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The hydride ligands in $\text{Os}_3\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})_2(\text{CO})_9(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ undergo slow exchange at 298 K, although examination of the temperature variation of $J(^{187}\text{Os}\text{-H})$ reveals a rapid fluxional process corresponding to mutual exchange between the isotopomers of the $^{187}\text{OsOs}_2\text{Pt}$ species, with an estimated ΔG^\ddagger of $56 (\pm 1)$ kJ mol^{-1} . The proposed mechanism involves the rotation of the $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ group about the Os_3 triangle, coupled with a conrotary migration of the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Os}$ hydride to an adjacent Os-Os edge. The 1D and 2D EXSY ^{13}C NMR spectra reveal two CO exchange processes, a lower energy tripodal rotation in the two equivalent $\text{Os}(\text{CO})_3$ groups ($\Delta G^\ddagger_{200} = 51.7 (\pm 1.0)$ kJ mol^{-1}) and a higher energy process, commensurate with the hydride mobility, which completely scrambles all CO ligands ($\Delta G^\ddagger_{225} = 58.7 (\pm 1.3)$ kJ mol^{-1}). Variable-temperature ^1H and ^{13}C NMR studies on $\text{Os}_3\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})_2(\mu\text{-CH}_2)(\text{CO})_9(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ provide no direct evidence for rotation of the PtL_3 group but show a slow exchange of the hydrides ($\Delta G^\ddagger_{373} = 85.6 (\pm 0.8)$ kJ mol^{-1}). 2D EXSY ^{13}C NMR spectra reveal three CO exchange processes; separate tripodal rotations of two of the $\text{Os}(\text{CO})_3$ groups ($\Delta G^\ddagger_{318} = 80.5 (\pm 1.0)$ and $88.4 (\pm 1.6)$ kJ mol^{-1}) and the racemization of the cluster by hydride migration ($\Delta G^\ddagger_{318} = 84.7 (\pm 1.1)$ kJ mol^{-1}).

Introduction

The relative ease with which intramolecular ligand migrations occur in metal clusters was recognized at an early stage,^{1,2} and interest in this fundamental physicochemical property remains high.³ Studies on the energetics and mechanisms of fluxional processes provide information about thermally accessible excited-state molecular geometries, which in turn may have relevance to the intermediates involved in catalytic conversions at heterogeneous surfaces. Both metal-localized and intermetal ligand exchanges are common,^{1,2} and these processes are sometimes accompanied by metal framework rearrangements.^{4,5} Barriers to metal-localized exchange may be amenable to theoretical analysis by approximate MO methods.⁶ In such a study Hoffmann and Schilling⁷ have predicted a low (~ 25 kJ mol^{-1}) barrier to rotation of the

**Table I. NMR Parameters for
 $\text{Os}_3\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})_2(\text{CO})_9(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ (3)**

reson	chem shift/ ppm	mult ^a	J/Hz			
			Pt	P	H1	H2
¹³ C Data ^{b,c}						
a	192.8	s (2)	30			3.2
b	184.8	s (2)	16		4.2	
c	182.1	s (2)	36		11.8	
d	180.9	s (1)	50			7.8
e	180.2	d (2)		7.0	3.1	
CyNC	117.0	s (1)	1468 ^d			
¹ H Data ^{c,e}						
H1	-8.19	s (1)	6.5			
H2	-11.42	d (1)	544	9.1		

^a Multiplicities in ^{13}C spectra based on ^1H -decoupled spectra. ^b 213 K, CD_2Cl_2 . ^c Ppm relative to TMS. ^d ^{195}Pt coupling observed in spectrum recorded at ambient temperature. ^e 233 K, CDCl_3 .

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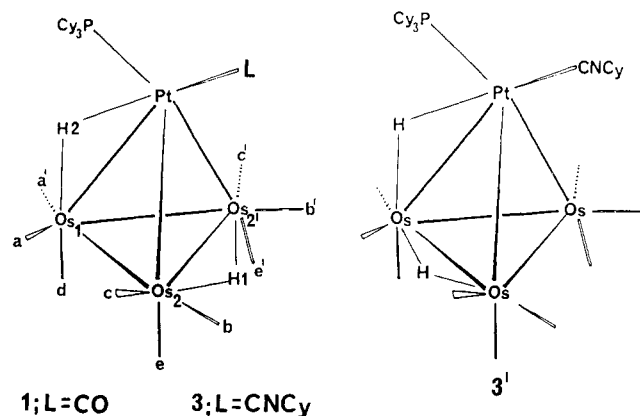
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PtL_2 unit in clusters of the type $[\{\text{L}_2\text{Pt}\}\text{M}_3(\text{CO})_9]^{2-}$. With a view to observing such behavior in triosmium-platinum clusters, we have investigated⁸ the fluxionality of $\text{Os}_3\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})_2(\text{CO})_{10}(\text{PCy}_3)$ (1) and $[\text{Os}_3\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\text{PCy}_3)]^+$ (2). Both these clusters show fluxional behavior which is compatible with the rotation of the PtL_2 (or $\text{PtL}_2(\text{H})^9$) unit, although other processes such as a "merry-go-round" CO exchange cannot be excluded. Herein are described NMR studies on the related isocyanide-substituted clusters $\text{Os}_3\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})_2(\text{CO})_9(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ (3) and $\text{Os}_3\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})_2(\mu\text{-CH}_2)(\text{CO})_9(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ (4),¹⁰ which provide direct evidence, from dynamic ^{187}Os -hydride couplings, for the rotation of the $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ unit in 3.

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Results and Discussion

Hydride Fluxionality in 3. The ^1H NMR spectrum of **3** displays two signals in the hydride region at δ -8.19 and -11.42, which on the basis of ^{195}Pt couplings (Table I) may be assigned to the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Os}$ and $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Pt}$ protons H1 and H2, respectively. These resonances show no exchange broadening at 298 K ($\Delta\nu_{1/2} \sim 2$ Hz), though magnetization transfer studies indicate a slow mutual exchange.¹¹ By contrast, the closely related complex **1** shows substantial broadening at this temperature due to the exchange of the hydride sites ($\Delta G^\ddagger_{295} = 63.1 (\pm 0.5)$ kJ mol $^{-1}$).⁸ Replacement of the Pt-CO ligand in **1** by a Pt-CNCy group in **3** thus raises the exchange barrier considerably. Keister and Shapley¹³ have also shown that the H-H exchange barrier for L = CNR is greater than for L = CO in the clusters $\text{Os}_3(\mu\text{-H})(\text{H})(\text{CO})_{10}(\text{L})$. The known trans influence of CNR compared with CO¹⁴ should lead to a weaker Pt-H bond in **3**, and the values of $^1J(\text{Pt-H})$ bear this out (590 Hz in **1**⁸ and 544 Hz in **3**). Other factors must thus be responsible for this effect.

Both hydride signals display low-intensity satellites due to coupling to ^{187}Os ($I = 1/2$, natural abundance 1.64%), and examination of the temperature dependence of these couplings (shown in Figure 1 at the fast- (298 K) and slow- (238 K) exchange regimes) reveals a "hidden" fluxional process. Due to the low natural abundance of ^{187}Os , we only observe those isotopomers containing either none or one ^{187}Os nucleus, and the satellite subspectra thus arise from the three isotopomers (i), (i'), and (ii) shown in Scheme I. The ^{187}Os coupling to H1 is reduced from 41.8 Hz at 238 K to 27.3 Hz at 298 K, while to H2 it is reduced¹⁵ from 31.4 to 9.7 Hz. The satellites for H2 at 298 K (Figure 1b) appear as a pseudotriplet due to the similarity between $J_{\text{av}}(^{187}\text{Os-H}) = 9.7$ Hz and $J(\text{P-H}) = 9.1$ Hz. Values for static $^1J(^{187}\text{Os-H})$ coupling constants have been reported for a number of Os clusters,^{12a,16} and they usually fall in

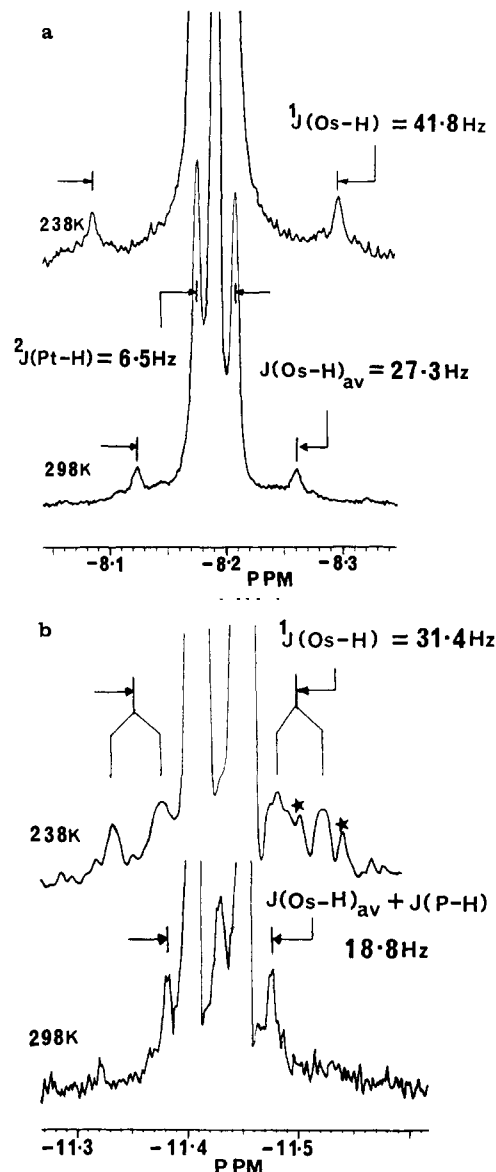
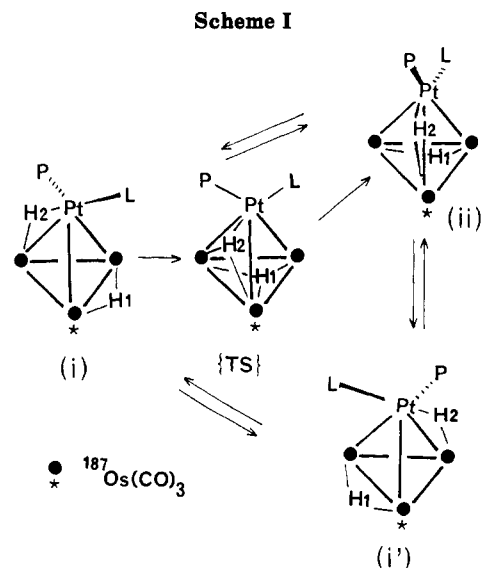


Figure 1. The ^{187}Os satellites on the high field ^1H NMR signals of complex **3** at 238 and 298 K for (a) the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Os}$ hydride and (b) the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Pt}$ hydride. The asterisk indicates an impurity.



(11) Saturation of the signal at δ -8.19 resulted in partial saturation at δ -11.42. Due to the expected interhydride NOE's (see ref 8 and 12) a quantitative magnetization transfer study was not undertaken. From the line width at 333 K a lower limit of ca. 74 kJ mol $^{-1}$ for the hydride exchange is estimated, using the approximation $k = \pi\Delta\nu_{1/2}$. Differential η 's are expected for the two hydrides; cf. T_1 values of 0.9 and 3.6 s were measured for the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Pt}$ and $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Os}$ protons, respectively.

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the range 25–35 Hz, although in unsaturated clusters they may be slightly greater.^{8,12a,16c} The couplings observed at

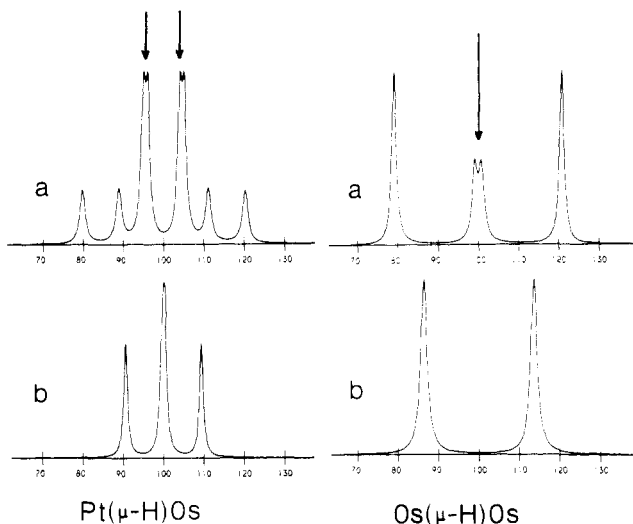


Figure 2. Simulated subspectra (scale in hertz) for the observable ^{187}Os isotopomers of complex 3, showing the expected satellite patterns for the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Os}$ resonance and the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Pt}$ resonance at (a) the slow-exchange limit, and (b) the fast-exchange limit. Arrows indicate the positions of the intense central resonances.

238 K for both resonances are thus clearly compatible with static hydrides.

Throughout the temperature range $J(^{195}\text{Pt}\text{-H}2)$ and $J(^{31}\text{P}\text{-H}2)$ remain constant, implying that H1 visits all Os-Os edges, and H2 visits all Os-Pt edges, with retention of the stereochemical integrity of the $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ [PtL_3] unit. This may occur in either a degenerate fashion by rotation of the PtL_3 unit about the pseudo 3-fold axis coupled with conrotary motion of H1 to an adjacent Os-Os edge (Scheme I) or a similar nondegenerate two-step process involving an isomer 3'. Since no other hydride signals are observed at any temperature, the former option is more plausible. This mechanism is tantamount to the mutual exchange of the three observable ^{187}Os isotopomers and implies that all Os atoms become chemically equivalent. It also requires effective inter-Os carbonyl exchange, which is indeed observed (see below). The proposed transition-state geometry has the PtL_3 unit rotated by 60° , such that the hydride is μ_3 and the phosphine ligand lies over a PtOs_2 face. This is exactly the ground-state geometry observed¹⁷ for the PtL_3 unit in the cluster $\text{Fe}_3\text{Pt}(\mu_3\text{-H})(\mu_3\text{-COMe})(\text{CO})_{10}(\text{PPh}_3)$. Due to the threefold degeneracy, a μ_3 orientation for H1 is also intuitively attractive, and EHMO calculations carried out on this model suggest that this is not energetically unlikely.¹⁸

According to the proposed mechanism (Scheme I) the observed averaged ^{187}Os couplings (at 298 K) are given (in terms of the static couplings) by $1/3\{2(^1J(\text{Os}2/3\text{-H}1) + ^2J(\text{Os}1\text{-H}1))\}$ and $1/3\{2(^2J(\text{Os}2/3\text{-H}2) + ^1J(\text{Os}1\text{-H}2))\}$ for H1 and H2, respectively. Estimated values for the (unob-

Table II. Observed $^{187}\text{Os}\text{-H}$ Couplings and Derived Rate and ΔG^\ddagger Data

temp/K	obsd $J(\text{Os-H})^a$	exchange rate ^b /s ⁻¹	ΔG^\ddagger /kJ mol ⁻¹
238	41.8		
248	41.3	8 (2)	56.1 (7)
252	39.6	17 (1)	55.4 (5)
255	38.6	21 (1)	55.7 (5)
259	37.8	23.5 (5)	56.3 (5)
263	broad		
298	27.3		

^a Errors in coupling constants ± 0.2 Hz. ^b Estimated errors in parentheses.

servable) static two-bond couplings $^2J(\text{Os}1\text{-H}1)$ and $^2J(\text{Os}2/3\text{-H}2)$ are 1.7 and 1.2 Hz, respectively (with 2J values of opposite sign to 1J). These estimated $^2J(^{187}\text{Os}\text{-H})$ magnitudes compare well with that measured directly (1.0 Hz) for $\text{Os}_3(\mu\text{-H})_2(\text{CO})_{10}$.^{16c} With use of these coupling constants, the mutual exchange of the observable ^{187}Os isotopomers (i), (i'), and (ii) may be simulated and is shown in Figure 2 at the slow- and fast-exchange limits.

As the exchange rate increases, the separation of the H1 outer satellite lines initially decreases and the lines then broaden and collapse and then reappear at the smaller separation. For exchange rates between ca. 5 and 50 s⁻¹, this outer line separation is rate sensitive and may be used to derive ΔG^\ddagger values. Between 248 and 259 K the outer lines are narrow enough for accurate measurement, and observed and derived data are given in Table II. A mean value of ΔG^\ddagger for the exchange of the ^{187}Os isotopomers is estimated at 56 (± 1) kJ mol⁻¹. The broadness of the ^{187}Os satellites of H2 at low temperatures precluded comparative measurements for this hydride.

A value for $J_{\text{av}}(^{187}\text{Os}\text{-H})$ of 18.5 Hz was observed⁸ for the hydrides at the fast-exchange limit in complex 1. The mean value of $J_{\text{av}}(^{187}\text{Os}\text{-H})$ for H1 and H2 [(27.3 + 9.7)/2 = 18.5 Hz], which is the expected average ^{187}Os coupling for 3 if the hydrides were undergoing fast mutual exchange, is identical. This suggests, as might be expected, that the $^{187}\text{Os}\text{-hydride}$ couplings in 1 and 3 are very similar. The averaging of ^{187}Os couplings to the individual hydrides in 1 cannot be observed because of broadening due to mutual hydride exchange. However, the closely similar CO exchange behavior in 1 and 3 suggests that a common mechanism (i.e. PtL_3 rotation) is responsible for the complete scrambling of Os-bound CO's in both clusters. Moreover, the magnitude of $^1J(\text{Pt}\text{-C}) = 1468$ Hz for the ligating isocyanide carbon observed at ambient temperature also implies that there is no CNCy exchange between Pt and Os centers in 3, mirroring the nonfluxionality of the Pt-CO in 1.⁸ From the data obtained for 3, it now seems likely, however, that the H-H exchange and the PtL_3 rotation in 1 are not linked processes as was originally suggested⁸ but occur as separate fluxional processes (albeit with similar magnitudes of ΔG^\ddagger).

Carbonyl Fluxionality in 3. The variable-temperature $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of 3 is shown in Figure 3. Assignments in Table I are based on intensities and couplings¹⁹ to the hydrides. The only ambiguity is the relative assignments of carbonyls b and d, which are both cis to H1. Assignments for these carbonyls are based on the ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt couplings, which are very similar to those observed⁸ for the corresponding carbonyls in complex 2, for which assignments are more secure. The fluxional behavior

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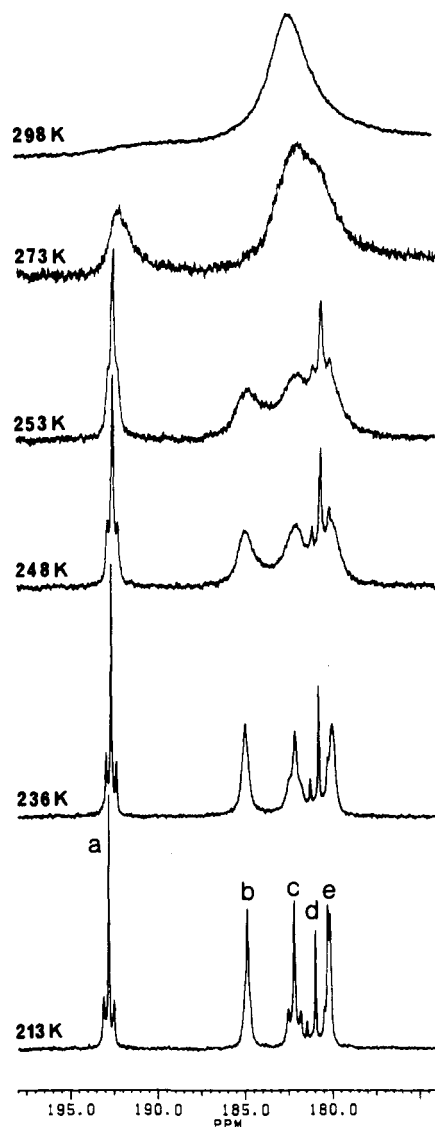


Figure 3. The variable-temperature $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of complex 3.

of 3 closely resembles that of 1,⁸ with a low-energy tripodal rotation of the two equivalent $\text{Os}(\text{CO})_3$ groups b, c, and e causing broadening of these resonances initially, followed by a higher energy process which eventually scrambles all CO ligands. The CO exchange is clearly compatible with the proposed hydride mobility, as all CO's become equivalent at 298 K.

The 2D EXSY NMR experiment^{20,21} is a powerful tool for the examination of multisite exchange, and several studies on cluster carbonyl exchange using ^{13}C 2D EXSY have been previously reported.^{8,22-25} Quantitative information on individual exchange rates may be obtained from EXSY spectra by either iterative^{22,23} or noniterative procedures,^{26,27} and these methods have been compared in a

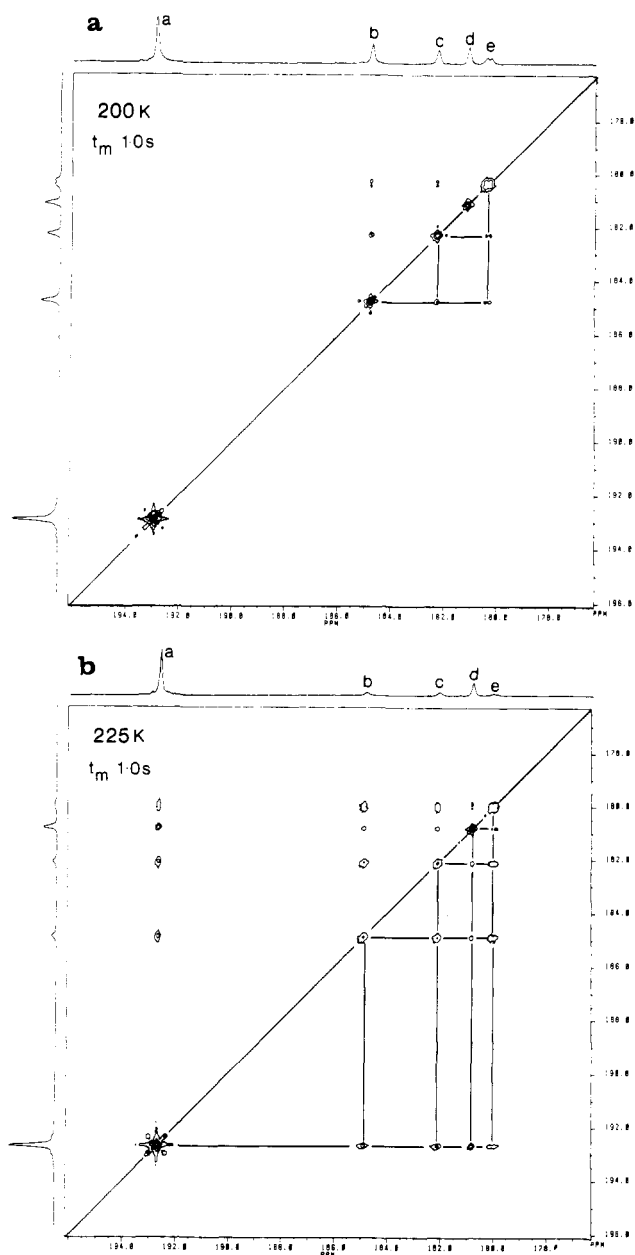


Figure 4. The 2D EXSY $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra of complex 3 at 200 and 225 K.

recent study.²⁴ The latter method, discussed in some detail by Abel et al.,²⁶ assumes negligible off-diagonal elements for the relaxation matrix \mathbf{R} , i.e. all cross relaxation rates (σ_{ij} 's) are zero. It allows all individual exchange rate constants to be calculated from the volume intensities of diagonal peaks and cross-peaks of a single EXSY spectrum, without recourse to T_1 measurements and hence is relatively efficient with spectrometer time.

In addition to the incoherent cross-peak correlations arising between spins involved in chemical exchange, 2D EXSY spectra may also show (a) coherent J cross-peaks²⁸ between spins which are scalar-coupled (COSY type peaks) and (b) cross-peaks between spins which share a dipolar coupling (NOESY). With the ^{13}C enrichment levels used in this study (ca. 10–20%), the proportion of molecules containing two ^{13}C nuclei is low, and hence both scalar

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Table III. Rate Constants (s^{-1}) from EXSY Spectrum of 3 at 225 K

	$k_{ij}^{a,b}$				
	a	b	c	d	e
a	...	0.14 (7)	0.11 (7)	0.06 (3)	0.12 (7)
b	0.89 (28)	0.02 (6)	1.04 (33)
c	0.04 (6)	0.73 (24)
d	0.09 (12)

^a $k_{ij} = 1/2k_{ji}$ for $j = d$ due to population difference. ^b Estimated error in parentheses.

Table IV. NMR Parameters for $Os_3Pt(\mu-H)_2(\mu-CH_2)(CO)_9(PCy_3)(CNCy)$ (4)

reson	chem shift ^b / ppm	mult ^c	J^a/Hz					
			Pt	P	H1	H2	H3a	H3b
¹³ C Data ^d								
a	184.2	s	66					
b	184.2	d	~4	9.0				2.0
c	181.3	d	70	1.0	2.8		w	
d	180.5	d	26	10.5	w			w
e	180.3	d	56	0.9	2.9	8.0		
f	176.0	s	45		4.3	3.7		
g	175.8	d	25	1.0				
h	174.4	s	5		10.4	3.1		
i	169.9	d	4	1.9	11.5		w	
$\mu-CH_2$	58.6	s						
¹ H Data ^d								
H3a	6.95	ddd		1.9	2.7			5.9
H3b	6.57	dd			2.4		5.9	
H2	-15.84	d	533	7.6				
H1	-21.68	ddd	18	1.9			2.7	2.4

^a w refers to small unresolved coupling. ^b Chemical shifts relative to TMS. ^c Multiplicities for ¹³C refer to ¹H-decoupled spectra. ^d CD₂Cl₂, 298 K.

$J(^{13}C-^{13}C)$ contributions²⁹ and NOESY contributions are expected to be insignificant. Moreover a recent study on $Os_3(\mu-H)_2(CO)_{10}$ has shown³⁰ that ¹³C-¹³C σ_{ij} 's are negligible even with high ¹³CO enrichment levels. The cross-peaks observed in this study are thus solely due to chemical exchange, a view confirmed by the observed temperature dependence of the EXSY spectra.

Figure 4 shows the 2D EXSY ¹³C{¹H} spectrum for 3 at 200 and 225 K, with a mixing time (t_m) of 1.0 s. At 200 K cross-peaks corresponding to the tripodal rotation of carbonyls b, c, and e are observed, while at 225 K cross-peaks between all signals are seen, confirming complete CO scrambling. With use of the method of Abel et al.²⁶ individual rate constants were calculated. At 200 K a mean rate of tripodal rotation of 0.17 (± 0.03) s^{-1} was estimated, giving $\Delta G^*_{200} = 51.7$ (± 1.0) kJ mol⁻¹. At 213 K a mean rate of 0.75 (± 0.3) s^{-1} and a value of 52.1 (± 1.2) kJ mol⁻¹ for ΔG^*_{213} were estimated for the same process. These results are comparable with the value of $\Delta G^*_{233} = 49.7$ (± 0.5) kJ mol⁻¹ for the analogous process in complex 1, which was measured by band-shape analysis.⁸

Table III shows the individual rate constants calculated from the EXSY spectrum at 225 K. The rate constants k_{ab} (i.e. the rate of magnetization transfer from site a to site b), k_{ac} , and k_{de} are all equivalent within error, mean 0.11 (± 0.07) s^{-1} , and are also essentially identical with $k_{da} = 0.12$ s^{-1} . These data are consistent with a rotation of the Pt(H)(PCy₃)(CNCy) group occurring at a rate of 0.11 (± 0.07) s^{-1} , giving $\Delta G^*_{225} = 58.7$ (± 1.3) kJ mol⁻¹. The

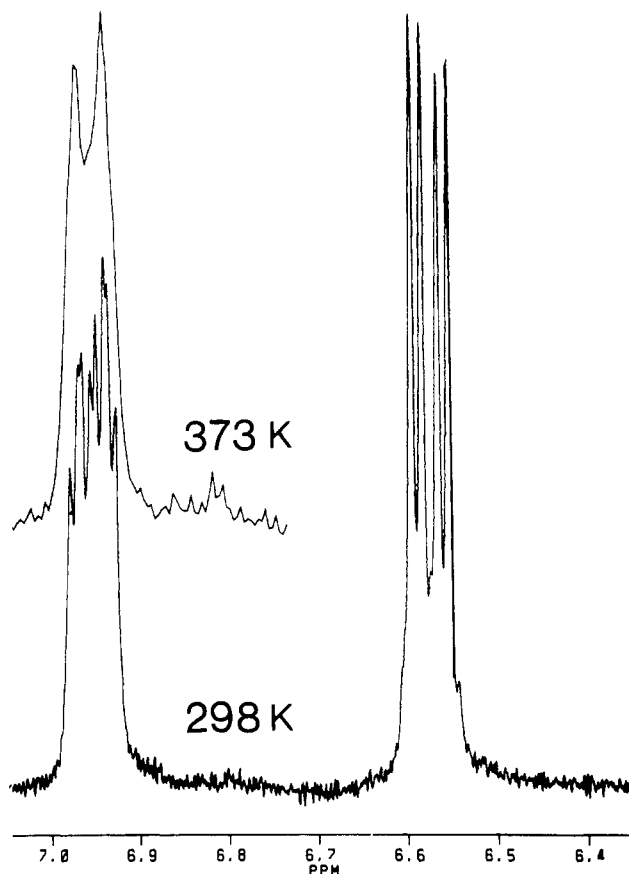


Figure 5. The ¹H NMR spectrum of complex 4 in the methylene region. The higher field multiplet is obscured by solvent resonances at 373 K.

exchange between carbonyls a and d presumably results from the same process, perhaps by a dynamic gearing³¹ of the PtL₃ and Os1(CO)₃ rotations. There is no evidence for an independent tripodal rotation of Os1(CO)₃ occurring before onset of the PtL₃ rotation. The ΔG^* value calculated for the CO exchange arising from PtL₃ rotation is in reasonable agreement with that calculated for the isotopomer exchange observed in the ¹H spectra, and provides good evidence that a single process is responsible for both exchange phenomena.

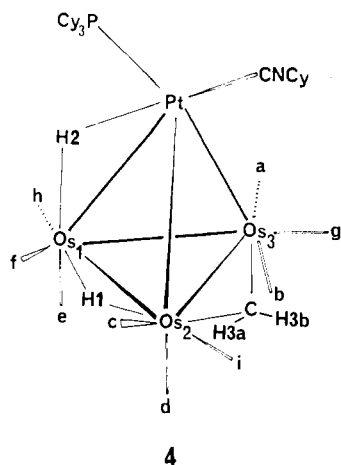
Fluxionality in $Os_3Pt(\mu-H)_2(\mu-CH_2)(CO)_9(PCy_3)(CNCy)$ (4). The two sharp resonances in the ¹H NMR spectrum (298 K) of 4 at $\delta -15.84$ and -21.68 are readily assigned, on the basis of ¹⁹⁵Pt couplings (Table IV), to the Os($\mu-H$)Pt and Os($\mu-H$)Os protons H2 and H1, respectively. Magnetization transfer studies show a slow hydride exchange at this temperature, and from band-shape analysis below the onset of decomposition (ca. 383 K) a value for ΔG^*_{373} of 85.6 (± 0.8) kJ mol⁻¹ is estimated for this process. No ¹⁸⁷Os couplings could be resolved for either hydride. The chemically distinct endo- and exo-methylene protons H3a and H3b give rise to multiplets (Figure 5) at $\delta 6.95$ and 6.57 , respectively. Assignments were based on NOE experiments. Thus saturation of the Os($\mu-H$)Os hydride ($\delta -21.68$) results in a 3.5% intensity enhancement of the signal at $\delta 6.95$ and an intensity decrease of -0.75% in the signal at $\delta 6.57$. This behavior is characteristic³² of the indirect NOE's in "linear" ABC

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systems with short BC distances. The geminal H-H coupling constant of 5.9 Hz is typical³³ of CH₂ groups bridging metal-metal bonds.

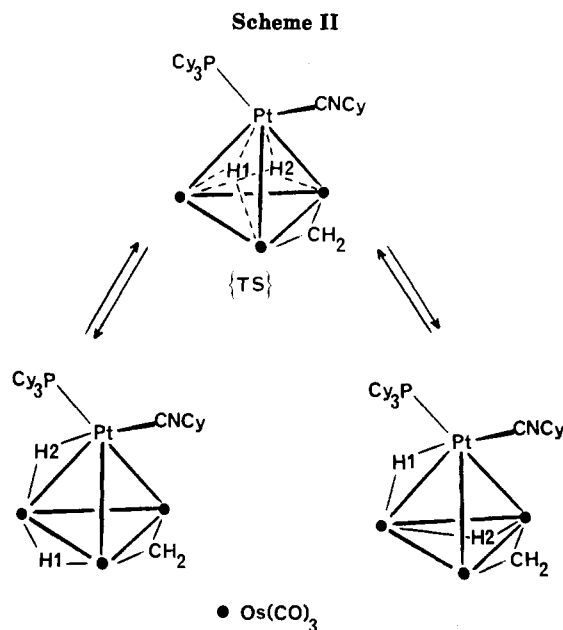
In view of previous work showing scrambling between M(μ -H)M hydrides and CH bonds in methylidyne^{34,35} and μ -methylene³⁶ clusters and tautomerizations involving M(μ -H)M and M(μ -H)C intermediates,³⁷ evidence was sought for similar processes in 4. However, even at 373 K, magnetization transfer experiments showed no detectable exchange between the hydrides and the CH₂ protons. In addition, no evidence for mutual exchange between the methylene protons in 4 was obtained, which contrasts with the fluxional behavior observed for Os₃(μ -CH₂)(CO)₁₁³⁸ and Ru₃(μ -CH₂)(CO)₁₁.³⁹ The complex multiplet due to H3a collapses at higher temperatures to a simple doublet ($J(\text{H-H}) = 6.0$ Hz, Figure 5). The two methylene protons thus remain chemically distinct and coupled to each other, but coupling to the hydrides and phosphine is being averaged, presumably due to other fluxional processes.

At 298 K the ¹³C spectrum of 4 shows nine resonances in the CO region (Table IV), in line with the low symmetry of the cluster. All signals are narrow, indicating that carbonyl exchange is slow at this temperature. Resonances e, f, and h may be unambiguously assigned on the basis of hydride couplings; thus resonance e shows a 8.0-Hz coupling to H2 and a 2.9-Hz coupling to H1 and is thus assigned to the carbonyl which is trans to H2 and cis to H1, and similar arguments apply to f and h. Resonance i with a 11.5 Hz coupling to H1 may therefore be assigned to the other CO which is trans to H1. Resonances c and d show small couplings to H1 and are thus assigned to the remaining CO's on Os2, while a, b, and g show no couplings to either hydride and may be assigned to the CO's on Os3. Individual assignments for these latter resonances are based on their ¹⁹⁵Pt couplings and on the fluxional behavior observed (see below). The crystal structure of 4 shows¹⁰ that the two CO's in the PtOs₂Os₃ plane interact weakly with the Pt atom, and hence the resonances a and c, with

Table V. Rate Constants (s⁻¹)^a from EXSY Spectrum of 4 at 318 K

$k_{ac,ca}$	0.07 (2)	$k_{bd,db}$	0.09 (2)	$k_{ig,gi}$	0.07 (2)
$k_{ef,fe}$	0.38 (7)	$k_{eh,he}$	0.43 (8)	$k_{fh,hf}$	0.68 (9)
$k_{ag,ga}$	0.02 (1)	$k_{bg,gb}$	0.02 (1) ^b		

^a Estimated error in parentheses. ^b $k_{ab,ba}$ not measurable due to overlap.



the largest ¹⁹⁵Pt couplings, are assigned to these two CO's. Since resonance i exchanges only with g, a only with c, and d only with b, their assignments follow as shown. Individual assignments of c and d (and hence a and b) may be reversed without affecting arguments about the fluxional behavior.

2D EXSY ¹³C{¹H} spectra of 4 (shown at 298 and 318 K in Figure 6) demonstrate that slow-exchange processes are occurring. At 298 K cross-peaks are observed between resonances e, f, and h, indicating a tripodal rotation of the Os1(CO)₃ group. At 318 K these cross peaks are more intense, and further exchange processes are also evident. Although the pairs of resonances a and b, d and e, and f and g unfortunately become nearly isochronous at this temperature, it is still possible to discern the exchanges occurring. Thus the slope of the *doublet* cross-peak (Figure 6b) unambiguously shows that the *doublet* resonance b exchanges with the *doublet* resonance d (and incidentally also shows that the sign of ³J(P-C) is the same for both resonances⁴⁰). Resonance a exchanges with c and resonance i with either f or g. These pairwise exchanges indicate that the cluster is acquiring a time-averaged mirror plane and hence racemizing. Resonance i must thus be exchanging with g, while the expected exchange between f and h is obscured by the lower energy tripodal rotation which also exchanges these sites. Finally a third exchange process is observed between sites a, b and either g or f, and this is attributed to a tripodal rotation of the Os3(CO)₃ group, i.e. resonances a,b exchange with g.

The EXSY spectrum at 318 K was analyzed by the method of Abel et al.,²⁶ and the results are shown in Table V. Since one diagonal component of each of the doublet resonances b and d is resolved, their total diagonal intensities may reasonably be estimated. Due to overlap,

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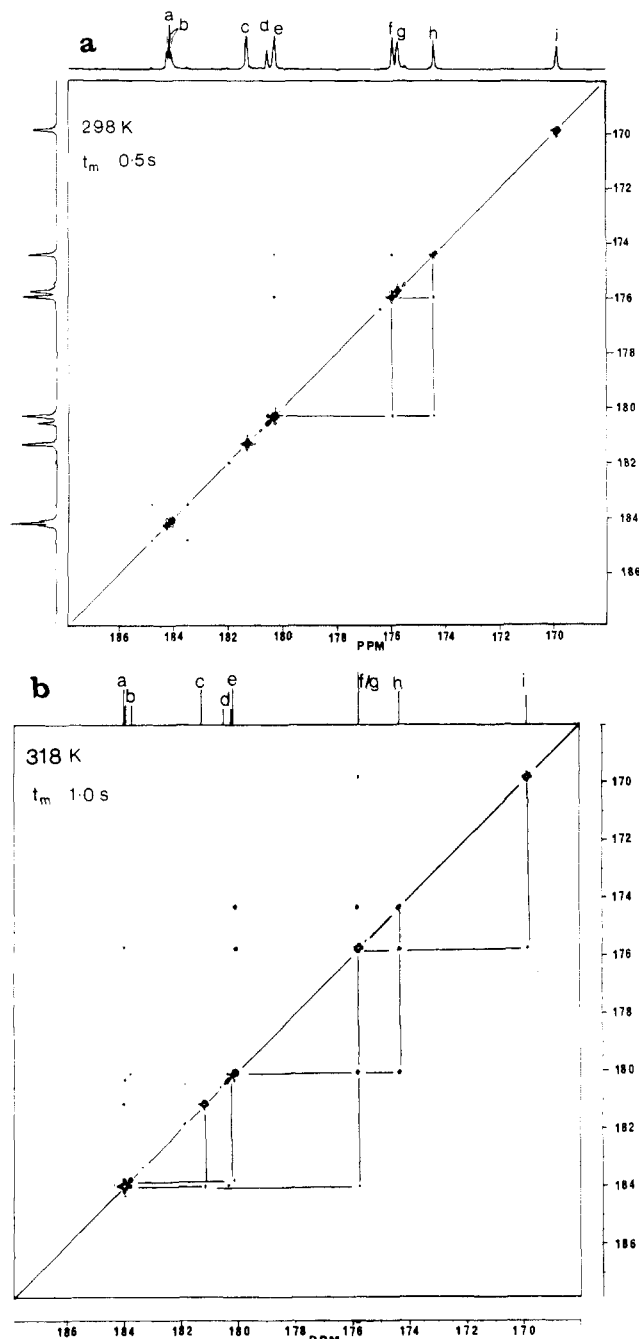


Figure 6. The 2D EXSY $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra of complex 4 at 298 and 318 K.

only the total diagonal intensity for resonances f and g could be measured, and resonance f was (arbitrarily) assigned the same diagonal intensity as h. Estimates for the ΔG^\ddagger_{318} values for the e/f/g tripodal rotation; 84.7 (± 1.1) kJ mol $^{-1}$ for the a/c, b/d, and i/g racemization process; and 88.4 (± 1.6) kJ mol $^{-1}$ for the a/b/g tripodal rotation. The ΔG^\ddagger value for the racemization process is the same within error as that estimated for the hydride exchange and suggests that a single process may be responsible. The proposed mechanism is shown in Scheme II. Cluster enantiomerization, by migration of either hydrides^{3d,5c,8,41} or other ligands,^{3f,42} is a commonly observed process.

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The signal at δ 58.6 in the ^{13}C NMR spectrum, shown to be due to a CH_2 carbon by a DEPT experiment, is assigned to the $\mu\text{-CH}_2$ group. This chemical shift is outside the Herrmann³³ range (δ 100–210) for $\mu\text{-CR}_2$ groups bridging M–M bonds but is similar to the lower values reported for $\text{Os}_3(\mu\text{-H})_2(\mu\text{-CH}_2)(\text{CO})_{10}$ (δ 25.8^{36a}), $\text{Os}_3(\mu\text{-CH}_2)(\text{CO})_{11}$ (δ 62.5⁴³), and $\text{Os}_3\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-CH}_2)(\text{CO})_{11}(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ (δ 76.5³⁸).

Conclusions

Dynamic ^{187}Os –hydride couplings allow observation of the effective rotation of the $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{CNCy})$ unit in complex 3, which has an estimated ΔG^\ddagger of 56 (± 1) kJ mol $^{-1}$. A similar process has been reported⁴⁴ for the $\text{Pt}(\text{H})\text{L}_2$ unit in several Rh_2Pt clusters, and ΔG^\ddagger values are comparable (49.3–58.1 kJ mol $^{-1}$). The ΔG^\ddagger value for the PtL_3 rotation is substantially higher than the predicted⁷ barrier for PtL_2 rotation. This could be due either (i) to the presence of the Pt–hydride which may stabilize the ground state via $\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Os}$ interactions or (ii) to the coupling of the PtL_3 rotation with the migration of the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Os}$ hydride around the Os–Os edges. In the cluster $[\{\text{Pt}(\text{CO})_2\}\text{Pt}_3(\mu_3\text{-CO})(\eta\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)_3]^+$ the barrier to rotation of the $\text{Pt}(\text{CO})_2$ unit about the pseudo 3-fold axis is apparently much lower,⁴⁵ and no other migrations are involved. There is no unambiguous evidence for a PtL_3 rotation in complex 4, although it should be noted that, without a coupled motion of the $\text{Os}(\mu\text{-H})\text{Os}$ and $\mu\text{-CH}_2$ groups, such a process would be nondegenerate. Unless the other rotomers had appreciable populations, this process would not be detectable through averaging of CO resonances, since rapid PtL_3 rotation does not introduce a new time-averaged symmetry element to a single basal configuration.

2D ^{13}C EXSY is an extremely effective method for mapping the CO exchange network in these clusters, and despite limitations of accuracy due to overlapping signals and relatively low signal-to-noise ratios, quantitative analysis provides useful information about the fluxional processes.

Experimental Section

Complexes 3 and 4 were prepared as previously described,¹⁰ and a sample of 3 was enriched to ca. 10–20% ^{13}C by stirring a dichloromethane solution under an atmosphere of ^{13}CO (99% ^{13}C) for 0.5 h and then refluxing for ca. 1 h to decarbonylate the resulting decacarbonyl adduct. An ^{13}C -enriched sample of 4 was prepared from previously enriched 3 by treatment with CH_2N_2 . ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were obtained on a Bruker WP200 or AM200 FT spectrometer, both equipped with ASPECT 3000 computers, the latter with a process controller and FT array processor. Line-shape analysis was carried out by using a locally

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adapted version of DNMR3.⁴⁶ NMR probe temperatures were calibrated by using the method of van Geet⁴⁷ and are considered accurate to ± 2 K.

¹³C{¹H} EXSY spectra were obtained with either broad-band or composite-pulse ¹H decoupling, using the Bruker automation microprogram NOESY (D1- $\pi/2$ -D0- $\pi/2$ -D9- $\pi/2$ -FID-acquire). The data table was acquired by using 1024 words in the F_2 dimension and 256 words in the F_1 dimension zero-filled to 512. Spectral widths were typically 1 kHz, and recycle delays (D1) typically 4-6 s. The initial value of the incremented delay D0 was 3 μ s. For the low-temperature experiments, a cycle of either 8 or 16 scans were acquired for each F_2 FID, with total acquisition times of ca. 4-8 h. A random variation of $\pm 15\%$ was applied to the mixing time delay t_m (D9) to reduce any correlations arising from scalar coupling. Apodization was applied to all data sets before Fourier transform, using either $\pi/6$ shifted sine-bell or exponential line-broadening (LB = 2) functions. EXSY spectra were symmetrized about the $F_1 = F_2$ diagonal. For complex 4 the volume integrals, corresponding to the diagonal and off-diagonal elements of the intensity matrix, were obtained by integration of the submatrix rows of the EXSY spectra containing the most intense peaks (usually six to ten rows). For complex 3 integrations were carried out both in the above manner and also by using the box-integral routine of the Bruker AP2D display program. Errors in the integrals were estimated from the inte-

grated intensity of identical sized boxes in noise areas of the EXSY spectrum. There was satisfactory agreement between the derived rate data using either method. Individual exchange rate constants were obtained from the intensity matrix by using the program D2DNMR.²⁶

Due to the possibility that apodization functions could adversely affect relative line widths, and hence relative intensities, the effect of using (a) no apodization, (b) $\pi/6$ shifted sine-bell, and (c) Lorentz-Gaussian line narrowing on the data for 3 at 225 K was examined. Apart from the rates associated with the b/c/e tripodal rotation, which appear ill-conditioned in this analysis, there were no serious discrepancies. Rates for the exchanges associated with the PtL₃ rotation varied from ca. 0.1 to 0.2 s⁻¹, which are within the range of the reported rate errors. The discrepancies seen for the b/c/e exchange rate constants (which must be regarded as unreliable at 225 K) are attributed to experimental errors arising from the broadness of the diagonal peaks and cross-peaks associated with this process, overlap of some ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites, and generally poor S/N ratios. In order to ensure a reasonably constant temperature over the whole experiment, the low-temperature acquisitions were limited to a ca. 8-h time period, allowing only a maximum of 16 transients per D0 increment.

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Experimental, Structural, and Theoretical Studies of Diplatinum Complexes Containing Bridging Phenylethenylidene Ligands Including the Excited-State Chemistry and Photophysics of Photochemically Generated Species

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The results of a comprehensive investigation of the chemistry of the diplatinum compound [Pt₂(μ -C=CHPh)(C \equiv CPh)(PEt₃)₄]BF₄ (1) and related derivatives are presented. Complex 1 reacts with halides, NCS⁻, and various RS⁻ nucleophiles to give the neutral compounds [Pt₂(μ -C=CHPh)(C \equiv CPh)(PEt₃)₃X] with loss of one PEt₃ ligand. These Pt₂X complexes react with acid and X⁻ nucleophile to give the neutral compounds [Pt₂(μ -C=CHPh)(PEt₃)₃X₂] upon loss of phenylacetylene. The X-ray structures of the Pt₂Cl, Pt₂I, and Pt₂Br₂ complexes have been determined. [Pt₂(μ -C=CHPh)(C \equiv CPh)(PEt₃)₃Cl]: monoclinic; $P2_1/c$; $Z = 4$; $a = 11.685$ (1) Å, $b = 20.810$ (7) Å, $c = 19.172$ (4) Å; $\beta = 123.96$ (1)°. [Pt₂(μ -C=CHPh)(C \equiv CPh)(PEt₃)₃I]: orthorhombic; $Pbca$; $Z = 8$; $a = 18.004$ (3) Å, $b = 22.805$ (4) Å, $c = 19.328$ (4) Å. [Pt₂(μ -C=CHPh)(PEt₃)₃Br₂]: monoclinic; Cc ; $Z = 8$; $a = 10.359$ (1) Å, $b = 33.054$ (9) Å, $c = 19.855$ (5) Å; $\beta = 93.40$ (2)°. SC-MEH-MO calculations of the electronic structure of compound 1 indicate a large negative charge on each of the Pt atoms which is reminiscent of the results reported earlier from similar calculations on the anion Pt₂(P₂O₆H₂)₄⁴⁻. Similarities between the photochemistry of the complexes reported herein and that known for Pt₂(P₂O₆H₂)₄⁴⁻ are presented. Complex 1 reacts with MeI under photolysis to give Pt₂I and Pt₂I₂, and it reacts as a catalyst under photolysis to produce acetone and molecular hydrogen from 2-propanol. The complex Pt₂Cl emits a red-orange luminescence at 696 nm in a 4:1 ethanol/methanol matrix at 77 K upon excitation at 410 nm. This luminescent state has an average lifetime of 1.7 μ s and is attained with an "optical" quantum yield of 0.010 (2).

One of us has reported recently that the cationic diplatinum complex [Pt₂(μ -C=CHPh)(C \equiv CPh)(PEt₃)₄]BF₄

(1), is formed readily by the addition of the Pt-H bond of [HPt(PEt₃)₂(acetone)]BF₄ across one of the C \equiv C triple