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## Novel Ylide-Type Rhodium Complexes Containing a Six-Membered RhCH<sub>2</sub>PR<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>PR<sub>2</sub> Ring<sup>1</sup>

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The chelate rhodium(I) complexes  $C_5H_3Rh[1,2-C_2H_4(PR_2)_2]$  (2, R = Ph; 3, R = Me) have been prepared from  $[L_2RhCl]_2$  (L =  $C_2H_4$ ,  $C_8H_{14}$ ), the diphosphine (dppe or dmpe), and  $MC_5H_5$  (M = Na, Tl). Compounds 2 and 3 react with  $CH_2I_2$  by oxidative addition to give the (iodomethyl)rhodium(III) compounds  $[C_5H_5RhCH_2I(1,2-C_2H_4(PR_2)_2)]I$  (4a, 5a) which have been converted by reaction with  $NH_4PF_6$  to the more stable  $PF_6$  salts 4b and 5b. Whereas 4b is completely inert in nitromethane solution, 5b on addition of

NEt<sub>3</sub> isomerizes quantitatively to give the metallaheterocycle  $[C_5H_5(I)RhCH_2PMe_2CH_2CH_2PMe_2]PF_6$  (7).

The corresponding dicationic derivative  $[C_5H_5(PMe_3)RhCH_2PMe_2CH_2CH_2PMe_2](PF_6)_2$  (8) is obtained by ligand exchange. The molecular structure of 7 has been determined by X-ray analysis. Compound 7 crystallizes in the space group  $P2_1/n$  with a = 848.2 (2) pm, b = 1489.5 (4) pm, c = 1594.6 (4) pm, and  $\beta = 103.17$  (2)°. The six-membered ring in the cation of 7 adopts a chair conformation. Complex 7 has also been prepared from  $C_5H_5RhCH_2I[P(OMe)_3]I$  and dmpe in the presence of  $NH_4PF_6$ . In contrast, the analogous (iodomethyl) rhodium compound  $C_5H_5RhCH_2I(PMe_3)I$  reacts with dmpe (and  $NH_4PF_6$ ) to produce a dinuclear-bridged species which presumably has the composition { $[C_5H_5(PMe_3)(I)Rh]_2(\mu-CH_2PMe_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2)(PF_6)_2$  (9). The cobalt complexes  $C_5H_5Co(dmpe)$  (12),  $[C_5H_5(CO)Co]_2(\mu-dmpe)$ (13),  $C_5H_5Co(CO)(\eta^1-dppm)$  (14), and  $[C_5H_5CoCOCH_3(\eta^2-dppm)]I$  (15) also have been prepared by using either  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)_2$  or  $C_5H_5Co(CO)_2$  as starting material.

#### Introduction

We have recently shown that cyclopentadienylcobalt and -rhodium complexes of general composition C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>MLL' (where  $L = PR_3$  and  $L' = PR_3$ ,  $P(OR)_3$ , CO,  $C_2H_4$ , etc.) are metal bases and react not only with Brønsted acids and alkyl iodides but also with  $CH_2I_2$  and other dihalomethanes by oxidative addition.<sup>2</sup> The two types of products obtained,  $[C_5H_5MCH_2X(L)L']X$  and  $[C_5H_5MCH_2X(L)X]$ , contain a carbenoid-metal fragment that proved to be very reactive toward nucleophiles. Using the neutral (iodomethyl)rhodium complex 1 as an example, the results summarized in Scheme I illustrate that the course of the nucleophilic attack on the C-X bond of the RhCH<sub>2</sub>X unit is strongly dependent on the nature of the nucleophile used. Whereas with pyridine, phosphines, and phosphites cationic ylide rhodium compounds are formed,<sup>3</sup> treatment of 1 with SH<sup>-</sup>, SeH<sup>-</sup>, or TeH<sup>-</sup> gives, probably via a RhCH<sub>2</sub>EH intermediate, the corresponding thio-, seleno-, and telluroformaldehyde complexes.<sup>4</sup> The hydroxide ion,

however, in presence of a phase-transfer catalyst, reacts with 1 in a different way, producing the isomer  $[C_5H_5Rh(CH_2PMe_3)I_2]$  which is not accessible by other routes.3,4

It was this unexpected isomerization that led us to investigate the mechanism and scope of this reaction in more detail. During these studies we observed that also the ionic carbenoid complexes  $[C_5H_5RhCH_2I(PMe_3)_2]PF_6$  and  $[C_5H_5RhCH_2I(PR_3)L]PF_6$  isomerize thermally or in the presence of  $NEt_3$  to produce ylide rhodium compounds of composition  $[C_5H_5Rh(CH_2PMe_3)(PMe_3)I]PF_6$  and  $[C_5H_5Rh(CH_2PR_3)(L)I]PF_6$ .<sup>5</sup> Kinetic studies for  $PR_3 =$  $PMe_3$  and  $L = P(OMe)_3$  revealed a distinct dependence of the rate of isomerization on the NEt<sub>3</sub> concentration and suggested an intramolecular exchange mechanism similar to that known for dyotropic rearrangements. The question that seemed to be most interesting to us, however, was whether carbenoid complexes having a chelate ligand coordinated to the metal would behave similarly and would thus open a synthetic route to cyclic ylide-type transition-metal complexes. It is worth mentioning that more recently Weber et al., using a different approach to this target, prepared five- and six-membered ylide-chelate chromium compounds by the reaction of  $Cr(CO)_5[CH_2S-$ (O)Me<sub>2</sub>] with  $CH_2(ER_2)_2$  and  $1,2-C_2H_4(ER_2)_2$  (E = P, As), respectively.<sup>6</sup> A short communication describing some

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Scheme I



preliminary results of our work has already appeared.<sup>7</sup>

#### Results

Rhodium Complexes. The synthesis of the cyclopentadienylrhodium(I) complexes C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Rh[1,2-C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(PR<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (2, R = Ph; 3, R = Me) followed the same route that was previously used to prepare the nonchelate compounds  $C_5H_5Rh(PR_3)_2^8$  and  $C_5H_5Rh[P(OR)_3]_2^9$  For an increase in the yield, the dinuclear chloro-bridged intermediates  $\{[1,2-C_2H_4(PR_2)_2]RhCl\}_2$  are not isolated but are treated directly in solution with  $TlC_5H_5$  or  $NaC_5H_5$ , respectively. Faraone et al. have independently reported the preparation of  $2^{10}$  starting with  $C_5H_5Rh(CO)_2$  and displacing the CO ligands by 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane (dppe) at higher temperatures.

The reactions of 2 and 3 with  $CH_2I_2$  proceed smoothly and give the (iodomethyl)rhodium complexes  $[C_5H_5RhCH_2I(1,2-C_2H_4(PR_2)_2)]I(4a, R = Ph; 5a, R = Me)$ 

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Table I. <sup>1</sup>H NMR Data of Compounds 2-9, 12, and 13 ( $\delta$ ; Internal TMS; J and N in Hz)<sup>a</sup>

compd	$\delta(C_5H_5)$	J(PH)	J(RhH)	$\delta(\mathrm{PR}_2)$	$J(\mathrm{PH})/N$	$\delta(MCH_2)$	$J(\mathrm{PH})$	J(RhH)	$\delta(PC_2H_4P)$
2	5.20 (d, br) <sup>b</sup>		0.8	7.54 (m)					2.32 (dd) <sup>c</sup>
3	5.49 (dt)	0.7	0.7	$1.44 \; (dvt)^d$	9.5				1.18 (dd) <sup>e</sup>
4b	5.76 (dt)	1.3	0.3	7.88 (m)		2.09 (dt)	12.5	1.3	2.99 (m)
5b	5.45 (dt)	1.4	0.5	1.68 (d)	12.4	2.53 (dt)	5.4	1.7	1.95 (m)
				1.48 (d)	12.4				
6	5.80 (dt)	1.0	0.4	7.72 (m)		2.13 (dt)	11.5	1.1	2.93 (m)
7	5.61 (dd)	3.2	0.5	f		g			2.00 (m)
8	5.97 (t, br) <sup><math>h</math></sup>	2.3		$1.60 (br)^{i}$		g			2.05 (m)
9	5.63 (dd)	2.5	0.4	j		g			2.40 (m)
12	4.78 (t)	1.1		1.38 (vt)	9.4				$1.39 (m)^k$
13	4.70 (t)	0.7		1.10 (vt)	8.2				1.43 (m)

<sup>a</sup>Spectra of 2, 5b, and 7 in acetone- $d_6$ , of 3, 12, and 13 in benzene- $d_6$ , of 4b, 6, and 9 in nitromethane- $d_3$ , and of 8 in dimethyl- $d_6$  sulfoxide. Abbreviations used: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; m, multiplet; vt, virtual triplet. <sup>b</sup>J(PH) not resolved; after <sup>1</sup>H[<sup>31</sup>P] decoupling sharp doublet. <sup>c</sup>J(PH) = 17.7, J(RhH) = 1.3 Hz. <sup>d</sup>J(RhH) = 1.2 Hz. <sup>e</sup>J(PH) = 17.6, J(RhH) = 1.2 Hz. <sup>f</sup> Four signals for the four different PCH<sub>3</sub> groups:  $\delta$  1.83 (d), J(PH) = 11.5 Hz;  $\delta$  1.81 (d), J(PH) = 11.5 Hz;  $\delta$  1.80 (d), J(PH) = 14.0 Hz;  $\delta$  1.77 (d), J(PH) = 14.0 Hz. <sup>e</sup>Signal could not be exactly located. <sup>h</sup>PMe<sub>3</sub> and PMe<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub> units are virtually equivalent; broadening probably due to conformational exchange of PMe<sub>3</sub> between axial and equatorial positions. <sup>i</sup>Broadening probably due to overlap of PMe<sub>3</sub> and PMe<sub>2</sub> signals;  $\delta$ (RhCH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>) 1.80 (d), J(PH) = 12.1 Hz. <sup>k</sup>Spin system not analyzed, J(PH) = 14.2 Hz.

in good yield. Whereas 4a has been isolated, 5a was converted directly with  $NH_4PF_6$  to the more stable  $PF_6$  salt 5b. Both 4a and 5b (as well as 5a) are light brown, moderately air-stable solids that have been characterized by elemental analysis, conductivity measurements, and NMR spectroscopic data (see Table I). Expectedly,  $CH_2Br_2$  is much less reactive toward 2 than  $CH_2I_2$ , and, therefore, the preparation of 6 requires a much longer reaction time (30 h at 25 °C) than that of 4a. By following the reaction by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy, some line broadening is observed which indicates that possibly small quantities of paramagnetic side products are formed. It has already been found in our laboratory that on treatment of  $C_5H_5Rh(PMe_3)_2$  with secondary and tertiary alkyl halides, besides the expected products [C5H5Rh- $(PMe_3)_2R]^+$ , the corresponding bromo- and iodorhodium cations  $[C_5H_5Rh(PMe_3)_2X]^+$  are produced which also probably originate from a radical-type mechanism.<sup>2,11</sup>

Whereas 4b is completely inert in nitromethane solution and does not react even in the presence of NaOH to form a six-membered metallaheterocycle, the analogue 5b on addition of NEt<sub>3</sub> isomerizes quantitatively to give 7. The reaction can be easily monitored by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy where during the rearrangement a characteristic change in both the  $C_5H_5$  and the PMe<sub>2</sub> proton region is observed. On the basis of the <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, and <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectroscopic data (see Table I and Experimental Section) we assume that complex 7 has the same chairlike conformation also in solution which is found in the crystal.



The Rh–I bond in the cation of 7 is rather labile, and therefore 7 readily reacts with PMe<sub>3</sub> to produce the dicationic derivative 8. In contrast to 7 which is orange-red, 8 is a bright yellow crystalline solid which in nitromethane behaves as a 1:2 electrolyte. Various attempts to prepare the metallaheterocycle 8 by an independent route starting with  $C_5H_5RhCH_2I(PMe_3)I$  and  $1,2-C_2H_4(PMe_2)_2$  (dmpe) and substituting both iodides by the diphosphine remained unsuccessful. A red, crystalline product, 9, has been isolated which besides  $PF_6^-$  contains two phosphorus and one iodine per rhodium atom and for which the structure shown in eq 2 is tentatively assigned. It seems worth mentioning that on treatment of the trimethyl *phosphite* derivative  $C_5H_5RhCH_2I(PR_3)I$  (R = OMe) with dmpe complex 7 also is obtained which means that now two independent synthetic pathways are available for this metallaheterocycle.



To the best of our knowledge, besides the chromium chelates  $(CO)_4CrCH_2PR_2(CH_2)_2PR_2$  recently described by Weber and Wevers,<sup>6c</sup> the rhodium compounds 7 and 8 are the first examples<sup>7</sup> of ylide-type transition metal complexes containing a MCPCCP six-membered ring in which the metal-bound carbon atom is *unsubstituted*. Oosawa<sup>12</sup> as

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well as Schmidbaur et al.<sup>13</sup> previously reported the preparation of palladium derivatives containing a MCPCCP six-membered ring but in these compounds the ylidic carbon atom carries at least one substituent. We recently prepared the five-membered metallaheterocycle 10 which like 8 also has a RhCH<sub>2</sub>PR<sub>2</sub>- unit from C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>5</sub>RhCH<sub>2</sub>I(CO)I and  $CH_2(PPh_2)_2$  (dppm) according to eq 4 by a consecutive displacement process.<sup>14</sup>

Cobalt Complexes. The chelate compound C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Co-(dppe) (11) had originally been prepared by Rinze<sup>15</sup> and more recently in our laboratory by treating the heterometallic dinuclear complex  $[C_5H_5(PMe_3)Co(\mu-CO)_2Mn-(CO)C_5H_4Me]$  with dppe.<sup>16</sup> During the present investigation the synthesis of  $C_5H_5Co(dmpe)$  (12), i.e., the cobalt analogue of 3, was first tried by reaction of  $C_5H_5Co(CO)_2$ and dmpe, but this method only gives the bridged species  $[C_5H_5(CO)Co]_2(\mu$ -dmpe) (13) (Scheme III) in 80% yield. Compound 12 can be obtained, however, by using the bis(trimethylphosphine) complex  $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)_2$  as starting material and displacing the monodentate PMe<sub>3</sub> ligands by the chelating diphosphine. Like C5H5Co-(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>17</sup> 12 forms dark brown, very air-sensitive crystals that are very soluble in hydrocarbon solvents. C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>5</sub>Co-(dmpe), the ring-substituted counterpart of 12, has been prepared recently by Green et al.<sup>18</sup> from  $[C_5Me_5Co(\mu-CO)]_2$ and dmpe and the electronic structure studied by photoelectron spectroscopy.

Various attempts to obtain a carbenoid cobalt compound from 12 and  $CH_2I_2$  or  $CH_2CII$  failed. The strikingly different behavior between 3 and 12 toward dihalomethanes is in agreement with our previous observations<sup>19</sup> that the preparation of cobalt complexes of the general type  $[C_5H_5CoCH_2X(L)X]$  or  $[C_5H_5CoCH_2X(L)L']X$  is much more difficult than that of the rhodium analogues. It should be mentioned that 13 also does not react with  $CH_2I_2$ or CH<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub> in benzene to give a stable Co-CH<sub>2</sub>X- or Co- $CH_2PMe_2$ -containing product.

In contrast to the reaction of  $C_5H_5Co(CO)_2$  with dmpe, which produces the dinuclear compound 13, treatment of

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Figure 1. A drawing of the cation of 7 showing the molecular structure and atom numbering. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table II.	Relevant	Bond	Distances	(pm)	and	Bond	Angles
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Bond Distances								
Rh-I	267.4 (1)	P(1)-C(8)	182.4 (7)					
Rh-P(1)	225.9 (2)	P(1)-C(11)	183.7 (6)					
Rh-C(1)	223.3 (6)	P(1)-C(12)	179.5 (7)					
Rh-C(2)	217.6 (7)	C(7) - C(8)	152.9 (9)					
Rh-C(3)	221.2 (8)	P(2) - C(6)	176.2 (6)					
Rh-C(4)	220.8 (10)	P(2)-C(7)	179.2 (6)					
Rh-C(5)	221.5 (9)	P(2)-C(21)	179.7 (6)					
Rh-C(6)	212.1 (5)	P(2)-C(22)	178.6 (6)					
Bond Angles								
I-Rh-C(6)	88.6 (2)	P(1)-C(8)-C(7)	114.1 (4)					
I-Rh-P(1)	95.64 (4)	P(2)-C(7)-C(8)	115.0 (5)					
P(1)-Rh-C(6)	87.6 (2)	C(6)-P(2)-C(7)	110.4 (3)					
Rh-P(1)-C(8)	113.5 (2)	C(6)-P(2)-C(21)	111.3(3)					
Rh-P(1)-C(11)	118.5 (2)	C(6)-P(2)-C(22)	113.1 (3)					
Rh-P(1)-C(12)	115.0 (3)	C(21)-P(2)-C(22	) 106.8 (3)					
C(11)-P(1)-C(12	) 102.7 (3)	P(2)-C(6)-Rh	118.1 (3)					

Table III. Positional Parameters for the Non-Hydrogen Atoms and Their Estimated Standard Deviation for [(C<sub>r</sub>H<sub>r</sub>)(I)RhCH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>]PF<sub>2</sub> (7)

atom	x/a	y/b	z/c					
Rh	0.39879 (6)	0.29086 (3)	0.42200 (3)					
I	0.64223 (6)	0.30244 (3)	0.56153 (3)					
C(1)	0.4093 (10)	0.2840(5)	0.2835(4)					
C(2)	0.2789 (9)	0.3343(5)	0.2929 (4)					
C(3)	0.3347 (13)	0.4113 (5)	0.3402 (5)					
C(4)	0.5013 (14)	0.4051 (6)	0.3640 (5)					
C(5)	0.5475(10)	0.3267(7)	0.3294(5)					
C(6)	0.3980 (7)	0.1499 (4)	0.4404 (3)					
C(7)	0.0642 (7)	0.1271(4)	0.4561 (4)					
C(8)	0.0261 (8)	0.2276 (4)	0.4496 (4)					
P(1)	0.1997 (21)	0.29922 (9)	0.49432 (9)					
C(11)	0.2460 (9)	0.2686(5)	0.6089 (4)					
C(12)	0.1078 (10)	0.4080 (4)	0.4942 (5)					
P(2)	0.21563 (18)	0.09130 (9)	0.40121 (8)					
C(21)	0.2415 (9)	-0.0273(4)	0.4200 (4)					
C(22)	0.1377 (8)	0.1055(4)	0.2882(4)					
P(3)	0.8403 (2)	0.4967 (1)	0.2199 (1)					
F(1)	0.7688 (8)	0.5252(4)	0.2992 (3)					
F(2)	0.7908 (6)	0.5895 (3)	0.1791 (4)					
F(3)	0.8887 (6)	0.4030 (3)	0.2646 (3)					
F(4)	0.6698 (5)	0.4571 (3)	0.1775 (3)					
F(5)	1.0084 (6)	0.5364 (4)	0.2634 (4)					
F(6)	0.9071 (8)	0.4658(4)	0.1444 (4)					

the cyclopentadienylcobalt dicarbonyl with  $CH_2(PPh_2)_2$ (dppm) leads to the formation of the mononuclear complex  $C_5H_5Co(CO)(\eta^1$ -dppm) (14) (Scheme IV). This new compound in which only one phosphorus atom of the diphosphine is linked to the metal again is not a suitable precursor for the synthesis of a carbenoid or ylide-type product. It reacts, however, with methyl iodide to give

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after metathetical exchange with  $NH_4PF_6$  the stable  $PF_6$ salt  $[C_5H_5CoCOCH_3(dppm)]PF_6$  (15). We assume that the electrophilic alkyl halide primarily attacks the basic metal center to form the cationic intermediate [C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CoCH<sub>3</sub>- $(CO)(\eta^1$ -dppm)]<sup>+</sup> which quickly rearranges by methyl group migration to give the final product. There is precedence for such a reaction sequence insofar as the trimethylphosphine compound  $C_5H_5Co(CO)(PMe_3)$  also reacts with  $CH_3I$  in pentane to produce first  $[C_5H_5C_0CH_3]$ -(CO)(PMe<sub>3</sub>)]I which on dissolving in acetone is transformed into the acetyl complex  $[C_5H_5CoCOCH_3(PMe_3)I]$ .<sup>20</sup>

The Structure of Complex 7. According to the X-ray structure determination (see Figure 1 and Tables II and III), in the cation of 7 the metal is pseudooctahedrally coordinated by the cyclopentadienyl ring, the iodide atom, and the chelating ylide-type ligand. The bond angles at the rhodium atom are almost the same as in [C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Rh- $(CH_2NC_5H_5)(PMe_3)I]PF_6$ <sup>3b</sup> particularly the P-Rh-C angles are identical in both compounds. The chelating ligand in 7, therefore, does not induce geometrical distortions at the metal. The rhodium-to-ligand bond distances are in the usual range for complexes containing the  $C_5H_5$ -(PMe<sub>3</sub>)Rh fragment. As has been previously observed for compounds of this type with  $\pi$ -donating ligands,  $^{3b,21,22}$  the  $Rh-C(C_5H_5)$  distance trans to this ligand is shorter than the other  $Rh-C(C_5H_5)$  bond lengths.

The six-membered ring in the cation of 7 adopts a chair conformation. The atoms Rh, P(1), C(7), and P(2) are approximately coplanar, and C(6) and C(8) are equidistant above and below this plane. Within the metallaheterocycle the small C(6)-Rh-P(1) angle (87.6 (2) $^{\circ}$ ) is compensated by opening the other angles up to  $118.1^{\circ}$  (Rh-C(6)-P(2)). Compared with known P-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) distances, the "ylide" P(2)-C(6) bond length is slightly shortened, a phenomenon which is also found in complexes which contain open-chain ylide-type ligands.<sup>23</sup>

#### **Experimental Section**

All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of purified nitrogen by using Schlenk tube techniques. The starting materials  $[(C_2H_4)_2RhCl]_{2^2}$   $[(C_8H_{14})_2RhCl]_{2^2}$   $[C_5H_5RhCH_2I(PR_3)I]$   $(R = Me, OMe)^{3.5}$   $C_5H_5Co(CO)_{2^2}$   $C_5H_5Co(PMe_3)_{2^1}$   $^{77}$  PMe<sub>3</sub>  $^{27}$  and dmpe<sup>28</sup> were prepared by published methods. The other diphosphines, dppe and dppm, were commercial products. NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian EM 360 L (<sup>1</sup>H), a Bruker WH 90 FT (<sup>13</sup>C and <sup>31</sup>P), and a Bruker Cryospec WM 400 (<sup>13</sup>C) spectrometer, IR spectra on a Perkin-Elmer 457 spectrometer, and mass spectra on a Varian MAT CH 7 instrument (70 eV). Conductivity measurements were carried out in CH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>, melting points were determined by DTA.

**Preparation of C\_5H\_5Rh(dppe) (2).** A solution of  $[(C_2H_4)_2$ -RhCl<sub>2</sub> (509 mg, 1.31 mmol) in 25 mL of THF was treated with dppe (1043.6 mg, 2.62 mmol) and stirred for 2.5 h at 60 °C. After the solution was cooled to room temperature,  $TlC_5H_5$  (705.8 mg, 2.62 mmol) was added to the solution which was stirred for another 24 h. The solution was filtered, and the filtrate was dried in vacuo.

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The residue was dissolved in 15 mL of benzene, and the solution was chromatographed on Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (neutral, activity grade IV). After the eluant benzene was removed, a red-brown, crystalline solid was obtained: yield 1.0 g (67%); mp 163 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>29</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Rh: C, 65.73; H, 5.16; Rh, 18.17; M<sub>r</sub>, 566.43. Found: C, 65.78; H, 4.96; Rh, 17.96;  $M_r$ , 566 (MS). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$ 80.76 (d), J(PRh) = 220.3 Hz.

**Preparation of C\_5H\_5Rh(dmpe) (3).** A suspension of  $[(C_8 H_{14}_{2}RhCl_{2}$  (718 mg, 1.00 mmol) in 30 mL of THF was treated dropwise with dmpe (370  $\mu$ L, 335 mg, 2.20 mmol) and stirred for 2 h at room temperature.  $NaC_5H_5$  (264 mg, 3.00 mmol) was then added to the solution which was stirred for 3 h. After removal of the solvent in vacuo, the residue was repeatedly extracted (three times) with 50 mL of pentane. The pentane solution was filtered, concentrated to ca. 10 mL, and cooled to -78 °C. Orange-red, air-sensitive crystals were obtained: yield 324 mg (54%); mp 54 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{11}H_{21}P_2Rh$ : C, 41.53; H, 6.65; Rh, 32.35;  $M_{\rm r}$ , 318.14. Found: C, 41.33; H, 6.64; Rh, 31.97;  $M_{\rm r}$ , 318 (MS). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  48.7 (d), J(PRh) = 217.3 Hz.

Preparation of [C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>RhCH<sub>2</sub>I(dppe)]I (4a). A solution of 2 (98.0 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 5 mL of ether was treated with  $CH_2I_2$ (0.2 mL, 2.5 mmol) and stirred for 90 min at room temperature. The brown precipitate was filtered, repeatedly washed with ether and pentane, and dried in vacuo: yield 94 mg (65%); mp 167 °C dec;  $\Lambda = 65 \text{ cm}^2 \Omega^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ . Anal. Calcd for  $C_{32}H_{31}I_2P_2Rh$ : C, 46.07; H, 3.75; Rh, 12.33. Found: C, 46.39; H, 4.25; Rh, 12.20. 4a was converted into the  $PF_6$  salt 4b with  $NH_4PF_6$  in acetone. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4a and 4b were virtually identical. 4b: <sup>31</sup>P NMR  $(CD_3NO_2) \delta 72.81$  (d), J(PRh) = 138.5 Hz,

Preparation of [C5H5RhCH2I(dmpe)]PF6 (5b). A solution of 3 (159 mg, 0.50 mmol) in 20 mL of pentane was treated dropwise with  $CH_2I_2$  (60  $\mu$ L, 201 mg, 0.75 mmol) at 0 °C. After the solution was stirred for 20 min, the precipitate was separated, washed with ether, and dissolved in 3 mL of methanol. After excess  $NH_4PF_6$ (ca. 300 mg) was added to the methanol solution, it was stirred for 10 min and then treated with 20 mL of ether. A yellow-brown precipitate was formed, which was filtered, repeatedly washed with ether, and recrystallized from acetone/ether: yield 227 mg (75%);  $\Lambda = 92 \text{ cm}^2 \Omega^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ . Anal. Calcd for  $C_{12}H_{23}F_6IP_3Rh$ : C, 23.86; H, 3.84; Rh, 17.04. Found: C, 24.11; H, 3.85; Rh, 17.36. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  54.4 (d), J(PRh) = 137.0 Hz.

Preparation of [C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>RhCH<sub>2</sub>Br(dppe)]Br (6). 6 was prepared analogously as described for 4a, starting with 2 (109 mg, 0.19 mmol) and  $CH_2Br_2$  (0.2 mL, 2.9 mmol). After the solution was stirred for 30 h at room temperature, a brown solid was isolated; yield 57 mg (45%). The compound was characterized by the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (Table I).

Preparation of [C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(I)RhCH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>]PF<sub>6</sub> (7). (a) A solution of 5b (121 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 2 mL of acetone was treated with 0.3 mL of NEt<sub>3</sub> and stirred for 3 h at 50 °C. After the solution was cooled to room temperature, 20 mL of ether was added to the solution. An orange-red precipitate was formed, which was filtered, repeatedly washed with ether, and recrystallized from acetone/ether: yield 109 mg (90%);  $\Lambda = 89 \text{ cm}^2 \Omega^{-1}$ mol<sup>-1</sup>. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{12}H_{23}F_6IP_3Rh$ : C, 23.86; H, 3.84; Rh, 17.04. Found: C, 23.92; H, 4.20; Rh, 17.19. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  9.5 (dd), J(RhP) = 137.0, J(PP) = 26.8 Hz,  $RhPMe_2$ ;  $\delta 28.6$  (dd),  $J(RhP) = 3.0, J(PP) = 26.8 \text{ Hz}, CH_2PMe_2.$ 

(b) A solution of  $[C_5H_5RhCH_2I(P(OMe)_3)I]$  (140 mg, 0.25 mmol) in 5 mL of benzene was treated dropwise with dmpe (31  $\mu$ L, 38 mg, 0.25 mmol) and stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The precipitate was filtered, repeatedly washed with ether, and dried in vacuo. It was dissolved in 3 mL of methanol and treated with  $NH_4PF_6$  to give the  $PF_6$  salt analogously as described for 5b; yield 125 mg (83%).

Preparation of [C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>(PMe<sub>3</sub>)RhCH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>]- $(\mathbf{PF}_6)_2$  (8). A solution of 7 (121 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 2 mL of nitromethane was treated with  $PMe_3$  (42  $\mu$ L, 23 mg, 0.30 mmol) and stirred for 2 h at room temperature. A color change from red to bright yellow occurred. After 20 mL of ether had been added to the solution, a light yellow precipitate was formed, which was filtered, repeatedly washed with ether, and recrystallized from nitromethane/ether. The solid was dissolved in 3 mL of methanol and converted to 8 analogously as described for 5b: yield 119 mg (85%);  $\Lambda = 85 \text{ cm}^2 \Omega^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ . Anal. Calcd for  $C_{15}H_{32}F_{12}P_5Rh$ :

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#### Novel Ylide-Type Rhodium Complexes

**Preparation of** {[ $C_5H_5(PMe_3)IRh$ ]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -CH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>){(PF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (9). A solution of [ $C_5H_5RhCH_2I$ -(PMe<sub>3</sub>)I] (102 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 5 mL of benzene was treated dropwise with dmpe (37  $\mu$ L, 33 mg, 0.22 mmol) and stirred for 2 h at room temperature. After 20 mL of ether had been added, the red precipitate was filtered, repeatedly washed with ether, and dried in vacuo. It was dissolved in 5 mL of methanol and treated with NH<sub>4</sub>PF<sub>6</sub> to give the PF<sub>6</sub> salt as described for 5b. After recrystallization from nitromethane/ether, a red, microcrystalline powder was obtained: yield 103 mg (85%);  $\Lambda = 172 \text{ cm}^2 \Omega^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ . Anal. Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>44</sub>F<sub>12</sub>I<sub>2</sub>P<sub>6</sub>Rh<sub>2</sub>: C, 23.82; H, 3.66; Rh, 17.01. Found: C, 24.38; H, 3.88; Rh, 17.42.

**Preparation of**  $C_{5}H_{5}Co(dmpe)$  (12). A solution of  $C_{5}H_{5}Co(PMe_{3})_{2}$  (276 mg, 1.00 mmol) in 5 mL of toluene was treated dropwise with dmpe (183  $\mu$ L, 165 mg, 1.10 mmol) and stirred for 1 h at 45 °C under slightly reduced pressure (ca. 50 Torr). After the solution was cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue worked up analogously as described for 3. Dark brown, air-sensitive crystals were obtained: yield 132 mg (48%); mp 74 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{11}H_{22}CoP_{2}$ : C, 48.19; H, 7.72; Co, 21.50;  $M_r$ , 274.14. Found: C, 48.53; H, 7.55; Co, 21.20;  $M_r$ , 274 (MS).

**Preparation of**  $[C_5H_5(CO)Co]_2(\mu$ -dmpe) (13). A solution of  $C_5H_5Co(CO)_2$  (360 mg, 2.00 mmol) in 10 mL of hexane was treated dropwise with dmpe (167  $\mu$ L, 150 mg, 1.00 mmol) and stirred for 3 h at room temperature. A deep red crystalline precipitate was formed, which was filtered, repeatedly washed with cold pentane, and dried in vacuo: yield 363 mg (80%); mp 108 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{18}H_{26}Co_2O_2P_2$ : C, 47.60; H, 5.77; Co, 25.95;  $M_r$ , 454.19. Found: C, 47.69; H, 6.02; Co, 26.20;  $M_r$ , 454 (MS). IR (pentane):  $\nu$ (CO) 1930 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**Preparation of**  $C_5H_5Co(CO)(\eta^1-dppm)$  (14). A solution of  $C_5H_5Co(CO)_2$  (90 mg, 0.50 mmol) in 3 mL of benzene was treated with dppm (192 mg, 0.50 mmol) and stirred for 3 h at 60 °C. After cooling to room temperature, 20 mL of ether was added to the solution. A red-brown precipitate was formed, which was filtered, repeatedly washed with ether, and recrystallized from benzene-/pentane (1:10) to give red-brown, air-stable crystals: yield 148 mg (55%); mp 124 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{31}H_{27}CoOP_2$ : C, 69.41; H, 5.07; Co, 10.98. Found: C, 69.35; H, 4.94; Co, 11.00. IR (benzene):  $\nu(CO)$  1955 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR ( $C_6D_6$ ):  $\delta$  7.23 (m),  $C_6H_5$ ;  $\delta$  4.78 (d), J(PH) = 1.0 Hz,  $C_5H_5$ ;  $\delta$  3.35 (dd), J(PH) = J(P'H) = 8.4 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>.

**Preparation of**  $[C_5H_5CoCOCH_3(dppm)]PF_6$  (15). A solution of 14 (107 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 2 mL of benzene was treated with CH<sub>3</sub>I (62  $\mu$ L, 142 mg, 1.00 mmol) and stirred for 5 h at room temperature. After 20 mL of ether was added to the solution, an orange-yellow precipitate was formed, which was filtered and repeatedly washed with ether. It was dissolved in 5 mL of methanol and transformed with NH<sub>4</sub>PF<sub>6</sub> into the PF<sub>6</sub> salt analogously as described for **5b**. Recrystallization from nitromethane/ether gave orange-yellow crystals: yield 66 mg (47%);  $\Lambda = 82 \text{ cm}^2 \Omega^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ . Anal. Calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>30</sub>CoF<sub>6</sub>OP<sub>3</sub>: C, 55.19; H, 4.34; Co, 8.46. Found: C, 55.09; H, 3.85; Co, 8.49.

X-ray Structure Analysis of 7. Crystals of 7 were obtained by diffusion of ether into a concentrated solution of 7 in acetone. A crystal  $(0.3 \times 0.25 \times 0.25 \text{ mm})$  was mounted on a Syntex P2<sub>1</sub> automatic four-circle diffractometer. Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda$  = 71.069 pm, graphite monochromator) was used for all measurements. Centering and refinement of 25 reflections from different parts of the reciprocal space resulted in the following unit-cell parameters: a = 848.2 (2) pm, b = 1489.5 (4) pm, c = 1594.6 (4) pm,  $\beta = 103.17 (2)^{\circ}$ , and  $V = 1962 \times 10^{6} \text{ pm}^{3}$ . By systematic absences space group  $P2_1/n$  was established;  $d(\text{calcd}) = 2.03 \text{ g}/\text{cm}^3 (Z =$ 4). Diffraction intensities were measured in an  $\omega$ -scan mode (scan range 0.9°); the scan rate varied as a function of maximum peak intensity from 1.0 to 29.3 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Background radiation was measured on each side of the reflection center for half of the total scan time. Two reference reflections measured every 50 reflections showed no significant deviation in their intensity. A total of 3663 independent reflections were collected ( $2^{\circ} \leq 2\theta \leq 51^{\circ}$ ). Intensity data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects; an empirical absorption correction was applied ( $\mu = 27.3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). The structure was solved by the heavy-atom method (Syntex XTL). The positions of the hydrogen atoms were taken from difference Fourier maps or calculated according to ideal geometry. Atomic coordinates and anisotropic thermal parameters of the non-hydrogen atoms were refined by full-matrix least squares with all structure factors included. Final R = 0.051 and  $R_w = 0.055$  (1/w)=  $\sigma(F_{o})$ ). The final positional parameters of the non-hydrogen atoms are given in Table III.

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