# **Insertion Reactions of the 16-Electron Complexes Crystal Structure of Os( (E)-CH=CHPh)CI(CO)(P-i-Pr,), MHCI(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>** ( $M = Ru$ , Os) with Alkynes. The X-ray

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The carbonyl hydrido complexes MHCl(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (M = Ru, Os) react with alkynes HC=CR (R = Ph, H) by insertion to give the five-coordinate vinylmetal compounds  $M(CH=CHR)Cl(CO)(P-i-Pr_3)_2$  (3-6) in nearly quantitative yields. Addition of CO or displacement of the chloride ligand in 3-6 by acetate or acetylacetonate produces the six-coordinate complexes  $M(CH=CHR)Cl(CO)_2(P-i-Pr_3)_2$   $(R = Ph; 7, 8)$ , H, Ph; 11-14), respectively. Treatment of  $RuHC(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>$  with  $HC=CPh$  and KOH in methanol leads to a mixture of  $Ru(C=CPh)_{2}(CO)(P-i-Pr_{3})_{2}$  (15) and  $Ru(C=CPh)(CH=CHPh)(CO)(P-i-Pr_{3})_{2}$  (16), the latter of which reacts with CO to form the octahedral compound  $Ru(C=CPh)(CH=CHPh)(CO)_2(\tilde{P}\cdot\tilde{i}-Pr_3)_2$  (17). The molecular structure of  $Os(CH=CHPh)Cl(CO)(P\cdot\tilde{i}-Pr_3)_2$  (4) has been determined by X-ray (17). The molecular structure of Os(CH=CHPh)Cl(CO)(P-*i*-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (4) has been determined by X-ray investigation. 4 crystallizes in the space group  $P2_1/n$  with  $a = 16.437$  (5) Å,  $b = 10.980$  (4) Å,  $c = 17.086$ (4) Å, and  $\beta$  = 105.56 (2)<sup>o</sup>. The osmium atom has a nearly perfect square-pyramidal coordination with the vinyl ligand in the apical position and the two phosphines trans to each other in the base of the pyramid. With regard to the stereochemistry at the vinyl C=C bond, only the *E* isomer is formed. A stereo **ORTEP**  diagram illustrates that the metal atom, although coordinatively unsaturated, nevertheless is well shielded at the sixth position of the (uncompleted) octahedron by four of the 12 methyl groups of the phosphine ligands. IR as well as IH, 13C, and **31P** NMR data of the complexes **3-17** are reported. Ph, H) by insertion to give the five-coordinate vinylmetal compounds  $M(CH=CHR)Cl(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>$  (3-6) in nearly quantitative yields. Addition of CO or displacement of the chloride ligand in 3-6 by acetate or acetylacet

## **Introduction**

One of the most typical reactions of transition-metal hydrides is the insertion of olefins and alkynes into the metal-hydride bond.<sup>1</sup> This insertion process is in general kinetically highly favored, and, therefore, the primary products of general composition  $MH(C=C)L_n$  or MH- $(C=Cl)$ <sub>n</sub> formed on coordination of the olefin or alkyne to the transition-metal center can rarely be isolated.

During investigations directed toward the synthesis of coordinatively unsaturated ruthenium and osmium compounds which could possibly activate aromatic or aliphatic C-H bonds? we recently observed that the five-coordinate 16-electron osmium(II) complex  $OsHCl(CO)(P-i-Pr_3)_2$  reacts with olefins such as ethylene, methyl acrylate, acrylonitrile, and methyl vinyl ketone to give the six-coordinate 18-electron compounds  $OsHCl(CO)(CH_2=$  $CHR$ )(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (R = H, CO<sub>2</sub>Me, CN, COMe) in excellent yields.3 These compounds do not form the corresponding alkylosmium(I1) complexes by intramolecular insertion of the olefin into the Os-H bond which is probably due to the trans position of the hydride and olefin ligands.

In continuing this work we were interested to determine whether alkynes would behave in a similar manner to olefins toward  $OsHCl(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>$  and the ruthenium analogue RuHCl(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> or whether in this case an insertion process is more favored. The insertion should lead to vinylosmium(I1) and -ruthenium(II) complexes which could be suitable starting materials for the synthesis of hitherto unknown four- or five-coordinate (vinylidene)osmium(O) and -ruthenium(O) derivatives. Evidence for the possibility of preparing compounds of the general type  $M = C = CHR)L_n$  by HX elimination of the corresponding vinyl precursors  $MX(CH=CHR)L_n$  has recently been provided from our laboratory for  $ML_n=Rh(P-i-1)$  $Pr_3$ ) $C_5H_5^4$  and  $Os(P-i-Pr_3)C_6H_6^5$  respectively.

### **Results**

Treatment of a suspension of  $RuHCl(CO)(P-i-Pr_3)$ <sub>2</sub> (1) or  $OsHCl(CO)(P-i-Pr_3)_2$  (2) with phenylacetylene in hexane results in an almost instantaneous precipitation of a dark red (Ru) or dark blue (Os) solid which according to the elemental analysis corresponds to a 1:l adduct of the starting material and the alkyne. **A** similar reaction occurs by bubbling acetylene through a suspension of **1** or **2** in hexane giving a red precipitate (Ru) or a dark red solution (Os) from which after concentration and addition of methanol red crystals are isolated. In all cases the yield is almost quantitative. Under similar conditions, diphenylacetylene does not react with **1** or **2;** even on heating the five-coordinate starting materials remain inert toward  $C_2Ph_2$ .



**1, 3, and 5, M=Ru; 2, 4, and 6, M=Os; 3 and 4, R=Ph; 5 and 6, R=H** 

The IR and 'H NMR spectra of **3-6** (Table I) confirm that the products obtained according to eq 1 are not analogues of the hydrido olefin compounds OsHCl(C0)-  $(CH_2=CHR)(P-i-Pr_3)$ , but instead are vinylmetal complexes formed by insertion of the alkyne into the metalhydride bond. The trans stereochemistry at the  $C=C$ bond is strongly supported by the large proton-proton coupling constant,<sup>6</sup> which is in the range of 14-18 Hz. <sup>1</sup>H

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**Table I. 'H NMR, 31P NMR, and IR Data of 3-17** 

	<sup>1</sup> H NMR <sup>a</sup>					IR <sup>a</sup>	
	$\delta$ (PCHCH <sub>3</sub> ) [N; J(HH)]	$\delta$ (PCHCH <sub>3</sub> )	$\delta(H_{\alpha})^b$ [J(PH); J(HH)]	$\delta(H_a)^{b,c}$ [J(PH); J(HH)]	$^{31}P$ NMR <sup>a</sup> δ	$\nu$ (C $\equiv$ O)	$\nu(OAc)$ or $\nu$ (acac)
$\bf{3}$ $\overline{\bf{4}}$	1.30 (dvt) $[13.0; 7.0]$ $1.28$ (dvt), $1.27$ (dvt) [14.0; 7.0]	$2.72$ (m) $2.87$ (m)	8.72 (dt) [0.7; 14.0] 8.66 (d) [; 14.0]	6.34 (dt) $[2.0; 14.0]$ $6.02$ (dt) [2.0; 14.0]	$37.70$ (s) $23.28$ (s)	1905 1890	
5	$1.19$ (dvt), $1.17$ (dvt) [13.0; 7.0]	$2.67$ (m)	8.00 (ddt) [1.0; 14.0, 6.0] <sup>d</sup>	4.94 $(ddt)^e$ [2.0; 14.0, 1.0]	$37.01$ (s)	1898	
6	1.21 (dvt) $[13.0; 6.0]$	$2.84$ (m)	7.42 (dd) [; 14.0, $7.0$ ] <sup>d</sup>	$5.25$ (ddt) <sup><math>\frac{1}{2}</math></sup> [3.0; 6.0, 1.0] 4.46 (dt) $[2.0; 14.0]$ $5.06$ (dt) [3.0; 7.0]	$22.34$ (s)	1885	
$7\phantom{.}$	$1.32$ (dvt), $1.08$ (dvt) [13.5; 7.0]	$2.57$ (m)	$8.60$ (dt) [1.0; 18.0]	g	$35.21$ (s)	2007. 1940	
8	$1.27$ (dvt), $1.07$ (dvt) [13.5; 7.0]	$2.63$ (m)	$8.67$ (dt) [2.0; 18.0]	g	2.25(s)	2000. 1925	
9 <sup>h</sup>	$1.27$ (dvt), $1.18$ (dvt) [13.0; 6.0]	$2.33$ (m)	$8.78$ (dt) [1.0; 16.0]	6.42 (dt) [2.0; 16.0]	$36.84$ (s)	1895	1525, 1450
$10^i$	$1.42$ (dvt); $1.38$ (dvt) [12.5; 7.0]	$2.63$ (m)	$9.06$ (dt) [0.7; 16.0]	$6.36$ (dt) [2.0; 16.0]	$14.95$ (s)	1880	1525, 1455
$11^j$	$1.24$ (dvt); $1.13$ (dvt) [13.0; 6.0]	$2.34$ (m)	$9.11$ (dt) [2.0; 16.0]	6.74 (dt) $[2.0; 16.0]$	$34.68$ (s)	1895	1587, 1505
$12^k$	$1.37$ (dvt); $1.25$ (dvt) [13.5; 6.0]	2.52(m)	$9.36$ (dt) [0.7; 16.0]	6.56 (dt) $[2.0; 16.0]$	$11.93$ (s)	1880	1580, 1525
13 <sup>t</sup>	$1.42$ (dvt); $1.33$ (dvt) [12.5, 6.0]	$2.38$ (m)	8.43 (ddt) [1.5; 18.0, 8.0] <sup>d</sup>	5.50 $(ddt)^e$ [2.0; 18.0, 2.0]	$34.19$ (s)	1895	1585, 1505
14 <sup>m</sup>	$1.42$ (dvt); $1.30$ (dvt) [12.0; 6.0]	$2.68$ (m)	8.63 (dd) [; 18.0, 11.0] <sup>d</sup>	6.00 $(ddt)'$ [3.0; 8.0, 2.0] $5.42$ (ddt) <sup>e</sup> [2.0; 18.0, 4.0]	$11.31$ (s)	1880	1580, 1500
15		$3.05$ (m)		6.23 $(ddt)'$ [2.0; 11.0, 4.0]	$51.46$ (s)	$1925^n$	
16	1.40 (dvt) $[14.0; 7.0]$ $1.35$ (dvt); $1.32$ (dvt) [14.0; 6.0]	$2.75$ (m)	$8.73$ (dt) [1.0; 14.0]	6.47 (dt) $[2.0; 14.0]$	$42.40$ (s)	1905 <sup>°</sup>	
17	$1.37$ (dvt); $1.23$ (dvt) [14.0; 6.5]	$2.37$ (m)	$8.30$ (dt) [1.0; 16.0]	6.90 (dt) $[2.0; 16.0]$	$40.15$ (s)	1998. 1937 <sup>p</sup>	

**'H:** 6 in ppm, MelSi internal standard. 31P: 6 in ppm, 85% H3P0, external standard. *J* and *N* in Hz. IR: **Y** in cm-'. Abbreviations used:  $s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet, vt = virtual triplet. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>31</sup>P NMR in  $C_6D_6$ ; IR in  $C_6H_6$ . <sup>5</sup>H<sub>a</sub> = proton at *a*-C$ atm; H<sub>3</sub> = proton(s) at  $\beta$ -C atom of vinyl ligand CH=CHR (R = H, Ph). <sup>\*</sup> For R = Ph: multiplet for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> protons between  $\delta$  7.0 and  $\delta$  7.5.  $^d$ Larger H–H coupling to  $\rm H_d$  in the trans position; smaller H–H coupling to  $\rm H_d$  in the cis position.  $^e\rm H_d$  trans to  $\rm H_a$ .  $^f\rm H_d$  cis to  $\rm H_a$ .  $^g\rm Not$ observed. h  $\delta{\rm (CH_3CO_2)}$  1.75 (s).  $^i\delta{\rm (CH_3CO_2)}$  1.87 (s).  $^j\delta{\rm (CH_3)}$  1.88 (s) and 1.79 (s);  $\delta{\rm (CH)}$  5.22 (s).  $^k\delta{\rm (CCH_3)}$  1.89 (s) and 1.75 (s);  $\delta{\rm (CH)}$ 5.28 (s).  ${}^{1}\delta$ (CCH<sub>3</sub>) 1.83 (s) and 1.70 (s);  $\delta$ (CH) 5.18 (s).  ${}^{m}\delta$ (CCH<sub>3</sub>) 1.82 (s) and 1.72 (s);  $\delta$ (CH) 5.25 (s).  ${}^{n}\nu$ (C=C) 2060 cm<sup>-1</sup>.  ${}^{0}\nu$ (C=C) 2065 cm<sup>-1</sup>.  $P_V$ (C=C) 2098 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

NMR measurements in different solvents gave no indication that in solution an equilibrium between the vinyl and the isomeric alkyne hydrido complexes exists.

Although compounds **3-6** are coordinatively unsaturated, they are monomeric in benzene and thus resemble the well-known five-coordinate triarylphosphine complexes  $MCl_2(PR_3)_3$ .<sup>7</sup> It appears that in both cases dimerization via C1 bridges, which would provide an 18-electron configuration at the metal, is hindered for steric reasons.

The coordination number six for ruthenium and osmium can be achieved, however, either by addition of CO or displacement of the chloride ligand with acetate or acetylacetonate anions. The corresponding compounds **7-14**  (Scheme I) are isolated in good to excellent yields. The IR spectra indicate that the OAc and acac groups in **9-14**  are coordinated via both oxygen atoms, i.e., as chelating ligands. The observation of two C-0 stretching frequencies at ca. 1525 and 1450 cm-l (for **9** and **10)** and 1585 and 1505 cm-' (for **11-14)** is in accord with this structural proposal. $8,9$  It is also worth mentioning that the hydridometal compounds **1** and **2** used in this work react with



Na(0Ac) and K(acac) to produce the corresponding chelate complexes.<sup>3</sup>

Attempts to use the dicarbonyl compounds **7** and **8** as precursors for the synthesis of (phenylviny1idene)ruthenium(0) and -osmium(O) complexes have remained unsuccessful **as** yet. The octahedral starting materials do not react, e.g., with  $NEt_3$  or n-BuLi, by HCl elimination and thus behave differently to the half-sandwich type com-

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 ${}^aC_\alpha$  and  $C_\beta$  are the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -carbon atoms of the vinylic ligand. <sup>b</sup>All signals of the phenyl carbon atoms are singlets. <sup>c</sup>Not observed.  $d^2\delta$ (CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>) 24.51 (s);  $\delta$ (CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>) 182.23 (s).  $e^{\delta}$ (CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>) 25.26 (s);  $\delta$ (CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>) 183.60 (s). *f*acac:  $\delta$ (OC) 188.54 (s) and 186.69 (s);  $\delta$ (CH) 100.28 (s);  $\delta$ (CH<sub>3</sub>) 28.57 (s). <sup>*s*</sup> acac: 186.72 (s) and 184.54 (s);  $\delta$ (CH) 102.31 (s);  $\delta$ (CH<sub>3</sub>) 28.06 (s). hacac:  $\delta$ (OC) 188.35 (s) and 186.56 (s);  $\delta$ (CH) 100.09 (s); δ(CH<sub>3</sub>) 28.55 (s). <sup>1</sup>acac: δ(OC) 186.55 (s) and 184.48 (s); δ(CH) 102.16 (s); δ(CH<sub>3</sub>) 28.03 (s). <sup>1</sup>δ(C≡CPh) 139.33 (t), J(PC) 2.0 Hz;<br>δ(C≡CPh) 132.60 (s). <sup>\*</sup>Other signals of phenyl carbon atoms not exact (s).  *Me<sub>4</sub>Si internal standard; <i>J* and *N* in Hz; abbreviations used: s = singlet, t = triplet, vt = virtual triplet.

#### **Scheme I1**

**ROH** / MeOH **\*** Ru(C=CPh)<sub>2</sub>(CO)(P- *i* - Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>



pounds  $C_5H_5Rh(CH=CHPh)(P-i-Pr_3)X$  and  $C_6H_6Os \rm (CH=CHPh)(P\hbox{-}i\hbox{-}Pr_3)X,$  respectively. $^{4,5}$ 

The reaction of **1** with phenylacetylene in the presence of stoichiometric amounts of KOH in methanol proceeds differently to that of 1 with PhC<sub>2</sub>H in hexane. Two products are formed which are deeply colored and can easily be separated from benzene-hexane. The elemental analyses and spectroscopic data are consistent with the formation of  $Ru(C=CPh)_{2}(CO)(P-i-Pr_{3})_{2}$  (15) and Ru- $(C=CPh)(CH=CHPh)(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>$  (16), respectively. When the 'H and 13C NMR data are compared there is no doubt that in  $16$  two different  $\sigma$ -bonded unsaturated ligands are present which presumably are in cis position to each other. **As** the alkynyl vinyl complex is also obtained from 3 and LiC<sub>2</sub>Ph in benzene, we assume that the mechanism of formation of **16** involves the primary insertion of the alkyne into the Ru-H bond followed by displacement of the chloride ligand by the alkynyl anion. On reaction with CO, the dark green five-coordinate compound **16** is readily transformed into the six-coordinate complex  $Ru(C=CPh)(CH=CHPh)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>$  (17) (Scheme 11) which forms white crystals. The spectroscopic data are summarized in Tables I and 11.

# **Crystal Data and Structure Determination of 4**

In contrast to our attempts with **1** and **2,** we succeeded in obtaining suitable single crystals of **4** from hexane. They are monoclinic with  $a = 16.437$  (5) Å,  $b = 10.980$  (4) Å,  $c = 17.086$  (4) Å,  $\beta = 105.56$  (2)°, and  $V = 2970.7$  Å<sup>3</sup>. The space group is  $P2_1/n$  from systematic absences,  $Z = 4$ ,  $d(\text{caled}) = 1.51 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ,  $d(\text{expt1}) = 1.52 \text{ g/cm}^3$ . One crystal with the dimensions of  $0.3 \times 0.4 \times 0.4$  mm was used for

**Table 111. Positional Parameters and Their Estimated Standard Deviations for Non-Hydrogen Atoms in 4** 

	$\boldsymbol{x}$	у	$\overline{z}$	$B_{eq}$ , $\widehat{A^2}$
0s	0.73117(2)	0.70638(2)	0.99333(2)	2.04(1)
Cl	0.6187(1)	0.7076(2)	1.0623(1)	4.8(1)
P(1)	0.6610(1)	0.8693(2)	0.9082(1)	2.23(8)
P(2)	0.7801(1)	0.5159(2)	1.0570(1)	2.58(9)
О	0.8418(5)	0.6761(5)	0.8929(4)	3.8(3)
C(1)	0.8059(6)	0.6880(8)	0.9264(7)	3.6(5)
C(2)	0.8113(5)	0.8161(6)	1.0695(5)	2.7(3)
C(3)	0.8833(6)	0.8642(8)	1.0726(5)	4.1 $(4)$
C(4)	0.9249(5)	0.9604(8)	1.1347(5)	3.5(4)
C(5)	0.9963(5)	1.0119(8)	1.1231(5)	4.2(5)
C(6)	1.0401(5)	1.1004(9)	1.1731(7)	4.9(5)
C(7)	1.0095(7)	1.1376(9)	1.2393(6)	5.0(5)
C(8)	0.9376(7)	1.088(1)	1.2488(6)	5.2(5)
C(9)	0.8979(5)	1.0002(9)	1.1971(6)	4.7(5)
C(10)	0.5969(4)	0.9736(7)	0.9522(4)	2.7(3)
C(11)	0.6457(5)	1.0300(8)	1.0332(5)	3.8(4)
C(12)	0.5486(5)	1.0728(8)	0.8952(5)	3.9(4)
C(13)	0.7289(5)	0.9605(7)	0.8594(5)	3.5(4)
C(14)	0.7826(5)	1.0556(8)	0.9158(5)	4.2(4)
C(15)	0.6880(6)	1.0195(8)	0.7768(5)	5.0(5)
C(16)	0.5812(5)	0.8032(7)	0.8211(4)	3.0(3)
C(17)	0.5115(6)	0.7350(9)	0.8482(6)	4.5(5)
C(18)	0.6238(6)	0.7204(8)	0.7710(5)	4.7(5)
C(19)	0.7124(5)	0.3939(8)	0.9976(5)	3.9(4)
C(20)	0.7149(7)	0.4002(9)	0.9087(5)	5.2(5)
C(21)	0.6222(6)	0.400(1)	1.0016(8)	7.1(7)
C(22)	0.7695(6)	0.4933(7)	1.1614(5)	3.9(4)
C(23)	0.7925(8)	0.3676(10)	1.1964(6)	7.4(7)
C(24)	0.8130(7)	0.5884(9)	1.2205(5)	5.6(5)
C(25)	0.8883(5)	0.4738(8)	1.0539(5)	3.7(4)
C(26)	0.9549(6)	0.5449(9)	1.1084(6)	5.2(5)
C(27)	0.9108(7)	0.3388(10)	1.0567(7)	5.9(5)
H(2)	0.7772(0)	0.8257(0)	1.1185(0)	5.0(0)

the structure determination, and a total of 4799 independent reflections were collected on a Syntex  $P2<sub>1</sub>$  fourcircle automatic diffractometer at -48 **"C** (Mo Ka radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71069$  Å, graphite monochromator,  $\omega$  scan) in the range 4.5O **I** 20 **I** 48.5'. An empirical correction for the range  $4.5^{\circ} \le 2\theta \le 48.5^{\circ}$ . An empirical correction for absorption was applied ( $\mu_{\text{Mo}} = 47.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ); the range of absorption correction factors was 0.72-1.00. The structure was solved by the Patterson method (Syntex XTL). The hydrogen atoms were located from difference Fourier maps. Refinement of the non-hydrogen atoms by fullmatrix least squares with anisotropic thermal parameters resulted in  $R = 0.038$  and  $R_w = 0.044$  ( $1/w = \sigma F_o^{(2)}$ ) for 4136 structure factors with  $F_{\text{o}} \geq 5.92\sigma(F_{\text{o}})$ . Structure factors for uncharged atoms according to ref 15 were used, cor-

Table **IV.** Selected Bond Distances (A) and Bond Angles (deg) with Estimated Standard Deviations

<b>Bond Distances</b>								
Os-Cl	2.444(3)	$C(3)-C(4)$	1.52(1)					
$Os-P(1)$	2.398(2)	$P(1) - C(10)$	1.85(1)					
$Os-P(2)$	2.395(2)	$P(1)-C(13)$	1.86(1)					
$Os-C(1)$	1.89(1)	$P(1) - C(16)$	1.85(1)					
$Os-C(2)$	1.99(1)	$P(2)-C(19)$	1.86(1)					
$C(1)-O$	0.94(1)	$P(2)-C(22)$	1.86(1)					
$C(2)-C(3)$	1.29(1)	$P(2)-C(25)$	1.85(1)					
<b>Bond Angles</b>								
$Cl-Os-P(1)$	89.1(1)	$P(2)$ -Os-C(1)	89.5 (3)					
Cl–Os–P(2)	89.5(1)	$P(2)$ -Os-C $(2)$	98.5(2)					
$Cl-Os-C(1)$	170.4(3)	$C(1)$ -Os- $C(2)$	91.8(4)					
$Cl-Os-C(2)$	97.7(2)	$Os-C(1)-O$	177(1)					
$P(1)$ -Os- $P(2)$	167.4(1)	$Os-C(2)-C(3)$	135.7(7)					
$P(1)$ –Os–C $(1)$	89.8(3)	$C(2)-C(3)-C(4)$	123.3(9)					
$P(1)-Os-C(2)$	94.1(2)							



Figure **1.** X-ray crystal structure of **4.** Heavy atoms are represented by thermal ellipsoids drawn to encompass **50%** of the electron density.

rected for anomalous dispersion. The largest peaks in the final difference Fourier map were  $0.6-0.8$  e/ $\AA$ <sup>3</sup>. Final positional parameters are given in Table I11 and selected intramolecular bond lengths and angles in Table IV.

The molecular structure of **4** is shown in Figure 1. The most remarkable features are, first, the square-pyramidal coordination of the metal and, second, the trans position of the two substituents  $C_6H_5$  and OsCl(CO)(P-*i*-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> at the C=C double bond. The four atoms  $P(1)$ ,  $P(2)$ , Cl, and  $C(1)$  forming the basis of the pyramid are approximately in one plane, whereas the osmium atom is located 0.26 A above this plane toward the apical position. The  $C(1)-O$ distance is unusually short (presumably due to absorption effects), but there is no evidence that the  $Cl-Os-C(1)-O$ unit is disordered. The highest peaks obtained from the final difference Fourier synthesis are at the metal, but certainly not directly on the Cl-Os-C(l) axis.

Although **4** undoubtedly is a 16-electron complex and thus coordinatively unsaturated, the stereo ORTEP diagram of the molecule shown in Figure **2** illustrates that also in the sixth (formally unoccupied) position of the octahedron the osmium atom is well-shielded. Four of the 12 methyl groups of the phosphine ligands surround the metal like an umbrella which may also explain why compound **4** does not readily react in solution with ligands such as  $PMe<sub>3</sub>$  or  $P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>$  being more bulky than carbon monoxide. The shielding effect of the methyl groups is certainly supported by the bending of the phosphorus-osmium-phosphorus





Figure **2.** Stereo **ORTEP** diagram of **4.** 

axis resulting in an  $P(1)$ -Os- $P(2)$  angle of 167.4 (1)<sup>o</sup>.

# **Conclusion**

The present study has confirmed that the preferred pathway for the reaction of the 16-electron complexes MHCl(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (1, 2) with  $C_2H_2$  and PhC<sub>2</sub>H is the insertion of the alkyne into the metal-hydride bond. Owing to the high reactivity of **1** and **2** toward Lewis bases such as CO,  $PMe_3$ ,  $P(OMe)_3$ ,  $CH_2=CHR$ , etc.,<sup>3</sup> it is assumed that in the reactions leading to the formation of  $M(CH=CHR)Cl(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>$  (3-6) addition of the alkyne to the metal first occurs followed by rapid migration of the hydride from the metal to the carbon atom. The same type of reaction has recently been considered by Stolzenberg and Muetterties as the crucial step in the hydrogenation of alkynes to form alkenes using RuHCl-<br>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> as the catalyst.<sup>10</sup> The osmium compound  $(\text{PPh}_3)$ <sub>3</sub> as the catalyst.<sup>10</sup>  $OsHBr(CO)(PPh_3)_3$  behaves similarly.<sup>11</sup> It should be mentioned that the regioselectivity observed in the formation of **3** and **4** (as well as in the analogous reactions of  $MH(O_2CCF_3)(CO)(PPh_3)_2$  (M = Ru and Os) with  $RC=CPh$ <sup>12</sup> does not seem to be a general phenomenon as the insertion of alkynes RC=CH (R = CN,  $CF_3$ ) into the metal-hydride bond of the complexes  $(C_5H_5)_2MH(CO)$ (M = Nb, Ta) only produces vinyl metal compounds having the substituent R in the  $\alpha$ -position.<sup>13</sup> Recent results obtained in our laboratory on the reactions of  $IrH<sub>5</sub>(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>$  with alkynes show<sup>14</sup> that, e.g., propyne reacts to give an  $Ir(CMe=CH<sub>2</sub>)$  complex, again indicating that one can not predict whether the alkyne insertion leads to  $\alpha$ -R- or  $\beta$ -R-substituted vinyl compounds.

## **Experimental Section**

NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian EM *360* L ('H), a Bruker WH 90 FT (31P), and a Bruker Cryospec WM 400 **('H** and  $^{13}$ C) spectrometer, IR spectra on a Perkin-Elmer 457 spectrometer, and mass spectra on a Varian MAT CH 7 instrument (70 eV). The starting materials  $RuHCl(CO)(P-i-Pr_3)_2$  (1) and OsHCl- $(CO)(P-i-Pr_3)_2$  (2) were prepared by published methods.<sup>3</sup>

Preparation of  $\mathbf{Ru}(\mathbf{CH=CHPh})\mathbf{Cl}(\mathbf{CO})(\mathbf{P}\text{-}i\text{-}\mathbf{Pr}_3)_2$  (3). A suspension of **1** (77.4 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 5 mL of hexane was treated with  $PhC_2H$  (18.7  $\mu$ L, 0.17 mmol) and stirred for 30 min at room temperature. The dark red precipitate was filtered off, repeatedly washed with hexane, and dried in vacuo: yield 79 mg

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(85%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{27}H_{49}CIOP_2Ru$ : C, 55.14; H, 8.40;  $M_r$ , 588.13. Found: C, **55.18;** H, 8.54; *M,* 558 (osmometric in benzene).

Preparation **of Os(CH=CHPh)Cl(CO)(P-i-Pr,), (4)** was prepared analogously as described for **3,** starting with **2** (82.9 mg, 0.15 mmol) and  $PhC_2H$  (16.6  $\mu$ L, 0.15 mmol): dark blue crystals; yield 80 mg (82%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{27}H_{49}CIOOSP_2$ : C, 47.88; H, 7.29;  $M_{1}$ , 677.26. Found: C, 48.50; H, 7.82;  $M_{1}$  678 (osmometric in benzene).

**Preparation of**  $\text{Ru}(CH=CH_2)Cl(CO)(P-i\text{-}Pr_3)_2$  **(5).** Acetylene was bubbled through a suspension of **1** (553.7 mg, 1.14 mmol) in 10 mL of hexane for 15 min at room temperature. The red precipitate was filtered off, washed with methanol and pentane, and dried in vacuo; yield 560 mg (96%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{21}H_{45}CIOP_2Ru$ : C, 49.26; H, 8.86; M, 512.03. Found: C, 49.67; H, 9.45;  $M_r$ , 478 (osmometric in benzene).

**Preparation of Os(CH=** $CH_2$ **)Cl(CO)(P-** $i$ **-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (6). Acet**ylene was bubbled through a solution of **2** (284.2 mg, 0.49 mmol) in 20 **mL** of benzene for 15 min at room temperature. The solution was concentrated in vacuo to ca. 3 mL, and 15 mL of methanol was added. A red precipitate was formed which was filtered off, washed with methanol and pentane, and dried in vacuo; yield 238 mg (80%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{21}H_{45}CIOOSP_2$ : C, 41.96; H, 7.55;  $M_r$ , 601.16. Found: C, 42.02; H, 7.90;  $M_r$ , 602 (MS), 560 (osmometric in benzene).

**Preparation of**  $\text{Ru}(\text{CH}=\text{CHPh})\text{Cl}(\text{CO})_{2}(\text{P}-i\text{-Pr}_{3})_{2}$  **(7).** Carbon monoxide was bubbled through a suspension of **3** (117.6 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 20 mL of hexane which led to solution of the starting material and formation of a gray precipitate. After removal of the solvent in vacuo, the residue was treated with 20 mL of benzene, and the resulting suspension was filtered. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to ca. 0.5 mL, and 10 mL of methanol was added. A white solid was formed which was filtered off, repeatedly washed with methanol, and dried in vacuo; yield 92 mg (75%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{28}H_{49}ClO_2P_2Ru$ : C, 54.58; H, 8.02;  $M_r$ , 616.14. Found: C, 54.56; H, 8.47;  $M_r$ , 602 (osmometric in benzene).

**Preparation of**  $\text{Os}(\text{CH=CHPh})\text{Cl}(\text{CO})_2(\text{P-}i\text{-Pr}_3)_2$  **(8).** Carbon monoxide was bubbled through a suspension of 4 (135.1 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 20 mL of hexane, and the same workup procedure was used which was described for **7;** yield 100 mg (71%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{28}H_{49}ClO_2OsP_2$ : C, 47.68; H, 7.00;  $M_r$ , 705.27. Found: C, 47.64; H, 7.31; *M,,* 706 (MS).

Preparation of  $Ru(CH=CHPh)$  ( $\eta^2$ -O<sub>2</sub>CMe)(CO)(P-i-Pr<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (9). A suspension of **3** (147.1 mg, 0.25 mmol) in 20 mL of methanol was treated with sodium acetate (20.5 mg, 0.25 mmol) and stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The solvent was removed, and the solid residue was treated with 20 mL of benzene. The resulting suspension was filtered, the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to ca. 0.5 mL, and 10 mL of methanol was added. After the solution was concentrated to ca. *5* mL and cooled to -78 "C yellow crystals were formed which were filtered off, repeatedly washed with methanol, and dried in vacuo; yield 132 mg (86%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{29}H_{52}O_3P_2Ru: C$ , 56.94; H, 8.57;  $M_r$ , 611.72. Found: C, 56.52; H, 8.69;  $M_r$ , 612 (MS).

**Preparation of**  $\text{Os}(CH=CHPh)(\eta^2 \cdot \text{O}_2 CMe)(CO)(P \cdot i \cdot Pr_3)_2$ **(10)** was prepared analogously as described for 9, starting with 4 (413.3 mg, 0.61 mmol) and sodium acetate (50 mg, 0.61 mmol): yellow crystals; yield 240 mg (53%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{29}H_{52}O_3O_8P_2$ : C, 49.70; H, 7.48;  $M_r$  700.85. Found: C, 49.60; H, 7.59;  $M_r$ , 666 (osmometric in benzene).

Preparation of  $\text{Ru}(\text{CH}=\text{CHPh})(\eta^2\text{-}acac)(\text{CO})(\text{P-}i\text{-}Pr_3)_2$ **(11).** A stoichiometric amount of **3** (270.5 mg, 0.46 mmol) was added to a solution of KOH (26.2 mg, 0.46 mmol) in 4 mL of methanol. The mixture was treated with 2,4-pentanedione (47.5  $\mu$ L, 0.46 mmol) and stirred for 2 h at room temperature. The solvent was removed, the solid residue was treated with 10 mL of benzene, and the resulting suspension was filtered. The filtrate

was concentrated in vacuo to ca. 0.5 mL, and 10 mL of methanol was added. **A** yellow precipitate was formed which was filtered off, repeatedly washed with methanol, and dried in vacuo; yield 258 mg (86%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{32}H_{56}O_3P_2Ru$ : C, 58.61; H, 8.61; Ru, 15.41. Found: C, 58.91; H, 8.69; Ru, 15.86.

**Preparation of**  $\text{Os}(\text{CH=CHPh})(\eta^2\text{-}acac)(\text{CO})(\text{P-}i\text{-}Pr_3)_2$ **(12)** was prepared analogously as described for **11,** starting with **4** (419.1 mg, 0.62 mmol) and stoichiometric amounts of KOH and 2,4-pentanedione: yellow crystals; yield 331 mg (72%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{32}H_{56}O_3O_8P_2$ : C, 51.59; H, 7.58; Os, 25.53; M,, 744.95. Found: C, 51.89; H, 7.86; Os, 25.89; *M,,* 697 (osmometric in benzene).

Preparation of  $\text{Ru}(\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2)(\eta^2\text{-}acac)(\text{CO})(P\text{-}i\text{-}Pr_3)_2$  (13) was prepared analogously **as** described for **11,** starting with **5** (189.4 mg, 0.37 mmol) and stoichiometric amounts of KOH and 2,4 pentanedione: yellow crystals; yield 138 mg (65%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{52}O_3P_2Ru$ : C, 53.87; H, 9.04; M<sub>r</sub>, 579.72. Found: C, 54.66; H, 9.32;  $M_r$ , 558 (osmometric in benzene).

**Preparation of**  $\text{Os}(CH=CH_2)(\eta^2\text{-}acac)(CO)(P-i\text{-}Pr_3)_2$  **(14)** was prepared analogously **as** described for 11, starting with **6** (300.5 mg, **0.50** mmol) and stoichiometric amounts of KOH and 2,4 pentanedione: yellow crystals; yield 233 mg (70%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{52}O_3OsP_2$ : C, 46.69; H, 7.84; Os, 28.44;  $M_r$ , 668.85. Found: C, 47.47; H, 8.46; Os, 28.73;  $M_r$ , 623 (osmometric in benzene).

Preparation of  $\text{Ru}(\text{C=CPh})_2(\text{CO})(\text{P-}i\cdot\text{Pr}_3)_2$  (15) and Ru-**(C=CPh)(CH=CHPh)(CO)(P-i-Pr,), (16).** A stoichiometric amount of **1** (296.8 mg, 0.65 mmol) was added to a solution of KOH (37.0 mg, 0.65 mmol) in 6 mL of methanol. The mixture was treated with  $PhC_2H$  (71.4  $\mu$ L, 0.65 mmol) and stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The solvent was removed, the solid residue was treated with 10 mL of benzene, and the resulting suspension was filtered. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to ca. 0.5 mL, and 10 mL of hexane was added. After the solution was cooled to -20 "C, a dark red precipitate of **15** was formed which was filtered off, washed with hexane, and dried in vacuo; yield 87 mg (22%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{35}H_{52}OP_2Ru$ : C, 64.50; H, 8.04;  $M_r$ , 651.79. Found: C, 63.89; H, 7.95;  $M_r$  652 (MS). The dark filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to ca. *5* mL and cooled to -20 °C. After the filtrate was stored for 2 days, dark green crystals of **16** were formed which were filtered off, washed with cold hexane, and dried in vacuo; yield 76 mg (19%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{35}H_{54}OP_{2}Ru$ : C, 64.30; H, 8.33;  $M_{1}$ , 653.81. Found: C, 64.78; H, 8.35;  $M_r$ , 654 (MS).

Preparation **of Ru(C=CPh)(CH=CHPh)(CO),(P-i-Pr,), (17).** Carbon monoxide was bubbled through a solution of **16**  (136.2 mg, 0.21 mmol) in 25 mL of hexane. After removal of the solvent, the residue was treated with 10 mL of methanol, and the mixture was stirred for 15 min. A colorless precipitate was formed which was filtered off, repeatedly washed with methanol, and dried in vacuo. It was recrystallized from hexane at  $-30$  °C; yield 88 mg (62%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{36}H_{54}O_2P_2Ru$ : C, 63.42; H, 7.98; Ru, 14.82. Found: C, 63.29; H, 8.21; Ru, 15.17.

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