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Photoinduced Substitution and Oxidative Addition Reactions of Pentacarbonylmanganese(-1) and Tetracarbonyl(triphenylphosphine)manganese(-1)

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Abstract: Photoinduced substitution and oxidative addition reactions of $Mn(CO)_5^-$ and $Mn(CO)_4PPh_3^-$ in tetrahydrofuran solutions are reported. Irradiation of $Mn(CO)_5^-$ as the bis(triphenylphosphine)iminium salt results in chemistry reflecting the intermediacy of $Mn(CO)_4^-$ or $Mn(CO)_4(\text{solvent})^-$. In the presence of PPh_3 or $P(OMe)_3$ the primary product is $Mn(CO)_4PPh_3^-$ or $Mn(CO)_4(P(OMe)_3)^-$, respectively. This photosubstitution chemistry is efficient chemically and with respect to quanta of light absorbed. Near-UV quantum yields exceed 0.2 for the process (254, 313, 366 nm). The $Mn(CO)_4(P(OMe)_3)^-$ appears to undergo further substitution upon irradiation, but the products were not characterized. However, $Mn(CO)_4PPh_3^-$ undergoes photoreactions reflecting the loss of PPh_3 , not CO, upon photoexcitation. Photolysis of $Mn(CO)_5^-$ in the presence of $HSiPh_3$ or $Ph_3SnSnPh_3$ results in high chemical yields of the oxidative addition products $cis\text{-}HMn(CO)_4SiPh_3^-$ and $cis\text{-}Mn(CO)_4(SnPh_3)_2^-$, respectively. Irradiation of $Mn(CO)_5^-$ as the Ph_4E^+ salt ($E = P, As$) results in the formation of $cis\text{-}PhMn(CO)_4EPh_3$. Irradiation of $Ph_3MeP[Mn(CO)_3]$ results in the formation of $cis\text{-}PhMn(CO)_4PPh_2Me$ as the only oxidative addition product. Competition between oxidative addition of Ph_4P^+ and substitution by PPh_3 suggests an important role for ion pairing in the oxidative addition of the cation.

Photoinduced substitution and oxidative addition reactions of metal carbonyls are numerous²⁻⁴ and are important in the preparation of new derivatives and are likely important in photocatalyzed reactions of olefins.⁴⁻⁹ We have undertaken

a study directed toward the comparison of the reactivity of intermediates resulting from irradiation of neutral and anionic isoelectronic metal carbonyls. The hope is that a coordinatively unsaturated metal carbonyl anion will participate in unusual

Table I. Infrared Data for Relevant Complexes^a

Complex	Bands, cm ⁻¹ (ε)
Fe(CO) ₄ PPh ₃ ^b	2054 (3500); 1978 (2300); 1942 (4900)
PPN[Mn(CO) ₅]	1893 (5240); 1860 (7970)
Ph ₄ P[Mn(CO) ₅]	1896 (5800); 1862 (8920)
Fe(CO) ₅ ^b	2025 (5470); 2000 (11 830)
PPN[Mn(CO) ₄ PPh ₃]	1941 (3460); 1846 (1800); 1815 (6420)
Ph ₄ P[Mn(CO) ₄ PPh ₃]	1940 (4230); 1846 (2370); 1815 (7920)
PPN[Mn(CO) ₄ P(OMe) ₃]	1954 (2000); 1858 (2600); 1823 (7500)
PPN[Mn(CO) ₃ (P(OMe) ₃) ₂]	1788 (5400)
PPN[Mn(CO) ₄ (SnPh ₃) ₂]	1997 (3120); 1921 (sh, ~3100); 1908 (5280)
PPN[HMn(CO) ₄ (SiPh ₃)]	2002 (1460); 1905 (5210); 1890 (3920)
PhMn(CO) ₄ PPh ₃	2064 (2160); 1986 (2220); 1973 (3940); 1950 (2460)
PhMn(CO) ₄ AsPh ₃	2060 (1510); 1975 (2700); 1967 (3900); 1951 (3350)
PhMn(CO) ₄ PPh ₂ Me	2063 (1230); 1988 (1380); 1969 (2370); 1947 (1650)
MeMn(CO) ₄ PPh ₃	2056 (1800); 1974 (sh, ~3200); 1967 (4500); 1934 (2400)

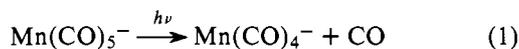
^a THF solutions at 298 K. ^b Reference 6b in isoctane.

oxidative addition reactions, owing to the increased electron density on the metal compared to a neutral electronic analogue.

Photoinduced dissociative loss of CO from mononuclear metal carbonyls is a common result,²⁻⁴ and even certain metal carbonyl anions have been shown to undergo facile CO photosubstitution. The most well-studied¹⁰⁻¹² anions are M(CO)₆⁻ (M = V, Nb, Ta), but it does appear that Mn(CO)₅⁻ undergoes photosubstitution as well.¹³ In this paper we wish to report a detailed study of the photochemistry of Mn(CO)₅⁻. Aside from the usual photosubstitution and oxidative addition of neutral substrates, we find that certain cations can be oxidatively added to the photogenerated intermediates to yield neutral metal carbonyl products. This photochemistry has no precedent in studies of neutral metal carbonyls.

Results and Discussion

Photosubstitution of Mn(CO)₅⁻ and Mn(CO)₄PPh₃⁻. Except for the expected shift to lower energy,¹⁴ the CO stretching absorptions for the anionic Mn(CO)_{5-n}(PPh₃)_n⁻ (n = 0, 1) species are very similar to the neutral Fe electronic analogues (Table I). We adopt a ligand field assignment for the lowest absorption features (Table II) in these d⁸ anionic systems, following the assignment for Fe(CO)₅.¹⁵ Since the ligand field transitions terminate in the d_{z²} (σ*) orbital, the excited species should be more substitution labile than the ground electronic state.¹⁶ We find that UV irradiation of either Mn(CO)₅⁻ or Mn(CO)₄PPh₃⁻ results in photosubstitution. For Mn(CO)₅⁻ the primary photochemical step is apparently the reaction



the dissociative loss of CO. In the presence of P(OMe)₃ or PPh₃ the Mn(CO)₄(P(OMe)₃)⁻ or Mn(CO)₄PPh₃⁻, respectively, species can be generated in good yield. The quantum yield for reaction 1 is high. Values of 0.31 (366 nm), 0.23 (313 nm), and 0.70 (254 nm) were obtained for the disappearance of Mn(CO)₅⁻ as the bis(triphenylphosphine)iminium (PPN⁺) salt in a degassed THF solution of 0.1 M P(OMe)₃. The error limits on these quantum yields are rather high (±25%), owing to the air sensitivity of the solutions of starting materials and

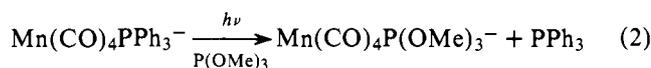
Table II. UV-Vis Data for Relevant Complexes

Complex	Bands, nm (ε)
Fe(CO) ₅ ^a	~280 (3800); ~250 (40 000)
PPN[Mn(CO) ₅] ^b	295 (5250)
Ph ₄ P[Mn(CO) ₅] ^b	291 (4700)
Ph ₄ P[Mn(CO) ₄ PPh ₃] ^b	306 (5020); 295 (sh, ~4700)

^a Reference 15. ^b THF solutions, 298 K.

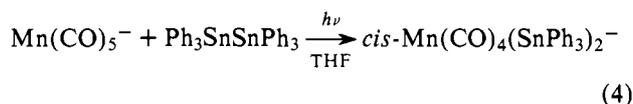
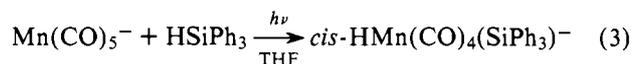
products. However, it is clear that Mn(CO)₅⁻, with respect to the efficiency of CO loss, is like most, e.g., Fe(CO)₅, mononuclear metal carbonyls.²⁻⁴

Irradiation of PPN[Mn(CO)₄PPh₃] in the presence of PPh₃ in THF solution does not lead to any rapid chemical changes. Specifically, the generation of Mn(CO)₃(PPh₃)₂⁻ is not found. This is in contrast to the photochemistry of the neutral analogue, Fe(CO)₄PPh₃, which gives Fe(CO)₃(PPh₃)₂ upon irradiation in the presence of PPh₃; Φ_{366nm} = 0.3.¹⁷ Irradiation of Mn(CO)₄(PPh₃)⁻ in the presence of P(OMe)₃ proceeds initially according to the reaction



The quantum yields in degassed 0.1 M P(OMe)₃ THF solutions of the PPN⁺ salt are fairly low: 0.01 (366 nm), 0.05 (313 nm), and 0.03 (254 nm) with errors of ±25%. The product Mn(CO)₄(P(OMe)₃)⁻ is photosensitive in solution and infrared spectral changes are consistent with sequential CO substitution, but the products were not isolated. We tentatively ascribe an infrared band at 1788 cm⁻¹ to *trans*-Mn(CO)₃(P(OMe)₃)₂⁻.

Photoinduced Oxidative Addition Reactions. Like Fe(CO)₅,¹⁸ we find that irradiation of Mn(CO)₅⁻ in the presence of neutral oxidative addition substrates efficiently yields the expected products. For example, irradiation of either the Na⁺ or PPN⁺ salt of Mn(CO)₅⁻ in THF solutions of HSiPh₃ or Ph₃SnSnPh₃ proceeds according to the reactions



respectively, Figure 1 shows representative spectral changes accompanying reaction 3. The products have been identified by a combination of infrared spectra (Table I), elemental analyses, and comparison with authentic samples prepared by independent routes. The isoelectronic *cis*-HFe(CO)₄(SiPh₃) has been synthesized by irradiation of Fe(CO)₅ in the presence of HSiPh₃.¹⁸ Infrared spectral changes upon irradiation of Mn(CO)₅⁻ in the presence of HSi(CH₂Ph)₃ indicate the generation of *cis*-HMn(CO)₄(Si(CH₂Ph)₃), but this product was not isolated. Thus, for these reactions it appears that Fe(CO)₅ and Mn(CO)₅⁻ are both viable precursors to intermediates which can oxidatively add certain neutral substrates.

Consistent with the fact that irradiation leads to loss of PPh₃, irradiation of Mn(CO)₄PPh₃⁻ as the PPN salt in the presence of Ph₃SnSnPh₃ results in the generation of *cis*-Mn(CO)₄(SnPh₃)₂⁻. The infrared spectral changes accompanying this photoreaction are shown in Figure 2. Oxidative addition of HSiPh₃ can likely be induced as well, but the chemistry is complicated by the fact that Mn(CO)₄PPh₃⁻ can apparently deprotonate HSiPh₃.

Irradiation of Mn(CO)₅⁻ as the Ph₄E⁺ (E = P, As) or Ph₃MeP⁺ salt results in the formation of neutral tetracarbonyl

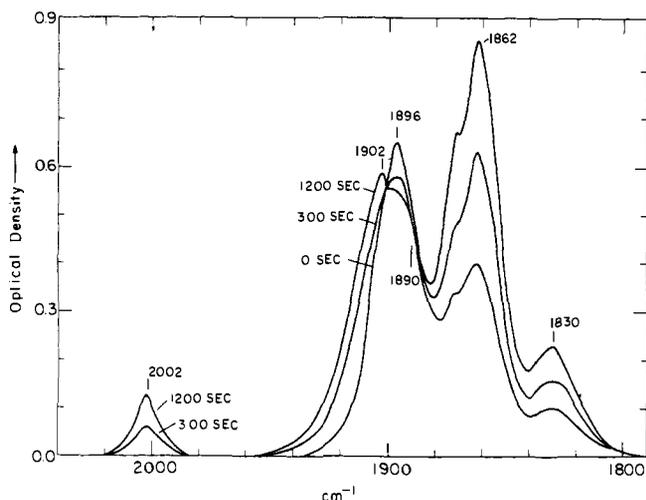
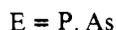
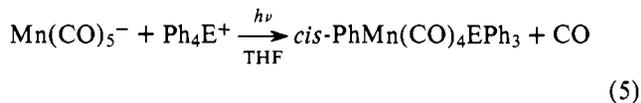
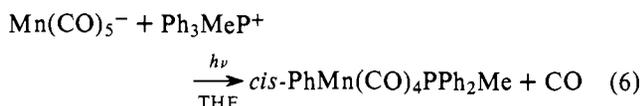


Figure 1. Spectral changes accompanying near-UV irradiation of 0.017 M $Na[Mn(CO)_5]$ and 0.1 M $HfSiPh_3$ in THF. Bands at 1896, 1862, and 1830 cm^{-1} are for $Mn(CO)_5^-$ and those at 2002, 1902, and 1890 cm^{-1} are for the $cis-HMn(CO)_4SiPh_3^-$ photoproduct. The irradiation shown was carried out in an infrared cell sealed under Ar.

products arising from the oxidative addition of the cation. For the Ph_4E^+ salts one such product is formed:



The initial chemical yield exceeds 80% based on $Mn(CO)_5^-$ disappearance and 366 or 313 nm quantum yields are of the order of 0.1. For the Ph_3MeP^+ salt we likewise observe only one product:



and the product is that resulting from oxidative addition of the phenyl carbon rather than the methyl carbon. The complex $cis-MeMn(CO)_4PPh_3$ was synthesized by a different route and is thermally stable. The initial infrared spectral changes accompanying reaction 6 are shown in Figure 3 and are consistent with only one product. The exclusive formation of one product may suggest that the carbon which is to be ultimately attached to the metal must be able to readily accept increased electron density in the transition state. In Ph_3MeP^+ the phenyl carbon will do so more readily than the methyl carbon. Oxidative addition of other phosphonium salts does occur and the mechanistic details are under study. We emphasize that we use the term "oxidative addition" to refer to the stoichiometry¹⁹ and not mechanism of the reaction.

Competition of Oxidative Addition and Substitution. Two sets of experiments have been carried out to examine the competition between oxidative addition and simple ligand substitution. In one series of experiments (Table III), $Ph_4P[Mn(CO)_5]$ was irradiated in the presence of variable amounts of PPh_3 . Both the oxidative addition product, $cis-PhMn(CO)_4PPh_3$, and the simple substitution product, $Mn(CO)_4PPh_3^-$, are observed. The interesting finding is that even at 0.22 M PPh_3 the oxidative addition reaction proceeds to a healthy extent, and, indeed, there is relatively little quenching of the formation of $cis-PhMn(CO)_4PPh_3$. By way of contrast, a neutral oxidative addition substrate, $Ph_3SnSnPh_3$, competes with PPh_3 less effectively than Ph_4P^+ under a comparable set of conditions (Table IV). At 0.25 M

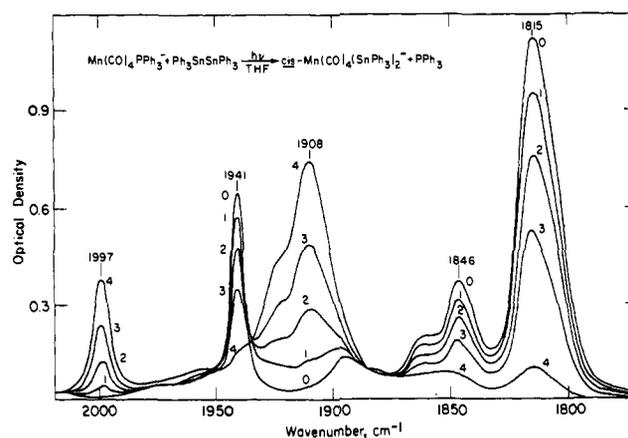


Figure 2. Infrared spectral changes accompanying near-UV irradiation of 0.01 M $PPN[Mn(CO)_4PPh_3]$ in the presence of 0.2 M $Ph_3SnSnPh_3$. Bands at 1941, 1846, and 1815 cm^{-1} are starting material absorptions and those at 1997 and 1908 cm^{-1} are associated with the oxidative addition product $cis-Mn(CO)_4(SnPh_3)_2^-$. Irradiation carried out in an IR cell for times 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 corresponding to 0, 120, 300, 600, and 1800 s, respectively. No thermal component for the reaction was detectable.

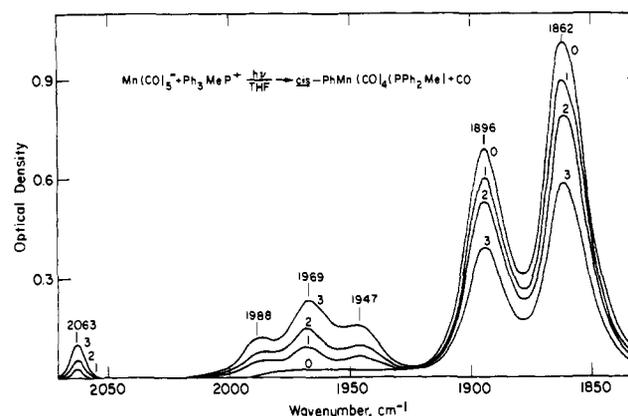


Figure 3. Infrared spectral changes accompanying near-UV irradiation of 0.013 M $Ph_3MeP[Mn(CO)_5]$. Bands at 1896 and 1862 cm^{-1} are associated with $Mn(CO)_5^-$, and those at 2063, 1988, 1969, and 1947 cm^{-1} are product, $cis-PhMn(CO)_4PPh_2Me$, bands. The other possible oxidative addition product, $cis-MeMn(CO)_4PPh_3$, has an absorption at 2056 cm^{-1} which is not found in this photoreaction. Irradiation was carried out in an IR cell for times 0, 1, 2, 3, (0, 60, 120, and 300 s, respectively) and no thermal component of the reaction was found.

Table III. Irradiation of $Ph_4P[Mn(CO)_5]$ in the Presence of PPh_3^a

$[PPh_3]$, M	Irradn time, s	% conversion ^b	% $cis-PhMn(CO)_4PPh_3^c$	% $Mn(CO)_4PPh_3^-^c$
0.01	15	10	38	33
	30	17	35	38
	45	24	33	37
	60	30	31	37
0.06	15	11	30	28
	30	18	31	32
	45	25	29	33
	60	30	28	37
0.22	15	7	28	82
	30	14	31	71
	45	20	24	70
	60	26	21	65

^a Irradiation at 298 K deoxygenated THF solutions of 0.01 M $Ph_4P[Mn(CO)_5]$ with G. E. Black Light. Irradiation carried out in an infrared cell and analyses were by infrared. ^b Fraction of $Mn(CO)_5^-$ consumed. ^c Yield based on amount of $Mn(CO)_5^-$ consumed.

Table IV. Irradiation of PPN[Mn(CO)₅] in the Presence of Ph₃SnSnPh₃ and PPh₃^a

[PPh ₃]	Irradn time, s	% conversion ^b	% <i>cis</i> Mn(CO) ₄ (SnPh ₃) ₂ ^{-c}	% Mn(CO) ₄ PPh ₃ ^{-c}
0.01	300	72	35	20
	600	90	34	17
0.07	300	75	20	56
	600	90	25	48
0.25	300	75	10	66
	600	90	11	59

^a G. E. Black Light irradiation of a deoxygenated THF solution of 0.01 M PPN[Mn(CO)₅] and 0.01 M Ph₃SnSnPh₃. Irradiation was carried out in an infrared cell and analyses were by infrared. ^b Fraction of Mn(CO)₅⁻ consumed. ^c Yield based on amount of Mn(CO)₅⁻ consumed.

PPh₃ the oxidative addition of 0.01 M Ph₃SnSnPh₃ has been effectively diminished. One complicating feature, though, is that in doing the competition between Ph₃SnSnPh₃ we are using a different counterion for Mn(CO)₅⁻. However, the relative constancy of the yield of *cis*-PhMn(CO)₄PPh₃ in Table III and the substantial attenuation of the yield of *cis*-Mn(CO)₄(SnPh₃)₂⁻ in Table IV do seem to suggest an important role for ion pairing in the oxidative addition of the Ph₄P⁺.

One additional qualitative experiment supports ion pairing in the addition of the cation. Generally, irradiation of the phosphonium or arsonium salts of Mn(CO)₅⁻ was carried out in THF solvent, and irradiation to yield the neutral oxidative addition product is efficient. Irradiation of a CH₃CN solution of 0.01 M Ph₃MeP[Mn(CO)₅] in a closed vessel, however, yielded little or no oxidative addition. Little reaction of any kind was observed (~1% consumption of Mn(CO)₅⁻ in 600 s). Repeat of the experiment in the presence of 0.09 M PPh₃ yielded >90% conversion to Mn(CO)₄PPh₃⁻ in 600 s. Irradiation of Ph₃MeP[Mn(CO)₅] in a CH₃CN solution of HSiPh₃ does yield some of the expected oxidative addition product, although the reaction has a low quantum yield. In the absence of added nucleophile any photogenerated Mn(CO)₄⁻ apparently back reacts with CO to regenerate Mn(CO)₅⁻. Apparently, generation of Mn(CO)₄⁻ ion paired to the phosphonium salt, presumably as in THF, more readily leads to oxidative addition. Ion pairing effects are likely an inescapable phenomenon in the chemistry of metal carbonyl anions.²⁰

Experimental Section

All syntheses were carried out using standard Schlenk techniques under an argon atmosphere. Solvents were distilled from alkali metal ketyls where applicable, and saturated with argon before use. Neutral metal carbonyls and other reagent grade chemicals were purchased from commercial sources and used as received. Elemental analyses were obtained from Alfred Bernhardt Mikroanalytisches Laboratorium (West Germany) or Spang Microanalytical Laboratory (Ann Arbor, Mich.). Infrared solution spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Model 180 grating spectrophotometer in sealed NaCl cells. A Cary Model 17 spectrophotometer was used for electronic spectra, and a Varian Model T-60 instrument was used to record the NMR data.

Irradiations were carried out in Pyrex or Vycor Schlenk tubes with a medium-pressure 550-W mercury Hanovia lamp filtered for the 410–270-nm region (Corning filter no 7-54). The reaction vessel was positioned 5–10 cm from the source, and repeatedly evacuated to remove liberated CO. Short-term irradiations in NaCl infrared cells were done on a G. E. Black Light with output centered at 355 with a width at half-height of ~25 nm. Two 15-W lamps were used supplying ~10⁻⁶ einstein s⁻¹ (cm²)⁻¹ intensity in the experiments performed

here. Appropriately filtered 550-W medium-pressure mercury Hanovia lamps were used to isolate the 366- and 313-nm regions for quantum yield determinations. A low-pressure mercury lamp (Ultra-Violet Products Model SCT-3) was used for the 254-nm studies. Light intensities were measured using ferrioxalate actinometry.²¹

Quantum Yield Determinations. Special precautions were employed in the quantum yield studies to ensure the integrity of dilute, air-sensitive solutions. Stock solutions were cannulated to a septum-sealed 10-mL buret that was previously flushed with argon for 1 h. Volumes accurate to ±0.02 mL were then recannulated into rigorously degassed receivers consisting of Pyrex or Vycor test tubes topped with three-way stopcocks. Finally, the complete assemblies were freeze-pump-thaw degassed four times on an oil diffusion pump. Solutions of Mn(CO)₅⁻ and Mn(CO)₄PPh₃⁻ salts thus prepared resisted decomposition for at least 24 h. Irradiations were at 313 or 366 nm at ~10⁻⁶–10⁻⁷ einstein/min as determined by exposure of actinometers under the same conditions. Reactions of the carbonyls were monitored quantitatively by IR spectroscopy.

Competition Studies. To assess the importance of ion pairing in the photochemical reaction of R₄P[Mn(CO)₅] to give RMn(CO)₄PR₃, competition reactions were run between Ph₄P[Mn(CO)₅] and varying concentrations of PPh₃. Also, PPN[Mn(CO)₅] was photolyzed with an equal concentration of Ph₃SnSnPh₃ and varying concentrations of PPh₃. The reactants were dissolved in THF and irradiated in 0.1-mm NaCl infrared cells using the G. E. Black Light. Product distributions were determined spectroscopically by infrared.

Synthesis of Onium Salts of Mn(CO)₅⁻. Dimanganese decarbonyl (generally 2.00 g) was reduced in 40 mL of tetrahydrofuran (THF) with 5 mL of 1% Na in Hg until the infrared showed only Na[Mn(CO)₅] (ca. 1 h). An equivalent of the appropriate onium halide was dissolved in a minimum of CH₃CN and cannulated into the mercury-free solution of Na[Mn(CO)₅]. Following 1 h of stirring at room temperature, the solution was filtered and evaporated to dryness, leaving a solid that was spectrally free of the sodium salt. Recrystallization in the dark from THF/isooctane provided bright yellow, crystalline samples of Ph₄P[Mn(CO)₅], Ph₄As[Mn(CO)₅], Ph₃MeP[Mn(CO)₅], and PPN[Mn(CO)₅]. All of the salts exhibited surprising air stability as solids, requiring around 2 h of atmospheric exposure before noticeably deteriorating. Solutions were universally air sensitive, however. With the exception of PPN[Mn(CO)₅], the onium salts were photosensitive in solution, giving rise to neutral tetracarbonyls described below.

Photochemistry of Onium Salts of Mn(CO)₅⁻. Solutions of R₄P[Mn(CO)₅] (c 0.02–0.05 M) in THF were irradiated on the filtered Hanovia source until 50% conversion was realized (12–48 h). Longer irradiations resulted in secondary photoreactions of the products. The solids remaining after THF evaporation were extracted with 3× 20 mL of benzene. Following filtration and evaporation of the extracts, the crude neutral products were recrystallized from dichloromethane/isooctane to yield the tetracarbonyls RMn(CO)₄PR₃ (Table I). The compounds were stable indefinitely under argon in the solid state, but they slowly deteriorated in air. All formed bright yellow, moderately air sensitive solutions in the standard organic solvents. They were marginally soluble in alkanes and insoluble in water. Solutions absorbed strongly below 400 nm and the compounds formed unidentified carbonyl species when irradiated in this region.

Related neutral tetracarbonyls of manganese have been reported, and their infrared spectra and physical properties agree well with those of the compounds described here.²² We have also synthesized PhMn(CO)₄PPh₃, PhMn(CO)₄AsPh₃, and PhMn(CO)₄PPh₂Me, via the thermal reaction of PhMn(CO)₅ and the appropriate pnictogen ligand.

PhMn(CO)₄PPh₃. Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₀MnO₄P: C, 66.41; H, 3.98; P, 6.12. Found: C, 66.42; H, 3.96; P, 6.04. Mp 114–116 °C dec.

PhMn(CO)₄AsPh₃. Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₀AsMnO₄: C, 61.11; H, 3.66. Found: C, 61.12; H, 3.71. Mp 130–133 °C dec.

PhMn(CO)₄PPh₂Me. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₁₈MnO₄P: C, 62.18; H, 4.08. Found: C, 62.39; H, 4.18. Mp ~10 °C (an oil at room temperature).

Photochemistry of Mn(CO)₅⁻ and Group IV Substrates. Prolonged near-UV irradiation of either Na[Mn(CO)₅] or PPN[Mn(CO)₅] in THF failed to initiate new product formation. Both salts, however, were cleanly converted to substituted tetracarbonyl anions when solutions were irradiated on the filtered Hanovia source in THF for 12

h with either $HSiPh_3$ or $Ph_3SnSnPh_3$. Chemical yields of PPN^+ salts approached 100%.

The products $PPN[HMn(CO)_4SiPh_3]$ and $PPN[(Ph_3Sn)_2Mn(CO)_4]$ were isolated directly in the photolysis vessel following irradiation of 0.1 M solutions of $PPN[Mn(CO)_5]$ in THF with a fivefold excess of the appropriate substrate. Following trituration with 3×20 mL of benzene to remove excess neutral compounds, the white solids were recrystallized from acetone/diethyl ether, resulting in highly crystalline, air-stable salts (Table I). Neither compound exhibited near-UV absorption bands at longer wavelengths than the PPN^+ band at 275 nm.

The hydride complex exhibited a high-field NMR signal at τ 18.24 in acetone- d_6 , further confirming its identity. It is isoelectronic to the neutral $HFe(CO)_4SiPh_3$ described earlier, also prepared via oxidative addition of the silane across an unsaturated metal carbonyl.¹⁸ The triphenylstannyl compound has been recently synthesized as the Et_4N^+ salt from the reaction of "superreduced" $[Mn(CO)_4]^{3-}$ and Ph_3SnCl .²³

$PPN[HMn(CO)_4SiPh_3]$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{58}H_{46}MnNO_4P_2Si$: C, 72.12; H, 4.80; Mn, 5.69; P, 6.41; Si, 2.91. Found: C, 72.18; H, 4.72; Mn, 5.48; P, 6.30; Si, 2.75. Mp 147–150 °C dec.

$PPN[(Ph_3Sn)_2Mn(CO)_4]$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{76}H_{60}MnNO_4P_2Sn_2$: C, 64.94; H, 4.30; P, 4.41. Found: C, 64.69; H, 4.35; P, 4.61. Mp decomposition above 210 °C.

Synthesis of $Na[Mn(CO)_4PPh_3]$. The literature procedure describing reduction of $Mn_2(CO)_8(PPh_3)_2$ with Na/Hg in THF did not give clean solutions of $Na[Mn(CO)_4PPh_3]$ in our hands. Furthermore, metathesis of the crude Na^+ salt thus prepared led to intractable, rather than crystalline, samples of the Ph_4P^+ and PPN^+ salts. It was recently reported that good yields of $Mn(CO)_4P(C_6H_{11})_3^-$ were obtained from the photolysis of the phosphine and $Mn(CO)_5^-$ in THF,¹³ and we have further confirmed the utility of the method by producing $Na[Mn(CO)_4PPh_3]$ in this manner.

A 0.1 M solution of freshly prepared $Na[Mn(CO)_5]$ in THF was photolyzed for 36 h on the filtered Hanovia lamp in the presence of a threefold excess of PPh_3 . Yellow crystals of $Na[Mn(CO)_4PPh_3]$ were found precipitated at this time. The yield was increased to 60% by concentrating the 80-mL solution to ca. 10 mL and cannulating off the remainder. The very pure but highly air sensitive sodium salt was washed with 3×5 mL of ice-cold THF and 3×20 mL of pentane. Metathesis in CH_3CN with $PPNCl$ or Ph_4PBr produced respectively deep yellow and orange-red crystals of the less air sensitive onium salts, suitably pure for quantum yield and competition studies.

$Ph_4P[Mn(CO)_4PPh_3]$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{46}H_{35}MnO_4P_2$: C, 71.88; H, 4.59; P, 8.06. Found: C, 71.79; H, 4.67; P, 8.23.

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