

# Reactions of (Phosphine)palladium(0) Complexes with Thiocarbonyl Selenide and the X-ray Crystal Structure of $[1,2-C_6H_4(CH_2PPh_2)_2]Pd(\eta^2-CSSe)^1$

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The reactions of  $Pd(P-i-Pr_3)_n$  ( $n = 2$  or  $3$ ) and  $Pd(PPh_3)_4$  with  $CSSe$  yield the compounds  $(PR_3)_2Pd(\eta^2-CSSe)$  (**1**, **2**) for which a  $\eta^2$ -bonding mode via C and Se is indicated by infrared data.  $(PPh_3)_2Pd(\eta^2-CSSe)$  (**2**) reacts with the diphosphines  $1,2-C_2H_4(PPh_2)_2$  (diphos) and  $1,2-C_6H_4(CH_2PPh_2)_2$  (dpmb) by displacement of the  $PPh_3$  ligands to form the chelate complexes  $(diphos)Pd(\eta^2-CSSe)$  (**3**) and  $(dpmb)Pd(\eta^2-CSSe)$  (**4**). From **2** and  $1,2-C_6H_4(Ph_2)_2$  (dppb), the compound  $Pd(dppb)_2$  (**5**) is obtained. The molecular structure of **4** has been determined by X-ray investigation. **4** crystallizes in the space group  $P2_1/c$  with  $a = 958.5$  (13) pm,  $b = 1502$  (2) pm,  $c = 2150$  (5) pm, and  $\beta = 103.1$  (2)°. The four atoms linked to palladium are approximately in one plane. The thiocarbonyl selenide unit is coordinated via C and Se with a S-C-Se angle of  $141$  (1)°. The C-Se and C-S distances are  $180$  (2) and  $162$  (2) pm; i.e., they are longer than in free  $CSSe$ . The Pd-P bond lengths ( $228.3$  (5) pm trans to Se and  $236.6$  (5) pm trans to C) differ significantly reflecting the characteristic trans-lengthening effect of the  $CSSe$  carbon atom.

## Introduction

The main reason for the present interest in the coordination chemistry of  $CS_2$  and similar heteroallenes certainly is that  $CS_2$  is a homologue of  $CO_2$  and, therefore, metal complexes formed from  $CS_2$  or heteroallenes can be regarded as model compounds for  $CO_2$  activation. The fact is, however, that although today hundreds of transition-metal  $CS_2$  complexes have been prepared,<sup>2</sup> little is known about analogous compounds containing  $CO_2$  as a ligand.<sup>3,4</sup> It is thus not surprising that recently part of the activities in this area have concentrated on the reactivity of unsymmetrical molecules such as  $COS$ ,<sup>4,5</sup>  $OCNR$ ,<sup>6</sup>  $COSe$ ,<sup>7</sup> and  $CSSe$ ,<sup>8,9</sup> hoping that this could help to understand some of the difficulties encountered with the coordination of  $CO_2$  itself.

We have been investigating the behavior of heteroallenes toward transition-metal bases of the general type  $C_5R_5ML_2$  and  $C_5R_5MLL'$  ( $R = H, Me$ ;  $M = Co, Rh$ ;  $L$  and  $L' = PR_3, P(OR)_3, CO, C_2H_4$ , etc.)<sup>2e,10</sup> and have found that, e.g., the cobalt complexes  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)_2$  and  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)CO$  readily react with  $CS_2$  to form  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)(\eta^2-CS_2)$ .<sup>11</sup> The reaction of  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)_2$  with  $CSSe$  gives a mixture of  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)(\eta^2-CSSe)$  and  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)CS$  from which the heteroallene complex can be easily separated.<sup>8,12</sup> We have been unable, as yet, to obtain suitable single crystals of  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)(\eta^2-CSSe)$ , and thus we could

only deduce from the reactivity of the compound (which on treatment with  $PPh_3$  yields quantitatively  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)CS$  and  $SePPh_3$  but not  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)CSe$  and  $SPPPh_3$ )<sup>8,12</sup> that the thiocarbonyl selenide ligand is linked via C and Se to the cobalt atom. The possibility that  $CSSe$  can also coordinate via C and S has been demonstrated quite recently by the elegant work of Roper et al.,<sup>9</sup> who isolated both isomers (C, Se and C, S bonded) of the osmium complex  $Os(\eta^2-CSSe)(CO)(CN-p-tol)(PPh_3)_2$ .

Since we also had previously studied the reactivity of (phosphine)palladium compounds toward  $CS_2$ ,<sup>13</sup>  $COS$ ,<sup>14</sup> and  $SCNR$ <sup>15</sup> in some detail, we became interested in investigating the reactivity of  $Pd(PR_3)_n$  toward  $CSSe$ . Besides the synthesis of  $(PR_3)_2Pd(\eta^2-CSSe)$ , the main goal of our research was to establish the coordination mode of thiocarbonyl selenide in this type of product and to see whether such species could be used (like the cobalt and rhodium compounds  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)(\eta^2-CSSe)$  and  $C_5H_5Rh(PMe_3)(\eta^2-CSSe)$ <sup>8,12</sup>) as precursors for the preparation of (thiocarbonyl)palladium complexes.

## Results

**The Synthesis of  $Pd(\eta^2-CSSe)$  Complexes.** The coordinatively unsaturated compound  $Pd(P-i-Pr_3)_2$ , which on treatment with  $CS_2$  readily gives  $(P-i-Pr_3)_2Pd(\eta^2-CS_2)$ ,<sup>13b</sup> also reacts with  $CSSe$  in methanol to form  $(P-i-Pr_3)_2Pd(\eta^2-CSSe)$  (**1**). This thiocarbonyl selenide complex is also obtained in good yield on reaction of  $Pd(P-i-Pr_3)_3$  with  $CSSe$ , provided that equimolar amounts of both starting materials are used. In the presence of excess  $CSSe$ , the phosphine displaced during the formation of **1** presumably reacts with the heteroallene to produce a zwitterionic compound  $P-i-Pr_3^+CSSe^-$  (analogous to  $P-i-Pr_3^+CS_2^-$ )<sup>16</sup> which due to its low solubility could not be completely separated from **1**.

The bis(triphenylphosphine)palladium complex **2** is obtained nearly quantitatively from  $Pd(PPh_3)_4$  and  $CSSe$ . Like **1**, it forms rather air-stable crystals which are significantly soluble only in  $CH_2Cl_2$ . The IR spectrum of each

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Table II. Positional and Thermal Parameters and their Estimated Standard Deviations for 4<sup>a</sup>

atom	x	y	z	B <sub>11</sub>	B <sub>22</sub>	B <sub>33</sub>	B <sub>12</sub>	B <sub>13</sub>	B <sub>23</sub>
Pd	0.1463 (2)	0.24323 (9)	0.15575 (6)	2.93 (6)	3.29 (7)	3.03 (6)	0.76 (7)	0.53 (4)	0.19 (7)
Se	0.2785 (3)	0.1076 (1)	0.1866 (1)	5.9 (1)	4.5 (1)	5.8 (1)	2.1 (1)	1.4 (1)	0.6 (1)
C(1)	0.200 (2)	0.175 (1)	0.2384 (8)	3.2 (9)	3.2 (9)	4.6 (10)	0.3 (8)	-0.9 (8)	0.2 (8)
S	0.1820 (7)	0.1794 (4)	0.3113 (3)	8.5 (4)	5.9 (3)	3.9 (3)	0.8 (3)	1.6 (3)	0.5 (3)
C(11)	0.088 (2)	0.381 (1)	0.0139 (8)	5.6 (12)	4.2 (10)	3.1 (9)	1.8 (10)	0.9 (9)	1.3 (8)
C(12)	0.168 (3)	0.450 (2)	0.055 (1)	6.3 (15)	5.3 (13)	5.6 (14)	2.2 (12)	2.5 (12)	1.7 (11)
C(13)	0.128 (2)	0.489 (1)	0.106 (1)	5.9 (14)	4.5 (12)	4.4 (11)	1.3 (11)	0.6 (11)	1.3 (10)
C(14)	-0.003 (2)	0.457 (1)	0.1267 (9)	4.2 (11)	4.6 (10)	4.9 (11)	0.9 (9)	2.6 (9)	0.9 (8)
C(15)	0.213 (3)	0.557 (2)	0.141 (1)	7.5 (16)	4.8 (12)	7.4 (15)	0.2 (12)	2.6 (13)	0.3 (11)
C(16)	0.333 (3)	0.588 (18)	0.121 (1)	5.5 (17)	6.4 (17)	19.5 (30)	-2.1 (14)	5.0 (18)	-2.1 (18)
C(17)	0.375 (3)	0.552 (2)	0.071 (2)	6.5 (19)	6.1 (17)	24.0 (39)	-0.6 (14)	8.3 (22)	-3.0 (20)
C(18)	0.297 (3)	0.485 (2)	0.037 (1)	8.7 (19)	5.9 (15)	7.5 (16)	1.8 (14)	3.9 (15)	2.4 (12)
P(1)	0.1323 (5)	0.2685 (3)	0.0459 (2)	3.6 (3)	4.6 (3)	3.0 (2)	1.2 (2)	0.6 (2)	0.0 (2)
P(2)	0.0321 (5)	0.3648 (3)	0.1844 (2)	3.1 (3)	3.8 (3)	3.2 (2)	0.6 (2)	1.1 (2)	0.3 (2)

  

atom	x	y	z	B, Å <sup>2</sup>	atom	x	y	z	B, Å <sup>2</sup>
C(21)	0.001 (2)	0.198 (1)	-0.0067 (9)	4.2 (4)	C(31)	0.303 (2)	0.245 (1)	0.0235 (8)	3.7 (3)
C(22)	-0.050 (2)	0.127 (1)	0.015 (1)	6.1 (5)	C(32)	0.420 (2)	0.272 (1)	0.0662 (9)	6.4 (5)
C(23)	-0.153 (3)	0.072 (2)	-0.024 (1)	7.7 (6)	C(33)	0.555 (3)	0.263 (2)	0.050 (1)	7.9 (6)
C(24)	-0.200 (2)	0.093 (2)	-0.084 (1)	6.6 (6)	C(34)	0.567 (3)	0.229 (2)	-0.004 (1)	8.0 (6)
C(25)	-0.160 (3)	0.163 (2)	-0.108 (1)	8.8 (7)	C(35)	0.446 (3)	0.206 (2)	-0.049 (1)	9.6 (8)
C(26)	-0.060 (3)	0.223 (2)	-0.072 (1)	7.4 (6)	C(36)	0.311 (3)	0.216 (2)	-0.033 (1)	7.7 (6)
C(41)	0.135 (2)	0.420 (1)	0.2569 (8)	4.2 (4)	C(51)	-0.143 (2)	0.343 (1)	0.2013 (7)	3.6 (4)
C(42)	0.075 (3)	0.466 (2)	0.296 (1)	7.7 (6)	C(52)	-0.176 (2)	0.255 (1)	0.2100 (8)	5.1 (4)
C(43)	0.164 (4)	0.508 (2)	0.349 (1)	10.9 (8)	C(53)	-0.309 (2)	0.234 (1)	0.2248 (9)	5.6 (5)
C(44)	0.306 (3)	0.508 (2)	0.358 (1)	8.5 (7)	C(54)	-0.404 (2)	0.301 (1)	0.2275 (9)	5.3 (5)
C(45)	0.365 (3)	0.463 (2)	0.318 (1)	7.0 (6)	C(55)	-0.374 (2)	0.385 (1)	0.2170 (8)	4.5 (4)
C(46)	0.278 (3)	0.419 (1)	0.264 (1)	6.9 (6)	C(56)	-0.243 (2)	0.409 (1)	0.2020 (8)	4.3 (4)

  

atom <sup>b</sup>	x	y	z	atom	x	y	z
H(22)	-0.012	0.111	0.060	H(32)	0.410	0.299	0.107
H(23)	-0.191	0.019	-0.007	H(33)	0.641	0.284	0.081
H(24)	-0.268	0.054	-0.112	H(34)	0.662	0.219	-0.013
H(25)	-0.202	0.178	-0.153	H(35)	0.456	0.188	-0.092
H(26)	-0.032	0.279	-0.091	H(36)	0.223	0.199	-0.065
H(42)	-0.030	0.468	0.288	H(52)	-0.108	0.206	0.207
H(43)	0.118	0.541	0.379	H(53)	-0.338	0.172	0.231
H(44)	0.366	0.542	0.394	H(54)	-0.496	0.287	0.239
H(45)	0.469	0.456	0.328	H(55)	-0.445	0.432	0.220
H(46)	0.324	0.387	0.233	H(56)	-0.223	0.472	0.193
H(111)	-0.014	0.391	0.008	H(141)	-0.044	0.507	0.146
H(112)	0.106	0.385	-0.029	H(142)	-0.075	0.440	0.090
H(15)	0.185	0.583	0.178	H(17)	0.459	0.577	0.057
H(16)	0.393	0.633	0.149	H(18)	0.328	0.458	0.000

<sup>a</sup> The form of the anisotropic thermal parameter is  $\exp[-1/4(h^2a^2B_{11} + k^2b^2B_{22} + l^2c^2B_{33} + 2hka^*b^*B_{12} + 2hla^*c^*B_{13} + 2klb^*c^*B_{23})]$ ;  $B_{ij}$  in  $10^4 \text{ pm}^2$ . <sup>b</sup> Hydrogen atoms,  $B = 7.0 \text{ Å}^2$ .

Table III. Selected Bond Distances (pm) and Bond Angles (deg) with Estimated Standard Deviations

Bond Distances			
Pd-C(1)	201 (2)	C(1)-S	162 (2)
Pd-P(1)	236.6 (5)	P(1)-C(11)	184 (2)
Pd-P(2)	228.3 (5)	P(1)-C(21)	182 (2)
Pd-Se	241.2 (3)	P(1)-C(31)	184 (2)
C(1)-Se	180 (2)	P(2)-C(14)	184 (2)
P(2)-C(41)	184 (2)		
P(2)-C(51)	183 (2)		
C(11)-C(12)	146 (3)		
C(12)-C(13)	138 (3)		
C(13)-C(14)	150 (3)		

  

Bond Angles			
P(1)-Pd-P(2)	102.6 (2)	Pd-C(1)-S	140.9 (11)
P(1)-Pd-Se	108.5 (1)	Pd-C(1)-Se	78.4 (7)
P(2)-Pd-C(1)	102.1 (5)	Pd-P(1)-C(11)	118.4 (6)
C(1)-Pd-Se	46.8 (5)	Pd-P(1)-C(21)	113.7 (6)
Se-C(1)-S	140.7 (11)	Pd-P(1)-C(31)	112.2 (6)
Pd-P(2)-C(14)	116.6 (6)		
Pd-P(2)-C(41)	113.1 (6)		
Pd-P(2)-C(51)	115.3 (6)		
P(1)-C(11)-C(12)	112.2 (15)		
P(2)-C(14)-C(13)	113.3 (14)		

least-squares resulted in  $R_1 = 0.088$  and  $R_2 = 0.079$  for 2315 structure factors with  $F_o \geq 4\sigma(F_o)$ . Structure factors for uncharged atoms according to International Tables of Crystallography were used, corrected for anomalous dispersion. The final atomic coordinates are listed in Table II and selected intramolecular bond lengths and angles in Table III. The molecular structure is shown in Figure 1.

The molecular structure of 4, which to the best of our knowledge is the first structurally characterized transition-metal CSSe complex, is shown in Figure 1. The most remarkable features are, first, the coordination of the

thiocarbonyl selenide via C and Se to the palladium and, second, the significant difference in the Pd-P distances which are 228.3 (5) (trans to Se) and 236.6 (5) pm (trans to C). A similar difference reflecting the characteristic trans-lengthening effect of the carbon atom has been observed for  $(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Pd}(\eta^2\text{-CS}_2)$  where the Pd-P distances are 231.6 and 241.5 pm, respectively.<sup>18</sup> The four atoms linked to palladium in 4 are approximately in one plane, the dihedral angle between the P(1)-Pd-P(2) and the C(1)-Pd-Se planes being 3°. The seven-membered ring adopts boat conformation such that the dihedral angle

between the P(1), C(11), P(2), C(14) plane and the plane of the phenylene moiety is 68° and between the former plane and the P(1), Pd, P(2) plane is 13°. With this kind of puckering, the phenylene plane and the plane of coordination around the Pd atom are nearly perpendicular (81°).

The bending of the heteroallene fragment in 4 is very similar to that found in transition-metal CS<sub>2</sub> complexes. Whereas the S-C-S angles in (PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CS<sub>2</sub>),<sup>18</sup> (PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pt(η<sup>2</sup>-CS<sub>2</sub>),<sup>21</sup> and C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Co(PMe<sub>3</sub>)(η<sup>2</sup>-CS<sub>2</sub>)<sup>11a</sup> are 140, 136.2, and 141.2°, the corresponding S-C-Se angle in 4 is 141 (1)°. Also the degree of lengthening of the two carbon-chalcogen bonds brought about by the coordination of the heteroallene to the metal is quite comparable. In (PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CS<sub>2</sub>) the two C-S distances are 165 (coordinated S) and 163 pm (compared with 155.4 pm in free CS<sub>2</sub>), while in 4 the C-Se and C-S bond lengths are 180 (2) and 162 (2) pm, respectively (compared with 170.9 and 155.7 pm in free CSSe, values estimated from microwave data).<sup>22</sup> The distinct lengthening of these bonds supports the argument that the carbon dichalogenides CEE' (E, E' = S or Se) have good π-acceptor properties.<sup>2,23</sup>

### Discussion

The present investigations have shown that there is a strong similarity in the behavior of CS<sub>2</sub> and CSSe toward (phosphine)palladium(0) complexes. While Pd(P-*i*-Pr)<sub>3</sub><sub>n</sub> (*n* = 2 or 3) and Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> react with both heteroallenes to yield mononuclear products (PR<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSE) (E = S or Se), in the reactions of Pd(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> and Pd(PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>4</sub> with CS<sub>2</sub> and CSSe, binuclear compounds (presumably containing the corresponding zwitterions PR<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>CSE<sup>-</sup> as a bridging unit) are obtained.

In addition, the reactivities of the complexes (PR<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CS<sub>2</sub>) and (PR<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe) (R = *i*-Pr, Ph) toward mono- and bidentate phosphines are almost analogous. There is no evidence that on treatment with PMe<sub>3</sub>, PPh<sub>3</sub>, or P-*c*-Hx<sub>3</sub> these compounds yield palladium thiocarbonyls. The complexes containing PPh<sub>3</sub> as ligand cleanly react with the diphosphines diphos and dpmb to produce (diphos)Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSE) and (dpmb)Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSE), respectively. These chelate compounds even with E = Se are completely inert toward abstraction of a chalcogen atom, demonstrating once more the fundamental difference in the behavior between d<sup>8</sup> systems such as C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>M-(PR<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe) (M = Co, Rh) and d<sup>10</sup> systems such as (P-P)M(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe) (M = Pd, Pt).<sup>2c,20</sup>

The most important result of our studies is, however, that thiocarbonyl selenide—at least with palladium(0) as the central atom—prefers to coordinate in a η<sup>2</sup> mode via C and Se and not via C and S. According to the IR spectrum, this also seems to be true for the nickel complex (bpy)Ni(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe).<sup>24</sup> By comparing the infrared data of 1-4 (Table I), there is no doubt that in all of these compounds the same type of coordination of CSSe is present. If the heteroallene would be linked to the metal via C and S, a strong absorption near 1000 cm<sup>-1</sup> indicative of an exocyclic C=Se bond should be observed in the IR spectrum as is found for the palladium CSe<sub>2</sub> complexes (PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSe<sub>2</sub>), (diphos)Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSe<sub>2</sub>), and (dpmb)Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSe<sub>2</sub>).<sup>20</sup> The reason why CSSe tends to coordinate preferably via C and Se possibly is that selenium is

somewhat less electronegative than sulfur,<sup>25</sup> i.e., it is softer and therefore favors the η<sup>2</sup>-C,Se- and not the η<sup>2</sup>-C,S-bonding mode to the soft Pd(0) center.

That in 1-4 a rigid type of structure with a η<sup>2</sup> linkage of the thiocarbonyl selenide is present not only in the crystal but also in solution is indicated by the <sup>31</sup>P NMR data (Table I). In the spectra of 3 and 4, two doublets are observed corresponding to an AM (or AX)<sup>26</sup> system. The spectra of 1 and 2 show a broadened singlet which probably means that the difference in chemical shift of the two expected signals is too small to be resolved under the experimental conditions. Similar observations have been made with the carbon disulfide complexes (PR<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CS<sub>2</sub>) (R = *i*-Pr, Ph).<sup>13b</sup> The shape of the broadened signal does not change at higher or lower temperatures, and, therefore, a fluxional structure (as found in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Mn(CO)<sub>2</sub>(CS<sub>2</sub>)<sup>27</sup>) can be excluded. There is firm evidence that in the complexes (PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pt(η<sup>2</sup>-CS<sub>2</sub>)<sup>28</sup> and C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Co(PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph)(η<sup>2</sup>-CS<sub>2</sub>)<sup>12</sup> as well as in the C,S- and C,Se-bonded isomers of Os(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe)(CO)(CN-*p*-tol)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> also a rigid metal-heteroallene unit exists.

### Experimental Section

NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian T 60 (<sup>1</sup>H) and a Bruker WH 90-FT (<sup>31</sup>P) and IR spectra on a Perkin-Elmer 457. The starting materials Pd(P-*i*-Pr)<sub>3</sub>,<sup>29</sup> Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>,<sup>29,30</sup> and CSSe<sup>19,31</sup> were prepared by published methods. All reactions were carried out under purified nitrogen.

**Preparation of (P-*i*-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe) (1).** A solution of Pd(P-*i*-Pr)<sub>3</sub> (0.427 g, 1.0 mmol) in 5 mL of methanol was cooled to -20 °C and treated dropwise with an equimolar amount of CSSe. After vigorous stirring for 2-3 min, the resulting brown precipitate was filtered off, repeatedly washed with small amounts of cold (-50 °C) methanol, and dried in vacuo; yield 0.31 g (56%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>42</sub>P<sub>2</sub>PdSSe: C, 41.50; H, 7.64; Pd, 19.36. Found: C, 40.94; H, 7.72; Pd, 18.87.

**Preparation of (PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe) (2).** A solution of Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> (0.72 g, 0.62 mmol) in 15 mL of ether was treated dropwise with a slight excess of CSSe (0.04 mL, 0.75 mmol). After being stirred for 10 min, the solution was concentrated to about one-third of the original volume and the orange-brown precipitate filtered off. It was repeatedly washed with hexane and dried in vacuo; yield 0.46 g (97%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>30</sub>P<sub>2</sub>PdSSe: C, 59.94; H, 4.01; Pd, 14.11; S, 4.25; Se, 10.47. Found: C, 59.37; H, 4.29; Pd, 13.88; S, 4.42; Se, 10.35.

**Preparation of (diphos)Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe) (3).** To a suspension of 2 (0.50 g, 0.66 mmol) in 20 mL of hexane was added diphos (0.264 g, 0.66 mmol) with vigorous stirring. After continuous stirring for 1 h, the dark red precipitate was separated, washed twice with ether and hexane, and dried in vacuo; yield 0.36 g (87%); mp 208 °C dec (DTA). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>24</sub>P<sub>2</sub>PdSSe: C, 51.65; H, 3.85; Pd, 16.94. Found: C, 51.66; H, 4.24; Pd, 16.02.

**Preparation of (dpmb)Pd(η<sup>2</sup>-CSSe) (4).** To a suspension of 2 (0.526 g, 0.70 mmol) in 25 mL of ether was added dpmb (0.34 g, 0.70 mmol) with vigorous stirring. After continuous stirring for 3 h, the violet precipitate was separated, washed twice with ether and hexane, and dried in vacuo; yield 0.48 g (97%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>28</sub>P<sub>2</sub>PdSSe: C, 56.29; H, 4.00; Pd, 15.11. Found: C, 55.86; H, 4.04; Pd, 15.07.

**Preparation of Pd(dppb)<sub>2</sub> (5).** To a suspension of 2 (0.50 g, 0.66 mmol) in 20 mL of hexane was added dppb (0.294 g, 0.66 mmol) under vigorous stirring. After continuous stirring for 1 h, the red-brown precipitate was separated and washed with ether

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and hexane. It was then dissolved in 15 mL of benzene and the solution was filtered. Addition of hexane and cooling to 0° C gave dark red crystals: yield 0.3 g (45%); 210 °C dec (DTA); <sup>31</sup>P NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 32.06 (s). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>60</sub>H<sub>48</sub>P<sub>4</sub>Pd: C, 72.10; H, 4.84; Pd, 10.64. Found: C, 72.04; H, 4.95; Pd, 10.45.

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## Reactions of Nickel Atoms with Substituted Ethylenes

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Nickel atoms have been codeposited with substituted ethylenes at -196 °C in an attempt to synthesize new organometallics capable of depositing metallic films at moderate temperatures. Thermally unstable homoleptic nickel-olefin complexes with the stoichiometry Ni(olefin)<sub>3</sub> were formed, but not isolated. Reaction of these complexes with trifluorophosphine at low temperatures led to the partial displacement of olefin and the isolation and characterization of three new (PF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Ni(olefin) compounds. The (PF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Ni(olefin) compounds were found to decompose between -16 and +6 °C to give Ni(PF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, olefin, and nickel metal.

The decomposition of organometallic compounds by pyrolytic<sup>1</sup> and photolytic<sup>2,3</sup> techniques has received considerable attention as a method of depositing metallic films. Both of these approaches have inherent disadvantages associated with the inclusion of impurities in either the film structure, the substrate, or both. We have recently been interested in the synthesis of new organometallics with moderate thermal stability that can be decomposed controllably at relatively low temperatures (e.g., below 100 °C) to produce metallic films. This paper describes our attempt to use the metal-vapor technique to synthesize such compounds containing nickel.

The importance of metal-vapor chemistry in organometallic syntheses has been discussed in detail in recent review articles.<sup>4,5</sup> In addition to its direct synthetic utility, it has also been combined with matrix isolation techniques in spectroscopic studies to suggest new, potentially fruitful areas for synthesis work. For example, the low-temperature optical spectra of homoleptic nickel-olefin complexes have led Ozin and Power to propose that such complexes might be stable enough for macroscale syntheses.<sup>6</sup> We have investigated some of these systems further to determine their suitability as synthetic reactions.

### Experimental Section

**General Data.** The metal-atom vapor apparatus is similar to that described in detail elsewhere.<sup>7</sup> Vacuum system manipulations were carried out in a Pyrex system with greaseless Kontes glass/Teflon valves. Routine infrared spectra were recorded on

a Perkin-Elmer 457 spectrometer using a 5-cm glass cell with KBr windows. Attempts to obtain infrared spectra of isolable, but thermally unstable, products were made by using a Digilab FTS-15C Fourier transform interferometer. NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian EM-390 spectrometer operating at 90 MHz for proton and 84.68 MHz for fluorine nuclei and equipped with an EM-3940 variable-temperature accessory calibrated with a methanol sample.

Propene, vinyl chloride, and vinyl fluoride were obtained from Matheson Gas Products and used as received. Trifluoropropene, fluorobenzene, trifluoromethylbenzene, *m*-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene, and hexafluorobenzene were purchased from PCR and used without further purification. The arenes were stored under vacuum over activated 4A molecular sieves. Trifluorophosphine was obtained from Ozark-Mahoning and purified by vacuum distillation through a -160 °C trap.

**Reactions of Ni Atoms with Olefins.** The same general procedure was followed in all reactions of nickel atoms with olefins and will be described in detail for the reaction with trifluoropropene. Nickel metal (6.27 mmol) was vaporized under a dynamic vacuum from a tungsten/alumina crucible and codeposited over 1.75 h with trifluoropropene (47.38 mmol) at liquid-nitrogen temperatures to form a dark brown matrix. At this point, the reactor was closed off and the liquid nitrogen removed to allow gradual warming. When the matrix melted, streaks of brown liquid collected in the bottom of the reactor which was then immersed in a toluene slush bath at -96 °C. After 15 min, the reactor was opened to a trap at liquid-nitrogen temperatures, and the volatile material was collected during a 1.25 h period. The -96 °C bath was then removed and the reactor allowed to warm gradually to ambient temperatures with any remaining volatile materials bring collected in a separate trap at -196 °C. The volatile materials collected at -96 °C (35.88 mmol) and between -96 °C and ambient (10.37 mmol) were identified as trifluoropropene.

**Synthesis of (PF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Ni(FCH=CH<sub>2</sub>).** The reaction of nickel vapor with FCH=CH<sub>2</sub> and PF<sub>3</sub> described here was representative of those reactions involving other olefins. Nickel metal (2.79 mmol) was vaporized and codeposited with FCH=CH<sub>2</sub> (41.53 mmol) at liquid-nitrogen temperatures during 1.5 h. The reactor was closed off and the dark brown matrix warmed slightly until it melted producing streaks of brown liquid that collected at the

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