

Synthesis and Characterization of Tungsten-Cobalt, -Rhodium, and -Platinum Compounds and the X-ray Crystal Structures of $\text{RhW}(\mu\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_2(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ and $\text{PtW}\{\mu\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{C}(\text{O})\}(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta^4\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)^\dagger$,¹

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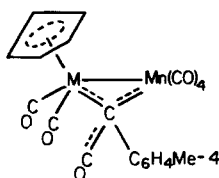
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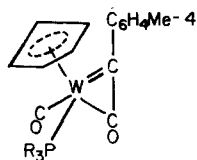
The "ketenyl" tungsten compound $\text{W}\{\eta^2\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{C}(\text{O})\}(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ reacts with $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$ to give $\text{Co}_2\text{W}(\mu_3\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_7(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$, and with $\text{Rh}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ to yield $\text{RhW}(\mu\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_2(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$. The molecular structure of the latter has been determined by X-ray crystallography (space group $D_3^d\text{-}P2_12_1$, $a = 9.486$ (2) Å, $b = 15.693$ (6) Å, $c = 16.882$ (5) Å, $Z = 4$). Reactions between bis(cycloocta-1,5-diene)platinum and the compounds $\text{W}\{\eta^2\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{C}(\text{O})\}(\text{CO})(\text{PR}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ ($\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMe}_3, \text{PPh}_3, \text{PMe}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}), \text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$ and PMePh_2) have been investigated. The nature of the products varies with the tertiary phosphine, but with $\text{PMe}_3, \text{PMe}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})$, and PMe_2Ph the bimetal complexes $\text{PtW}\{\mu\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{C}(\text{O})\}(\text{CO})(\text{PR}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ were characterized, and the molecular structure of the trimethylphosphine derivative was established by X-ray crystallography (space group $C_{2h}^2\text{-}P2_1/c$, $a = 22.492$ (7) Å, $b = 12.241$ (6) Å, $c = 20.430$ (7) Å, $\beta = 106.07$ (3)°, $Z = 8$). Spectroscopic data (IR and $^1\text{H}, ^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}, ^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$, and $^{185}\text{Pt}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR) for all new compounds are reported and discussed.

Introduction

We have previously demonstrated that the compound $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ ($\text{R} = \text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4}$) is a versatile ligand toward low-valent transition-metal complexes, reactions occurring to afford species in which a tolylidene group bridges bonds between tungsten and other transition elements.³ Typical of compounds obtained in this manner are $\text{PtW}(\mu\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_2(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$,⁴ $\text{Co}_2\text{W}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_8(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$,⁵ and $\text{FeRhW}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\mu\text{-CO})(\text{CO})_5(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$.⁶ These studies, together with the discovery^{7,8} of the compounds 1, prompted us to investigate reactions between the "ketenyl" tungsten complexes 2⁹ and certain low-valent metal compounds. It was expected that the products from 2 would be different in character from those obtained from $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$.



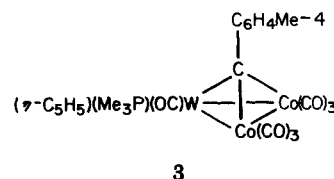
1a, M = Mn
b, M = Re



2a, $\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMe}_3$
b, $\text{PR}_3 = \text{PPh}_3$
c, $\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMe}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})$
d, $\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$
e, $\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMePh}_2$

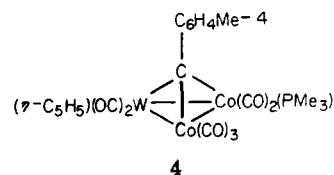
Results and Discussion

Treatment of a dichloromethane solution of 2a with 1 equiv of $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$ at room temperature gave the dark green cluster compound 3. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum of the latter showed the characteristic resonance for the $\mu_3\text{-C}$ group at δ 263. The corresponding signal for the triply bridging carbon atom in the spectrum of $\text{Co}_2\text{W}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_8(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ occurs⁵ at δ 257. The ^{31}P NMR spectrum of 3 was informative since the singlet resonance at δ -38.5 showed strong $^{187}\text{W}\text{-}^{31}\text{P}$ coupling (162 Hz), confirming that the trimethylphosphine ligand was attached to the tungsten atom.



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Over a period of ca. 48 h, however, compound 3 isomerizes to 4, with the PMe_3 group attached to a cobalt atom. This process may be followed by ^{31}P NMR spectroscopy, the peak in the spectrum of 3 at δ -38.5 decreasing in intensity as a new resonance for 4 at δ -4.9 increases in strength. Compound 4 is analogous to the previously



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described⁵ complex $\text{Co}_2\text{W}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_7(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$

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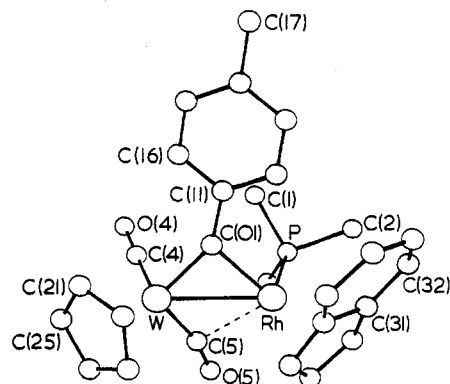
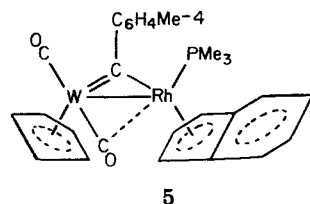


Figure 1. View of the structure of $\text{RhW}(\mu\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_2(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ (5) with the atom numbering scheme.

obtained by treating $\text{Co}_2\text{W}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_8(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ with PMe_2Ph . Like other species of its type, 4 shows more CO stretching bands in its IR spectrum than expected for the existence of a single isomer, a property discussed elsewhere.

The next reaction investigated was that between $\text{Rh}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ and 2a, in tetrahydrofuran. It was necessary to reflux the mixture for the product to form at an appreciable rate, and in this manner the dimetal compound 5 was isolated in ca. 50% yield. The spectroscopic data



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for 5 were in accord with the structure illustrated. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum showed the characteristic resonances for the bridging tolyldiene carbon atom at δ 326.6.³ The one resonance in the ^{31}P NMR spectrum appeared as a doublet at δ 5.04 with $J_{\text{RhC}} = 208$ Hz, confirming that the PMe_3 ligand was attached to the rhodium. The IR spectrum of 5 showed two CO stretching bands (1874 and 1775 cm^{-1}), the lower frequency absorption suggesting the presence in the compound of a semibridging or bridging carbonyl ligand.

In order to establish the molecular structure of 5, we carried out a single-crystal X-ray diffraction study. The data in Table I summarise the results of this study, and a view of the molecule is shown in Figure 1.

The Rh-W bond is bridged by the $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4}$ group and semibridged by a CO ligand [$\text{W-C}(5)\text{-O}(5) = 164$ (2) $^\circ$; $\text{Rh-C}(5) = 2.42$ (2) Å]. The tungsten atom has a terminal CO and a cyclopentadienyl group bonded to it, while the rhodium is ligated by PMe_3 and indenyl groups. The $\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$ and $\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7$ rings are cis to the $\mu\text{-CRhW}$ plane, in contrast to the cyclopentadienyl and arene ring systems in the complexes $\text{CoW}(\mu\text{-CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_3(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)$ ¹⁰ and $\text{CrW}(\mu\text{-CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_4(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta\text{-C}_6\text{Me}_6)$ ¹¹ where a trans configuration is adopted.

In 5, the $\mu\text{-C-W}$ separation [1.913 (14) Å] and the angles about C(01) [$\text{W-C}(01)\text{-C}(11) = 146$ (1) $^\circ$ and $\text{Rh-C}(01)\text{-C}(11) = 124.2$ (9) $^\circ$] closely resemble those found¹⁰ in $\text{CoW}(\mu\text{-CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_3(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta\text{-CMe}_5)$ [$\mu\text{-C-W} = 1.913$ (7) Å, $\text{W-}\mu\text{-C-C} = 142.1$ (6) $^\circ$, and $\text{Co-}\mu\text{-C-C} = 124.7$ (5) $^\circ$]. Evidently bonding within the $\mu\text{-CWM}$ ($\text{M} = \text{Co}$ or Rh) triangle is very similar in both complexes. Moreover,

Table I. Selected Interatomic Distances (Å) and Interatomic Angles (Deg) with Esd's for $\text{RhW}(\mu\text{-CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_2(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ (5)

(a) Distances			
W-Rh	2.796 (1)	W-C(01)	1.913 (14)
W-C(4)	1.99 (2)	W-C(5)	1.98 (2)
W-C(21)	2.33 (3)	W-C(22)	2.35 (3)
W-C(23)	2.39 (2)	W-C(24)	2.40 (2)
W-C(25)	2.36 (3)	Rh-P	2.247 (5)
Rh-C(01)	2.048 (14)	Rh-C(5)	2.42 (2)
Rh-C(31)	2.48 (2)	Rh-C(36)	2.51 (2)
Rh-C(37)	2.31 (2)	Rh-C(38)	2.21 (2)
Rh-C(39)	2.27 (2)	C(01)-C(11)	1.48 (2)
C(4)-O(4)	1.14 (3)	C(5)-O(5)	1.21 (3)

(b) Angles			
Rh-W-C(01)	47.1 (4)	Rh-W-C(4)	102.6 (5)
C(01)-W-C(4)	84.7 (6)	Rh-W-C(5)	57.9 (6)
C(01)-W-C(5)	100.8 (7)	C(4)-W-C(5)	90.0 (7)
W-Rh-P	106.1 (1)	W-Rh-C(01)	43.2 (4)
P-Rh-C(01)	91.6 (4)	W-Rh-C(5)	43.8 (5)
P-Rh-C(5)	93.3 (5)	C(01)-Rh-C(5)	83.8 (6)
W-C(01)-Rh	89.7 (6)	W-C(01)-C(11)	146.0 (10)
Rh-C(01)-C(11)	124.2 (9)	W-C(4)-O(4)	174.3 (14)
W-C(5)-Rh	78.3 (7)	W-C(5)-O(5)	164 (2)
Rh-C(5)-O(5)	116.3 (14)		

the $\mu\text{-C-W}$ separations are intermediate between those found in $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ [1.82 (2) Å]¹² and in $\text{W}=\text{CPh}_2(\text{CO})_5$ [2.14 (2) Å]¹³ and must reflect considerable multiple-bond character.

The $\mu\text{-C-Rh}$ distance [2.048 (14) Å] is close to that in $\text{FeRhW}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\mu\text{-CO})(\text{CO})_5(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ [2.035 (6) Å].⁶ This suggests that there is little or no $\mu\text{-C-Rh}$ multiple-bond character, and 5 can thus be regarded as containing a dimetallacyclopentadiene ring system.³

The Rh-W bond [2.796 (1) Å] in 5 may be compared with those found in the di- and trimetal compounds $\text{RhW}(\mu\text{-CRCPPh})(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ [2.754 (1) Å],¹⁴ $\text{Rh}_2\text{W}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\text{acac})_2(\mu\text{-CO})(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ [2.809 (2) and 2.764 (2) Å],⁵ and $\text{FeRhW}(\mu_3\text{-CR})(\mu\text{-CO})(\text{CO})_5(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ [2.760 (1) Å].⁶ Other features of the molecular structure require no special comment.

Formation of 5 from $\text{Rh}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ and 2a involves transfer of the PMe_3 group from tungsten to rhodium. However, by following the reaction by IR spectroscopy it was observed that the initial products were the monometallic complexes $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ and $\text{Rh}(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ which subsequently slowly combined to give 5. This was confirmed by preparing 5 by treating $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ with an independently synthesized sample of $\text{Rh}(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$.

It was also found that 5 could be obtained by adding PMe_3 to $\text{RhW}(\mu\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_3(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ ¹¹ in dichloromethane solution. When this reaction was monitored by IR and $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy, it was observed that the trimethylphosphine reagent displaces $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ from the bimetal compound affording $\text{Rh}(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$. The latter then combines with the (tolylidene)tungsten complex to give 5. This emphasises the isolobal relationship between CR and $\text{W}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ groups, since it is frequently observed that alkyne ligands are more readily replaced by tertiary phosphines than are carbonyl ligands. The displacement of the pseudoalkyne $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ from $\text{RhW}(\mu\text{-CR})(\text{CO})_3(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ by PMe_3 is probably aided by an η^5 to η^3 "slippage" of the indenyl group believed to be

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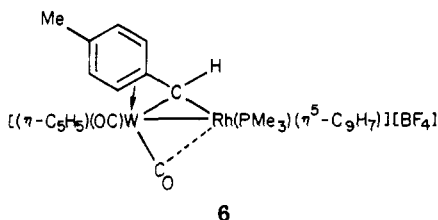
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Table II. Selected Interatomic Distances (Å) and Interatomic Angles (Deg) with Esd's for PtW(μ -C₆H₄Me-4)C(O)}(CO)(PMe₃)₂(η -C₈H₁₂)(η -C₅H₅) (7a)

molecule 1		molecule 2	
(a) Distances			
W(1)-Pt(1)	2.728 (1)	W(2)-Pt(2)	2.720 (1)
W(1)-P(1)	2.402 (4)	W(2)-P(2)	2.405 (6)
W(1)-C(14)	1.92 (2)	W(2)-C(24)	1.96 (2)
W(1)-C(15)	2.11 (2)	W(2)-C(25)	2.14 (2)
W(1)-C(128)	2.17 (2)	W(2)-C(228)	2.16 (2)
Pt(1)-C(14)	2.273 (15)	Pt(2)-C(24)	2.29 (2)
Pt(1)-C(15)	2.67 (2)	Pt(2)-C(25)	2.703 (15)
Pt(1)-C(128)	2.06 (2)	Pt(2)-C(228)	2.064 (15)
Pt(1)-C(131)	2.21 (2)	Pt(2)-C(231)	2.22 (2)
Pt(1)-C(132)	2.28 (2)	Pt(2)-C(232)	2.19 (2)
Pt(1)-C(135)	2.23 (2)	Pt(2)-C(235)	2.24 (3)
Pt(1)-C(136)	2.23 (3)	Pt(2)-C(236)	2.23 (3)
C(14)-O(14)	1.22 (2)	C(24)-O(24)	1.15 (3)
C(15)-O(15)	1.25 (2)	C(25)-O(25)	1.20 (2)
C(128)-C(15)	1.44 (2)	C(228)-C(25)	1.38 (3)
C(128)-C(121)	1.44 (2)	C(228)-C(221)	1.49 (3)
(b) Angles			
Pt(1)-W(1)-C(14)	55.3 (5)	Pt(2)-W(2)-C(24)	55.9 (6)
Pt(1)-W(1)-C(15)	65.5 (5)	Pt(2)-W(2)-C(25)	66.3 (4)
C(14)-W(1)-C(15)	112.6 (7)	C(24)-W(2)-C(25)	115.1 (6)
Pt(1)-W(1)-C(128)	48.1 (5)	Pt(2)-W(2)-C(228)	48.4 (4)
C(14)-W(1)-C(128)	102.9 (7)	C(24)-W(2)-C(228)	103.8 (7)
C(15)-W(1)-C(128)	39.4 (5)	C(25)-W(2)-C(228)	37.6 (6)
W(1)-Pt(1)-C(14)	44.0 (5)	W(2)-Pt(2)-C(24)	45.2 (5)
W(1)-Pt(1)-C(128)	51.6 (5)	W(2)-Pt(2)-C(228)	51.5 (4)
W(1)-C(14)-O(14)	158.7 (15)	W(2)-C(24)-O(24)	159.2 (14)
W(1)-C(15)-O(15)	148.8 (12)	W(2)-C(25)-O(25)	146.4 (15)
O(15)-C(15)-C(128)	138.0 (15)	O(25)-C(25)-C(228)	140 (2)
W(1)-C(15)-C(128)	72.4 (9)	W(2)-C(25)-C(228)	71.9 (9)
W(1)-C(128)-Pt(1)	80.3 (6)	W(2)-C(228)-Pt(2)	80.2 (6)
W(1)-C(128)-C(15)	68.2 (9)	W(2)-C(228)-C(25)	70.5 (10)
Pt(1)-C(128)-C(15)	97.7 (11)	Pt(2)-C(228)-C(25)	101.4 (11)
W(1)-C(128)-C(121)	140.9 (13)	W(2)-C(228)-C(221)	136.6 (9)
Pt(1)-C(128)-C(121)	126.5 (11)	Pt(2)-C(228)-C(221)	125.7 (9)
C(15)-C(128)-C(121)	125.1 (13)	C(25)-C(228)-C(221)	125.4 (13)

responsible for the relatively high reactivity of compounds containing Rh(η^5 -C₉H₇) groups in ligand substitution reactions.¹⁵

It has been previously shown¹⁶ that the bridged tolylidyne compounds CoW(μ -CR)(CO)₃(η -C₅H₅)(η -C₅Me₅) and PtW(μ -CR)(CO)₂(PMe₃)₂(η -C₅H₅) can be readily protonated at the bridging carbon atoms to afford reactive cationic (μ -tolylidene)dimetal complexes. Slow addition of HBF₄·Et₂O to a saturated solution of 5 in diethyl ether at -20 °C precipitated the salt 6. The IR spectrum of 6



showed CO stretching bands at 1945 and 1783 cm⁻¹; the latter at a frequency corresponding to that expected for either a semibridging or a bridging carbonyl ligand. The ³¹P NMR spectrum showed the anticipated doublet resonance for a RhPMe₃ group at δ 14.7 [$J_{\text{RHP}} = 173$ Hz]. The ¹H NMR spectrum had a resonance [doublet, $J_{\text{PH}} = 20$ Hz] at δ 7.95 which is characteristic for the CH proton of the μ -CHR group.¹⁶ The salt 6 is a relatively unstable species in solution, and this property made it impossible to obtain

high-quality ¹³C NMR data. The postulated μ - η^1 , η^3 interaction of the CH(C₆H₄Me-4) group with the dimetal system in 6 is by analogy with that established by X-ray crystallography for this system in [PtW(μ - η^1 , η^3 -CH(C₆H₄Me-4))(CO)₂(PMe₃)₂(η -C₅H₅)] [BF₄]¹⁶ and for the C(C₆H₄Me-4)₂ group in Mo₂(μ - η^1 , η^3 -C(C₆H₄Me-4)₂)(CO)₄(η -C₅H₅)₂.¹⁷

As part of our studies on the synthesis of compounds with bonds between tungsten and other metals, we have investigated the reaction of 2a with Pt(η -C₈H₁₂)₂ (C₈H₁₂ = cycloocta-1,5-diene). Previously we have shown¹⁸ that Pt(C₂H₄)₃ reacts with W≡CR(CO)₂(η -C₅H₅) to give the trimetal compound PtW₂(μ -CC₆H₄Me-4)₂(CO)₄(η -C₅H₅)₂. However, reaction of W≡CR(CO)₂(η -C₅H₅) with Pt(η -C₈H₁₂)₂ failed to yield isolable products. Nevertheless, it was thought that the ketyl tungsten compound might be a more favorable reagent for the platinum species. This was because Pt(η -C₈H₁₂)₂ is known¹⁹ to form a stable product with diphenylcyclopropenone, and the latter is closely related to 2a through the isolobal mapping between the fragments CR and W(CO)(PMe₃)(η -C₅H₅).

Addition of Pt(η -C₈H₁₂)₂ to 2a in tetrahydrofuran at 0 °C gave an orange crystalline compound 7a. The spectroscopic properties of the latter did not unambiguously define the molecular structure, and hence a single-crystal

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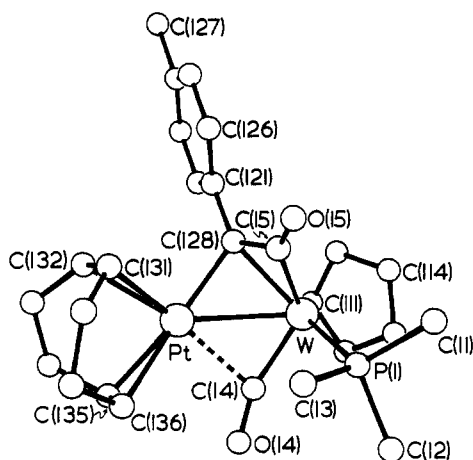
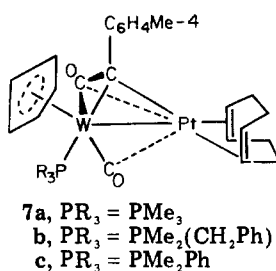


Figure 2. View of the structure of $\text{PtW}\{\mu\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{C}(\text{O})\}\text{(CO)}(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta^4\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ (**7a**) with the atom numbering scheme.

X-ray diffraction study was carried out. There proved to be two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit of **7a**, with very similar geometries. One of these is shown



in Figure 2, with the atom numbering scheme. Table II lists selected inter-atomic distances and angles for both molecules, and in the following discussion reference is made to the parameters of molecule (1).

Compound **7a** can be regarded as a complex in which a $\text{Pt}(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})$ fragment is coordinated by **2a**. The $\mu\text{-C}(128)\text{-W}(1)$ bond is bridged by a carbonyl group [$\text{W}(1)\text{-C}(15)\text{-O}(15) = 149(1)^\circ$ and $\text{C}(128)\text{-C}(15)\text{-O}(15) = 138(2)^\circ$]. The remaining CO group semibrings the Pt-W bond [$\text{Pt}(1)\text{-C}(14) = 2.27(2) \text{ \AA}$ and $\text{W}(1)\text{-C}(14)\text{-O}(14) = 159(2)^\circ$]. The IR spectrum of **7a** is not entirely consistent with this result, suggesting a somewhat different structure in solution. The spectrum shows two strong CO absorptions at 1689 and 1625 cm^{-1} , one of which can be ascribed to $\text{C}(15)\text{-O}(15)$. However, $\text{C}(14)\text{-O}(14)$ should give rise to a band in the IR in the 1850–1750- cm^{-1} region, suggesting that perhaps in **7a**, and its analogues described below, the semibringing CO ligand becomes fully bridging in solution.

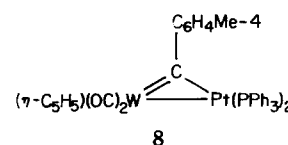
The relatively short $\text{Pt}(1)\text{-C}(15)$ distance [2.67(2) \AA] in **7a** suggests a tendency toward η^3 -bonding of the **2a** fragment to the platinum atom, reflected in the ^{13}C NMR spectrum by $^{195}\text{Pt}\text{-}^{13}\text{C}(15)$ coupling (44 Hz). A similar bonding mode of diphenylcyclopropenone to platinum may occur in the relatively unstable isolobal complex $\text{Pt}\{\eta^3\text{-}$

$\text{PhC:C}(\text{Ph})\text{C}(\text{O})\}(\text{PPh}_3)_2$.²⁰ It is interesting to compare the synthesis of **7a** with the reaction of bis(cycloocta-1,5-diene)platinum with diphenylcyclopropenone, which affords a diplatinum compound through breakage of the $\text{C}=\text{C}$ bond in the ketone.¹⁹ In the reaction between **2a** and $\text{Pt}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})_2$ the corresponding bond, $\text{C}(128)\text{-W}(1)$, is preserved.

Not unexpectedly, in **7a** the $\mu\text{-C}(128)\text{-W}$ [2.17(2) \AA], $\text{W}\text{-C}(15)$ [2.11(2) \AA], and $\text{C}(15)\text{-C}(128)$ [1.44(2) \AA] separations are all significantly longer than the corresponding distances in the parent molecule **2a**, these being 1.97, 2.07, and 1.32 \AA , respectively.⁹ The dimensions of the $\text{Pt}(1)\text{-W}(1)\text{C}(128)$ ring in **7a** are typical of those found in structurally related molecules. Thus $\text{Pt}(1)\text{-W}(1)$ [2.728(1)], $\text{Pt}(1)\text{-C}(128)$ [2.06(2)] and $\text{W}(1)\text{-C}(128)$ [2.17(2) \AA] compare with corresponding distances of 2.795(1), 2.053(14), and 2.166(14) \AA found¹⁶ in $[\text{PtW}\{\mu\text{-}\eta^1, \eta^3\text{-CH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\}(\text{CO})_2(\text{PMe}_3)_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)][\text{BF}_4]$.

The platinum atom in **7a** adopts an approximately square-planar geometry with the ligated double bonds of the cod ligand being essentially transoid to the Pt-W and Pt-C(128) bonds, respectively. The dimensions of the cod group and the separations of the atoms $\text{C}(131)$, $\text{C}(132)$, $\text{C}(136)$, and $\text{C}(135)$ from the platinum are similar to those established in a variety of other complexes containing a $\text{Pt}(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})$ fragment.²¹

Compound **2b** was also prepared by Kreissl et al.,⁹ and we have investigated its reaction with $\text{Pt}(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})_2$. Surprisingly, the previously reported²² bimetal complex **8** was the only product, isolated from what was evidently a complicated process. Possibly **2b** reverts to $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ and PPh_3 . The latter would displace cycloocta-1,5-diene from platinum, perhaps affording $\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ in situ, which would add readily to the (tolylidyne)tungsten compound yielding **8**.⁴ The unexpected product from **2b** and $\text{Pt}(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})_2$ prompted a more exhaustive study of reactions of the platinum reagent with ketenyltungsten complexes, leading to synthesis of the precursors **2c-e**.



The benzylidimethylphosphine derivative **2c** gave the bimetal complex **7b**. The spectroscopic properties of the latter were similar to those of **7a**, indicating similar structures for the two products. Thus in its IR spectrum **7b** had CO bands at 1691 and 1624 cm^{-1} . The ^{31}P NMR spectrum showed a singlet resonance at δ 9.3 with ^{187}W and ^{195}Pt satellite peaks [$J_{\text{WP}} = 337$, $J_{\text{PtP}} = 52$ Hz] commensurate with the presence of the WPR_3 group. The corresponding data for **7a** are δ -1.38 [s, $J_{\text{WP}} = 337$, $J_{\text{PtP}} = 54$ Hz]. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **7b** showed all the resonances expected for the structure proposed. Noteworthy are doublet signals for the semibringing CO ligand at δ

246.5 [$J_{\text{PC}} = 10$, $J_{\text{PtC}} = 146$ Hz] and $\text{W}(\mu\text{-CO})\text{C}$ group at δ 235 [$J_{\text{PC}} = 23$, $J_{\text{PtC}} = 39$ Hz]. The ^{195}Pt satellites observed on the latter signal are in accord with the incipient η^3 -bonding mode for the $\text{W}(\mu\text{-CO})\text{C}$ ring to platinum, discussed above for **7a**. In the spectrum of **7b**, the four chemically inequivalent ligating carbon atoms of the cycloocta-1,5-diene ligand (δ 111.7, 102.5, 98.3, and 86.6) all show $^{195}\text{Pt}\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$ coupling. The values of the coupling constants suggest that the signals at δ 111.7 and 102.5 [$J_{\text{PtC}}(\text{av}) = 142$ Hz] are due to the $\text{C}=\text{C}$ group transoid to the Pt-W

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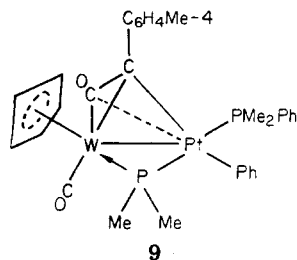
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bond, while the peaks at δ 98.3 and 86.6 [$J_{\text{PtC}}(\text{av}) = 113$ Hz] are due to the C=C group transoid to the carbon atom bridging the metal-metal bond. The ^{195}Pt NMR spectra of **7a** [δ 153.6 (d, $J_{\text{PPt}} = 51$ Hz)] and **7b** [δ 139.0 (d, $J_{\text{PPt}} = 50$ Hz)] are very similar.

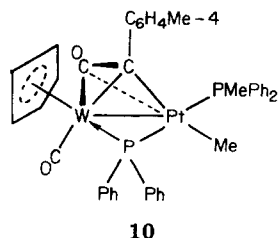
Whereas **2a** and **2c** gave analogous products in their reactions with $\text{Pt}(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})_2$, the compound **2d** reacted with bis(cycloocta-1,5-diene)platinum to give a mixture of two complexes. One of these, **7c** was characterized (see Experimental Section) as being structurally similar to **7a,b**. The identity of the other product **9** has not been firmly established but is tentatively assigned the structure shown, on the basis of its NMR spectra, although its instability and insolubility in solution inhibited measurement of a good quality ^{13}C spectrum.

The ^{31}P NMR spectrum of **9** showed two resonances, both doublets with ^{195}Pt satellite peaks. One peak had a chemical shift (δ -15.5) and coupling constants ($J_{\text{PP}} = 219$ and $J_{\text{PtP}} = 3056$ Hz) diagnostic for a trans P-Pt-P group.²³⁻²⁵ The chemical shift of the other resonance (δ 118 ($J_{\text{PP}} = 219$, $J_{\text{PtP}} = 1406$, $J_{\text{WP}} = 222$ Hz) provides strong evidence for the presence in **9** of a $\mu\text{-PR}_2$ ligand, since signals for such groups in three-membered dimetalla rings are shifted markedly downfield from those of tertiary phosphines. The observation of both ^{195}Pt and ^{187}W



couplings on the signal at δ 118 further supports the assignment. As mentioned above, some difficulties were encountered in measuring the ^{13}C NMR spectrum, and it was not possible to observe a resonance for the carbon atom bridging the metal-metal bond. However, signals characteristic of the two CO groups were observed, together with peaks attributable to Ph (two environments), $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4}$, PMe, and C_5H_5 groups.

The reaction between $\text{Pt}(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})_2$ and **2e** gave as the only product a complex **10**, the structure of which is ten-



tatively assigned on the basis of spectroscopic data (Experimental Section), as done for **9** above. We are unable to account for the formation of **9** and **10** in these reactions, which obviously involve C-P bond cleavage and transfer of tertiary phosphine groups from tungsten to platinum. However, reactions of zero-valent platinum compounds with cleavage of P-Ph bonds and formation of $\mu\text{-PPh}_2$ and

Pt-Ph linkages have been previously observed.²⁶

During attempts to grow crystals of **7a,b** for X-ray diffraction studies, it was observed that in solution at 25 °C these complexes decomposed (ca. 24 h), yielding $\text{W}\equiv\text{CR}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ and the compounds $\text{PtW}(\mu\text{-CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_2(\text{PR}_3)_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ [$\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMe}_3$ or $\text{PMe}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})$].^{4,22} It was also observed that PMe_3 reacts with **7a** to displace the cycloocta-1,5-diene ligand and afford $\text{PtW}\{\mu\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{C}(\text{O})\}(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)_3(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$, **11**.

Experimental Section

General Remarks. Infrared spectra were recorded in CH_2Cl_2 on a Nicolet MX-1 FT spectrometer. NMR spectra (^1H , $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$, $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$, and $^{195}\text{Pt}\{^1\text{H}\}$) were measured on a JEOL FX 90Q Fourier transform spectrometer. Chemical shifts δ (ppm) are to high frequency, with ^{31}P relative to 85% H_3PO_4 (external) and ^{195}Pt relative to $\Xi_{195\text{Pt}} = 21.4$ MHz. Unless specified to the contrary, NMR spectra were measured in CDCl_3 .

All solvents were freshly distilled prior to use, and reactions were carried out under nitrogen by using Schlenk tube techniques. Chromatography was carried out on alumina (Brockman, activity II). Microanalyses were determined at the School of Chemistry, University of Bristol. The compounds $\text{Pt}(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})_2$,²⁷ $\text{Rh}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2(\eta\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$,¹⁵ $\text{W}\equiv\text{CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$,¹² and $\text{W}\{\eta^2\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{CO}\}(\text{CO})(\text{PR}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ ($\text{PR}_3 = \text{PMe}_3$ or PPh_3)⁹ were synthesized by literature procedures. However, certain new mononuclear rhodium and tungsten complexes were prepared as precursors for the work described herein:

Rh(CO)(PMe₃)($\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7$) was obtained by bubbling CO gas through a hexane (10 mL) solution of $\text{Rh}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ (0.14 g, 0.50 mmol) to generate $\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$ in situ. Trimethylphosphine (0.50 mmol) was added to the mixture cooled to -20 °C. After being warmed to room temperature, the solution was stirred (1 h). Removal of solvent in vacuo afforded a residue which was dissolved in hexane-dichloromethane (4:1) and chromatographed to afford, after removal of solvent, yellow crystals (70 mg, 43%): IR ν_{CO} 1943 (vs) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CD_2Cl_2) δ 1.38 (d of d, 9 H, MeP, $J_{\text{PH}} = 9$, $J_{\text{RhH}} = 1$ Hz), 5.30 (d, 2 H, C_9H_7 , $J_{\text{HH}} = 2$ Hz), 5.97 (d of d, 1 H, C_9H_7 , $J_{\text{HH}} = 2$, $J_{\text{RhH}} = 2$ Hz), 6.7-7.2 (m, 4 H, C_9H_7); ^{31}P NMR ($\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$) δ -2.53 (d, $J_{\text{RHP}} = 190$ Hz). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{OPRh}$: C, 48.4; H, 5.0. Found: C, 47.8; H, 4.6.

W($\eta^2\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{C}(\text{O})\}(\text{CO})(\text{PR}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ (2**).** The compound $\text{W}\equiv\text{CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ (0.41 g, 1.00 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (25 mL) was treated with $\text{PMe}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})$ (1.00 mmol) and the mixture stirred at 25 °C (3 h). Solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) and chromatographed. Elution with the same solvent afforded, after evaporation, brick-red **2c** (0.49 g, 88%): IR ν_{CO} 1889 (vs), 1681 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 1.33 (d, 3 H, MeP, $J_{\text{PH}} = 10$ Hz), 1.53 (d, 3 H, MeP, $J_{\text{PH}} = 10$ Hz), 2.32 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 2.88 (d, 1 H, CH_2 , $J_{\text{PH}} = 10$), 3.02 (d, 1 H, CH_2 , $J_{\text{PH}} = 10$ Hz), 5.46 (s, 5 H, C_5H_5), 6.8-7.9 (m, 9 H, C_6H_4 , Ph); ^{31}P NMR δ -2.1 ($J_{\text{WP}} = 410$ Hz). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_2\text{PW}$: C, 51.5; H, 4.4. Found: C, 51.5; H, 4.4.

A similar synthesis afforded compound **2d** (0.51 g, 93%): IR ν_{CO} 1889 (vs), 1691 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 1.3 (d, 3 H, MeP, $J_{\text{WP}} = 10$ Hz), 1.9 (d, 3 H, MeP, $J_{\text{WP}} = 10$ Hz), 2.3 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 5.4 (s, 5 H, C_5H_5), 7.0-7.7 (m, 9 H, C_6H_4 , Ph); ^{31}P NMR δ 7.0 ($J_{\text{WP}} = 411$ Hz). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2\text{PW}$: C, 50.6; H, 4.2. Found: C, 49.9; H, 4.1.

Similarly, for **2e** (0.54 g, 89%): IR ν_{CO} 1889 (vs), 1693 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 2.14 (d, 3 H, MeP, $J_{\text{PH}} = 9$ Hz), 2.29 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 5.39 (s, 5 H, C_5H_5), 7.2-7.7 (m, 14 H, C_6H_4 , Ph); ^{31}P NMR δ 19.1 ($J_{\text{WP}} = 417$ Hz).

Reaction of 2a with $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$. A CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) solution of **2a** (0.36 g, 0.76 mmol) was treated with $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$ (0.26 g, 0.76 mmol) and the mixture stirred for 1 h. Solvent was removed in vacuo and the green residue chromatographed using CH_2Cl_2 -hexane (2:5). Removal of solvent and recrystallization gave dark green crystals $\text{Co}_2\text{W}(\mu_3\text{-CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_7(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$ (**3**)

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Table III. Crystallographic Details for 5 and 7a

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fw	702.2	829.9
space group	D ₂ ⁴ -P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	C _{2h} ⁵ -P2 ₁ /c
a, Å	9.486 (2)	22.492 (7)
b, Å	15.693 (6)	12.241 (6)
c, Å	16.882 (5)	20.430 (7)
β, deg		106.07 (3)
V, Å ³	2513 (1)	5404 (4)
Z	4	8
ρ(calcd), g cm ⁻³	1.86	2.04
temp, °C	22	22
cryst dimens, mm	0.10 × 0.10 × 0.50	0.35 × 0.35 × 0.36
radiatn	graphite monochromator, Mo Kα (λ = 0.710 69 Å)	graphite monochromator, Mo Kα (λ = 0.710 69 Å)
diffractometer	Nicolet P3m	Nicolet P3m
abs coeff, cm ⁻¹	μ(Mo Kα) = 54.0	μ(Mo Kα) = 95.0
scan range, deg	3.0 ≤ 2θ ≤ 50	3.0 ≤ 2θ ≤ 50
scan technique	θ-2θ	θ-2θ
data collected	h, k, l	h, k, ±l
total unique data	2649	7189
unique data with F _o ≥ σ(F _o)	2119 (n = 5)	5577 (n = 6)

(0.48 g, 85%): mp 189–190 °C; IR ν_{CO} 2047 (s), 2003 (vs), 1982 (s), 1964 (s), 1900 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 1.26 (d, 9 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 10 Hz), 2.24 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 5.08 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 6.8–7.2 (m, 4 H, C₆H₄); ³¹P NMR (CD₂Cl₂-CH₂Cl₂) δ -38.5 (s, J_{WP} = 162 Hz); ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂-CH₂Cl₂) δ 263 (μ₃-C), 207 (CO), 161 (C¹-C₆H₄Me-4), 134, 127 (C₆H₄), 91 (C₅H₅), 20.0 (Me-4), 19.0 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 15 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₁Co₂O₇PW: C, 37.3; H, 2.9. Found: C, 37.2; H, 3.0.

A CH₂Cl₂ solution of 3 after three days at room temperature isomerized to 4: mp 125–128 °C; IR ν_{CO} 2054 (m), 2041 (m), 2002 (vs), 1983 (sh), 1979 (s), 1962 (sh), 1908 (w), 1849 (w), 1833 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 1.37 (d, 9 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 9 Hz), 2.31 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 5.16 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 6.93–7.41 (m, 4 H, C₆H₄); ³¹P NMR (CD₂Cl₂-CH₂Cl₂) δ -4.9. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₁Co₂O₇PW: C, 37.3; H, 2.9. Found: C, 36.8; H, 2.6.

Reaction of 2a with Rh(C₂H₄)₂(η⁵-C₉H₇). A sample of 2a (0.39 g, 0.81 mmol) was added to Rh(C₂H₄)₂(η⁵-C₉H₇) (0.22 g, 0.81 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (20 mL). The mixture was refluxed (12 h), solvent removed in vacuo, and the residue chromatographed with CH₂Cl₂-hexane (1:4) to obtain black crystals of RhW(μ-CC₆H₄Me-4)(CO)₂(PMe₃)(μ-C₆H₅)(η⁵-C₉H₇) (5) (0.29 g, 52%): mp 183 °C; IR ν_{CO} 1874 (vs), 1775 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 1.06 (d of d, 9 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 9, J_{RhH} = 2 Hz), 2.31 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 5.50 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 5.84 (s, 2 H, C₉H₇), 5.92 (s, 1 H, C₉H₇), 6.42–7.36 (m, 8 H, C₆H₄, C₉H₇); ³¹P NMR (CD₂Cl₂-CH₂Cl₂) δ 5.04 (d, J_{RhP} = 208 Hz); ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂-CH₂Cl₂) δ 326.6 (d, μ-C, J_{RhC} = 22 Hz), 238.1 (d, μ-CO, J_{RhC} = 31 Hz), 216.8 (CO), 154.7 (C¹-C₆H₄Me-4), 136.7–104.9 (C₆H₄, C₉H₇), 91.7 (C₅H₅), 87.3, 80.2, 77.0 (C₉H₇), 21.9 (Me-4), 18.8 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 30 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C₂₇H₂₈O₂PRhW: C, 46.2; H, 4.0. Found: C, 46.4; H, 4.0.

Compound 5 was also prepared by treating Rh(CO)₂(PMe₃)(η⁵-C₉H₇) with W≡CC₆H₄Me-4(CO)₂(η-C₅H₅) in CH₂Cl₂ at room temperature (24 h) and by reacting RhW(μ-CC₆H₄Me-4)(CO)₃(η-C₅H₅)(η⁵-C₉H₇) with PMe₃ in CH₂Cl₂ at room temperature (3 h). These reactions were monitored by IR and NMR spectroscopy (see Discussion).

Protonation of 5. A sample of 5 (0.13 g, 0.18 mmol) in Et₂O (20 mL) was treated with HBF₄·Et₂O (0.2 mL) at 0 °C leading to immediate precipitation of the ocre salt [RhW(μ-η⁵-C₉H₇)(η⁵-C₆H₄Me-4)(CO)₂(PMe₃)(η-C₅H₅)(η⁵-C₉H₇)](BF₄) (6): mp 97–98 °C dec; IR ν_{CO} 1946 (vs), 1783 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 1.67 (d of d, 9 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 11, J_{RhH} = 1 Hz), 2.37 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 4.61 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 5.46 (s, 1 H, C₉H₇), 5.81 (s, 1 H, C₉H₇), 6.02 (s, 1 H, C₉H₇), 7.07–7.17 (m, 4 H, C₉H₇), 7.28–7.44 (m, 4 H, C₆H₄), 7.95 (d, 1 H, μ-CH, J_{PH} = 20 Hz); ³¹P NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 14.7 (d, J_{RhP} = 173 Hz); ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂-CH₂Cl₂) δ 225.4 (μ-CO), 134–128 (C₆H₄), 126.5–96.3 (C₉H₇), 92.8 (C₅H₅), 90.5, 84.0 (C₉H₇), 21.5 (Me-4), 16.8 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 34 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C₂₇H₂₈BF₄O₂PRhW: C, 41.0; H, 3.7. Found: C, 39.7; H, 4.0.

Reaction of the Compounds 2 with Pt(η-C₈H₁₂)₂. A solution of 2a (0.33 g, 0.69 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (20 mL) at 0 °C was treated with Pt(η-C₈H₁₂)₂ (0.28 g, 0.69 mmol), and the mixture was stirred and warmed to room temperature (3 h). Solvent was

removed in vacuo and the residue chromatographed with CH₂Cl₂ to give orange crystals of PtW(μ-C(C₆H₄Me-4)C(O))(CO)₂(PMe₃)(η-C₈H₁₂)(η-C₅H₅) (7a) (0.28 g, 51%): mp 111–113 °C; IR ν_{CO} 1689 (vs), 1625 (vs) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 1.49 (d, 9 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 10 Hz), 2.3 (m, br, 11 H, Me-4, CH₂(C₈H₁₂)), 4.94 (m, 4 H, CH), 5.30 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 7.05–7.30 (m, 4 H, C₆H₄); ³¹P NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ -1.38 (J_{WP} = 337, J_{PtP} = 54 Hz); ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 153.6 (d, J_{PtPt} = 54 Hz); ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂-CH₂Cl₂) δ 244.5 (d, PtWCO, J_{PC} = 12, J_{PtC} = 240 Hz), 231.8 (d, CO, J_{PC} = 22, J_{PtC} = 44 Hz), 221.4 (μ-C), 140.9 (C¹(C₆H₄Me-4)), 133.7, 126.5 (C₆H₄), 110.6 (CH(C₈H₁₂)), J_{PtC} = 149 Hz), 101.6 (CH(C₈H₁₂)), J_{PtC} = 132 Hz), 96.4 (CH(C₈H₁₂)), J_{PtC} = 117 Hz), 89.8 (C₅H₅), 85.2 (CH(C₈H₁₂)), J_{PtC} = 110 Hz), 30.6, 29.7, 29.0, 28.6 (CH₂(C₈H₁₂)), 20.3 (Me-4), 19.9 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 24 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C₂₆H₃₃O₂PtPW: C, 39.6; H, 4.2. Found: C, 39.0; H, 4.3.

Similarly 2c (0.28 g, 0.50 mmol) and Pt(η-C₈H₁₂)₂ (0.20 g, 0.50 mmol) gave, after chromatography (hexane-CH₂Cl₂, 1:1), PtW(μ-C(C₆H₄Me-4)C(O))(CO)(PMe₃)(CH₂Ph)(η-C₈H₁₂)(η-C₅H₅) (7b) (0.26 g, 60%): mp 110–123 °C dec; IR ν_{CO} 1691 (vs), 1624 (vs) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 1.33 (d, 3 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 9 Hz), 1.39 (d, 3 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 9 Hz), 2.20 (m, br, 8 H, CH₂(C₈H₁₂)), 2.31 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 3.27 (d of d, 2 H, CH₂, J_{PH} = 10, J_{HH} = 9 Hz), 4.90–4.92 (m, 9 H, CH(C₈H₁₂), C₅H₅), 7.26 (m, 9 H, C₆H₄, Ph); ³¹P NMR δ 9.3 (J_{PtP} = 51, J_{WP} = 337 Hz); ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR δ 139 (d, J_{PtPt} = 51 Hz); ¹³C NMR δ 246.5 (d, PtWCO, J_{PC} = 10, J_{PtC} = 146 Hz), 234.5 (d, CO, J_{PC} = 23, J_{PtC} = 39 Hz), 140.8 (C¹(C₆H₄Me-4)), 136.2–128.2 (C₆H₄, Ph), 111.7 (CH(C₈H₁₂)), J_{PtC} = 152 Hz), 102.5 (CH(C₈H₁₂)), J_{PtC} = 132 Hz), 98.3 (CH(C₈H₁₂)), J_{PtC} = 117 Hz), 90.6 (C₅H₅), 86.6 (CH(C₈H₁₂)), J_{PtC} = 109 Hz), 41.0 (d, CH₂P, J_{PC} = 25 Hz), 31.0, 30.2, 29.8, 29.4 (CH₂(C₈H₁₂)), 21.1 (Me-4), 18.2 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 30 Hz), 17.0 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 30 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C₃₃H₃₇O₂PtW: C, 44.5; H, 4.3. Found: C, 43.2; H, 4.6.

The product mixture from 2d (0.27 g, 0.50 mmol) and Pt(η-C₈H₁₂)₂ (0.20 g, 0.50 mmol) was chromatographed. Elution of the column with hexane-CH₂Cl₂ gave brown PtW(μ-C(C₆H₄Me-4)C(O))(μ-PMe₂)(Ph)(CO)(PMe₂Ph)(η-C₅H₅) (9) (0.11 g, 26%): IR ν_{CO} 1873 (s), 1732 (m), cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 1.3–1.5 (m, 12 H, μ-MeP), 2.30 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 5.04 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 6.5–7.4 (m, 14 H, C₆H₄, Ph); ³¹P NMR δ -15.5 (d, PMe₂Ph, J_{PP} = 219, J_{PtP} = 3056 Hz), 118.2 (d, μ-P, J_{PP} = 219, J_{PtP} = 1406, J_{WP} = 222 Hz); ¹³C NMR δ 223.6 (d, WCO, J_{PC} = 7 Hz), 207.8 (CO, J_{PtC} = 29 Hz), 147.5–122.2 (C₆H₄, Ph), 91.2 (C₅H₅), 25.9 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 31, J_{PtC} = 32 Hz), 22.2 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 36, J_{PtC} = 22 Hz), 21.0 (Me-4), 15.0 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 36, J_{PtC} = 42 Hz), 12.6 (d, MeP, J_{PC} = 34, J_{PtC} = 34 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C₃₁H₃₄O₂P₂PtW: C, 42.3; H, 3.8. Found: C, 43.3; H, 4.4. Elution of the chromatography column with CH₂Cl₂ afforded orange PtW(μ-C(C₆H₄Me-4)C(O))(CO)(PMe₂Ph)(η-C₈H₁₂)(η-C₅H₅) (7c) (0.26 g, 49%): mp 125 °C; IR ν_{CO} 1685 (vs), 1622 (vs) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 1.70 (d, 3 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 10 Hz), 2.15 (d, 3 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 10 Hz), 2.30 (m, 11 H, Me-4, CH₂(C₈H₁₂)), 4.81 (m, 4 H, CH(C₈H₁₂)), 5.28 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 6.8–7.8 (m, 9 H, C₆H₄, Ph); ³¹P NMR δ 5.4 (J_{PtP} = 58, J_{WP} = 336 Hz); ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR δ 151.0 (d, J_{PtPt} = 58 Hz). Anal. Calcd for

Table IV. Positional Parameters (and Esd's) for RhW(μ -CC₆H₄Me-4)(CO)₂(PMe₃)₂(η -C₅H₅)(η -C₅H₇)

atom	x	y	z
W	0.36765 (7)	0.15872 (4)	0.29942 (4)
Rh	0.09159 (12)	0.10627 (8)	0.26795 (7)
P	0.1042 (6)	0.0220 (4)	0.1605 (3)
C(1)	0.238 (3)	-0.061 (2)	0.1529 (14)
C(2)	-0.048 (3)	-0.047 (3)	0.145 (2)
C(3)	0.113 (7)	0.076 (3)	0.0705 (12)
C(01)	0.2704 (15)	0.0532 (10)	0.3148 (7)
C(11)	0.2789 (11)	-0.0350 (5)	0.3462 (6)
C(12)	0.1584 (11)	-0.0796 (5)	0.3692 (6)
C(13)	0.1703 (11)	-0.1620 (5)	0.3994 (6)
C(14)	0.3027 (11)	-0.1999 (5)	0.4065 (6)
C(15)	0.4232 (11)	-0.1554 (5)	0.3835 (6)
C(16)	0.4113 (11)	-0.0729 (5)	0.3533 (6)
C(17)	0.316 (3)	-0.2884 (13)	0.4443 (12)
C(21)	0.522 (3)	0.1713 (12)	0.4063 (14)
C(22)	0.386 (3)	0.1963 (12)	0.4338 (14)
C(23)	0.348 (3)	0.2722 (12)	0.3936 (14)
C(24)	0.459 (3)	0.2943 (12)	0.3413 (14)
C(25)	0.567 (3)	0.2319 (12)	0.3492 (14)
C(31)	-0.145 (2)	0.0801 (12)	0.3258 (9)
C(32)	-0.212 (2)	0.0017 (13)	0.3398 (12)
C(33)	-0.200 (3)	-0.031 (2)	0.4124 (14)
C(34)	-0.130 (3)	0.0086 (14)	0.4742 (10)
C(35)	-0.058 (3)	0.085 (2)	0.4625 (11)
C(36)	-0.063 (2)	0.1230 (12)	0.3877 (10)
C(37)	-0.008 (3)	0.2007 (12)	0.3566 (12)
C(38)	-0.065 (3)	0.2103 (13)	0.2790 (11)
C(39)	-0.141 (2)	0.1401 (12)	0.2568 (13)
O(4)	0.545 (2)	0.0529 (10)	0.1786 (8)
C(5)	0.254 (3)	0.2100 (14)	0.2138 (12)
O(5)	0.2070 (15)	0.2570 (10)	0.1634 (8)

C₃₂H₃₅O₂PtW: C, 42.5; H, 4.1. Found: C, 41.1; H, 4.2.

Reaction of **2e** (0.30 g, 0.50 mmol) with Pt(η -C₅H₁₂)₂ (0.20 g, 0.50 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (20 mL) gave brown-orange PtW- $\{\mu$ -C(C₆H₄Me-4)C(O)\}₂(μ -PPh₂)(Me)(CO)(PMePh₂)₂(η -C₅H₅) (10) (0.23 g, 47%): IR ν_{CO} 1877 (vs), 1734 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 1.26 (s, 3 H, MePt, J_{PH} = 646 Hz), 2.32 (d, 3 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 8 Hz), 2.36 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 5.28 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 6.9-7.4 (m, 24 H, C₆H₄, Ph); ³¹P NMR δ -1.1 (d, PMePh₂, J_{PP} = 224, J_{P-Pt} = 3212 Hz), 132.6 (d, μ -PPh₂, J_{PP} = 223, J_{P-Pt} = 1538, J_{WP} = 348 Hz).

Decomposition of 7b in CH₂Cl₂. A sample of **7b** (0.43 g, 0.50 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL) was stirred for 24 h at 25 °C. Solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue chromatographed with hexane-CH₂Cl₂ (1:1) and subsequently with CH₂Cl₂ to give PtW(μ -CC₆H₄Me-4)(CO)₂(PMe₂(CH₂Ph))₂(η -C₅H₅) (0.20 g, 43%): IR ν_{CO} 1895 (vs), 1803 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 1.00 (d, 6 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 8 Hz), 1.32 (d, 6 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 8 Hz), 2.34 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 2.75 (d, 4 H, CH₂, J_{PH} = 10 Hz), 5.29 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 6.6-7.2 (m, 14 H, C₆H₄, Ph); ³¹P NMR δ -2.9 (J_{P-Pt} = 4087 Hz), -13.5 (J_{P-Pt} = 2771 Hz).

Reaction of 7a with PMe₃. A solution of **7a** (0.22 g, 0.30 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was treated with PMe₃ (0.6 mmol). Solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue chromatographed by using hexane-CH₂Cl₂ (1:1) to elute trace products and tetrahydrofuran to give red crystals of PtW(μ -C(C₆H₄Me-4)C(O))₂(CO)(PMe₃)₃(η -C₅H₅) (11) (0.17 g, 71%): IR ν_{CO} 1705 (vs), 1641 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 1.35 (d, 9 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 9 Hz), 1.53 (d, 9 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 8 Hz), 1.67 (d, 9 H, MeP, J_{PH} = 8 Hz), 2.30 (s, 3 H, Me-4), 4.80 (s, 5 H, C₅H₅), 7.0-7.3 (m, 4 H, C₆H₄); ³¹P NMR δ 0.2 (d, PW, J_{PP} = 7, J_{WP} = 313, J_{P-Pt} = 17 Hz), -12.9 (d, PPT, J_{PP} = 12, J_{P-Pt} = 3390 Hz), -30.0 (d of d, PPT, J_{PP} = 12, 7, J_{P-Pt} = 3427 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C₂₄H₃₉O₂P₃PtW: C, 34.6; H, 4.6. Found: C, 34.1; H, 4.5.

Crystal Structure Determinations. (a) RhW(μ -CC₆H₄Me-4)(CO)₂(PMe₃)₂(η -C₅H₅)(η -C₅H₇). A deep red crystal of **5** was grown from hexane-CH₂Cl₂. Details concerning crystal characteristics and X-ray diffraction methodology are shown in Table III. Intensity data were collected and corrected for Lorentz, polarization, and absorption effects, as previously described.^{5,28}

Table V. Positional Parameters (and Esd's) for PtW(μ -C(C₆H₄Me-4)C(O))₂(CO)(PMe₃)₃(η -C₅H₁₂)₂(η -C₅H₅)^{1/2}·CH₂Cl₂

atom	x	y	z
W(1)	0.35891 (3)	0.82708 (5)	0.38537 (3)
Pt(1)	0.44772 (3)	0.89530 (5)	0.32685 (3)
W(2)	0.08662 (3)	0.30213 (6)	0.36319 (3)
Pt(2)	0.15624 (3)	0.36345 (5)	0.48904 (3)
P(1)	0.2940 (3)	0.7247 (4)	0.2924 (3)
P(2)	0.1606 (3)	0.1904 (5)	0.3289 (3)
C(11)	0.2102 (10)	0.753 (2)	0.2697 (12)
C(12)	0.2968 (10)	0.5739 (15)	0.3017 (13)
C(13)	0.3128 (10)	0.739 (2)	0.2091 (10)
C(14)	0.4222 (8)	0.7352 (12)	0.3685 (8)
O(14)	0.4549 (6)	0.6545 (9)	0.3712 (7)
C(15)	0.3296 (8)	0.9494 (13)	0.3104 (9)
O(15)	0.2885 (6)	0.9861 (10)	0.2605 (6)
C(111)	0.3915 (6)	0.8317 (15)	0.5061 (8)
C(112)	0.3699 (6)	0.7243 (15)	0.4865 (8)
C(113)	0.3059 (6)	0.7307 (15)	0.4520 (8)
C(114)	0.2879 (6)	0.8421 (15)	0.4502 (8)
C(115)	0.3408 (6)	0.9045 (15)	0.4837 (8)
C(121)	0.3943 (5)	1.0980 (7)	0.3856 (6)
C(122)	0.4340 (5)	1.1158 (7)	0.4505 (6)
C(123)	0.4427 (5)	1.2214 (7)	0.4772 (6)
C(124)	0.4118 (5)	1.3092 (7)	0.4389 (6)
C(125)	0.3722 (5)	1.2913 (7)	0.3740 (6)
C(126)	0.3635 (5)	1.1857 (7)	0.3474 (6)
C(127)	0.4218 (11)	1.4256 (2)	0.4698 (12)
C(128)	0.3850 (7)	0.9884 (14)	0.3591 (9)
C(138)	0.4567 (11)	0.965 (2)	0.1865 (11)
C(137)	0.4951 (12)	0.861 (2)	0.1954 (13)
C(136)	0.4947 (9)	0.796 (2)	0.2644 (10)
C(135)	0.5371 (9)	0.8140 (15)	0.3291 (12)
C(134)	0.5877 (11)	0.900 (2)	0.342 (2)
C(133)	0.5670 (11)	1.013 (2)	0.3150 (11)
C(132)	0.5028 (10)	1.0414 (13)	0.3064 (10)
C(131)	0.4531 (9)	1.0192 (13)	0.2503 (9)
C(21)	0.1336 (12)	0.056 (3)	0.2976 (13)
C(22)	0.1952 (10)	0.252 (3)	0.2668 (12)
C(23)	0.2326 (11)	0.149 (2)	0.3955 (11)
C(24)	0.1512 (10)	0.4150 (14)	0.3797 (10)
O(24)	0.1797 (7)	0.4879 (11)	0.3692 (7)
C(25)	0.1028 (8)	0.1731 (13)	0.4368 (9)
O(25)	0.1128 (7)	0.0771 (11)	0.4474 (8)
C(211)	0.0053 (11)	0.428 (2)	0.3154 (14)
C(212)	0.0381 (11)	0.410 (2)	0.2662 (14)
C(213)	0.0313 (11)	0.298 (2)	0.2472 (14)
C(214)	-0.0057 (11)	0.247 (2)	0.2848 (14)
C(215)	-0.0217 (11)	0.328 (2)	0.3269 (14)
C(221)	0.0299 (5)	0.2584 (9)	0.4990 (6)
C(222)	-0.0037 (5)	0.3522 (9)	0.5043 (6)
C(223)	-0.0495 (5)	0.3481 (9)	0.5385 (6)
C(224)	-0.0616 (5)	0.2503 (9)	0.5674 (6)
C(225)	-0.0279 (5)	0.1566 (9)	0.5622 (6)
C(226)	0.0178 (5)	0.1606 (9)	0.5280 (6)
C(227)	-0.1097 (10)	0.243 (2)	0.6085 (12)
C(228)	0.0799 (8)	0.2623 (11)	0.4638 (8)
C(231)	0.1903 (10)	0.302 (2)	0.5952 (9)
C(232)	0.1503 (10)	0.389 (2)	0.5930 (10)
C(233)	0.1723 (12)	0.508 (2)	0.6169 (13)
C(234)	0.218 (2)	0.555 (3)	0.5831 (15)
C(235)	0.2204 (10)	0.506 (2)	0.5194 (10)
C(236)	0.2553 (11)	0.414 (2)	0.5129 (10)
C(237)	0.2956 (12)	0.339 (3)	0.5639 (14)
C(238)	0.2597 (10)	0.312 (2)	0.6208 (11)
C	0.1605 (11)	0.573 (4)	0.066 (2)
CL(1)	0.2373 (5)	0.5024 (10)	0.0911 (7)
CL(2)	0.1349 (6)	0.5296 (13)	0.1414 (6)

The structure was solved and all non-hydrogen atoms were located by conventional heavy-atom and difference Fourier methods. Hydrogen atoms were not included in the refinement. The cyclopentadienyl ring was treated as a rigid group (C-C = 1.420 Å) but not the indenyl ligand. Refinement by blocked cascade least squares, with anisotropic temperature factors for all non-hydrogen atoms, led to $R = 0.047$ ($R' = 0.047$) with a weighting scheme of the form $w = [\sigma^2(F_o) + 0.001|F_o|^2]^{-1}$. The

(28) Sheldrick, G. M. SHELXTL programs for use with the Nicolet P3m X-ray system.

final electron density difference synthesis showed no peaks $>1 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$. Scattering factors were used and anomalous dispersion corrections were applied to all non-hydrogen atoms.²⁹ All computations were carried out on an "Eclipse" (Data General) minicomputer with the "SHELXTL" system of programs.²⁸ Atomic coordinates are given in Table IV.

(b) $\text{PtW}\{\mu\text{-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})\text{C}(\text{O})\}(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)^{-1/2}\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$. A well-formed red parallelepiped crystal of **7a** was obtained from a CH_2Cl_2 -hexane solution. Details are given in Table III, and the solution and refinement of the structure were as described for **5**, but with the cyclopentadienyl and aryl rings treated as rigid groups ($\text{C-C}(\text{C}_5\text{H}_5) = 1.420 \text{ Å}$ and $\text{C-C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4) = 1.395 \text{ Å}$). Refinement converged at $R = 0.048$ ($R' = 0.051$) with a weighting scheme of the form $w = [\sigma^2(F_o) + 0.001|F_o|^{-1}]^{-1}$. The final electron-density difference synthesis showed no peaks $>1.4 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$. Atomic coordinates are listed in Table V.

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Registry No. **2a**, 61202-59-3; **2c**, 83114-97-0; **2d**, 83114-98-1; **2e**, 83114-99-2; **3**, 83115-00-8; **4**, 83115-01-9; **5**, 83134-38-7; **6**, 83115-03-1; **7a**, 83115-04-2; **7b**, 83115-05-3; **7c**, 83115-07-5; **9**, 83115-06-4; **10**, 83115-08-6; **11**, 83115-10-0; $\text{Rh}(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_3)(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_7)$, 83114-96-9; $\text{PtW}(\mu\text{-CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})(\text{CO})_2[\text{PMe}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})]_2(\eta\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5)$, 83115-09-7; $\text{Rh}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)_2(\eta^5\text{-C}_9\text{H}_7)$, 63428-46-6; $\text{W}\equiv\text{CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4}(\text{CO})_2(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)$, 60260-15-3; $\text{Pt}(\eta\text{-C}_8\text{H}_{12})_2$, 12130-66-4; $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$, 10210-68-1; Co , 7440-48-4; W , 7440-33-7; Rh , 7440-16-6; Pt , 7440-06-4.

Supplementary Material Available: Observed and calculated structure factor tables for compounds **5** and **7a** as well as tables of anisotropic thermal parameters and a full list of bond lengths (59 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

(Pentamethylcyclopentadienyl)rhodium and -iridium Complexes.

37.¹ Synthesis and X-ray Structure Determination of Bis(μ_3 -methylidyne)tris[(η^5 -pentamethylcyclopentadienyl)rhodium][†]

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Under appropriate conditions reaction of $[(\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Rh})_2\text{Cl}_4]$ with Al_2Me_6 gives bis(μ_3 -methylidyne)tris[(η^5 -pentamethylcyclopentadienyl)rhodium], $[(\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Rh})_3(\text{CH})_2]$, **4**, in 50% yield rather than *trans*- $[(\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Rh})_2(\mu\text{-CH}_2)_2(\text{CH}_3)_2]$. The stoichiometry of formation is formally represented by the equation $3[(\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Rh})_2\text{Cl}_4] + 2\text{Al}_2\text{Me}_6 = 2[(\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Rh})_3(\text{CH})_2] + 2\text{Al}_2\text{Cl}_6 + 8\text{CH}_4$. Complex **4** was characterized spectroscopically and by an X-ray structure determination [rhombohedral, $a = 11.918$ (7) Å, $\alpha = 101.91$ (4)°, $Z = 2$, and space group $R\bar{3}(C_{3i}^2, \text{No. 148})$; 1441 reflections with $I > 3\sigma(I)$; $R = 0.027$]. This showed an equilateral triangle of rhodiums each η^5 bonded to a C_5Me_5 and capped top and bottom by a μ_3 -CH ligand. From its dimensions the Rh_3C_2 skeleton appears to be very tightly bound; this may account for the high thermal stability of **4**.

We have recently described the syntheses of the *cis*- and *trans*-dimethylbis(μ -methylene)dirhodium complexes **2a** and **2b** from reaction of $[(\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Rh})_2\text{Cl}_4]$ (**1**) and Al_2Me_6 (or LiMe) in hydrocarbon solvents.^{2,3} Recent studies of the mechanism by which **2** were formed showed that the kinetically controlled product was the *cis*-isomer **2a** which isomerized, in the presence of a Lewis acid, into the thermodynamically more stable *trans*-isomer **2b**. The *cis*-complex **2a** was, in turn, obtained from an intermediate, identified by low-temperature ^{13}C NMR spectroscopy as $\text{C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{RhMe}_2\text{MeAlMe}_x\text{Cl}_{2-x}$, **3**, by careful oxidation or addition of a hydrogen acceptor such as acetone.^{3,4} Under different conditions, however, the trinuclear bis(μ_3 -methylidyne) complex **4** is formed in this reaction (Scheme I).

Results and Discussion

Structure of 4. Complex **4** crystallized from chloroform in orange needles and was air stable in both solid and

solution. It was readily soluble in hydrocarbons, dichloromethane, and ether but less so in acetone or methanol. Elemental analysis and the mass spectrum gave the formula $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{47}\text{Rh}_3$ (the molecular ion at m/e 740 was also the parent ion). The ^1H NMR spectrum showed the presence of a singlet at δ 1.88 and a quartet at δ 13.18 ($J = 5.5 \text{ Hz}$), with relative intensity ratio close to 45:2. The very low-field chemical shift of the latter resonance suggested the presence of a methylidyne ligand; for example, in $[(\text{CpRh})_3(\mu_3\text{-CH})(\mu\text{-CO})_2]\text{BF}_4$ the $\mu_3\text{-CH}$ resonates at δ 16.28,⁵ while in $[\text{Co}_3(\mu_3\text{-CH})(\text{CO})_9]$ it is at δ 12.08.⁶ The multiplicity of the signal indicated that it was coupled, and

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