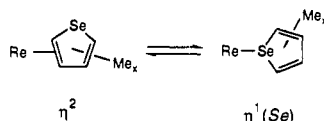


Synthesis, Reactivity, and ^{77}Se NMR Studies of the η^2 - and $\eta^1(\text{Se})$ -Selenophene Complexes $\text{Cp}'(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\text{Sel})$

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Abstract: Selenophenes coordinate in $\text{Cp}'(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\text{Sel})$ ($\text{Cp}' = \text{C}_5\text{H}_5$ or C_5Me_5 ; $\text{Sel} =$ selenophenes) as a rapidly equilibrating mixture of $\eta^1(\text{Se})$ and η^2 isomers. Increasing the electron density on the Re by replacing Cp with Cp^* favors η^2 -coordination,



while addition of methyl groups to the selenophene favors the $\eta^1(\text{Se})$ isomer. These shifts in the $\eta^2 \rightleftharpoons \eta^1(\text{Se})$ equilibrium can be readily explained by noting that electron-donating methyl groups in the selenophene enhance the donor ability of the Se and reduce the π -acceptor ability of the olefin which favors Se-coordination, while increasing the electron density on the Re strengthens π -back-bonding to the η^2 ligand. The uncoordinated selenophene Se atom in $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-Sel})$ (**1**) is capable of binding to $\text{M}(\text{CO})_4(\text{L})(\text{THF})$ ($\text{M} = \text{Cr}, \text{Mo}, \text{W}$; $\text{L} = \text{CO}$ or PPh_3) to give dinuclear selenophene-bridged complexes $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{Se})\text{-Sel})[\text{M}(\text{CO})_4(\text{L})]$ in which the selenophene is η^2 bonded to the Re and Se-bonded to a second metal (M). The reaction of **1** with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$ gives three different types of compounds. One of them (**11**) results from $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4$ addition to the Se of the η^2 isomer; another presumably results from coordination of $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ to the diene portion of the $\eta^1(\text{Se})$ isomer. The third product has a thiaferrole-type structure in which a C-Se bond has been cleaved. ^{77}Se NMR studies of these different types of selenophene complexes are also reported.

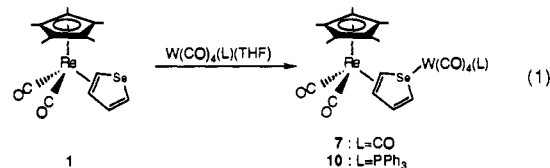
Introduction

One aspect of our studies of the mechanism(s) of thiophene hydrodesulfurization (HDS) on heterogeneous catalysts² involves examining various modes of thiophene (T) coordination³ on transition-metal catalysts. It would be desirable to probe thiophene bonding on heterogeneous catalysts by comparing spectroscopic properties of adsorbed thiophene with those of thiophene in its fully characterized complexes. Solid-state NMR would be a useful spectroscopy for making such comparisons; however sulfur isotopes are not generally suitable for NMR studies. On the other hand, ^{77}Se with a 7.6% natural abundance and a nuclear spin of $1/2$ has a receptivity that is 2.98 times greater⁴ than that of ^{13}C and a chemical shift range that is much greater than that of ^{13}C .⁵ Selenophene has structural, bonding, and reactivity properties that are very similar to those of thiophene.⁶ Therefore, we have begun studies of selenophene (Sel) as a model for thiophene adsorbed on HDS catalysts and coordinated in transition-metal complexes. In the present paper, we report a study of three different modes of selenophene coordination in its complexes.



Very few selenophene complexes are known; the first were the $\eta^5\text{-Sel}$ derivatives $(\eta^5\text{-SeC}_4\text{R}_2\text{H}_2)\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3$ ($\text{R} = \text{H}$ or Me)⁷ in

which the selenophene is π -coordinated through all five atoms in the ring. The other was the $\eta^2\text{-Sel}$ complex (eq 1) communicated⁸



by us in 1990; this bonding mode was especially interesting because the analogous thiophene complex $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\text{T})$ contained an S-bound thiophene. Complex **1** reacted with $\text{W}(\text{CO})_4(\text{L})(\text{THF})$ to give complexes in which the Sel is η^2 -coordinated to the Re and Se bound to the W.⁸ In the present paper, we describe further details of selenophene coordination and reactivity in the $\text{Cp}'(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}$ system; ^{77}Se NMR studies of these complexes are also presented.

Experimental Section

General Procedures. All reactions were performed under an N_2 atmosphere in reagent grade solvents, using standard Schlenk techniques.⁹ Diethyl ether (Et_2O) and tetrahydrofuran (THF) were distilled from $\text{Na}/\text{benzophenone}$, CH_2Cl_2 and hexanes from CaH_2 . The solvents were stored over 4-Å molecular sieves under N_2 . The neutral alumina (~ 150 mesh, Brockman I, Aldrich) used for chromatography was deoxygenated at room temperature under high vacuum for 16 h, deactivated with 5% (w/w) N_2 -saturated water, shaken, and stored under N_2 . The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were obtained on both Nicolet NT-300 and Varian VXR-300 spectrometers with CDCl_3 as the internal lock. The ^{77}Se NMR spectra were recorded on the Varian VXR-300 spectrometer and referenced to selenophene (605 ppm) at room temperature. Electron-ionization mass spectra (EIMS) were run on a Finnigan 4000 spectrometer. Fast atom bombardment (FAB) spectra were obtained with use of a Kratos MS-50 mass spectrometer. Infrared spectra were obtained on either a Perkin-Elmer 681 or Digilab FTS-7 FT-IR spectrometer. Elemental analyses were performed by Galbraith Laboratories, Inc., Knoxville, TN. Photochemical reactions (using a 450W mercury UV lamp) were carried out in a quartz tube which was maintained at -20°C with

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use of a Lauda RK 20 constant temperature circulator.

The following compounds were prepared by literature methods: $\text{Cp}^*\text{Re}(\text{CO})_3$,¹⁰ $\text{CpRe}(\text{CO})_3$,¹¹ $\text{W}(\text{CO})_5(\text{PPh}_3)$,¹² SeI ,¹³ 2-MeSeI,¹⁴ 2,5-Me₂SeI.¹⁵

$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-SeI})$ (**1**). A solution of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\text{THF})$, prepared by UV irradiation¹⁶ of a THF solution (30 mL) of $\text{Cp}^*\text{Re}(\text{CO})_3$ (0.20 g, 0.49 mmol) at -20°C , was stirred with selenophene (2.0 mL, 24.5 mmol) at room temperature for 7 h. Following removal of the solvent in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on a neutral alumina column (1 × 15 cm). First, unreacted $\text{Cp}^*\text{Re}(\text{CO})_3$ was eluted with hexanes and then a yellow band was obtained with hexanes- CH_2Cl_2 (4:1). The yellow eluent was concentrated and cooled to -20°C to give moderately air-stable light yellow crystals of **1** (0.11 g, 44%). IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: 1962 (s), 1898 (s) cm^{-1} . EIMS (70 eV) m/e 510 (M^+ , based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se), 454 ($\text{M}^+ - 2\text{CO}$), 378 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{SeI}$), 350 ($\text{M}^+ - (\text{SeI} + \text{CO})$). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_2\text{ReSe}$: C, 37.79; H, 3.77. Found: 37.96; H, 3.75.

$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-2-MeSeI})$ (**2a**) and $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{SeI})\text{-2-MeSeI})$ (**2b**). This compound was prepared in a similar manner as described for **1** starting with $\text{Cp}^*\text{Re}(\text{CO})_3$ (0.20 g, 0.49 mmol) and 2-MeSeI (0.50 mL, 0.80 g, 5.6 mmol). After chromatography, the product **2** was isolated as moderately air-stable light-yellow crystals (0.13 g, 48%). IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: (**2a**) 1962 (s), 1898 (s) cm^{-1} ; (**2b**) 1927 (s), 1865 (s) cm^{-1} . EIMS (16 eV) m/e 524 (M^+ , based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se), 468 ($\text{M}^+ - 2\text{CO}$), 378 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{MeSeI}$), 350 ($\text{M}^+ - (\text{MeSeI} + \text{CO})$). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{ReSe}$: C, 39.08; H, 4.05. Found: C, 39.09; H, 4.05.

$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{SeI})\text{-2,5-Me}_2\text{SeI})$ (**3**). Complex **3** was synthesized in the same manner as described for **1** starting with $\text{Cp}^*\text{Re}(\text{CO})_3$ (0.20 g, 0.49 mmol) and 2,5-Me₂SeI (0.40 mL, 4.0 mmol). The product **3** was obtained as yellow, moderately air-stable crystals (0.12 g, 46%). IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: 1925 (s), 1866 (s) cm^{-1} . EIMS (70 eV) m/e 538 (M^+ , based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se), 482 ($\text{M}^+ - 2\text{CO}$), 378 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{Me}_2\text{SeI}$), 350 ($\text{M}^+ - (\text{Me}_2\text{SeI} + \text{CO})$). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2\text{ReSe}$: C, 40.29; H, 4.32. Found: C, 40.20; H, 4.35.

$\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-SeI})$ (**4a**) and $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{SeI})\text{-SeI})$ (**4b**). The synthesis of **4a** and **4b** follows that used for **1** starting with $\text{CpRe}(\text{CO})_3$ (0.10 g, 0.30 mmol) and SeI (1.0 mL, 12.2 mmol). After workup as described for **1**, the mixture of **4a** and **4b** was obtained as moderately air-stable yellow crystals (51 mg, 39% yield). IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: (**4a**) 1973 (s), 1906 (s) cm^{-1} ; (**4b**) 1943 (m), 1883 (m) cm^{-1} . EIMS (70 eV) m/e 440 (M^+ , based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se), 384 ($\text{M}^+ - 2\text{CO}$), 308 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{SeI}$), 280 ($\text{M}^+ - (\text{SeI} + \text{CO})$). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_9\text{O}_2\text{ReSe}$: C, 30.14; H, 2.07. Found: C, 30.66; H, 2.13.

$\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{SeI})\text{-2-MeSeI})$ (**5**). Compound **5** was prepared by the same method as described for **1** starting with $\text{CpRe}(\text{CO})_3$ (0.10 g, 0.30 mmol) and 2-MeSeI (0.50 mL, 0.80 g, 5.6 mmol). Moderately air-stable yellow crystals (58 mg, 43%) were obtained. IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: 1942 (s), 1880 (s) cm^{-1} ; EIMS (70 eV) m/e 454 (M^+ , based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se), 398 ($\text{M}^+ - 2\text{CO}$), 308 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{MeSeI}$), 280 ($\text{M}^+ - (\text{MeSeI} + \text{CO})$).

Reaction of 1 with $\text{Me}_2\text{O}(\text{BF}_4)$ To Give $[\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-SeI}\text{-}\text{CH}_2)]\text{-}(\text{BF}_4)$ (6**).** To a solution of **1** (35 mg, 0.069 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) was added $\text{Me}_2\text{O}(\text{BF}_4)$ (12 mg, 0.081 mmol). After being stirred at room temperature for 1 h, the solution was filtered through Celite. Following evaporation of the solvent, the light yellow residue was recrystallized from $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-Et}_2\text{O}$ (1:10) at -20°C to yield pale yellow crystals of **6** (11 mg, 26%). IR (CH_2Cl_2) $\nu(\text{CO})$: 1980 (s), 1905 (s) cm^{-1} . FAB MS ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-3-nitrobenzyl alcohol matrix}$): m/e 525 (M^+ , based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{22}\text{BF}_4\text{O}_2\text{ReSe}$: C, 33.46; H, 3.63. Found: C, 33.17; H, 3.60.

Reaction of 1 with $\text{W}(\text{CO})_5(\text{THF})$ To Give $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-}\text{SeI})\text{W}(\text{CO})_5$ (7**).** A solution of $\text{W}(\text{CO})_5(\text{THF})$ ¹⁷ was generated by UV irradiation of a THF solution (25 mL) of $\text{W}(\text{CO})_6$ (60 mg, 0.17 mmol). To the stirred solution of $\text{W}(\text{CO})_5(\text{THF})$ was added **1** (50 mg, 0.098

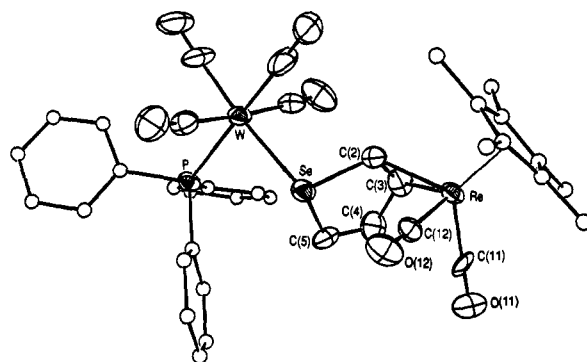


Figure 1. ORTEP drawing of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-}\text{SeI})[\text{W}(\text{CO})_5(\text{PPh}_3)]$ (**10**).

mmol) at room temperature. The resulting solution was stirred for 7 h. After evaporation of the solution to dryness in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on neutral alumina (1 × 10 cm) with hexanes- CH_2Cl_2 (2:1) as the eluent. The yellow band was collected and reduced in volume under vacuum. Slow cooling of the concentrated solution to -70°C gave air-stable, pale-yellow crystals (57 mg, 70%). IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: 2076 (w), 1980 (w), 1940 (s), 1932 (s), 1924 (s), 1912 (m) cm^{-1} . EIMS (70 eV) m/e 778 ($\text{M}^+ - 2\text{CO}$, based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se), 750 ($\text{M}^+ - 3\text{CO}$), 722 ($\text{M}^+ - 4\text{CO}$), 694 ($\text{M}^+ - 5\text{CO}$), 510 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{W}(\text{CO})_5$). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_7\text{ReSeW}$: C, 30.30; H, 2.30. Found: C, 30.58; H, 2.34.

Reaction of 1 with $\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_5(\text{THF})$ To Give $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-}\text{SeI})\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_5$ (8**).** Compound **1** was reacted with $\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_5(\text{THF})$ in a similar manner as described for **7** starting with $\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_5$ (51 mg, 0.19 mmol) and **1** (65 mg, 0.13 mmol). Air-stable, tan-yellow crystals of **8** (63 mg, 66%) were obtained. IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: 2071 (w), 1978 (m), 1949 (s), 1941 (s), 1927 (s), 1912 (m) cm^{-1} . FAB MS ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-3-nitrobenzyl alcohol matrix}$): m/e 510 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{Mo}(\text{CO})_5$, based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se).

Reaction of 1 with $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5(\text{THF})$ To Give $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-}\text{SeI})\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5$ (9**).** Compound **1** was reacted with $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5(\text{THF})$ in a similar manner as described for **7** starting with $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5$ (45 mg, 0.20 mmol) and **1** (60 mg, 0.12 mmol). Pale yellow, air-stable crystals of **9** (59 mg, 71%) were obtained. IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: 2061 (w), 1978 (m), 1943 (s), 1934 (s), 1926 (s), 1913 (m) cm^{-1} . FAB MS ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-3-nitrobenzyl alcohol matrix}$): m/e 702 (M^+ , based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se), 510 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5$). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{CrO}_7\text{ReSe}$: C, 36.01; H, 2.73. Found: C, 36.07; H, 2.73.

Reaction of 1 with $\text{W}(\text{CO})_4(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{THF})$ To Give $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-}\text{SeI})[\text{W}(\text{CO})_4(\text{PPh}_3)]$ (10**).** To a solution of $\text{W}(\text{CO})_4(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{THF})$,¹⁸ prepared by UV photolysis of $\text{W}(\text{CO})_5(\text{PPh}_3)$ (90 mg, 0.015 mmol) in 25 mL of THF, was added **1** (60 mg, 0.12 mmol). After the solution was stirred for 7 h, the product **10** was isolated as air-stable, pale-yellow crystals (92 mg, 73%) following the workup used for **7**. IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$: 2014 (m), 1955 (m), 1908 (m), 1873 (s), 1852 (s) cm^{-1} . FAB MS ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-3-nitrobenzyl alcohol matrix}$): m/e 1068 (M^+ , based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se), 510 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{W}(\text{CO})_4(\text{PPh}_3)$).

Reaction of 1 with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$ To Give **11, **12**, and **13**.** To a THF (20 mL) solution of **1** (70 mg, 0.14 mmol) was added $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$ (100 mg, 0.27 mmol) at room temperature. With 24 h of stirring, the solution color changed from pale yellow to red orange. After the solvent was evaporated in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on neutral alumina (1 × 15 cm). The first band, eluted with hexanes, was concentrated under vacuum and slowly cooled to -20°C to give air-stable, needle-shaped red crystals of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2\text{-SeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ (**13**) (15 mg, 14%). The second and third yellow bands were eluted with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-hexanes}$ (1:4). Slow cooling of solutions from these bands to -20°C gave moderately air-stable yellow crystals of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-}\text{SeI})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4$ (**11**) (22 mg, 25%) and $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-}\text{SeI})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ (**12**) (26 mg, 28%), respectively. **11**: IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$ 2062 (s), 2002 (s), 1990 (s), 1900 (s), 1862 (s) cm^{-1} ; CIMS (ammonia), m/e 651 ($\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$, based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_5\text{FeReSe}$: C, 35.20; H, 2.95. Found: C, 35.28; H, 2.97. **12**: IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$ 2060 (s), 2000 (s), 1989 (s), 1920 (s), 1900 (s), 1862 (s) cm^{-1} ; CIMS (ammonia), m/e 679 ($\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$, based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_5\text{FeReSe}$: C, 35.52; H, 2.83. Found: C, 34.87; H, 2.54. **13**: IR (hexanes) $\nu(\text{CO})$ 2064 (m), 2034 (s), 2018 (m), 1995 (s), 1974 (m), 1938 (w), 1921 (w), 1906 (m) cm^{-1} ; CIMS (ammonia) m/e 790 ($\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$, based on ^{187}Re and ^{80}Se). Anal. Calcd

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Table I. ¹H NMR Data (δ) for the Complexes in CDCl₃

compd	H2	H3	H4	H5	Cp or Cp*	Me on Sel
1	4.52 (d) ^e	3.64 (br m)	7.02 (br m)	6.68 (d) ^b	1.98 (s)	
2a		6.57 (m)	3.58 (m)	4.45 (d) ^c	1.97 (s)	2.29 (s)
2b		6.82 (m)	7.03 (m)	7.64 (d) ^d	1.97 (s)	2.35 (s)
3		6.59 (s)	6.59 (s)		1.97 (s)	2.26 (s)
4a ^e	5.62 (d) ^f	4.70 (br m)	6.98 (br m)	6.86 (d) ^g	5.11 (s)	
4b ^e	7.97 (d) ^h	7.15 (d)	7.15 (d)	7.97 (d)	4.80 (s)	
5		6.73 (br m)	6.93 (dd) ⁱ	7.70 (d)	4.82 (s)	2.42 (s)
6	4.46 (d)	3.17 (dd) ^j	7.64 (dd)	6.10 (d)	2.07 (s)	3.06 (s)
7	4.16 (d) ^k	3.18 (br m)	7.01 (br m)	6.29 (d) ^l	2.01 (s)	
8	4.14 (d) ^m	3.21 (m)	7.04 (m)	6.35 (d) ⁿ	2.01 (s)	
9	4.06 (br s)	3.19 (br s)	7.07 (br s)	6.28 (br s)	2.00 (s)	
10	4.32 (d)	3.19 (dd) ^o	6.82 (dd)	5.29 (d)	1.97 (s)	7.53–7.38 (m)
11	4.02 (d)	3.20 (dd) ^p	7.09 (dd)	6.12 (d)	2.01 (s)	
12	5.85 (m)	3.54 (m)	3.54 (m)	5.85 (m)	1.99 (s)	
13	1.94 (m)	2.88 (m) ^q	5.87 (dd) ^r	8.54 (dd)	1.94 (s)	
Sel	8.05 (m)	7.37 (m)	7.37 (m)	8.05 (m)		
2-MeSel		6.92 (m)	7.11 (m)	7.64 (m)		2.35 (s)
2,5-Me ₂ Sel		6.65 (s)	6.65 (s)			2.50 (s)

^a *J* = 5.4 Hz. ^b *J* = 5.1 Hz. ^c *J* = 6.3 Hz. ^d *J* = 4.8 Hz. ^e 0 °C. ^f *J* = 5.7 Hz. ^g *J* = 5.4 Hz. ^h *J* = 6.0 Hz. ⁱ *J* = 5.7, 5.4 Hz. ^j *J* = 5.1, 5.4 Hz. ^k *J* = 6.0 Hz. ^l *J* = 5.4 Hz. ^m *J* = 6.0 Hz. ⁿ *J* = 5.7 Hz. ^o *J* = 5.7, 6.3 Hz. ^p *J* = 6.0, 5.4 Hz. ^q *J*_{H2,3} = 5.5 Hz, *J*_{H3,4} = 2.5 Hz. ^r *J*_{H3,5} = 1.0 Hz, *J*_{H4,5} = 8.8 Hz.

Table II. ¹³C{¹H} NMR Data (δ) for the Complexes in CDCl₃

compd	selenophene	Cp* or Cp	Me on Cp*	CO	Me on Sel
1	134.3 (C4), 119.8 (C5), 52.4 (C3), 46.4 (C2)	97.4	10.3	205.4, 205.0	
2	140.6, 132.4, 130.1, 128.3, 53.5, 47.3	97.3, 94.8	10.2, 10.6	206.1, 206.0, 205.3	15.8, 18.1
3	129.4, 128.2	94.5	10.5	<i>b</i>	16.2
4 ^a	147.8, 134.2, 131.1, 121.7, 49.4, 43.4	88.1, 82.0		202.9, 202.5, 202.3	
5	144.2, 131.4, 127.2			202.1	15.9
6	156.8, 111.7, 45.7, 37.7	101.0	10.0	204.4, 201.7	27.5
7	140.9, 119.1, 51.1, 44.0	99.0	10.1	204.9, 200.9, 198.1	
8	139.8, 119.5, 50.1, 44.9	98.8		205.3, 201.0	
9	140.9, 119.0, 49.0, 44.7	98.9		216.2, 204.9, 203.3	
11	143.2, 118.6, 51.1, 43.7	99.2	10.1	214.7, 204.8, 203.0	
12	87.0, 46.2	94.9	10.7	207.4, 208.8	
13	173.8 (C5), 111.0 (C4), 45.1 (C2), 23.2 (C3)	98.3	10.0	211.1, 207.0	
Sel	130.3, 129.3				
2-MeSel	146.4, 129.3, 128.4, 127.6				17.9
2,5-Me ₂ Sel	144.3, 127.1				18.1

^a At 0 °C. ^b Not observed due to low intensity.

for C₂₂H₁₉O₈Fe₂ReSe: C, 33.57; H, 2.43. Found: C, 33.56; H, 2.42.

X-ray Structure Determination of 13. A single crystal of complex 13 suitable for X-ray diffraction study was obtained by recrystallization from hexanes solution at -20 °C. A single crystal was carefully mounted on the tip of a glass fiber. The X-ray diffraction intensity data were collected on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer and the cell constants were determined from a list of reflections found by an automated search routine. The empirical absorption correction was made on the basis of a series of ψ scans. No decay corrections were necessary. Relevant crystal data and parameters associated with the data and parameters associated with the data collection for 13 are given in Table IV.

The positions of the Re, Se, and Fe atoms were obtained by direct methods.¹⁹ The remainder of the non-hydrogen atoms were located in a difference Fourier map. In the final cycles of refinement, all of the non-hydrogen atoms were given anisotropic temperature factors.

Hydrogen atoms were not included in the model. Refinement of the structure was carried out with the CAD4-SDP package²⁰ with use of scattering factors from the usual sources.²¹ Selected bond distances and angles for 13, together with some for 10,⁸ are presented in Tables V and VI; ORTEP drawings of 10 and 13 are given in Figures 1 and 2, respectively.

Results and Discussion

Synthesis of Cp'(CO)₂Re(Sel) Complexes and Interconversion of the η²- and η¹(Se) Isomers. The reaction of Cp*(CO)₂Re(THF) with selenophene in THF solution results in the formation of 2,3-η²-selenophene complex 1 (Scheme I). The ¹H NMR

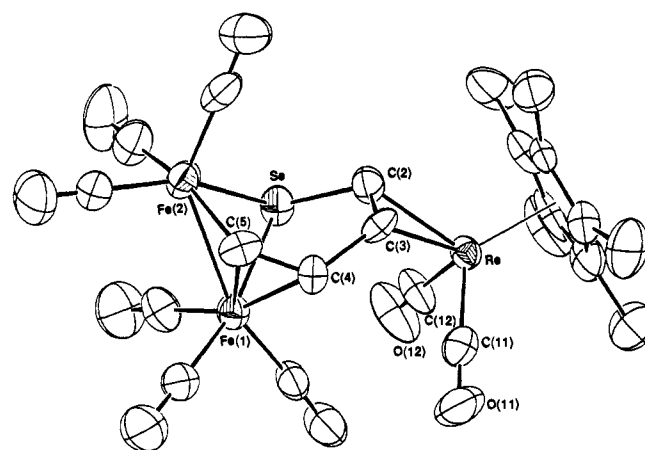


Figure 2. ORTEP drawing of Cp*(CO)₂Re(μ₂-η⁶-SeC₄H₄Fe(CO)₃)Fe(CO)₃ (13).

spectrum (Table I) of 1 [δ 4.52 (H2), 3.64 (H3), 7.02 (H4), 6.72 (H5)] in CDCl₃ shows that the two selenophene protons on the coordinated C(2)–C(3) bond are shifted substantially upfield compared to those in free selenophene [δ 8.05 (m, H2,5), 7.37 (m, H3,4) in CDCl₃].²² In the ¹³C NMR spectrum (Table II) of 1, two of the four carbon resonances [δ 46.4 (C2), 52.4 (C3), 134.3 (C4), 119.8 (C5)] lie considerably upfield (75–85 ppm) of those in free selenophene [δ 130.3 (C2,5), 129.3 (C3,4) in CDCl₃],

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Table III. ^{77}Se NMR Data (δ) for the Complexes in CDCl_3

compd	δ
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-SeI})$ (1)	524
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-2-MeSeI})$ (2a)	549
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{SeI})\text{-2-MeSeI})$ (2b)	452
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{SeI})\text{-2,5-Me}_2\text{SeI})$ (3)	480
$\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-SeI})$ (4a)	546
$\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{SeI})\text{-SeI})$ (4b)	402
$\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{SeI})\text{-2-MeSeI})$ (5)	420
$[\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-SeI}\cdot\text{CH}_3)](\text{BF}_4)$ (6)	506
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-SeI})\text{W}(\text{CO})_5$ (7)	380
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-SeI})\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_5$ (8)	426
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-SeI})\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5$ (9)	461
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-SeI})[\text{W}(\text{CO})_4(\text{PPh}_3)]$ (10)	425 ^a
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{SeI})\text{-SeI})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4$ (11)	475
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^4(\text{SeI})\text{-SeI})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ (12)	892
$\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^6\text{-SeC}_4\text{H}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ (13)	557
SeI	605
2-MeSeI	612
2,5-Me ₂ SeI	621

^a Doublet, $J_{\text{Se-P}} = 15$ Hz.**Table IV.** Crystal Data and Experimental Details for the Structure Determination of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^6\text{-SeC}_4\text{H}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ (13)

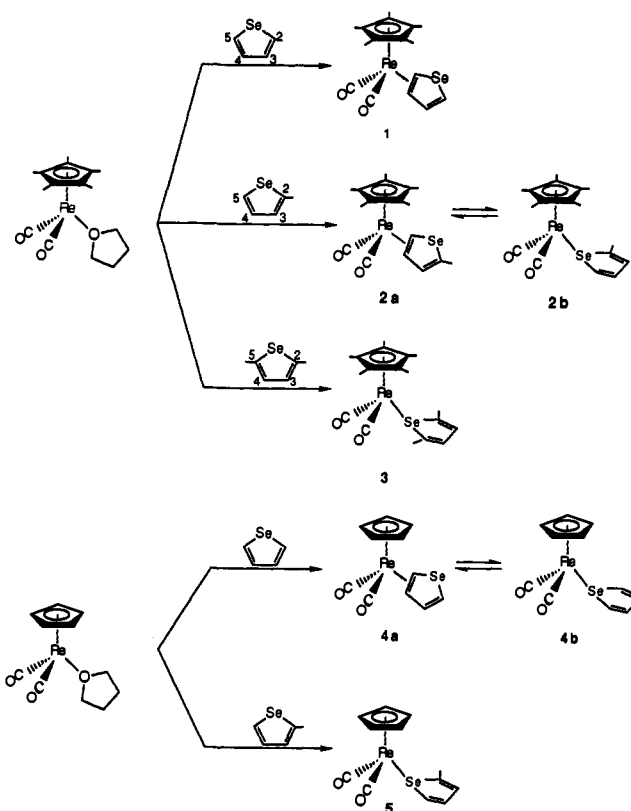
formula	$\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_8\text{Fe}_2\text{SeRe}$
formula wt	788.24
space group	$P2_1/n$
a , Å	8.076 (2)
b , Å	25.890 (2)
c , Å	12.153 (3)
β , deg	94.65 (1)
V , Å ³	2532.7 (8)
Z	4
d_{calcd} , g/cm ³	2.071
cryst size, mm	$0.31 \times 0.11 \times 0.12$
$\mu(\text{Mo K}\alpha)$, cm ⁻¹	74.549
data collection instrument	Enraf-Nonius CAD4
radiation (monochromated in incident beam)	Mo K α ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å)
no. of orientation reflns, range (2θ)	25, 16.4–32.2°
temp, °C	22 (1)
scan method	θ - 2θ
data collection range, 2θ , deg	4.0–45.0
total unique reflns	3281
no. of unique reflns obs ($F_o^2 > 3\sigma(F_o^2)$)	2244
no. of parameters refined	307
trans. factors: max, min (ψ scans)	0.9996, 0.8132
R^a	0.0309
R_w^b	0.0387
quality-of-fit indicator ^c	1.29
largest shift/esd, final cycle	<0.01
largest peak, e/Å ³	0.6 (1)

^a $R = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$. ^b $R_w = [\sum \omega(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / \sum \omega |F_o|^2]^{1/2}$; $\omega = 1/\sigma^2(|F_o|)$. ^c Quality-of-fit = $[\sum \omega(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / (N_{\text{obs}} - N_{\text{parameters}})]^{1/2}$.**Table V.** Selected Bond Distances (Å)^a for 10 and 13

	10	13
Re-C(2)	2.23 (1)	2.190 (9)
Re-C(3)	2.28 (2)	2.254 (8)
Se-W	2.681 (2)	
Se-C(2)	1.95 (1)	1.934 (9)
Se-C(5)	1.92 (1)	
C(2)-C(3)	1.44 (2)	1.43 (1)
C(3)-C(4)	1.44 (2)	1.52 (1)
C(4)-C(5)	1.34 (2)	1.31 (1)
Se-Fe(1)		2.367 (2)
Se-Fe(2)		2.357 (2)
Fe(1)-C(4)		2.189 (8)
Fe(1)-C(5)		2.069 (9)
Fe(2)-C(5)		1.974 (9)
Fe(1)-Fe(2)		2.558 (2)

^a Numbers in parentheses are estimated standard deviations in the least significant digits.

also indicating characteristic η^2 -coordination via the C2,3 atoms. These chemical shifts are unequivocally assigned on the basis of selective ^1H decoupled ^{13}C NMR experiments and a comparison of coupling constants. In free selenophene, the α -carbons (C2

Scheme I**Table VI.** Selected Bond Angles (deg)^a for 10 and 13

	10	13	13	
C(2)-Re-C(3)	37.1 (5)	37.4 (3)	Fe(1)-Se-Fe(2)	65.58 (5)
C(2)-Re-C(11)	110.1 (5)	88.7 (4)	Fe(1)-Se-C(2)	101.9 (3)
C(2)-Re-C(12)	87.8 (6)	110.6 (4)	Fe(2)-Se-C(2)	102.6 (3)
C(3)-Re-C(11)	81.7 (6)	108.0 (4)	Se-Fe(1)-Fe(2)	57.03 (5)
C(3)-Re-C(12)	110.1 (5)	78.6 (4)	Se-Fe(1)-C(4)	81.6 (2)
C(11)-Re-C(12)	87.0 (6)	89.9 (5)	Se-Fe(1)-C(5)	84.7 (2)
W-Se-C(2)	100.8 (5)		Fe(2)-Fe(1)-C(4)	76.6 (2)
W-Se-C(5)	111.3 (5)		Fe(2)-Fe(1)-C(5)	49.1 (2)
C(2)-Se-C(5)	86.3 (5)		C(4)-Fe(1)-C(5)	35.6 (3)
Re-C(2)-Se	122.0 (8)	123.0 (4)	Se-Fe(2)-Fe(1)	57.39 (5)
Re-C(2)-C(3)	73.3 (8)	73.7 (5)	Se-Fe(2)-C(5)	87.1 (3)
Se-C(2)-C(3)	109.0 (9)	113.0 (7)	Fe-C(4)-C(3)	116.2 (5)
Re-C(3)-C(2)	69.6 (9)	68.8 (5)	Fe-C(4)-C(5)	67.2 (5)
Re-C(3)-C(4)	120 (1)	130.3 (6)	C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	124.7 (8)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	115 (1)	119.8 (8)	Fe(1)-C(5)-Fe(2)	78.5 (3)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	117 (1)	124.7 (8)	Fe(1)-C(5)-C(4)	77.2 (5)
Se-C(5)-C(4)	113 (1)		Fe(2)-C(5)-C(4)	127.3 (7)

^a Numbers in parentheses are estimated standard deviations in the least significant digits.

and C5) appear at lower field than the β -carbons (C3 and C4) (131.0, C_α ; 129.8, C_β in acetone- d_6).²² However, in the η^2 -coordinated selenophene complex 1, the α -carbons occur at higher field than the β -carbons. Although the chemical shifts of α -carbons in five-membered rings containing one heteroatom vary irregularly, it is a unique feature that the coupling constants $J_{\text{C}\alpha\text{-H}\alpha}$ are larger than $J_{\text{C}\beta\text{-H}\beta}$ (in free selenophene $^1J_{\text{C}\alpha\text{-H}\alpha} = 189$; $^1J_{\text{C}\beta\text{-H}\beta} = 166$ Hz).²² This feature is often used for the assignment of chemical shifts.²³ In complex 1, the coupling constants show the same trends, and the coupling constants of the coordinated carbons are smaller than those of the uncoordinated carbons: $J_{\text{C}2\text{-H}2} = 178$ Hz, $J_{\text{C}3\text{-H}3} = 163$ Hz, $J_{\text{C}4\text{-H}4} = 165$ Hz, $J_{\text{C}5\text{-H}5} = 183$ Hz. It is also well-known that the NMR signals of η^2 -coordinated olefins and arenes are far upfield of the corresponding free ligands.²⁴ In the η^2 -coordinated benzene complex $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Re}$

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(CO)₂(μ₂-η⁴-C₆H₆)[Cp*Re(CO)₂]₂,²⁵ there are upfield shifts in both the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra (δ 2.85, 4.14; δ 40.9, 50.6) with respect to free benzene (δ 7.15 in ¹H; δ 128.0 in ¹³C).²⁶ Thus, all of the NMR results are consistent with a 2,3-η²-selenophene in **1**. A partially successful X-ray diffraction study of **1** also supports this mode of Sel coordination, but disorder in the Sel ring prevented complete refinement.

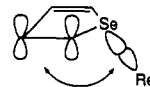
While Sel is η²-bound in **1**, 2,5-Me₂SeI is coordinated through the Se atom in complex **3** (Scheme I). In the ¹H NMR spectrum of **3**, the equivalent H3 and H4 protons (δ 6.59) and equivalent CH₃ groups (δ 2.26) are slightly upfield of those (δ 6.65 and 2.50) in free 2,5-Me₂SeI, which establishes the ligand as being Se-coordinated. A similar small upfield shift was observed for the S-bound thiophenes in Cp*(CO)₂Re(Th),²⁸ where Cp' = C₅H₅ or C₃Me₅ and Th = T, 2-MeT, 3-MeT, 2,5-Me₂T, and Me₄T. There is no evidence for an η² isomer of **3** in either the IR or NMR spectra. Although no Se-coordinated selenophenes have been reported previously, the Se atom in **3** is presumably pyramidal and the Re therefore does not lie in the 2,5-Me₂SeI plane; this structural type is characteristic of S-bound thiophene complexes.^{3,28b,29}

When 2-MeSel reacts (Scheme I) with Cp*(CO)₂Re(THF), a complex is formed which analyzes as Cp*(CO)₂Re(2-MeSel). However, it is evident from the number of absorptions in the solution IR and ¹³C NMR spectra that it consists of two isomers, the η²- (**2a**) and Se-coordinated (**2b**) isomers, which are present in a 1:1:1 ratio in CDCl₃ solution at room temperature. The ¹H NMR signals assignable to the 2-MeSel ligand in the minor isomer (**2b**) [δ 7.64 (d, H5), 7.03 (m, H4), 6.82 (m, H3), 2.35 (s, CH₃)] are slightly upfield of those [δ 7.77 (m, H5), 7.11 (m, H4), 6.92 (m, H3), 2.29 (s, CH₃)] in free 2-MeSel in CDCl₃; a similar small upfield shift was observed for the Se-bound 2,5-Me₂SeI in **3**. In contrast, the major isomer (**2a**) [δ 4.45 (d, H5), 3.58 (m, H4), 6.57 (m, H3), 2.29 (s, CH₃)] shows two resonances (H4 and H5) which are substantially upfield from those in free 2-MeSel: this indicates that η²-coordination occurs at C4 and C5. Two high-field resonances (δ 53.5 and 47.3) in the ¹³C NMR spectrum (Table II) of **2** also support 4,5-η²-coordination of 2-MeSel in the η² isomer (**2a**).

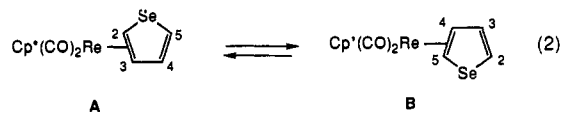
It is interesting to compare ν(CO) values of the Se and η² isomers of complex **2**. An IR spectrum of **2** shows four ν(CO) bands at 1962, 1898 and 1927, 1865 cm⁻¹ in hexanes. Two (1962, 1898 cm⁻¹) are the same as those in Cp*(CO)₂Re(η²-Sel) (1962, 1898 cm⁻¹), and the other two (1927, 1865 cm⁻¹) are very similar to those of Cp*(CO)₂Re(η¹(Se)-2,5-Me₂SeI) (1925, 1866 cm⁻¹). Thus, η²-Sel coordination gives ν(CO) values that are about 35 cm⁻¹ higher than those with Se-coordination, indicating that the Se-coordinated selenophene donates more electron density to Re than the η²-coordinated ligand.

Variable-temperature ¹H NMR studies of **2** in CDCl₃ show that the methyl peaks of the two isomers (**2a** and **2b**) coalesce at 42 °C, which indicates that they are in rapid equilibrium. The mechanism of Se ⇌ η² isomerization is intramolecular since 2-MeSel does not dissociate on the isomerization time scale (t_{1/2} = ~0.03 s, which was estimated by variable-temperature NMR studies and computer simulation of the NMR spectra). This is

established by a study of the methyl coalescence in the presence of free 2-MeSel; in this experiment the free 2-MeSel methyl peak does not coalesce with the complexed ligand methyl groups. Supporting intramolecular isomerization of the Se and η² isomers is a measurement of the rate of 2-MeSel substitution by PPh₃ to form Cp*(CO)₂Re(PPh₃); this substitution in CDCl₃ at 45 °C occurs with a half-life of ~20 min which is much longer than the half-life (~0.03 s) for isomerization. A reasonable mechanism for this intramolecular isomerization involves simple Re migration from its position on the Se out of the plane of the selenophene ring to the C4-C5 π-bond above the ring plane.



Considering the rapid interconversion of the η¹(Se) and η² isomers of **2**, it seemed possible that **1**, which appeared to exist in only the η² form, might be in rapid equilibrium with its other equivalent isomer (eq 2). The interconversion of these isomers, A and B, would presumably occur via an Se-coordinated isomer



of the type observed for compounds **2** and **3**. To test for this type of fluxionality a spin saturation transfer ¹H NMR experiment²⁷ was performed. When the signal for H5 (as labeled in A) was irradiated, the intensity of the H2 signal decreased. Likewise when the signal for H2 (as labeled in A) was irradiated, the intensity of the H5 signal decreased. This observation of spin saturation transfer establishes that **1** is fluxional as shown in eq 2. The interconversion of A and B probably occurs via a Se-coordinated intermediate as observed in **2** and **3**; this is supported by the detection of a very low concentration of the η¹(Se) isomer in the ν(CO) [1908 (w), 1838 (w) cm⁻¹] region of the IR spectrum of **1** in CH₂Cl₂. However, there is no unequivocal evidence that rules out a process involving migration of the Re around only the unsaturated hydrocarbon portion of the selenophene.

On the basis of our studies of the Cp*(CO)₂Re(Sel) complexes, we know that selenophenes may coordinate to the Re either through the Se or η² through two carbons depending upon the number of methyl groups on the selenophene ring. Electron-donating methyl groups in the selenophene enhance the donor ability of the Se which favors the Se-bonded isomers; methyl groups probably also inhibit η²-coordination. Therefore, with 2,5-Me₂SeI, only the Se-coordinated isomer is observed; whereas Sel is η²-bound and 2-MeSel gives a mixture of Se and η² isomers which are in rapid equilibrium with each other. In contrast to Cp*(CO)₂Re(Sel) where Sel is η²-coordinated (except for a trace of the η¹(Se) isomer as noted above), the Cp analogue Cp*(CO)₂Re(Sel) exists as a mixture of η² (**4a**) and η¹(Se) (**4b**) isomers (Scheme I). It is the number of absorptions in the solution IR and ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of **4**, as for **2**, that indicates the presence of two isomers. Broad signals in the ¹H NMR spectrum of **4** in CDCl₃ at room temperature demonstrate that the two isomers are in rapid equilibrium. The ratio of η² (**4a**) and η¹(Se) (**4b**) isomers is 1:3 in CDCl₃ solution at room temperature. At 0 °C, the ¹H NMR peaks are much sharper, and it is observed that the Sel signals of the Se-bound major isomer (**4b**) [δ 7.97 (d, H2,5), 7.15 (d, H3,4), J_{H2,3} = 6 Hz] are slightly upfield of those [δ 8.05 (m, H2,5), 7.37 (m, H3,4)] in free Sel in CDCl₃. A similar small upfield shift was noted previously for the Se-bound 2,5-Me₂SeI in **3** and S-bound thiophene complexes, Cp*(CO)₂Re(Th).²⁸ In this ¹H NMR spectrum, the η² minor isomer (**4a**) shows two upfield signals for H2 and H3 [δ 6.86 (d, H5, J_{H4,5} = 5.4 Hz), 6.98 (br m, H4), 5.62 (d, H2, J_{H2,3} = 5.1 Hz), 4.70 (br, m, H3)] characteristic of η²-coordination. Two high-field resonances (δ 49.4 and 43.4) in the ¹³C NMR spectrum (Table II) also support η²-coordination of Sel in **4a**. Whereas Cp*(CO)₂Re(2-MeSel) exists as a mixture of the η² and Se

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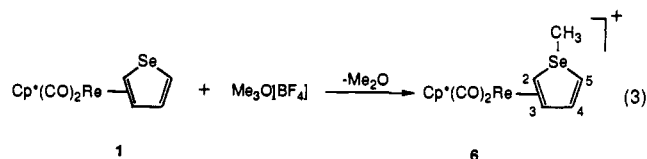
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isomers, the Cp analogue $\text{Cp}(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-MeSel})$ (**5**) exists mainly as the Se isomer (Scheme I). The Se-coordination is shown by a small upfield shift of the selenophene protons in **5** [δ 7.70 (d, H5, $J_{\text{H4,5}} = 5.7$ Hz), 6.93 (d of d, H3, $J_{\text{H3,4}} = 6.0$ Hz), 6.73 (br m, H4), 2.42 (s, CH_3)] as compared to those in free 2-MeSel [δ 7.77 (m, H5), 7.11 (m, H4), 6.92 (m, H3), 2.59 (s, CH_3)]. It is interesting that there is only one ^{13}C signal in the room temperature ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **5** (Table II) since this indicates that there is rapid inversion at the Se.

The preference for η^2 versus Se binding appears to depend upon a delicate balance of electronic and possibly steric effects. As compared with the Cp compounds, the Cp* analogues favor η^2 -coordination. The additional electron density provided by the Cp* ligand to the Re increases π -back-bonding to the η^2 -olefinic bond of Sel favoring the η^2 isomer. Also the higher electron density on the Re in the Cp* complexes reduces the Lewis acid character of the Re, weakening the bond with the electron-donating selenium in the Se-bound isomer, again promoting η^2 -coordination.

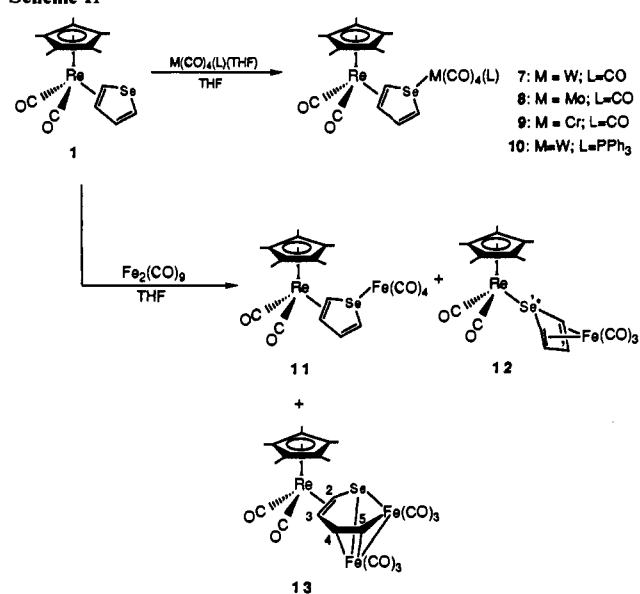
Reaction of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-Sel)$ (1**) with $(\text{Me}_3\text{O})\text{BF}_4$.** Complex **1** reacts with $\text{Me}_3\text{O}[\text{BF}_4]$ to give the Se-methylated selenophene complex **6** in 26% yield (eq 3). In the ^1H NMR spectrum of **6**, the chemical shifts of the selenophene protons are 4.46 (H2), 3.17 (H3), 7.64 (H4), and 6.10 (H5) ppm. The H2, H3, H5 protons are slightly upfield of the same groups [δ 4.52 (H2), 3.64



(H3), 6.68 (H5)] in **1**. However, the chemical shift of H4 (δ 7.64) is downfield of that (δ 7.02) in **1**. The Se- CH_3 signal occurs at δ 3.06, which is very similar to that in Me_3Se^+ (δ 2.96)³⁰ but downfield of typical sulfonium methyl groups, as in $\text{CpRe}(\text{NO})(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{CH}_2\text{SMe}_2)^+$ (δ 2.60)³¹ and $\text{Cp}^*\text{Ir}(\eta^4\text{-}2,5\text{-Me}_2\text{T-CH}_2)^+$ (δ 2.80).³² The observation of only two ^{13}C resonances in **6** suggests that inversion at Se is occurring rapidly.

Reaction of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-Sel)$ (1**) with $\text{M}(\text{CO})_4(\text{L})(\text{THF})$ ($\text{M} = \text{W}, \text{Mo}, \text{Cr}; \text{L} = \text{CO}$ or PPh_3).** As in its reaction (eq 3) with Me_3O^+ , the uncoordinated selenophene Se atom in **1** reacts with $\text{M}(\text{CO})_4(\text{L})$ ($\text{M} = \text{W}, \text{Mo}, \text{Cr}; \text{L} = \text{CO}$ or PPh_3) to give the selenophene-bridged bimetallic complexes **7**, **8**, **9**, and **10** (Scheme II) in 65–75% yield. In the ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of each of these complexes (Tables I and II), there are two upfield protons and two upfield carbon resonances that indicate the selenophene is still η^2 -coordinated. The X-ray structure determined⁸ for **10** confirms the selenophene is η^2 -bonded to the Re and Se-bonded to the W (Figure 1). While the selenophene ring is planar, the distance (1.44 (2) Å) between the C(2) and C(3) atoms which are coordinated to the Re is substantially longer than that (1.369 (1) Å) in free Sel.³³ The uncoordinated C(3)–C(4) and C(4)–C(5) distances (1.44 (2) and 1.34 (2) Å, respectively) are nearly the same as those (1.433 (3) and 1.369 (1) Å, respectively) in free Sel. Although the C(2)–Se–C(5) angle of 86.3 (5)° is essentially the same as that (87.46 (4)°) in free Sel,³³ the C(2)–Se and C(5)–Se distances (1.95 (1) and 1.92 (1) Å) are considerably longer than that in Sel (1.855 (1) Å).³³ As in S-coordinated thiophene complexes, the Se in **10** is pyramidal as indicated by the angle (112.1 (6)°) between the W–Se vector and the vector from Se to the midpoint of the line from C(2) to C(5). The corresponding angle in $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\text{T})$ is 140°.^{28b} From the above data, it is clear that the structure of the selenophene has been changed significantly as a result of its coordination to the

Scheme II



two metals. The lengthening of the C–Se bond is especially interesting because it is the analogous C–S bonds in thiophene which must be cleaved on HDS catalysts.

Reaction of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^2\text{-Sel)$ (1**) with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$.** When complex **1** reacts with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$ in THF solution, three products (**11**, **12**, and **13**) are isolated (Scheme II). Even though the η^2 isomer of **1** is by far the predominant isomer, its rapid interconversion with the $\eta^1(\text{Se})$ isomer (vide supra) suggests that the reaction of **1** with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$ could occur through either the Se or η^2 isomer. The diene portion of the Se-bound selenophene might be expected to react with “ $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ ” to give **12** since the analogous thiophene product was obtained from the reaction of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\eta^1(\text{S})\text{-T})$ with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$.²⁸ On the other hand, the Se atom of the η^2 -bound Sel might react with “ $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_4$ ” to form **11**. Compound **12** is formulated as $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^4(\text{Se})\text{-Fe}(\text{CO})_3)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$, in which selenophene is Se-bound to the Re and η^4 -bound through the diene to the Fe. This structure is based on the very similar spectroscopic properties of **12** compared to those of the thiophene analogue $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^4(\text{S})\text{-T})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$,^{28a} whose structure was established by X-ray diffraction studies. Compound **11** is assigned the same basic structure as that of $\text{Cp}^*(\text{CO})_2\text{Re}(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2(\text{Se})\text{-Sel})\text{M}(\text{CO})_5$ (**7**, **8**, and **9**) based on their ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra (Tables I and II).

The third product **13** isolated (Scheme II) from the reaction of **1** with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$ has a thiaferrole-type structure.³⁴ This product is obtained by the formal insertion of $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ into the Se–C(5) bond, which is presumably activated by coordination of the C2–C3 bond to rhenium; this gives a six-membered ring. Another “ $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ ” then coordinates to the selenium and the C(4)–C(5) bond. The 18-electron configuration of both Fe atoms is completed by formation of an Fe–Fe bond. Complex **13** is not formed from **12** since the room temperature reaction of **12** with $\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_9$ in THF for 24 h does not give **13**. Complex **13** was characterized by its elemental analyses, IR, MS, ^1H , and ^{13}C NMR spectra (Tables I and II), as well as by an X-ray structure determination (vide infra). The ^1H NMR spectrum of **13** was assigned on the basis of its coupling constants, COSY 2D ^1H NMR and gated-decoupled ^{13}C NMR spectroscopy, and comparison with ^1H NMR spectra of 2-methylthiaferrole,^{34a} 3-methylthiaferrole,^{34a} and 2,5-dimethylthiaferrole.^{34b} The signal for H2 overlaps with the Cp* signal; the other three selenophene protons occur as multiplets as 2.88 (d of d of d, H3), 5.87 (d of d, H4), and 8.54 (d of d, H5) with $J_{\text{H2,3}} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H3,4}} = 2.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H3,5}} = 1.0$ Hz, and $J_{\text{H4,5}} = 8.8$ Hz. The proton-coupled ^{13}C

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NMR spectrum shows all four carbon signals of the selenophene split into doublets, clearly indicating that all four carbon atoms bear one proton each. The four ¹³C chemical shifts [δ 173.8 (C5, $J_{C5-H5} = 150$ Hz), 111.0 (C4, $J_{C4-H4} = 156$ Hz), 23.2 (C3, $J_{C3-H3} = 152$ Hz), 45.1 (C2, $J_{C2-H2} = 175$ Hz)] are assigned by comparison with those of 3-methylthiaferrole.^{34a}

Structure of Cp*(CO)₂Re(μ_2 - η^6 -SeC₄H₄)Fe(CO)₃Fe(CO)₃ (13). The structure of 13 (Figure 2) shows a six-membered ring consisting of the five selenophene atoms and a Fe(CO)₃ group. This ring bridges Cp*Re(CO)₂ and Fe(CO)₃ groups. The C(2)–C(3) distance (1.43 (1) Å) is very similar to that (1.44 (2) Å) in complex 10, but it is substantially longer than that (1.369 (1) Å) in free Sel.³³ The Fe–Se (2.367 (2), 2.357 (2) Å), and Fe–Fe distances (2.558 (2) Å) are normal, but the Fe-coordinated C(4)–C(5) distance (1.31 (1) Å) is unusually short. A similar short distance was observed for the corresponding, coordinated olefinic C–C distance (1.29 (5) Å) in benzothiaferrole.^{34b} The other general features of the core structure of 13 are very similar to those in 2-methylthiaferrole^{34a} and benzothiaferrole,^{34b} except that the Cp*(CO)₂Re group is coordinated to the C(2)–C(3) olefinic bond in 13. The geometry of the opened selenophene ring in 13 is also very similar to that in Os₃(CO)₁₀(C₄H₄Se), in which the ring bridges two of the three Os atoms.³⁵

⁷⁷Se NMR Studies of the Complexes. The ⁷⁷Se NMR results described in this section are the first to be reported for selenophene transition-metal complexes. The chemical shifts in all of the selenophene complexes (except 12) are upfield of that in free selenophene (Table III). In contrast, ⁷⁷Se chemical shifts of Me₂Se transition-metal complexes are downfield with respect to free Me₂Se (0 ppm): *cis*-[(Me₂Se)₂PtCl₂] (120 ppm),^{36a} *trans*-[(Me₂Se)₂PtCl₂] (135 ppm),^{36a} *trans*-[(Me₂Se)₂Pt(SCN)₂] (134

ppm),^{36b} *cis*-[(Me₂Se)₂Pt(NCO)₂] (92 ppm),^{36b} *cis*-[(Me₂Se)₂Pt(NCO)Cl] (118, 92 ppm),^{36b} *trans*-[(Me₂Se)₂Pt(NCO)Cl] (134 ppm).^{36b} In free selenophenes, the ⁷⁷Se chemical shifts move downfield upon adding electron-donating methyl groups to the ring (Table III). The chemical shifts of selenophene complexes also move downfield, approximately 20–30 ppm for each methyl group added to the selenophene ring (Table III). As the Cp* ligand is replaced by Cp in the η^2 isomer of 1, the selenium chemical shift moves downfield from 524 ppm to 546 ppm. However, the opposite trend is observed in the η^1 (Se) isomers: Cp*(CO)₂Re(η^1 (Se)-2-MeSel) (2b) (452 ppm) and Cp(CO)₂Re(η^1 (Se)-2-MeSel) (5) (420 ppm).

The ⁷⁷Se chemical shifts of the η^1 (Se) isomers 2b (452 ppm) and 4b (402 ppm) are 100–150-ppm upfield of those in the η^2 isomers 2a (549 ppm) and 4a (546 ppm). This large difference should be very useful in distinguishing η^2 and η^1 (Se) modes of selenophene adsorption on HDS catalysts by solid-state ⁷⁷Se NMR spectrometry. In the selenophene-bridged complexes Cp*(CO)₂Re(μ_2 - η^2 (Se)-Sel)M(CO)₅ (7–10), the ⁷⁷Se chemical shift moves upfield as the group VI metal M becomes heavier: M = Cr, 461 ppm; M = Mo, 426 ppm; M = W, 380 ppm. In general, the ⁷⁷Se chemical shifts of these complexes encompass a broad range (402–892 ppm) and are sensitive to the nature of the selenophene binding mode to the Re as well as to the other ligands coordinated to the metal. These results suggest that ⁷⁷Se NMR can be applied to studies of selenophene adsorption on catalyst surfaces.

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