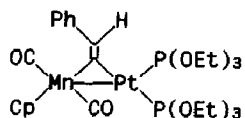
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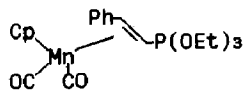
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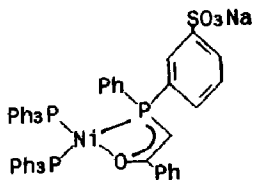
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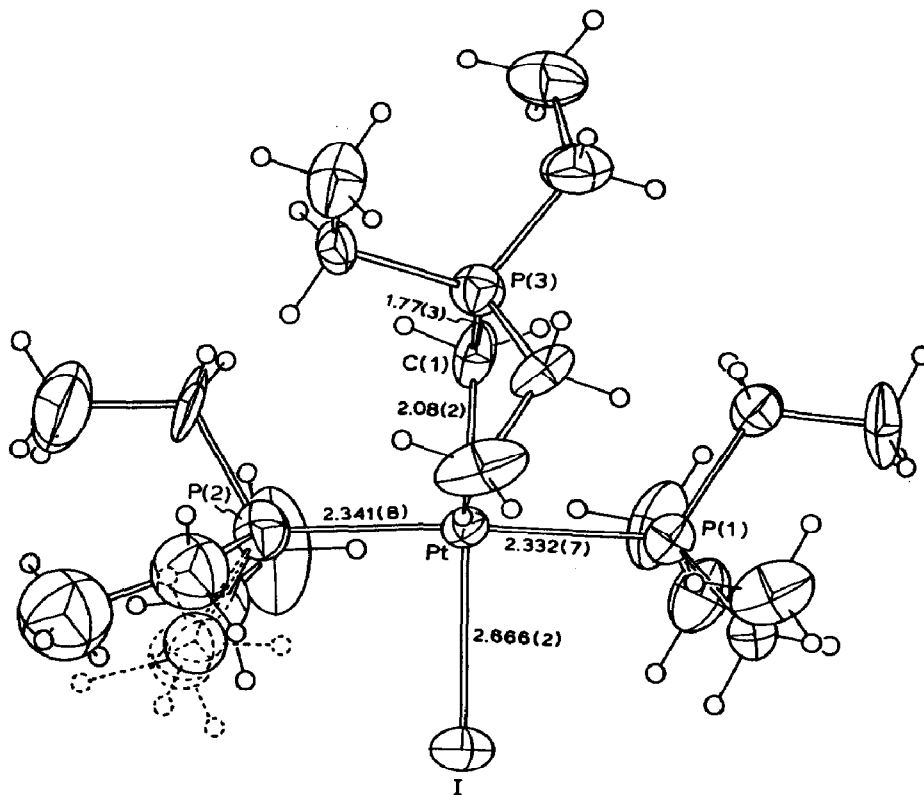


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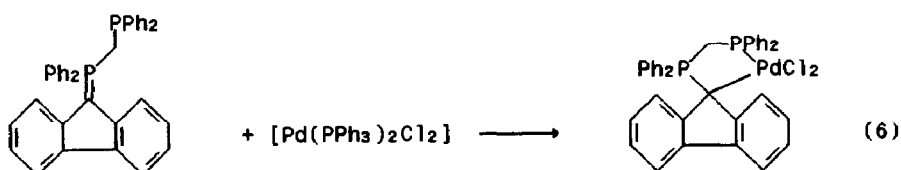
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Ylide complexes could be prepared by the reactions of the ylides with  $[\text{CpPd}(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Cl}]$ . The ylides successfully used included  $[\text{Ph}_3\text{PCHCOPh}]$ ,  $[\text{Ph}_3\text{PCHCOCH}_3]$  and  $[\text{Me}_2\text{SCHCOPh}]$  [132]. Ylide complexes were also produced by reaction (6) ( $\text{M} = \text{Pd}$  or  $\text{Pt}$ ). With 76, however, the bis(cyclometallated) species, 77, was obtained [134].

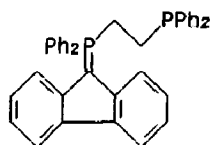


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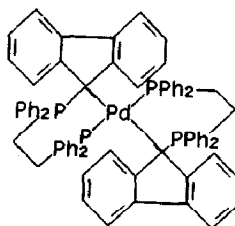
Projection of the molecular structure of *trans*-[Pt(CH<sub>2</sub>PEt<sub>3</sub>)(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>I]<sup>+</sup> normal to the plane of the platinum environment. The ethyl substituents of one of the PEt<sub>3</sub> groups are disordered as shown.



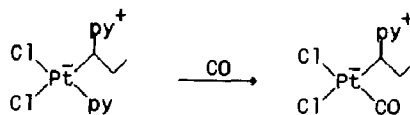
Carbonylation of the ylide, 78, gave 79, reversibly. Related reactions of ylide complexes derived from decomposition of metallocyclobutanes were also studied [134].



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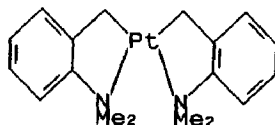


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## 5 METAL COMPLEXES FORMED BY INTERNAL METALLATION AND RELATED REACTIONS

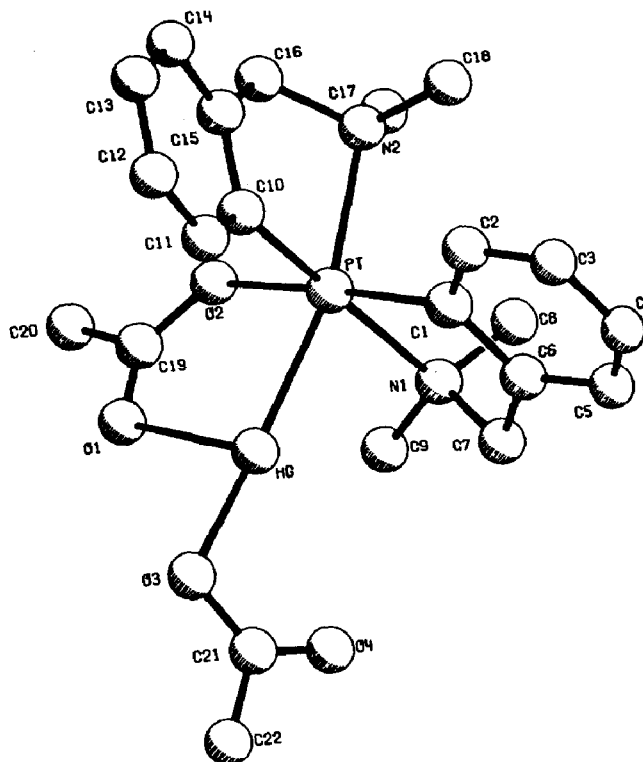
Treatment of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{SEt}_2)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  with 2- $\text{Me}_2\text{NC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2\text{Li.tmeda}$  gave **80**. Reaction with  $\text{Hg}(\text{OCOR})_2$  gave **81**, characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. Nmr spectroscopy indicated that the solution structure was fluxional, but essentially similar to that determined in the solid state [135]. Thallium(III) carboxylates were able to oxidise **82** to the platinum(IV) species,  $[\text{Pt}(\text{N}-\text{C})_2(\text{OCOR})_2]$  as a mixture of two isomers. The major isomer with the carbon ligands *trans* was isomerised in the presence of  $\text{RCOOH}$  to that in which the nitrogen atoms were *trans* [136].



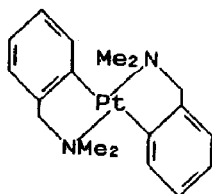
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The chiral cyclometallated complex, **83**, was reacted with chiral chelating biphosphines;  $^{31}\text{P}$  and  $^1\text{H}$  nmr spectroscopic studies were used to evaluate the diastereomeric mixture of complexes formed. Amounts of the minor diastereoisomer as low as 3 % could be detected [137]. The enantiomer of **83** was used in a similar manner for the resolution of BINAP, separation of the diastereoisomers being effected by fractional crystallisation [138]. The

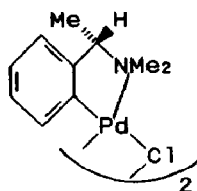
cyclometallated naphthalene complex, **84**, reacted with **85** (E = P or As) to give separable diastereomeric complexes. The structure of **86** was established by X-ray diffraction [139].



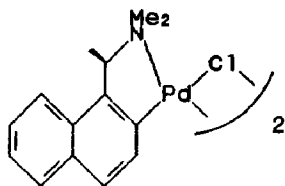
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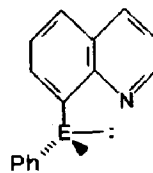
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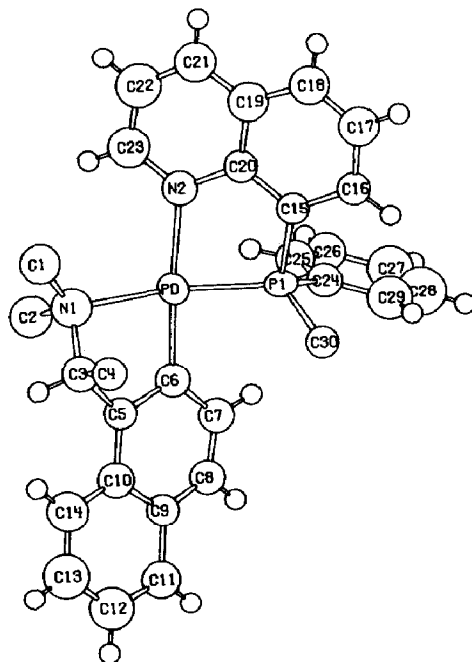
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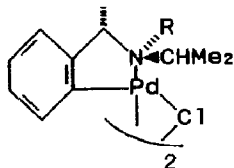
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Molecular geometry and absolute configuration of (+)<sub>5S,9-R,S</sub>-(86)

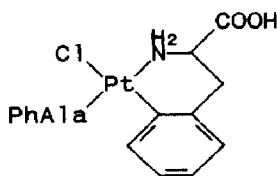
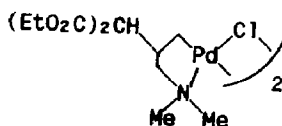
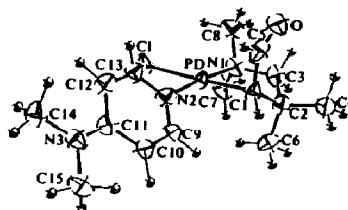
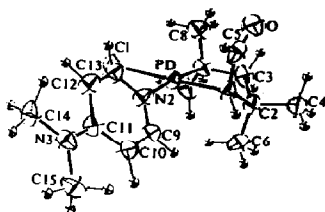
The stereoselective formation of a second chiral centre at nitrogen in the cyclometallation reaction to form 87 has been studied [140].



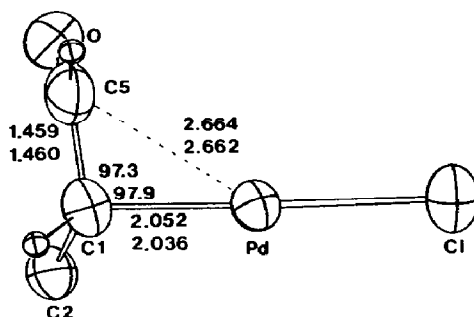
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Whilst methyl phenylglycinate does not cyclometallate on reaction with  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$ , the ethyl ester reacted surprisingly well [141]. Amongst other products the cyclometalated species, **88**, was reported to result from heating  $\text{trans-Pt}[\text{NH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})\text{COO}]_2^{2-}$ . This could be induced to react further to give the bis(cyclometalated) complex [142]. Bridge splitting reactions of **89** have been described [143]. The structure of **90** was determined by X-ray diffraction. The geometry at platinum is slightly distorted square planar, and there is some interaction with the CHO group [144].

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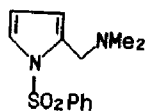
**90a** Stereoview of a molecule of **90**  
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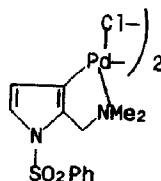
**90b** Comparison of the dimensions around the methanoyl moiety in **90** (upper) and the related halo bridged dimer (lower) from which **90** was prepared by addition of 4-dimethylaminopyridine  
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Cyclometallation of the pyrrole derivative, **91** took place at the 3-position; **92** was readily carbonylated [145]. In the presence of a chiral

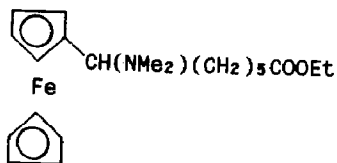
acid, cyclometallation of **93** gave **94**, with a new chiral centre; carbonylation followed by reduction yielded **95** [146]. **96** was also resolved using a cyclometallation strategy [147].



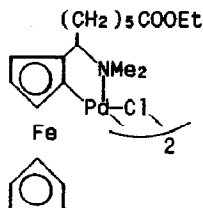
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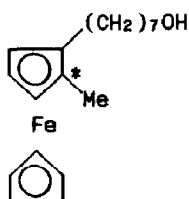
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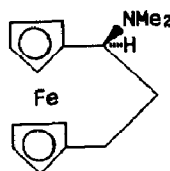
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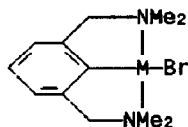


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A number of papers have reported further reactions of bis(cyclometallated) complexes. **97** was prepared by the reaction of the lithiated arene with either  $[\text{Pt}(\text{SEt}_2)_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{Br}^-$  or  $[\text{Pd}(\text{cod})\text{Br}_2]$ , and the experimental details of the synthesis have now been published.  $\text{Ag}[\text{BF}_4]$  in water yielded the corresponding aquo complex. The products were air-stable in solution and in the solid state. Methylation with iodomethane occurred at the arene ring to give **98**, which was characterised by X-ray diffraction. The bonding in **98** was discussed in detail [148]. Treatment of **98** with either water or sodium halides resulted in demethylation, but reaction with stronger nucleophiles occurred at the 2- and/or 4-positions of the arene ring. Anions of propane dioate attacked exclusively at the 4-position, whilst reaction with  $[\text{Ph}-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}]^-$  occurred only at the 2-position [149].

Reaction of **97** ( $\text{M} = \text{Pt}$ ) with  $\text{Ag}[\text{OCOR}]$  gave a monodentate carboxyl complex.

However, the use of  $\text{Ag}[(4\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4)\text{NYNR}]$  ( $\text{Y} = \text{CH}$  or  $\text{N}$ ,  $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ ,  $\text{Et}$  or  $\text{Pr}$ ;  $\text{Y} = \text{CH}$ ,  $\text{R} = 4\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4$ ) gave species of the type 99. It was concluded that methanamidino and triazenido ligands had a greater stabilising influence on the Pt-Ag bond than the isoelectronic carboxylates [150].  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  nmr spectroscopy using the INEPT technique provided evidence for a direct platinum to silver bond [151]. Coupling of halo complexes such as 97 with the related aquo derivatives gave bimetallic species such as 100, which was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [152]. The electrochemistry of 97 and of some of its mercury derivatives was investigated [153].

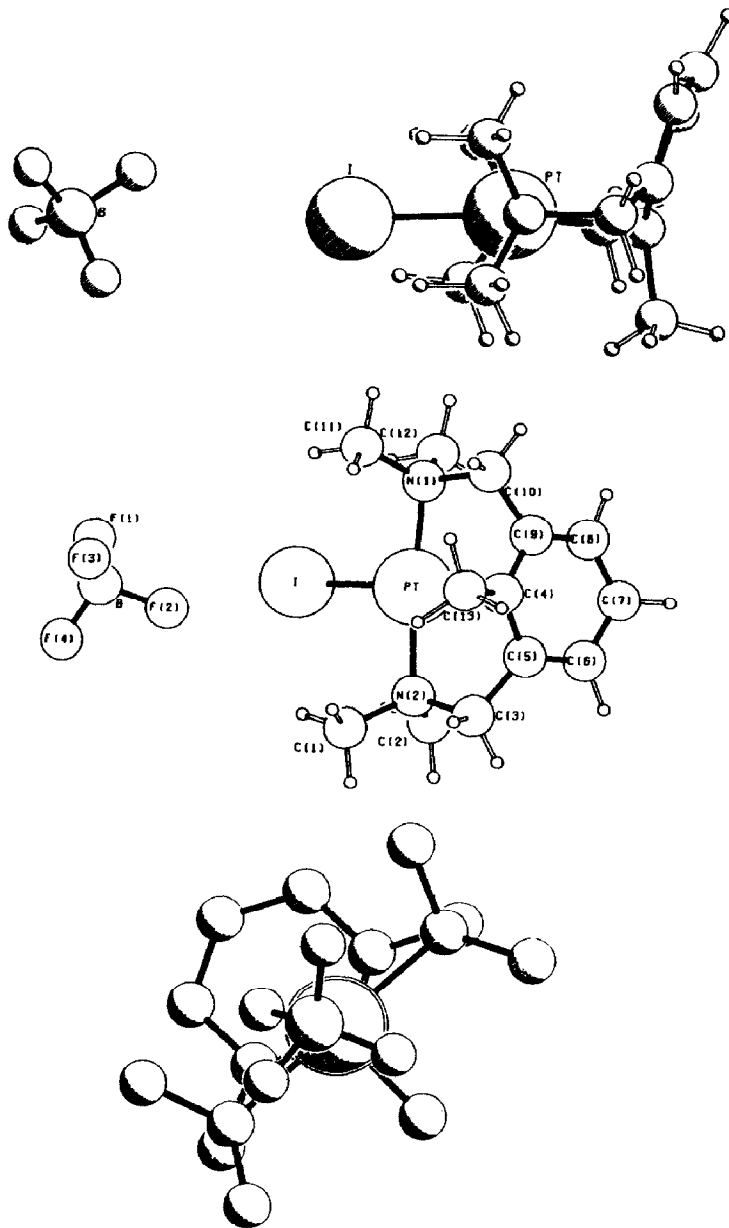


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The reaction of 97 with  $\text{Hg}\{4\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{NYNR}\}\text{Cl}$  ( $\text{Y} = \text{CH}$  or  $\text{N}$ ,  $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ ,  $\text{Et}$  or 2-propyl), gave a complex with the structure proposed as 101, involving a platinum to mercury donor bond. Further electron transfer was thought to be inhibited by the tridentate ligand [154]. The structure was formally proven by an X-ray diffraction study of 102. The coordination about platinum was square pyramidal and both metals were formally in the +2 oxidation state [155].

A number of accounts of imine cyclometallation have been published this year. 103 reacted with  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$  to give 104 and some unusual regioselectivities were reported with related complexes [156]. Bridge splitting reactions of 105 with ammonia followed the conventional pattern but with an excess of 1,2-diaminoethane 106 was produced, indicating that complexation to the metal had promoted transamination as well as bridge splitting [157]. Cyclometallation of 1,1-dimethylethyl arylaldehyde imines proceeded in good yield, and the products, 107, readily inserted alkenes in a synthetic approach to 3-arylisoquinolines [158,159]. The product of cyclometallation of 108 probably had the structure 109; this yielded the biphenyl, 110, on reaction with a Grignard reagent, followed by imine hydrolysis [160,161].

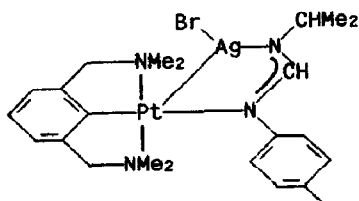
Azobenzenes have long been regarded as excellent substrates for cyclometallation. The regioselectivity of the reaction with 111 was shown to be a function of the relative values of the equilibrium constant for palladium precomplexation at one or other of the nitrogen atoms, the shielding of the azo nitrogens by other substituents, and the blocking of sites by non-coordinating groups. Complexes of the type 112 were formed when the



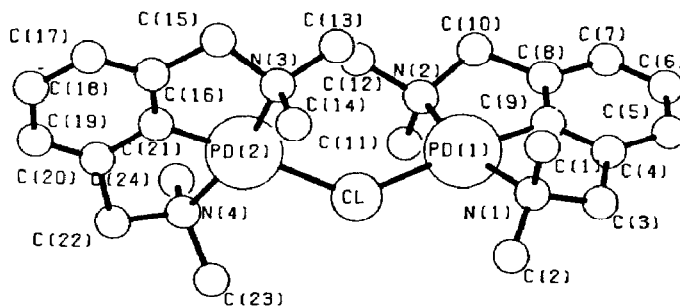
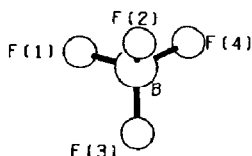
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PLUTO drawings of the ions as viewed from three approximately perpendicular directions.

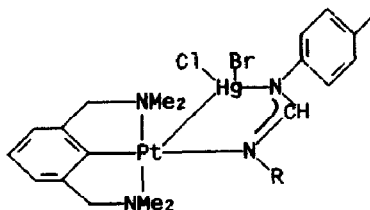
substituents on the phenyl ring were either hydrogens or electron donors at the 3- or 4-position. With other substituents complexes of the types 113, 114 and 115 could be detected. The complex or complexes formed depended on the substituents (Table 1), and it was established that the reaction was essentially electrophilic in character [162]. That 111 ( $R^1 = R^5 = \text{Me}$ ,  $R^3 = \text{OH}$ ;  $R^2, R^4, R^6$  and  $R^7 = \text{H}$ ) gave a complex of type 112, and 111 ( $R^1 = R^5 = R^6 = \text{Me}$ ;  $R^3 = \text{OH}$ ;  $R^2, R^4$  and  $R^7 = \text{H}$ ) gave 115 was established by a study of the  $^{15}\text{N}$  nmr spectra of labelled species [163].



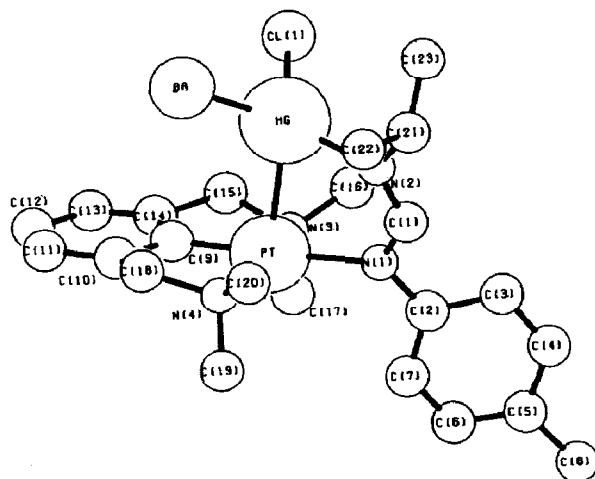
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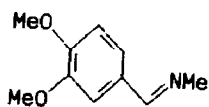
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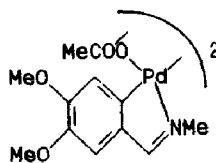
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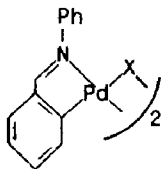
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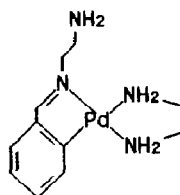
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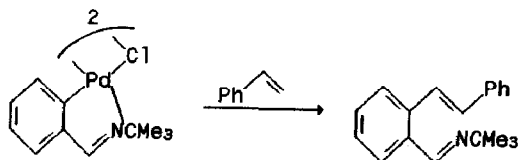
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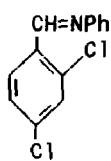
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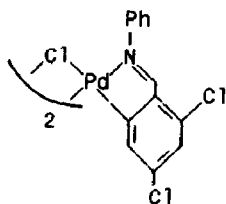
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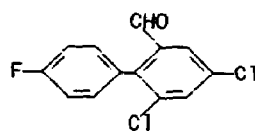
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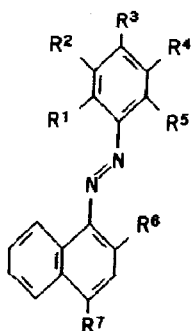
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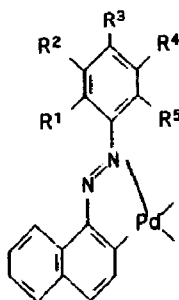
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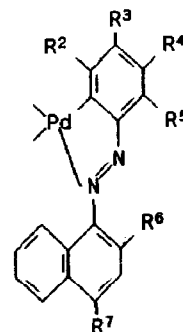
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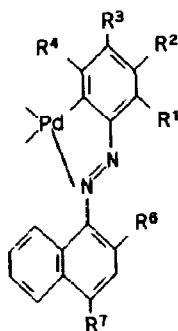
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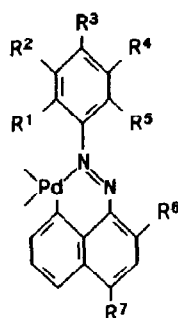
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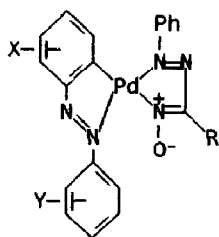


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About twenty complexes of the type 116 were prepared and characterised. In many cases an inseparable mixture of isomers was obtained; metallation of the more electron rich aryl ring predominated. The electrochemistry of the complexes was investigated, showing that the ligand rather than the metal was readily reduced [164]. Cyclometallated azobenzenes have been shown to give liquid crystals with nematic mesophases [165].

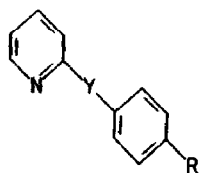
Table 1 Products of cyclometallation of 111 [162]

R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>	R <sup>5</sup>	R <sup>6</sup>	R <sup>7</sup>	Products
H	H	H	H	H	H	H	112
H	H	H	Me	H	H	H	112
H	H	H	OMe	H	H	H	112
H	H	OMe	H	H	H	H	112
H	H	OH	H	H	H	H	112
H	H	H	Me	H	H	NO <sub>2</sub>	112 and 113
H	H	OMe	H	H	H	NO <sub>2</sub>	112 : 113 = 1:2
H	H	OH	H	H	Ph	H	113, 114 and 115 detected
H	H	OH	Me	H	H	NO <sub>2</sub>	112 : 113 = 3:1
H	H	OH	OMe	H	H	NO <sub>2</sub>	112 : 113 = 38:62
H	H	OH	H	Me	H	NO <sub>2</sub>	113 and 114
Me	H	OH	H	Me	Me	H	115 only

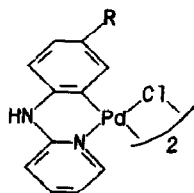


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Pyridine derivatives have been successfully cyclometallated. For example, 117 (Y = NH; R = H, Me or Cl) gave 118 when reacted with PdCl<sub>2</sub> in a 1:1 ratio [166]. The product, 119, derived from the ligand for which Y = CO, reacted readily with styrene [167].

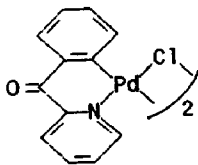


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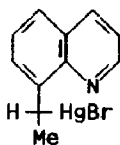
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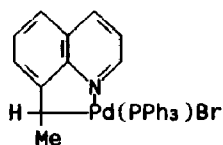


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A chiral cyclometallated compound, 121, was produced by reaction of the organomercury compound 120 with  $[Pd(PPh_3)_4]$ ; the optical purity of the product was not proven [168].

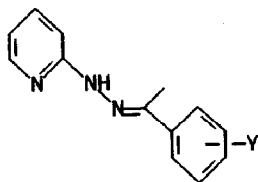


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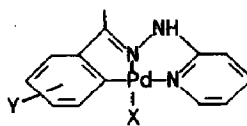


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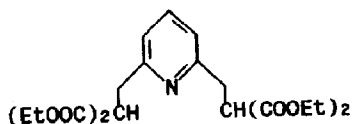
Treatment of  $Li_2[PdX_4]$  with 122, HL, gave a complex of stoichiometry  $[PdLX]$ . The structure of 123 was established from nmr spectroscopic data [169]. Reaction of 124 with  $K_2[PdCl_4]$  in the presence of a bifunctional but non-chelating ligand, L-L, gave binuclear, bis(cyclometallated) complexes such as 125, characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [170].



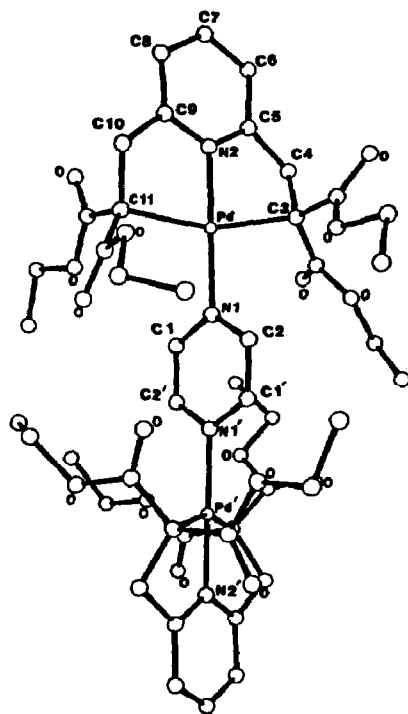
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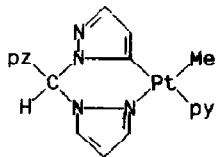
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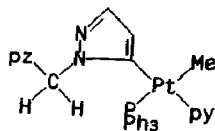
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Perspective drawing of the  $\mu$ -pyridazine dimer. The atoms designated by primes are related to the unprimed atoms by  $-x, y, \frac{1}{2}-z$ .

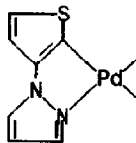
Cyclometallation of 5-membered ring heterocycles has also been noted.  $[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{cod})]$  reacted with  $\text{HCpz}_3$  to give initially  $[\text{Me}_2\text{Pt}(\text{HCpz}_3)]$  and  $\text{cod}$ . Further heating in pyridine, yielded the metallated species, 126. Addition of  $\text{PPh}_3$  resulted in the displacement of the nitrogen ligand from the metal and further thermolysis of 127 resulted in metallation of one of the aryl rings of the phosphine [171]. When reacted with  $\text{PdCl}_2$  in a 1:1 ratio *N*-3-thienylpyrazole yielded a mixture of the cyclometallated species 128 and 129, 128 predominating by a factor of 3:1 [172].



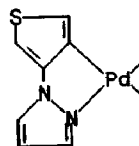
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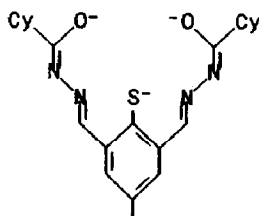


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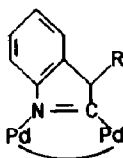


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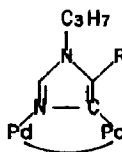
When  $[LPd_2(OCOMe)]$  ( $L = 130$ ) reacted with indole, a species of stoichiometry  $[LPd_2(C_8H_6N)]$  was produced. It was shown that the indole had been metallated and was acting as a bridge between the two palladium centres, 131. The related species, 132, and other heterocycle derivatives were also characterised [173].



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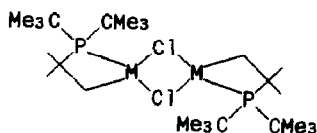


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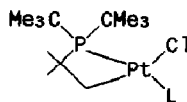


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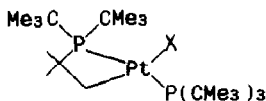
Studies of the metallation of tris(1,1-dimethylethyl)phosphine have continued. The phosphine reacted with either  $K_2[PdCl_4]$  or  $[Pd(PhCN)_2Cl_2]$  to give 133 ( $M = Pd$ ), characterised by X-ray diffraction. The geometry at palladium was approximately square-planar but the four-membered rings were puckered with a  $P-Pd-C$  angle of  $70^\circ$  [174]. Reaction of  $PtCl_2$  or  $K_2[PtCl_4]$  with the phosphine gave initially 134 ( $L = P(CMe_3)_3$ ). Thermolysis resulted in the successive formation of 134 ( $L = P(H)(CMe_3)_2$ ) and *trans*- $[Pt\{P(H)(CMe_3)_2\}_2Cl_2]$  [175]. *Trans*- $[HPt\{P(CMe_3)_3\}_2X]$  cyclometallated slowly at room temperature to give 135. This dimerised with loss of phosphine to give 133 ( $M = Pt$ ) [176]. Formation of 136 from *trans*- $[Pt\{P(CMe_3)_3\}_2(SnCl_3)Cl]$  was noted [177].



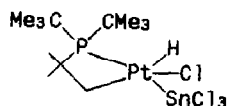
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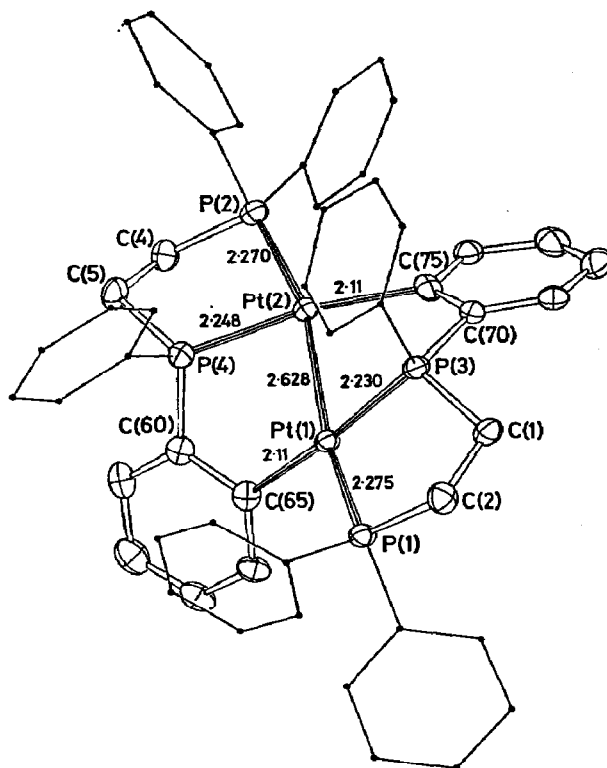
Thermolysis of  $[\text{MePt}(\text{OH})(\text{dppe})]$  yielded  $[\text{Pt}_2(\text{dppe})_2]$ , 137, characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. Only the diastereoisomer with the four phenyl groups on the same side of the average coordination plane was formed [178]. A carbanion displacement route was used in the synthesis of 138, also characterised by X-ray diffraction [179].

It has long been known that  $[\text{Pd}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}_2]$  reacted with  $\text{R}_3\text{P}$  to give  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PR}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$ , but with trialkyl phosphines mixtures of *trans*- $[\text{Pd}_2(\text{PR}_3)_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  and species such as 139 were produced [180]. Treatment of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})_2]$  with  $\text{Cl}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{PCy}_2$  gave  $[\text{Pt}\{\text{Cy}_2\text{P}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{Cl}\}_2]$ , but this species was not isolable and cyclometallated by oxidative addition of a C-Cl bond to platinum(0), to give 140 [181].

The reaction of  $(\text{Me}_3\text{C})_2\text{PCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{Me})(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{P}(\text{CMe}_3)_2$ , L, with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  gave 141 in which the methyl group occupied a *pseudo*-equatorial position. In the platinum series, the analogue of 141 could be isolated, but a complex mixture of 16-atom chelates was also formed [182]. When  $(\text{Me}_3\text{C})_2\text{P}(\text{CH}_2)_5\text{P}(\text{CMe}_3)_2$ , L', was reacted with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{Me}_3\text{CNC})_2\text{Cl}_2]$ , or  $[\text{Pt}_2\text{L}'_2\text{Cl}_4]$  was treated with  $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$ , species such as 142 were isolated, together with an initially unidentified species, which was characterised as 143 by an X-ray diffraction study. In 143 the double bond was disordered [183].

A novel cyclometallated nickel complex, 144, was prepared from  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  and  $\text{Li}[\text{CH}_2\text{P}(=\text{S})\text{Ph}_2]$ , and was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. The coordination at nickel was close to square planar [184]. The reactions of  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\text{I}]$  with a series of halogenated alkyl phosphines,  $\text{Cl}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{PR}_2$ , has been investigated. The initial product was that of simple CO substitution, and for  $n = 1$  cyclometallation yielded 145, characterised by X-ray diffraction. The six-membered ring adopted a boat conformation. When  $n = 3$  or 4 the simple cyclometallated species, 146, were

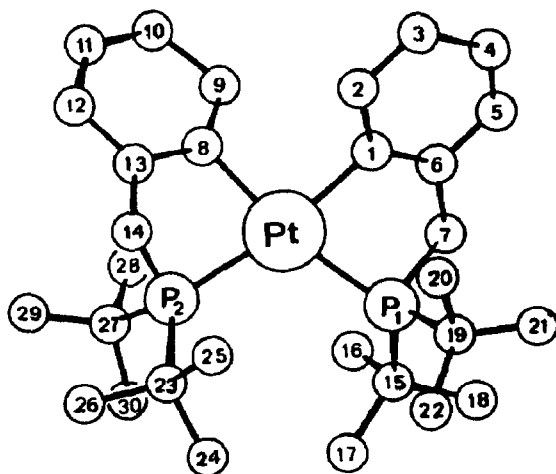
obtained [185].



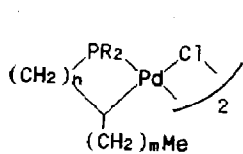
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Some reactions of the chelate complex, 147 have been studied; the cyclometallated species, 148, was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [186].

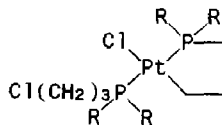
Treatment of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]$  with 3-butenic acid in the presence of  $\text{PCy}_3$  gave the cyclometallated species, 149 ( $\text{L} = \text{PCy}_3$ ). The  $\text{PCy}_3$  was easily substituted by  $\text{dppe}$ . In solution the  $\text{dppe}$  complex isomerised to 150, presumably *via*  $\beta$ -hydride elimination and readdition [187]. Insertion of alkenes into the carbon-palladium bond of 151 gave 152 [188].



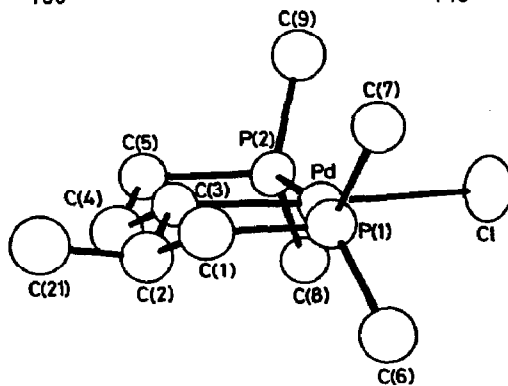
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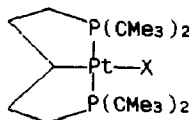


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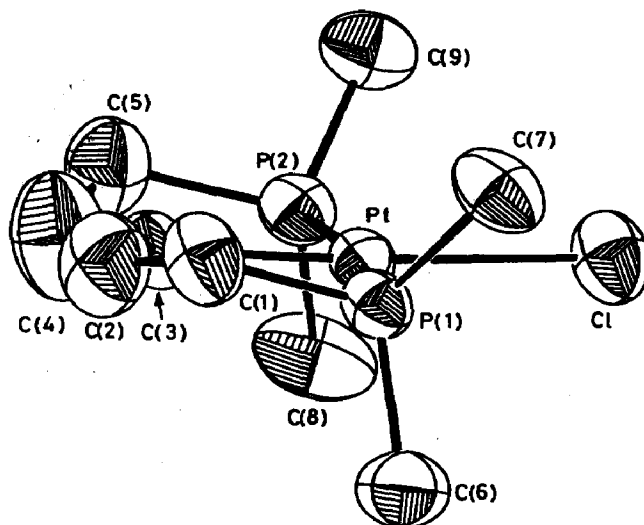


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For clarity the methyl groups of the 1,1-dimethylethyl groups are not shown.

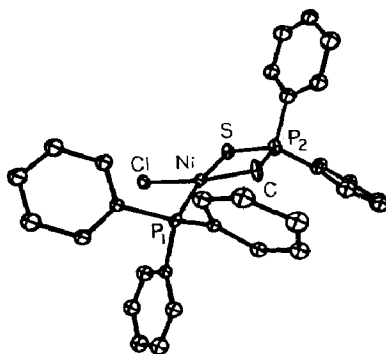


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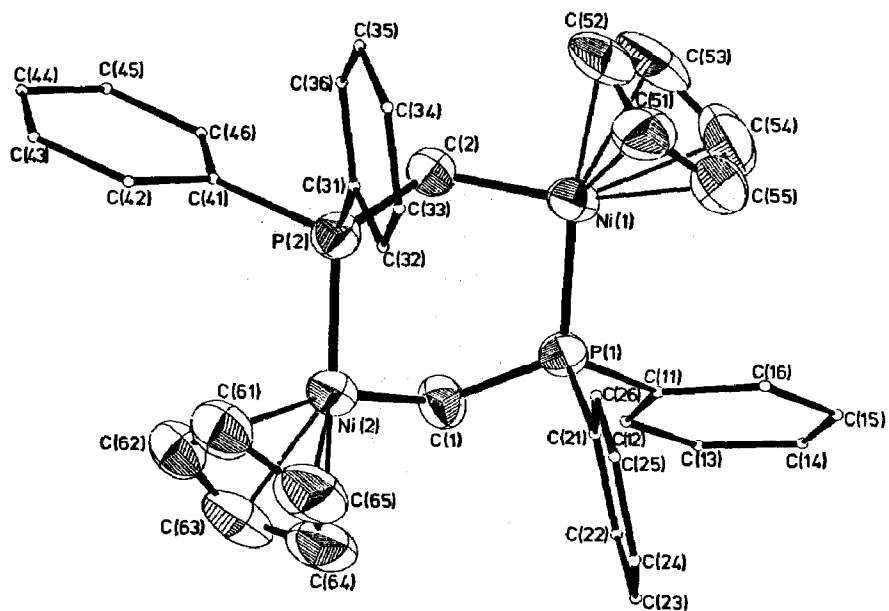


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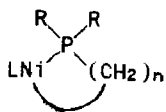
For clarity the methyl groups have been omitted; 50 % probability thermal ellipsoids are shown. The double bond is disordered between C(2)-C(3) (1.414(23) Å) and C(3)-C(4) (1.430(23) Å)



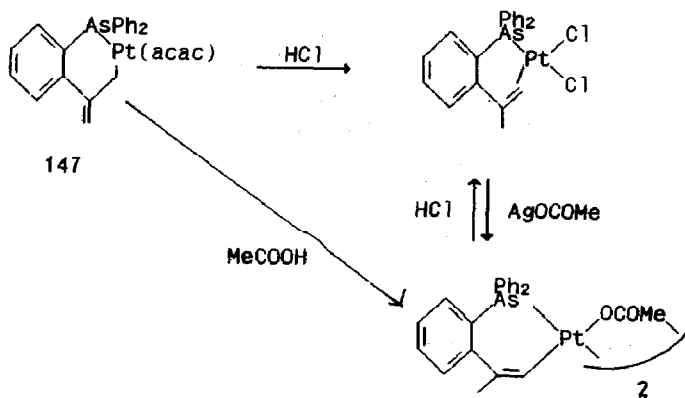
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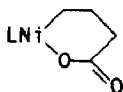
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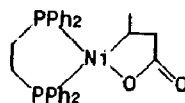
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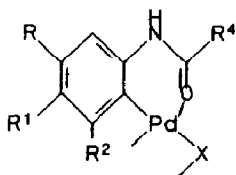




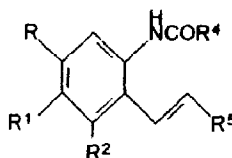
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## 6 METAL CARBONYL AND THIOCARBONYL COMPLEXES

A continuous aerosol ionisation gas analyser has been developed for the monitoring of air pollution, including levels of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  [189].

Administration, by inhalation to mice, and intravenously to rats, of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  resulted in selective necrosis on non-conciliated bronchiolar epithelial cells, and variable pulmonary parenchymal damage [190]. The oral efficacy of the chelating drugs disulfiram, dithiocarb and D-penicillamine was studied in relation to their ability to prevent death due to acute inhalation exposure to  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  [191]. A series of school experiments in organometallic chemistry has been described, including the preparations of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_2(\text{phen})]$ ; the author clearly has great faith in the skills and safety training of his pupils [192].

Calculations have been performed to determine the electronic configuration and electronic energy levels of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ . The photoelectron spectrum of the complex was assigned on the basis of these [193]. MO LCAO calculations of the electronic structure of nickel carbonyl clusters, including  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  and  $[\text{Ni}_3(\text{CO})_9]$ , were reported [194]. CI calculations based on an extended CNDO formulation were used to analyse low lying excited states of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ . In contrast to the usual assumptions, atomic  $d \rightarrow s$  and  $d \rightarrow p$  excitations were found to be important in the low energy region. These transitions are responsible for the photochemical reactivity of the carbonyl complex [195].

The ionisation potential of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  was calculated using a Green's function perturbation method, based on the INDO approximation. Deviations from Koopman's theorem were analysed [196]. The delta function potential model,

based on the variational method and delta-function electronic wave functions, was used to calculate the atomic, bond and molecular polarisabilities of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  [197].

The PES of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_n]^-$  ( $n = 1, 2$  or  $3$ ) was obtained with a fixed frequency argon-ion laser operating at 488 nm. The spectra allowed the determination of electron affinities for the series of complexes, as well as the symmetric C-O vibration frequencies for the corresponding neutral complexes. Metal to CO bond strengths for the neutral carbonyls  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_n]$  ( $n = 1, 2, 3$  or  $4$ ) were derived from these and other data [198]. The epr spectra of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_n]$  ( $n = 1, 2$  or  $3$ ) adsorbed on surfaces were discussed [199]. Linear combination of Gaussian type  $\chi_\alpha$  calculations on  $\{\text{Ni}(\text{CO})\}$  were described, and their relevance to the mode of CO adsorption on nickel discussed, with the conclusion that it was marginal [200].

The rate of formation of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  by reaction of CO with solid nickel was studied as a function of the composition of the gas used and the initial treatment of the nickel samples. A mechanism was proposed whereby heat treatment activated the surface. In particular a finite number of low coordination nickel sites were activated. These sites were shown to be energetically favoured for  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  formation, and were responsible for the transient behaviour observed [201]. Structural aspects of the reaction were studied by field ion microscopy, and several intermediate states were seen. The nickel atoms removed were most commonly taken from  $\langle 110 \rangle$  atom chains of the  $\{111\}$  planes [202].

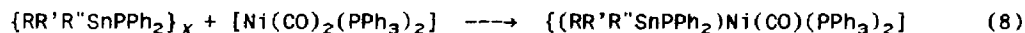
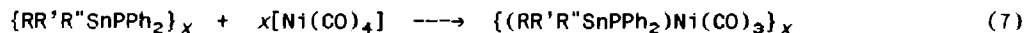
The presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  in pentane or hexane was shown to reduce the fragmentation of the alkane under  $\gamma$ -irradiation [203].  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  reacted with the ionic species produced on radiolysis, modifying ion-molecule reaction paths. A major effect using butane or pentane as substrate was a tenfold increase in the yield of ethene, and a loss of other light products [204].

Dissociative electron attachment rates were measured for  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  as a function of the pressure of carbon dioxide added to relax the epithermal electrons. The thermal rate constant was derived for the formation of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_3]^-$  [205].

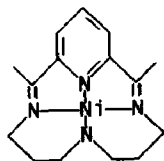
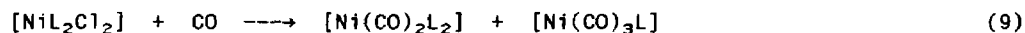
Ion cyclotron resonance spectroscopy with a pulsed-laser volatilization-ionisation source of atomic metal cations was used to investigate the gas phase chemistry of  $M^+$  with  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ . The initial product was  $[\text{MNi}(\text{CO})_n]^+$  ( $n = 2$  or  $3$ ,  $M = \text{Ti, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co}$  or  $\text{Ni}$ ), which reacted with further  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  to give mixed metal cluster cations [206].

Photolysis of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  in liquid krypton containing nitrogen gave the unstable species  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_3(\text{N}_2)]$ , identified by IR spectroscopy [207]. Other substitutions of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  have been of a more conventional type, such as

those shown in reactions (7) and (8) (R = styrene/divinylbenzene copolymer). The products were used as catalysts for alkyne oligomerisations [208].



Nickel carbonyl complexes have also been prepared by carbonylation; reaction (9) (L = PEt<sub>3</sub>, PEt<sub>2</sub>Ph or PEtPh<sub>2</sub>) did not proceed quantitatively in the absence of added ligand or pyridine [209]. Carbonylation of K[Ni(NPh<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>] in toluene, ether or thf gave [Ni(CO)<sub>4</sub>] and tetraphenylurea. In ether K[Ni(NPh<sub>2</sub>)] was additionally formed, whereas in thf K<sub>2</sub>[Ni<sub>6</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>] was also produced [210]. Carbonylation of 153 gave a monocarbonyl complex with an axial CO ligand. The electrochemistry of both species was studied [211].



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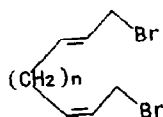
Reaction of [Ni(CO)<sub>4</sub>] with trifluoroethanoic anhydride gave only Ni(O<sub>2</sub>CCF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> [212].

The <sup>13</sup>C nmr spectra of the complexes [Ni(CO)<sub>3</sub>(PR<sub>3</sub>)] have been determined, with a view to studying segmental motion in the phosphine [213]. The structure of the complex [Cp<sub>2</sub>Nb(CO)(μ-H)Ni(CO)<sub>3</sub>], prepared from [Cp<sub>2</sub>Nb(μ-H)<sub>2</sub>BH<sub>2</sub>] and [Ni(CO)<sub>4</sub>], has been established by an X-ray diffraction study [214].

The cyclocarbonylation of alkynes and alkenes using [Ni(CO)<sub>4</sub>] and palladium complexes as carbonylating agents and/or catalysts has been reviewed [215]. The cyclisation of α,ω-bis(allyl bromides) such as 154 by [Ni(CO)<sub>4</sub>] has again been noted [216]. A related cross-coupling led to a synthesis of *trans*-B-farnesene [217].

The electronic structures of {PdH}, {PdC} and {Pd(CO)} were investigated by the pseudopotential multireference double excitations configuration interaction method [218]. The relaxation energies, E<sub>R</sub>, during ionisation from the valence orbitals of square planar complexes [PdL<sub>4</sub>] (L = F, Cl, NH<sub>3</sub>, CN or CO) were calculated within the second order perturbation energy. The

electronic structures of the ground states were calculated within the INDO method [219]. Calculations on the *trans*-effect in  $[\text{PtCl}_3\text{X}]^-$  ( $\text{X} = \text{CO}$ , among others) purported to show that the nature of the *trans*-influence was related to a  $d \rightarrow d$  transition rather than the nature of  $\text{X}$  [220]. Calculations on the strengths of metal to ligand bonds in this complex have been undertaken [221].



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Platinum atoms reacted with oxalyl chloride to give *trans*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  [222]. The complex *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Cl}_2]$  was prepared and studied by ir and nmr spectroscopy and DTA. It was found that structural features of this and related complexes could be related to their catalytic activity in oxidative chlorination of pentane [223].  $\pi$ -Acceptors such as CO displaced molecular hydrogen from  $[\text{H}_2\text{Pt}(\text{PR}_3)_2]$  ( $\text{R} = \text{Me}$  or  $\text{Et}$ ) to give  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PR}_3)_2(\text{CO})_2]$  [224]. Carbonylation of the complex for which  $\text{R} = \text{Cy}$  at low temperature gave  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PCy}_3)_2(\text{CO})_2]$ . At ambient temperature this trimerised giving  $[\text{Pt}_3(\text{PCy}_3)_3(\text{CO})_3]$  but at lower temperature the reaction with  $\text{PBU}_3$  gave the mixed complex  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{PBU}_3)(\text{CO})_2]$  [225].

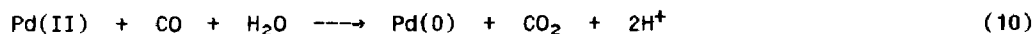
The oxidation of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})\text{Cl}_3]^-$  by  $\text{Cl}_2$  in  $\text{SOCl}_2$  to give  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})\text{Cl}_5]^-$  was previously reported, but this novel anion has now been isolated as its  $[\text{Me}_2\text{CHNH}_2]^+$  salt. At  $2191 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , the carbonyl stretching frequency in the complex is the highest so far recorded [226].

Carbonyl complexes have served as precursors to a number of interesting species. Reaction of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})_3(\text{SEt}_2)(\text{PEt}_3)]$  with  $\text{R}_3\text{SnH}$  in methanol gave the hexacoordinate platinum(IV) complex *fac*- $[\text{HPt}(\text{PEt}_3)(\text{SnR}_3)\{\text{R}_2\text{Sn}(\mu\text{-OME})\text{SnR}_2(\mu\text{-OME})\text{SnR}_2\}]$ , characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [227]. Treatment of *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{CO})\text{Cl}_2]$  with  $\text{SnCl}_2$  in  $\text{Me}_2\text{CO}$  rather surprisingly gave *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2] \cdot \text{Me}_2\text{CO}$ , identified by X-ray diffraction [228]. The carbonyl complex, *trans*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})\text{L}_2\text{Cl}][\text{BPh}_4]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$  or  $\text{AsPh}_3$ ) was converted to the carboxylate type species *trans*- $[\text{PtL}_2\{\text{COON}(\text{CF}_3)_2\}\text{Cl}]$  by reaction with  $\text{Na}[\text{ON}(\text{CF}_3)_2]$  [229].

A review of the data on the isomerisation of palladium(II) and platinum(II) square planar complexes has been published. It was concluded that the direction of the isomerisation is controlled by the *trans*-effect of the inner sphere ligands [230]. The *cis*  $\rightleftharpoons$  *trans* isomerisation of  $[\text{PtL}_2\text{Cl}_2]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PEt}_3$ ,  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$  or  $\text{PMePh}_2$ ) was catalysed by carbon monoxide. The

intermediate was a five-coordinate carbonyl complex, which underwent ready pseudorotation. Either chlorine or L could be eliminated from the five-coordinate complex to give species such as  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})\text{L}_2\text{Cl}][\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]$ . The study was extended to isonitrile complexes, which behaved similarly [231].

Carbon monoxide and chlorine react together in  $\text{SOCl}_2$  in the presence of a suitable catalyst to form phosgene. Catalytic efficiency was in the order  $[\text{Au}(\text{CO})\text{Cl}] > [\text{Pd}(\text{CO})\text{Cl}_3]^- > [\text{Pt}(\text{CO})\text{Cl}_3]^-$  [232,233]. Reaction (10) was accelerated by the formation of a bridged complex,  $[\text{Cl}_3\text{Pd}(\mu\text{-X})(\mu\text{-CO})\text{CuCl}]^{2-}$  [234]. Reaction (11) ( $\text{M} = \text{Pd}$  or  $\text{Pt}$ ,  $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$ ) was presumed to involve the intermediates  $[\text{L}_n\text{M}(\text{F})\text{CHO}]$  and  $[\text{HML}_n(\text{F})(\text{CO})]$  [235].

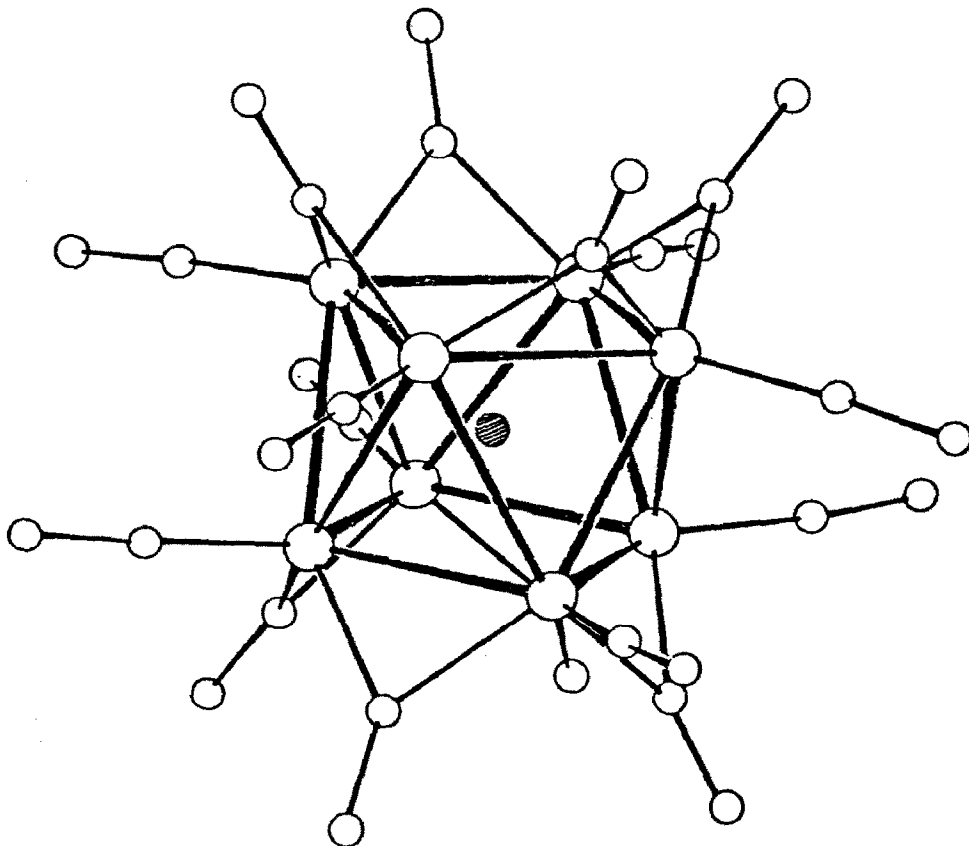


Successive treatment of  $[\text{Ni}_6(\text{CO})_{12}]^{2-}$  with  $\text{SiCl}_4$  and  $\text{CO}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  gave the carbide cluster  $[\text{Ni}_9\text{C}(\text{CO})_{16}]^{2-}$ , 155.  $[\text{Ni}_9\text{C}(\text{CO})_{17}]^{2-}$ , 156, was produced from  $[\text{Ni}_6(\text{CO})_{12}]^{2-}$ ,  $\text{CCl}_4$  and  $\text{CO}$ . The structure of this cluster was established by an X-ray diffraction study on its  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}]$  salt. It was based on a square antiprism of nickel atoms capped on a square face, with the carbide encapsulated in the nickel cage. The average nickel-nickel bond distance was intermediate between that in nickel metal and that in  $\text{Ni}_3\text{C}$  [236].

$^{103}\text{Rh}$  decoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  nmr spectroscopy was used to assign the  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectrum of the mixed cluster  $[\text{NiRh}_6(\text{CO})_{16}]^{2-}$ . Variable temperature measurements showed that the fluxional processes observed were different from those in the isostructural complex  $[\text{Rh}_7(\text{CO})_{16}]$  [237]. Reaction of  $[\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_9(\mu_3\text{-n}^2\text{-C}\equiv\text{CCHMe}_2)(\text{PPh}_2)]$  with  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  gave four products. One of these,  $[\text{NiRu}_4(\text{CO})_9(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2(\mu_4\text{-C}\equiv\text{CCHMe}_2)_2]$ , 157, was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. The loss of the cyclopentadienyl ligand from nickel is most unusual [238].

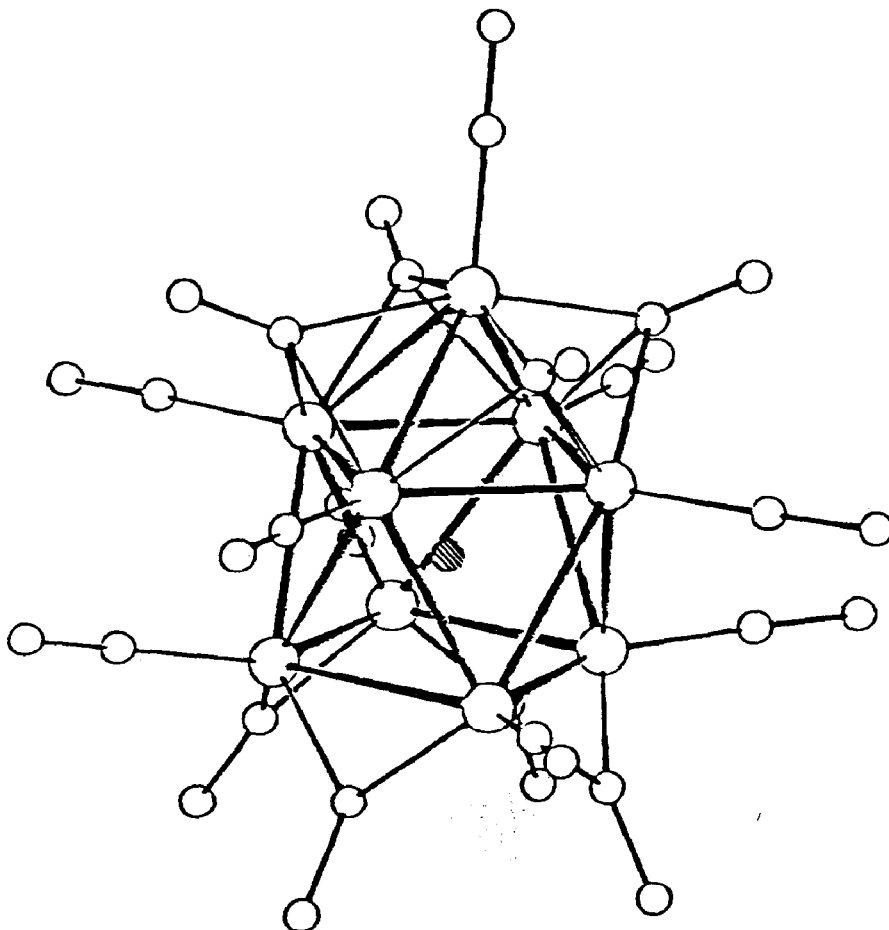
Further studies of palladium carbonyl phosphine clusters have been undertaken. The reaction of  $[\{\text{Pd}(\text{OCOME})_2\}_3]$  with carbon monoxide was shown to be first order in  $\{\text{Pd}(\text{OCOME})_2\}$  and  $\text{CO}$ . Numerous intermediates were proposed [239]. In a mixture of dioxan and  $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$ ,  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOME})_2$  reacted with  $\text{CO}$  and  $\text{Bu}_3\text{P}$  to give respectively  $[\text{Pd}_{10}(\mu_3\text{-CO})_4(\mu_2\text{-CO})_6(\text{PBu}_3)_6]$  and  $[\text{Pd}_{10}(\text{CO})_{14}(\text{PBu}_3)_4]$  at 1:4-1:10 and 1:1.5-1:2.5 molar ratios of palladium to phosphine. If the  $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$  was replaced with  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  the products were  $[\text{Pd}_4(\text{CO})_5(\text{PBu}_3)_4]$  and  $[\text{Pd}_4(\mu_2\text{-CO})_6(\text{PBu}_3)_4]$ . The probable structures of the clusters were discussed [240]. In heptane  $[\text{Pd}_{10}(\text{CO})_{12}(\text{PBu}_3)_6]$  was converted by  $\text{CO}$  and  $\text{PBu}_3$  to  $[\text{Pd}_4(\text{CO})_5(\text{PBu}_3)_4]$  [241]. Carbonylation of  $[\text{PdL}_2(\text{NO}_2)_2]$  gave  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CO}_2$  and

$[\text{Pd}_4(\text{CO})_5\text{L}_4]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PMePh}_2$ ). Related nickel complexes were also studied [242]. Carbonylation of the allyl complex,  $[\text{Pd}(\eta^1, \eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\text{PMe}_3)]$  in toluene at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  gave  $[\text{Pd}_7(\text{CO})_7(\text{PMe}_3)_7]$ , 158, characterised by X-ray diffraction. The structure consisted of a face-capped octahedron of palladium atoms with one phosphine ligand attached to each. Four carbonyl face-bridged the octahedron, whilst the other three bridge the edges to the odd palladium [243].



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A review of hydride platinum carbonyl clusters has been published [244]. Molecular orbital calculations on phosphine carbonyl clusters of the platinum group metals indicate how they may be encompassed within the framework of the polyhedral skeletal electron pair theory. In particular,  $[\text{Pt}_4(\text{CO})_5(\text{PR}_3)_4]$  was predicted to adopt a butterfly structure, whilst  $[\text{Pt}_5(\text{CO})_6(\text{PR}_3)_4]$  was expected to be an edge-bridged tetrahedron, in accord with the experimental observations [245].

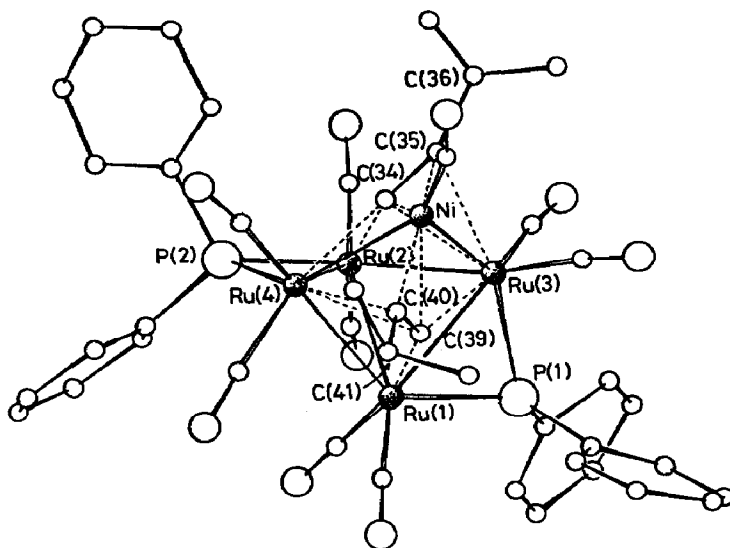


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Selective population transfer techniques were used to identify isotopomers in the  $^{31}\text{P}$  nmr spectrum of  $[\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-S})(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3]$  [246].

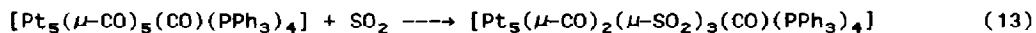
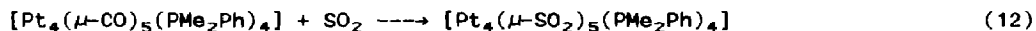
The reaction of  $[\text{H}_2\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-H})(\mu\text{-dppm})_2][\text{PF}_6]$  with carbon monoxide to give  $[\text{HPT}_2(\mu\text{-dppm})_2(\text{CO})][\text{PF}_6]$  was shown to be reversible. The same product could be produced from  $[\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-dppm})_2(\text{CO})_2]^{2+}$ , 159, on reaction with  $[\text{OH}]^-$ . The trihydride but not the carbonyl hydride acted as a catalyst for the water gas shift. 159 and 160, isolated from a partially oxidised catalytic solution, were characterised by X-ray diffraction studies [247,248]. The chemistry of these and related complexes has been reviewed [249]. Photolysis of  $[\text{H}_2\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-H})(\mu\text{-dppm})_2]^+$  in the presence of ligands including CO, ArNC, MeCN and pyridine gave  $[\text{HPT}(\mu\text{-dppm})_2\text{L}]^+$ . That the process was intramolecular was shown by deuterium labelling, and quantum yield and sensitisation experiments

indicated that reaction probably occurred from the first excited state [250].



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Adsorption of  $[\text{Pt}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3(\text{PEt}_3)_4]$  on alumina followed by hydrogenation gave a hydrocracking catalyst [251]. In the triangular complexes  $[\text{Pt}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3\text{L}_4]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PEt}_3$ ,  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$ ,  $\text{PMePh}_2$ ,  $\text{PEt}_2\text{CMe}_3$  or  $\text{PPh}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})$ ) nmr spectroscopic measurements showed that there were two types of phosphine and two types of platinum atoms with distinctive coupling constants,  $^1J_{\text{PtPt}}$ , in accord with the structure 161 [252]. Carbon monoxide could be substituted by sulphur dioxide in the analogous complex of  $\text{PPh}_3$ , and reactions (12) and (13) indicated that CO and  $\text{SO}_2$  are roughly comparable as bridging ligands. Ir spectroscopy and an X-ray diffraction study of 162 showed that  $\text{SO}_2$  bridged two metal atoms *via* the sulphur atom [253].

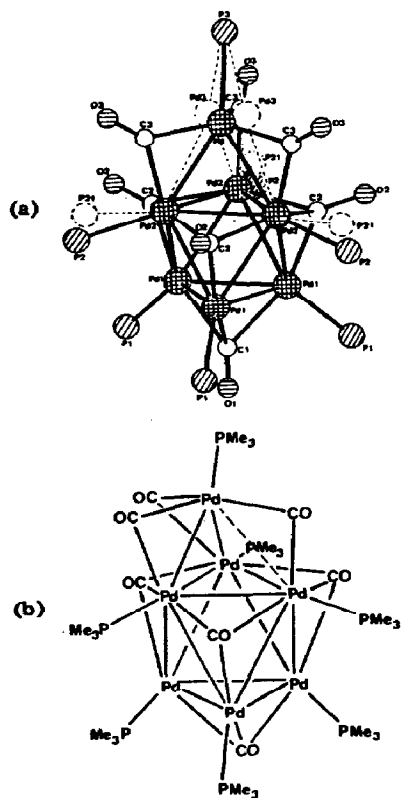


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$[\text{Pt}_4(\text{CO})_5\{\text{As}(\text{CMe}_3)_3\}_4]$  was prepared by carbonylation of *trans*- $[\text{H}_2\text{Pt}\{\text{As}(\text{CMe}_3)_3\}_2]$  [254]. Some interconversions of large platinum clusters have been studied (reactions (14) and (15)). The structure of

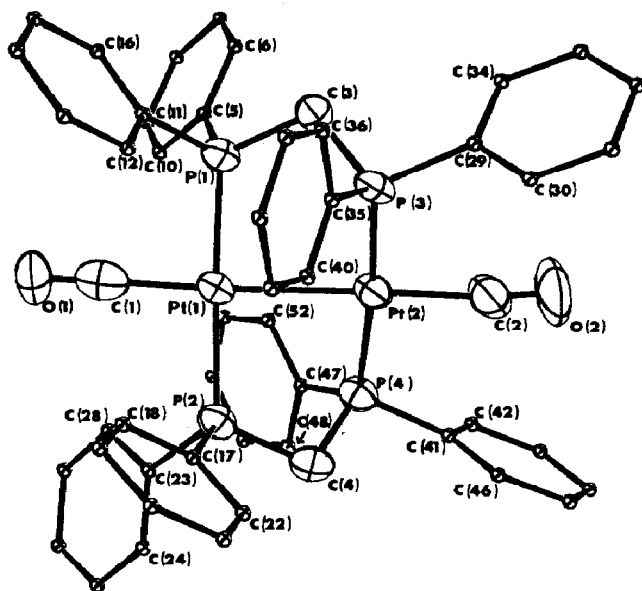


$[\text{Pt}_{24}(\text{CO})_{30}]^{2-}$  was shown by an X-ray diffraction study to be a fragment of a cubic close packed structure [255]. A number of large platinum clusters have been used as catalysts for hydrogenation of alkenes, carbonyl groups and nitriles. Ir spectroscopic studies of the catalysis solutions implied the existence of complex equilibria, with the active species containing the unit 163 [256].

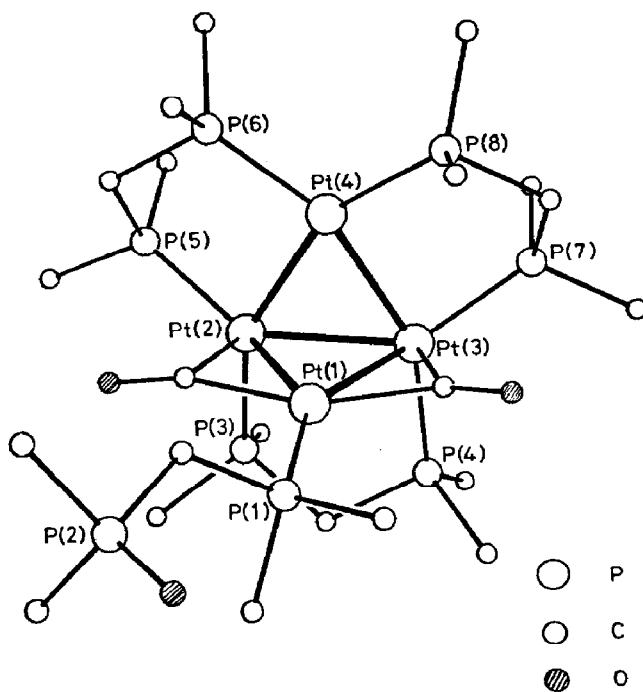


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Structure of  $[\text{Pd}_7(\text{CO})_7(\text{PMe}_3)_7]$  (a) determined in the X-ray experiment. As a result of disorder of the seventh palladium atom on one of the triangular faces of the octahedron the symmetry of individual molecules is reduced to  $C_3(m)$ . The edge-bridging carbonyl groups, C3-03, appear disordered in three positions. (b) Idealised structure.

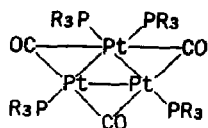


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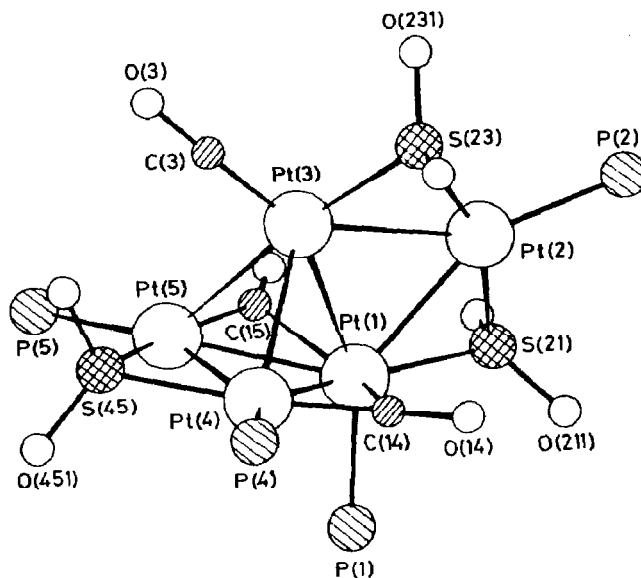


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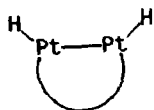
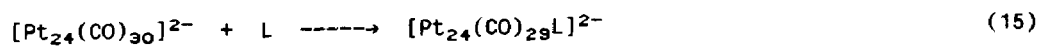
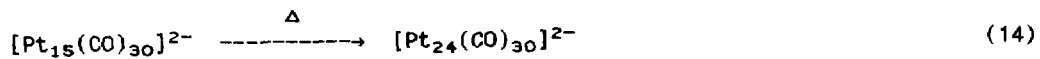
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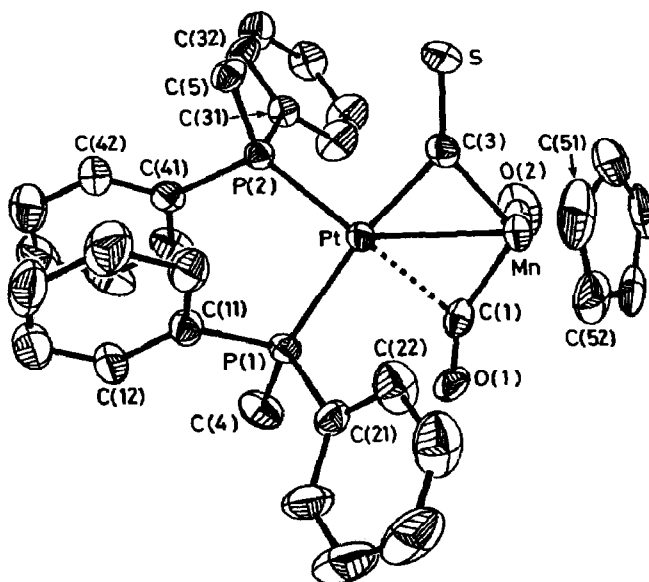
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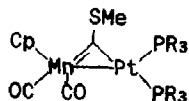
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Reaction of *cis*-[Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>] with [(Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>2</sub>Ir(CO)<sub>2</sub>(COOMe)] gave a species formulated as [(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Ir(μ-CO)<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>2</sub>]. The complex was not well characterised [257].

The thiocarbonyl bridged species [CpM(CO)(μ-CS)(μ-CO)Pt(PR<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (M = Mn, PR<sub>3</sub> = PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph or PMePh<sub>2</sub>; M = Re, PR<sub>3</sub> = PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph) were prepared from [CpM(CO)<sub>2</sub>(CS)] and [Pt(PR<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)]. The the thiocarbonyl was truly bridging and the carbonyl semi-bridging, was clearly demonstrated by an X-ray diffraction study on 164. Reaction of the bridging thiocarbonyl complex with [Me<sub>3</sub>O][BF<sub>4</sub>] gave 165, the first example of a heteronuclear bimetallic complex with a bridging thiocarbonyne ligand [258].



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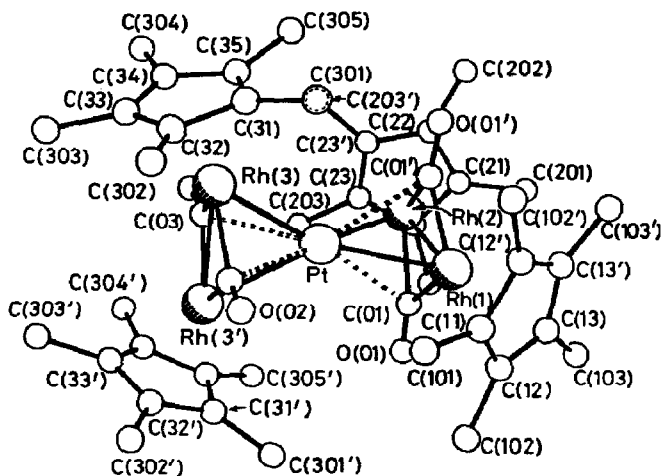
The complexes [Pt<sub>2</sub>Co<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>8</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] and [Pt(CyNC)<sub>2</sub>{CpMo(CO)<sub>3</sub>}<sub>2</sub>] were shown to be poor catalysts for the reduction of alkenes and internal alkynes, but good, though rather unselective, for hydrogenation of terminal alkynes. The {PtMo<sub>2</sub>} cluster could be recovered essentially unchanged from the reaction, but the {Pt<sub>2</sub>Co<sub>2</sub>} species was extensively rearranged [259]. Insertion

of  $\text{SnCl}_2$  into the Pt-Pt bond of  $[\text{Cl}_2(\text{CO})\text{Pt}-\text{Pt}(\text{CO})\text{Cl}_2]^{2-}$  gave  $[\text{Cl}_2(\text{CO})\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-SnCl}_2)\text{Pt}(\text{CO})\text{Cl}_2]^{2-}$ , and related platinum halocarbonyl complexes behaved similarly [260].

The reaction of  $[\text{Pt}_3(\mu_2\text{-CO})_3\text{L}_3]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{P}(\text{CHMe}_2)_3$ ,  $\text{PPh}(\text{CHMe}_2)_2$  or  $\text{PEt}_2(\text{CMe}_3)$ ) with mercury metal gave the complex  $[\{\text{Pt}_3(\mu_2\text{-CO})_3\text{L}_3\}_2\text{Hg}_2]$  in which the two triangular  $\{\text{Pt}_3\}$  units were both capped by mercury atoms, the mercury atoms being linked by a weak bond. The bonding arises from a linear combination of an empty  $\sigma$ -type orbital from each of the  $\{\text{Pt}_3\}$  fragments and the filled 6s orbitals of each mercury atom. This gives rise to one strongly and one weakly bonding molecular orbital to accommodate the four bonding electrons. The weak Hg-Hg interaction arises from the non-bonding character between these two atoms of the HOMO. Reaction of  $[\text{Pt}_4(\mu_2\text{-CO})_5(\text{PEt}_3)_4]$  with mercury gave  $[\text{Hg}\{\text{Pt}_3(\mu_2\text{-CO})_3(\text{PEt}_3)_3\}_2]$  [261].

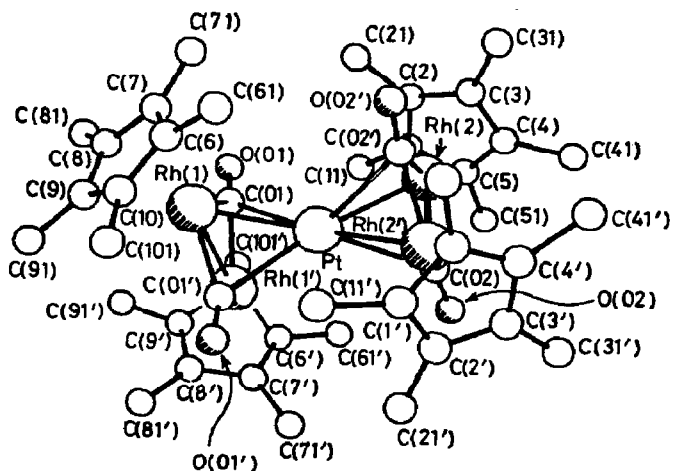
Tris(ethene) platinum is a useful source of mixed clusters since all the ligands are readily displaced. Reaction with  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Rh}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]$  gave  $[\text{PtRh}_4\text{Cp}^*_4(\mu\text{-CO})_4]$ , 166, characterised by X-ray diffraction. The rhodium atoms were arranged around the platinum in a pseudotetrahedron and the carbonyls were semi-triply bridging. The cluster possessed  $D_{2d}$  symmetry as predicted by degenerate perturbation theory [262]. Cyclooctadiene ligands are a little less easy to displace, and the analogous reaction with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})_2]$  in a 1:1 molar ratio gave  $[\text{PtRh}_2(\mu_3\text{-CO})_2(\text{cod})\text{Cp}^*_2]$ . With two molar equivalents of  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Rh}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]$  the major product was  $[\text{PtRh}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2(\text{CO})_2\text{Cp}^*_2]$ .  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)]$ , in which only the ethene is readily displaced, gave a complex mixture of which the major component was 167; steric crowding led to a lengthening of the Pt-Rh bonds. 167 was also produced in the reaction with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)]$ , along with  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Rh}_2\text{Pt}(\mu_3\text{-CO})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)(\text{PPh}_3)]$  and a little  $[\text{Pt}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3\text{PPh}_3)_3]$  [263]. Protonation of a number of these complexes has been studied. Thus treatment of  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Rh}_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-CO})_2\text{LL}']$  ( $\text{L} = \text{L}' = \text{CO}$ ,  $\text{L} = \text{CO}$ ,  $\text{L}' = \text{PPh}_3$  or  $\text{LL}' = \text{cod}$ ) with  $\text{H}[\text{BF}_4]$  gave  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Rh}_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})(\mu\text{-CO})_2\text{LL}']$  in which protonation had occurred on the Pt-Rh edge. All these complexes showed fluxional behaviour on the nmr spectroscopic timescale, apparently involving a shift of the hydride from one Pt-Rh bond to the other. The dynamic process was shown to involve rotation of the  $\{\text{Cp}^*\text{Rh}_2(\text{CO})_2\}$  fragment about an axis through the platinum atom and the midpoint of the rhodium-rhodium bond. 168 was characterised by X-ray diffraction but the bridging hydride was not directly located [264].

The cluster  $[\text{PtRh}_{10}\text{N}(\mu\text{-CO})_{10}(\text{CO})_{11}]^{3-}$  was prepared from  $[\text{Rh}_6\text{N}(\text{CO})_{15}]^-$  and  $[\text{PtRh}_4(\text{CO})_{14}]^{2-}$ , and was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study of its caesium salt, 169. The cluster has the highest metal to interstitial atom ratio known [265].



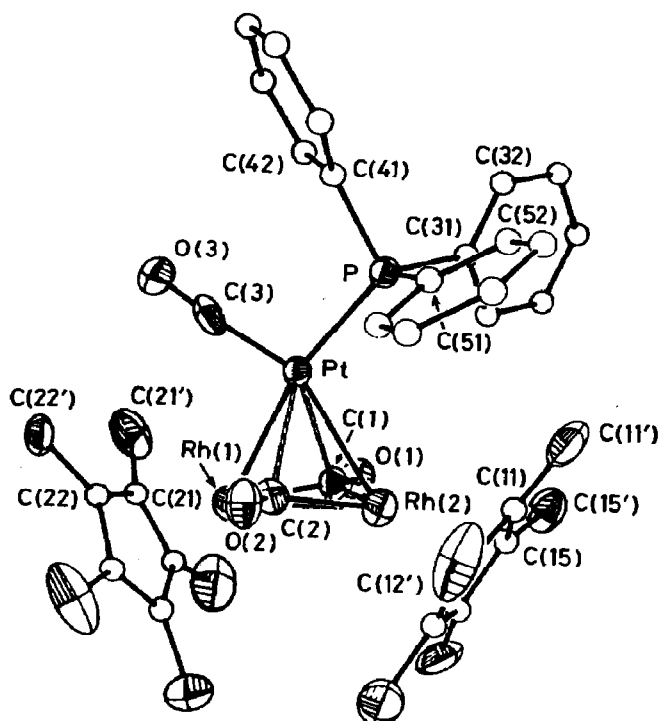
166a Orthorhombic  $[\text{Cp}^*_4\text{PtRh}_4(\mu\text{-CO})_4]$  The primed and unprimed atoms are related by mirror symmetry

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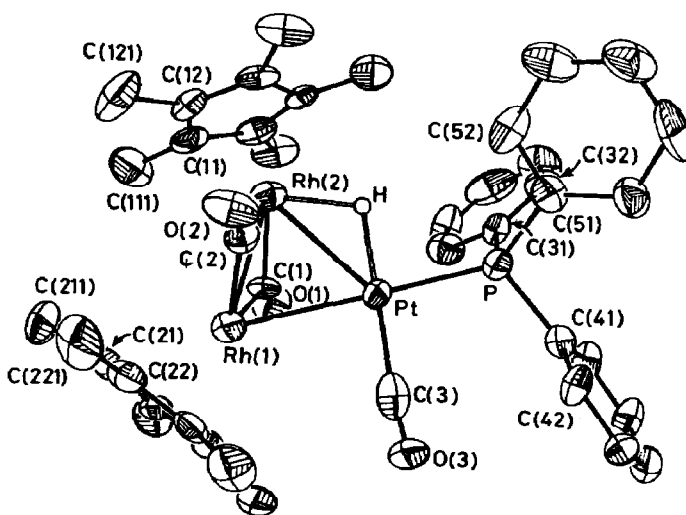


166b Monoclinic  $[\text{Cp}^*_4\text{PtRh}_4(\mu\text{-CO})_4]$  The primed and unprimed atoms were related by a two-fold rotation axis. Monoclinic crystals were grown at room temperature from light petroleum/ $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . Cooling of the monoclinic crystals to 200 K resulted in a phase change to form a triclinic unit cell, poorly defined and weakly diffracting. Rewarming to ambient temperature resulted in another irreversible phase change to the orthorhombic structure.

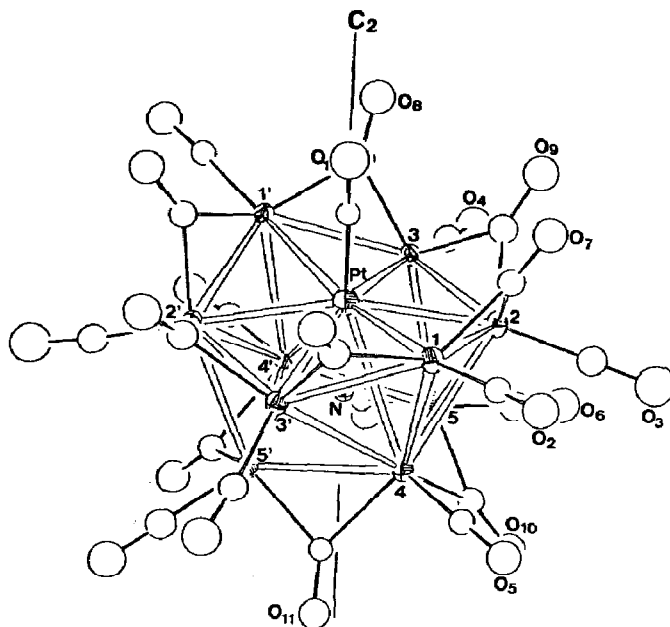
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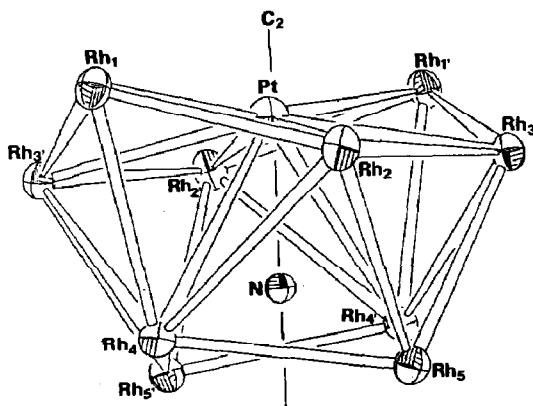


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169a View of the anion  $[\text{PtRh}_{10}(\mu\text{-CO})_{10}(\text{CO})_{11}]^{3-}$ . The rhodium atoms are indicated by their sequence numbers and the carbonyl ligands by their oxygen atoms.

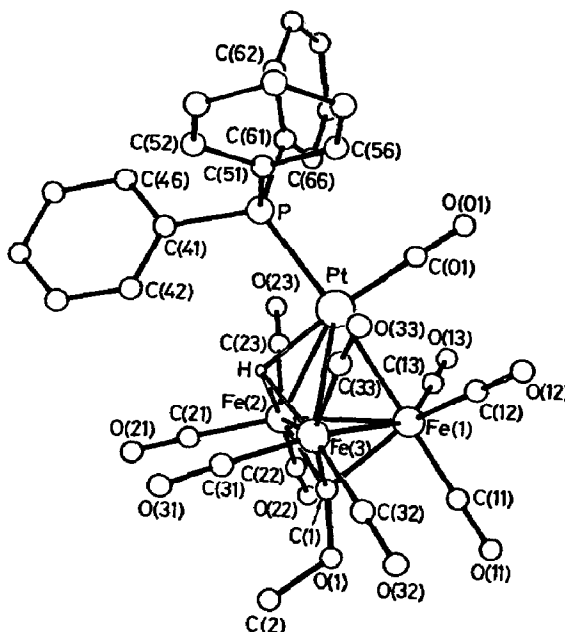
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169b View of the  $\{\text{PtRh}_{10}\text{N}\}$  moiety  
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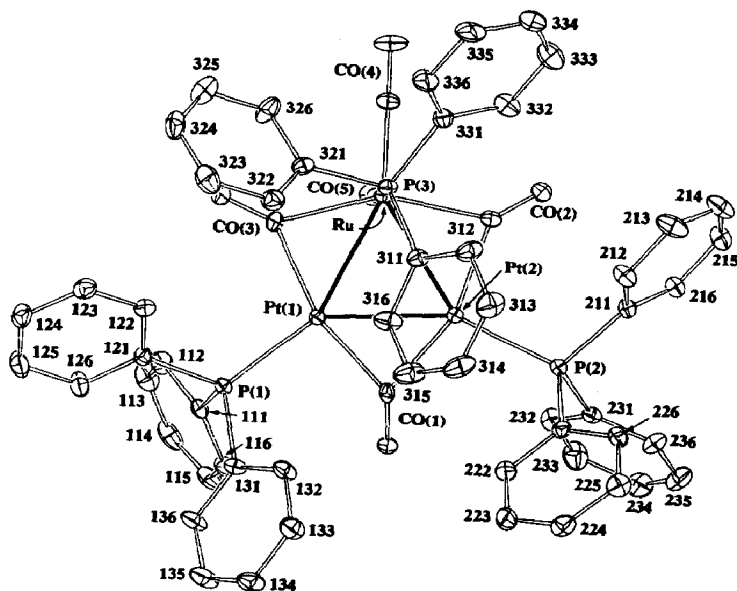
Reaction of  $[\text{Fe}_3(\mu\text{-H})(\mu\text{-COMe})(\text{CO})_{10}]$  with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2]$  gave  $[\text{Fe}_3\text{Pt}(\mu_3\text{-H})(\mu_3\text{-COMe})(\text{CO})_{10}(\text{PPh}_3)]$ , 170, in which the metal atoms form a distorted tetrahedron, the hydride bridges the  $\{\text{Fe}_2\text{Pt}\}$  face, and the acetyl group bridges the  $\{\text{Fe}_3\}$  face [266]. The structure of  $[\text{Fe}_5\text{PtC}(\text{CO})_{15}]^{2-}$  was determined and shown to involve an octahedron of metal atoms with the carbidic carbon in the centre. The platinum atom bears one terminal carbonyl group, whilst the iron atoms each bear two. The remaining four carbonyls were bridging [267].



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The reaction of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)]$  with  $[\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{11}(\text{CNCMe}_3)]$  was much faster than that with  $[\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}]$ , giving, at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  an unstable crimson adduct  $[\text{RuPt}_2(\mu_2\text{-CO})_2(\text{CO})_2(\text{PPh}_3)_3]$ . At room temperature a wide range of products were isolated, including  $[\text{Ru}_2\text{Pt}(\text{CO})_7(\text{PPh}_3)_3]$ ,  $[\text{RuPt}_2(\text{CO})_5(\text{PPh}_3)_3]$ ,  $[\text{RuPt}_2(\text{CO})_6(\text{CNCMe}_3)(\text{PPh}_3)]$  and  $[\text{Ru}_2\text{Pt}_2(\text{CO})_9(\text{CNCMe}_3)(\text{PPh}_3)]$ . Low temperature carbonylation of the crimson intermediate gave  $[\text{Pt}_2\text{Ru}(\mu_2\text{-CO})_3(\text{CO})_2(\text{PPh}_3)_3]$ , 171, as the major product. This complex had been prepared before, but has now been definitively characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. Other reactions of the crimson intermediate were also investigated [268]. The structure of  $[\text{H}_2\text{Os}_4\text{Pt}(\text{CO})_{12}(\text{dppe})]$ , formed from  $[\text{H}_4\text{Os}_4(\text{CO})_{12}]$  and  $[\text{R}_2\text{Pt}(\text{dppe})]$  ( $\text{R} = \text{Ph}$  or  $\text{Me}$ ), was not determined, but was assumed to be closely related to that of the

characterised species  $[\text{H}_2\text{Os}_4(\text{CO})_{12}\{\text{Au}(\text{PR}_3)\}_2]$  [269].



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Molecule of the complex projected normal to the plane of the metal atom triangle.

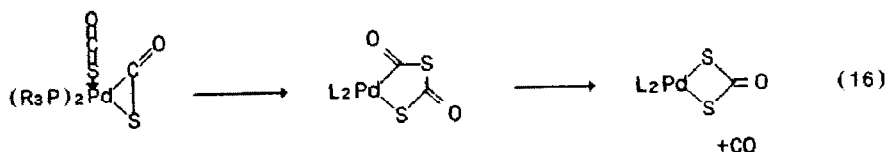
*Ab initio* molecular orbital calculations have been performed for the system  $\{\text{Ni}(\text{PH}_3)_2\}/\text{CO}_2$ . It was concluded that coordination through the central carbon atom was unfavourable, but that  $\eta^2$ -coordination was likely since  $\text{Ni}(0)$  is able to provide good  $\pi$ -back donation [270]. The reduction of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_2)_2(\text{PMe}_3)_2]$  to  $[\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NO})(\text{PMe}_3)_2]$ , by carbon monoxide, was thought to proceed *via* an associative mechanism with transfer of oxygen from nitrogen to carbon in  $[\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_2)_2(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)_2]$  [271].

The cod ligand in  $[\text{Ni}(\text{bipy})(\text{cod})]$  could be substituted by COS,  $\text{CS}_2$  or  $\text{CSSe}$ , but  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)]$  reacted only with  $\text{CS}_2$  and not COS. Reaction with  $\text{CO}_2$  occurred only with  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PCy}_3)_3]$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PEt}_3)_4]$ . An oligomeric structure was suggested for  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{CS}_2)]$ , but was not conclusively proven [272]. Reduction of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{triphos})(\eta^2\text{-S}_2\text{CX})][\text{BPh}_4]_n$  ( $X = \text{SMe}$ ,  $\text{OEt}$  or  $\text{NEt}_2$ ,  $n = 1$ ;  $X = \text{PEt}_3$ ,  $n = 2$ ) with  $\text{Na}[\text{BH}_4]$  gave respectively  $[\text{Ni}(\text{triphos})(\eta^2\text{-CS}_2)]$ ,  $[\text{Ni}(\text{triphos})(\text{CO})]$ ,  $[\text{Ni}(\text{triphos})\text{SH}]$  (the structure of this compound was proven by X-ray diffraction) and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{triphos})(\text{S}_2\text{CHPEt}_3)]$  [273].

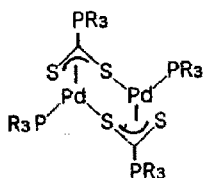
In the complex  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PCy}_3)_2(\text{PhCHO})]$  the aldehyde was shown by an X-ray diffraction study to be  $\eta^2$ -coordinated. The carbon-oxygen bond was lengthened

by 0.1 Å due to back donation into the  $\pi^*$  orbital [274].

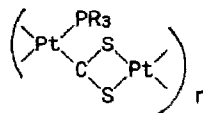
Neither  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PCy}_3)_2]$  nor  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PCy}_3)_2]$  react with liquid  $\text{CO}_2$  to give derivatives, but the platinum complex does react with wet  $\text{CO}_2$  to give a bicarbonate complex *trans*- $[\text{HPt}(\text{PCy}_3)_2(\text{O}_2\text{COH})]$  [275].  $[\text{PdL}_4]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PMePh}_2$  or  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$ ) and  $[\text{PdL}'_2]$  ( $\text{L}' = \text{P}(\text{CHMe}_2)_3$ ) all reacted with  $\text{COS}$  to give complexes of the stoichiometry  $[\text{Pd}(\text{R}_3\text{P})_2(\text{S}_2\text{CO})]$ , in which the  $\{\text{S}_2\text{CO}\}$  acted as a chelate through the sulphur atoms. The mechanism of reaction (16) was suggested [276]. By contrast  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_3]$  reacted with one molar equivalent of  $\text{COS}$  to give  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\eta^2\text{-C,S-COS})]$ , which was stable in solution only below  $-20^\circ\text{C}$ . With an excess of  $\text{COS}$  the dithiocarbonate complex was again formed. The related reaction with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_n]$  ( $n = 3$  or  $4$ ) was slow and incomplete, giving the unstable complex  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{COS})]$  [277].



$[\text{Pd}\{\text{P}(\text{CHMe}_2)_3\}_n]$  ( $n = 2$  or  $3$ ) and  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PMePh}_2)_4]$  reacted with  $\text{CS}_2$  to give complexes with the stoichiometry  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PR}_3)_2(\eta^2\text{-CS}_2)]$ . However, with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PMe}_3)_4]$  and  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPhMe}_2)_4]$ ,  $[\{\text{Pd}(\text{PR}_3)(\text{S}_2\text{CPR}_3)\}_2]$ , with a structure proposed as 172, was produced [278]. Thermolysis of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\eta^2\text{-CS}_2)]$  gave a polymer with the proposed structure 173 [279].

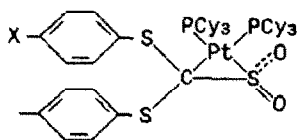
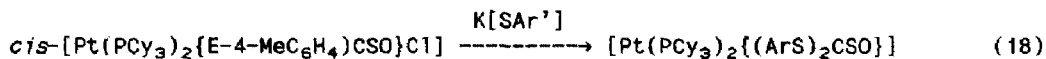
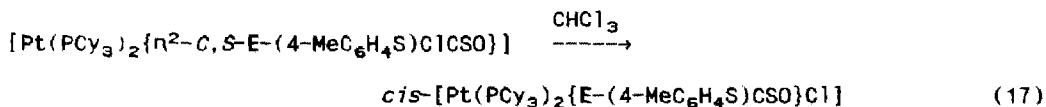


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A range of palladium(0) phosphine complexes reacted with  $\text{RNCS}$  to give  $[\text{L}_2\text{Pd}(\eta^2\text{-C,S-RNCS})]$  [280]. There have been further investigations of the coordination chemistry of the sulphines,  $\text{XYC=S=O}$ , with the aim of synthesising unstable sulphines within a metal coordination sphere. The preparation of 174 was achieved by reactions (17) and (18), but the reactions were slow and the process was not competitive with more conventional syntheses [281].



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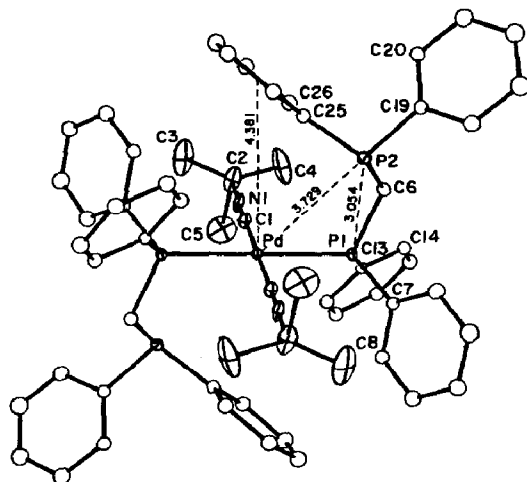
## 7 METAL ISOCYANIDE COMPLEXES

Substitution of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  by polymer bound isocyanide groups has been achieved [282]. The complex  $[\text{Ni}(\text{Ar}_2\text{N}_4)(\text{CNCMe}_3)_2]$  could be prepared either by reaction of the isocyanide with  $[\text{Ni}(\text{Ar}_2\text{N}_4)_2]$  or from  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CNCMe}_3)_4]$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{Ar}_2\text{N}_4)_2]$  [283]. The paramagnetic complex  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{Ar}_2\text{N}_4)]$  also reacted with  $\text{Me}_3\text{CNC}$  to give  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CNCMe}_3)_2(\text{Ar}_2\text{N}_4)]$  [284].

The structure of 175, prepared by reaction of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CNCMe}_3)_4]^{2+}$  with dppm, was determined by an X-ray diffraction study [285]. The reaction of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CNCMe}_3)_2]$  with either  $[\text{Mo}(\text{SCMe}_3)_4]$  or  $[\text{Mo}(\text{SCMe}_3)_2(\text{CNCMe}_3)_4]$  gave the mixed  $d^4d^{10}$  bimetallic complex  $[(\text{Me}_3\text{CNC})_4\text{Mo}(\mu\text{-SCMe}_3)_2\text{Pd}(\text{CNCMe}_3)]$  [286].

Treatment of  $\text{cis-}[\text{Pt}\{\text{CNC}_6\text{H}_3\text{-2,6-Me}_2\}\text{Cl}_2]$  with the free isonitrile in the presence of sodium amalgam gave  $[\text{HgPt}_6(\text{CNAr})_{12}]$  as well as the known species,  $[\text{Pt}_7(\text{CNAr})_{12}]$  and  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CNAr})_5]$ . The structure of this latter compound appeared to be  $[(\text{ArNC})_2\text{Pt}(2,6\text{-Me}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{imino})_3]$  but the structure has not yet been determined by X-ray diffraction [287].  $[\text{PtL}_3]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{Me}_3\text{C}(\text{SiMe}_3)\text{NP}=\text{NCMe}_3$ ) reacted with  $\text{Me}_3\text{CNC}$  to give  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CNCMe}_3)_3(\mu_2\text{-CNCMe}_3)_3]$  [288].

$[\text{Ni}(\text{Ar}_2\text{N}_4)_2]$  reacted with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})_2]$  in the presence of  $\text{Me}_3\text{CNC}$  to give  $[\text{Ni}(\text{Ar}_2\text{N}_4)\text{Pt}(\text{CNCMe}_3)_2]$ . A number of related transformations, particularly those giving heterobimetallic complexes, were studied [289].



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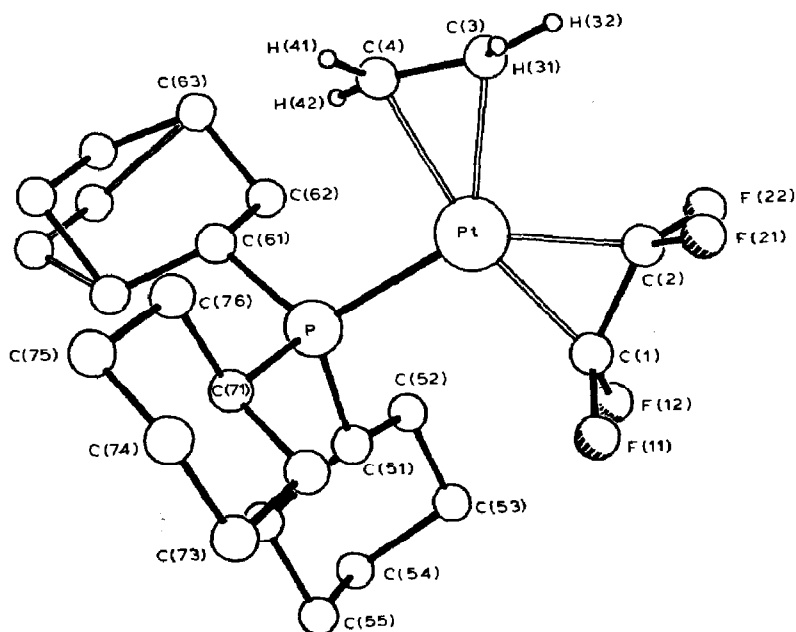
## 8 METAL ALKENE AND METAL ALKENYL COMPLEXES

The asymmetric reactions of alkenes with nucleophiles, *via* their metal complexes, has been reviewed. The reactions of palladium alkene complexes were particularly prominent [290]. Calculations on nickel alkene complexes have been undertaken in order to show the rôle of transition metal catalysis in nucleophilic addition to carbon carbon double bonds [291].

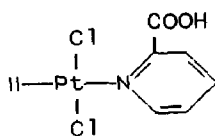
The electronic structure of transition metal alkene complexes with lithium containing ligands was investigated by semiempirical MO calculations of the INDO type. Among the models considered was *trans*-[Ni(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>{Li(en)}<sub>2</sub>] [292]. Ethene could be displaced from [Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)] by R<sub>3</sub>SiCH=CH<sub>2</sub> [293].

The ir and Raman spectra of [Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)] have been reported [294]. The low frequency modes of vibration of *trans*-[Pt(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)LCl<sub>2</sub>] (L = ND<sub>3</sub>, CD<sub>3</sub>CN, DCON(CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> or C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>ND<sub>2</sub>) and *cis*-[Pt(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>){(CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO}Cl<sub>2</sub>] have been studied by inelastic neutron scattering, ir and Raman spectroscopy. In all the complexes the motions of the ethene relative to platinum were assigned, and the barrier to ethene rotation was determined [295]. The structure of 176, [Pt(PCy<sub>3</sub>)(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>)], was established by an X-ray diffraction study. The shorter Pt-C(F) and longer C=C(F) bonds reflected the higher π\* acceptor capacity of C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> relative to C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> [296]. The broadening of the <sup>195</sup>Pt satellites in the <sup>1</sup>H nmr spectrum of 177 was thought to arise from the <sup>195</sup>Pt relaxation *via* a chemical shift anisotropy mechanism [297]. The mass spectrum

of  $trans\text{-}[\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  has been reported and assigned. Loss of chlorine and ethene were competitive, and fragments containing platinum-platinum bonds were noted [298].

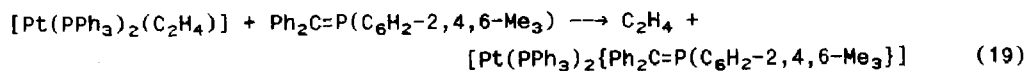


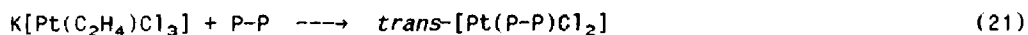
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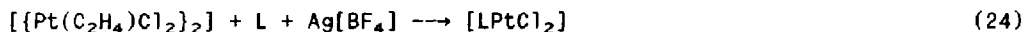
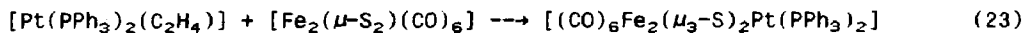
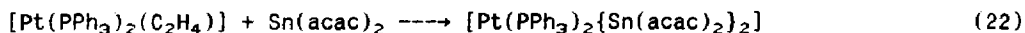
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As in the past, platinum ethene complexes have been used as precursors for a wide range of coordination and organometallic complexes, since the ethene ligand may be readily displaced (reactions (19)-(24)) [299-304].

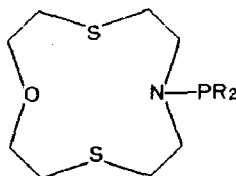




P-P = long chain biphosphine



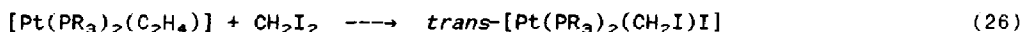
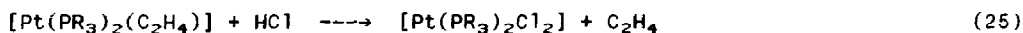
L = 178



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Photolysis of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PET}_3)_2(\text{OCCCCO})]$  gave the transient species  $\{\text{Pt}(\text{PET}_3)_2\}$  which reacted with a range of ligands, L, to give  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PET}_3)_2\text{L}_n]$  including the species in which L =  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  or  $\text{C}_2\text{F}_4$  and  $n = 1$  and  $\text{L}_n = (\text{CO})_2$  [305].

The thermochemistry of oxidative addition reactions has been reviewed, with particular reference to reactions in which Pt(0) is converted into Pt(II). The reaction of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)]$  with organic species, AB, generally proceeds with loss of ethene [306]. Transformations of this type were involved in reactions (25) and (26) [307].

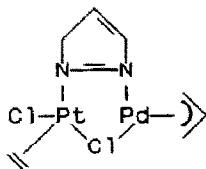


A reaction of  $K[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)\text{Cl}_3]$  without loss of ethene has been noted. With diamines, N-N,  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)(\text{N-N})\text{Cl}_2]$  was prepared [308]. A kinetic study of the reaction of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)\text{LCl}_2]$  with  $[\text{Ru}(\text{bipy})_2(\text{CN})_2]$  to give  $[\text{Ru}(\text{bipy})_2(\text{CN})_2\text{Pt}_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2\text{Cl}_4]$  has been reported [309].

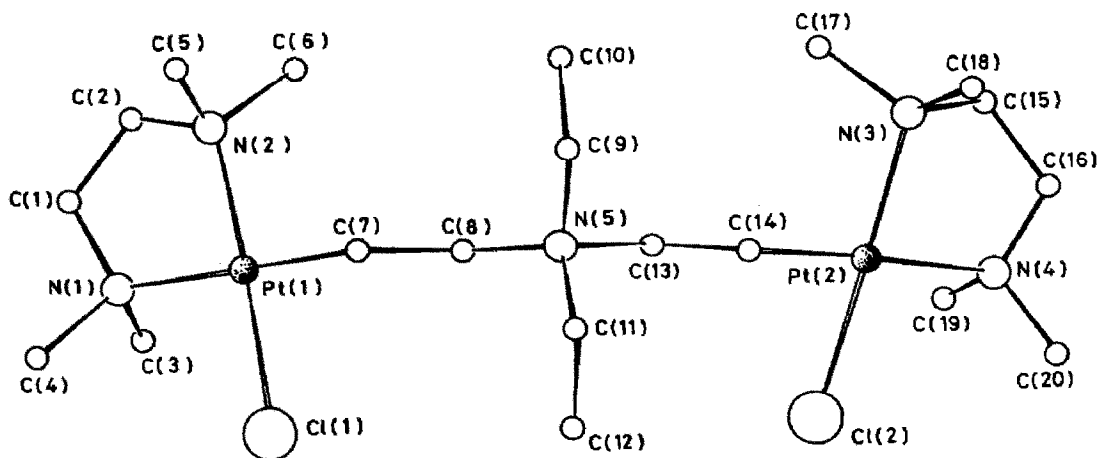
179 was prepared by treatment of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{pz})(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)\text{Cl}_2]^-$  (generated by deprotonation of the adduct of Zeise's salt with pyrazole) with  $[\{\text{Pd}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{Cl}\}_2]$  [310].

The ethene ligand in  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)(\text{Me}_4\text{en})\text{Cl}]^+$  has been shown to be extremely reactive towards nucleophiles. For example, with  $\text{Et}_2\text{NH}$  the bis adduct, 180,

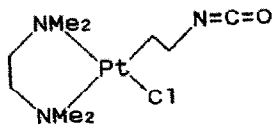
was produced and characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [311,312]. With  $[\text{NCO}]^-$  as the nucleophile the first product was 181, which reacted with further  $[\text{NCO}]^-$  to give 182, the structure of which was established by X-ray diffraction [301].



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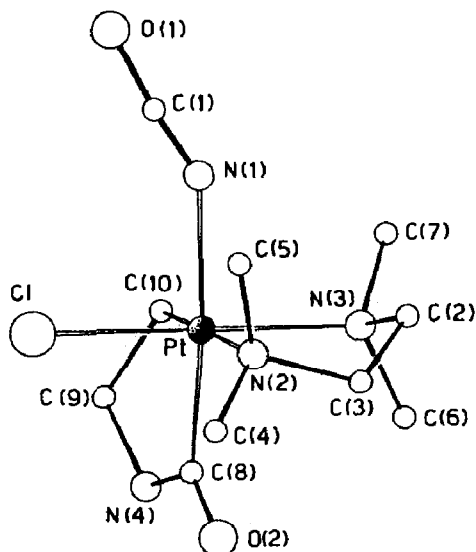
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Stabilisation energies have been established for intergroup two ligand transition metal complexes in the gas phase. Complexes studied included  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CH}_2=\text{CHMe})]^+$ ,  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CH}_2=\text{CMe}_2)(\text{EtCHO})]^+$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CH}_2=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2)(\text{MeOH})]^+$  [314].

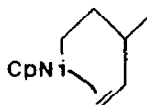
$^1J_{\text{CC}}$  for the alkene moiety in complexes such as 183 was measured.  $^1J_{\text{CC}}$



values lay between those for alkenes and those for cyclopropanes, giving some insight into the nature of the bonding in 183 [315].

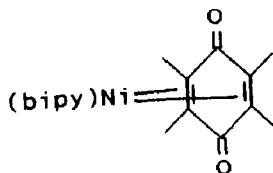


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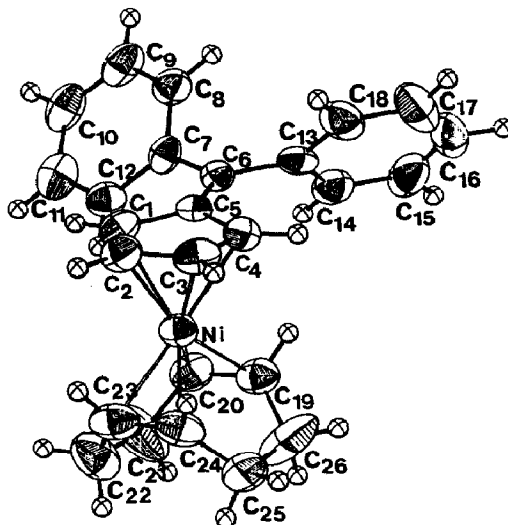
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The structure of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{bipy})(\text{cod})]$  has been determined. The cod ligand adopts a twist-boat conformation in the tetrahedrally coordinated complex [316]. On reaction with a range of quinones the cod was displaced giving species such as 184 [317].

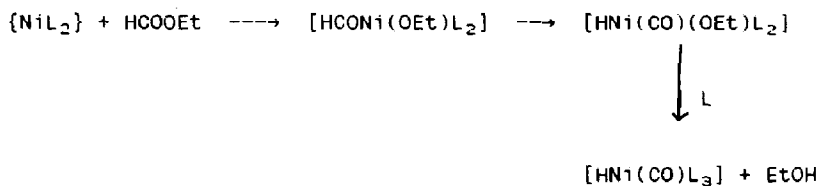


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$[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]$  reacted with diphenylfulvene to give **185**, characterised by X-ray diffraction. The remaining cod ligand could be easily substituted by chelating ligands such as bipy [318]. The displacement of cod from  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]$  by phosphines was studied. Reaction of  $\{\text{NiL}_2\}$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$ ) with  $\text{HCOOEt}$  resulted in fragmentation according to the reactions of Scheme 6 [319].



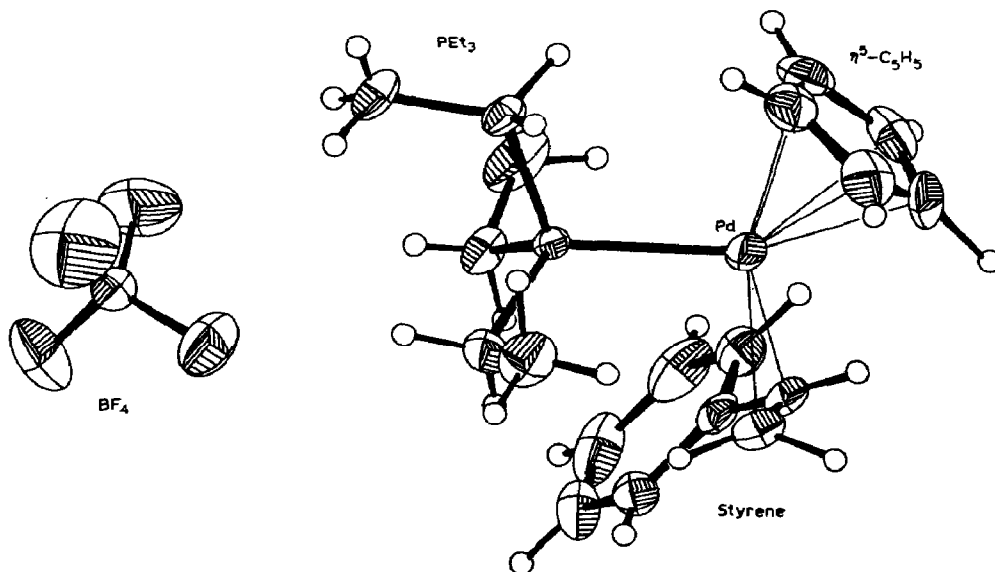
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Scheme 6 Fragmentation of ethyl methanoate in the presence of nickel complexes

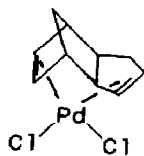
The structure of  $[\text{CpPd}(\text{PhCH}=\text{CH}_2)(\text{PEt}_3)][\text{BF}_4]$ , **186**, was determined by an X-ray diffraction study [320]. The X-ray diffraction study of **187** established that the carbon which is most readily attacked by nucleophiles is the one which is most distant from the metal. In **188** there was substantial slippage of the vinylic carbon-carbon double bond so that the centre of the bond was 0.27 Å out of the coordination plane and  $\text{C}^{\ominus}$  was 0.2 Å closer to platinum than  $\text{C}^{\ominus}$ .  $\text{C}^{\ominus}$  was the site of nucleophilic attack. **189** exhibited unusual "in plane" bonding of the exocyclic carbon-carbon double bond, which was also 0.1 Å more distant from platinum than the other. Methoxide ion was shown to attack the

"in plane" double bond [321].

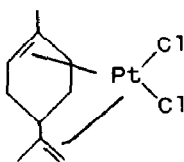


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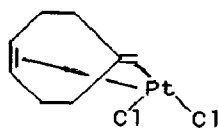
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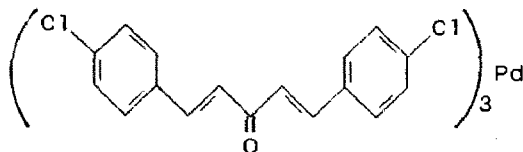
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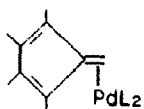
There has been a kinetic study of the reaction of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3]$  with  $\text{RPh}_2\text{P}$  [322]. 190 was a catalyst for the low-yielding reaction of  $\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{O}_2$  to give  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  [323]. A polarimetric and CV study of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PR}_3)_2(\text{quinone})_n]$  ( $n = 1$  or  $2$ ) has been undertaken. The reduction potentials of the quinones were shifted to more negative values on coordination to palladium(0). The extent of the shift

was a function of the electron withdrawing ability of the free quinone. On the other hand, the oxidation potentials for palladium(0) in the quinone complexes were at more positive potentials than for  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  [324].

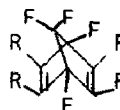


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Reaction of  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Pd}\{\text{n}^3\text{-CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CMe}_3)\text{CH}_2\}]$  with two molar equivalents of  $\text{PMe}_3$  or  $\text{P}(\text{OMe})_3$  gave 191 together with  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{CMe}_3)=\text{CH}_2$  [325]. Perfluoronorbornadiene reacted with  $[\text{M}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Pd}$  or  $\text{Pt}$ ) to give initially  $[(\text{C}_7\text{F}_8)\text{M}(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ , in which one double bond was coordinated to the metal. For  $\text{M} = \text{Pt}$  the second double bond could be coordinated to a further  $\{\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\}$  moiety [326]. With 192 ( $\text{R} = \text{H}$  or  $\text{Me}_3\text{Sn}$ ) coordination occurred only at the fluorinated double bond [327].



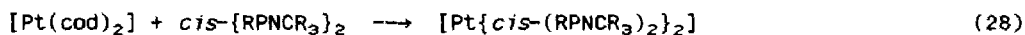
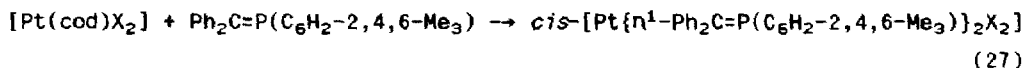
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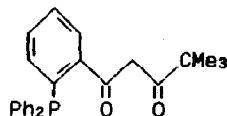
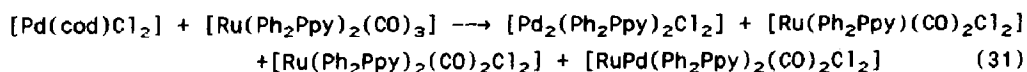
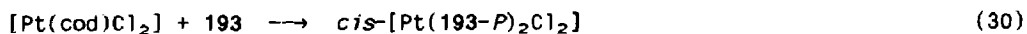
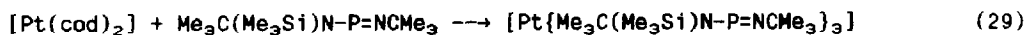


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A new determination of the structure of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}_2]$  has been made, with greater accuracy [328]. The structure of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})_2]$  has been determined at 200 K. The four coordinated double bonds occupy approximately tetrahedral sites, but the eight carbon atoms involved are not equidistant from the metal. The small bite angle of the ligand causes strain, which in turn leads to the easy displacement of the diene which is observed [329].

Cyclooctadiene complexes have been used as precursors of a wide range of organometallic and coordination compounds, since the cyclooctadiene is easily displaced (reactions (27)-(31)) [330-334].  $[\text{Pt}\{\text{cis}-(\text{RPNCr}_3)_2\}]$  reacted with alkynes to give species such as  $[\text{PtL}_2(\text{Ph-C}\equiv\text{C-Ph})]$ .





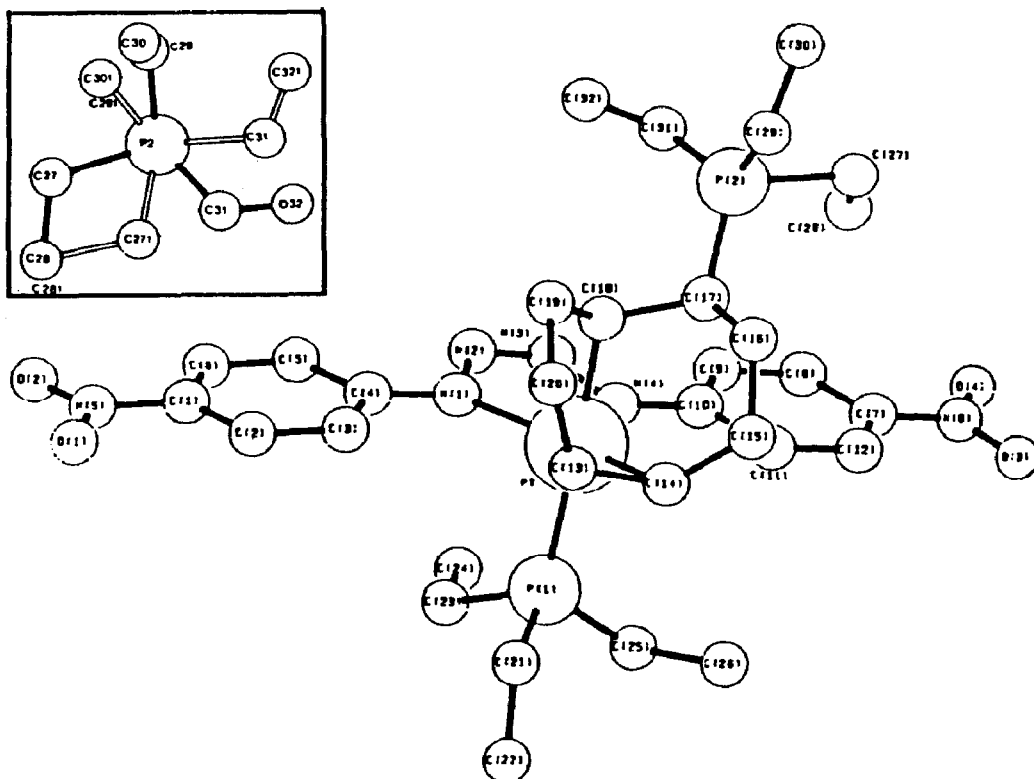
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The reaction of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}_2]$  with two molar equivalents of  $\text{R}_3\text{P}$  and an excess of  $\text{Na}[\text{BH}_4]$  was used to synthesise *trans*- $[\text{HPt}(\text{PR}_3)_2\text{Cl}]$  [335].

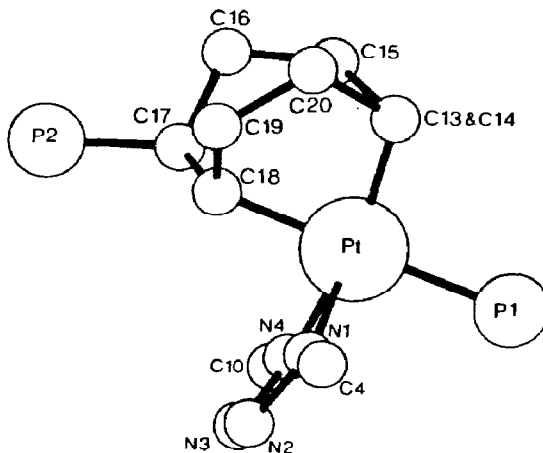
The preparation of complexes of diaryl triazines,  $\text{Ar}-\text{N}=\text{N}-\text{NHR}$ , of the type  $[\text{PtL}(\text{cod})]$  has been described [336]. Exchange and rearrangement processes of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{RN}=\text{N}=\text{NR})(\text{cod})]$  have been studied; the cod ligand acts as a spectator [337]. Complexes of the type  $[\text{Pt}(\text{Ar}_2\text{N}_4)(\text{cod})]$  were prepared from the reaction of an excess of  $\text{ArN}_3$  with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})_2]$ . In the species for which  $\text{Ar} = 4\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4$ ,  $4\text{-ClC}_6\text{H}_4$  or  $4\text{-NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$  the cod ligand could be substituted by  $\text{PEt}_3$  or  $\text{Me}_3\text{CNC}$ . However for  $\text{Ar} = 4\text{-NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ , 194 was also obtained and this bright blue complex was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [338].

Both *cis*- and *trans*-isomers of the complexes  $[\text{Pt}(\text{amino acid})(\text{alkene})\text{Cl}]$  have been previously reported. Evidence has now been obtained from nmr spectroscopic studies that there is a thermodynamic preference for the isomer with the nitrogen and alkene ligands *cis* [339]. The absolute configuration of  $(-)-[\text{Pt}(\text{Me}_2\text{NN}=\text{CH}-\text{CH}=\text{NMe}_2)\text{LCl}_2]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{E}-2\text{-butene}$ ), prepared by addition of  $\text{HCl}$  followed by the bidentate nitrogen ligand to *trans*- $[\text{Pt}\{\text{S}-(\text{PhCH}(\text{Me})\text{NH}_2)\}\text{LCl}_2]$  has been shown to be *S* [340]. Resolution of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{prochiral alkene})\text{Cl}_3]^-$  was achieved by crystallisation of its salt with  $\text{S}^+[\text{PhCH}(\text{Me})\text{NMe}_3]^+$ ; the optical purities achieved were moderate [341].

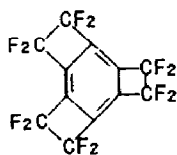
Reaction of 195 with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  gave 196; X-ray diffraction indicated that this should probably be regarded as a metallocyclopropane [342]. The use of species such as 197 as anti-tumour agents has been discussed; these showed modest cytotoxicity *in vitro*, but none *in vivo* [343].



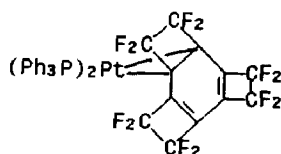
194a PLUTO drawing of the crystal structure of  
 $[\text{Pt}(1,4\text{-(4-NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{N}_4)\{\text{CHC}(\text{PET}_3)\text{H}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\}(\text{PET}_3)]$  showing the adopted  
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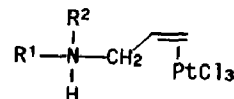
194b View of the central part of the complex as seen along  $\text{C}(13)\text{-C}(14)$   
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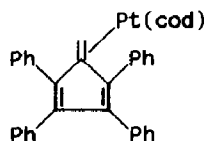


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A range of cyano epoxides has been deoxygenated with palladium(0) or platinum(0) complexes. The products were alkene complexes and the structure of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\{\text{E-Ph}(\text{CN})\text{C}=\text{CPh}(\text{CN})\}]$  was determined by X-ray diffraction techniques [344]. Fulvene complexes of the type 198 were prepared by substitution of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})_2]$ ; the remaining cod ligand could be readily displaced by phosphines, arsines or isonitriles. The structure of 199 was determined; the platinum moiety was coordinated to the  $\text{C}^1\text{-C}^2$  bond in an  $\eta^2$ -manner [345]. Treatment of  $[\text{Pt}_2(\text{PR}_3)_2\text{Cl}_4]$  with butadiene gave the species *meso,cis,cis*- $[\text{Pt}_2(\text{PR}_3)_2(\mu\text{-C}_4\text{H}_6)\text{Cl}_4]$ , 200. A low temperature nmr spectroscopic study showed an equilibrium with *trans*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{PR}_3)(\text{C}_4\text{H}_6)\text{Cl}_2]$  ( $\text{R} = \text{Pr}$ ). 200 ( $\text{R} = \text{Et}$ ) reacted with  $\text{Me}_2\text{NH}$  at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  to give 201; the *trans*-ring fusion also implied that the 200 was *meso*. At low temperature isoprene reacted reversibly with  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2\text{Cl}_4]$  to give *trans*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})(\text{isoprene})\text{Cl}_2]$ , which was converted to the *cis*-isomer at room temperature [346].

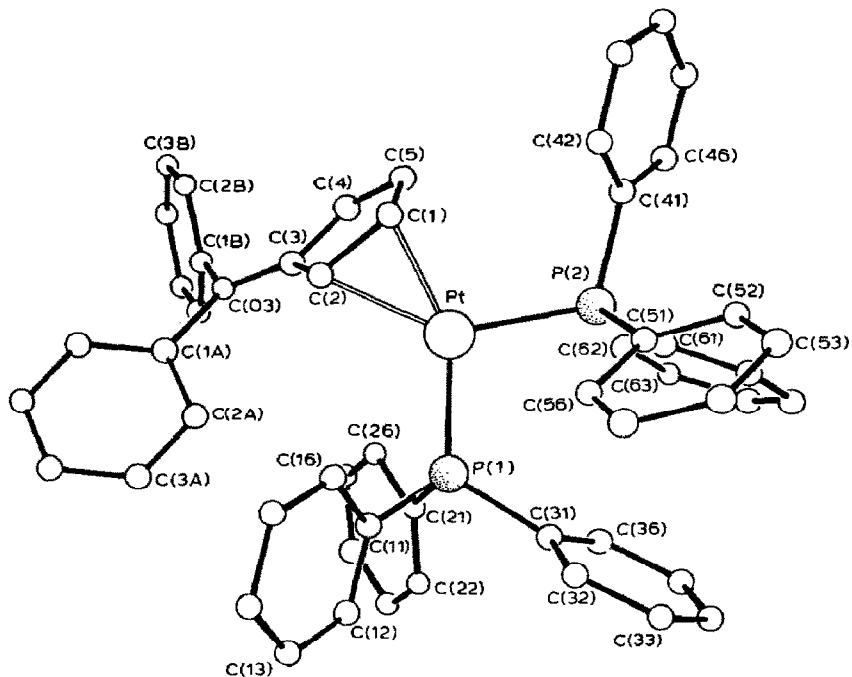


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The reaction of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cdt})]$  with  $\text{CO}_2$  in the presence of  $\text{Me}_4\text{en}$  gave  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_3(\text{Me}_4\text{en})]$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ . In the presence of 2-butyne, however, 202 was produced. Carbonylation of this complex yielded 2,3-dimethylbutanedioic anhydride, whilst protonation gave *E*-2-methyl-2-buteneoic acid [347]. Coupling of alkynes,  $\text{RC}\equiv\text{CR}$ , with isocyanates,  $\text{RN}=\text{C}=\text{O}$ , in the presence of nickel(0) and an appropriate ligand gave 203, the reactions of which were studied [348].

The reactions of palladium alkene complexes with nucleophiles has continued to be a fruitful area for investigation. The reaction of 204 with the chiral organometallics,  $\text{PhS}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{Li}$  and 4- $\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{S}(\text{O})\text{CH}(\text{Li})\text{COOCMe}_3$  proceeded with up to 40 % asymmetric induction [349]. With *cis*-complexes such as 205, and using  $\text{PhCH}(\text{Me})\text{NHMe}$  as both ligand and nucleophile, the best

enantiomeric excess obtained was 60 % [350]. Aminolysis of the palladium complex of  $\text{ArOCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$  to give 206 and 207 proceeded readily, but the reaction was not very practical in a catalytic sense, since the palladium was recovered as  $[\text{Pd}(\text{R}_2\text{NH})_2\text{X}_2]$ , which was too deactivated to react with further alkene [351].

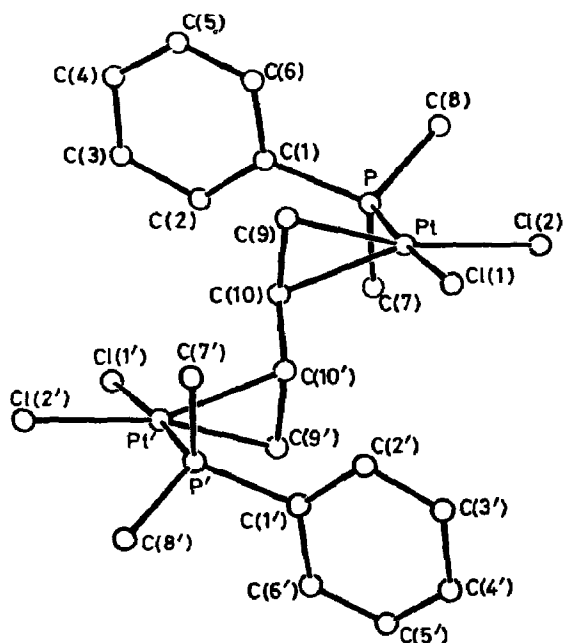


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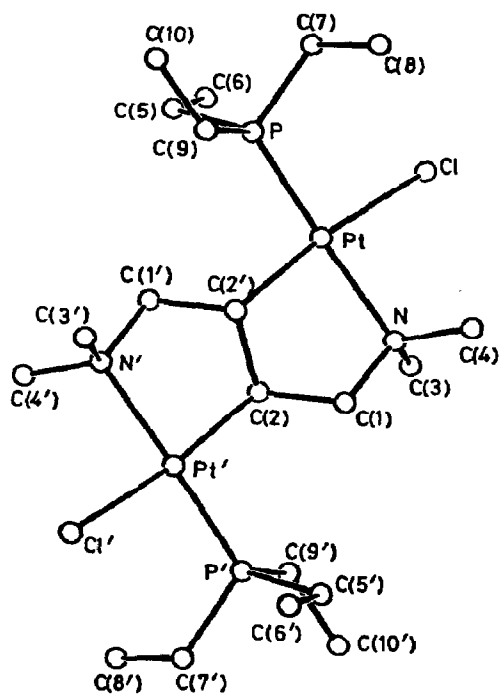
Alkenes may be oxidised to give ketones using  $[\text{Pd}(\text{MeCN})_2(\text{NO}_2)\text{Cl}]$ . The intermediates are thought to be 208 and 209, the first of these being detectable [352].

Reaction of 210 ( $\text{X} = \text{Me}$ ,  $\text{Y} = \text{H}$ ) with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  gave bis( $\mu$ -chloro)bis{1,4,5-*n*-8-( $\alpha$ -chloroethyl)cyclooctenyl}dipalladium(II), 211. The anti orientation of the palladium and the  $\alpha$ -chloroethyl groups indicated that electrophilic attack of the palladium at the cyclopropane occurred with inversion of configuration [353]. 212 reacted with aldol,  $\text{Me}_2\text{C}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{COMe}$ , to give 213 in low yield. A rather complex mechanism was proposed for the reaction [354].

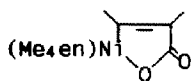




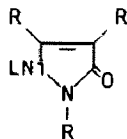
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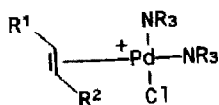
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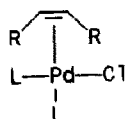
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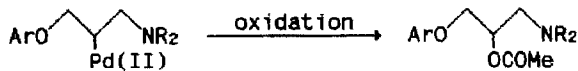
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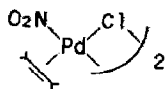


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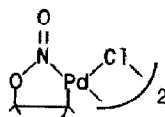


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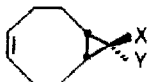
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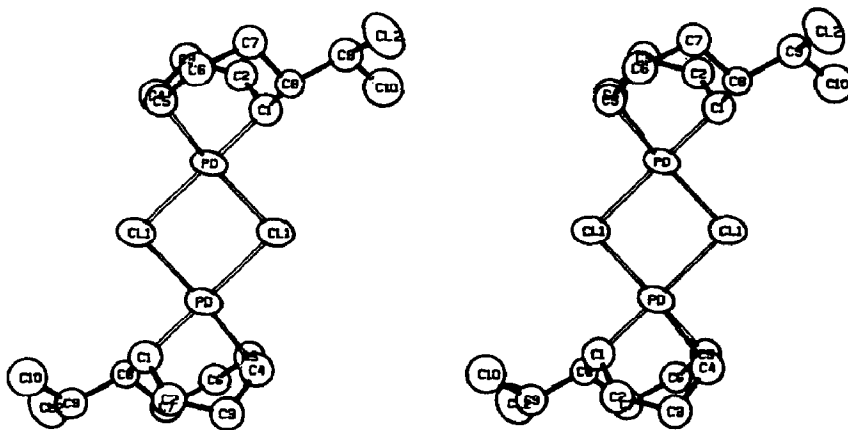
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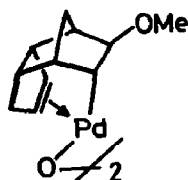
Amination of platinum alkene complexes has not yet proved so useful as that of their palladium analogues. However, with *cis*-[Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CHR)Cl<sub>2</sub>], treatment with R'<sub>2</sub>NH yielded first 214 and then 215, which was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study for R = H and R' = Me. The four membered ring was shown to be markedly non-planar [355]. Imidazole reacted with [Pt(cod)X<sub>2</sub>] by both displacement of the halide ligands and by attack at the cyclooctadiene

ligand. A tetramer, with bridging imidazole ligands, was formed initially and was reacted with ethanoyl chloride and a phosphine ligand to give 216, in which it was demonstrated that the initial attack of imidazole was anti with respect to the metal [356]. Attack of methoxide on a coordinated cyclooctadiene ligand has again been noted, but the evidence given this time for the structures of the products was extremely weak [357].

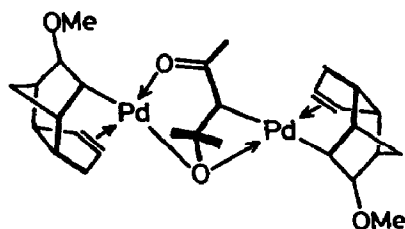


211 Stereopair drawing. The view is normal to the square plane over the bridge centroid. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

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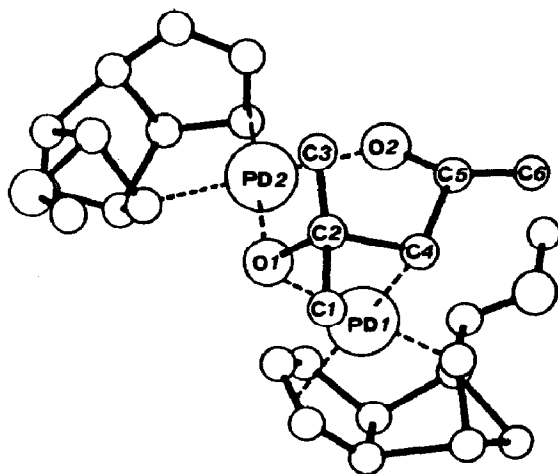


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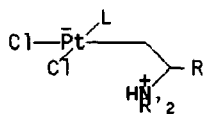


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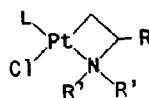
The complex  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cyclohexene})(\text{dppe})]$  reacted with alcohols, ROH, to give the  $\sigma$ -vinyl species, 217; it may be assumed that oxidative addition was followed by insertion [358]. Insertion was also responsible for the transformation of reaction (32) [359].



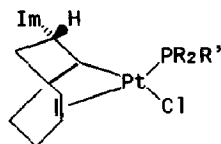
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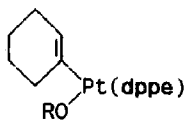
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## 9 METAL ALLYL AND RELATED COMPLEXES

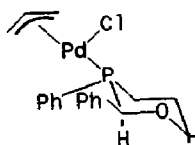
A variable semiempirical Hamiltonian of the INDO type was used to investigate the magnitude of reorganisation effects (Koopman's defects) in the photoelectron spectrum of 218 [360]. Vertical ionisation potentials were obtained by a Green's function approach and were in good agreement with the experimentally measured values. The nickel 3d ionisation events occurred at lower energies than the lowest ligand band, in contrast to the situation in bis(allyl) nickel. The difference could be traced to less efficient MLCT in the binuclear complex, leading to a destabilisation of the molecular orbitals with high nickel 3d amplitudes [361].



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The mechanism of formation of active sites in catalytic systems based on  $\pi$ -allyl complexes of nickel and carbonyl containing acceptors has been studied [362].  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  nmr spectra of  $\eta^3$ -allyl- $\eta^5$ -cyclopentadienyl nickel complexes have been analysed [363]. The reaction of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  with allyl halides adsorbed on a support has been studied.  $\pi$ -Allyl intermediates were formed, and were calcined to give metallic nickel. On alumina  $[\{(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{NiX}\}_2]$  was formed, but on MgO metal halides and allenes were produced [364].

219 has been studied by nmr spectroscopy; the diastereoisomers were shown to interconvert *via* a  $\sigma \rightarrow \pi$  transformation with a trigonal bipyramidal array of ligands in the transition state [365].



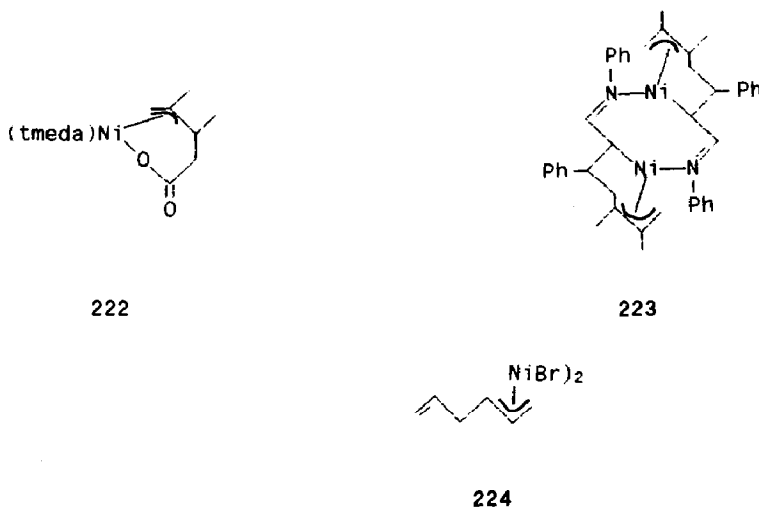
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The structures of some palladium allyl complexes have been established by X-ray diffraction studies. These have included 220, in which there was strong intermolecular hydrogen bonding [366], and 221, derived from testosterone [367].

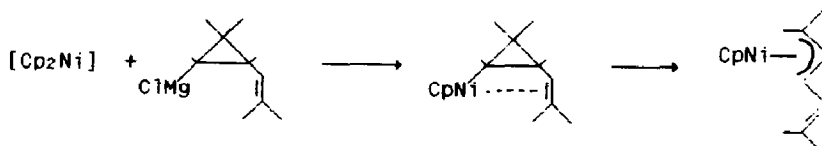
The structure of  $[(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\text{Cl}]$  was determined in an X-ray diffraction study [368].



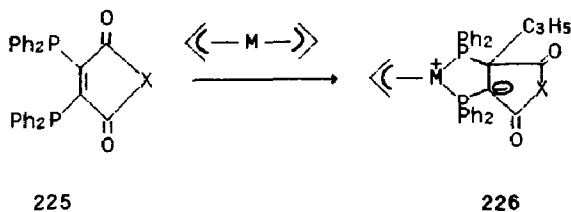
species, 223, was formed, and its structure established by an X-ray diffraction study [370]. Allyl nickel complexes such as 224 were prepared from the corresponding allyl bromides with  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]$  or  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ . 224 was coupled with iodobenzene to give 6-phenyl-1,4-hexadiene in excellent yield [371].



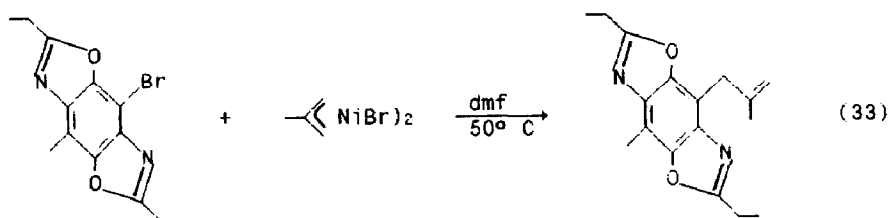
Reaction of nickel atoms with benzyl bromide or benzyl chloride at  $-196 \text{ K}$  gave a red matrix in which the arene was  $\pi$ -coordinated to nickel. On warming  $\text{NiX}_2$  and  $\text{PhCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$  were formed. If the cocondensation was carried out on a ceramic surface, warming yielded polybenzyl. It was thought that a  $\pi$ -benzyl intermediate was critical to these processes [372]. Reactions of  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  with cyclopropyl Grignard reagents led to a synthesis of  $\pi$ -allyl nickel complexes (Scheme 7) [373]. Treatment of bis allyl nickel or palladium with 225 ( $\text{X} = \text{O}$  or  $\text{NMe}$ ) gave the ylide containing species, 226 [374].



Scheme 7 Reactions of  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  with cyclopropyl Grignard reagents [373]

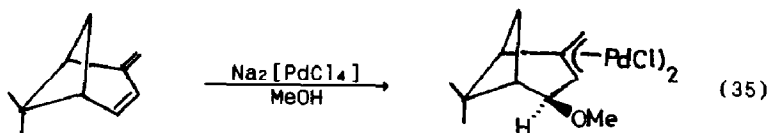
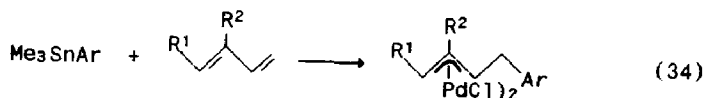


The coupling of aryl halides with nickel allyl complexes (reaction (33)) has been noted [375].

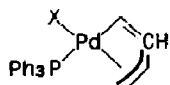


A number of reactions in which palladium allyl complexes were synthesised have been reported. Treatment of  $[\{\eta^3\text{-C}_4\text{H}_7\}\text{PdCl}]_2$  with tmeda gave  $[\text{Pd}(\eta^3\text{-C}_4\text{H}_7)(\text{tmeda})][\text{Pd}(\eta^3\text{-C}_4\text{H}_7)\text{Cl}_2]$ . This complex showed fluxional behaviour at room temperature in its nmr spectrum, and was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [376]. The reactions of bis(allyl) complexes with alkyl lithium reagents (RLi) and tmeda were also studied. The major products were  $[\text{Li}(\text{tmeda})_2][\text{RM}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)(\eta^1\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)]$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Ni}, \text{Pd}$  or  $\text{Pt}$ ), and again the molecules were shown to be fluxional on the nmr spectroscopic timescale [377]. *Cis*-o-borate anions have been used in the stabilisation and isolation of new cationic compounds, including a range of palladium allyl complexes [378].

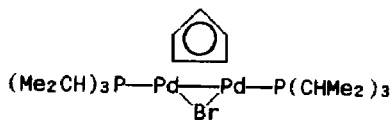
Palladium allyl complexes have also been synthesised from dienes (reaction (34) provides an example, but the mechanism was not well defined) [379]. Methoxypalladation of dienes was also described (reaction (35)) [380]. 1-Halodienes were reported to react with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  to give the curious species, 227 (*sic*) [381]. Treatment of the bridged complex, 228, with 1,2-propadiene gave 229, characterised by X-ray diffraction. A true insertion of the allene into the Pd-Pd bond has occurred [369].



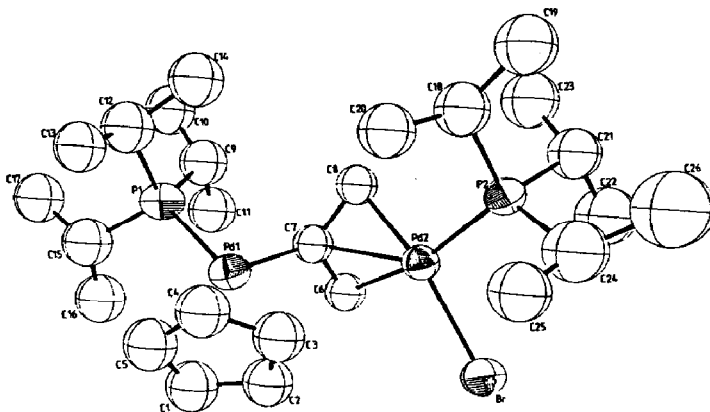




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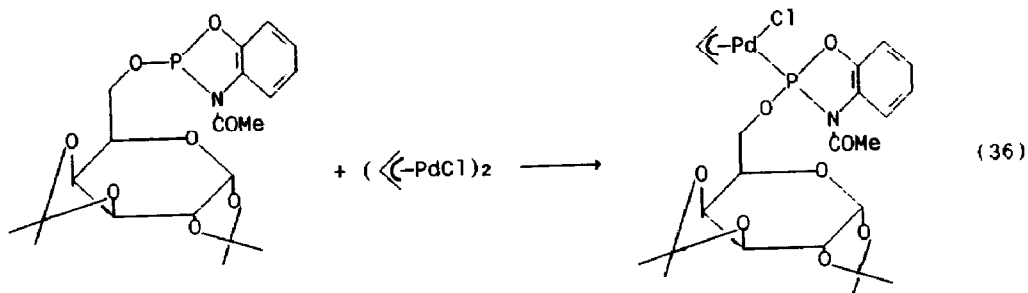


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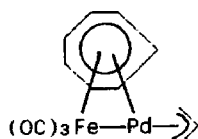
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Bridge splitting reactions of  $\pi$ -allyl palladium halide dimers have again led to the synthesis of new complexes (reaction (36)) [383]. Treatment of  $[\{\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5\}\text{PdCl}]_2$  with  $[(\text{C}_7\text{H}_7)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3]^-$  gave 230 [384]. Bridge exchange reactions of 231 have been noted [385].

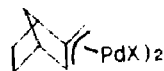


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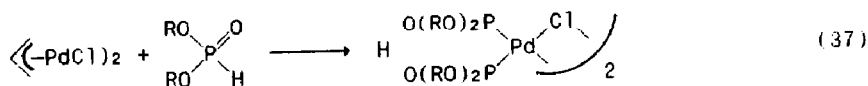
$[\{\text{Pd}(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{Cl}\}_2]$  was used as a precursor of a bridged coordination complex in reaction (37) [386]. An allyl type complex of pentane-2,4-dione, 232, was prepared by the reaction of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{acac})_2]$  with  $\text{P}(4\text{-Cl-C}_6\text{H}_4)_3$  [387]. Reaction of  $\text{K}_2[\text{PtCl}_4]$  with dppm and  $\text{K}[\text{OH}]$  in ethanol gave  $[\text{Pt}(\text{dppm})_2]$ , the first homoleptic complex in which the dppm ligand is chelating [388].



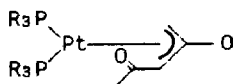
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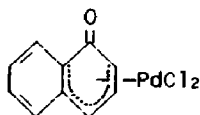


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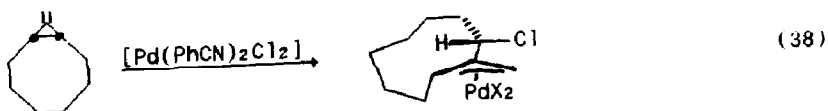


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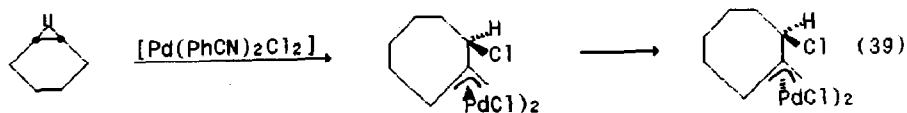
The reaction of 1-naphthol with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  gave 233, but unfortunately only infra-red spectroscopy and microanalysis were used in the characterisation of this interesting compound [389]. The ring opening of methylene cyclopropanes to give  $\pi$ -allyl complexes has been further studied (reactions (38) and (39)). X-ray diffraction studies indicated that allylic C-C bond distances differed substantially in 234 ( $X = \text{acac}$ ) but not in 235 ( $X = \text{acac}$ ). A rational explanation was provided for the facile  $\eta^3 \rightarrow \eta^1 \rightarrow \eta^3$  isomerisation which resulted in the formation of 235 [390]. Reaction of 236 with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  gave 237 and 238 in the ratio of 9:1. 239 gave approximately equal amounts of 240 and 241 but 241 was converted to 240 on standing. The related reactions in the cyclohexyl system were reported. A detailed mechanism for chloropalladation was proposed [391-394].



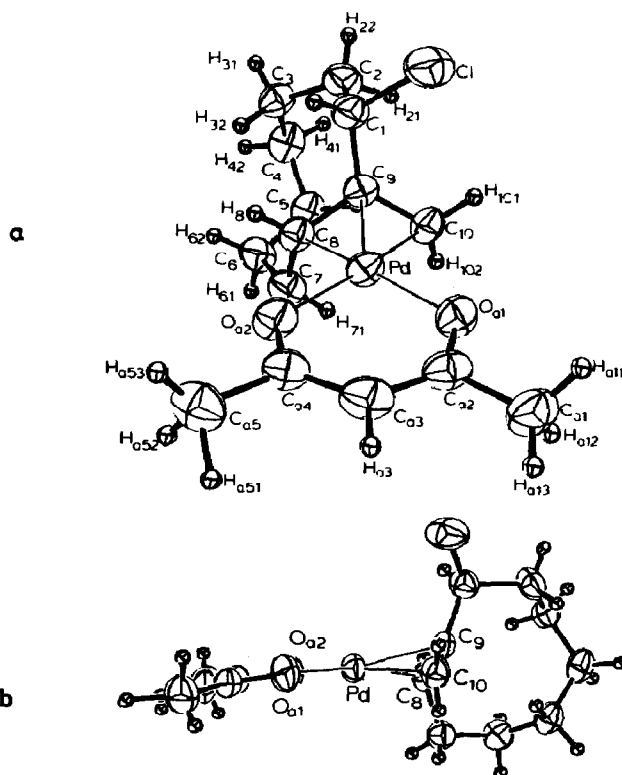
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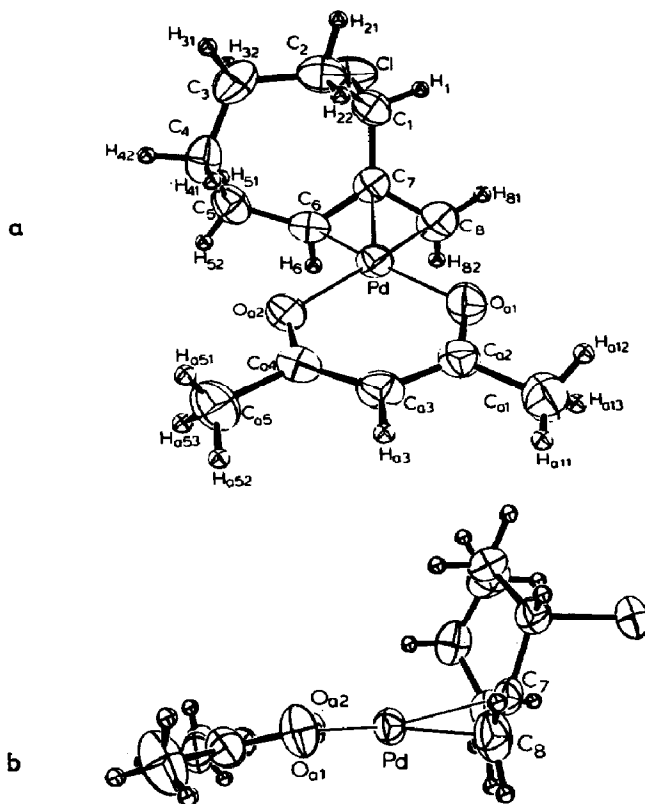
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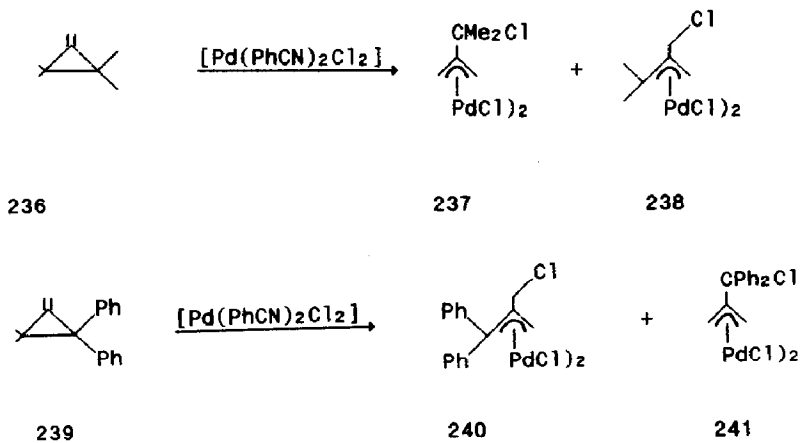
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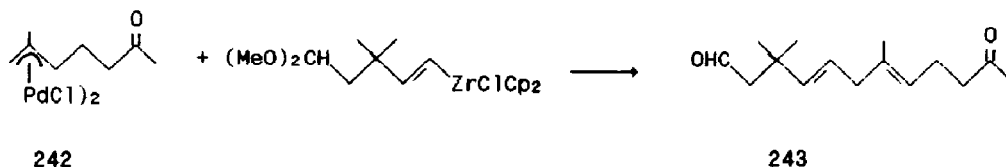
234 (Reproduced with permission from [390]). ORTEP drawing of the solid-state structure of  $[\text{Pd}\{\eta^3\text{-CHCl}(\text{CH}_2)_6\text{-anti-CHCCH}_2\}(\text{O}_2\text{C}_5\text{H}_7)]$  viewed from (a) the front and (b) the side. Non-hydrogen atoms are represented by thermal vibration ellipsoids drawn to encompass 50 % of the electron density. Hydrogen atoms are represented by arbitrarily small spheres which are not representative of their true thermal motion.



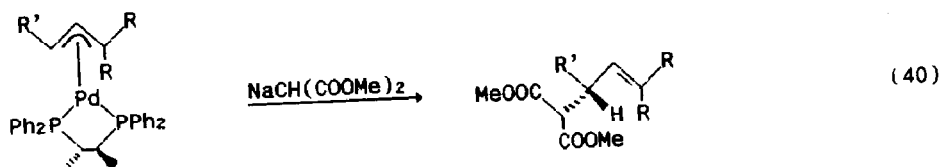
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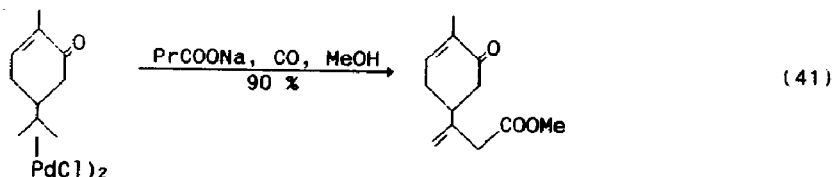
As always, many reactions of palladium allyl complexes with nucleophiles have been studied, and have found significant applications in organic synthesis. Reactions of amines were compared with the palladium catalysed amination reactions of dienes [395]. *Trans*-attack was predominant for the reactions of ethanoate with the palladium allyl complexes of steroids [396]. In a synthesis of humulene, 242 reacted with a vinylzirconium compound to give 243 [397]. A closely related process was used in the synthesis of flexibilene [398]. The stereochemistry of such processes was studied for the palladium allyl complex of a steroid [399].



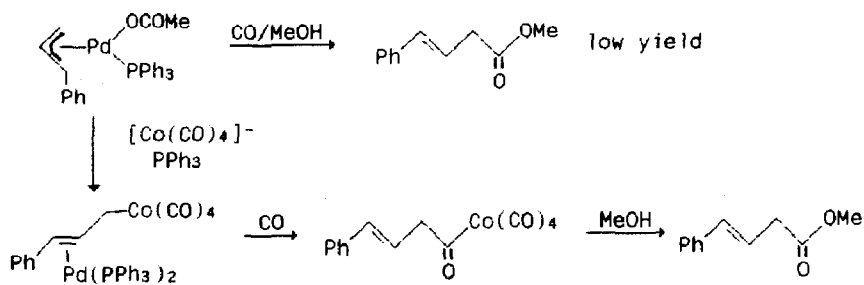
Experiments which allow asymmetric catalytic allylation (for example, reaction (40)) have been reviewed in detail, with particular reference to their mechanism [400].



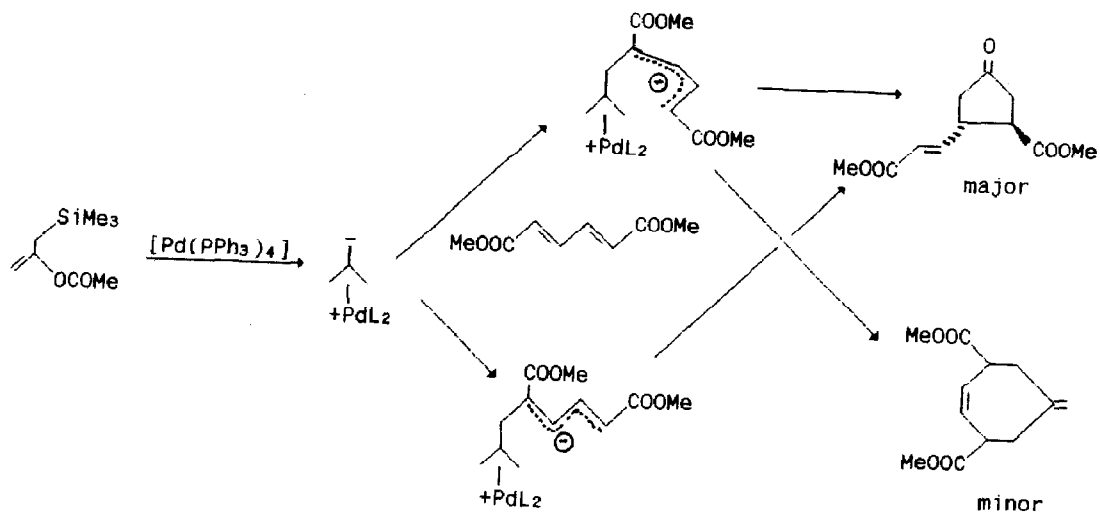
Carbonylation of palladium allyl complexes has now been achieved under much lower pressures (50 psi) than previously reported (reaction (41)) [401]. The transfer of carbon monoxide from other metal carbonyl and metal acyl species has been investigated; this may provide a usefully catalytic process under mild conditions (Scheme 8) [402].



The uses of palladium trimethylene methane complexes in synthesis have been reviewed with particular reference to the relative rates of protonation and equilibration [403]. The regiochemistry of cycloaddition reactions with dienyl esters has been studied (Scheme 9) [404].

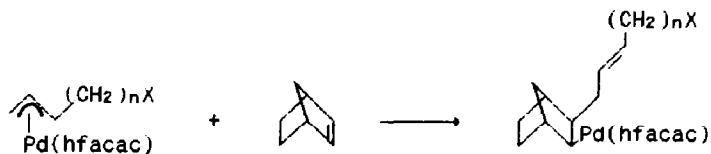


Scheme 8 Carbonylation of palladium allyl complexes [402]



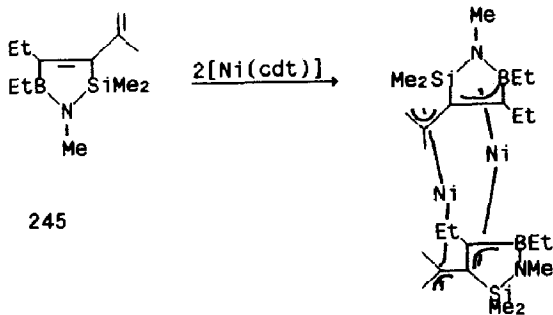
Scheme 9 Regioselectivity in cycloaddition reactions of palladium trimethylene methane complexes [404].

The addition of a palladium allyl complex to norbornene to give **244** was used in a synthesis of prostaglandin endoperoxide analogues [405].



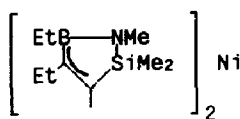
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Reaction of 245 with  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cdt})]$  yielded the unusual bis(allyl) bis(borallyl) dinickel complex, 246, characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [406]. The related bis(borallyl) nickel complex, 247, was also prepared and characterised [407].



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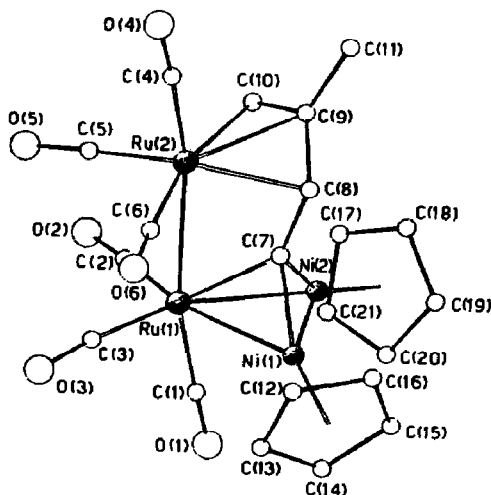
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## 10 METAL ALKYNE AND ALKYNYL COMPLEXES

Two types of alkyne complexes may be distinguished by their geometries, *viz.* perpendicular and parallel. Numerous examples of such species have been discussed, in the context of the isolobal analogy [408]. The various interconversions of such species have also been reviewed [409].

Nickel alkyne and nickelacyclopentadiene complexes have been suggested as

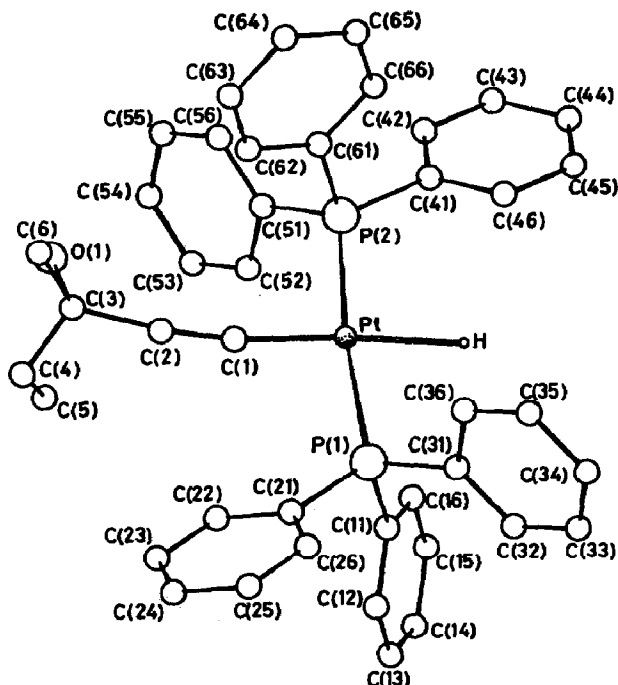
intermediates in the nickel catalysed cycloligomerisation reactions of alkynes. These may interconvert with nickel cyclobutadiene complexes [410]. Reaction of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  with  $\text{F}_5\text{S}-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{CF}_3$  at  $-196^\circ\text{C}$  gave a  $\pi$ -complex of the alkyne. At  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  this could be trapped by triphenylphosphine to give  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\eta^2-\text{F}_5\text{S}-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{CF}_3)]$ , characterised by  $^{19}\text{F}$  nmr spectroscopy [411]. A series of complexes of the type  $[\text{PdL}_2(\eta^2\text{-substituted alkyne})]$  have been prepared and characterised [412]. Treatment of  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  with  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{=CH}_2)\text{C}\equiv\text{CH}$  gave a green-brown solution which reacted with  $[\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}]$  to give  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}_2\text{Ru}_2(\text{CO})_6(\text{C}_2(\text{H})\text{C}(\text{=CH}_2)\text{CH}_3)]$ , 248, characterised by an X-ray diffraction study. The enyne is acting as a six-electron donor [413].



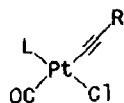
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Bis(alkynyl) metal complexes may be synthesised by the reactions of organolithium compounds or Grignard reagents with appropriate metal halides.  $[(\text{HCB}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{CC}=\text{C})_2\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  was prepared in this way [414]. Reaction of *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}]_2$  with *trans*- $[(\text{R}-\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  gave the mono alkynyl complex, *trans*- $[(\text{RC}=\text{C})\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}]$  [415]. A wide range of complexes of the type *trans*- $[\text{HPt}(\text{C}\equiv\text{CR})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  were prepared by reaction of the alkynes with the corresponding halide. 249 was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [416]. The reaction of *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})\text{LCl}_2]$  with  $[\text{Hg}(\text{C}\equiv\text{CR})_2]$  to give 250 seemed to proceed conventionally, but a second substitution to give the bis(alkynyl) complex involved an oxidative addition reductive elimination pathway *via* 251. The reaction mechanism was proved by a  $^{13}\text{C}$  labelling study [417].

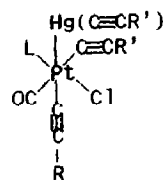




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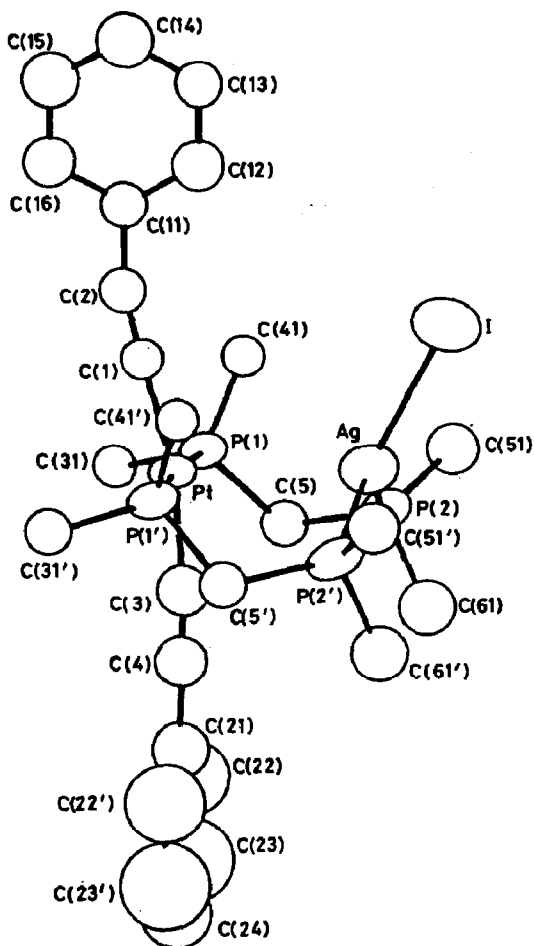
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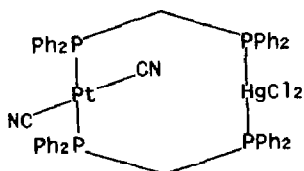
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The complex  $[\text{Pt}(\eta^2\text{-dppm})\text{Cl}_2]$  reacted with a lithiated alkyne,  $\text{Li-C}\equiv\text{C-R}$ , to give  $[\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-dppm})_2(\text{C}\equiv\text{CR})_4]$ , characterised by nmr spectroscopy. The complex *trans*- $[\text{Pt}(\eta^1\text{-dppm})_2(\text{C}\equiv\text{CR})_2]$  was formed on reaction with an excess of dppm [418]. This proved to be a useful species in the preparation of mixed bimetallic complexes such as  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}\equiv\text{CR})_2(\mu\text{-dppm})_2\text{Rh}(\text{CO})]\text{Cl}$ , in which there is a donor acceptor bond between platinum and rhodium. Related species were prepared by reaction with  $[\text{Ir}_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14})_4\text{Cl}_2]$  and *fac*- $[\text{W}(\text{CO})_3(\text{NCMe})_3]$  [419]. Yet a further paper reported the preparations of gold, silver, mercury and cadmium complexes of analogous structure, 252 being characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [420]. A halogen exchange process was involved in the

conversion of  $trans\text{-}[(RC\equiv C)_2Pt(n^1\text{-dppm})_2]$  to 253 using  $Hg(CN)_2$  [421]. Another group reported related reactions using  $CF_3\text{-C}\equiv\text{C-Li}$  [422].



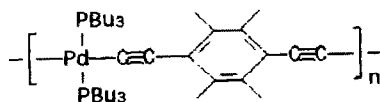
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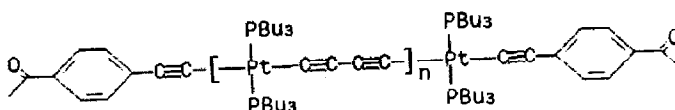
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There has been considerable interest in the preparation of metal alkyne containing polymers. For example, 254 was prepared from  $trans\text{-}[Pd(PBu_3)_2Cl_2]$

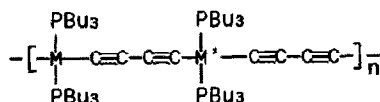
and the diethynylbenzene in the presence of CuI and a trialkylamine [423]. A related platinum complex has also been synthesised [424], as well as a range of copolymers including 255 [425,426]. Polymers such as 256 (M = Pt, M' = Pd or Ni, or M = Pd, M' = Ni) had lyotropic liquid crystalline phases which could be detected directly using  $^{31}\text{P}$  nmr spectroscopy. The main chain of the polymers aligned itself in a direction perpendicular to the applied field [427].



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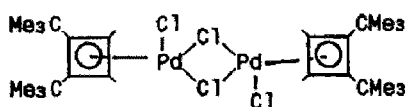
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## 11 COMPLEXES OF DELOCALISED CARBOCYCLIC SYSTEMS

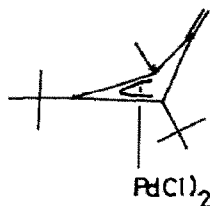
The structures of the complexes  $[\text{M}(\text{Ph}_3\text{C}_3)(\text{PPh}_3)_2]\text{X}$  (M = Ni, X =  $[\text{PF}_6]$ , M = Pd, X =  $[\text{ClO}_4]$  or  $[\text{PF}_6]$ ) have been determined by X-ray diffraction studies. The structures showed a progressive movement of the  $\{\text{M}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\}$  unit over the face of the cation, moving from one  $\eta^2$ -geometry to an equivalent one, accompanied by rotation and other changes. The potential energy surface for the ring whizzing motion was investigated by extended Huckel calculations [428].

The bonding in  $[\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4)_2]$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4)\text{X}_2]$  has been studied [429]. Reaction of the  $\sigma$ -complex between  $\{\text{Me}_4\text{C}_4\}$  and  $\text{AlCl}_3$  with  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  gave  $[\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{Me}_4)\text{Cl}_2]$ . However, if 2-butyne,  $\text{AlCl}_3$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  were mixed in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  the major product was  $[\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{Me}_4)(\text{C}_6\text{Me}_6)][\text{AlCl}_4]_2$ . The reaction mechanism was discussed [430].

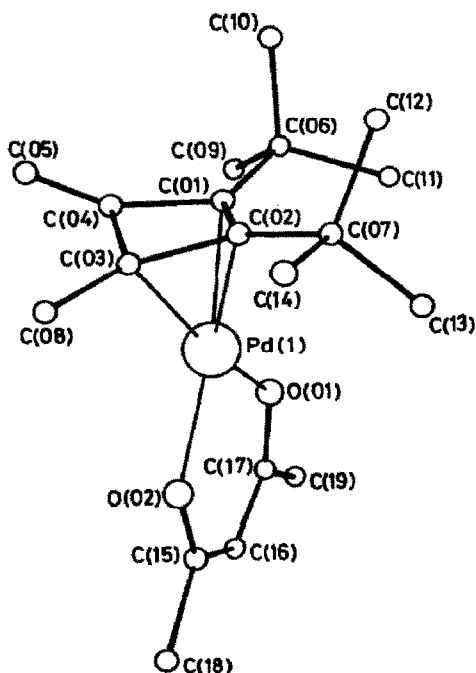
Treatment of  $\{(C_4Me_4)AlCl_3\}$  with  $[Pd(PhCN)_2Cl_2]$  gave  $[Pd(C_4Me_4)Cl_2]$ , the first reported synthesis of a palladium complex of this type [431]. The bridged dimer, 257, underwent bridge splitting reactions with  $[R_2NCS_2]^-$  or  $L/Ag[BF_4]$  ( $L = RNH_2, RNC$  or  $PPh_3$ ), but with a mild base such as  $Na_2[CO_3]$  258 was formed, and could be converted into 259 by  $Tl[acac]$  [432]. The reaction of 4-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>C≡CC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-4-OMe with  $Na_2[PdCl_4]$  gave initially  $\{(\eta^4-Ar_4C_4)Pd\}_2Cl_3][Pd_2Cl_6]_{0.5}$ . Treatment of this complex with HCl yielded  $\{(Ar_4C_4)Pd\}_2Cl_4$ , 260, which was characterised by X-ray diffraction. The reactions of the complex with nucleophiles were studied in detail [433]. The complex *cis*- $[Pt(CO)_2Cl_2]$  reacted with  $RC=CR$  to give  $[Pt_2(C_4R_4)_2Cl_3][Pt(CO)Cl_3]$ , 261. A monomeric complex was obtained in this instance on reaction with an excess of chloride ion [434].



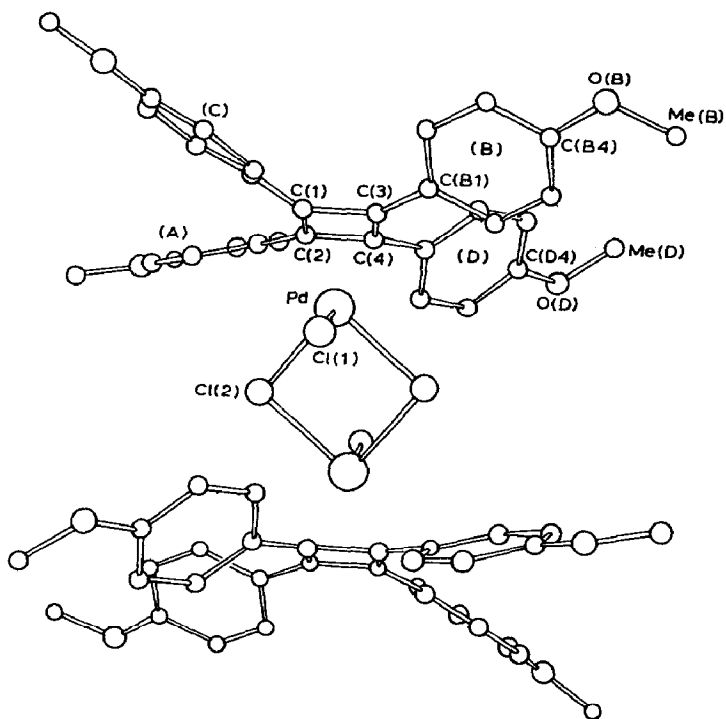
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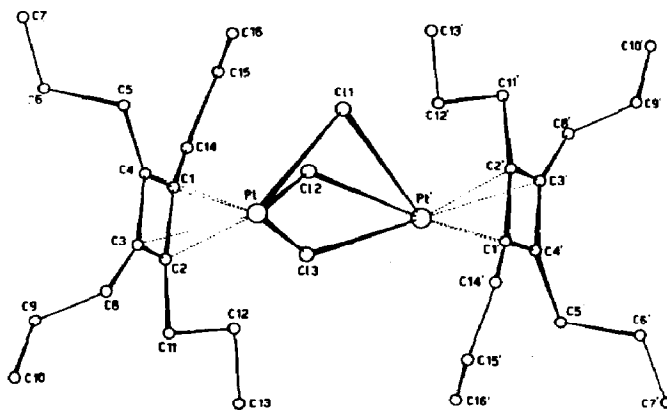
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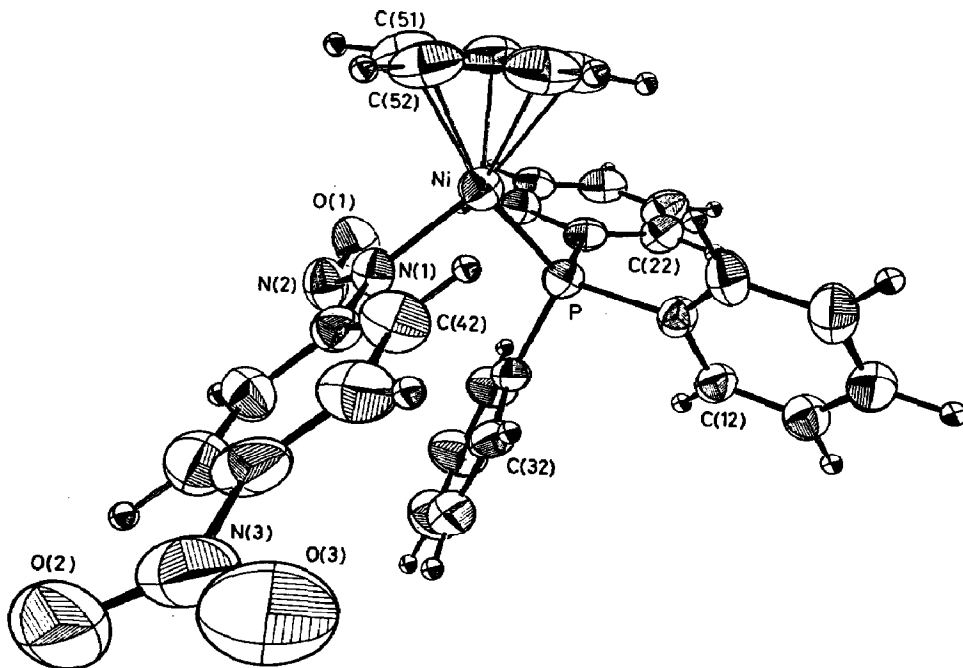
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A perspective view of the cation  $[Pt_2(C_4Pr_4)_2Cl_3]^+$ 

A molecular orbital approach to the determination of MO electronegativities of transition metal fragments included a consideration of

{CpNi} and  $\{(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{Ni}\}$  [435]. The electronic configurations of cyclopentadienyl and benzene sandwich complexes of iron, chromium, manganese and nickel have been calculated [436]. The charge separation in  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{M}]$  complexes with different types of bonding has been studied by a theoretical analysis of absolute infra-red spectroscopic intensities, using as a first approximation the effective charge model. Unfortunately, charge separation and bond ionicity were not found to correlate [437]. The magnitudes of reorganisation energies (determined by a Green's function approach with a renormalised approximation for the self energy term) in the PE spectra of transition metal compounds with nickel as a 3d centre were studied by means of a variable INDO Hamiltonian [438].

The structures of  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{MeOCS}_2\text{-S})]$  [439] and  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{PPh}_3)(4\text{-NO}_2\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{-N=N-O}^-)]$ , 262, have been determined. 262 was prepared by reaction of the diazoate with  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Cl}]$  and is the first example of a structurally characterised diazoato complex [440].

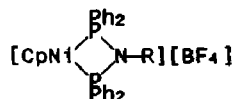


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The treatment of NaY zeolite with  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  followed by cation exchange was used to prepare a 3% nickel catalyst for the hydrodemethylation of toluene [441]. Thermogravimetry, chromatography and smoke generation showed that

addition of small amounts of  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  reduced smoke and HCl generation in the thermal degradation of PVC [442].

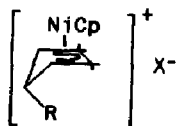
The preparation of  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{R}_2\text{PNR}'\text{PR}_2)][\text{BF}_4]$ , 263, from  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{nbd})][\text{BF}_4]$  and the ligand has been described. Treatment of 263 with cyanide ion gave  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{n}^1\text{-R}_2\text{PNR}'\text{PR}_2)(\text{CN})]$  [443]. Substitution of  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Cl}]$  with optically active  $\text{Me}(\text{Ph})(\text{Np})\text{GeLi}$  proceeded with retention of stereochemistry at germanium [444].



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$[(\text{Me}_4\text{HC}_5)_2\text{Ni}]$  was prepared from the corresponding anion and  $\text{NiCl}_2$ . Spectroscopic parameters were reported [445].  $[(\text{EtMe}_4\text{C}_5)_2\text{Ni}]$  was similarly synthesised from the thf adduct of  $\text{NiCl}_2$ . Detailed  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  nmr spectroscopic studies indicated that there was a change in the redox properties of the complex on peralkylation. The ethyl group underwent hindered rotation with the  $\beta$ -carbon atom turned away from the metal [446]. The generation of titanocene and rhodocene cations from  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  in the gas phase by a novel metal switching reaction has been reported [447].

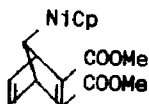
$[\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Ni}]$  exists in three stable charged forms, viz. the neutral 20 electron species, the cationic 19 electron species and the dicationic 18 electron species. The neutral species reacted with electrophiles such as  $\text{RX}$  to give 264 and had distinctive electrochemical properties [448]. Oxidation of  $[\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Ni}]$  to  $[\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Ni}][\text{PF}_6]$  was relatively easy and the cationic species was shown by epr spectroscopy to have a  $^2\text{E}_{1g}$  ground state. The 18 electron complex  $[\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Ni}][\text{PF}_6]_2$  was diamagnetic [449]. Electrochemical reduction of  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{cod})]^+$  gave the neutral radical  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{cod})]$ , a 19 electron species, stable for 1 hour at  $-10^\circ\text{C}$ . It decomposed to  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]$ , but was appreciably more stable than its cobalt analogue [450]. The electrochemical reduction of  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{PR}_3)_2]^+$  was studied and found to be appreciably easier than that of  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  [451].



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The complex  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{C}_5\text{H}_6)]\text{[BF}_4\text{]}$  has proved a useful precursor of mixed complexes, since the  $\{\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\}$  moiety is easily displaced. Among the ligands used were  $\text{Ph}_2\text{P}(=\text{S})(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{P}(=\text{S})\text{Ph}_2$  and  $\text{PhS}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{SPh}$  ( $n = 1$  or  $2$ ), which acted as *S,S*-chelates [452,453]. Both  $\text{Ph}_2\text{As}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{AsPh}_2$  ( $n = 1$  or  $2$ ) and the related phosphines reacted similarly, but the arsines were less strongly coordinated and on reaction with lithium iodide gave complexes such as  $[\text{CpNi}(\eta^1\text{-Ph}_2\text{AsCH}_2\text{AsPh}_2)\text{I}]$ , under conditions to which their phosphine analogues were inert [454].

Reaction of  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  with  $\text{R}_2\text{PX}/\text{CX}_4$  gave  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{R}_2\text{PX})\text{X}]$  ( $\text{R} = \text{Me}_3\text{C}$ ,  $\text{X} = \text{Cl}$  or  $\text{Br}$ ). Attack of nucleophiles caused substitution of the halide attached to nickel [455]. The triple decker sandwich,  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}_2(\mu\text{-Cp})]\text{[AlBr}_4\text{]}$ , was synthesised by reaction of  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  with  $\text{AlBr}_3$ , and was characterised by ir, Raman and nmr spectroscopy. Ligand displacement reactions were also studied [456]. Cleavage of nickel-carbon bonds in 265 occurred with retention of configuration using NBS, or under carbonylation conditions [457].



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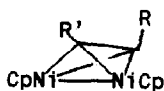
The electronic structure of  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  was investigated by PES, and using Hückel calculations. No net direct nickel-nickel bonding, either  $\sigma$  or  $\pi$ , was found. The source of the stability of the dimer lies in its two in and out of plane back bonding interactions between the  $d_{xz}$  and  $d_{yz}$  metallic atomic orbitals and the pertinent symmetry combinations of the  $\pi^*$  molecular orbitals of the bridging CO ligands [458]. A study of the vibrational frequencies of  $\mu_2$ -bridging carbonyl ligands in metal clusters included a consideration of  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  [459].

The thermal decomposition of  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\text{CO})_2]$  has been investigated by ir spectroscopy and thermogravimetric studies. The products included  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$ , CO and metallic nickel [460].  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\text{CO})_2]$  on  $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  has been used as a catalyst for the oligomerisation of propene [461]. Approximate MO calculations have been performed for  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\mu_3\text{-S})_2]$  and  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\mu_3\text{-CO})_2]$ . A novel analysis of the metal-metal bonding indicated that there was no net occupation of orbitals with metal-metal bonding character, but that there were attractive metal-metal interactions. These were dominated by occupation of orbitals on the  $\text{M}_3$  triangle which are predominantly valence s and p in character. Differences in magnetic and structural characteristics between the two

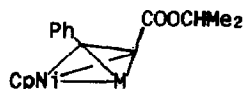


complexes were explained in terms of the different bonding capabilities of CO and sulphur [462].

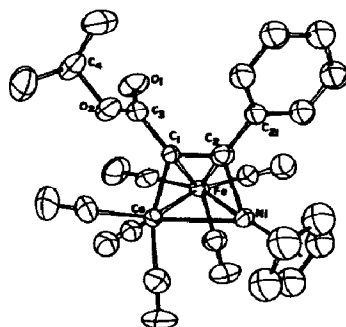
Photolysis of  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  in the presence of an alkyne,  $\text{RC}\equiv\text{CR}'$ , gave 266. The bonding in such complexes was discussed and their mass spectra reported [463]. Similar but heterobimetallic clusters of this type, 267 ( $\text{M} = \{\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3\}$ ,  $\{\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_4\}$  or  $\{\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_4\}$ ), have been prepared, and are intrinsically chiral. A new fluxional process was discerned, involving a formal rotation of the M-M and C-C bond vectors. The fluxionality and high reactivity towards added  $[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9]$  were rationalised in terms of Wade's Rules [464]. The reaction with iron complexes gave 268 for  $\text{M} = \{\text{Co}(\text{CO})_3\}$  (a structurally similar complex was produced for  $\text{M} = \{\text{CpNi}\}$ ,  $\text{R} = \text{CO}_2\text{CHMe}_2$ ,  $\text{R}' = \text{Ph}$ ) and 269 for  $\text{M} = \{\text{CpMo}(\text{CO})_2\}$ . Fluxional process in these complexes were discussed in detail [465]. Substitution of the analogue of 268 for which  $\text{R} = \text{R}' = \text{Ph}$ , with  $\text{PPh}_3$  gave the 48 electron cluster  $[\text{CpNiCoFe}(\text{CO})_5(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{RCCR}')]_2$ , 270 [466].



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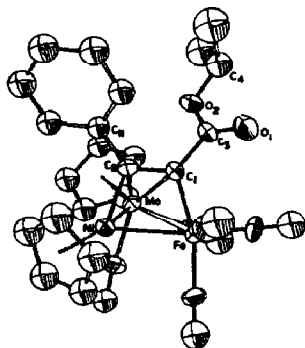
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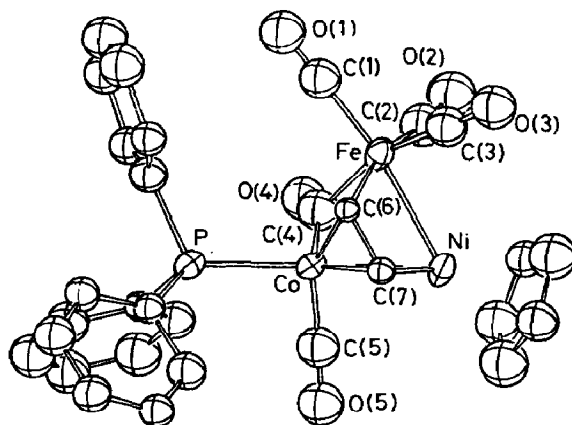
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Reaction of  $[\text{CpNi}]_2[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6(\mu_4\text{-C}_2\text{Ph}_2)]$  with  $\text{PMe}_3$  resulted in a fundamental skeletal rearrangement of the complex to give  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{PMe}_3)_2][\text{CpNiFe}_2(\text{CO})_6(\mu_3\text{-C}_2\text{Ph}_2)]$ , characterised by X-ray diffraction (271a and 271b show the cation and anion respectively) [467]. Treatment of the alkynyl containing cluster,  $[\text{HRu}_3(\text{CO})_9(\text{C}_2\text{R})]$ , with  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  in the presence of hydrogen gave 272 in better yield than if the reaction was carried out under nitrogen. An X-ray diffraction study shows a butterfly arrangement of the metal atoms with nickel at the wingtips, a  $\sigma, \pi$ -bonded vinylidene

ligand, and a hydride bridging the hinge site [468].



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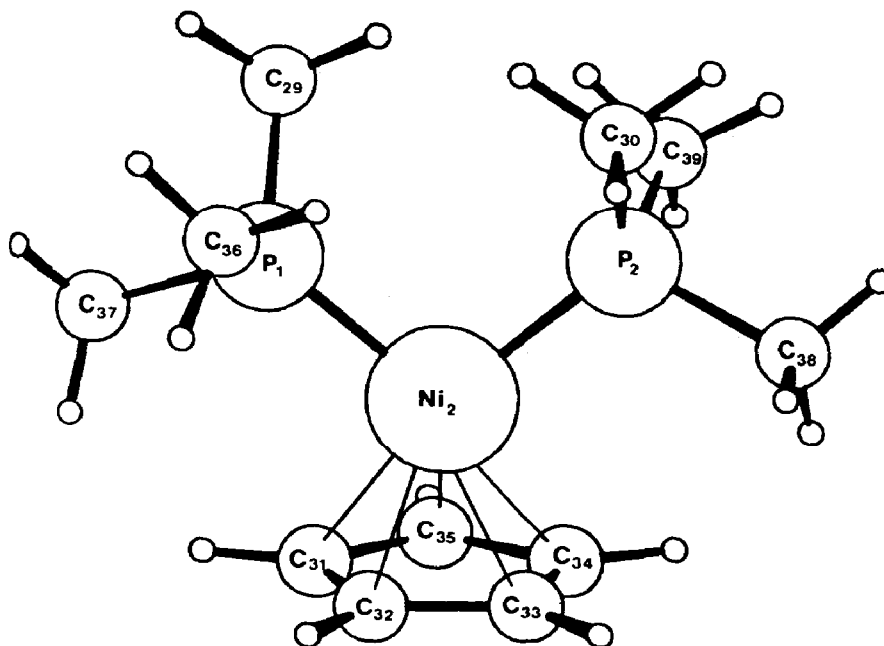
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ORTEP plot (45 % thermal ellipsoids) of  $[\text{CpNiCoFe}(\text{CO})_5(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{C}_2\text{Ph}_2)]$ . The phenyl groups of the alkyne are omitted for clarity.

Reaction of the carbyne complex  $[\text{CpW}(\equiv\text{CR})(\text{CO})_2]$  with  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  gave a mixture of  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_2\text{W}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_2]$  and  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{W}_2(\mu\text{-RC}_2\text{R})(\text{CO})_4]$ . A mechanism was proposed for the reaction [469]. The carbide capped complex  $[\text{MeCCo}_3(\text{CO})_9]$  reacted with  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  to give  $\{\text{Co}_2\text{Ni}\}$  and  $\{\text{Co}_3\text{Ni}\}$  containing clusters. Related trimetallic species, including 273 and 274 were also prepared, and were characterised by X-ray diffraction [470].

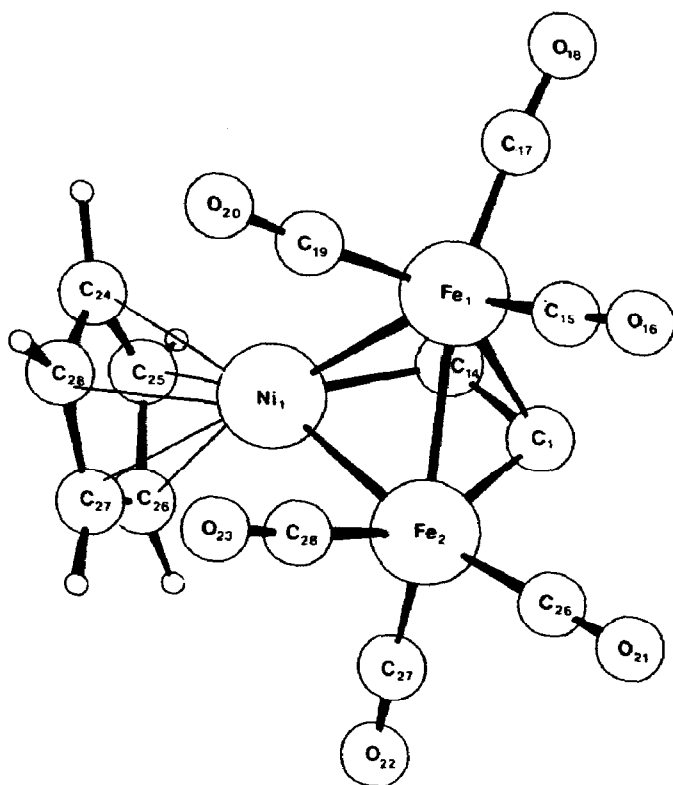
$[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  reacted with  $\text{CS}_2$  at 40 °C to give  $[\{\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\mu_2\text{-S})_2\}_2(\text{C}_2\text{S}_4)]$ , 275, in which the  $[\text{C}_2\text{S}_4]$  anion was formed by head-to-head dimerisation of  $\text{CS}_2$ . However, with the pentamethylcyclopentadienyl analogue,  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Ni}_2][\text{C}_2\text{S}_4]$ , 276, was produced [471]. Another sulphur bridged cluster was synthesised by the reaction of  $[\{\text{CpCr}(\text{SCMe}_3)\}_2\text{S}]$  with  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  giving 277,

$[\text{Cp}_4\text{Cr}_2\text{Ni}_2(\mu_3\text{-S})_2(\mu_4\text{-S})]$ . The structure deviated from the expected open butterfly with a chromium-chromium bond towards a zig-zag metal chain. The magnetic properties of the cluster were investigated [472].

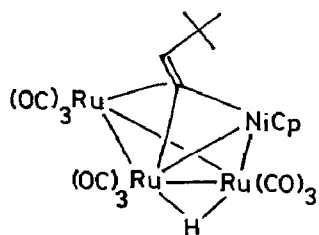


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PLUTO plot of the cation  $[\text{CpNi}(\text{PMe}_3)_2]^+$

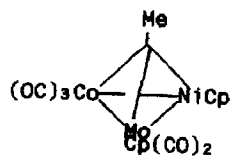
A novel one electron reduction of  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\mu_3\text{-CO})_2]$  by potassium naphthalide led to the synthesis and characterisation of  $[\text{K}(2,2,2\text{-crypt})][\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\mu_3\text{-CO})_2]$ , 278. The related anion,  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Cp}_2\text{CoNi}(\mu_3\text{-CO})_2]^-$ , was similarly prepared. The data provided support for the Strouse-Dahl model in which the HOMO of  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\mu_3\text{-CO})_2]$  is an in plane trimetal antibonding orbital of a nondegenerate  $a_2'$  representation under  $D_{3h}$  symmetry [473].  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  reacted with  $[\text{H}_2\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{10}]$  under a hydrogen atmosphere to give  $[\text{H}_3\text{CpNiOs}_3(\text{CO})_9]$ , 279, in excellent yield. The yield of 279 was considerably lower when the reaction was carried out under nitrogen [474]. Addition of  $[\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8]$  to  $[\{\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})_2\}\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}\text{SnCl}_2]$  gave 280,  $[\{\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})_2\}\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}\{\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4\}\text{SnCl}]$ , which adopted an almost perfect tetrahedral geometry at tin. By contrast, reaction of  $[\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}_2]$  with  $[\{\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})_2\}\{\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4\}\text{SnCl}_2]$  yielded the exchanged product  $[\{\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})_2\}\{\text{CpNi}(\text{CO})\}\text{SnCl}_2]$  via cleavage of the Sn-Co rather than the Sn-C1 bond [475].



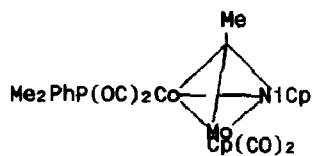
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 PLUTO plot of the complex anion  $[\text{CpNiFe}_2(\text{CO})(\mu_3\text{-C}_2\text{Ph}_2)]^-$



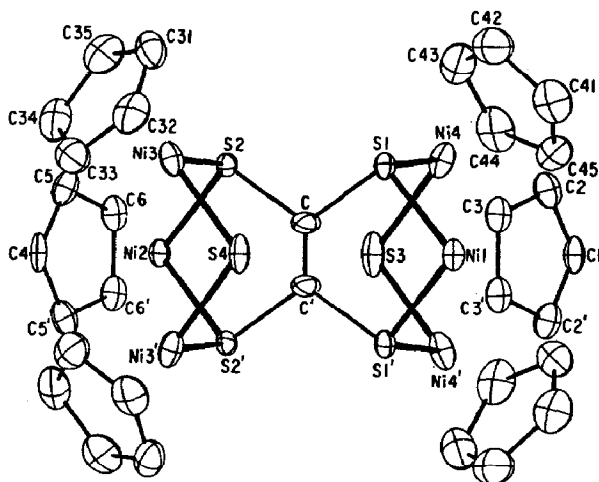
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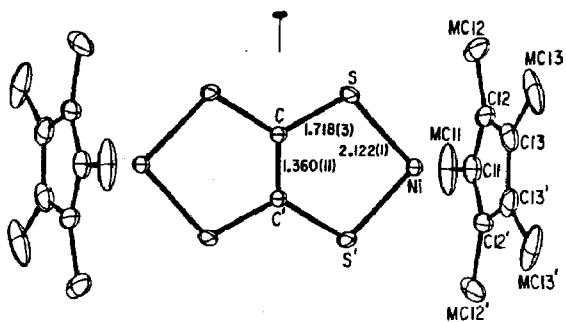
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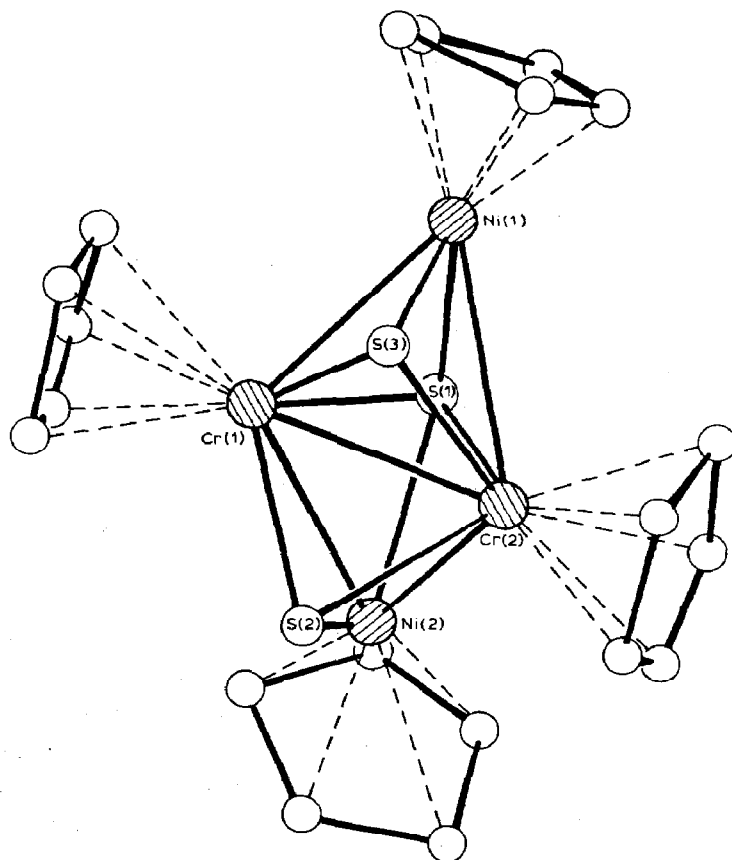
View of the  $[(\text{Cp})_3\text{Ni}_3(\mu_2\text{-S})]_2(\text{C}_2\text{S}_4)$  molecule, which possesses crystallographic  $C_3$ - $m$  site symmetry but closely conforms to a  $C_{2h}$ - $2/m$  geometry. This hexanickel complex may be viewed as a cycloaddition product of the dinickel molecule (related to 276) formed by the insertion of a  $\text{CpNi-S-NiCp}$  fragment across each of two *cis*-1,2-dithiolato sulphur atoms to give two-fold related, chair-like six-membered  $(\text{NiS})_3$  rings. The fact that the two ethene carbon atoms possess extremely large out-of-plane thermal ellipsoids is indicative of an average structure in which the ethene carbon atoms occupy at least two orientations in the crystalline state. This is also reflected in an artificially short C-C' distance of 1.13 Å, which in turn causes the average C-S distance of 1.84 Å to be abnormally long. This presumed ethene disorder may be attributed to the interaction of the ring sulphur atoms S3 and S4 with C and C', as indicated from the close S3...C and S4...C' distances of 2.27 Å and 2.28 Å respectively.

Reaction of  $[\text{NH}_4][\text{CpNi}\{(\text{MeO})_2\text{P=O}\}_2]$  with  $\text{UCl}_4$  gave  $[\text{U}\{\text{CpNi}\{(\text{MeO})_2\text{P=O}\}\}_4]$  in which four anionic nickel phosphonate ligands were bonded to uranium through P=O-U interactions [476]. Treatment of 281 with  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$  resulted in the formation of the four-decker sandwich compound, 282. This reacted with further 1,2,3,4,5-tetraalkyl-1,3-dibora-4-cyclopentene with displacement of the bridging carbonyls to give the penta decker sandwich compound 283 [477].

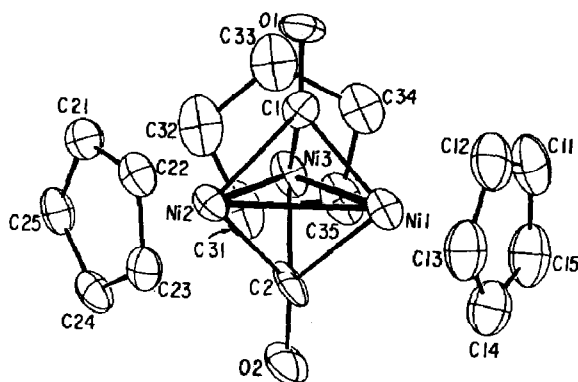


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View of the [Cp\*<sub>2</sub>Ni<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>)] molecule which has crystallographic  $C_{2h}-2/m$  site symmetry. The NiS<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Ni core of this bimetallic tetrathiolene complex experimentally possesses a planar  $D_{2h}-mmm$  geometry, with extensive  $\pi$ -electron delocalisation indicated from its bond lengths and redox properties.

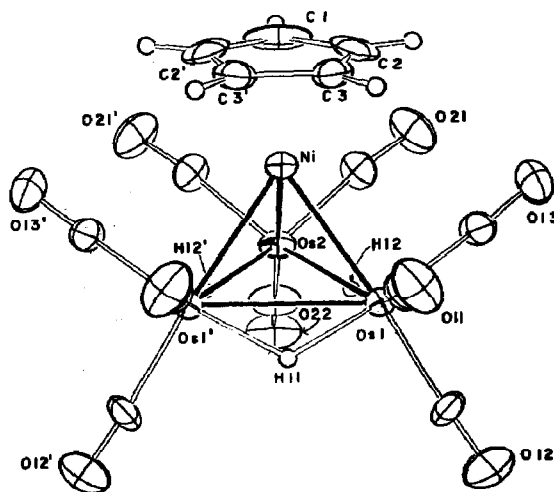


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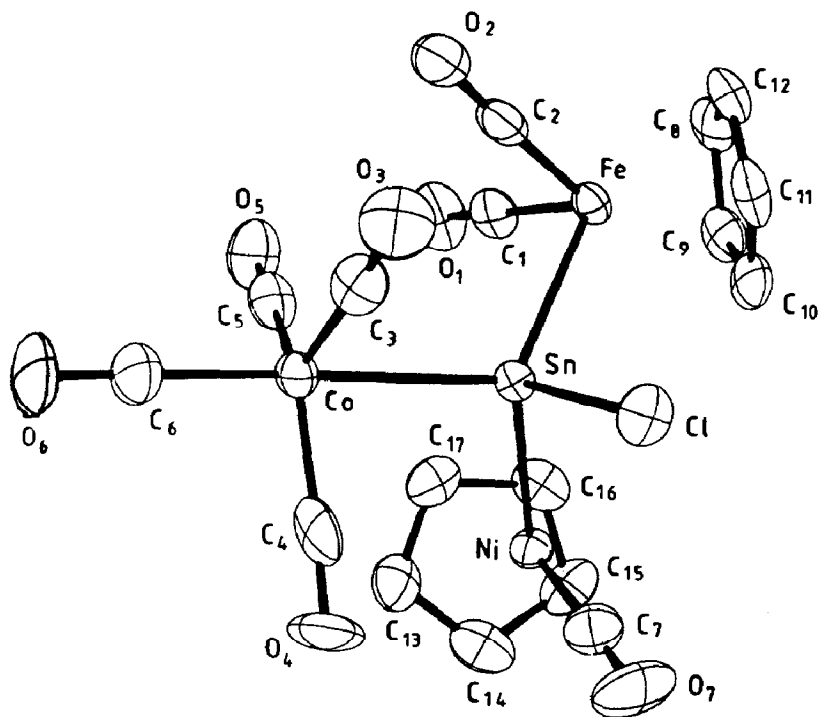
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The diamagnetic monoanion of the neutral paramagnetic Fischer-Palm  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\mu_3\text{-CO})_2]$  parent. The counterion (not shown) was  $[\text{K}(2,2,2\text{-crypt})]$ .

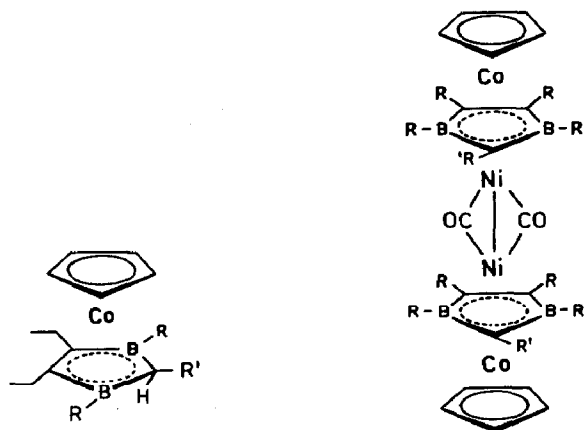


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Geometry of  $[\text{H}_3\text{CpNiOs}_3(\text{CO})_9]$ . For each of the crystallographically distinct molecules a crystallographic mirror plane passes through atoms C(1), Ni, Os(2), O(22) and H(11). Note that if we neglect direct osmium-osmium bonds, each osmium atom is in an approximately octahedral coordination environment.



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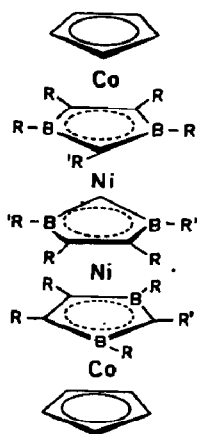


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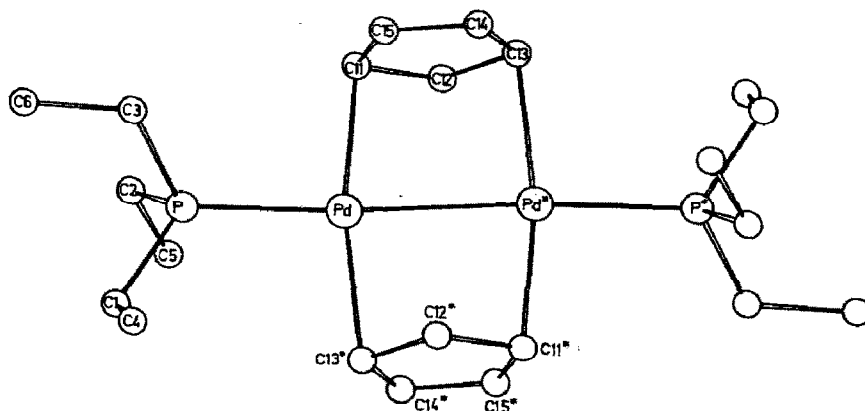
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Reports of palladium cyclopentadienyl complexes have, as usual, been more sparse. Reaction of  $[\text{CpPd}(\text{PR}_3)(\text{OCOMe})]$  with sodium potassium alloy yielded  $[\text{Pd}_2(\text{PR}_3)_2(\mu\text{-Cp})_2]$ , which could also be prepared from  $[\text{Pd}_2(\text{PR}_3)_2(\mu\text{-OCOMe})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  and  $\text{TiCp}$ . 284 was characterised by X-ray diffraction [478]. The compound for which  $\text{R} = \text{CHMe}_2$  underwent oxidation by iodine to give  $[\text{CpPd}(\text{PR}_3)\text{I}]$ , and oxidative addition with iodomethane to yield  $[\text{CpPd}(\text{PR}_3)\text{I}]$  and  $[\text{CpPd}(\text{PR}_3)\text{Me}]$ . One of the bridges could be readily exchanged for either a bridging carboxylate or a bridging thiolate. Related complexes bridged by allyl ligands were also discussed [479].  $[\text{Pd}_2\{\text{P}(\text{CHMe}_2)_3\}_2(\mu\text{-Cp})\{\mu\text{-OC}(\text{CMe}_3)\text{O}\}]$  reacted with  $\text{Na}[\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4]$  to give 285 and similar reactions of the allyl bridged species were also reported [480].

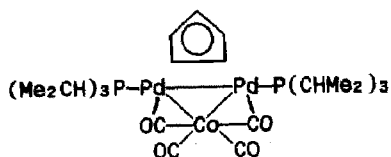
A range of complexes  $[\text{CpPdL}_2][\text{PF}_6]$  ( $\text{L} =$  tertiary phosphine, arsine or stibine) were prepared from  $[\text{PdL}_2\text{Cl}_2]$ , cyclopentadiene and  $\text{Ag}[\text{PF}_6]$ . The bis(triphenylstibine) complex was investigated by X-ray diffraction; the geometry at palladium was found to be approximately trigonal [481]. Treatment of  $[\text{M}(\text{diene})(\text{Me}_2\text{CO})_2][\text{PF}_6]_2$  with the ylid 286 yielded  $[\text{M}(\text{Ph}_3\text{PC}_6\text{H}_4)(\text{diene})][\text{PF}_6]_2$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Pd}$  or  $\text{Pt}$ ; diene = cod, nbd or cot) in which the ylid was  $\eta^5$ -bonded to the metal. The complexes were stable as solids, but decomposed in solution [482].

Condensation of nickel vapour with  $\text{HSiCl}_3$  in the presence of toluene at  $-196^\circ\text{C}$  gave a species of stoichiometry  $\{\text{HNi}(\text{toluene})(\text{SiCl}_3)\}$ . Warming to room temperature yielded 287 in low yield. 287 could also be prepared from  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]$  and  $\text{HSiCl}_3$  in toluene, or by condensation of nickel vapour with  $\text{Cl}_3\text{SiSiCl}_3$  and toluene [483]. 288 was prepared from the sodium salt of the

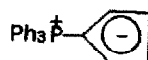
ligand and  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$ . **289** was obtained by ligand exchange at  $[\text{Pt}(\text{cod})_2]$  [484].



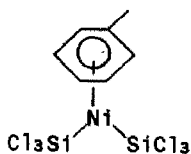
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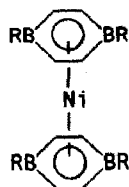
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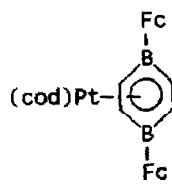
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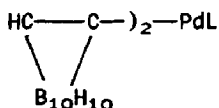
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## 12 METAL CARBORANE AND RELATED COMPLEXES

A simple bonding scheme has been proposed for eight vertex  $D_{2d}$  dodecahedral clusters in violation of Wade's rules. The discussion included consideration

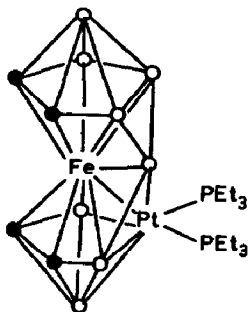
of  $[\text{Cp}_4\text{Ni}_4\text{B}_4\text{H}_4]$  [485]. The nature of metal boron bonding in metalloboranes has been explored by extended Huckel calculations. The clusters considered included  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_2\text{B}_3\text{H}_7]$  [486]. EHMO calculations on the *closo*-platinacarboranes  $[(\text{H}_3\text{P})_2\text{PtC}_2\text{B}_9\text{H}_{11}]$  and  $[(\text{H}_3\text{P})_2\text{PtC}_2\text{B}_4\text{H}_6]$  suggested that the larger slip distortions in the pentagonal bipyramidal derivatives, attributed to metal-ligand interactions, were induced by the different elevation angles of the substituents on the pentagonal faces of the ligands [487].

The reaction of  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Ni}]$  with  $[4\text{-CB}_8\text{H}_{13}]\text{Na}$  gave initially  $[6\text{-}\eta^5\text{-CpNi-}\eta^5\text{-1-CB}_8\text{H}_9]$ , but this cluster could not be isolated in a pure state since it rearranged slowly in solution to give  $[10\text{-}\eta^5\text{-CpNi-}\eta^4\text{-1-CB}_8\text{H}_9]$ , characterised by X-ray diffraction [488]. "1-Lithioorthocarborane" reacted with  $[\text{PdCl}]_2$  to give a complex with a structure which was rather unhelpfully shown as 290 [489].



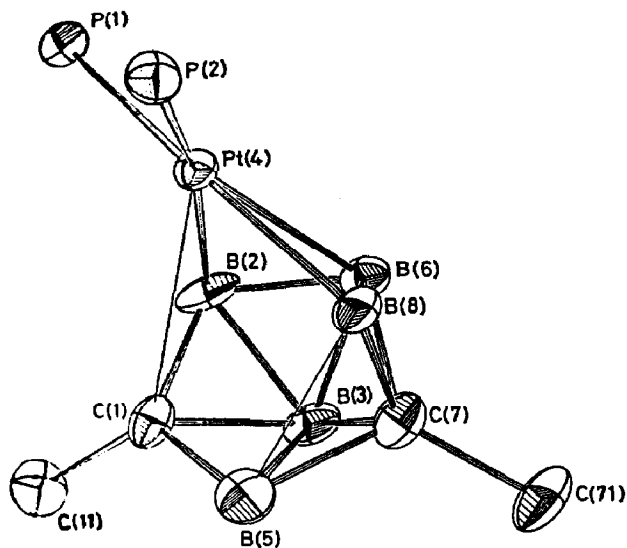
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$[\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-cod})(\text{PEt}_3)_4]$  reacted with  $[\text{H}_2\text{Fe}(2,3\text{-Me}_2,2,3\text{-C}_2\text{B}_4\text{H}_4)_2]$  to give  $[(\text{Et}_3\text{P})_2\text{PtFe}(\text{Me}_4\text{C}_4\text{B}_8\text{H}_8)]$ , 291. The cobalt analogue of 291 was characterised by an X-ray diffraction study [490]. The carboranes *closo*- $[2,4\text{-R}_2\text{-}2,4\text{-C}_2\text{B}_5\text{H}_5]$  ( $\text{R} = \text{H}$  or  $\text{Me}$ ) reacted with  $[\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-cod})(\text{PEt}_3)_4]$  to give the carbaplatinaboranes  $[4,4\text{-}(\text{Et}_3\text{P})_2\text{-}1,7\text{-R}_2\text{-}1,4,7\text{-CPTcB}_5\text{H}_5]$  and  $[1,1\text{-}(\text{Et}_3\text{P})_2\text{-}6,6\text{-}(\text{Et}_3\text{P})_2\text{-}4,5\text{-R}_2\text{-}1,4,5,6\text{-PtC}_2\text{PtB}_5\text{H}_5]$ . The structures of the compounds for which  $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ , 292 and 293, were established by X-ray diffraction. The reaction represents an unusual double insertion of a platinum nucleophile into a *closo*-carborane [491].



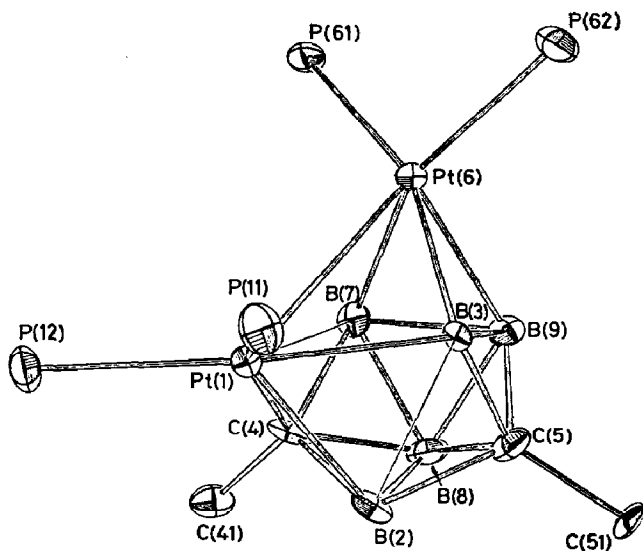
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(•) = CMe; (◦) = BH



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The molecular structure of [4,4-(Et<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>2</sub>-1,7-Me<sub>2</sub>-1,4,7-CPtCB<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>] with the ethyl groups omitted for clarity.



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The stereochemistry of [1,1,6,6-(Et<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>4</sub>-1,4,5,6-PtC<sub>2</sub>PtB<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>] with the ethyl functions omitted for clarity.

## 13 CATALYSIS BY METAL COMPLEXES

Couplings catalysed by nickel and palladium complexes have been reviewed [492]. A review has also been published of palladium and platinum complexes which are intermediates in organic synthesis [493].

## 13.1 Hydrogenation and hydrogenolysis

Catalysis by palladium complexes with a palladium-palladium bond has been reviewed. Among the reactions considered were hydrogenation, alkene isomerisation, oligomerisation and carbonylation [494]. Enantioselective hydrogenation in the presence of chiral complexes of rhodium, palladium and cobalt has been discussed [495].

A range of complexes were tested for their efficacy in the interconversion of *ortho* and *para*-hydrogen, a phenomenon known to be diagnostic for the reversible formation of an  $\{MH_2\}$  intermediate.  $[Pt(PPh_3)_4]$ ,  $[Pt(PPh_3)_2O_2]$  and  $[Pt(PBu_3)_2Cl_2]$  were active, but  $[Pt(dppe)_2]$  was not, as ligand dissociation is much more difficult [496]. Non-empirical pseudopotential calculations on  $[HPd(C_2H_4)Cl_3]^-$  were undertaken, and were related to ethene hydrogenation. A mechanism for collapse to planar  $[EtPdCl_3]^-$  was proposed [497].

A 1:14 mixture of  $[Ni(PBu_3)_2Cl_2]/Li[BH_4]$  in thf was found to be a very effective catalyst for the reduction of 1-hexene [498]. Several reports of the selective reduction of dienes to alkenes in the presence of nickel complexes have been published. For example, isoprene underwent 1,4-reduction with reasonable selectivity in the presence of  $[Ni(acac)_2]/(Me_2N)_3P/[Et_2CHO]Li$  [499], and  $[Ni(acac)_2]/Na[HAL(OCH_2CH_2OMe)_2]$  was used as a catalyst for the partial hydrogenation of unsaturated fatty acids [500]. Using  $[Ni(acac)_2]/Et_3Al_2Cl_3/PPh_3$ , 1,4-cyclohexadiene was reduced to cyclohexene, and 1,3-cyclooctadiene was converted to cyclooctene. However, with 1,5-cyclooctadiene, 294 was formed, rapidly and quantitatively [501].



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The effect of hydrophilic solvents on the reductions of alkenes catalysed by  $PdCl_2$  have been investigated. The solvents affect both reaction kinetics and product distributions. The mechanistic implications of the observations for isomerisation and oxidation to carbonyls were discussed [502]. Reduction

of acrolein and 295 to the saturated aldehydes was accomplished in the presence of palladium complexes with nitrogen containing ligands [503].



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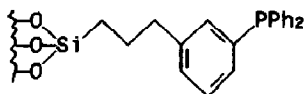
$^{31}\text{P}$ ,  $^{119}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  nmr spectroscopic studies were used to identify the products of the reaction of  $\text{SnCl}_2$  with platinum complexes. Species such as  $[\text{Pt}(\text{SnCl}_3)(\text{PR}_3)_2\text{L}]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{H}$ , alkyl, Cl or  $\text{SnCl}_3$ ) were reduction catalysts [504]. Heating  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{O}_2]$  in hydrogen at  $65^\circ\text{C}$  gave a species described as  $\{(\text{Ph}_3\text{P})\text{PtO}\}$ , which was also a catalyst for alkene reduction [505].

$[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  was used for the preparation of Pt/C and Pt/ $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  catalysts for hydrogenation, giving superior results to  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2]$  [506]. The kinetics of the hydrogenation of 1-hexene in the presence of aromatic compounds over palladium sulphide have been investigated. The aromatics acted as inhibitors by displacing the adsorbed substrate [507,508].

Again this year polymer supported catalysts have proved to be of great interest. Poly(4-vinylpyridine)/ $\text{PdCl}_2$  was an effective catalyst for alkene reduction at  $30^\circ\text{C}$  and one atmosphere of hydrogen. The catalyst could be easily removed and reused [509]. Palladium(II) anchored to copolymers of divinylbenzene with either acrylonitrile or *N*-vinylpyrrolidone catalysed alkene reductions at 1 atmosphere pressure of hydrogen and room temperature [510].

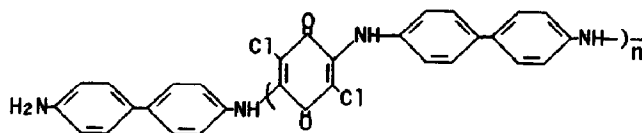
Silica has proved a popular support for palladium catalysts [511]. The activities of various palladium complexes on silica for the reduction of sulpholene and thiophene were studied. It was found that there was some increase in activity with the number of palladium atoms in a supported cluster [512]. Attachment of a phosphine bearing side chain to silica was generally accomplished by an exchange reaction with a trialkoxysilane. The product was then reacted with  $\text{Na}_2[\text{PdCl}_4]$  to give the catalyst. Among the ligands prepared in this way, the complexes of which were subsequently used for alkene hydrogenation were 296 [513,514], poly[ $\gamma$ -{4-(diphenylphosphino)phenyl}propyl]siloxane [515], and poly[oxa-7-diphenylphosphino-6-hydroxyheptyl]siloxane [516]. Palladium derivatives of amino functionalised silica have been used as catalysts for the selective reduction of alkynes to alkenes [517]. A palladium polyvinylpyrrolidone complex supported on silica was studied by XPS [519]. A palladium complex of polyphenylquinoxaline supported on silica was an

extremely active catalyst for cyclohexene reduction [519].



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Polyaminochloroquinone, 297, was prepared by interfacial polycondensation of chloranil and benzidine. Its palladium complex was used as a catalyst for the reduction of styrene [520]. Polymeric chelates of palladium with poly(3- or 4-hydroxyphenyl benzoxazoleterephthalimides) as fibres had some activity as catalysts for the reduction of alkenes and dienes [521]. Anthranilic acid, allyl and pyridyl derivatives of layered zirconium phosphate were treated with palladium complexes to give supported species which catalysed the reduction of alkenes, alkynes, nitriles and nitro compounds [522].

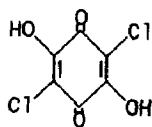


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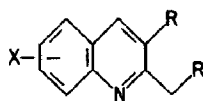
Hydrogenation of alkenes, alkynes, and dienes was accomplished using platinum clusters including  $[\text{Pt}_2\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  or  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CyNC})_2][\text{CpMo}(\text{CO})_3]_2$  [523].

Further reductions of nitro groups have been noted. *Trans*- $[\text{Pd}(\text{py})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  catalysed reduction of nitrobenzene to aniline at room temperature, under 1 atmosphere of hydrogen, in good to excellent selectivity [524]. Reactions of  $\text{ArNO}_2$  with platinum complexes were studied, and it was concluded that the major products had the nitro group coordinated to palladium *via* an oxygen atom [525]. The activities for nitrobenzene reduction shown by  $\text{K}_2[\text{PdCl}_4]$  and  $\text{K}_2[\text{PtCl}_6]$  on anion exchangers, and  $\text{NiCl}_2$  and  $\text{PdCl}_2$  on cation exchangers were determined [526]. Hydrogenation of mixtures of  $\text{PhNO}_2$  and  $\text{RCHO}$  in the presence of platinum metals supported on 298 yielded  $\text{RCH}_2\text{NHPH}$ , *via*  $\text{PhNHOH}$ ,  $\text{PhNH}_2$  and  $\text{RCH=NPh}$  [527]. In a related process, reaction of  $\text{ArNO}_2$  with  $\text{CO}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in the presence of  $\text{RCH}_2\text{CHO}$  and a catalyst yielded mixtures of 299 and 300. 299 was the major product when  $[\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_3\text{Cl}]/\text{PdCl}_2$  was used as the catalyst, but up to 45 % 300 was obtained in the presence of  $[\{\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}\}_2]$  [528]. With

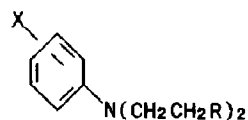
1,4-(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> or 4-NH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> as the substrate mixtures of 301, 302 and 303 were formed [529].



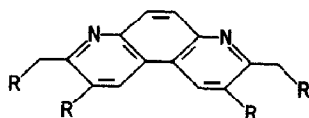
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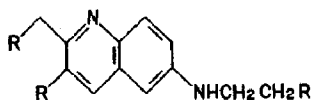
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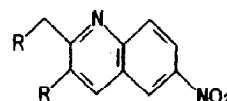
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Patents have reported the reduction of MeCOOCOME to MeCH(OCOME)<sub>2</sub> using either [Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>]/MeI/PPh<sub>3</sub>/[Mo(CO)<sub>6</sub>] or PdCl<sub>2</sub> as the catalyst systems [530,531].

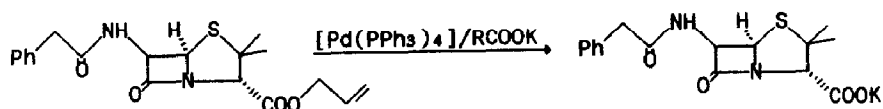
Hexane could be dehydrogenated in the presence of platinum polyphthalocyanines. A reaction mechanism was reported [532].

Hydrogenolysis of aryl halides was accomplished using Na[OOCH] as the hydride donor and [Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>] as catalyst, together with a phase transfer catalyst [533]. Hydrogenolysis of halothiophenes was accomplished using molecular hydrogen and PdCl<sub>2</sub> on modified silica as the catalyst, with CaO or ZnO as the HX acceptor [534,535]. Alkyl halides were reduced to alkanes using Pt(II)/NaI/H[ClO<sub>4</sub>] [536,537].

Hydrogenolysis of allyl derivatives in the presence of palladium complexes generally involves hydride reduction of an intermediate  $\pi$ -allyl palladium complex. Thus palladium(0) catalysis has been used to cleave allyl esters, carbonates and carbamates, and thus to unmask acids, alcohols and amines. The reaction is particularly useful in sensitive molecules such as 304 [538]. Allyl ethanoates could be reduced by Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH in the presence of [Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]. Certain allylamines also underwent hydrogenolysis [539]. The hydrogenolysis of allyl ethers required the use of a more reactive hydride donor, *viz.* Li[HBt<sub>3</sub>]; E-alkenes were generally produced in excellent yield [540].

Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH acted as a source of hydride towards  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes in the presence of [Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>] to give the saturated compounds. A reaction mechanism was proposed on the basis of deuterium labelling studies [541].





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### 13.2 Oxidation

Potential applications of the Pd(II)/Pd(IV) redox system in the catalysis of oxidation have been reviewed [542]. Reviews of ethene oxidation with particular reference to catalysis by  $\text{Na}_2[\text{Pd}(\text{NO}_2)\text{Cl}_3]$  [543] and  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}/\text{Li}[\text{NO}_3]$  [544] have been published.

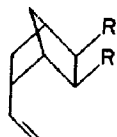
The epoxidation of propene in air was accomplished using  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{CuCl}_2$  as the catalyst [545].

There have been many further papers reporting reactions related to the Wacker oxidation. Oxidation of ethene to ethanal has been noted in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]/[\text{Co}(\text{TPP})(\text{py})(\text{NO}_2)]/\text{diglyme}$  [546], and  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{CuCl}_2/\text{NaY}$  zeolite [547]. If the reaction was carried out in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{Li}[\text{NO}_3]/\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  it was demonstrated by an  $^{17}\text{O}$  nmr spectroscopic study that the oxygen incorporated into ethanal was derived from the  $\text{Li}[\text{NO}_3]$  [548].  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{CuCl}_2$  supported on zeolites proved a better catalyst for oxidation of propene than the same species on silica or alumina [549]. A rate study on the oxidation of 1-butene suggested the involvement of a binuclear,  $[\text{Pd}_2\text{Cl}_4(\text{butene})_2]$ , intermediate [550].

Oxidation of ethenyl benzene using sulpholane as the oxidant and  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{CuCl}_2/\text{CuCl}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  as the catalyst system gave 2-phenylethanal with 86% selectivity, the minor product being 1-phenylethanone (13%) [551]. Oxidation of styrene was selective for 1-phenylethanone in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{Ph}_2\text{P}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4-3-\text{SO}_3\text{Na}))_2\text{Cl}_2]$ , but conversions were low [552]. Oxidation of alkenes in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOCF}_3)_2/h\nu$  suffered from competition from alkene isomerisation [553].

Oxidation of alkenes and non-conjugated alkadienes by oxygen, achieved in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{MeCN})_2(\text{NO}_2)\text{Cl}]$ , generally gave methyl ketones, but epoxides were produced with 305 or 306 as the substrates [554].

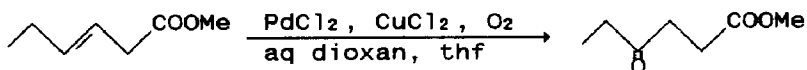
1,4-Diketones have been prepared by the regioselective oxidation of  $\beta,\gamma$ -unsaturated ketones and esters such as 307 [555,556]. Oxidation of unsaturated ethers such as 308 was also quite regioselective [557].



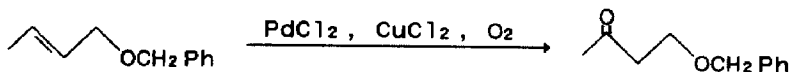
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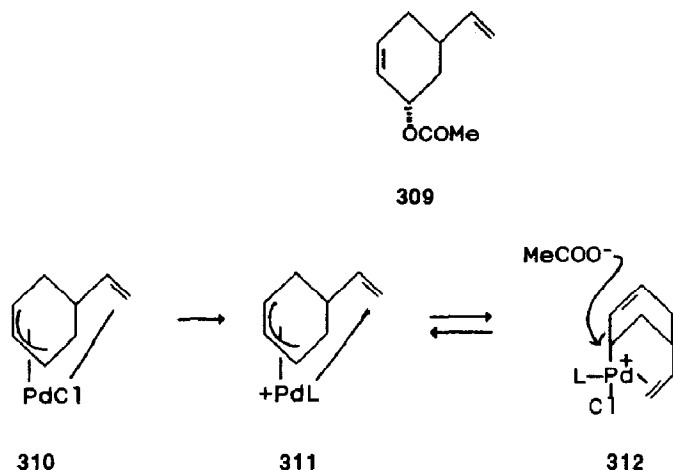
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Oxidation of ethene to  $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OCOMe}$  has again been studied. A physicochemical study of the catalytically active solutions in the reaction catalysed by  $\text{Pd(II)}/\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}/\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3$  indicated that  $\{\text{Pd}(\text{NO}_2)\}$  complexes were formed in the presence, but not the absence, of the substrate [558]. A complex mechanism was postulated, involving inner sphere reaction of ethene with  $[\text{NO}_2]^-$ . The oxygen absorption was associated with oxidation of NO complexes [559]. Just as with the Wacker reaction analogue, the oxygen in  $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OCOMe}$ , formed in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{Li}[\text{NO}_3]/\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ , was derived from the nitrate group [560]. Deactivation of palladium/nitrate oxidising systems, capable of catalysing formation of diethanoates, was attributed to the formation of insoluble palladium complexes of side products of the catalytic reaction [561]. Oxidation of ethene to ethenyl ethanoate could be achieved in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCON}(\text{Ph})\text{O})_2]/\text{Na}[\text{OCOMe}]/\text{MeCOOH}$  [562].

Oxidation of 1-alkenes to methyl ketones by  $\text{ROOH}$  in the presence of CO was catalysed by palladium(0) phosphine complexes. Esters and acids were also produced by CO insertion [563].

Allylic oxidation of propene in the presence of  $\text{MeCOOH}$  was achieved using palladium(0) clusters (formed *in situ* from palladium(II)) as catalysts [564]. Oxidation of cyclopentene using  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{TeO}_4/\text{Ag}[\text{OCOMe}]/\text{MeCOOH}/\text{Me}_3\text{COOH}$  gave 3-cyclopentenyl ethanoate as the major product, together with small amounts of cyclopentenone [565]. Allylic oxidation of 4-ethenylcyclohexene gave 309 in

30 % yield, *via* 310–312 [566].



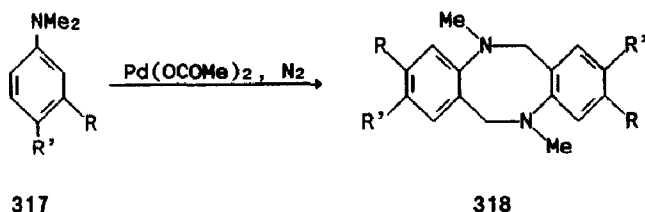
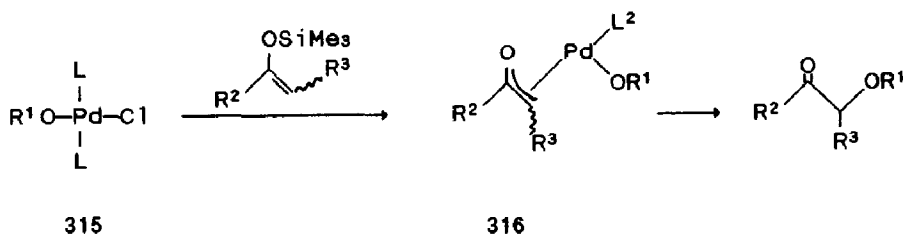
Several patents have reported the oxidation of butadiene to furan. Catalyst systems studied included  $\text{PdCl}_2/[\text{NH}_4][\text{VO}_3]/\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{TeO}_2$  [567],  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{TeO}_2/\text{HCl}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  [568], and  $[\text{H}_{3+n}\text{PM}_{12-n}\text{V}_n\text{O}_{40}]\cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{PdCl}_2/\text{O}_2$  ( $\text{M} = \text{W}$  or  $\text{Mo}$ ;  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$  or  $10$ ;  $0 < x < 32$ ) [569]. Oxidation in the presence of  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{CuCl}_2/\text{ROH}/\text{O}_2$  to give 313 and 314 was noted [570]. Oxidation of ethane-1,2-diol to tetrahydrofuran was accomplished in the presence of  $\text{CuCl}_2/\text{PdCl}_2/\text{O}_2$  [571].



$\text{K}_2[\text{PtCl}_4]$  supported on alumina was an active catalyst for the oxidative chlorination of methane by  $\text{HCl}/\text{O}_2$  mixtures. Activation of the substrate probably occurred *via* formation of a platinum alkyl complex [572]. Kinetic data for the oxidative carbonylation of methanol in the presence of palladium complexes and benzoquinone was interpreted in terms of palladium(I) and palladium(II) intermediates [573]. Dehydrogenation of cyclohexanone to cyclohexenone occurred in an oxygen atmosphere in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{O}(\text{COCF}_3)_2)_2$ ; the effects of various additives was studied [574].

Oxidation of silyl enol ethers to  $\alpha$ -oxygenated ketones was effected by  $\text{Me}_3\text{COCl}$  in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ . 315 and 316 were considered to be the critical intermediates [575]. Oxidative coupling of 317 to give 318 in the presence of palladium ethanoate probably occurred *via* an electron transfer

mechanism [576].



### 13.3 Reactions of Carbon Monoxide and Carbon Dioxide

The patent literature has reported several new sets of conditions for the hydroformylation of 1-alkenes to linear aldehydes, with more or less good selectivity, including  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{SF}_2/\text{trans-1,2-bis}(\text{diphenylphosphinomethyl})\text{cycloalkanes}$  [577], and  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{Ph}_3\text{SnCl}/\text{DIOP}$  [578]. The reaction using  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{SnCl}_2$  has been noted before, and the product aldehyde has now been converted into a linear amine with high selectivity by reductive amination in the presence of a nickel containing catalyst [579].

3,3,3-Trifluoro-1-propene was hydroformylated in the presence of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{DIOP})\text{Cl}_2]$  to give 71 % of the linear aldehyde, although most rhodium and ruthenium complex catalysts gave predominantly branched products [580]. Internal alkenes have been hydroformylated in the presence of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PR}_3)_2(\text{CO})\text{Cl}]/\text{SnCl}_2$  to give linear aldehydes, but selectivity was low, since three processes, isomerisation, hydroformylation and hydrogenation were in competition. Selectivity could be altered by varying R [581]. Hydroformylation of propene could be accomplished under mild conditions in the presence of a silica supported phosphine cobalt complex and  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ . Selectivity for the linear product was high, and it was suggested that the complexes were acting synergistically [582].

A thorough study has been made of the effect of the addition of chelating biphosphines on the hydroformylation efficiency of the catalyst system  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{SnCl}_2$ . The rate of the reaction was found to be a function of  $n$

in  $\text{Ph}_2\text{P}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{PPh}_2$  with a maximum for  $n = 4$  and a zero rate for  $n = 2$ . The rate enhancement was accompanied by an increase in selectivity towards the production of aldehydes. It was suggested that whilst the catalyst precursor was a chelating phosphine complex, in the successful catalysts one arm of the phosphine could be readily decoordinates. Kinetic data suggested that the rate controlling step was hydrogenolysis of a metal acyl complex [583].

A rather remarkable asymmetric hydroformylation in the presence of  $\text{PtCl}_2/\text{SnCl}_2/\text{DBPDIOP}$  was said to result in the formation of  $\text{PhCH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CHO}$  in 94 % optical yield from styrene. More recent work on this system has, however, confirmed that this value for the enantiomeric excess should have been substantially lower [584].

A patent has reported the hydrocarboxylation of propene to methyl 2-methylpropanoate with 81 % selectivity in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}\{\text{Ph}_2\text{P}(2\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4)\}_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{Ph}_2\text{P}(2\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4)/\text{MeCOOH}/[\text{MeCOO}]\text{K}/\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{MeOH}/\text{CO}$  [585]. Hydrocarboxylation of propene was accomplished using  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  with fluorinated sulphonic acids as the catalyst system [586].

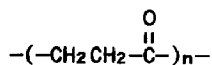
A polymer supported hydrocarboxylation catalyst, in which  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  was reacted with a styrene divinyl benzene copolymer, was found to give linear esters with a higher selectivity, but at a lower rate, than the homogeneous system [587].  $\text{PdCl}_2$  supported on chlorinated PVC was said to be an excellent catalyst for conversion of 1-nonene to decanoic acid [588].

The enantioselective hydrocarboxylation of styrene in the presence of a palladium complex, DIOP and  $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$  gave  $\text{PhCH}(\text{Me})\text{COOMe}$  in up to 52 % optical yield [589]. Hydrocarboxylation of *N*-ethenyl phthalimide has been studied in detail. The use of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{DBP})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  as the catalyst gave the linear product with very high selectivity, but conversions were low. Complexes of monodentate chiral phosphines gave the branched product with good selectivity, but enantiomeric excesses were negligible [590].

A number of more unusual carbonylation reactions of alkenes have been reported, especially in the patent literature. For example, ethene reacted with  $\text{CO}/\text{MeOH}$  in the presence of  $\text{NiI}_2/[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_6]/\text{PPh}_3/\text{EtI}/\text{EtO}_2\text{CCH}_2\text{CH}_3$  to give  $\text{EtCO}_2\text{Me}$ , although the source of the components of the product were not made clear [591]. Carbonylation in the presence of  $\text{EtCOOH}/\text{NiI}_2/[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_6]/\text{EtI}/\text{PPh}_3$  gave the anhydride,  $\text{EtCOOCOEt}$ , again by an unspecified mechanism [592]. Copolymerisation of ethene and  $\text{CO}$  to give 319 occurred in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{MeCN})_4][\text{BF}_4]_2/\text{PPh}_3$ . The conditions used were mild, and a reaction mechanism was proposed [593].

Several oxidative carbonylations of alkenes have been described. For example, in the presence of  $\text{MeOH}/\text{CO}/\text{air}$  and using  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{CuCl}_2$  as the catalyst system,  $\text{PhCH}(\text{COOMe})\text{CH}_2\text{COOMe}$  and *trans*- $\text{PhCH}=\text{CHCOOMe}$  were produced from ethenyl

benzene in the ratio of 1.1:8.4 [594]. Ethene has been reacted with ethanol in the presence of Pd/C/PdCl<sub>2</sub>/HNO<sub>3</sub> to give EtOOCCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOEt with 99 % selectivity [595].



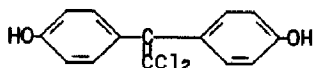
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A patent has described the carbonylation of butadiene to a mixture of carbonylated and telomerised products [596].

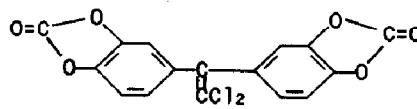
Carbonylation of 1-alkynes to give RC≡CCOOME occurred in the presence of CO/ROH/PdCl<sub>2</sub>/CuCl<sub>2</sub>/[MeCOO]Na [597]. In a more complex reaction, using CO/ROH/PdBr<sub>2</sub>/PPh<sub>3</sub>/HBr/dmf, both mono and diesters were produced, their ratios depending on the exact conditions employed. In all cases ROCOCH=CHCOOR was a very significant product [598].

Once again this year a number of patents have reported on conditions for the carbonylation of methanol to ethanoic acid. Catalyst systems/conditions have included [Ni(CO)<sub>4</sub>]/MeI/Li[OH]/180 °C/70 bar [599], [Ni(CO)<sub>4</sub>]/MeI/Cr(OCOMe)<sub>2</sub> [600], Ni(OCOMe)<sub>2</sub>/VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>/MeCOOH/MeI [601], Ni(OCOMe)<sub>2</sub>/MeI/MeCOOH/La(OCOMe)<sub>3</sub> [602] and [Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>]/[Mo(CO)<sub>6</sub>]/PPh<sub>3</sub>/MeI [603]. Using a catalyst system rather curiously described as PtCl<sub>4</sub>/NaI/dppp/H<sub>2</sub>O/CoCO<sub>3</sub> (*sic*), methanol was converted by CO/H<sub>2</sub> to a mixture of alcohols in which the major component was ethanol [604].

Carbonylation of phenol using CO/Na[OH]/H<sub>2</sub>O in the presence of PdBr<sub>2</sub>/[Bu<sub>4</sub>N]Br/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/octadecane-2,4,16,18-tetraoato-Mn(II) gave diphenyl carbonate [605]. In an oxidative intramolecular version of the reaction, 320 was converted to 321 [606].



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Methyl ethanoate has again been a popular substrate for carbonylation. Carbonylation to ethanoic anhydride was achieved in the presence of Ni(OCOMe)<sub>2</sub>/MeI/[MePPh<sub>3</sub>]I/tetramethylene sulphone [607], [Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>]/MeI/[Mo(CO)<sub>6</sub>]/PPh<sub>3</sub> at 180 °C and 600 psi carbon monoxide [608], [Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>]/MeI/[Ph<sub>3</sub>PMe]I/Li[OCOMe] [609],

$\text{Ni}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{MeI}/N\text{-methylpyrrolidone}$  at 180 °C and 70 bar carbon monoxide [610], Ni or nickel complexes/2,4-dimethylpyridine/MeI/Li[OCOMe] [611] or  $\text{Ni}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{Mg}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{MeI}/\text{NaI}/\text{MeCOOH}$  [612]. Methyl ethanoate and/or dimethyl ether reacted with  $\text{CO}/\text{H}_2$  in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{CO})_2]/\text{PPh}_3/\text{MeI}/[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_6]$  to give  $\text{MeCH}(\text{OCOMe})_2$  [613].  $\text{Co}(\text{OCOMe})_2$  with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{acac})_2]$ ,  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$  or  $\text{H}_2/[\text{PtCl}_6]$  were all rather poor catalysts for conversion of methyl ethanoate to ethyl ethanoate using  $\text{H}_2/\text{CO}$  [614].

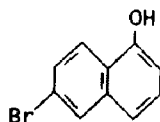
Carbonylation of ethanoic acid in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{PPh}_3/\text{MeI}$  gave a mixture of acids including  $\text{EtCOOH}$ ,  $\text{PrCOOH}$ ,  $\text{BuCOOH}$  and  $\text{Me}_2\text{CHCOOH}$  [615]. Using methyl methanoate as the substrate and  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{MeI}/\text{PPh}_3$  as the catalyst system, ethanoic acid was produced with up to 95 % selectivity [616].

The reaction of carbon monoxide with hydrogen to give alcohols, in particular ethanol, was catalysed by platinum carbonyl clusters [617]. Platinum-ruthenium bimetallic clusters, supported on silica, were prepared *in situ* and were also useful for reaction of  $\text{CO}$  and  $\text{H}_2$ , this time to give methane. However, it was found that the platinum-ruthenium dual site was not as successful as a ruthenium-ruthenium site for the catalysis [618]. In the presence of  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{HOCH}_2\text{COOH}$  and  $\text{MeCOOH}$  were formed, but the reaction was not efficient [619].

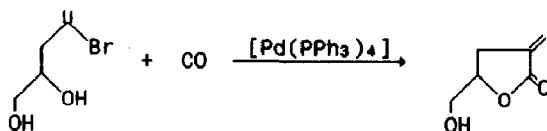
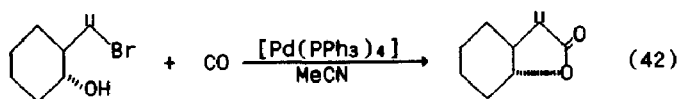
There continue to be many reports of the carbonylation of aryl, allyl and vinyl halides. In all cases these proceed *via* initial oxidative addition of the halide to palladium to give, for example,  $[\text{RPdL}_2\text{X}]$ , which is then carbonylated to  $[\text{RCOPdL}_2\text{X}]$ . The fate of the palladium acyl then depends on the presence of a nucleophile. When water acts as the nucleophile, acids are formed. Thus, for example,  $\text{RX}$  was converted to  $\text{RCOOH}$  using as a catalyst system  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{L}$  ( $\text{L} = \text{PR}_3$ ,  $\text{SbR}_3$  or  $\text{R}_2\text{S}$ ) [620]. Using  $\text{ArCH}_2\text{X}$  as the substrate, the products formed were found to depend on the precise reaction conditions involved. Under phase transfer conditions ( $\text{CO}/\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{Na}[\text{OH}]/[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]/[(\text{C}_6\text{H}_{13})_4\text{N}][\text{HSO}_4]$ ),  $\text{ArCH}_2\text{COOH}$  was produced, but  $[\text{Pd}(\text{dba})_2]$  catalysed reduction and coupling of the benzilic halides [621].

Carbonylation of 1-bromo-1-phenylethane gave  $\text{PhCH}(\text{Me})\text{COOMe}$  as the main product using  $[(4\text{-CH}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{Pd}(\text{AsPh}_3)_2\text{I}]$  as the catalyst. However, significant amounts of  $\text{PhCH}(\text{Me})\text{OMe}$  and styrene were also produced [622]. A halonaphthalene, 322, was successfully thus transformed into the related carbomethoxy compound [623].

An intramolecular version of this reaction (reaction (42)) was used in the synthesis of  $\alpha$ -methylene lactones. Cyclisation to give 5-membered rather than 6-membered rings was favoured in molecules, such as 323, in which the option existed [624].

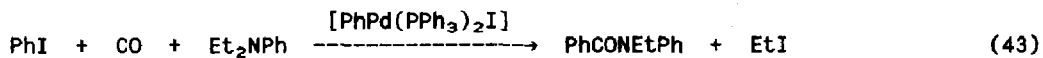


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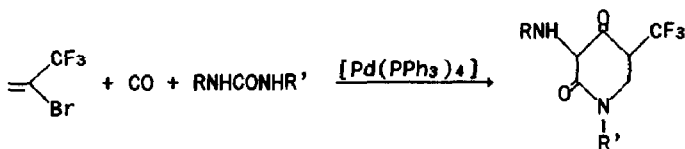
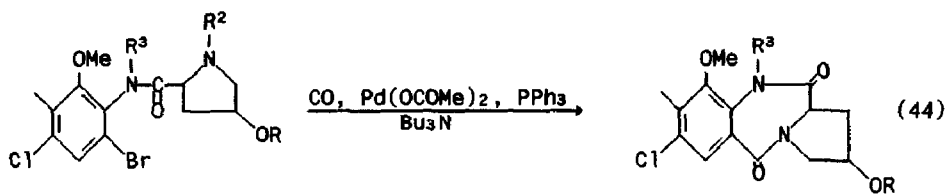
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When the added nucleophile is an amine, the product would be expected to be an amide, but it has recently been shown that double carbonylations of halides to give  $\text{RCOCONR}'_2$  are the main reactions in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{dppb})\text{Cl}_2]$  [625]. Other workers have reported similar results using  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Br}_2]$  or  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PMePh}_2)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  as the catalyst [626,627]. The mechanisms proposed have involved either  $\{\text{RCOCOPd}\}$  or  $\{\text{RCOPdCONR}'_2\}$  as the key intermediate [628]. Reaction with trialkylamines proceeded with cleavage of a carbon-nitrogen bond, again giving secondary amides (reaction (43)) [629]. An intramolecular reaction was used in the synthesis of anthramycin (reaction (44)) [630]. When the nucleophile was a urea,  $\text{RNHCONHR}'$ , 324, was converted into a dihydrouracil, 325 [631].



Carbon nucleophiles have also been used in combination with carbonylation reactions. Thus, iodobenzene reacted with phenylethyne in the presence of  $\text{CO}/\text{Et}_3\text{N}/[\text{Pd}(\text{Ph}_3\text{As})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  at  $120^\circ\text{C}$  and 20 atm to give  $\text{PhCOC}\equiv\text{CPh}$  in 81% yield [632]. With  $\text{Me}_4\text{Sn}$  as the nucleophile, phenylethanone was produced in 78% yield in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{CO})_2]/\text{P}(\text{NMe}_2)_3$  [633].





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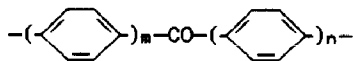
Carbonylation of aryl nitro compounds to isocyanates has proved a popular field for patents again this year. Catalysts for the conversion of 1,3-dinitrobenzene or 2,4-dinitrotoluene have included  $[\text{Pd}(\text{py})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  [634],  $[\text{Pd}(\text{quinoline})_2\text{Cl}_2]/[\text{Cp}_2\text{VCl}_2]/\text{POCl}_3/\text{quinoline}$  [635],  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{py}/\text{ThO}_2$  [636],  $[\text{Pd}(\text{quinoline})_2\text{Cl}_2]/[\text{V}(\text{acac})_3]/\text{quinoline}$  [637], and  $[\text{Pd}(\text{py})_2\text{Cl}_2]/1,2\text{-dichlorobenzene}/\text{molybdcic acid}$  [638]. A somewhat different and rather interesting catalyst was the cluster,  $[\text{Cp}_2\text{Mo}_2\text{Pd}_2(\text{CO})_6(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ , supported on alumina. Both yield and activity were high, and the catalyst was easily recovered [639].

In the presence of alcohols, ROH, nitro compounds are carbonylated to give the esters,  $\text{ArNHCOOR}$ . Catalysts for the conversion of nitrobenzene to  $\text{PhNHCOEt}$  have included  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{Fe}(\text{OH})(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{LiCl}$  [640],  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{FeCl}_3/\text{DBU}$  [641],  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{SnCl}_4/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  [642], and  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{VCl}_3$  [643]. Palladium complexes of silica functionalised with sulphur or nitrogen ligands have been used as catalysts for the synthesis both of isocyanates and esters [644].

It remains a moot point as to whether arylamines are intermediates in the carbonylation of  $\text{ArNO}_2$  to  $\text{ArNHCOOR}$ , but it has been demonstrated that  $\text{PhNH}_2$  reacted with  $\text{CO}/\text{O}_2$  in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{Cu}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{PhNEt}_2/\text{tetrachlorobenzoquinone}$  to give  $\text{PhNHCOEt}$  in 73 % yield [643]. Aryl diazonium salts,  $\text{ArN}_2\text{X}$ , reacted with  $\text{CO}/\text{R}_4\text{Sn}$  in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$  to give  $\text{ArCOR}$ , thus providing a useful alternative to the Friedel Crafts reaction for deactivated arenes [646].

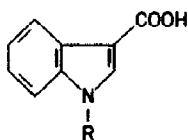
Some organometallic compounds have been induced to react with carbon

monoxide using palladium complexes as catalysts. For example, using  $\text{RHgCl}$  as substrate and  $[\text{PhPd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{I}]/(\text{Me}_2\text{N})_3\text{PO}/[\text{R}_4\text{N}]\text{I}$  as the catalyst system,  $\text{R}_2\text{CO}$  was obtained in up to 99 % yield [647]. 1,4-Dibromobenzene was converted to its bis(Grignard reagent), and copolymerised with CO to give 326, using  $[\{\text{Ni}(\text{dppm})\text{Cl}_2\}_2]$  as the catalyst [648].



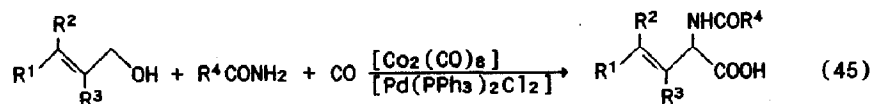
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Carbonylation of  $[\text{Ar}_2\text{I}]\text{X}$  in the presence of an alcohol, ROH, and  $\text{PdCl}_2$  or  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$  as catalyst gave  $\text{ArCOOR}$  [649]. Oxidative carbonylation of *N*-alkylindoles using  $\text{CO}/\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{Na}_2[\text{S}_2\text{O}_8]$  gave 327 [650].



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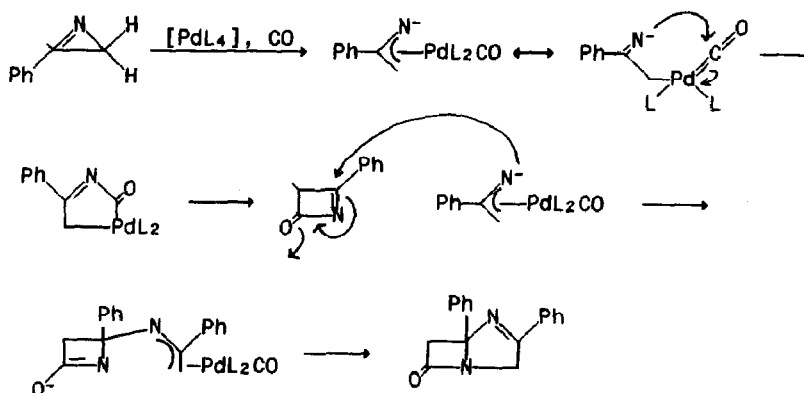
Coupling and amination of CO to give oxamide derivatives such as  $\text{Et}_2\text{NCOCONEt}_2$  was achieved under mild conditions (atmospheric pressure) using  $[\text{Ni}(\text{Et}_2\text{NH})_2\text{Br}_2]/\text{Et}_2\text{NH}$  [651]. The transformation of reaction (45) was achieved in 77 % yield; there was little indication as to the reaction mechanism, or as to the function of the palladium cocatalyst [652].



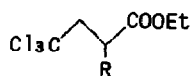
Carbonylation of aziridines led to a very useful  $\beta$ -lactam synthesis. Whilst much of the mechanism shown in Scheme 10 is speculative, there are precedents for most of the steps invoked [653].

Carbonylation of 1-alkenes in the presence of  $\text{CCl}_4$  and using  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$  as the catalyst gave coupled products, 328, probably *via* a radical mechanism [654].

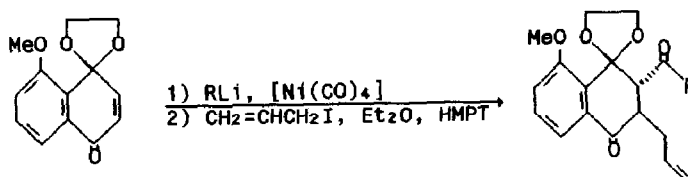
The reaction of 329 was considered to involve the intermediate  $[\text{RCONi}(\text{CO})_n]^- \text{Li}^+$ . 330 was converted through several steps to 331 which underwent an intramolecular carbonylation [655].



Scheme 10 Mechanism of carbonylation of aziridines [653].

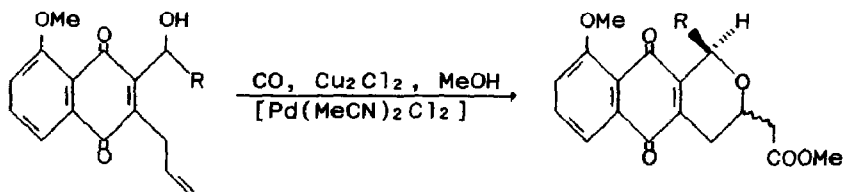


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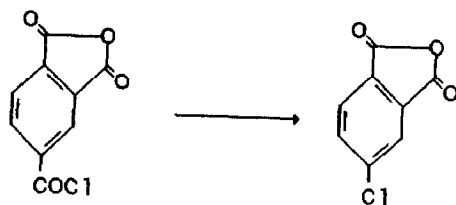
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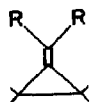
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Decarbonylation of 332 was catalysed by  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  or  $\text{PdCl}_2$  in the melt or in the gas phase, in fair to good yields [656].

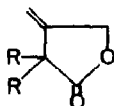


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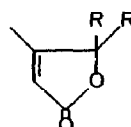
The insertion of  $\text{CO}_2$  into methylene cyclopropanes, 333, ( $\text{R} = \text{Me}$  or  $\text{RR} = (\text{CH}_2)_5$ ) followed a pathway which depended on the nature of the catalyst used. With  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  the product was 334, but using  $[\text{Pd}(\text{dppe})_2]$ , 335 was formed. Trimethylenemethane palladium complexes were considered to be likely intermediates [657,658].



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#### 13.4 Hydrosilylation and Related Reactions

Hydrosilylation of alkenes was achieved in the presence of  $[\text{NiL}_2\text{X}_2]$  ( $\text{L} = \text{phosphine oxide}$ ,  $\text{X} = \text{Cl}$  or  $\text{Br}$ ) [659]. Reaction of 1-alkenes with  $\text{H}_2\text{SiCl}_2$  in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$ ,  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  or  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  gave  $\text{RCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SiHCl}_2$ , but using  $\text{H}_2[\text{PtCl}_6]$  as the catalyst resulted in the formation of  $(\text{RCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_2\text{SiCl}_2$  [660].

The vinyl siloxane,  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSi}(\text{OR})_3$ , reacted with  $(\text{R}'\text{O})_3\text{SiH}$  to give  $(\text{R}'\text{O})_3\text{SiCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Si}(\text{OR})_3$  as the major product, using either  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$  or  $\text{H}_2[\text{PtCl}_6]$  as the catalyst [661]. In the reaction of  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSiCl}_3$  with  $\text{Cl}_3\text{SiH}$  the regiochemistry of addition was strongly dependent on the nature of the catalyst used. Using  $\text{H}_2[\text{PtCl}_6]$  the 1,2-disilane was the main product, whilst  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  gave mainly the 1,1-isomer. The use of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  gave a mixture of the two products [662].

Hydrosilylation of phenylethene by trichlorosilane in the presence of  $\text{H}_2[\text{PtCl}_6]$  has once again been shown to give a mixture of addition products [663]. The reaction of 4-ethenylcyclohexene with trialkylsilanes occurred exclusively at the exocyclic double bond, to give mainly 336. Better yields were obtained if a carboxylic acid was added to the reaction solution [664].

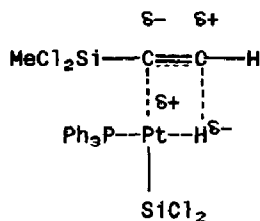
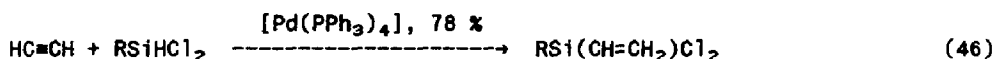
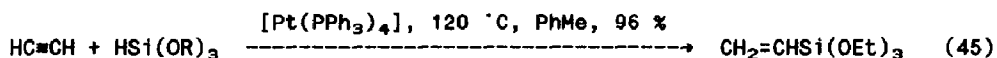


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A hydrosilylation catalyst was prepared by addition of  $H_2[PtCl_6]$  to silica supported thiols [665]. The kinetic parameters of hydrosilylation in the presence of  $H_2[PtCl_6]$  supported on an ion exchange resin were found to be very strongly related to the sorbabilities of the reactants [666].

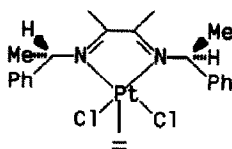
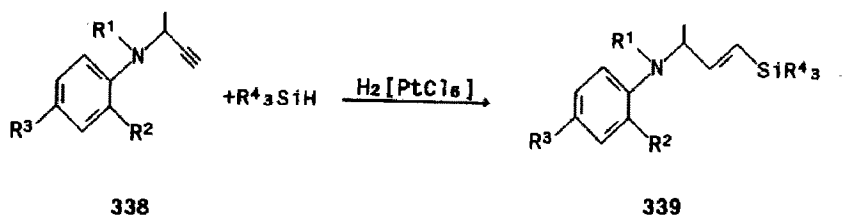
Hydrosilylations of allyl chloride and allyl amine in the presence of  $H_2[PtCl_6]$  have been reported to give mainly linear products [667,668].

Various patents have recorded a range of hydrosilylation reactions of alkynes (reactions (45) and (46)) [669,670]. Most unusually, reaction of  $CH_2=C(SiMeCl_2)SiMe_2Cl$  with  $Me_2ClSiH$  in the presence of  $[Pd(PPh_3)_4]$  gave  $CH_2=C(SiMeCl_2)SiMe_2Cl$  with 96 % regioselectivity. The transition state for the product determining step was proposed to be 337, with the reaction being very sensitive to electronic factors in the alkyne [671]. Hydrosilylation of 338 gave 339, with the yield of the reaction depending on the substituents [672].

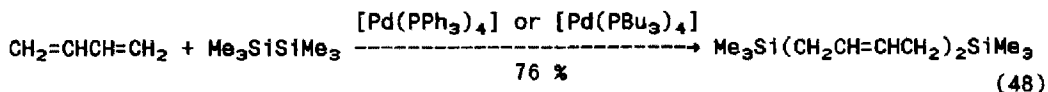
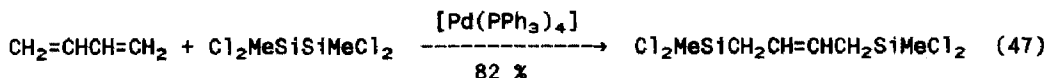


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It was hoped that 340 would prove useful as a chiral catalyst for the enantioselective hydrosilylation of phenylethanone by  $Ph_2SiH_2$ , but in practice yields were low and enantioselectivities negligible [673].

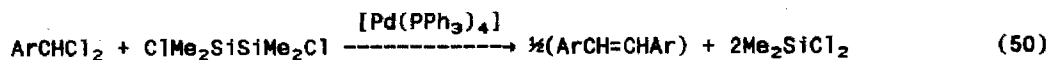
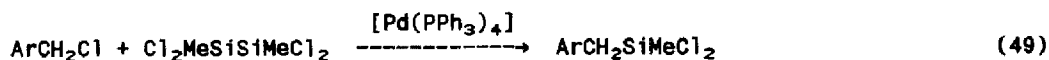


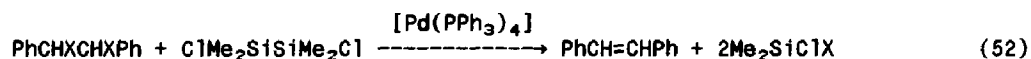
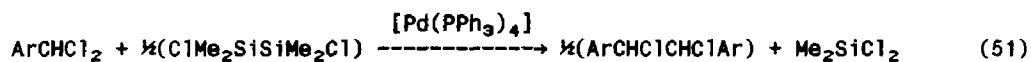
Disilylation of dienes has been accomplished using disilanes and a palladium catalyst. Thus, 1,2-propadiene was converted to  $\text{CH}_2=\text{C}(\text{SiMe}_3)\text{CH}(\text{Me})\text{SiMe}_2\text{Cl}$  by  $\text{ClMe}_2\text{SiSiMe}_3$  in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  [674], and patents have noted reactions (47) and (48)) [675,676].



Disilylation of ethyne occurred with good yield and selectivity using  $\text{Cl}_2\text{MeSiSiMeCl}_2$  in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ , to give 96%  $\text{Cl}_2\text{MeSiCH}=\text{CHSiMeCl}_2$  with a *cis:trans* ratio of 84:16 [677].

Silylation of haloarenes occurred using disilanes in the presence of  $[\text{PdL}_2\text{Br}_2]$ ; bromoarenes gave the best results. Bromomethane could similarly be converted into trichloromethylsilane, and acyl halides were transformed to acyl silanes, the latter reaction also being reported in a patent [678,679]. Silylation of benzylic halides has been noted (reaction (49)) [680], but in some cases this has proved quite complex (reactions (50)-(52)) [681].



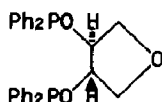


Silylation of  $\alpha$ -halocarbonyl compounds with disilanes gave mixtures of ketones and silyl enol ethers, the reaction being presumed to proceed *via* palladium oxoallyls [682].

### 13.5 Other Additions to Carbon-Carbon Multiple Bonds

There have been a number of reports this year of hydrocyanation reactions catalysed by platinum group metal complexes. Addition of HCN to 1-alkenes was catalysed by  $[\text{Ni}\{\text{P}(\text{OPh})_3\}_4]/\text{EtAlCl}_2$ , to give mainly the linear product [683]. Addition to alkynes using  $[\text{Ni}\{\text{P}(\text{OPh})_3\}_4]/\text{P}(\text{OPh})_3$  was shown to be stereospecifically *cis* [684].

Jackson's group has published several papers on the palladium catalysed addition of HCN to alkenes. It was shown that addition of DCN to both terminal and cyclic alkenes in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{DIOP})_2]$  was stereospecifically *cis* [685,686]. This complex was also reported to catalyse chiral hydrocyanation of norbornene in up to 24 % enantiomer excess. Complexes of biphosphines which formed 5-membered chelate rings were inactive, but complexes of 341 proved useful [687,688]. More recent work has cast some doubt on the precision of the enantiomer excesses reported.

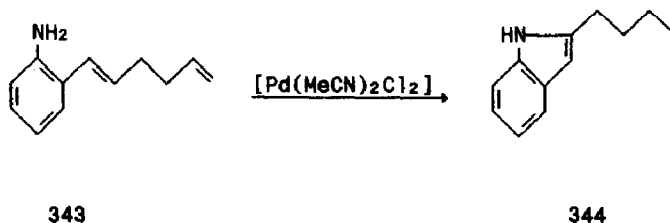
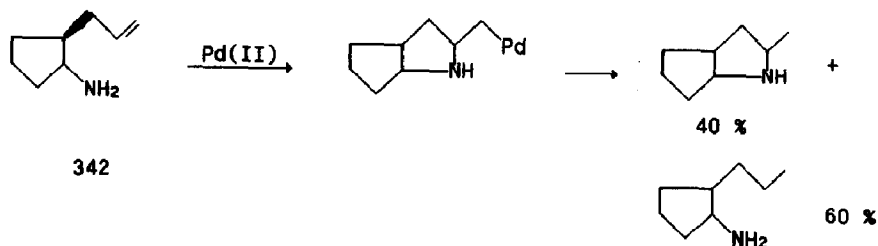


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The hydrocyanation of butadiene in the presence of a nickel(0) phosphite complex has been studied in some detail; allyl intermediates were thought to be involved [689]. A patent has noted conditions for the effective isomerisation/hydrocyanation of a 90:1 mixture of 3-pentene nitrile and 4-pentene nitrile to  $\text{NC}(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CN}$ , in 94.4 % yield at 68.9 % conversion [690].

Several patents have reported the addition of alcohols to alkenes, catalysed by palladium complexes. Thus, methanol reacted with 2-methylpropene in the presence of  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{CuCl}_2/\text{LiCl}$  to give  $\text{MeOCMe}_3$  [691], and ethanol with ethenyl ethanoate, using a  $\text{PdCl}_2$ /active carbon catalyst, to give  $\text{MeCH}(\text{OEt})\text{OCOMe}$ , with high selectivity [692]. Oxidation and addition of butanol

to  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCN}$  in the presence of  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{BuONO}$  gave  $(\text{BuO})_2\text{CHCH}_2\text{CN}$  [693]. In a related reaction the N-H bond of 342 was added across the alkene in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{MeCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{LiCl}/\text{Na}_2[\text{CO}_3]/\text{benzoquinone}$  [694]. Cyclisation of 343 gave 344 [695].

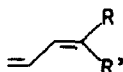


Addition of phosphine to  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCN}$  in the presence of  $\text{H}_2[\text{PtCl}_6]/\text{P}(\text{CHR}(\text{OH}))_3$  gave  $\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CN})_3$  [696].

The reactions of  $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$  with various types of carbon-carbon double bonds in the presence of palladium catalysts have been investigated. Whilst enones were reduced to the saturated ketones,  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated nitriles underwent addition (reaction (53)). Aryl allyl ethers were cleaved to give the substituted phenol, propene and  $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnX}$  [697].



Cyclopropanation of 345 ( $\text{R} = \text{H}$ ,  $\text{R}' = \text{Me}$ ,  $\text{Ph}$ ,  $\text{Cl}$  or  $\text{OMe}$  or  $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ ,  $\text{Ph}$ ,  $\text{Cl}$  or  $\text{OMe}$ ,  $\text{R}' = \text{H}$ ) by  $\text{N}_2\text{CHCOOEt}$  in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  was found to be quite regioselective [698].



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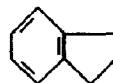
Hydrometallation of 1-hexene by  $MgH_2$  or  $ZnH_2$  was catalysed by  $NiCl_2/[Cp_2ZrCl_2]$  [699].

### 13.6 Isomerisation

$[Ni(acac)_2]$  or nickel dioleate/ $Et_3Al/H_2$  provided a catalyst system for the isomerisation of  $\alpha$ -alkenes, and for the codimerisation of ethene and isoprene [700]. The non-conjugated diene, 346, was isomerised in the presence of Pd/C to give only 347 [701].



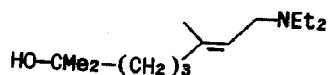
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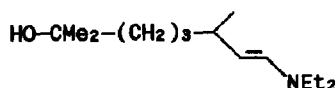
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The kinetics and mechanism of the isomerisation of 1-nonene in the presence of palladium(II) complexes has been studied [702]. 1-Pentene was isomerised to *cis* and *trans*-2-pentene by  $[HPt(PPh_3)_3]X$ . The *cis:trans* ratio in the product was greater than 3 only in ether solvents. Lower concentrations of catalyst and/or platinum complex gave higher *cis*-selectivity [703]. Polymers having propenoic acid or 2-propene-1-ol grafted onto them by radical copolymerisation were treated with  $PdCl_2$  followed by  $Na[BH_4]/MeOH$  to give catalysts for the isomerisation of 3-phenyl-1-propene to 1-phenyl-1-propene [704].

The direction of isomerisation of alkenes substituted with polar groups is relatively easy to predict, and most reactions proceed to completion. Thus, in the presence of  $Pd[NO_3]_2/PPh_3/Na[OPh]$ , 348 was converted to 349, which could in turn be hydrolysed to 7-hydroxycitronellal [705].

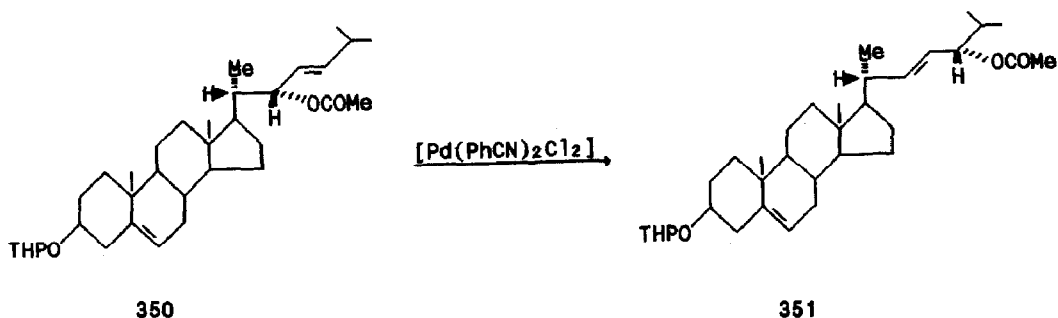


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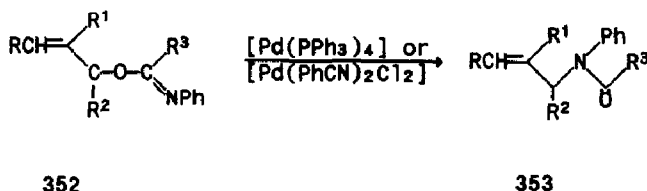


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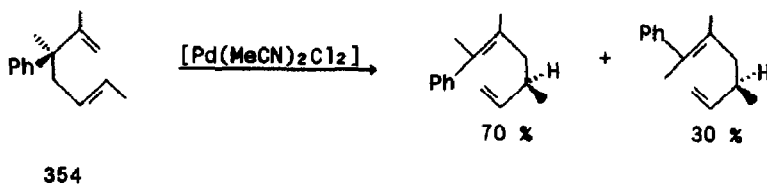
The reversible formation of palladium allyl complexes has been responsible for a number of interesting isomerisation reactions. Thus, in the presence of  $[Pd(MeCN)_2Cl_2]$  17- $\alpha$ -ethenyl-17- $\beta$ -ethanoatoandrost-4-ene-3-one was converted with excellent selectivity to 21-ethanoatoopregna-4,17(20)-dien-3-one [706], and 350 was converted into 351 with 96 % chirality transfer [707].



The conversion of 352 into 353 was catalysed both by palladium(0) and palladium(II) complexes. The reaction in the presence of palladium(II) gave a single isomer of the product, in keeping with a mechanism which involves a  $\sigma$ -bonded palladium intermediate. The reaction in the presence of palladium(0) was assumed to proceed *via* palladium allyl complexes, and as a consequence a mixture of isomeric products was produced [708].

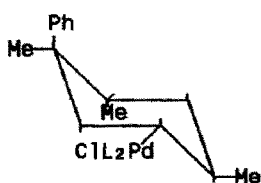


The palladium catalysed Cope rearrangement of 354 proceeded with almost complete chirality transfer. The asymmetric induction was the same as in the thermal Cope rearrangement, suggesting that the catalysed reaction also involved chair topology in the intermediate. An intermediate such as 355 was favoured [709].



A wide range of transition metal complexes have been used to catalyse the rearrangement of quadricyclane derivatives to norbornadienes (reaction (54)). When methanol was used as the solvent 356 and 357 were also produced, though in low yield [710]. Oxacyclopropane carboxylate derivatives were isomerised to vinyl ethers in the presence of many transition metal catalysts, including

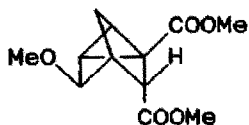
$[M(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  ( $M = \text{Pd}$  or  $\text{Pt}$ ). The intermediate proposed was 358, and 359 reacted similarly [711].



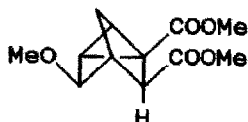
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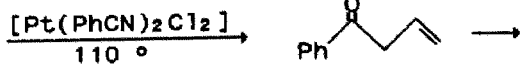
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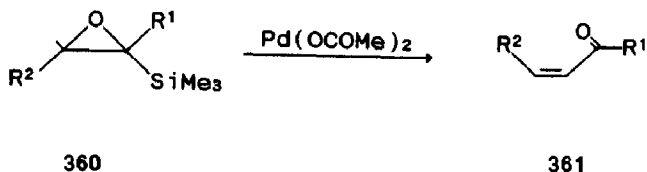
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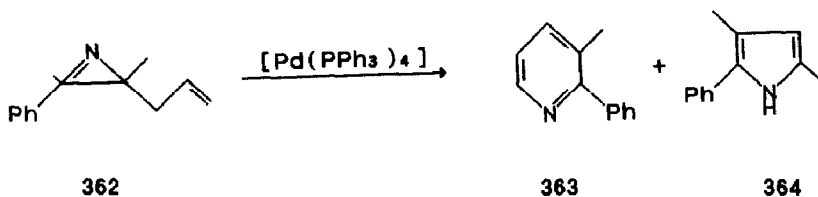
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The opening of the silylated epoxide, 360, to give the enone 361 was catalysed by  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$ ,  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  or  $\text{Pd}[\text{NO}_3]_2$  [712].



In the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  362 was isomerised to 363 (18 %) and 364 (20 %); the reaction was sensitive to the atmosphere in which it was conducted as well as to pressure [713].



### 13.7 Substitution of Allyl Derivatives

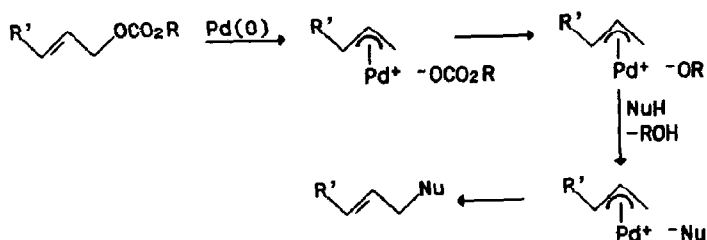
Catalytic transformations *via* palladium allyl complexes have been reviewed [714], and considerable use has been made of such reactions in organic synthesis.

Alkyltrimethyltin compounds,  $\text{RSnMe}_3$ , ( $\text{R} = \text{Ar}$ , allyl or alkenyl) reacted with allyl bromide in the presence of  $[\{(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{PdCl}\}_2]/\text{hmpt}$ , or allyl ethanoate using  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  as catalyst, to give in both cases  $\text{RCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$  [715,716]. Anions  $\alpha$ - to nitro groups have also been used successfully as nucleophiles in palladium catalysed reactions of allyl derivatives. In terms of reactivity  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OPh} > \text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OCOMe} > \text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OH}$  [717,718].

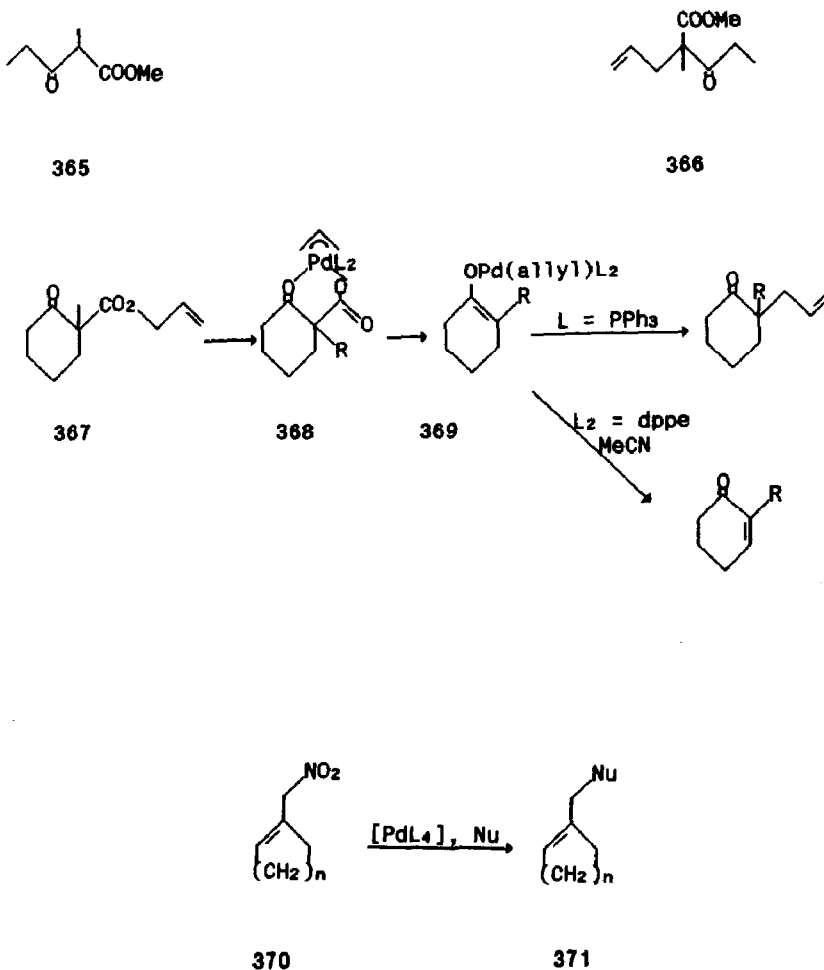
The use of an allyl carbonate as the substrate for these nucleophilic substitutions has proved to be particularly useful, because of its high reactivity (Scheme 11). Thus 365 reacted with diallyl carbonate in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  to give 366 in 98 % yield in only 10 minutes [719]. This reaction was also applied to the regiospecific allylation of ketones. Thus 367 reacted with a palladium(0) complex to give the allyl derivative, 368. Decarboxylation gave 369 which could undergo either coupling ( $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$ ) or elimination ( $\text{L}_2 = \text{dppe}$ , solvent = MeCN) [720].

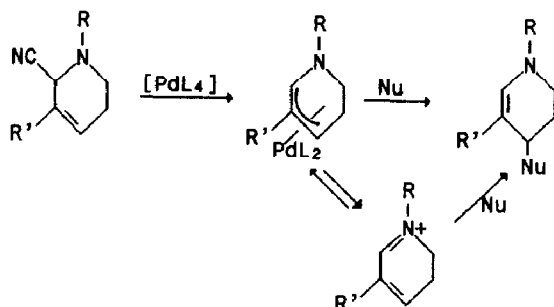
A number of other leaving groups have also proved useful. Thus 2-propene-1-ol was substituted by the anion of  $\text{Ph}_2\text{C}=\text{NCH}_2\text{COOEt}$  in the presence of  $\text{Pd(OCOMe)}_2/\text{PPh}_3$  to give  $\text{Ph}_2\text{C}=\text{NCH}(\text{COOEt})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$  in 33 % yield [721]. Nitro compounds were also good substrates, and 370 was converted to 371 with good

efficiency and high regioselectivity [722]. The allylic substitution of an allylic nitrile was considered to proceed *via* the mechanism of Scheme 12, but this was not conclusively established [723].



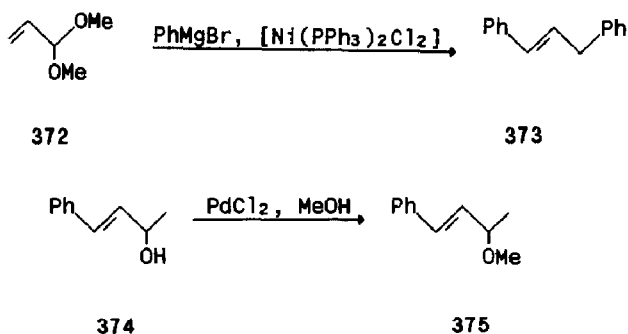
Scheme 11 Mechanism of palladium catalyzed substitution of allyl carbonates





Scheme 12 Mechanism of palladium catalysed substitution of an allylic nitrile

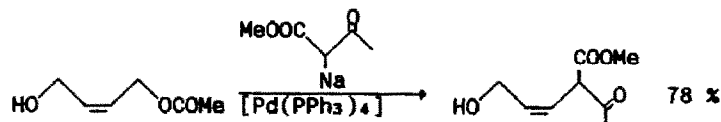
The reaction of enone acetals such as 372 with Grignard reagents was accelerated by [Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>], and gave 373 as the sole product. It was suggested that two successive allylic substitutions occurred, the regiochemistry of each depending principally on steric factors [724]. Reaction of 374 with methanol in the presence of PdCl<sub>2</sub> gave 375; in practice RuCl<sub>3</sub> proved to be a better catalyst [725].



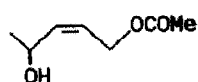
Selectivity between leaving groups was observed in the reaction of 376, the ethanoate, predictably, being easier to displace than the OH group. For 376, the Z-isomer gave a 75:25 Z:E mixture of products but the E-isomer reacted stereospecifically [726]. Both 377 and 378 reacted with NaCH(COOME)<sub>2</sub> in the presence of [Pd(dppe)<sub>2</sub>] to give 379. If this was then converted to its ethanoate, cyclisation to give cyclopropanes could then be readily accomplished [727].

The regiochemistry of substitution of non-symmetrical allyl derivatives has again been studied. Whilst it is generally accepted that the prevailing regiochemical outcome involved addition of the nucleophile to the less hindered end of the allyl (for example reactions (55) and (56) [728,729]) some

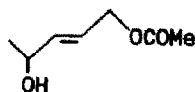
unusual reactions have been noted. For example, reaction of sodium 4-methylbenzene sulphonate with 380, in the presence of  $[(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{PdCl}]_2$ , gave mainly 381 [730]. In reaction (57) the ratio between the amounts of the two products obtained ranged from 1:1 to > 97:3 [731]. The cyclisation of 382 proceeded with high chemo, regio and stereoselectivity [732].



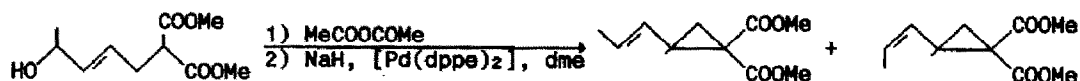
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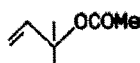
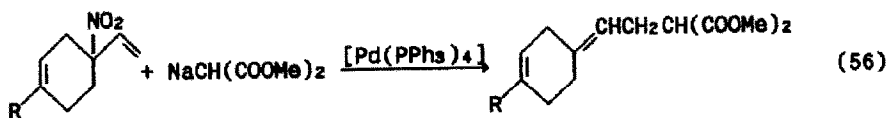
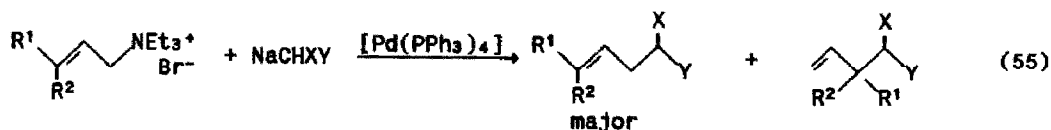
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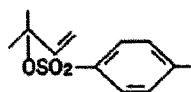
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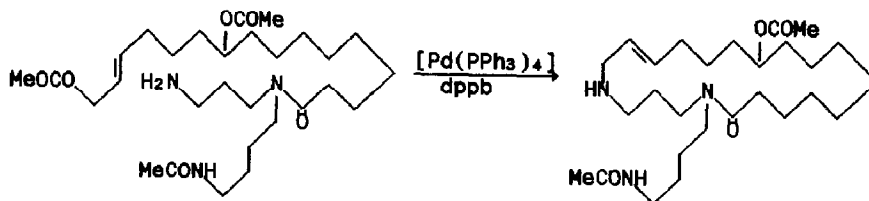
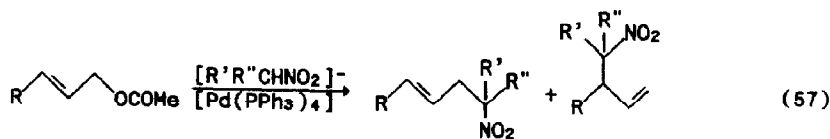
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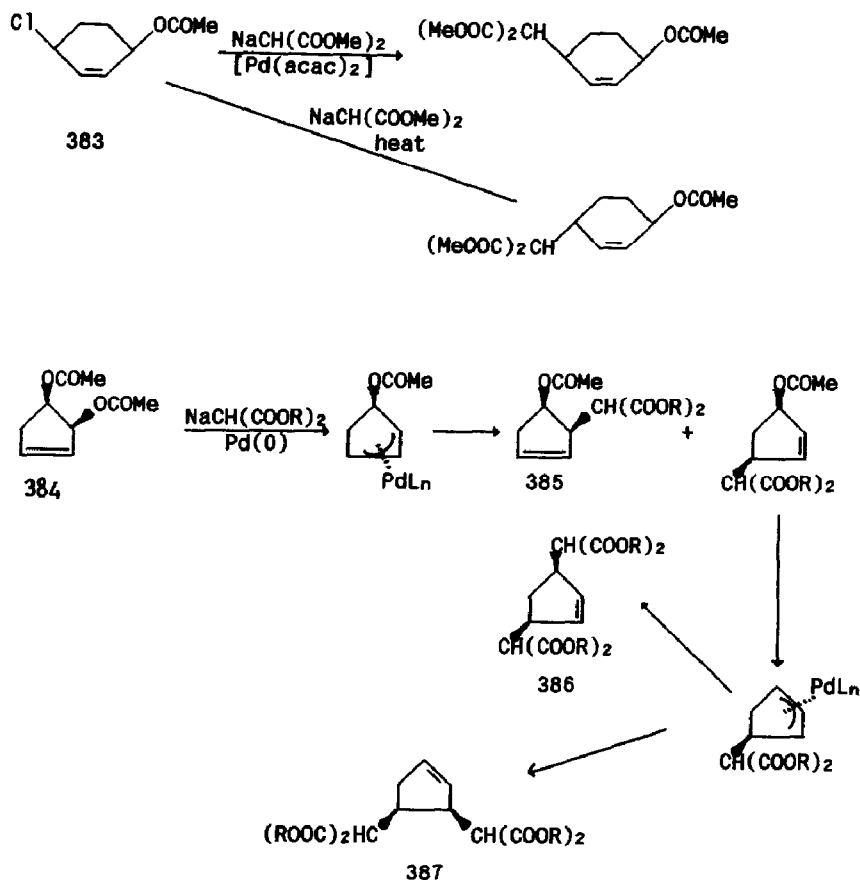
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The coupling of an alkenylalane with an allylic ester in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  has been shown to occur with up to 98 % inversion of configuration at the reaction centre. This was the first demonstration of a reaction in which inversion occurred, since the reactions of stabilised enolates all proceed with retention of configuration [733]. It had been known for some time that addition of two ethanoate groups to cyclic dienes proceeded in the presence of palladium(II) to give 1,4-diethanoates, with a stereochemistry which depended on the relative concentrations of chloride and ethanoate ions in the solution. The reaction was also successful with acyclic dienes. If the concentration of chloride ion in the solution is increased sufficiently, the product obtained is predominantly that of *cis*-1-halo-4-ethanoate addition, 383. This compound reacted with the anion of diethyl propanedioate to give the *cis*-product, (*via* double inversion) in the presence of a palladium catalyst, but the *trans*-product (by  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$  substitution) under normal polar conditions [734]. Substitution of 384 might in principle be expected to give mixtures of 385, 386 and 387, *via* the mechanism of Scheme 13. In practice 385 was essentially the sole product, the cause of the selectivity not being well-defined [735].

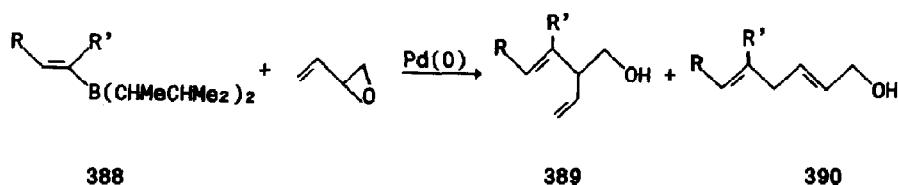
Allylic substitutions in which the palladium allyl complex is formed by opening of a carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring have again attracted some attention this year. For example a vinylborane, 388, reacted with an allylic epoxide to give a mixture of 389 and 390 with both palladium and nickel catalysts [736]. The neutral conditions in which the epoxide reaction is successful (the alkoxide generated by epoxide opening acts to deprotonate the nucleophile) were particularly successful for the cyclisation of 391 in the



presence of a polymer supported palladium(0) complex. The sodium salts of related anions did not diffuse successfully into the lipophilic polymer [737].

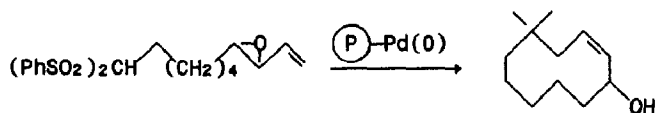


Scheme 13 Mechanism of palladium catalysed substitution of 384 [735]

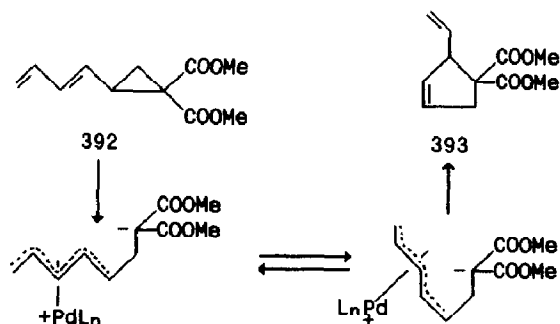


Opening of the cyclopropane ring in 392 gave a palladium dienyl complex and a carbanion. Isomerisation and reclosure yielded 393, which was used in

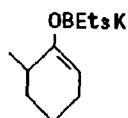
synthetic routes to terpenic cyclopentanoids [738]. The opening and elaboration of allylic lactones has been investigated [739].



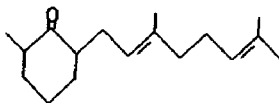
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Potassium enoxyborates (from potassium enolates and triethylborane) were reacted with allylic halides in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  to give  $\alpha$ -allylated ketones with retention of enolate regiochemistry and allyl geometry. Thus 394 reacted with neryl ethanoate to give 395 regio and stereospecifically [740]. The palladium trimethylenemethane complex derived from 396 reacted with 397 to give 398 in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}\{\text{P}(\text{OCHMe}_2)_3\}_4]$ . The product was converted into the natural product, albene [741].



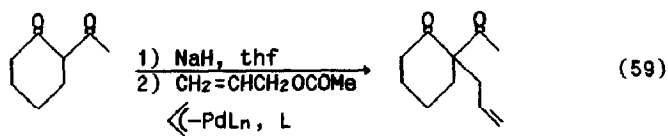
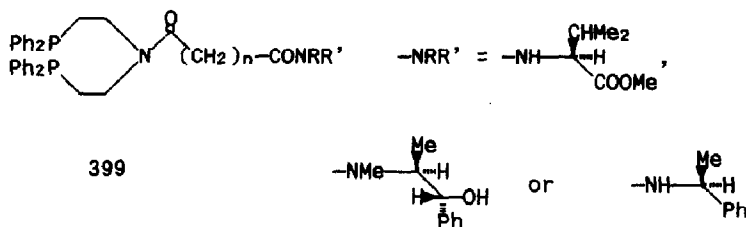
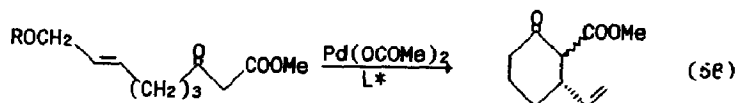
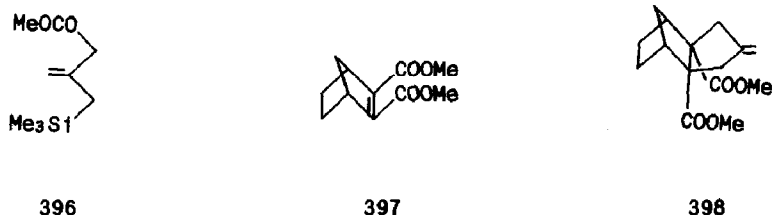
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There is considerable interest in achieving enantioselective versions of palladium catalysed allylic substitution. The cyclisation reaction, (58), was accomplished in up to 48 % optical yield in the presence of  $S,R$ -BPPFA [742]. A novel series of very interesting catalysts, 399, has recently been prepared and used in conjunction with  $[\{(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{PdCl}\}_2]$  for the allylation reaction (59). The enantiomer excesses achieved were up to 52 % and it was considered

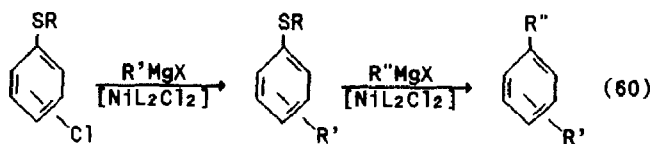
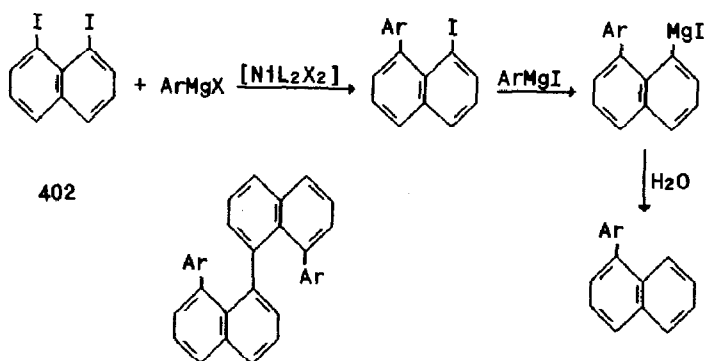
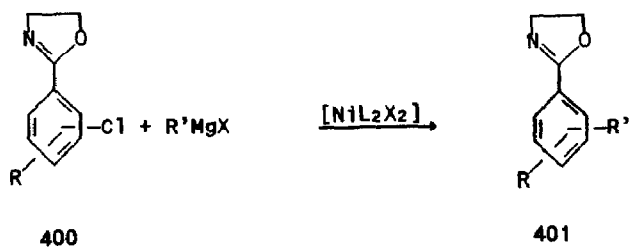
that the remote functionality on the phosphine exerted a guiding effect on the approach of the enolate anion [743].



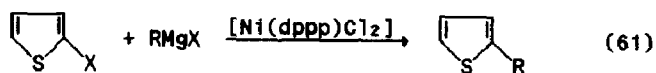
### 13.8 Coupling of Organometallics with Halides and Related Reactions

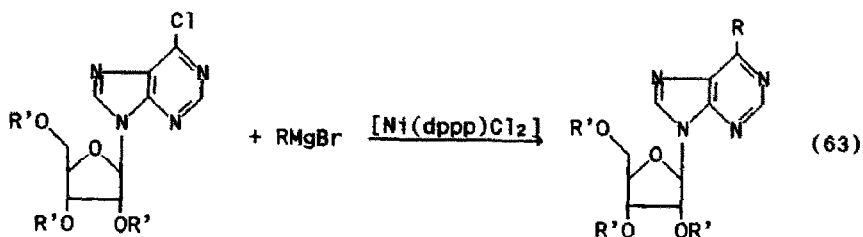
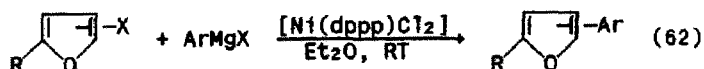
Couplings of Grignard reagents with aryl halides have once again been widely reported this year. Thus 400 reacted with  $\text{RMgX}$  in the presence of  $[\text{NiL}_2\text{X}_2]$  to give 401. Most yields were excellent, but the reaction with allyl magnesium bromide failed [744]. In the reaction of an aryl Grignard reagent with the diodonaphthalene, 402, mixtures of products were obtained, after Grignard exchange [745]. That aryl halides are more readily substituted than aryl thioethers was conclusively demonstrated by the sequence of reaction

(60), in which a selective disubstitution was accomplished [746].

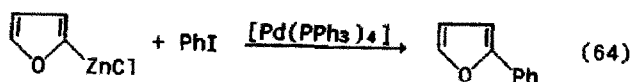


Reactions of heteroaryl halides have also been used in synthesis, as exemplified by reactions (61)–(63) [747–749].

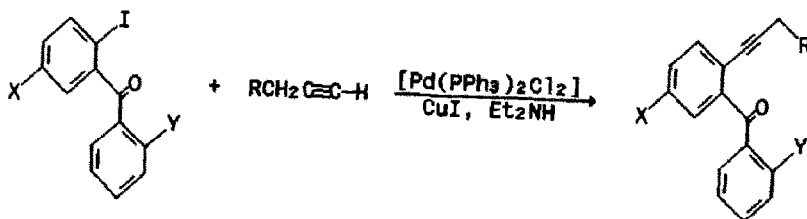




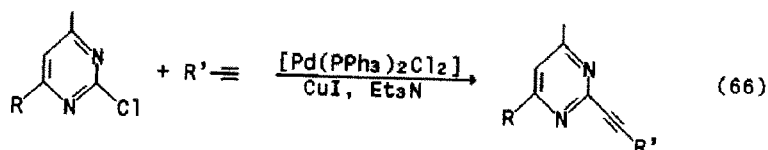
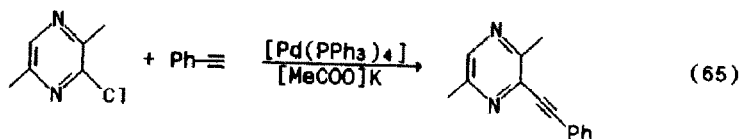
Derivatives of other metals have also proved very useful, including reactions of vinylzirconium compounds [750], and arylzinc halides (reaction (64)) [751]. Tin enolates were shown to react with aryl bromides in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{P}(2\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4)_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  [752], and a tin enolate, formed by exchange from a silyl enol ether, gave a similar result [753].  $\text{CF}_2=\text{CFSnR}_3$  reacted with a range of aryl halides,  $\text{ArX}$ , to give  $\text{CF}_2=\text{CFAr}$  in good yield and with high selectivity [754].



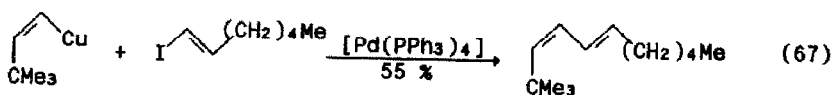
The couplings of alkynes and arenes have continued to prove very important. Catalyst systems have included  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{K}_2[\text{CO}_3]/\text{CuI}/\text{dmf}$  [755],  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{CuI}/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  [756], and  $[\text{PhPdL}_2\text{I}]/[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}]\text{I}/\text{hmp}$ , which was used together with a preformed alkynyl copper compound [757]. 403 was used in a benzazepine synthesis [758]. Heteroaryl halides have also proved to be useful substrates (reactions (65) and (66)) [759,760].



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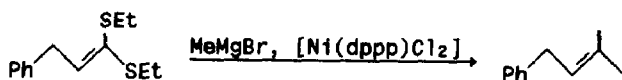
Couplings of organometallics with alkenyl halides follow an essentially analogous course, with examples reported using Grignard reagents [761], alkenyl copper compounds (reaction (67) which proceeded with 98.9 % retention of stereochemistry) [762] and the zinc derivatives of  $\text{R}_f\text{I}$  ( $\text{R}_f$  = fluoroalkyl) [763]. Alkynylcopper compounds could be prepared *in situ*, and reacted in good yield and stereoselectivity with alkenyl bromides in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]/[\text{PhCH}_2\text{NEt}_3]\text{Cl}$  [764]. Alkenyl cyanides were produced by reaction of potassium cyanide with alkenyl halides, using a nickel(0) complex, prepared *in situ* from  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Br}_2]/\text{Zn}/\text{PPh}_3$ , as the catalyst [765].



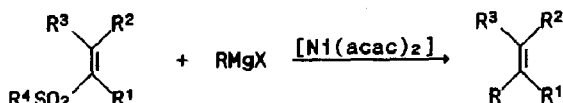
Other alkenyl derivative have also proved to be useful substrates.  $\text{BrCH}=\text{CHSPH}$  was substituted first at the halide to give  $\text{RCH}=\text{CHSPH}$  using  $\text{RMgX}$ , with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$ ,  $[\text{Ni}(\text{dppe})\text{Cl}_2]$  or  $[\text{Ni}(\text{dppp})\text{Cl}_2]$  as the catalyst. Further substitution of the alkenyl thioether with a second and different Grignard reagent was achieved in the presence of the nickel complexes, with good retention of stereochemistry in both steps [766]. A double substitution of ketene thioacetals such as 404 was achieved [767]. Alkenyltellurium compounds were successfully substituted by Grignard reagents in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$ , but the retention of stereochemistry was only about 90 % [768]. Alkenyl suphones, 405, reacted in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$  or  $[\text{Fe}(\text{acac})_3]$  in 60–80 % yield, with fair stereospecificity [769]. A patent has reported the reaction of 406 with  $\text{MeMgBr}$ , using  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$  as the catalyst [770].

A number of relatively unreactive organometallic reagents react poorly with acyl halides in the absence of catalysts. Thus, whilst 407 reacted with  $\text{RCOCl}$  without a catalyst, the related reactions of 408 and 409 required the

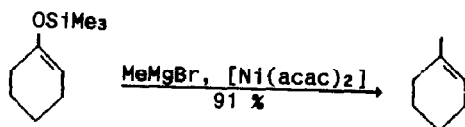
presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  [771,772]. Allyl palladium halide complexes have also been used as catalysts for the process [773]. The reaction of  $\text{BrZnCH}_2\text{COOEt}$  was also catalysed by  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ , formed *in situ* [774]. Alkynes,  $\text{RC}\equiv\text{CH}$ , were coupled with acyl halides in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]/\text{CuI}/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ , presumably *via* the alkynyl copper compound, formed *in situ* [775]. Diarylmercury compounds reacted with  $\text{RCOCl}$  using a catalyst system comprising  $[\text{PhPd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{I}]/\text{NaI}$ . Without the added sodium iodide  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  was needed as the catalyst, and it was necessary to carry out the reaction under more vigorous conditions [776].



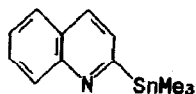
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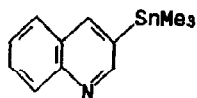
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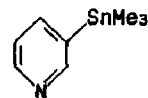
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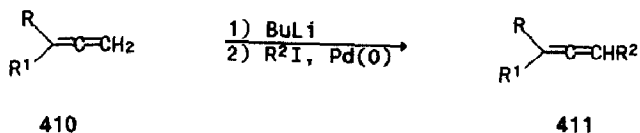


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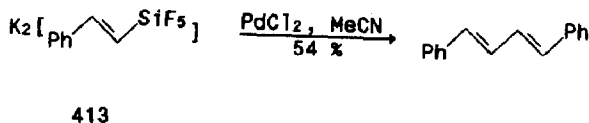
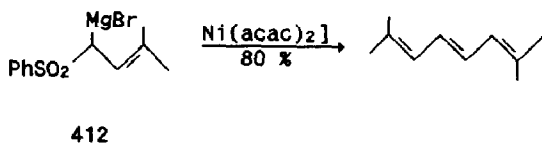
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Two coupling reactions of allenyl derivatives have been reported. Thus,  $\text{RR}'\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CHM}$  ( $\text{R} = \text{MgCl, Cu, Li, Ag}$  or  $\text{ZnCl}$ ) could be alkylated in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ . The reaction was very regioselective, and no alkynes were formed [777]. An alkenyllithium compound was formed from 410 and was reacted in a one-pot process with iodobenzene or 1-iodo-1-octene, using a palladium(0) catalyst formed *in situ* from  $\text{PdCl}_2$ ,  $\text{PPh}_3$  and  $\text{dibaH}$ , to give 411 [778].



The reaction of phenolate anions,  $[\text{ArO}]^-$ , with tertiary alkyl halides to give species such as  $\text{ArOCMe}_2\text{R}$ , was catalysed by  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$ . The reaction failed for strongly electron withdrawing Ar, and conversions were generally moderate, but the products were obtained relatively pure [779]. Couplings of "9-iodo-*o*- $\text{HCB}_{10}\text{H}_9\text{CH}$ " with Grignard reagents were reported to be catalysed by  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  or  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$ , but as usual with papers from this Soviet group the details are a little difficult to follow, since they insist on using non-systematic names for the boranes [780].

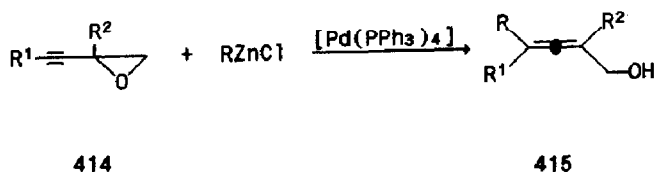
A number of diverse homo couplings of organometallic complexes have been reported to be catalysed by palladium complexes, and these are included in this section, since this represents an important competitive pathway in cross-coupling processes. Thus  $\text{ArHgX}$  was converted to  $\text{ArAr}$  in the presence of  $[\text{PhPd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{I}]/\text{I}^-$  [781], and  $\text{PhB}(\text{OH})_2$  yielded  $\text{PhH}$  and  $\text{Ph-Ph}$  in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$ . The intermediate in the latter case was assumed to be  $[\text{PhPd}(\text{OCOMe})]$ .  $\text{E-PhCH=CHI}$  inhibited both the protonation and the coupling with further  $\text{PhB}(\text{OH})_2$  of this intermediate, and gave  $\text{E-PhCH=CHPh}$  in good yield [782]. Homocoupling of 412 was catalysed by  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$  [783]. The couplings of high-coordinate silicon compounds such as 413 were accomplished in the presence of  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{MeCN}$ .  $\text{K}_2[\text{PhSiF}_5]$  reacted similarly, and 413 underwent cross-coupling with alkenes bearing electron-withdrawing groups. The reaction was thought to proceed *via* oxidative addition of the carbon-silicon bond to palladium to give  $[\text{PhCH=CHPdX}]$  [784].



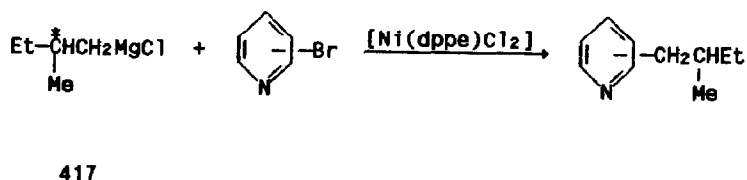
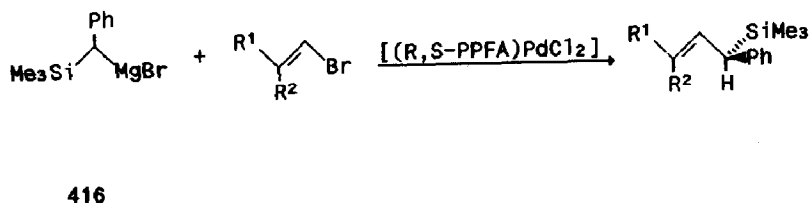
$[(\text{EtOCH}=\text{CH})_3\text{B}]$  could be converted to the related ate complex in base, and



then reacted with aryl or benzyl halides in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ ,  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  or  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{OCOMe})_2]$  to give  $\text{RCH}=\text{CHOEt}$ , in good yield, and with little formation of biaryl by-products [785]. Alkynyl epoxides, 414, were opened by  $\text{RZnCl}$  in the presence of palladium(0) catalysts to give the allenic alcohols, 415. The process was used in the synthesis of  $(\pm)$ -2,3-octadiene-5,7-diyne-1-ol, a metabolite from the fungus *Cortinellus berkeleyanus* [786].



A number of successful enantioselective couplings of Grignard reagents with alkenyl halides have been noted this year. Using  $[(\text{S,R-BPPFA})\text{PdCl}_2]$  as the catalyst, optical yields up to 46 % were obtained [787]. The use of such ferrocene derived catalysts has been reviewed, and the use of the related reactions of organozinc compounds has proved particularly successful [788]. The couplings of silylated Grignard reagents such as 416 with alkenyl halides was catalysed by  $[(\text{R,S-PPFA})\text{PdCl}_2]$ , in up to 95 % optical yield. This represents the first enantioselective synthesis of chiral silanes in good optical yield [789]. The chiral Grignard reagent, 417, was coupled with halopyridines in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{dppe})\text{Cl}_2]$ , the products being investigated by CD measurements [790].



### 13.9 Oligomerisation, Polymerisation and Telomerisation

The patent literature has reported the oligomerisation of ethene to 1-alkenes in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]/\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{COOH})_3/\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  [791], or  $[\text{Cp}_3\text{Ni}_3(\text{CO})_2]$  supported on  $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  which had been pretreated with  $\text{K}[\text{OCOMe}]$  [792]. Polyethene was produced in the presence of  $\text{TiCl}_3[\text{AlCl}_3]_{0.33}(\text{MgCl}_2)_6\text{NiCl}_2/\text{Et}_2\text{AlCl}$  [793].

The dimerisation of propene was achieved in the presence of polystyrene functionalised with  $-\text{PET}_2$  groups, together with  $[(\eta^3\text{-C}_4\text{H}_7)_2\text{Ni}]$  and  $\text{Et}_2\text{AlCl}$ . The selectivity observed was similar to that of the related soluble system. Isomerisation of the initially formed products increased as the temperature was increased [794]. The reaction mechanism has been studied [795]. The main products of dimerisation in the presence of a nickel complex of poly(2-methyl-5-ethenylpyridine), together with  $\text{EtAlCl}_2$  or  $(\text{Me}_2\text{CHCH}_2)_2\text{AlCl}$ , were methylpentenes [796]. Oligomerisation of the  $\text{C}_4$ -alkene fraction was catalysed by  $\text{Ni}(\text{OCOR})(\text{OCOR}')$  [797].

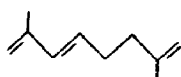
In the presence of  $[\text{Ni}\{\text{P}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_3\}_4]/\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$ , styrene was converted to its linear dimer,  $\text{PhCH}=\text{CHCH}(\text{Ph})\text{CH}_3$ , mainly as the E-isomer. The active catalyst was assumed to be a nickel hydride complex, and a  $\pi$ -benzyl intermediate was proposed [798]. Cationic polymerisation of styrene, 2-phenylpropene, cyclohexadiene and strained alkenes was initiated by  $[\text{Pd}(\text{MeCN})_4][\text{BF}_4]$ . This complex also catalysed the polymerisation of ethyne to give a mainly *trans*, highly coloured, high molecular weight polymer [799]. A complex mixture of dimers was obtained by treatment of norbornadiene with  $\text{Pt}(\text{OCOR})_2$  [800].

The dimerisation of butadiene to 1,3,7-octatriene has been catalysed by  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{PPh}_3/\text{sorbitol monopalmitate}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  [801] or  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{PPh}_3/\text{oleic acid emulsion}/\text{Na}[\text{OH}]/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  [802]. The autoxidation products of cod (mainly hydroperoxides and peroxide polymers) have been shown to retard the  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$  catalysed dimerisation of butadiene to cod. It is thought that the added triphenyl phosphite is oxidised to triphenyl phosphate, which enhances the cyclotrimerisation reaction at the expense of cyclodimerisation [803]. In the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]/(2\text{-EtOC}_6\text{H}_4\text{O})_3\text{P}/\text{HA}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OMe})_2$ , butadiene was converted mainly into cod, together with small amounts of 4-ethenylcyclohexene and cyclododecatriene [804]. In the presence of  $\text{HCOOH}/\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{Et}_3\text{N}/\text{Et}_3\text{P}/\text{dmf}$  the major product was 1,7-octadiene, together with the 1,6-isomer [805].

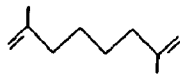
The active species in the polymerisation of butadiene in the presence of  $\text{Ni}(\text{naphthenate})_2/\text{Et}_3\text{Al}$  were studied by epr spectroscopy. Both  $\text{Ni}(0)$  and  $\text{Ni}(I)$  species were observed [806].  $\text{NiCl}_2$  on  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{MgO}$ ,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  or  $\text{MgCl}_2$  was shown to have high activity as a catalyst for the *cis*-polymerisation of butadiene [807]. *Cis*-polybutadiene was also obtained by polymerisation in the presence

of a species derived from  $[(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{NiBr}]_2$ , cod and  $\text{Ti}[\text{PF}_6]$  [808]. The morphology of the polymers obtained in the presence of  $\eta^3$ -allyl nickel halides, together with acceptors such as  $\text{TiCl}_4$ , has been investigated [809].

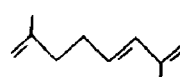
The dimerisation of isoprene to 418 (60 %) and 419 (20 %) (together with 20 % polymer) was catalysed by nickel octoate/ $\text{Bu}_3\text{P}/\text{BuLi}/\text{Me}_2\text{CHOH}$  [810]. 418 was obtained in 62 % yield from the reaction in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]/(\text{Me}_2\text{N})_3\text{P}/\text{Et}_2\text{CHOLi}/\text{Et}_2\text{CHOH}$ , together with 8 % 420, and the isomerisation product, 2-methyl-2-butene [811]. Cyclodimerisation of butadiene occurred in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]/\text{Et}_3\text{Al}/\text{L}$  to give a mixture of 1,5-dimethyl-1,5-cyclooctadiene, 1,5,9-cyclododecatriene, 421 and 422. Phosphites proved to give the most selective catalyst complexes [812].



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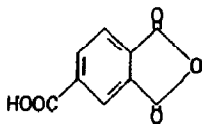


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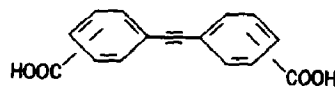


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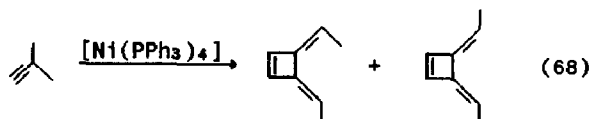
$\text{CF}_3\text{-C}\equiv\text{C-H}$  was polymerised using  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{dmf}$  as the catalyst system, but reaction times were long and yields were low [813]. Using similar conditions  $\text{HC}\equiv\text{CCOOH}$  gave a mixture of a linear polymer and 423, and  $\text{HC}\equiv\text{CCOOMe}$  reacted similarly [814]. Various isomers of 424 underwent exclusive cyclotrimerisation in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  [815]. Chelate complexes of nickel, palladium and copper with *N*-(sulphonyl)salicylaldimines were synthesised, and their activities were determined for the oligomerisation of 3-methyl-1-butyn-3-ol [816]. Reaction (68) was reported to be catalysed by  $[\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ , but the reaction mechanism was not discussed [817].



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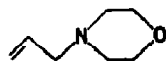
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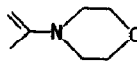
The copolymerisation of ethyne and butadiene has been reported in several closely related patents; the catalyst was prepared from nickel naphthenate,  $\text{Et}_2\text{AlCl}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  [818-821].

The oxidative coupling of arenes by thallium(III) trifluoroethanoate was catalysed by palladium ethanoate. Using  $\text{PhR}$  ( $\text{R} = \text{Me}, \text{Et}, \text{Cl}$  or  $\text{OMe}$ ) as the substrate, there was high selectivity for coupling at the 4-position. The partial rate factor for coupling at the 4-position was correlated with  $\sigma^+$ , with a  $\rho$  value of  $-6.2$ , indicating an electrophilic mechanism for substrate activation [822]. Oxidative coupling using  $\text{Na}_2[\text{S}_2\text{O}_8]$  in air was also catalysed by palladium ethanoate; in a carbon monoxide atmosphere  $\text{ArCOOH}$  was formed [823].

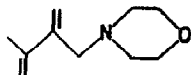
The reaction of morpholine with propadiene in the presence of  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{PPh}_3$  has been studied. The simple addition products, 425, and 426 and propadiene oligomers were obtained, but the major product was 427, which could be obtained in up to 95 % yield under optimal conditions [824].



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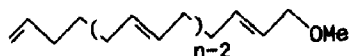
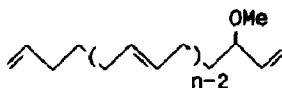


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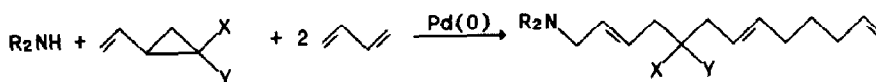
Telomerisation of butadiene with methanol has been reported to occur in the presence of 428. Variation of the reaction conditions allowed the production of longer chain telomers such as 429 and 430 in substantial yields [825]. The telomerisation of isoprene with phenol in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{dba})_2]$  gave phenoxydimethyloctadienes in 45-55 % yield. The products included a head-to-head dimer, which is not normally found in the products of telomerisations with simple alcohols [826].



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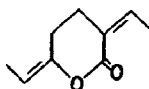
429  $n = 2$  or  $4$ 430  $n = 2, 4$  or  $6$ 

Telomerisation of butadiene with a dialkylamine in the presence of a vinylcyclopropane yielded 431 [827].

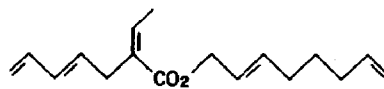


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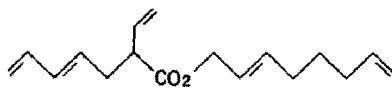
Reaction of  $ArMgBr$  with butadiene in the presence of various nickel complexes yielded  $ArCH_2CH=CH(CH_2)_9CH=CH_2$ . Catalyst activities were in the order  $[Ni(PPh_3)_2Cl_2] > [Ni(dppe)Cl_2] > [Ni(dppe)(acac)] > [Ni(acac)_2]$  [828]. A patent has described the telomerisation of butadiene and  $CO_2$  (30 bar) in the presence of  $[Pd(PPh_3)_2(\text{hydroquinone})]/PPh_3/\text{hydroquinone}/N\text{-ethyl piperidine}/MeCN$  to give a mixture of 432, 433 and 434 [829]. Telomerisation with propanone gave mixtures of 435, 436, 437 and 438. The catalyst was formed *in situ* from  $Pd(OCOMe)_2$  and  $R_3P$ ; the best catalysts were derived from trialkylphosphines, although the distribution of products varied widely. The mechanism of formation of 435 and 438 was thought to involve 439 and 440 [830]. The reaction of butadiene with propenoic acid in the presence of  $[Pd(acac)_2]/PPh_3/Et_3Al$  proved rather complex. The Diels Alder product was partially telomerised with further butadiene to give 441, and the expected linear and branched telomers, 442 and 443, were also obtained [831].



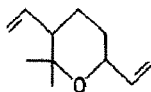
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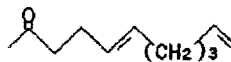
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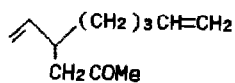
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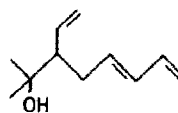
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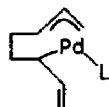
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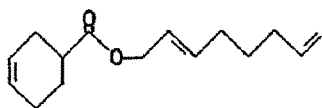
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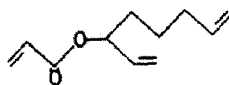
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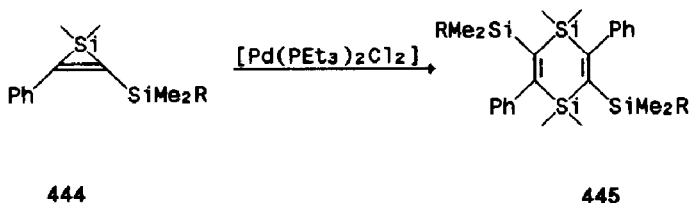


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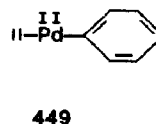
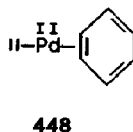
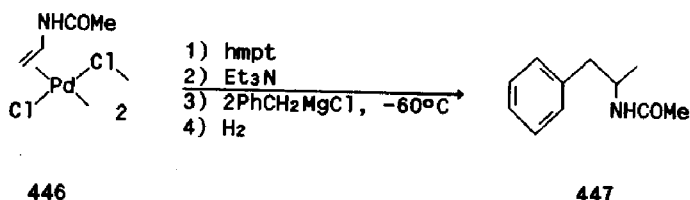
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Dimerisation of 444 in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PEt}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]$  gave 445 [832]. Polyisobutene reacted with maleic anhydride in the presence of nickel(II) iodide to give polyisobutenesuccinic anhydride [833].



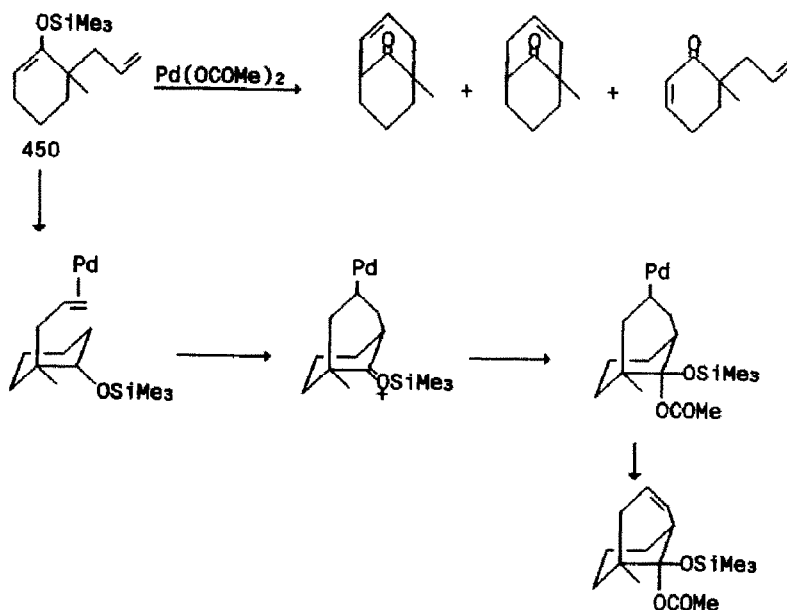
### 13.10 Miscellaneous Coupling Reactions

The reaction of the palladium alkene complex, 446, with a Grignard reagent has been used in the synthesis of *N*-ethanoylamphetamine, 447 [834]. Chlorobenzene reacted with ethene in the presence of an excess of zinc metal and  $\text{NiCl}_2$  as the catalyst to give a mixture of styrene and benzene. The proportion of styrene increased with temperature, and if a very large excess of zinc was used some biphenyl was also produced [835]. The coupling of ethene and benzene to give  $\text{Ph}_2\text{CHCH}_3$  was achieved electrochemically in the presence of a nickel complex; it was proposed that a species such as  $\{\text{Ni}(\text{O})\text{Br}\}^-$  was the active species, and that  $\sigma$ -aryl nickel complexes were intermediates [836]. Oxidative coupling of benzene and ethene occurred in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$ , and a kinetic study was undertaken. The rate controlling step involved the conversion of 448 to 449 [837]. Reaction of  $\text{PhMgBr}$  with  $\text{RC}\equiv\text{C}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$  in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$  gave a mixture of the stereoisomers of  $\text{RC}(\text{Ph})=\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$ . Epr spectroscopy implied that the reaction followed an electron transfer mechanism [838].

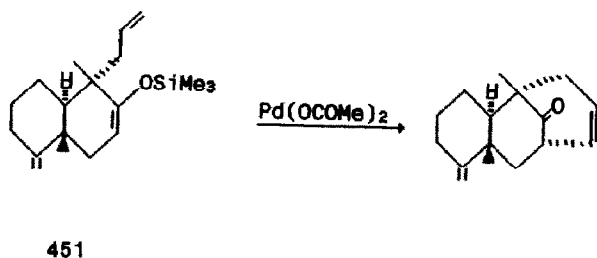


It had earlier been proposed that both the cyclisation and enone forming reactions of 450 involved the intermediacy of a common, desilylated oxo- $\pi$ -allyl complex. However, it has now been shown that the cyclisation

proceeds *via* the mechanism of Scheme 14 [839]. The related reaction of 451 has also been noted [848].



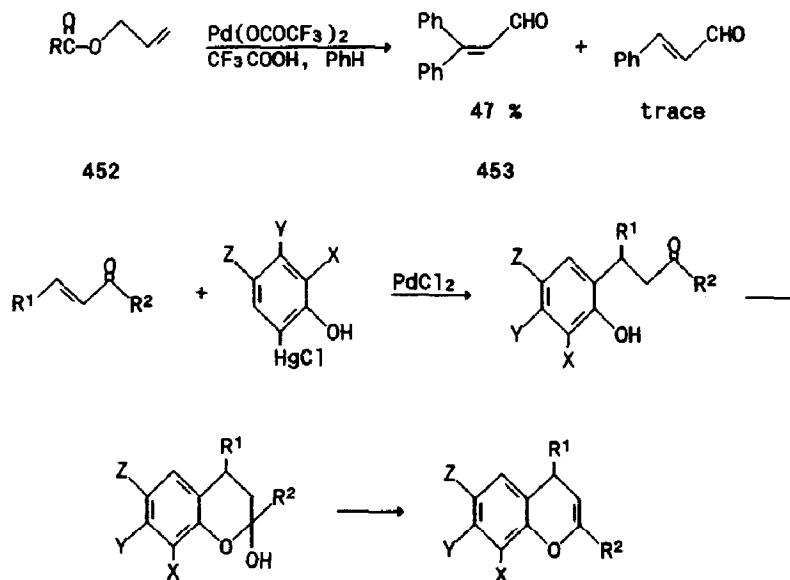
Scheme 14 Mechanism of cyclisation of 450 [839]



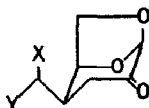
Acyl-oxygen fission and phenylation of 452 (R = Me or Ph) gave mainly 453. Addition of sodium ethanoate resulted in an increase in yield, and the reaction was catalytic in palladium in the presence of benzoquinone as a reoxidising agent [841].

The reactions of arylmercury compounds with enones have been shown to be catalysed by  $\text{PdCl}_2$  under phase transfer conditions. This reaction has now been applied in the synthesis of 2-chromanols and 2-chromenes (Scheme 15) [842]. The  $[\text{Ni}(\text{acac})_2]$  catalysed reaction of carbanions with levoglucosene gave products such as 454 [843].





Scheme 15 Palladium catalysed reactions of organomercury compounds



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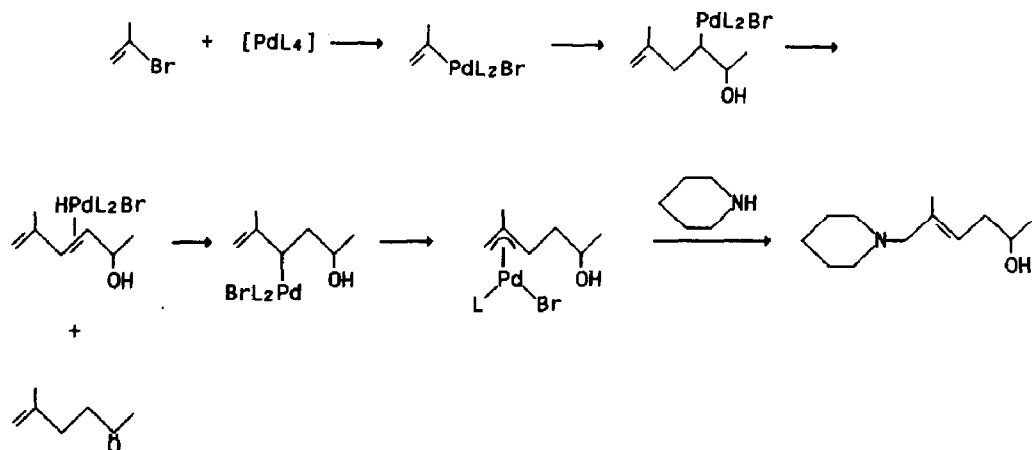
There has been a major review of the Heck reaction [844]. The reactions of alkenyl bromides with allyl alcohols and amines has been investigated and the reaction mechanism established (Scheme 16). Many examples (reaction (69)) were given [845]. The arylation and alkenylation of 1,4-dienes has also been studied in detail (Scheme 17, reaction (70)) [846].

Halogenated enones, such as 455, have been coupled with alkenes in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  and/or  $[\text{Pd}(\text{dba})_2]/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  [847].

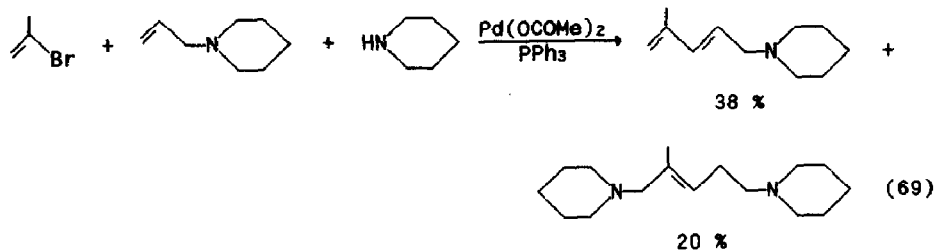
The reaction of  $\text{ArCOCl}$  with alkenes,  $\text{RCH}=\text{CH}_2$ , in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{Et}_3\text{N}/\text{Bu}_3\text{N}$  gave mainly  $\text{E-ArCH}=\text{CHR}$ , *v/a* the mechanism of Scheme 18. The major competing reaction was that of the added base with the  $\text{ArCOCl}$ , and this could be largely avoided by the use of  $\text{PhCH}_2\text{NMe}_2$  [848]. Two patents have also noted this reaction [849,850].

The coupling of an aryl iodide with ethenyltrimethylsilane to give  $\text{ArCH}=\text{CH}_2$  occurred in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{PPh}_3$  [851]. 2-Ferrocenylpropenenitriles have been prepared by the palladium catalysed

coupling of ferrocenylmercury compounds with propenenitrile [852].

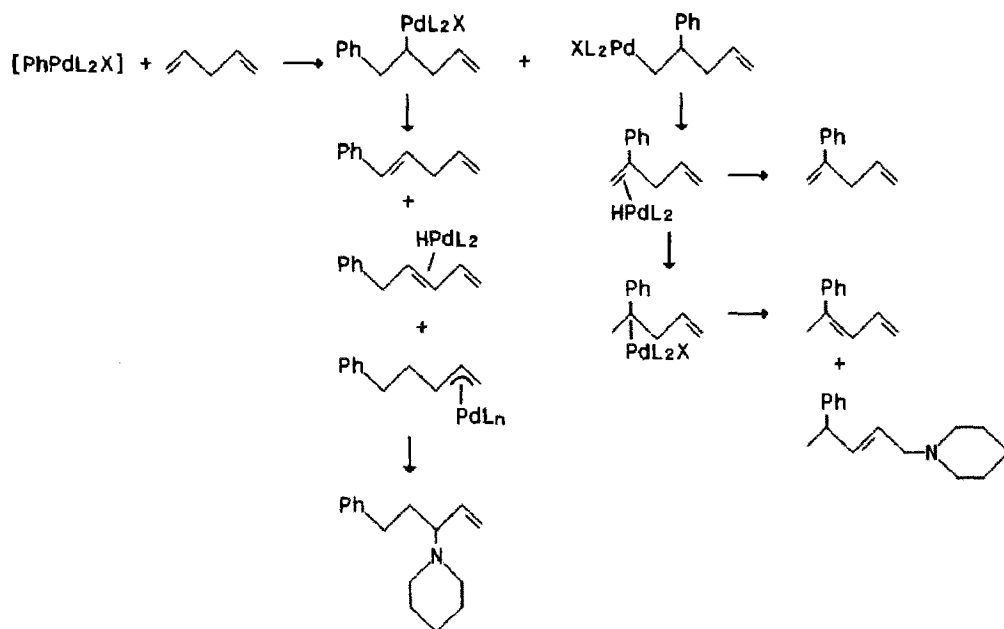


Scheme 16 Mechanism of the palladium catalysed reaction of alkenyl bromides with allyl alcohols and amines.

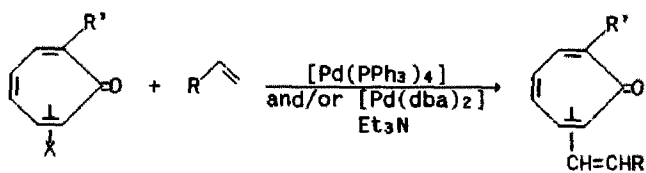
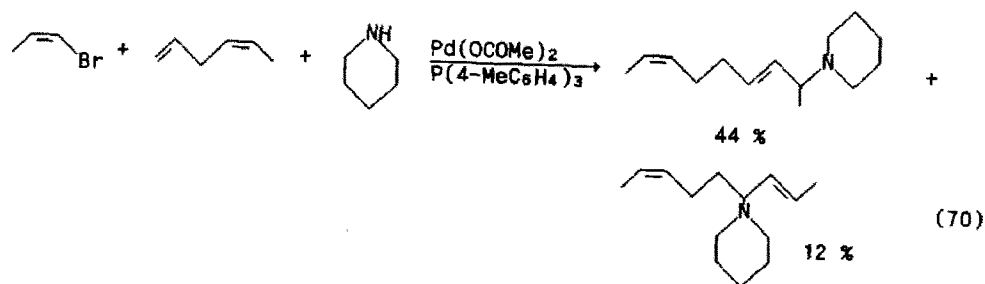


Several papers have reported the substitution of aryl halides by  $\text{HP(=O)(OR)}_2$  to give  $\text{ArP(=O)(OR)}_2$ , in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ . The initial step is likely to be oxidative addition of the aryl halide to palladium(0), and alkenyl halides reacted similarly [853-855]. Oxidative addition of the carbon-halogen bond to palladium was also thought to be the initial step in the cyclisation of 456, although the overall yields of the reaction were low [856]. Initial oxidative addition is also crucial to reactions (71) and (72) [857,858].

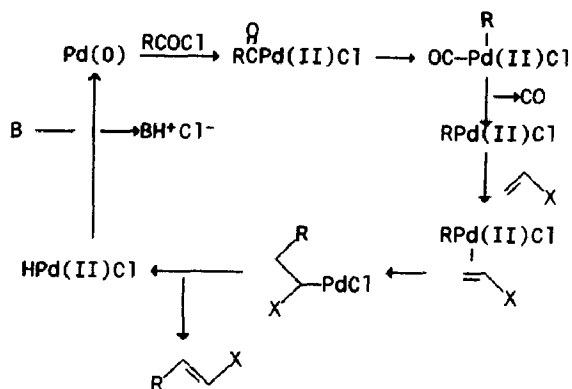
Several papers from Chiusoli's group have discussed the addition of alkenylpalladium derivatives to strained alkenes. In reaction (73) the major product was a cyclopropane since there was no facile  $\beta$ -hydride elimination pathway available [859]. If the reaction was undertaken in the presence of an excess of norbornene (Scheme 19) the intermediate ethenylpalladium complex reacted with this to give 457 [860]. In the presence of an alkyne and a base, the intermediate palladium complex was substituted to give the product of *cis*-addition to the norbornene (reaction (74)) [861].



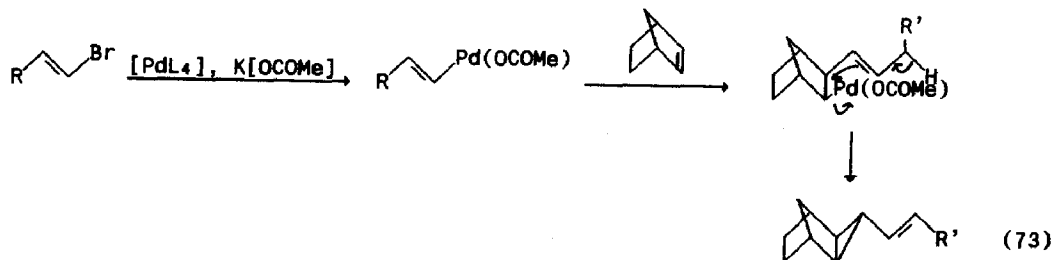
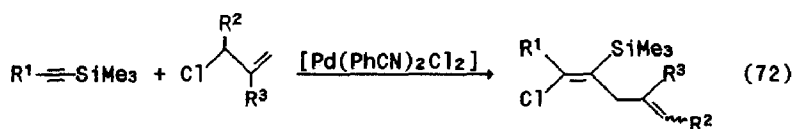
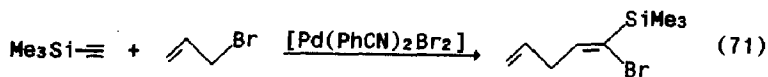
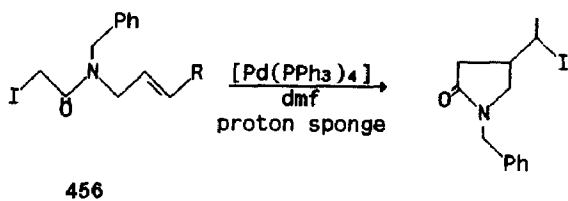
Scheme 17 Mechanism of palladium catalyzed arylation of 1,4-dienes

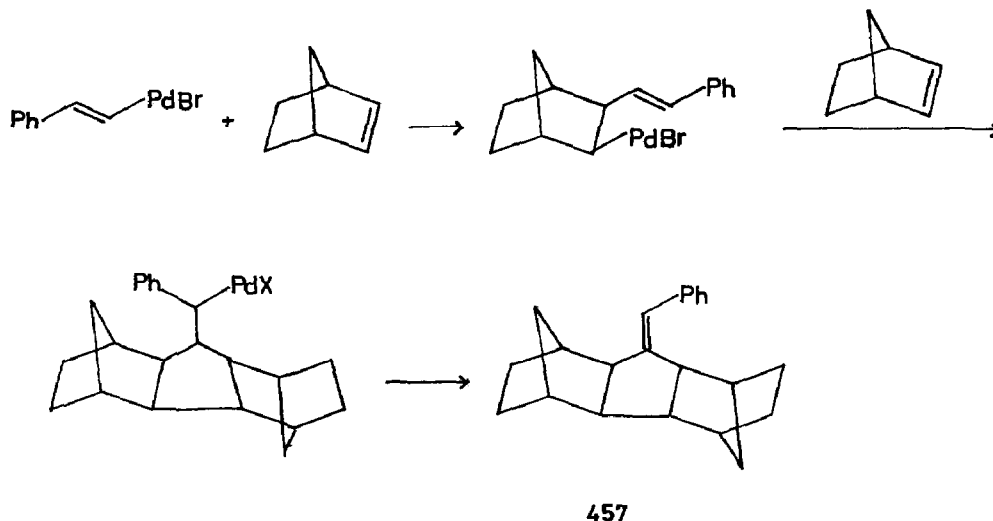


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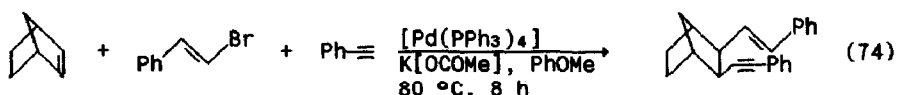


Scheme 18 Mechanism of palladium catalysed couplings of  $\text{ArCOCl}$  with alkenes [848].

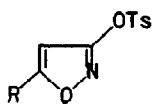




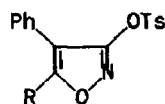
Scheme 19 The mechanism of palladium catalyzed reaction of alkenyl halides with an excess of norbornene [860].



The oxidative coupling of 458 with benzene in the presence of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{Cu}(\text{OCOMe})_2/\text{dmsO}$  gave 459, which was used in a synthesis of muscimol [862]. Nickel complexes of polyfluorinated  $\beta$ -diketones, monothio  $\beta$ -diketones and  $\beta$ -aminoenones have been used as catalysts for the nucleophilic substitution of heterocyclic quinones [863]. The cyclisation of 460 was reported in the presence of  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{Ag}[\text{BF}_4]/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ , but the yields were relatively low and the rôle of the catalyst was not well-defined [864].



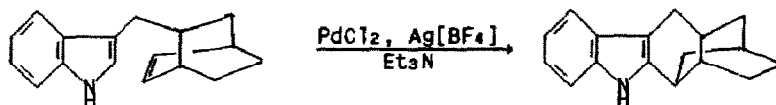
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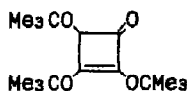
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Thermolysis of  $\text{Me}_3\text{COC}=\text{COCMe}_3$  gave 461, which was converted to semisquaric acid, 462. However, in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{MeCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$ , 463 was produced [865]. [2+2] Cycloaddition of 464 with propenenitrile in the presence of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2]$

or  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCN})_2]$  gave 465 and 466. The reaction was thought to proceed *via* a bis(alkene) nickel complex [866]. The reactions of the vinylcyclopropenes, 467 and 468, with alkenes in the presence of palladium complexes have been studied. In all cases the two starting materials gave essentially the same products, indicating that the intermediate was a palladium trimethylenemethane complex [867].



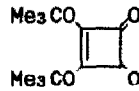
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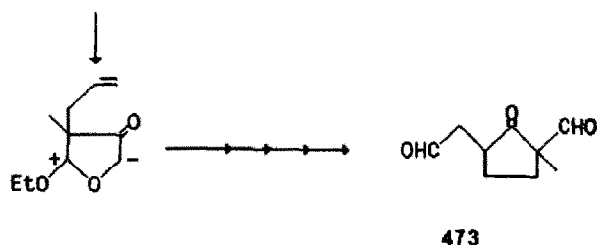
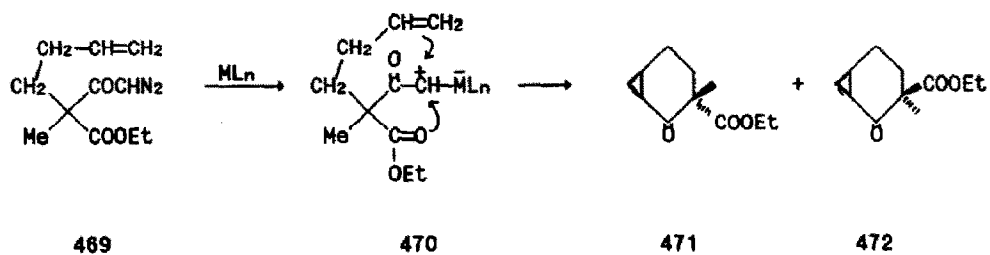
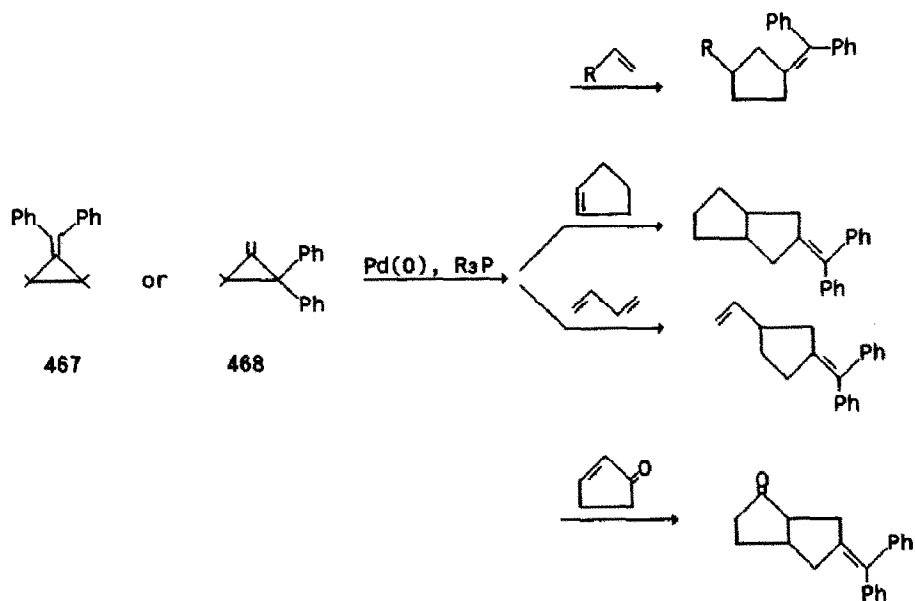
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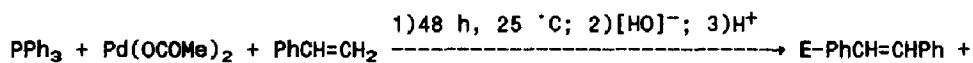
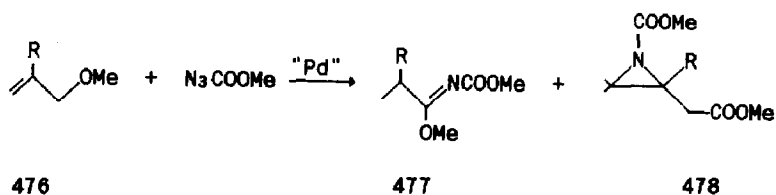
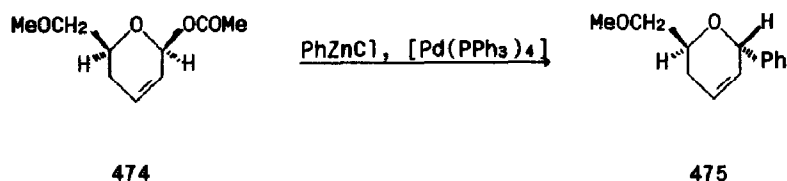
The reaction of the diazo compound, 469, with metal complexes has been investigated, and the first intermediate proposed was the ylid, 470. Two pathways were open to this intermediate, giving respectively 471 and 472, or (*via* a polycyclic intermediate) 473. When the added metal complex was  $[(n^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)\text{PdCl}]_2$  the main products were 471 and 472, with 473 formed in the presence of rhodium complexes [868].

The reaction of nickel metal with aryl halides has led to the production of biaryls. The intermediates were assumed to be " $[\text{Ar}_2\text{Ni}]$ " and one of these species could be trapped as  $[\text{Ar}_2\text{Ni}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]$  for  $\text{Ar} = \text{C}_6\text{F}_5$  [869]. The reaction of  $\text{PdCl}_2$  with  $\text{PhCH}_2\text{MgCl}$  resulted in the formation of  $\text{PhMe}$  (30%),  $\text{PhCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$  (38%), and a trace of  $\text{E-PhCH=CHPh}$ . The reaction in the presence of " $\text{PtCl}_4$ " was similar, but gave less  $\text{PhCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$  and more  $\text{E-PhCH=CHPh}$  [870].



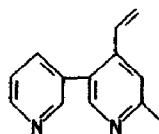
The reaction of 474 with  $\text{RZnCl}$  in the presence of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$  was reported to give 475, *via* a mechanism involving palladium hydride elimination [871]. Treatment of 476 with  $\text{N}_3\text{COOMe}$  in the presence of palladium complexes gave

mixtures of 477 and 478. 477 was obtained in up to 95 % selectivity when  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  was used as the catalyst [872,873]. The mechanism previously proposed for reaction (75) involved the cleavage of a phosphorus-carbon bond by Pd(II). This proposal has now been revised in the light of a study of the reaction kinetics and solvent effects, with a suggestion of a process in which oxidative addition was the key step. Whilst this seems to be in accord with the data, it is extremely complex and it is clear that other, equally likely, schemes could be devised [874].



### 13.11 Other Catalytic Reactions

Poly(479), when reacted with  $\text{Pd}(\text{OCOMe})_2$ , gave a catalyst for the reaction of  $\text{PhCOOH}$  with  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHOCOMe}$  to give  $\text{PhCOOCH}=\text{CH}_2$  [875]. A similar reaction was reported in the presence of  $\text{PdCl}_2/\text{K}[\text{OCOMe}]/\text{CuBr}_2$  [876]. Reaction of phenylmethanol with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$  gave  $[\text{PhCH}_2\text{OPd}]$ , which on treatment with ROH gave an ether. Enols could be similarly converted to enol ethers [877].

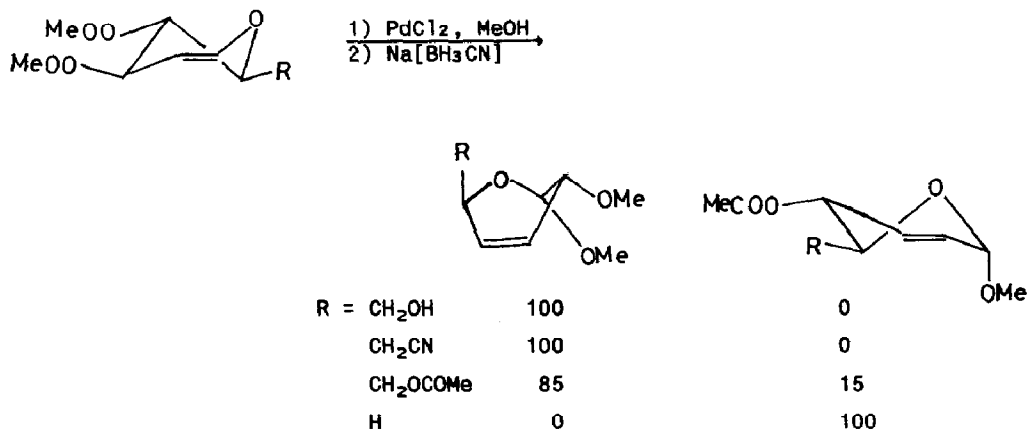


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The chlorination of alkanes, mainly at the 1-position, was reported to be catalysed by a range of platinum(II) complexes [878]. Dehydrochlorination of chloroalkenes occurred in the presence of supported palladium complexes as the catalysts [879]. Dehydrogenation of hexane over metals on active carbon in the presence of  $H_2[PtCl_6]$  was selective for hexene [880].

Reaction (76) has been reported to proceed with good chirality transfer, presumably *via* a  $\pi$ -allyl palladium complex. The regioselectivity depended on the nature of the substituent R [881].



In the presence of  $[PhCH_2Pd(PPh_3)_2Cl]$  and  $R'_3SnX$  thf reacted with acyl chlorides to give  $RCO(CH_2)_3CH_2Cl$ . Allyl and benzyl ethers were similarly reactive and a mechanism was proposed [882]. Oximes were reported to react with  $CH_2Cl_2$  in the presence of  $K[O_2]$  and an allyl palladium halide complex to give  $RR'C=NOCH_2ON=CRR'$  [883].

Catalytic deoxygenation of PhNSO in the presence of  $[Ni(bipy)(cod)]$  gave  $PhN=S=NPh$  [884]. Reaction of PhCl with  $[Ni\{N(CH_2CH_2PPh_2)_3\}]$  gave  $[Ni(I)\{N(CH_2CH_2PPh_2)Cl\}]$  and a phenyl radical, which underwent a range of hydrogen abstraction, coupling and disproportionation reactions [885].

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## 15 ABBREVIATIONS

acach	pentane-2,4-dione
Ar	aryl
BINAP	2,2'-bis(diphenylphosphino)-1,1'-binaphthyl
bipy	2,2'-bipyridine
S,R-BPPFA	S-1-[R-1',2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocenyl]ethyl dimethylamine
Bu	butyl
CD	circular dichroism
cdt	cyclododecatiene
CHIRAPHOS	2S,3S-bis(diphenylphosphino)butane
cod	1,5-cyclooctadiene
cot	1,3,5,7-cyclooctatetraene
Cp	cyclopentadienyl
Cp*	pentamethylcyclopentadienyl
dba	E,E-1,4-diphenyl-1,4-pentadiene-3-one
DBP	dibenzophosphole
DBPDIOP	trans-4,5-bis(dibenzophospholomethyl)-2,2-dimethyl- 1,3-dioxolan
dibaH	diisobutyl aluminium hydride
DIOP	trans-4,5-bis(diphenylphosphinomethyl)-2,2-dimethyl- 1,3-dioxolan
dmf	N,N-dimethylmethanamide
dmsO	dimethylsulphoxide
dppb	1,4-bis(diphenylphosphino)butane
dppe	1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane
dppm	1,1-bis(diphenylphosphino)methane
dppp	1,3-bis(diphenylphosphino)propane
DTA	differential thermal analysis
EHMO	extended Huckel molecular orbital
en	1,2-diaminoethane

Et	ethyl
hfacacH	1,1,1,5,5,5-hexafluoropentane-2,4-dione
hmpt	hexamethyl phosphoric triamide
HOMO	highest occupied molecular orbital
ImH	imidazole
INDO	intermediate neglect of differential overlap
ir	infra-red
L	2 electron donor ligand
Me	methyl
mes	2,4,6-trimethylphenyl
MLCT	metal to ligand charge transfer
MO	molecular orbital
nbd	bicyclo[2.2.1]hepta-2,5-diene
NBS	<i>N</i> -bromosuccinimide
nm	nanometre
nmr	nuclear magnetic resonance
Np	2-naphthyl
PES	photoelectron spectroscopy
Ph	phenyl
phen	1,10-phenanthroline
PhAlaH	phenyl alanine
S,R-PPFA	S-1-[R-2-diphenylphosphinoferrocenyl]ethyl dimethylamine
Pr	propyl
PVC	polyvinyl chloride
py	pyridine
pzH	pyrazole
R	alkyl
R <sub>f</sub>	perfluoroalkyl
tfacac	1,1,1, trifluoropentane-2,4-dione
tfaH	trifluoroethanoic acid
thf	tetrahydrofuran
tht	tetrahydrothiophene
tmeda	<i>N,N,N',N'</i> -tetramethyl ethane-1,2-diamine
TPPH <sub>2</sub>	<i>meso</i> -tetraphenylporphyrin
triphos	1,1,1-tris(diphenylphosphinomethyl)ethane
X	one electron donor ligand, usually halide
XPES	X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy