

exocyclic double bond, generally increase toward the extremities of the molecule (Table III and Figure 1). The largest thermal amplitudes are approximately in plane for phenyl B, but C(18) and C(19) display their largest vibrational components perpendicular to the plane of phenyl A.

The molecular packing can be seen in a three-dimensional view down the *z* axis in Figure 2. No unusually short intermolecular contacts are present. The only intermolecular approaches smaller than 3.75 Å are C(3) (*x*, *y*, *z*) ··· C(13) ($\frac{1}{2} - x$, \bar{y} , $-\frac{1}{2} + z$) (3.649 ± 0.005 Å), C(6) (*x*, *y*, *z*) ··· C(16) (*x*, $-\frac{1}{2} - y$, $\frac{1}{2} + z$) (3.729 ± 0.005 Å), and C(12) (*x*, *y*, *z*) ··· C(19) (*x*, *y*, $1 + z$) (3.708 ± 0.005 Å) along the *x*, *y*, and *z* directions, respectively. Molecules related by centers of symmetry pack with their phenyl B rings parallel; the distance 3.86

Å between such planes is about 0.46 Å longer than the closest packing between phenyls.³⁶

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Reactions of Dimethyl Acetylenedicarboxylate and Related Acetylenes with Methylplatinum(II) Complexes

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Abstract: The reaction of *trans*-PtXCH₃Q₂ (X = Cl, Br, I; Q = P(CH₃)₂C₆H₅) with RC≡CCO₂CH₃ affords *trans*-PtXQ₂[C(COOCH₃)=C(Cl)R] in the presence of a radical initiator (R = CO₂CH₃) or by addition of HCl (R = CO₂CH₃, C₆H₅, CH₃, H). *trans*-PtXQ₂[C(COOCH₃)=C(COOCH₃)CH₃] is obtained from the reaction of *trans*-[PtCH₃(acetone)Q₂]⁺PF₆⁻ with the acetylene (R = CO₂CH₃) followed by treatment with LiX. Based on the formation of these products and other observations, a mechanism for the formation of the β-chlorovinylplatinum compound in CHCl₃ is proposed. This involves initial formation of the 1:1 complex with acetylene, followed by nucleophilic attack on the acetylene by HCl which is generated *via* a radical process.

Very recently, the possibility of a radical reaction of CH₃O₂CC≡CCO₂CH₃ (dma) with the methylplatinum bond of *trans*-PtCH₃XQ₂ (Q = P(CH₃)₂C₆H₅), I (Ia has X = Cl), was reported.¹ Such an insertion reaction of an organometallic compound by a free radical process is very interesting and apparently consistent with other more recent reports² of radical behavior by organoplatinum complexes. We have now examined this and related reactions in detail.

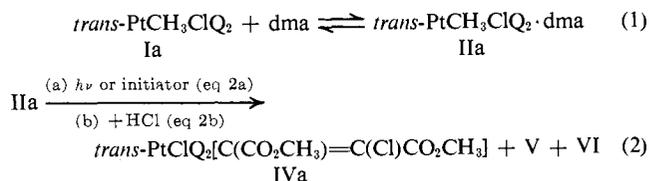
The product previously identified¹ incorrectly as the insertion product, *trans*-PtXQ₂[C(CO₂CH₃)=C(CO₂CH₃)CH₃] (III) (IIIa has X = Cl), is now shown to be the β-chlorovinylplatinum compound, *trans*-PtXQ₂-[C(CO₂CH₃)=C(Cl)CO₂CH₃] (IV) (IVa has X = Cl). The radical aspects of the reaction can be attributed to the radically induced formation of HCl which then participates in the formation of IV. We have also studied further the importance of the 1:1 adducts formed from some acetylenes and I.

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Results and Discussion

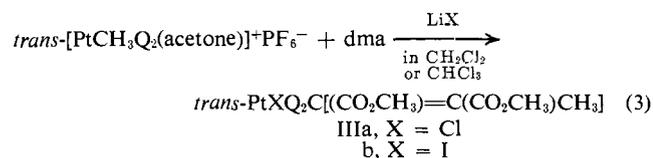
Preparation and Identification of III and IV. In chloroform solution, Ia and dma form the 1:1 adduct IIa which undergoes further reaction to give a product containing the α,β-dicarbomethoxyvinyl group, IVa, as well as *trans*-PtCl₂(CH₃)₂Q₂ (V), *cis*-PtCl₂Q₂ (VI), and small amounts of dma oligomers. The oligomers and free dma were removed by washing with H₂O, VI was removed by chromatography, and IVa was isolated from V by fractional crystallization. The overall reaction is therefore described by eq 1 and 2a.



The ¹H nmr spectrum (in CDCl₃) of IVa shows the -CO₂CH₃ signals at δ 3.66 and 3.48 as two singlets, the upfield signal having satellites due to coupling with ¹⁹⁵Pt (*J*_{PtH} = 3.0 Hz). The phosphine-methyl signals at δ 1.83 and 1.76 appear as two overlapped triplets (²⁺*J*_{PtH} = 7.8 and 8.0 Hz) with ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites (*J*_{PtH} = 27.6 and 30.8 Hz, respectively) showing that the phos-

phorus nuclei are trans to each other. The ir spectrum shows the $\nu_{C=O}$ and ν_{C-O-C} absorptions for the ester groups at 1700 (s) and 1220 cm^{-1} (s), $\nu_{C=C}$ at 1555 cm^{-1} (vw broad), as well as the characteristic absorptions of Q. The mass spectrum shows the molecular ion $[M]^+$ at m/e 684 (calcd $m/e = 684$) with the characteristic isotopic pattern expected for $-\text{PtCl}_2$, followed by ions corresponding to fragments $[M - \text{Cl}]^+$, $[M - \text{PPhMe}_2]^+$, $[M - \text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3)=\text{C}(\text{Cl})\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3]^+$, and $[M - \text{ClC}(\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3)=\text{C}(\text{Cl})\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3]^+$. These data indicate that IVa is the β -chloro- α,β -dicarbomethoxyvinylchloroplatinum complex and not the analogous β -methyl compound, IIIa.

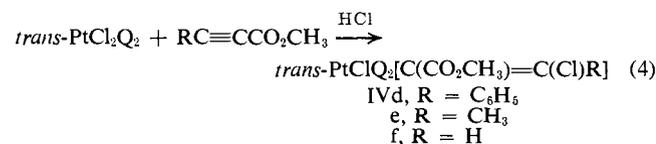
The latter compound, III, has, however, been prepared by the reaction of dma with the methylplatinum cation,³ according to eq 3.



The nmr spectrum of IIIa shows the vinyl CH_3 signal at δ 2.01; since it overlaps part of the $\text{P}-\text{CH}_3$ signal, any coupling to ^{31}P or ^{195}Pt is obscured. In other respects, the nmr and ir spectra are in full accord with those expected for structure IIIa. The mass spectrum shows $[M]^+$ at m/e 664 (calcd m/e for IIIa = 664) with the isotopic pattern expected for $-\text{PtCl}$ followed by fragments corresponding to ions $[M - \text{Cl}]^+$, $[M - \text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3)=\text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_3]^+$, and $[M - \text{ClC}(\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3)=\text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_3]^+$.

The vinylic double bond of III might be expected to have the *cis* stereochemistry, since the insertion products of $\text{CF}_3\text{C}\equiv\text{CCF}_3$ into the CH_3-Pt bond of neutral methylplatinum complexes⁴ or their cations⁵ have all shown the *cis*- $\text{PtC}=\text{CCH}_3$ structure. On the other hand, attempts to cleave the $\text{Pt}-\text{vinyl}$ bond as a means of determining the stereochemistry at the $\text{PtC}=\text{CCl}$ double bond of IVa failed; the compound is very stable in both acidic and alkaline conditions. However, the stereochemistry is apparently *trans* based on the nmr spectra of related β -chlorovinylplatinum compounds obtained as follows.

The addition of HCl gas to the CHCl_3 solution of IIa immediately gave IVa in very good yield (reaction 2b). On the other hand, the immediate addition of HCl into a freshly prepared solution of I and dma afforded only a mixture of *trans*- PtCl_2Q_2 and free dma with a very small amount of IVa; under these conditions the equilibrium concentration of IIa is apparently only slowly attained. However, IVa was obtained in fairly good yield from HCl addition to a solution of I and dma which had stood for 1 day.



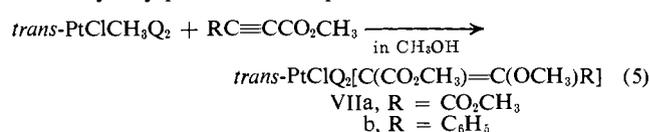
From the similar reaction (4) of $\text{RC}\equiv\text{CCO}_2\text{CH}_3$ with *trans*- PtCl_2Q_2 , β -chlorovinylplatinum compounds IVd,

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e, and f were prepared, which could not be obtained by reaction 2, since 1:1 adducts with Ia could not be isolated for these acetylenes. The physical properties and analyses of the products and the spectroscopic data are shown in Tables I and II.

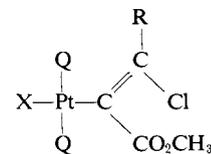
Another product of reaction 4 is *cis*- PtCl_2Q_2 (VI), which, under the same conditions, is unreactive toward these acetylenes. Yields of IV in reaction 4 decrease in the order of the electron-withdrawing ability of R ($\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3 > \text{C}_6\text{H}_5 > \text{H} > \text{CH}_3$), suggesting that coordination of the acetylenes to platinum is required for the formation of IV in eq 4 as well as in eq 1, although 1:1 adduct formation has not been detected for the acetylenes of reaction 4. Indeed, $\text{PhC}\equiv\text{CCH}_3$ did not give any chlorovinyl product but only VI.

In methanolic solution also, Ia and dma forms IIa; however, further reaction involving nucleophilic attack of $-\text{OMe}$ on coordinated dma occurs,⁵ giving the β -methoxyvinylplatinum compound VIIa.



$\text{PhC}\equiv\text{CCO}_2\text{CH}_3$, for which 1:1 adduct formation has not been detected, likewise gave VIIb, but $\text{CH}_3\text{C}\equiv\text{CCO}_2\text{CH}_3$ did not give the analogous product.

Nmr Spectra. In all of the products, one resonance attributable to CO_2CH_3 showed coupling with ^{195}Pt ($J_{\text{PtH}} \sim 3.0$ Hz), while in IIIa, b, IVa, b, c, and VIIa another resonance (which is not coupled) also assignable to CO_2CH_3 appears at lower field. The former resonance (coupled to ^{195}Pt) can be assigned to the α - CO_2CH_3 group; it is analogous to the peak for the α - CF_3 group vicinal to platinum⁶ in the ^{19}F spectra of the related trifluoromethylvinyl platinum complexes. The formation of α -carbomethoxyvinyl compounds from the asymmetric acetylenes, *i.e.*, attachment of the vinylic carbon with the more electron withdrawing group to platinum, is consistent with the formation of *trans*- $\text{PtClQ}_2[\text{C}(\text{CF}_3)=\text{C}(\text{X})\text{H}]$ (X = OCH_3 or Cl)⁷ from Ia with $\text{CF}_3\text{C}\equiv\text{CH}$. $J_{\text{PtH}} = 61.2$ and $J_{\text{PH}} = 4.0$ Hz for the β -vinylic proton in IVf indicate that the hydrogen is *cis* with respect to the Pt moiety, on the basis of reported values for a number of vinylplatinum complexes.^{7,8} The stereochemistry of IVa-e and IVg is presumably then the same as in IVf with a *trans*- $\text{PtC}=\text{CCl}$ arrangement.



The vinylic CH_3 protons in IVe and in IIIa and b show very similar values for $J_{\text{PtH}} \sim 2.8$ Hz, again consistent with a *cis* arrangement of the $\text{PtC}=\text{CCH}_3$ group for III.

The phosphine methyl regions of the proton spectra of IVa-e, IIIa and b, and VIIa and b show two over-

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Table I

Compound	Mp, °C	Analysis, % calcd (% found)			Mol wt m/e ^a	
		C	H	Halogen		
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(COOCH ₃)CH}Q ₂	IIIa	153–155	41.61 (41.23)	4.71 (4.65)	Cl 5.33 (5.51)	664
<i>trans</i> -PtI{C(COOCH ₃)=C(COOCH ₃)CH ₃ }Q ₂	IIIb	171–172	36.57 (36.34)	4.14 (4.14)	I 16.80 (16.58)	
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }Q ₂	IVa	124–125	38.60 (38.59)	4.12 (4.22)	Cl 10.36 (10.47)	684
<i>trans</i> -PtBr{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }Q ₂	IVb	141–143	36.25 (36.23)	3.87 (3.92)	Cl 4.86 (4.76)	728
					Br 10.96 (10.85)	
<i>trans</i> -PtI{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }Q ₂	IVc	147–148	34.06 (34.22)	3.64 (3.55)	Cl 4.57 (4.78)	
					I 16.36 (16.23)	
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)C ₆ H ₅ }Q ₂	IVd	169–171	44.46 (44.52)	4.30 (4.36)		
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)CH ₃ }Q ₂	IVe	133–135	39.39 (39.28)	4.41 (4.45)		640
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)H}Q ₂	IVf	119–121	38.35 (38.74)	4.18 (4.27)		626
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }(PPh ₂ Me) ₂	IVg	160–161	47.54 (47.52)	3.99 (4.06)		
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(OCH ₃)C ₆ H ₅ }Q ₂	VIIIb	173–174	46.46 (46.26)	4.77 (4.58)	Cl 5.08 (5.26)	698
<i>trans</i> -PtCl(C ₆ H ₅)Q ₂ (CH ₃ Q ₂ CC≡CCO ₂ CH ₃)	VIII	72–80	46.33 (47.30)	4.58 (5.18)	Cl 4.88 (4.70)	

^a Peak for “³⁵Cl³⁷Cl¹⁹⁴Pt + ³⁷Cl³⁵Cl¹⁹⁶Pt” or “³⁵Cl¹⁹⁴Pt³⁷Cl¹⁹⁶Pt.”

lapping triplets (with ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites), corresponding to nonequivalent phosphine methyl groups. Similar nonequivalence of the phosphine methyl groups has also been observed in *trans*-PtXQ₂[C(CF₃)=C(CF₃)CH₃]⁴ and in *trans*-PtIQ₂[C(CF₃)=C(OCH₃)H].⁹ Such nonequivalence may arise from a conformation of the vinylic groups perpendicular to the plane of the complex, with a rotation about the Pt–C bond which is slow on the nmr time scale. IVf and *trans*-PtClQ₂[C(CF₃)=C(OCH₃)H] both of which have the sterically small hydrogen as the *cis* substituent do not show this nonequivalence.

Mechanism of Reaction 2a. The product from reaction 2a has thus been characterized as IVa, while IIIa cannot be converted, under the same conditions as eq 2a, into IVa. Nevertheless, reaction 2a shows the characteristics of a radical reaction.

It is very dependent on the particular sample of Ia. For some samples, reaction proceeded as above, while for others only the 1:1 adduct, IIa, was formed; there was no formation of IVa and only disproportionation to V and VI occurred over several weeks. Furthermore, addition of an “unreactive” solution or an inhibitor (DPPH, galvinoxyl) to a “reactive” solution immediately inhibited both the formation of IVa and disproportionation. On the other hand, both reactions occurred on the addition of a small amount of a free-radical initiator (benzoyl peroxide (BPO) or azobisisobutyronitrile) to an “unreactive” solution or on uv irradiation.

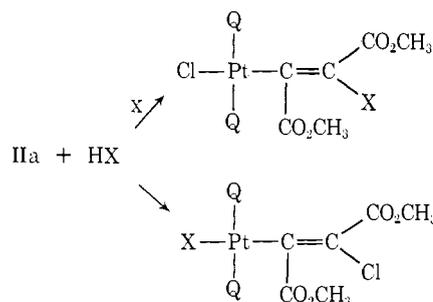
For the formation of IVa, the initiator must be added only after the equilibrium concentration of IIa has been attained. If the initiator is added sooner, the methyl transfer reaction giving V and VI is predominant. This latter reaction also takes place in CH₂Cl₂ solution, but at a much reduced rate and does not occur in nonchlorinated solvents even though the 1:1 adduct is formed.

From the similar reaction of *trans*-PtCH₃IQ₂, Ic, with dma in CHCl₃, the β-chlorovinylidoplatinum complex IVc (and not either the β-iodovinylchloro or the β-iodovinylido compound) was obtained; IVc was also prepared from the reaction of IVa with LiI in acetone. The formation of IVc from Ic and the obviously important role of chloroform as solvent in eq 2a, indicate that one of the two chlorines in IVa comes

from the solvent, although the direct transfer of chlorine from CHCl₃ to the vinylic position might seem unlikely energetically.

On the other hand, it is well known that hydrogen chloride is one of the products of the decomposition of chloroform in either the presence¹⁰ or absence¹¹ of air. It is thus probable that HCl is generated in eq 2a *via* a radical process and this is further confirmed by observations of the behavior of *trans*-PtClQ₂CO₂CH₃. This compound reacts with HCl immediately giving methanol and *cis*-PtCl₂Q₂ (probably *via* *trans*-[PtClQ₂CO]⁺Cl⁻ followed by CO liberation). The nmr spectrum of CHCl₃ solutions of *trans*-PtClQ₂CO₂CH₃ showed the rapid generation of CH₃OH either in the presence of air or on exposure to light in the absence of air, but not in the absence of air or light; also, the formation of CH₃OH was found to be much slower when dma was added. Initiation and inhibition effects then clearly arise from reaction with chloroform. We thus conclude that eq 2a is a reaction of the 1:1 adduct IIa with radically generated HCl accompanying the methyl transfer reaction.

The attack of HCl on the 1:1 adduct cannot be interpreted as a simple nucleophilic attack of Cl⁻ on the coordinated acetylene as has been suggested^{3,7} for the corresponding attack by methoxide (see reaction 5), since the reaction product of IIa with HBr or HI was not the expected β-bromovinyl- or β-iodovinylchloroplatinum compound but rather the β-chlorovinylbromo- (IVb) or -iodoplatinum derivative (IVc).



A plausible explanation for the formation of IVc from both *trans*-PtICH₃·dma with HCl and *trans*-PtClCH₃Q₂·dma with HI is given in Scheme I.

Reaction of IIa with HX may cause the elimination of CH₄ followed by the rapid formation of IVc *via* a

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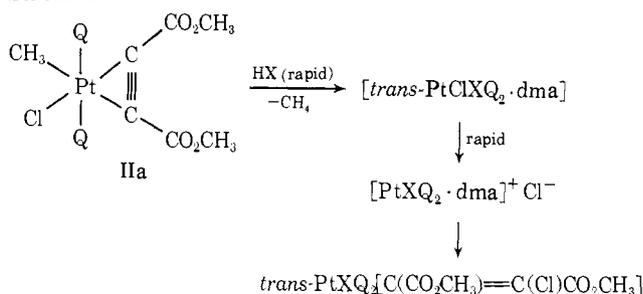
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Table II. Spectroscopic Data

Compound		δ_{COOCH_3}	$J_{\text{Pt-H}}$, Hz	$\delta_{\text{P-CH}_3}$	${}^2J + {}^4J_{\text{P-CH}_3}$, Hz	${}^3J_{\text{Pt-H}}$, Hz	Other signals in nmr	$\nu_{\text{C=C}}$, cm^{-1}	$\nu_{\text{C=O}}$, cm^{-1}
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(COOCH ₃)CH ₃ }Q ₂	IIIa	3.56		1.83	7.8	31.0	=C-CH ₃ δ 2.01	1590 m	1700 s
<i>trans</i> -PtI{C(COOCH ₃)=C(COOCH ₃)CH ₃ }Q ₂	IIIb	3.34 3.62	3.4	1.80 1.96	7.8 7.6	32.0 30.8	$J_{\text{PtH}} = 2.7$ Hz =C-CH ₃ δ 2.08	1568 m	1698 s
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }Q ₂	IVa	3.45 3.66	3.4	1.90 1.83	7.7 7.8	31.8 27.6	$J_{\text{PtH}} = 2.8$ Hz	1555 w	1700 s
<i>trans</i> -PtBr{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }Q ₂	IVb	3.48 3.69	3.1	1.76 1.87	8.0 7.8	30.8 28.0		1560 w	1700 s
<i>trans</i> -PtI{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }Q ₂	IVc	3.49 3.84	3.2	1.81 1.98	7.8 7.4	31.8 29.0		1568 m	1598 s
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)C ₆ H ₅ }Q ₂	IVd	3.60 3.39	3.0	1.91 1.83	7.6 7.7	30.8 29.0		1592 w	1698 s
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)CH ₃ }Q ₂	IVe	3.33	2.8	1.73 1.83	7.7 7.6	31.5 29.0	=C-CH ₃ δ 1.91		
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)H}Q ₂	IVf	3.31	2.7	1.81 1.82	7.8 7.7	31.0 30.0	$J_{\text{PtH}} = 2.8$ Hz =C-H δ 5.17	1630 w	1700 s
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }(PPh ₂ Me) ₂	IVg	3.58 3.23		2.07	7.9	31.6	$J_{\text{PtH}} = 4.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{PtH}} = 61.2$ Hz	1570 w	1702 s
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(OCH ₃)COOCH ₃ }Q ₂	VIIa	3.62 3.44	3.0	1.82 1.77	7.6 7.8	27.6 30.5	=C-OCH ₃ δ 3.33 $J_{\text{PtH}} = 1.4$ Hz		
<i>trans</i> -PtCl{C(COOCH ₃)=C(OCH ₃)C ₆ H ₅ }Q ₂	VIIb	3.40	3.0	1.83 1.78	7.4 7.9	29.2 31.8	=C-OCH ₃ δ 3.42 $J_{\text{PtH}} = 1.8$ Hz	1580 w	1682 s
<i>trans</i> -PtClCH ₃ Q ₂ (CH ₃ O ₂ CC \equiv CCO ₂ CH ₃)	IIa	3.66 3.43		1.65 1.61	7.0 7.0	31.0 32.0	Pt-CH ₃ δ - 0.35 $J_{\text{PtH}} = 15.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{PtH}} = 57.0$ Hz		
<i>trans</i> -PtCl(C ₆ H ₅)Q ₂ (CH ₃ O ₂ CC \equiv CCO ₂ CH ₃)	VIII	3.74 3.52	~ 1.5	1.54 1.47	7.2 7.8	32.5 33.5			

Scheme I



cationic acetylene species. The formation of *trans*-PtClXQ₂ by dissociation of its acetylene complex would also be expected for this reaction sequence. Note that reaction 4 may also proceed *via* the formation in a preequilibrium step of an acetylene complex of *trans*-PtCl₂Q₂. Thus the nucleophilic attack of Cl⁻ to the coordinated acetylenes affords the β-chlorovinylplatinum compounds, while the reaction of HX with Pt(0)-acetylene complexes affords β-hydrogenvinylplatinum compounds^{8,12,13} and the reaction of HCl with Pt-acetylide complexes affords α-chlorovinylplatinum compounds.¹⁴

Methyl Transfer Reaction. The dma acts as a retardant in eq 2a, while it is also necessary to initiate the methyl transfer reaction of Ia in CHCl₃ (see Table III).

Table III. Reaction of *trans*-PtClCH₃Q₂ with Acetylenes in CHCl₃

Acetylene	Reaction ^a
CF ₃ C≡CCF ₃	PtQ ₂ (CF ₃ C≡CCF ₃) + Pt(CH ₃) ₂ Q ₂ Cl ₂
CH ₃ O ₂ CC≡CCO ₂ CH ₃ ^b	PtCl ₂ Q ₂ + PtCl ₂ Me ₂ Q ₂ + CH ₄ + (methyl transfer) <i>trans</i> -PtClQ ₂ {C(COOCH ₃)=C(Cl)COOCH ₃ }
C ₆ H ₅ C≡CCO ₂ CH ₃	Disproportionation
CH ₃ C≡CCO ₂ CH ₃	Disproportionation
HOCH ₂ C≡CCH ₂ OH	Disproportionation
C ₆ H ₅ C≡CC ₆ H ₅	Slow disproportionation
C ₆ H ₅ C≡CCH ₃	No reaction
CH ₃ C≡CCH ₃	No reaction
C ₆ H ₅ C≡CH	PtCl ₂ Q ₂ + PtCl ₂ Me ₂ Q + CH ₄ + <i>trans</i> -PtCl(C≡CC ₆ H ₅)Q ₂
HC≡CCH ₂ CH ₂ OH	PtCl ₂ Q ₂ + PtCl ₂ Me ₂ Q ₂ + CH ₄ + <i>trans</i> -PtCl(C≡CCH ₂ CH ₂ OH)Q ₂

^a Followed by the nmr spectra at room temperature without deaeration, in the absence of an initiator. ^b For this acetylene, formation of the π-complex was observed.

The CHCl₃ solution of Ia is very stable and its ¹H nmr spectrum does not show any change even in the presence of air. Addition of acetylenes having electron-withdrawing substituents causes methyl transfer, which is inhibited by addition of an inhibitor. The effect of the substituents suggests that an interaction between an acetylene and Ia also may be involved in initiating the methyl transfer. In the limiting case, this methyl transfer reaction is equivalent to disproportionation. Thus, disproportionation giving V and *cis*-PtQ₂(CF₃C≡CCF₃) has been observed⁶ at room temperature in the reaction

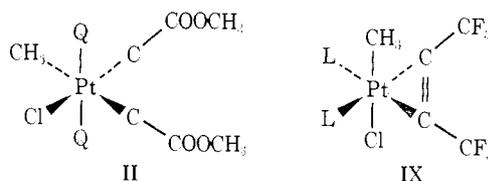
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of Ia with CF₃C≡CCF₃. Uv irradiation of the CHCl₃ solution of Ia and CF₃C≡CCF₃ caused only disproportionation while irradiation of the C₆H₆ solution gave only the insertion products. The methyl transfer reaction may thus well be of a radical nature.

Significance of π-Complex Formation. Formation of the 1:1 adduct IIa is rather slow, equilibrium being attained after several hours. The equilibrium constant in CHCl₃ is 5.2 mol⁻¹ l. (30°), the value decreasing in polar solvents in the order of their dielectric constant (C₆H₅NO₂ > CH₃COCH₃ > CH₂Cl₂ > CHCl₃); in benzene no 1:1 adduct formation was observed. The conductivity measurement in nitrobenzene apparently shows IIa is a nonelectrolyte under these conditions. Although solid IIa could not be isolated from such a solution, the analogous 1:1 dma adduct (VIII) of *trans*-PtCl(C₆H₅)Q₂ has been isolated as a crystalline solid containing a small amount of *trans*-PtCl(C₆H₅)Q₂. The nmr spectra of VIII and IIa each showed two different CO₂CH₃ signals, one of which had ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites, *J*_{Pt-H} = 1.5 Hz, two overlapping triplets in the P-CH₃ region, and Pt-CH₃ in IIa a triplet with ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites, *J*_{Pt-H} = 57.0 Hz, which is close to the values expected for platinum(IV) complexes, and thus indicate the stereochemistry II.



As previously reported, CF₃C≡CCF₃, C₂F₄,⁶ and C₂(CN)₄¹⁵ form 1:1 adducts of stereochemistry IX with *trans*-PtCl(CH₃)L₂, and this has also been established¹⁶ for PtClMe(AsMe₃)₂·(C₄F₆) by an X-ray crystallographic structure determination. The adduct from tetrachloro-*o*-quinone and Ia also has this stereochemistry. It is not clear why stereochemistry II should be preferred for the dma adduct, although obviously relative trans influences, and steric and solvation effects may all be important.

Experimental Section

Infrared spectra, proton nmr, and mass spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 621 grating spectrophotometer (samples prepared as Nujol mulls), Varian T-60 and HA-100 spectrometers using CDCl₃ as solvent, and a Varian M-66 mass spectrometer, respectively. Microanalyses were performed by Chemalytics, Inc., Tempe, Ariz., and Alfred Bernhardt, Mulheim, W. Germany.

Benzoyl peroxide, diphenylpicrylhydrazyl, galvinoxyl, and CH₃O₂CC≡CCO₂CH₃ were obtained from Aldrich Chemical Co., Inc.; PhC≡CCO₂CH₃C≡CCO₂CH₃ and HC≡CCO₂CH₃ were prepared by the literature methods.¹⁷⁻¹⁹

Ia, *trans*-PtClCH₃(PPh₂Me)₂, and *trans*-Pt(C₆H₅)Q₂ were prepared as previously reported.^{20,21}

Preparation of IVa (Reaction 2a). Ia (0.194 g) and dma (0.044 g) in 0.7 ml of chloroform were placed in an nmr tube. The gradual formation of IIa over several hours was observed from the nmr spectra. After 10 hr, 0.08 g of BPO was added and the re-

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action was followed by observing changes in the nmr spectrum. After the solution had stood for 4 days at room temperature, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the orange oily residue was dissolved in *ca.* 3 ml of benzene. The solution was chromatographed through a Florisil column (1 × 5 cm), which on elution with benzene followed by evaporation and addition of diethyl ether gave white needles, V. The mother liquid was again chromatographed with benzene and from the diethyl ether eluate 0.04 g of IVa was obtained as white crystals, mp 124–125°. From the fraction eluted with benzene–dichloromethane (1 : 1), VI was obtained.

Reaction 2b. To the equilibrium solution (orange) of IIa formed from 0.102 g of Ia and dma (0.03 g) in 0.2 ml of chloroform, hydrogen chloride gas was passed for 1 min; the solution immediately turned yellow with the evolution of a gas identified as methane. After standing for 1 hr, the mixture was diluted with 20 ml of dichloromethane, washed twice with water, and dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. Evaporation of the solvent and chromatography on Florisil with benzene followed by evaporation of the benzene and addition of diethyl ether gave IVa (0.09 g). Similarly, IVb and IVc were obtained using gaseous hydrogen bromide or aqueous hydrogen iodide.

Preparation of IVb and IVc from IVa. To an acetone (20 ml) solution of IVa (0.1 g), excess LiBr (or LiI) was added with stirring, and the solution was allowed to stand for 4 hr. After evaporation of the solvent, the residue was extracted with benzene and chromatographed on Florisil. Evaporation of the solvent and addition of diethyl ether gave IVb or IVc in good yield. Similar treatment of IVb obtained in reaction 2b with LiBr also gave IVb.

Preparation of IIIa. To a solution of *trans*-[CH₃Pt(acetone)-Q₂]⁺PF₆⁻ in 40 ml of dichloromethane, from Ia (0.51 g) and 0.25 g of AgPF₆ in acetone, 0.132 g of dma was added and stirred for 0.5 hr at room temperature. The solvent was evaporated and the yellow oily residue was dissolved in 20 ml of acetone and excess LiCl was added. After 3 hr of stirring, the solvent was evaporated and the residue was dissolved in 5 ml of benzene and washed with water. After being dried over magnesium sulfate, the solution was passed through a Florisil column and was reduced in volume. Addition of diethyl ether gave IIIa (0.17 g).

Preparation of VIIb. To a solution of Ia (0.153 g) in 10 ml of methanol at 40° under N₂, 0.05 g of PhC≡CCO₂CH₃ was added and the solution was stirred for 5 hr. After evaporation of the solvent to *ca.* 2 ml, addition of 5 ml of diethyl ether and of 2 ml of

pentane gave white crystals, which were recrystallized from dichloromethane–diethyl ether to give VIIb (0.13 g).

Preparation of the PtClCH₃Q₂·tetrachloro-*o*-quinone Adduct. Ia (0.24 g) and tetrachloro-*o*-quinone (0.126 g) were mixed together in *ca.* 1 ml of chloroform. The solution immediately turned dark brown and after about 5 minutes dark brown crystals separated, which were orange-brown when dry (0.164 g) (dec pt >230°). *Anal.* Calcd for C₂₃H₂₅Cl₅O₂P₂Pt: C, 36.0; H, 3.3; Cl, 23.1. Found: C, 36.1; H, 3.0; Cl, 23.5.

The nmr spectrum (in CD₂Cl₂) shows the phosphine methyl signals at δ 2.00 as a doublet with ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites, *J*_{PH} = 12.8 Hz, *J*_{PTCH} = 20.0 Hz, and the platinum methyl at δ 1.10 as a triplet, *J*_{PH} = 4.0 Hz, *J*_{PTCH} = 68.0 Hz.

1:1 Adduct (II). The ¹H nmr spectrum of IIa was measured in CDCl₃ solution containing a mixture of Ia and excess dma. A nitrobenzene solution *ca.* 0.04 M in IIa showed, after equilibrium had been established, a molar conductivity of 1.4 × 10⁻² Ω⁻¹ cm² mol⁻¹ at 23° (Ia showed a conductivity of 4.2 × 10⁻³ Ω⁻¹ cm² mol⁻¹ under the same conditions). The peak height ratio of the ¹H nmr spectra of the mixture of *trans*-PtXCH₃Q₂ and dma showed that the formation of the 1:1 adduct decreased in the order (Cl > I) >> Br ~ O in chloroform. *trans*-PtClCF₃Q₂ did not form a 1:1 adduct with dma, while *trans*-PtClC₆H₅Q₂ showed only a very slow rate of formation of the 1:1 adduct.

1:1 Adduct between *trans*-PtClC₆H₅Q₂ and dma, VIII. *trans*-PtClC₆H₅Q₂ (0.057 g) and dma (0.06 g) in 0.5 ml of chloroform were placed in an nmr tube. After 4 days two peaks corresponding to VIII had begun to appear in the nmr spectrum. After 3 weeks the solvent was evaporated and the residue was chromatographed on a Florisil column (0.4 × 1.0 cm) using dichloromethane as an eluent. After concentration of the eluted solution, addition of diethyl ether gave pale yellow crystals (0.032 g), which, from the ¹H nmr spectrum, were contaminated with small amounts of *trans*-PtClC₆H₅Q₂. Purification was not possible since chromatography without excess dma caused decomposition to give *trans*-PtClC₆H₅Q₂ in yields greater than 65%; the mass spectrum of the impure adduct showed the same fragmentation pattern as pure *trans*-PtClC₆H₅Q₂. Reaction of VIII with hydrogen chloride again afforded IVa with elimination of benzene.

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