

again transferred into a Schlenk tube and analyzed by means of GLC (Shimadzu GC-3BT; column, PEG-HT 1 m). Identification of carbonylation products, α -keto amides and amides, was carried out by means of GC-mass spectrometry (Hitachi M-80; column, Silicone OV-1 1 m) and comparison with authentic samples prepared from the corresponding carboxylic acid chloride and amine or by the catalytic double carbonylation.⁷ Furthermore, the characterization of the palladium(0) carbonyl complexes as well as the acylpalladium complexes produced in the reaction was made by comparison of IR and/or ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra with those of authentic samples. Authentic samples of carbonyl complexes were prepared by the reactions of dialkylpalladium complexes with CO¹⁸ and used in a crude state since these complexes were too unstable to isolate in a pure state. Pure acyl(halo)palladium complexes were prepared by the treatment of the corresponding alkyl or aryl complexes with CO in solution and used as the authentic samples.

Carbonylation of *trans*-[Pd(COPh)(CO)(PMePh₂)₂]ClO₄ (3a). A solution of 3a was prepared by the reaction of 2a with AgClO₄ under CO atmosphere or by the treatment of isolated 4 with CO in solution. Typical procedure is as follows.

To a Schlenk tube containing *trans*-Pd(COPh)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (2a) (0.062 g, 0.096 mmol) and AgClO₄ (0.020 g, 0.096 mmol) was added CH₂Cl₂ (2.5 mL) under CO atmosphere. After the system was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, the produced white precipitate of AgCl was removed by filtration at -30 °C. Dipropylamine (0.96 mmol) was then added to the system by means of a syringe at -60 °C. When the solution was stirred at room temperature under CO, the color of the system readily turned to red, indicating the formation of Pd(0)-carbonyl species. After 22 h the solution was analyzed by means of GLC, using Ph₂O as an internal standard for determining the yields of α -keto amides

and amides. The results are given in Table VII.

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Preparation of *trans*-Pd(COCOR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ Complexes (R = Ph and Me) and Their Reactivities Related to Double Carbonylation Promoted by Palladium

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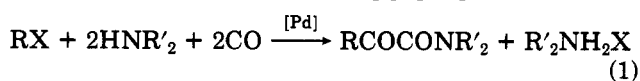
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In order to examine the feasibility of the reaction mechanism involving double insertion of CO into the Pd-C bond in the double carbonylation of organic halides catalyzed by palladium complexes giving α -keto amides, *trans*-Pd(COCOR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ complexes (R = Me, 3a; Ph, 3b) were prepared, and their reactivities with Et₂NH were investigated. Complexes 3a and 3b were prepared by the reactions of Pd(styrene)(PMePh₂)₂ with the corresponding RCOCOR and were characterized by means of IR and NMR spectroscopy and elemental analysis. Complexes 3a and 3b undergo a facile decarbonylation in solution obeying the first-order rate law with respect to the concentration of the palladium complexes to give quantitative yields of acyl complexes, *trans*-Pd(COR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂. The decarbonylation reactions are effectively retarded by the addition of free PMePh₂, suggesting a reaction mechanism involving a rate-determining dissociation of tertiary phosphine ligand. Treatment of 3a with Et₂NH gives MeCONEt₂ as the major product. This result is in sharp contrast with the reaction of the corresponding acyl complex, *trans*-Pd(COMe)Cl(PMePh₂)₂, with Et₂NH under CO atmosphere, where MeCOCONEt₂ was obtained as the major product. These observations provide the evidence *against* the mechanism involving consecutive insertion of CO into the Pd-C bond.

Introduction

A novel palladium-catalyzed process (eq 1) converting organic halides, amines, and CO into α -keto amides (double carbonylation) has been recently reported from two groups independently.^{1,2} In the preceding paper possible reaction



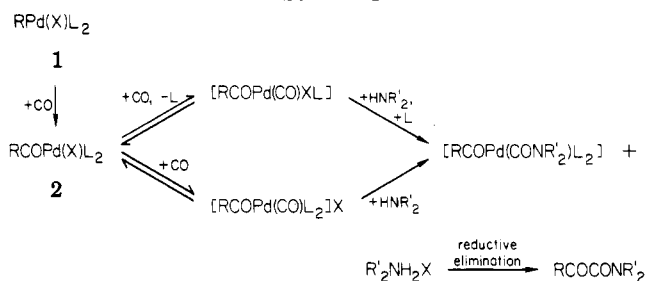
mechanisms for the double-carbonylation process were presented (cf. Figure 1 of the paper³). The catalytic cycle proposed consists of three elementary steps: step 1, oxi-

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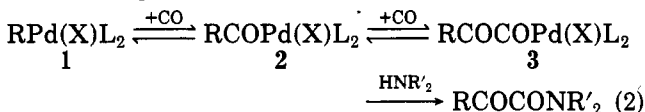
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Scheme I



dative addition of organic halides to zerovalent palladium species; step 2, CO insertion into the Pd–C bond in the resultant organopalladium halide complex (1) to give an acylpalladium halide complex (2); step 3, attack of complex 2 by CO and the amine to produce the α -keto amide together with a minor amount of amide.

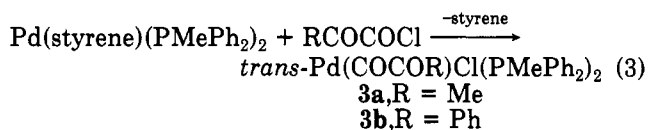
Study of the reaction mechanism by using model organopalladium complexes established the feasibility of step 1 and step 2 relevant to the catalytic processes. For the elementary step 3 the following two possible reaction pathways were considered. One involves the coordination of the second CO molecule to the acylpalladium complex, followed by external attack of the coordinated CO by the amine to give a carbamoyl group. The carbamoyl group is then reductively eliminated together with the acyl group to release the α -keto amide (Scheme I). The feasibility of this reaction pathway was established on the basis of stoichiometric reactions of acylpalladium complexes with the amine and CO in the preceding paper.³ The alternative reaction pathway involves the consecutive CO insertion into the organopalladium compounds to give alkyl- (or aryl-) glyoxyl species, RCOCOPdXL₂ (3), which may be attacked by the amine to produce the α -keto amide (eq 2). Although the equilibrium between 2 and 3 seems to



be unfavorable for the formation of 3,⁴ this pathway still may be possible if the alkylglyoxyl species should be highly reactive so as to be quickly intercepted by amine to release the α -keto amide. Since the precedents of transition-metal complexes having the alkylglyoxyl groups are quite limited, and none is reported concerning the palladium complex, we set out to prepare pyruvoyl- and (phenylglyoxyl)palladium complexes and examine their reactivities for probing the alternative possibility of consecutive CO insertion as the elementary step for the double carbonylation.

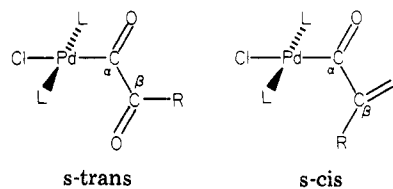
Results

Preparation of *trans*-Pd(COCOR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (R = Me and Ph). The pyruvoylpalladium and (phenylglyoxyl)palladium complexes **3a** and **3b** were prepared in good yield by the reactions of Pd(styrene)(PMePh₂)₂⁵ with excess amounts of RCOCOCI (eq 3). The styrene-coordinated zerovalent palladium complex used for reaction 3 was prepared in situ by the reaction of *trans*-PdEt₂(PMePh₂)₂ in toluene with styrene. The reactions of the styrene–palladium complex with RCOCOCI were carried



out below –30 °C in order to avoid decarbonylation of **3** to the corresponding acyl complexes, *trans*-Pd(COR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (R = Me, **2a**; R = Ph, **2b**). Attempts to prepare the corresponding (phenylglyoxyl)palladium bromide complexes using RCOCOBBr gave only *trans*-Pd(COPh)Br(PMePh₂)₂ with evolution of 1 equiv of CO even at –70 °C.

Complexes **3a** and **3b** are slightly red, diamagnetic solids and considerably soluble in CH₂Cl₂ but poorly soluble in toluene and ether. Their characterization was made by means of IR and NMR spectroscopy as well as by elemental analysis. The spectroscopic data are given in Table I together with those of the corresponding acyl complexes **2a** and **2b**. The IR spectra of complexes **3a** and **3b** show three (for **3a**) and four (for **3b**) $\nu(\text{CO})$ bands. Similar absorption patterns have been reported for the spectra of *trans*-M(COCO₂R)(Cl)L₂ (M = Pd, Pt; R = Me, Et; L = tertiary phosphine) and were attributed to $\nu(\text{CO})$ bands arising from two kinds of rotamers, *s*-*trans* and *s*-*cis*.^{4a} The resemblance of the IR absorption patterns of **3a** and **3b** in the $\nu(\text{CO})$ region to those of the alkoxglyoxyl complexes suggest the presence of two rotamers for **3a** and **3b**:



Assignments of the $\nu(\text{CO})$ bands of **3a** and **3b** in Table I have been made by comparison with the reported IR data of RCOCOML_n (M = Mn^{4c} and Ir^{4e}), *trans*-M(COCO₂R)(Cl)L₂ (M = Pd, Pt),^{4a,b} α -keto acid esters, and amides. The absorption bands in the higher frequency region of 1710–1690 cm^{–1} are assignable to the β -carbonyl groups, whereas those below 1650 cm^{–1} are attributable to the α -carbonyl groups bonded to palladium. By taking into account the assignments of IR bands of *s*-*trans* and *s*-*cis* *trans*-Pt(COCO₂Me)(Cl)L₂, for which the *s*-*trans* structure in the solid state has been established by X-ray analysis, the higher frequency band of the β -carbonyl group is ascribed to the *s*-*cis* isomer and the lower frequency band to the *s*-*trans* isomer, whereas the higher frequency band of the α -carbonyl group may be attributed to the *s*-*trans* and the lower frequency band to the *s*-*cis* isomer.

The *trans* configuration of **3a** and **3b** is supported by ¹H, ¹³C{¹H}, and ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectroscopic data recorded at –30 °C in CD₂Cl₂ as presented in Table I. Each of the ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra of **3a** and **3b** shows the P–Me signal as a triplet due to a virtual coupling and ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra a singlet at 12.4 (for **3a**) and 12.1 (for **3b**) ppm, suggesting the *trans* configuration around Pd.

The singlets at 233.2 (**3a**) and 236.2 (**3b**) ppm in the ³¹C{¹H} NMR spectra are ascribable to the α -carbonyl carbons bonded to palladium by comparison with the ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra of the corresponding acyl complexes **2a** and **2b**. The β -carbonyl carbons in **3a** and **3b** give rise to three peaks in the ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra in about 1:2:1 intensity ratio for **3a** and four peaks of almost equal intensity for **3b**. The presence of rotamers may be associated with the observation of the three or four peaks, but the cause for the ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectral pattern was not pursued further.

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Table I. IR and NMR Data of Pyruvoyl- and (Phenylglyoxy) palladium Complexes

complex	¹ H NMR ^{b,c}		¹³ C{ ¹ H} NMR ^{b,d}			³¹ P{ ¹ H} NMR ^{b,e,g}		
	IR ^a ν(CO)	P-Me (J _{H-P} , Hz) ^f	others	P-Me (J _{C-P} , Hz) ^f	β CO		α CO	others
<i>trans</i> -Pd(COCOMe)Cl(PMePh ₂) ₂ (3a)	1710 ^h 1690	2.13 (3.5)	0.89 (-COMe) ^g	12.1 (14.7)	193.8 ^h 194.3	233.2	22.3 (-COMe) ^f	12.4
<i>trans</i> -Pd(COCOPh)Cl(PMePh ₂) ₂ (3b)	1640 1695 ^h 1690	2.11 (3.4)		13.0 (15.6)	185.4 ^h 185.9 187.8 188.3	236.2		12.1
<i>trans</i> -Pd(COMe)Cl(PMePh ₂) ₂ (2a)	1650 1645	2.07 (3.4)	1.46 (-COMe) ⁱ	13.2 (13.7)		235.4	19.6 (-COMe) ^j	8.9
<i>trans</i> -Pd(COPh)Cl(PMePh ₂) ₂ (2b)	1665 1640	1.87 (3.5)		13.1 (14.7)		231.4		8.8

^a In cm⁻¹; KBr disk. ^b In CD₂Cl₂, at -30 °C (3a, 3b) or at room temperature (2a, 2b). ^c 100 MHz, chemical shifts are in δ referred to Me₄Si as an internal standard. ^d 25 MHz, chemical shifts are in δ referred to Me₄Si as an internal standard. ^e 40 MHz, chemical shifts are in ppm referred to PPh₃ as an external standard (downfield positive). ^f Triplet. ^g Singlet. ^h See text. ⁱ Triplet, J_{H-P} = 1.3 Hz. ^j Triplet, J_{C-P} = 20.1 Hz.

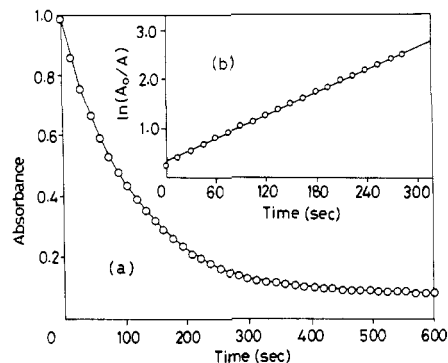
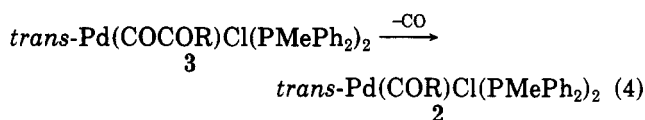


Figure 1. Time-decay curve of the electronic absorption band at 474 nm (a) and pseudo-first-order plot (b) for the decarbonylation of *trans*-Pd(COCOPh)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (3b) in CH₂Cl₂ at 11.0 °C; A₀, initial absorbance calculated from the initial concentration of 3b and the molar absorption coefficient of 3b at 474 nm; A, absorbance at time *t*.

Reactions of *trans*-Pd(COCOR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂. Decarbonylation. Heating of complex 3b in the solid state causes the decarbonylation at 105–108 °C to yield the benzoyl complex 2b, which is decomposed at its decomposition point of 181–185 °C. On the other hand, the pyruvoyl complex 3a was decomposed at 144–146 °C without undergoing the two-step decarbonylation because the decomposition point of the decarbonylated acetyl complex (133–134 °C) is lower than that of the pyruvoyl complex.

The decarbonylation of the pyruvoyl- and (phenylglyoxy)palladium complexes 3a and 3b takes place readily in CH₂Cl₂ solution at room temperature, yielding the *trans*-acylpalladium complexes 2a and 2b, which were characterized by means of IR and ³¹P NMR spectroscopy (eq 4). Conversely, treatment of the CH₂Cl₂ solution of



the benzoylpalladium complex 2b with CO (~9 atm) showed no sign of formation of 3b as confirmed by ³¹P NMR spectroscopy.

The decarbonylation reactions of 3a and 3b in CH₂Cl₂ solution were followed by observing the decay of the electronic absorption bands at 464 nm (ε = 86 cm⁻¹ M⁻¹) of 3a and at 474 nm (ε = 174 cm⁻¹ M⁻¹) of 3b. These bands in the visible region are characteristic for the RCOCOM-type complexes^{4c} and are absent in the spectra of the corresponding acyl complexes. The spectral change showed clear isosbestic points. The decay curve of 3b in CH₂Cl₂ in vacuo is shown in Figure 1, which shows the first-order kinetics with the rate constant of 7.59 × 10⁻³ s⁻¹ at 11.0 °C (the initial concentration of 3b was 7.1 × 10⁻³ M). The decarbonylation is not affected by the presence of an atmospheric pressure of CO but is severely hindered by addition of small amounts of free PMePh₂ to the system. Addition of an equimolar amount of PMePh₂ to the solution of 3b completely blocked the decarbonylation at 11.0 °C, and at a higher temperature of 27.0 °C a very slow decarbonylation with the first-order rate constant of 4.1 × 10⁻⁵ s⁻¹ was observed. The results strongly suggest a decarbonylation mechanism with a rate-determining dissociation of the PMePh₂ ligand from 3b.

From the first-order rate constants of the decarbonylation reaction of 3b at 11.0 °C (*k* = 7.59 × 10⁻³ s⁻¹), 12.9 °C (8.30), 15.3 °C (10.1), and 17.7 °C (12.1), the following activation parameters at 12.9 °C for the decarbonylation

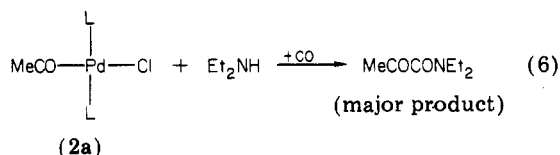
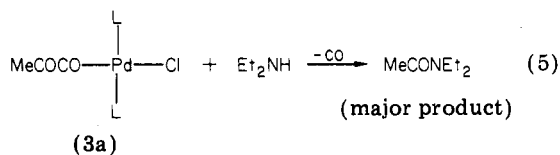
Table II. Reactions of *trans*-Pd(COCOR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (R = Me, 3a; Ph, 3b) and *trans*-Pd(COR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (R = Me, 2a; Ph, 2b) with HNEt₂^a

run	complex	CO, atm	solvent	yield, %	
				RCOCONEt ₂	RCONEt ₂
1	3a	0	CH ₂ Cl ₂	2	81
2		1	CH ₂ Cl ₂	3	89
3		1	toluene	2	98
4	2a	1	CH ₂ Cl ₂	14	0
5		1	toluene	22	4
6		10	CH ₂ Cl ₂	56	0
7	3b	0	CH ₂ Cl ₂	0	0
8 ^b		0	CH ₂ Cl ₂	15	7
9		0	toluene	0	trace
10		1	CH ₂ Cl ₂	7	5
11	2b	1	CH ₂ Cl ₂	4	4
12 ^b		10	CH ₂ Cl ₂	trace	16

^a Reactions were carried out on a 0.1-mmol scale (complex/HNEt₂ = 1:10) at room temperature for 1 day. ^b PMePh₂ (× 10/Pd) was added to the system.

were estimated: $\Delta H^\ddagger = 13.0 \pm 1.0$ kcal mol⁻¹; $\Delta S^\ddagger = -22.6 \pm 1.0$ eu; $\Delta G^\ddagger = 19.4 \pm 1.0$ kcal mol⁻¹. The relatively large negative value of the entropy of activation is in the reported range of -15 to -30 eu for the ligand displacement reactions of square-planar complexes through an associative mechanism⁶ and is compatible with the ligand-dissociation process assisted by solvent. The decarbonylation of the pyruvoyl complex 3a proceeds at a much slower rate ($t_{1/2} \approx 30$ min at 14.0 °C) than that of 3b ($t_{1/2} = 91$ s at 11.0 °C). The strong retardation effect of added PMePh₂ was observed also for decarbonylation of 3a.

Reactions of *trans*-Pd(COCOR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ with Et₂NH. Complexes 3a and 3b were treated with an excess of Et₂NH in the presence or absence of CO at room temperature for a day. Table II summarizes the yields of α -keto amides and amides in comparison with those of the corresponding acylpalladium complexes 2a and 2b. These results reveal an interesting dichotomy in the behavior of the pyruvoyl and acetyl palladium complexes. Treatment of 3a with Et₂NH (eq 5) afforded almost quantitative yields of acetamide and minor yields of pyruvamide regardless of the presence or absence of CO (runs 1-3), whereas the reactions of the acetyl complex 2a with Et₂NH (eq 6) in the presence of CO gave pyruvamide predominantly (runs 4-6).



Examination of the reaction system of 3a with diethylamine (eq 5) by means of ³¹P NMR indicated the complete disappearance of 3a and formation of a small amount of *trans*-Pd(COMe)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (2a) and an unidentified product, presumably a zerovalent palladium carbonyl complex containing PMePh₂ ligands.

In comparison with the pyruvoyl complex 3a, treatment of the phenylglyoxyl complex 3b with Et₂NH in the ab-

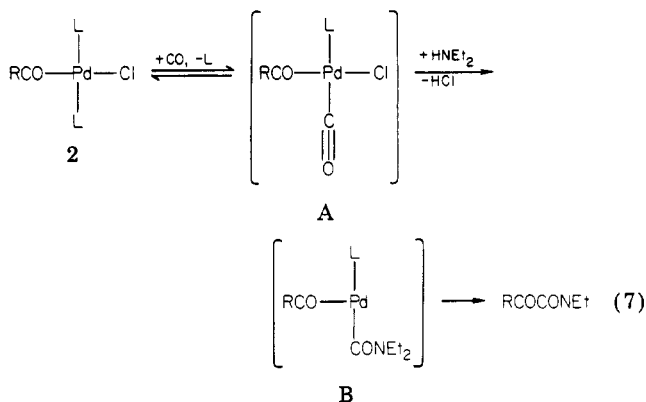
sence of CO (runs 7 and 9) caused mainly decarbonylation and gave negligible amounts of phenylglyoxylamide and benzamide. The yields of PhCOCONEt₂ and PhCONEt₂ obtained on treatment of 3b with Et₂NH under 1 atm of CO in CH₂Cl₂ (run 10) were comparable to those produced on treatment of 2b with Et₂NH and CO under similar conditions (run 11). In the reactions of 3b with Et₂NH and CO in the presence of a 10-molar excess of PMePh₂ the decarbonylation was retarded, and a moderate amount of PhCOCONEt₂ and a small amount of PhCONEt₂ were produced (run 8), whereas the reaction of the benzoyl complex 2b with Et₂NH and CO in the presence of added PMePh₂ (run 12) gave a moderate yield of PhCONEt₂.

Discussion

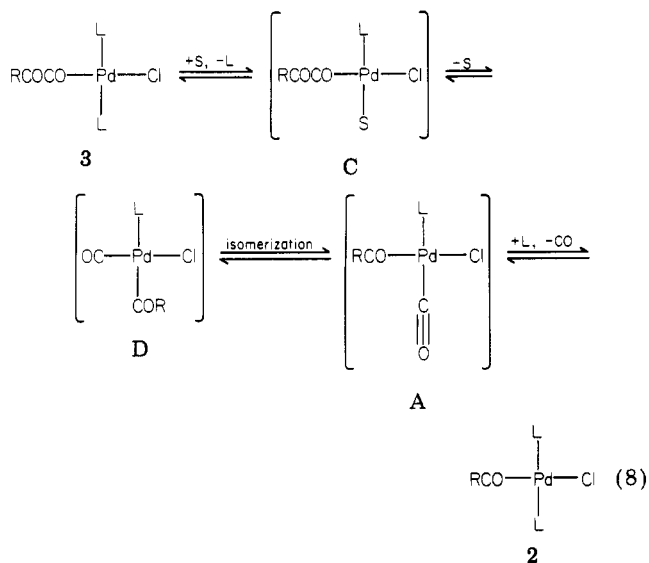
The low reactivities of *trans*-Pd(COCOR)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ type complexes toward attack of Et₂NH to produce α -keto amide revealed in the present study provide evidence against the mechanism presuming the rapid trapping of the RCOCO moiety bonded to palladium by amine (eq 2) as the step in the catalytic double carbonylation of organic halides. The (phenylglyoxyl)palladium complex 3b which would act as the supposed intermediate in this mechanism is quite susceptible to decarbonylation and unreactive toward the attack of the amine in the absence of added phosphine ligand.⁷ The results of treatment of the pyruvoyl complex 3a and the acetyl complex 2a with amine revealed the strikingly different behavior of 2a and 3a (eq 5 and 6). These contrasting results again make the RCO-COPd moiety highly unlikely as the species to give α -keto amide.

The strikingly different behavior of 2a and 3a toward the amine can be accounted for consistently by assuming two types of CO-coordinated acylpalladium intermediates of different configurations. As the mechanism giving the α -keto amide from 2 the following pathway (eq 7) is proposed as the most reasonable one.³ In this reaction, coordination of CO probably causes a displacement of the tertiary phosphine ligand to give the intermediate A, which has the acyl and the CO ligands in mutually cis positions. If the nucleophilic attack of the amine takes place on the CO ligand in the intermediate A, the carbamoyl intermediate B thus formed would possess the acyl and the carbamoyl groups in mutually cis positions which are favorable for reductive elimination to produce α -keto amide.

(7) It should be added that in the presence of the phosphine the decarbonylation is prevented, and the α -keto amide may be formed on the direct trapping of the phenylglyoxyl group by the amine.

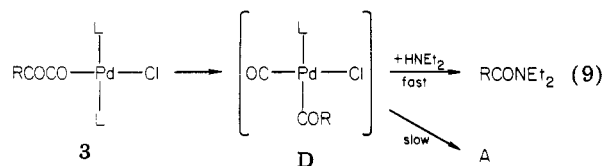


Kinetic studies on the decarbonylation of the alkylglyoxyl complex **3** in the absence of amine suggest a solvent-assisted decarbonylation mechanism involving the rate-determining phosphine ligand dissociation. If we assume an acyl group migration from the (alkylglyoxyl)palladium chloride (**C**) as the reverse process of CO insertion, which is known to proceed by an alkyl group migration mechanism in most cases,⁸ the product will possess the configuration **D** having the acyl and the chloro ligands in mutually cis positions (eq 8). Since the final

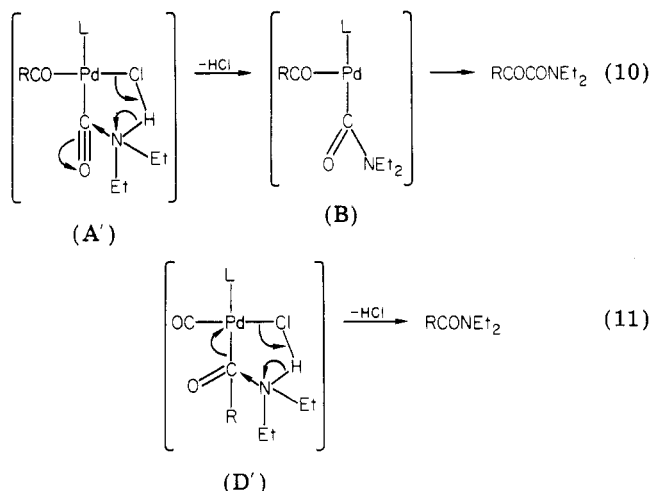


decarbonylation product from the pyruvoyl as well as the phenylglyoxyl complexes has trans configuration, the isomerization of **D** to **A** may ensue to give the end product of *trans*-Pd(COR)ClL₂. A possible mechanism for the isomerization from **D** to **A**, such as that proposed for isomerization of PtPh(X)(CO)(PR₃), may be operative.⁹

In the presence of amine, if the nucleophilic attack of amine takes place on RCO group (not on CO ligand) in intermediate **D** and this reaction is much faster than the isomerization of **D** to **A**, amide will be predominantly formed from alkylglyoxyl complex **3** and Et₂NH.



In these mechanisms, several assumptions based on the configurational constraints of the square-planar palladium complexes have been made. These are (i) stereochemical retention in the displacement of the tertiary phosphine ligand by CO, (ii) the acyl group migration in the decarbonylation of RCOCO ligand, (iii) slow isomerization process between the CO-coordinated acyl intermediates **D** and **A**, and (iv) difference in the reactivity of **D** and **A** toward the attack of the amine. Assumption i is in agreement with our previous observation concerning the reactions of *cis*- and *trans*-PdR₂L₂ with CO.¹⁰ Assumptions ii and iii have not been proved but seem to be probable. Assumption iv is convenient to explain the experimental results in a consistent manner, but the exact reason to account for the product difference from **D** and **A** and why the acyl group in **D** is attacked by the amine to give amide whereas the CO ligand in **A** is attacked to give the α -keto amide is difficult to provide. One possible explanation for the different reactivities of the intermediates **D** and **A** is the difference of the effect of the tertiary phosphine on the CO or acyl ligand trans or cis to it. Although the steric and electronic effect of the tertiary phosphine would exert certain influences on the reactivity of the carbonyl or acyl ligand, the effect may not suffice to cause such a clear-cut dichotomy in the reactivity toward the attack of amine. Another possible mechanism is the concerted reaction mechanism depicted below in which the nucleophilic attack of the amine on the acyl or CO ligand trans to L is assisted by interaction with the neighboring chloro ligand to promote the removal of HCl.



Although the results obtained here concerning the chloro complex are not directly applicable to the discussions of the catalytic double-carbonylation reactions that proceed with the organic bromides and iodides, the contrasting behavior of the acetyl- and pyruvoylpalladium chloride complexes toward the attack of the amine makes the double CO insertion mechanism quite unlikely and gives strong support for the alternative mechanism as represented by Scheme I.

Experimental Section

General procedure was as described in the preceding paper.³ Preparation of *trans*-Pd(COCOME)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (**3a**). To a Schlenk tube containing *trans*-PdEt₂(PMePh₂)₂ (0.82 g, 1.5

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mmol) were added toluene (10 mL) and styrene (0.34 mL, 2.9 mmol) by means of a syringe. The system was stirred at room temperature to yield a pale yellow, homogeneous solution. The solution was cooled to -55°C and MeCOCOCl^{11} (0.78 g, 7.3 mmol) was then added. After stirring of the system at -30°C for 1.5 h, 30 mL of hexane was added to yield a slightly red precipitate of **3a**, which was washed with Et_2O (20 mL \times 4) at the same temperature and dried in vacuo (0.86 g, 97%). The product was analytically pure without further purification. *trans*-Pd(CO-COPh)Cl(PMePh₂)₂ (**3b**) was similarly obtained using PhCO-COCl¹¹ instead of MeCOCOCl. Anal. (**3a**) Calcd for

$\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{29}\text{ClO}_2\text{P}_2\text{Pd}$: C, 56.8; H, 4.8; Cl, 5.8. Found: C, 57.3; H, 5.0; Cl, 5.7. (**3b**) Calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{31}\text{ClO}_2\text{P}_2\text{Pd}$: C, 60.5; H, 4.6; Cl, 5.3. Found: C, 60.6; H, 4.8; Cl, 5.4.

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Registry No. **2a**, 89177-93-5; **2b**, 84624-62-4; **3a**, 89177-94-6; **3b**, 89177-95-7; Pd(PMePh₂)₂B (B = Styrene), 70316-76-6; *trans*-Pd(COPh)Br(PMePh₂)₂, 89177-97-9; MeCOCOCl, 5704-66-5; PhCOCOCl, 25726-04-9; MeCOCOBr, 74100-44-0; PhCOCOBr, 89177-96-8; Et₂NH, 109-89-7.

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Syntheses of Some Methylplatinum(I) Complexes by Oxidative Addition or Reductive Elimination Reactions of Binuclear Complexes

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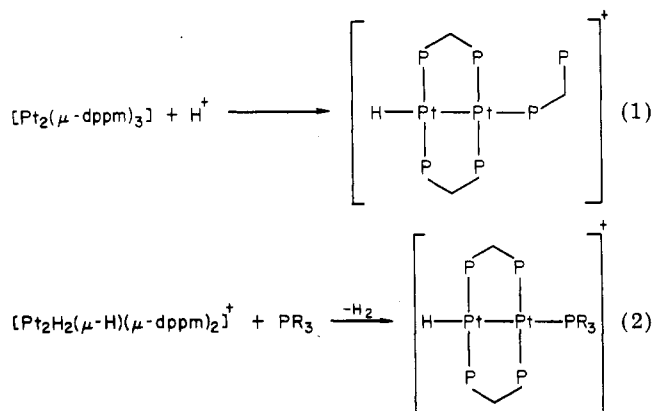
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Oxidative addition of MeI to $[\text{Pt}_2(\text{dppm})_3]$ in benzene followed by anion exchange with $\text{K}[\text{PF}_6]$ led to isolation of the first methylplatinum(I) complex $[\text{Pt}_2\text{Me}(\eta^1\text{-dppm})(\mu\text{-dppm})_2][\text{PF}_6]$, and further reaction with MeI in CH_2Cl_2 solution gave $[\text{Pt}_2\text{Me}_2(\mu\text{-I})(\mu\text{-dppm})_2][\text{PF}_6]$. Methylplatinum(I) complexes were also formed by reaction of tertiary phosphines (L = dppm, PPh_3 , PMe_2Ph) with $[\text{Pt}_2\text{H}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Me}(\mu\text{-dppm})_2][\text{SbF}_6]$ to give $[\text{Pt}_2\text{MeL}(\mu\text{-dppm})_2][\text{SbF}_6]$ and H_2 . The reductive elimination followed second-order kinetics, and an intermediate, $[\text{H}(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})(\mu\text{-dppm})_2\text{PtMe}][\text{SbF}_6]$, was detected by low-temperature NMR spectroscopy in the case with L = PPh_3 .

Introduction

Syntheses of hydridoplatinum(I) complexes by oxidative addition to diplatinum(0) complexes²⁻⁴ or reductive elimination from diplatinum(II) complexes,⁵⁻¹⁰ stabilized by bridging bis(diphenylphosphino)methane (dppm or P^iP^j) ligands, have been reported as shown, for example, in eq 1 and 2.



The mechanism of the binuclear reductive elimination reaction of eq 2 has been studied.¹¹

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