

Table II. Sonochemical Tin Hydride Reduction^a

entry	halide	tin hydride (equiv)	solv	time, h	sonochemical		control	
					temp, °C	% yield ^b	temp, °C	% yield ^b
1	1-iododecane	Bu ₃ SnH (1.2)	toluene	1	6	90	0	5
2	1-iododecane	Ph ₃ SnH (1.1)	toluene	2	4	65	0	15
3	1-iododecane	Ph ₃ SnH (2)	THF	2	-64	88		
4	5-bromodecane	Bu ₃ SnH (1.2)	toluene	11	14	73	0	8
5	1-bromodecane	Bu ₃ SnH (1.2)	toluene	16	14	66		
6	<i>p</i> -iodoanisole	Bu ₃ SnH (1.2)	toluene	12	40	14	40	1

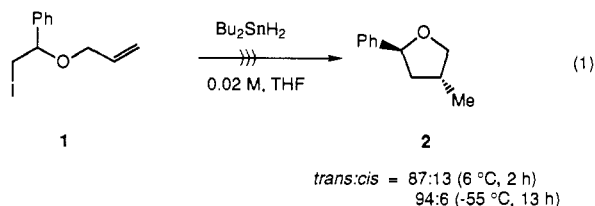
^aThe reaction was carried out in a 0.2 M solution for the halide except in entry 3 (0.5 M). In low-yield runs, high levels of material balance were observed. ^bDetermined by GLC yield.

conversion occurred under otherwise identical conditions. Large rate accelerations were also observed in toluene and THF solutions (entries 2 and 3). The sonochemical hydrostannation of phenylacetylene (entries 4 and 5) and (trimethylsilyl)acetylene¹⁰ (entry 6 and 7) also proceeded very smoothly at low temperatures. The reactions carried out using irradiation proceed 100–600 times faster than those without. It is particularly noteworthy that these reactions take place even at -50 °C (entries 5 and 7).¹¹

The stereochemistry of the hydrostannation reactions (1-hexyne, 0 °C, THF) serves to illustrate the difference between the sonochemical methods and photochemical initiation. Thus, while the former showed very high kinetic *cis* selectivity (entry 3), the latter (400-W high-pressure Hg lamp, Pyrex filter) produced a ~1:1 mixture of *cis* and *trans* isomers (95%) owing to very rapid photochemical equilibration of the product.

Sonochemical hydrostannation of electron-deficient olefins also proceeded smoothly.^{7,12} Thus, addition of Ph₃SnH to unsaturated esters proceeded in good yield at 7–8 °C (Table I, entries 8 and 9). Hydrostannation of a thermally unstable cyclopropenone ketal¹³ (entry 10) was also accomplished very cleanly.¹⁴

Ultrasound initiates tin hydride reduction of organic halide¹⁵ at low ambient temperature. For instance, ultrasound irradiation of a mixture of Bu₃SnH and 1-iododecane in toluene at 0–6 °C (internal) for 1 h resulted in rapid and quantitative formation of decane (Table II, entry 1). Various halides could be reduced similarly at temperatures as low as -60 °C (entry 3). A variety of tin hydrides—Bu₃SnH, Ph₃SnH, and Bu₂SnH₂—can serve as a hydride source, and 10- to 50-fold rate acceleration was generally observed. The low-temperature sonolysis is particularly useful for enhancing the stereoselectivity of radical cyclizations—an important issue in these versatile synthetic reactions.¹⁶ For instance, the sonochemical cyclizations of **1** (eq 1) at 6 °C and



at -55 °C gave the tetrahydrofuran **2** in 60–70% yield with *trans/cis* ratios of 87:13 and 94:6, respectively, while the cycli-

(10) (Trimethylsilyl)acetylene is particularly liable to the formation of a *trans* adduct (cf. ref 6).

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zation under thermal conditions (AIBN, 70 °C, 1 h) gave a 79:21 mixture (77% yield).

The high levels of the observed product selectivities indicate that the dominant fraction of the reaction product has been formed in the cold bulk liquid phase and not in the hot cavities (cf. Scheme I). In contrast to the normal thermal conditions, wherein both the initiation and the propagation steps necessarily take place under an identical thermal environment, the sonochemical conditions permit these steps to be carried out under very different thermal environments.¹⁷

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Synthesis and Metal-Dependent Condensation Reactions of $M(\text{CO})_4(\eta^2\text{-HC}\equiv\text{CH})$ ($M = \text{Ru, Os}$): Formation of Diosmacyclobutene and Heterodimetallacyclopentenones

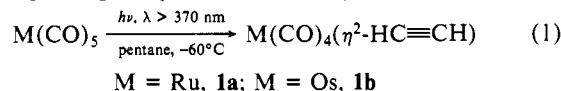
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It is well documented that the reaction of iron group carbonyls with alkynes gives a myriad of organometallic complexes and a large variety of carbonyl-containing cyclic organic compounds.¹ Yet the isolation of the simple ternary acetylene-tetracarbonyl species $M(\text{CO})_4(\eta^2\text{-HC}\equiv\text{CH})$ (**1**), a most plausible intermediate in the reaction with acetylene, has so far remained elusive.^{2,3} Here we report the successful synthesis of such molecules for $M = \text{Ru}$ (**1a**) and $M = \text{Os}$ (**1b**) and communicate some early results that reveal unexpected reactivity of these coordinatively saturated species.

Photolysis of the respective pentacarbonyls in hydrocarbon solution at low temperature, while purging with acetylene, gives the corresponding acetylene-tetracarbonyl compounds (eq 1).



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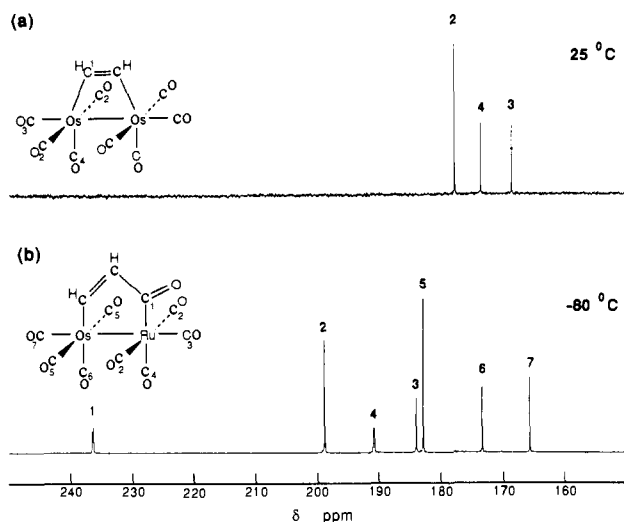
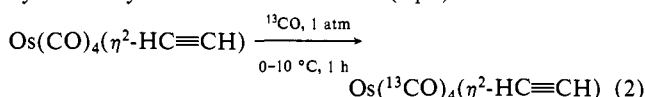


Figure 1. ^{13}C NMR spectra of **2** (a) and **3** (b) in the carbonyl region.

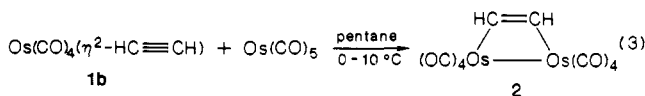
Although the thermal instability of the complexes⁴ has prevented a reliable isolated yield to be determined, IR monitoring of the reaction and further conversion of in situ generated compounds (vide infra) indicate exclusive and virtually quantitative formation of **1a** and **1b**. The spectroscopic data⁵ on the molecules are in accord with a trigonal-bipyramidal structure where the π -acceptor acetylene ligand occupies an in-plane equatorial position, as is the norm for the related $\text{M}(\text{CO})_4(\eta^2\text{-olefin})$ complexes.⁶ In particular, the appearance of two carbonyl signals of equal intensity in the low-temperature ^{13}C NMR spectra of **1a** and **1b** supports this conclusion. Predictably, the molecules are fluxional in solution. Reflecting the better π -acceptor ability of acetylene,⁷ the activation energies for axial-equatorial carbonyl group exchange in **1a** (9.5 kcal/mol) and **1b** (12.3 kcal/mol) are higher than in the related $\text{M}(\text{CO})_4(\eta^2\text{-H}_2\text{C}=\text{CH}_2)$ compounds (Ru = 8.0 kcal/mol, Os = 9.9 kcal/mol).

A surprising discovery was the enhanced solution stability of the compounds under a protective atmosphere of carbon monoxide. The implied CO dissociation initiating decomposition was verified by the ready ^{13}C O enrichment of **1b** (eq 2).



Encouraged by this result and our previous success with directed synthesis of dimetallacycles from $\text{M}(\text{CO})_4(\eta^2\text{-HFB})^{2c}$ (HFB = $\text{CF}_3\text{C}\equiv\text{CCF}_3$), we attempted the reaction of **1b** with other 18-electron species.

Reaction of **1b** with $\text{Os}(\text{CO})_5$ occurs under conditions similar to the ^{13}C O-exchange reaction and gives the heretofore elusive⁸ diosmacyclobutene, $\text{Os}_2(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-}\eta^1\text{-}\eta^1\text{-HCCH})$ (**2**) (eq 3). The



structural formulation, verified by X-ray crystallography,⁹ follows from the spectroscopic data.¹⁰ In particular, the APT ^{13}C NMR

(4) Compound **1a** starts to decompose in hydrocarbon solution above -30°C ; **1b** shows significant deterioration above 0°C .

(5) IR (pentane, -60°C , cm^{-1}) ν_{CO} : **1a**, 2115 (w), 2037 (s), 2028 (m), 2002 (s); **1b**, 2122 (w), 2036 (s), 2027 (m), 1994 (s); $\nu_{\text{C}\equiv\text{C}}$: **1a**, 1670 (m); **1b**, 1642 (m). ^1H NMR (CD_2Cl_2 , -83°C , δ): **1a**, 5.70 (s); **1b**, 6.16 (s). ^{13}C NMR (CD_2Cl_2 , δ): **1a** (-108°C), 200.5 (CO), 193.4 (CO), 70.1 (C_2H_2); **1b** (-86°C), 179.9 (CO), 173.3 (CO), 73.5 (C_2H_2).

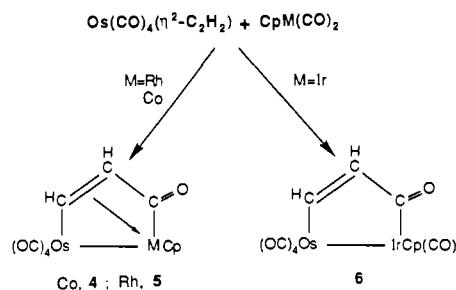
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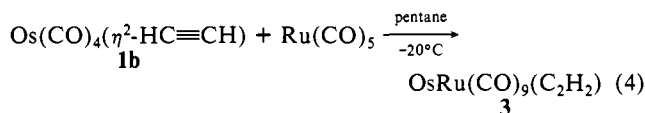
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Scheme I



spectrum clearly shows that the bridging unit contains carbon atoms attached to a single hydrogen atom only, thus ruling out the alternate μ -vinylidene, $\text{Os}_2(\text{CO})_8(\mu_2\text{-C}=\text{CH}_2)$, formulation.¹¹

More remarkable than the reaction with $\text{Os}(\text{CO})_5$ is the interaction of **1b** with $\text{Ru}(\text{CO})_5$. As shown in eq 4, this reaction



occurs already at -20°C and involves the condensation of two 18-electron species *without any ligand loss*. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum of the compound, Figure 1b, uniquely defines the molecular formulation,¹² which has been corroborated in the solid state by X-ray crystallography.⁹ Although the central dimetal-lacyclopentenone core is not novel,¹³ the method of formation of compound **3** is, to our knowledge, unprecedented.

With a view to probe the reactivity of **1b** and with an established precedent provided by $\text{Ru}(\text{CO})_4(\eta^2\text{-HFB})^{2c}$, the reaction with $\text{CpM}(\text{CO})_2$ (M = Co, Rh, Ir; Cp = $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$) was carried out. Gratifyingly, these reactions proceed readily as well and, as shown in Scheme I, provide another metal-dependent facet of the condensation reaction.¹⁴ The observed loss of carbon monoxide with cobalt and rhodium is not contrary to the well-known decrease in metal-ligand bond strength as a transition-metal triad is ascended.

The structural diversity exhibited by the simple acetylene derivative **1b** is in sharp contrast to the related HFB complex, which gave only alkyne-bridged dimetallic species.^{2c} The opportunities offered by this richness of chemistry as well as further reactivity of compounds **2-6** are actively pursued. The relevance of these species to surface-bound acetylene and its subsequent transformation¹⁵ will also be elaborated in future publications.

(10) **2**: moderately air stable, colorless to pale yellow solid, mp 76°C (dec), yield 92%; IR (pentane, cm^{-1}) ν_{CO} 2129 (w), 2082 (s), 2042 (vs), 2024 (s), 2013 (s), 1997 (s), 1970 (w); ^1H NMR (CD_2Cl_2 , 25°C , δ) 6.96 (s); ^{13}C NMR (CD_2Cl_2 , 25°C , δ) 178.4 (2 CO), 173.9 (1 CO), 169.2 (1 CO), 98.4 (C_2H_2). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_2\text{O}_8\text{Os}_2$: C, 19.05; H, 0.32. Found: C, 19.57; H, 0.47.

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(12) **3**: moderately air stable, yellow solid, mp 82°C , yield 95%; IR (pentane, cm^{-1}) ν_{CO} 2129 (w), 2126 (w), 2088 (s), 2066 (m), 2055 (m), 2047 (vs), 2040 (s), 2019 (m), 2011 (s), 2000 (w); $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{O}}$ 1635 (m); ^1H NMR (CD_2Cl_2 , 25°C , δ) 8.17 (d, $J_{\text{H-H}} = 9$ Hz), 7.46 (d, $J_{\text{H-H}} = 9$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR of fully ^{13}C O-enriched material (CD_2Cl_2 , -80°C , δ) 236.3 (d, C=O), CO_{Ru} {198.9 (2), 190.9 (d, 1), 184.0 (1)}, CO_{Os} {182.9 (2), 173.2 (1), 165.5 (1)}, 166.5 (Os-CH), 131.4 (Ru-COCH). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_2\text{O}_9\text{OsRu}$: C, 23.20; H, 0.35; O, 25.29. Found: C, 23.13; H, 0.41; O, 25.07.

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Generation and Trapping of *O*-Alkyl Metathiophosphates

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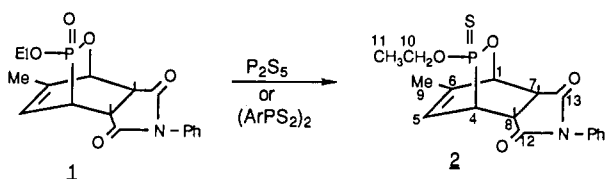
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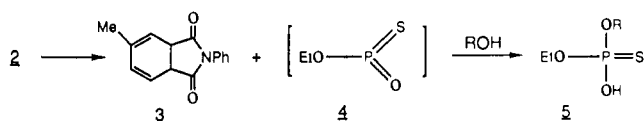
We have synthesized the first P-sulfides with the 2,3-oxaphosphabicyclo[2.2.2]octene ring system. These compounds are of interest since the P-O bridging unit might be eliminated to produce the first examples of the family of alkyl metathiophosphates, RO-P(S)O. This possibility is suggested from previously reported results with P-oxides in this series, whose fragmentation by both thermal¹ and photochemical² means to form alkyl metaphosphates has been studied. No previous attempts to generate alkyl metathiophosphates have been reported, although the anion (PSO₂⁻) of the corresponding acid has been detected as a transient species in solution.^{3,4} This anion appears to be more stable than PO₃⁻, and a salt of the anion PS₃⁻ has actually been isolated and characterized.⁵

A precursor for *O*-ethyl metathiophosphate has structure **2**; it was prepared as a crystalline solid, mp 138-139 °C, isolated in 35-40% yield, by thionation of ester **1** (with retention of configuration⁶) with phosphorus pentasulfide or Lawesson's reagent, (*p*-CH₃OC₆H₄PS₂)₂. These reactions are best conducted at room temperature in CH₂Cl₂ to prevent loss of the P-O bridging unit; 5-6 days are required for complete reaction. Compound **2** has been characterized by elemental analysis (C, H, N) and by NMR spectral measurements.⁷



On being heated in dry toluene for 2 h at 110 °C, **2** was completely consumed in a fragmentation process that produced the known¹ dienic compound **3**, and hence is presumed to release the bridging unit as *O*-ethyl metathiophosphate (**4**). The complexity of the ³¹P NMR spectrum of the reaction mixture suggested that **4** reacted immediately to form other products. However, when

ethyl or isopropyl alcohols (about 1 equiv) were included in the reaction mixture as trapping agents, the ³¹P NMR spectrum was totally different and possessed only one significant signal, in the region expected for an *O,O*-dialkyl thionophosphate (**5**), as would arise from a reaction of the alcohol with an initially generated metathiophosphate. Compound **5a** (lit.⁸ δ ³¹P 64) was isolated



5a, R=Et, δ ³¹P (CDCl₃) 63.9
5b, R=i-Pr, δ ³¹P (CDCl₃) 61.2
5c, R=i-Bu, δ ³¹P (CDCl₃) 56.5

by chromatography on silica gel, with elution by methanol, and its structure confirmed through spectral studies.⁹ Similarly, the new ester **5b** was synthesized and characterized.¹⁰

Compound **2** (in dioxane or acetonitrile) was also fragmented efficiently on irradiation at 254 nm in the quartz apparatus described elsewhere.² The reaction was complete in a few hours at ambient temperatures (around 35 °C). When 1 equiv of ethanol or 2-propanol was present, the released phosphorus fragment was cleanly trapped, as in the thermal fragmentation, as **5a** and **5b**, respectively. From *tert*-butyl alcohol, thionophosphate **5c** was most efficiently formed when triethylamine² was also present.

The mechanism of these thermal and photochemical fragmentations (concerted or stepwise) has not yet been studied, but from the alcohol-trapping reactions the structure of the P-containing fragment at the time of its release from the carbon framework seems reasonably represented as that of a metathiophosphate. To provide confirmation of this proposal, we have prepared a metathiophosphate precursor with an optically active *O*-substituent. Our postulate was that a metathiophosphate with such a substituent would give two diastereomeric thionophosphates on attack of an alcohol, since a new chiral center is being created at phosphorus. The diastereomers should form in equal or nearly equal amounts, since the metathiophosphate is presumably planar and attack of the alcohol could occur at both faces with equal probability, except possibly for a small asymmetric induction effect. This postulate follows from the observation that the metaphosphate ion ¹⁶O¹⁷O¹⁸OP⁻, when generated by the action of base on an aryl phosphate, gives a racemic mixture on reaction with an alcohol.¹¹ This is taken as proof of the existence of the planar metaphosphate ion as a free species. We therefore synthesized the (*S*)-*sec*-butyl ester **6** by the same procedure used for **2**, giving a mixture of diastereomers having δ ³¹P NMR (CDCl₃) 86.50 and 87.05, and having the expected ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra and elemental analysis. When ester **6** was heated in toluene with ethanol present, the expected thionophosphate **8** was formed, as determined by ³¹P, ¹³C, and ¹H NMR analysis. However, the product was seen to be a 1:1 mixture of isomers; this was especially evident from

(7) Calcd for C₁₇H₁₈NO₄PS: C, 56.1; H, 4.99; N, 3.85. Found: C, 56.0; H, 5.08; N, 3.78. ³¹P NMR (CDCl₃, 121.4 MHz) δ +86.1 (downfield from H₃PO₄); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz, couplings confirmed by 2D COSY) δ 1.31 (t, 3 H, ³J_{HH} = 7.0 Hz, H-11), 1.96 (d of d, 3H, *J* = 1.8 and 4.7 Hz, H-9), 3.62-3.72 (m, 1 H, H-4), 3.89-3.94 (m, 2 H, H-7,8), 4.13-4.30 (m, 2 H, H-10), 5.21 (d of m, 1 H, ³J_{PH} = 21.4 Hz, H-1), 6.12 (m, 1 H, H-5), 7.1-7.5 (m, 5 H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50.31 MHz) δ 16.3 (*J*_{PC} = 5.7 Hz, C-11), 19.9 (*J*_{PC} = 2.6 Hz, C-9), 38.4 (s, C-8), 39.8 (*J*_{PC} = 93.9 Hz, C-4), 45.8 (*J*_{PC} = 8.8 Hz, C-7), 64.4 (*J*_{PC} = 6.2 Hz, C-10), 77.7 (*J*_{PC} = 5.7 Hz, C-1), 122.8 (*J*_{PC} = 12.9 Hz, C-5), 140.2 (*J*_{PC} = 13.3 Hz, C-6), 172.9 (s, C-13), 175.3 (*J*_{PC} = 22.8 Hz, C-12), C₆H₅ at 126.2, 129.1, 129.3, 131.3.

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(10) ¹H NMR (D₂O, 80 MHz) δ 1.17 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, Me₂C), 1.25 (t, *J*_{PH} = 7 Hz, CH₃CH₂), 3.7-4.2 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 4.3-4.6 (m, 1 H, OCH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50.31 MHz) δ 16.2 (*J*_{PC} = 8.4 Hz, CH₃CH₂), 23.7 (*J*_{PC} = 4.0 Hz, CH₃CH), 24.0 (*J*_{PC} = 4.7 Hz, CH₃CH), 63.0 (*J*_{PC} = 5.3 Hz, CH₂), 71.7 (*J*_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, CH).

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