chromatography by simple recrystallization from CH_2Cl_2 /pentane. All new carbyne complexes described in this work form stable crystalline compounds which can be handled without visible decomposition in air and at room temperature. Satisfactory analytical data have been obtained for all new compounds. The results are summarized in Table I.¹⁴

Substitution of two carbonyl ligands in the initial tetracarbonyl carbyne complexes is possible with a variety of ligands.⁹ However, nitrogenous ligands have proven particularly useful for several reasons. The amine-substituted products form in very high yields, the products are stable enough for long-term storage, and at the same time a high degree of flexibility for further substitution reactions on the carbyne complexes is maintained. For example, reaction of the bis(pyridine)-substituted complexes 3 with bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane (dppe) gives the complexes $Cl(CO)_2(dppe)W \equiv CR, 11, (11a, R = C_6H_5;$ $11b, R = CH_3)$ in high yields (11a, 95%; 11b, 88%).¹⁵ Reaction of 3 with PMe₃ leads to formation of $Cl(CO)_2$ - $(PMe_3)_2W \equiv CPh, 12, in 92\%$ yield.^{15,16}

With the described reactions, stable carbyne complexes of chromium, molybdenum, and tungsten are now easily accessible. This is particularly true for the molybdenum compounds which previously could be prepared only in low yields by established routes. The wide variety of complexes attainable will provide a convenient basis for future investigations into carbyne complex chemistry.

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(15) ¹³C NMR (ppm, CDCl₃) and IR (cm⁻¹, CH₂Cl₂): **11a**, 267 (C α), 213 (CO) and ν_{CO} 2003 (s), 1937 (s); 11b, 279 (C α), 213 (CO) and ν_{CO} 2001 (s), 12, 266 (C α), 212 (CO) and ν_{CO} 2000 (s), 1926 (s). The ¹³C resonances in 11 and 12 are multiplets due to coupling with the phosphine ligands. The centers of the multiplets are given as values.

(16) Complex 12 cannot be prepared from the tetracarbonyl carbyne complex directly due to attack of PMe_3 at the carbyne carbon in X-(CO)₄WCR. See ref 6a.

Heteronuclear Intervalent Electron Transfer in Organometallic Complexes

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Summary: Intramolecular metalation of [(dimethylamino)methyl]ferrocene with palladium chloride gives compound 2 from which the complexes 3 and 4 can be prepared. In every case, oxidation of the iron center gives an Fe(III)-Pd(II) compound which exhibits a near-infrared band for heterometal electron transfer. The band energy is dependent on the ligand L in 3.



Figure 1. Near-infrared and visible spectrum of 3 $(L = AsPh_3)$ before and after electrochemical oxidation at the iron center.

Numerous examples of mixed-valence organometallic compounds have been reported, but they have been limited almost entirely to compounds having two or more ferrocenyl groups, intervalent transfer being observed between Fe(II) and Fe(III).² With the exception of bis(fulvalene)diiron, all of the mixed-valence ferrocenyl-containing compounds described thus far are found in Hush's class II,³ compounds with weak interaction between iron sites.

More recently, we and others have described three types of heterometal organometallic compounds that exhibit intramolecular electron transfer.⁴⁻⁷ In each case, one site was a ferrocenyl group while the other was a ruthenium or cobalt ion. Unfortunately, none of these systems is amenable to significant extension, and it has been one of our goals to find organometallic mixed-valence systems within which one can make many derivatives to explore better the nature of heteronuclear intervalent electron transfer. We now wish to communicate our initial results on such a system,

If FcCH₂NMe₂ is allowed to react directly with $[PdCl_4]^{2-}$, complex 1 is formed,^{8,9} while intramolecular metalation occurs to give 2 in the presence of a base such as sodium acetate.^{10,11} The halide bridge of 2 is broken with a slight excess of ligand L (= phosphine, phosphite, pyridine, etc.) to give 3 (or 4 if L is a bidentate phosphine and TlPF₆ is added to precipitate the displaced Cl⁻; Scheme I). The chloride ligand in 3 can be replaced in an exchange reaction. A few of the compounds synthesized thus far are given in Table I along with data pertinent to their electron-transfer properties.¹²

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⁽¹⁴⁾ The carbyne complexes can also be obtained from the lithium salts of the acyl complexes. This way, one-pot syntheses starting from the metal hexacarbonyls are possible; however, more extensive workup procedures due to concomitant metal hexacarbonyl are necessary.

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Table I. Electrochemical and Spectroscopic Data for Metalation Complexes of [(Dimethylamino)methyl]ferrocene

	$E_{p/2}$ (V vs. SCE) for Fe(III) \rightarrow Fe(II) ^a	obsd intervalent transfer band	
compound		λ, nm	bandwidth at half-height, cm ⁻¹
dimer 2	0.270	730	1887
(FcCN)PdClL(3)			
$L = PPh_a$	0.235	745 ^b	2090
$L = AsPh_{2}$	0.240	752^{c}	2060
L = pyridine	0.260	745	2340
$L = \tilde{P}(OPh)_{2}$	0.275	704	2440
$L = P(OMe)_{a}$	0.224	717	2120
$L = P(OEt)_{a}$	0.235	723	2140
$(FcCN)PdX(PPh_{a})$ (3)			
X = I	0.225	765	2610
X = Cl	0.235	745	2090
X = SCN	0.227	737	2230
$[(FcCN)Pd(diphos)]PF_{4}(4)$	0.330	645	2759
FcCH,NMe,H ⁺ PF, ⁻	0.640	no IT band observed	
(C, H, FeCH, NMe,), PdCl, (1)	0.486	no IT band observed	
$[CpFeC_{3}H_{3}CH_{2}NMe_{2}(PPh_{2})]PdCl_{2}$ (5)	0.795	no IT band observed	

 $^{a}I_{a}/I_{c} = 1$. The difference between anodic and cathodic peak potentials was ca. 90 mV. All complexes also had an irreversible, anodic wave at about 1.8 V attributed to oxidation of the Pd(II) site. ^b Molar absorptivity (M^{-1} cm⁻¹) = 354; $\lambda = 736$ nm in 1:1 CH₂Cl₂/CH₃CN. ^c Molar absorptivity (M^{-1} cm⁻¹) = 496; $\lambda = 737$ nm in 1:1 CH₂Cl₂/CH₃CN.

Each of the compounds of type 3 has a cyclic voltammogram consisting of an electrochemically and chemically reversible one-electron redox reaction at about +0.25 V in CH_2Cl_2 (for ferrocenyl $Fe^{3+} \rightarrow Fe^{2+}$) and an irreversible oxidation at about +1.8 V (for Pd^{2+} oxidation) (Table I).^{13,14}

The most interesting feature of the molecules studied was the electronic spectrum after bulk oxidation of a compound in CH_2Cl_2 at a potential about 200 mV more anodic than E_{pa} for ferrocenyl group oxidation.¹⁶ The spectrum in the 900-400 nm range for 3 with $L = AsPh_3$ is given in Figure 1. Two distinct bands are observed at 752 and 570 nm and a shoulder at about 475 nm. Neither of the lower energy bands is observed in the neutral complex, and both are assumed to arise from the oxidized ferrocenyl groups. Ferricenium salts characteristically have a band in the 600-nm region that has been assigned to the transition ligand $e_{1u} \rightarrow Fe (e_{2g}, 3d)$.⁴ To prove this to be

⁽¹³⁾ All electrochemical experiments were performed using techniques outlined in ref 7. Platinum electrodes were used, and tetrabutylammonium hexafluorophosphate was the supporting electrolyte. Virtually all experiments were done in CH_2Cl_2 or in 1:1 CH_2Cl_2/CH_3CN . All solvents were used as received from Burdick and Jackson. All experiments were done at room temperature (25 ± 2 °C).

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⁽¹⁶⁾ Near-infrared, visible, and ultraviolet spectra were obtained on a Cary 14 spectrophotometer at room temperature. The Fe(III)-Pd(II) complexes were all prepared by anodic electrolysis using techniques previously outlined.⁷ Following electrolysis at an appropriate potential, solutions were syringed into a nitrogen-filled cuvette.

the case, the salt $FcCH_2NMe_2H^+PF_6^-$ was oxidized and its spectrum recorded. A band was observed in this case at 627 nm, and there were less intense bands at 465 and 545 nm; no bands were observed in the near infrared.

The band seen at 752 nm for 3 with $L = AsPh_3$ was observed in all such complexes (and the dimer 2) after oxidation of the ferrocenyl group (Table I). The band is assigned as an intervalent transfer band involving the Pd(II) and Fe(III) centers for the following reasons:

(1) Neither complex 1 nor [1,2-FcCH₂NMe₂(PPh₂)]-PdCl₂ (5)¹⁷ has Pd(II) directly bonded to the ferrocenyl group. No near-infrared band is seen after oxidation of the ferrocenyl group. This is in agreement with Colbran et al., who have found that IT transitions "are only found in mixed valence ferrocene compounds when the redox sites are directly fused or bridged by electron-conducting π groups".⁴

(2) The band is sensitive to a change in solvent medium. A shift in the band maximum of 9 nm to higher energy is observed for 3 (L = PPh₃) when the solvent is changed from CH_2Cl_2 to a 1:1 mixture of CH_2Cl_2 and CH_3CN . Such shifts are expected for a mixed-valence compound of class II.

(3) According to the Hush theory of mixed-valence compounds with weakly interacting centers, the bandwidth at half-height $(\Delta \nu_{1/2})$ for an unsymmetrical ion can be determined from the expression

$$v_{\rm op} - v_0 = (\Delta v_{1/2})^2 / 2310 \ {\rm cm}^{-1}$$

where ν_{op} is the energy of the IT transition and ν_0 is the internal energy difference between the two oxidation state isomers

$$Fe(III)-Pd(II) \rightarrow Fe(II)-Pd(III)$$

While ν_0 cannot be obtained directly, it has been argued that an upper limit to its value can be obtained^{5,6} from the difference between the reduction potentials for

$$[FcCNPdClL]^{2+} + e^{-} \rightarrow [FcCNPdClL]^{+}$$

and

$$[FcCNPdClL]^+ + e^- \rightarrow FcCNPdClL$$

For all of the compounds of type 3, this difference is approximately 1.5 V or $12\,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. This means that the bandwidth at half height should be about 1700 cm^{-1} . In fact, the half-height bandwidths are usually slightly larger than this estimate (Table I), a common observation in most mixed-valence ions.⁴⁻⁷

As seen in Table I compounds of type 3 with L as a phosphine or arsine exhibited a band in the near infrared at about 750 nm. The parent dimer 2 also gave rise to a band at 730 nm after two-electron oxidation, while 3 with L as a less basic phosphite ligand has a near infrared band nearer 700 nm. It would appear that more basic ligands L cause the intervalent transfer band to move to lower energies, a shift which may be due to stabilization of the Fe(II)-Pd(III) valence isomer. On the other hand, the cationic complex 4 (bidentate ligand = $Ph_2PC_2H_4PPh_2$) has a more energetic IT band; formation of the Fe(II)-Pd(III) valence isomer for the cationic complex is energetically unfavorable.¹⁸

Since the halide ligand is thought to be trans to the ferrocenyl group,¹⁹ it is anticipated that this ligand will

affect the Pd-ferrocenyl bond (owing to the so-called trans influence effect²¹) more than the cis ligand L. Thus, it is not surprising that a relatively large IT band shift is observed on changing the halide ligand from Cl to I to Sbonded SCN (when $L = PPh_3$).¹²

The significance of the results described is threefold. First, we have observed an intervalent transfer band for a variety of organometallic compounds having a Pd(II) center bound to an Fe(III)-containing ferrocenyl group. Thus, this series of complexes represents only the fourth class of organometallic compounds wherein intervalent transfer has been observed between two *different* metal sites. Second, the major advantage to this series of complexes is that it is capable of being greatly expanded.²² And finally, Robin and Day in their extensive review of mixed-valence compounds noted that little was known in general about heterometal systems.²³ This series of Fe-(III)-Pd(II) compounds begins to rectify that deficiency.

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Generation of

Dicarbonyl(η^5 -cyclopentadlenyl)(*trans*-2,3-dimethylcyclopropylidene)iron Trifluoromethanesulfonate and Stereochemistry of Opening to the π -Complex of 1,3-Dimethylallene

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Summary: Compound 11 has been prepared as a potential precursor to the corresponding cyclopropylidene complex 12. Methoxy abstraction by trimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (Me_3SOTf) at -78 °C gave the expected (by analogy with free cyclopropylidenes) ringopened allene complex. The cyclopropylidene complex 12 could not be trapped with cyclohexene. Resolution of the intermediate carboxylic acid 9 permitted preparation of nearly optically pure 11, which in turn gave, within experimental error, racemic allene complex 13. This is consistent with theory that predicts the racemic allyl cation to lie between the chiral complexed carbene and its chiral allene valence isomer.

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