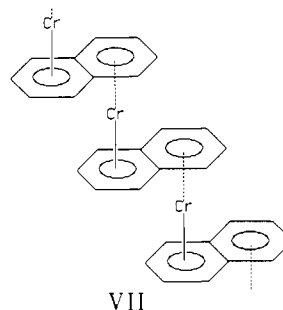


naphthalene)chromium when this compound is dissolved in ND<sub>3</sub> (3.42 ppm) as opposed to 6.96 ppm when dissolved in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>. Earlier we attributed this large upfield shift to anisotropy caused by the naphthalene moieties of bis-( $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium being constrained to the eclipsed configuration; it is therefore reasonable to speculate that poly[( $\mu$ - $\eta^6$ , $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium] exists in the eclipsed topology (III) while dissolved in ND<sub>3</sub>. The argument gains strength from the recognition that the metal sites in the poly[( $\mu$ - $\eta^6$ , $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium] structure are electron-deficient from the point of view of formal electron count. This electronic arrangement would encourage the coordination of solvent ammonia molecules to the metal sites; the eclipsed configuration (III) provides for easier access to the metal sites by solvent ammonia molecules than does the staggered configuration (VII).

It is well-known that bis( $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium exists as the eclipsed configuration in the crystalline solid.<sup>7</sup> Poly[( $\mu$ - $\eta^6$ , $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium] is not soluble in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, while freely rotating bis( $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium is; eclipsed bis( $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium exists in ND<sub>3</sub> as it does in the crystalline state. Thus, it is reasonable to speculate that poly[( $\mu$ - $\eta^6$ , $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium] is



eclipsed in the solid state; however, only an X-ray crystal structure will elucidate this point. It appears that the solubility of poly[( $\mu$ - $\eta^6$ , $\eta^6$ -naphthalene)chromium] in liquid ammonia resides in the ability of the basic solvent to stabilize the eclipsed configuration.

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## Reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with Alkenes in the Gas Phase

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Fourier transform mass spectrometry (FTMS) was used to study the exothermic reactions of laser desorbed Sc<sup>+</sup> with various linear, branched, and cyclic olefins. Single and double dehydrogenations were observed to be the predominant processes in marked contrast to Fe<sup>+</sup> and Co<sup>+</sup> which yield predominantly C-C bond cleavage products. Structures of some of the commonly occurring product ions were probed by collision-induced dissociation and ion-molecule reactions, including H/D exchange. Evidence is presented for two stable isomers of ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup>, ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, and ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup>. A modification to the experimental pulse sequence was implemented which made possible the formation and isolation of various endothermic reaction products. In particular Sc<sup>+</sup>-H was generated by an endothermic reaction of Sc<sup>+</sup> with ethane and was used to bracket the Sc<sup>+</sup>-benzene bond strength at  $\bar{D}^\circ(\text{Sc}^+\text{-benzene}) = 53 \pm 5$  kcal/mol.

### Introduction

Over the past several years, the study of transition-metal ions in the gas phase has become the focus of a great deal of attention. These studies provide fundamental information on the kinetics, mechanisms and thermochemistry of these chemically important species in the absence of complicating effects due to solvent or ligand interferences. In addition, studies of the transition-metal ions are also important because of the promise these ions hold as selective chemical ionization reagents for mass spectral analysis.<sup>1</sup>

Most of the work to date has centered on the first-row groups 8-10 metals Fe<sup>+</sup>, Co<sup>+</sup>, and Ni<sup>+</sup>. The reactions of these metals with alkanes, alkenes, and other organic compounds have been studied by a number of laboratories.<sup>2</sup> Studies involving the early first-row transition-metal

ions, however, are fewer in number. A variety of V<sup>+</sup>-ligand bond strengths have been reported,<sup>3</sup> in addition to studies of the reactions of this first-row group 5 metal ion with various alkanes.<sup>4</sup> Allison and Ridge have studied the reactions of olefins with Ti<sup>+</sup>,<sup>5</sup> and Tolbert and Beauchamp have studied both alkane activation by Ti<sup>+</sup><sup>4b</sup> and the reactions of saturated hydrocarbons with Sc<sup>+</sup>.<sup>6</sup> In these cases some interesting differences in reactivity, as com-

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pared to the groups 8–10 transition metals, were reported.

In this paper we expand the previous study of Sc<sup>+</sup> with the saturated hydrocarbons by monitoring the reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with various linear, branched, and cyclic olefins. Comparisons are made between the reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with the olefins versus the saturated hydrocarbons as well as with the analogous reactions of the first-row groups 8–10 transition metals. A brief comparison is also made to the reactions of Ti<sup>+</sup> with olefins. Structural information on some of the predominant and recurring product ions was obtained through a combination of collision-induced dissociation (CID) experiments and specific ion–molecule reactions including deuterium exchange.<sup>7</sup>

### Experimental Section

All experiments were performed on a prototype Nicolet FTMS-1000 mass spectrometer which has been previously described in detail<sup>8</sup> and is equipped with a 5.2-cm cubic trapping cell situated between the poles of a Varian 15-in. electromagnet maintained at 0.85 T. Mounted on the front transmitter plate are a variety of metal targets. Several of these consist of metal rods with a 1-mm diameter hole drilled through them lengthwise and countersunk to form a bevelled edge. These tunnel targets vary in length from 2 to 6 mm (the Sc target used in this work was 4 mm) with an outer diameter of approximately 4 mm. Sc<sup>+</sup> was generated by focussing a Quanta Ray Nd:YAG laser (frequency doubled to 532 nm) onto the bevelled edge of the scandium tunnel target. The diameter of the laser beam was approximately 0.3 mm, and the power density was estimated to be about 10<sup>8</sup> W cm<sup>-2</sup>. The laser pulse generates a plume consisting mainly of positively charged metal ions, electrons, and neutrals. A fraction of the metal ions produced enter the cell. Positively biased trapping plates annihilate any negatively charged species and trap the positively charged metal ions. Neutral atoms immediately condense on the cell walls and, therefore, do not participate in the experiment. Since the plume is generated outside of the cell, the frequency in which the cell has to be removed for cleaning is greatly reduced. Tantalum, which is a common impurity in Sc samples, was not found to be an interference in this study.<sup>9</sup>

The product ion distributions are reproducible to within ±10% absolute. Product distributions from secondary reactions were determined by using swept double resonance ejection techniques to isolate the ions of interest.<sup>10</sup> These ions were then allowed to react and the products subsequently detected.

In the CID experiment, the collision energy of the ions can be varied, typically between 0 and 100 eV, from which plots of CID product ion intensities vs collision energy (i.e. CID breakdown curves) can be made. The spread in ion kinetic energies is dependent on the total average kinetic energy and is approximately 35% at 1 eV, 10% at 10 eV, and 5% at 30 eV.<sup>11</sup> CID can yield unambiguous structural assignments for simple metal ion complexes.<sup>12</sup> Since the ions are formed via different reaction paths, they initially should have different internal energies as well as possibly different structures. Two ions of the same structure, but having different internal energies should be evident as having qualitatively similar CID breakdown curves, only shifted in kinetic energy. For complexes containing ligands possessing five or more carbon atoms, however, facile rearrangement of these complexes may yield CID spectra that are not very diagnostic. Therefore, while CID spectra of the major ions were obtained, many of the structures are necessarily assigned as “reasonable” as opposed to

proven. The methodology and interpretation of the CID experiment is described elsewhere.<sup>8,12,13</sup> Photodissociation experiments<sup>14</sup> were performed, when possible, to give added support for the results obtained by the other methods used.

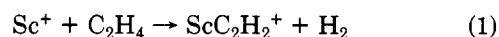
In the studies reported here, typically the laser-generated metal ions were trapped in the presence of a static pressure of the alkene of interest. After a predetermined reaction time, the product ions were detected. Since it is possible to generate ions with excess electronic or kinetic energy,<sup>15</sup> two variations of the experiment were used to minimize any excess energy of the metal ions and to ensure that only exothermic processes were observed.<sup>16</sup> One variation involved admitting a relatively high-pressure argon pulse immediately after laser generation of Sc<sup>+</sup>. This pulse has a peak pressure of ~10<sup>-5</sup> Torr at 150 ms, and a total pump out time of 400 ms during which time collisional damping of Sc<sup>+</sup> occurs. After this cooling step, Sc<sup>+</sup> was isolated and allowed to react with the alkene of interest which was present at a static background pressure of ~2 × 10<sup>-7</sup> Torr. In the second variation argon was kept at a static background pressure of about 2 × 10<sup>-7</sup> Torr throughout the entire experiment. After formation, Sc<sup>+</sup> was trapped in the presence of the argon for 250 ms. Following this period, the alkene being studied was pulsed into the cell and allowed to react with the Sc<sup>+</sup>. These variations provided approximately 10–80 collisions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with argon which should be sufficient to have an effect on the observed chemistry, if a large population of nonthermal ions were present. The results obtained by using these two sets of conditions, however, were the same within experimental error. In addition, no noticeable differences in product distributions were observed in the absence of these collisional cooling procedures, indicating that the majority of the Sc<sup>+</sup> ions monitored were generated with little or no excess energy. These results, however, are not totally conclusive proof that no excited ions are present.

Deuterium exchange was performed by adding the deuterating agent (either C<sub>2</sub>D<sub>4</sub> or C<sub>3</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) at pressures of (1–9) × 10<sup>-6</sup> Torr. The lowest pressure of deuterating agent possible was used in order to suppress any secondary reactions with the deuterated compound which would complicate the interpretation. Pulsed-valve introduction of the alkene eliminated any complications due to the secondary reaction of the hydrocarbon itself. Pulsed-valve addition of reagent gases as applied to FTMS has been described in detail elsewhere.<sup>17</sup>

Chemicals were obtained commercially in high purity and used as supplied except for multiple freeze–pump–thaw cycles to remove noncondensable gases. C<sub>2</sub>D<sub>4</sub> (>99 atom % D), C<sub>3</sub>D<sub>6</sub> (>98 atom % D), and 2-(methyl-*d*<sub>3</sub>)propene-3,3,3-*d*<sub>3</sub> (>98 atom % D) were obtained from MSD isotopes, Merck Chemical Division. CD<sub>3</sub>CN (99.7 atom % D) was obtained from Stohler/KOR Stable Isotopes. Hydrogen cyanide was generated by mixing KCN and H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> under vacuum and collecting the evolved gas. Sample pressures were monitored with a Bayard-Alpert ionization gauge, and argon was used as a collision gas.

### Results and Discussion

**Reactions with Linear Alkenes.** Table I lists the reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup>, Fe<sup>+</sup>, and Co<sup>+</sup> with 11 linear alkenes. Sc<sup>+</sup> is observed to react with every compound used in this study in contrast to Fe<sup>+</sup> and Co<sup>+</sup>. Dehydrogenation is the only reaction observed for Sc<sup>+</sup> with ethene (reaction 1),



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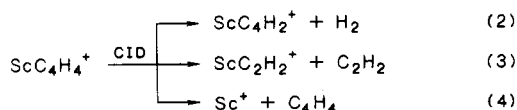
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Table I. Neutral Products Lost in the Primary Reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup>, Fe<sup>+</sup>, and Co<sup>+</sup> with Linear Alkenes

| alkene  | M <sup>+</sup>  | neutral fragments lost, in % |                 |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|---|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
|   |                 | H <sub>2</sub>               | 2H <sub>2</sub> | 3H <sub>2</sub> | CH <sub>4</sub> | CH <sub>4</sub> H <sub>2</sub> | CH <sub>4</sub> 2H <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> | (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> ) | (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> )H <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> | (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> ) | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> | (C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ) |  |
| ethene  | Sc              | 100                          |                 |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>a</sup> |                              | no reaction     |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Co <sup>b</sup> |                              | no reaction     |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
| propene   | Sc              | 100                          |                 |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>a</sup> |                              | no reaction     |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Co <sup>b</sup> |                              | no reaction     |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
| linear butenes<br>(1, <i>cis</i> , <i>trans</i> ) | Sc              | 93                           | 7               |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 100                          |                 |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Co <sup>b</sup> | 97                           |                 |                 |                 |                                |                                 | 3                             |                                  |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
| 1-pentene   | Sc              | 7                            | 53              |                 | 9               |                                |                                 | 3                             | 28                               |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 13                           |                 |                 | 19              |                                |                                 | 49                            |                                  |  | 19                            |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Co <sup>b</sup> | 11                           |                 |                 | 13              |                                |                                 | 58                            |                                  |  | 18                            |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
| <i>trans</i> -2-pentene                           | Sc              | 7                            | 69              |                 | 8               |                                |                                 |                               | 16                               |  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 19                           |                 |                 | 29              |                                |                                 | 30                            |                                  |  | 22                            |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Co <sup>b</sup> | 28                           |                 |                 | 33              |                                |                                 | 29                            |                                  |  | 10                            |                                  |                               |                                   |  |
| 1-hexene  | Sc              | 3                            | 34              | 16              |                 | 23                             |                                 |                               | 17                               |  |                               | 7                                |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 10                           |                 |                 | 6               |                                |                                 | 14                            | 16                               |  | 42                            |                                  | 12                            |                                   |  |
|   | Co <sup>b</sup> | 5                            |                 |                 |                 |                                |                                 | 16                            |                                  |  | 69                            |                                  | 10                            |                                   |  |
| <i>trans</i> -2-hexene                            | Sc              | 3                            | 43              | 10              |                 | 25                             |                                 |                               | 13                               |  |                               | 6                                |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 10                           |                 |                 | 9               |                                |                                 | 25                            | 22                               |  | 13                            | 5                                | 12                            | 4                                 |  |
|   | Co <sup>c</sup> | 6                            |                 |                 | 4               |                                |                                 | 34                            | 41                               |  | 6                             |                                  | 9                             |                                   |  |
| <i>trans</i> -3-hexene                            | Sc              | 3                            | 41              | 14              |                 | 33                             |                                 |                               | 4                                |  |                               | 5                                |                               |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 12                           | 4               |                 | 14              |                                |                                 | 24                            | 18                               |  | 10                            | 4                                | 9                             | 5                                 |  |
|   | Co <sup>c</sup> | 4                            |                 |                 | 8               |                                |                                 | 33                            | 31                               |  | 10                            | 4                                | 14                            |                                   |  |
| 1-heptene   | Sc              | 2                            | 7               | 3               | 1               | 4                              | 8                               |                               | 35                               | 6  |                               |                                  | 32                            |                                   |  |
|   | Fe <sup>c</sup> | 19                           |                 |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  | 34                            | 19                               | 28                            |                                   |  |
|   | Co <sup>c</sup> | 21                           |                 |                 |                 |                                |                                 |                               |                                  |  | 19                            | 37                               | 23                            |                                   |  |

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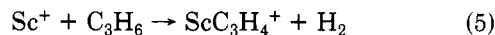
implying  $D^{\circ}(\text{Sc}^+-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2) > 41.7$  kcal/mol.<sup>18</sup> Exclusive loss of HD from CH<sub>2</sub>CD<sub>2</sub> is observed in accordance with Armentrout and coworkers,<sup>19</sup> indicating a 1,2-dehydrogenation to form a Sc<sup>+</sup>-acetylene complex. CID of ScC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> yields only loss of the entire ligand providing supporting evidence for the acetylene structure. ScC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, produced in reaction 1, also reacts with ethene by dehydrogenation producing what would be expected to be the Sc<sup>+</sup>-bis(ethyne) species Sc(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>. This, however, may not be the isomer formed. CID of this ion yields three products (reactions 2–4). Reaction 2, which predominates at low kinetic energies, may involve some type of coupling of the two acetylene ligands on the metal center, while reaction 4 predominates at higher kinetic energies. In order to



determine which hydrogens are lost in reaction 2, a mixed-ligand species was generated by first reacting Sc<sup>+</sup> with C<sub>2</sub>D<sub>4</sub> and then allowing the resulting ScC<sub>2</sub>D<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> to react with C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, thus producing Sc(C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>2</sub>D<sub>2</sub>)<sup>+</sup>. During this reaction neither Sc(C<sub>2</sub>HD)<sup>+</sup> nor Sc(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>)<sup>+</sup> was observed, which has mechanistic implications as discussed below. For reaction 2, HD loss was predominant (>80%), while approximately equal amounts of D<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub> loss were observed. Also, monitoring the loss of acetylene (reaction 3) revealed three peaks corresponding to losses of C<sub>2</sub>D<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>HD, and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, indicating that some scrambling occurs. Unfortunately, these products were too low in intensity to derive meaningful isotopic distributions. A comparison of results ob-

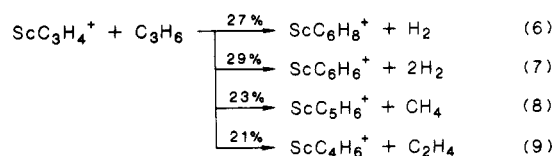
tained for several isomeric ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> ions will be discussed in greater depth below.

Dehydrogenation was also the only reaction observed for Sc<sup>+</sup> with propene (reaction 5), implying  $D^{\circ}(\text{Sc}^+-\text{allene}) > 41.0$  kcal/mol.<sup>18</sup> CID on Sc<sup>+</sup>-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, generated in reaction

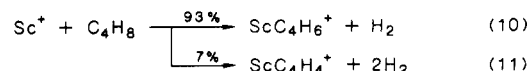


5, yields predominantly loss of H<sub>2</sub> at low energies and loss of C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub> at high energies. Deuterium exchange using C<sub>3</sub>D<sub>6</sub> on Sc<sup>+</sup>-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub> yields 4 rapid H/D exchanges indicating an allene structure as opposed to a propyne structure.

The secondary reaction of ScC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> with propene is more complex than that observed for the ethene case. ScC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> not only singly and doubly dehydrogenates propene, but losses of CH<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> are also observed (reactions 6–9). The product ions in reactions 7–9 are commonly observed in this study, and their structures are discussed in a later section.



In the reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with the linear butenes, the predominant reaction is dehydrogenation resulting in the formation of ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> (reaction 10), implying  $D^{\circ}(\text{Sc}^+-\text{butadiene}) \geq 29.0$  kcal/mol.<sup>18</sup> Double dehydrogenation to



form ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (reaction 11) is also observed as a minor product. For Fe<sup>+</sup> and Ti<sup>+</sup>, single dehydrogenation is the only reaction observed. In the case of Co<sup>+</sup>, along with single dehydrogenation, there is also a small amount of C–C bond cleavage. CID of the ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> ion from reaction 10 shows predominant loss of the entire ligand over the

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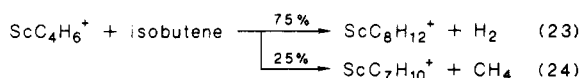


Table II. Neutral Products Lost in the Primary Reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup>, Fe<sup>+</sup>, and Co<sup>+</sup> with Branched Alkenes

| alkene                | M <sup>+</sup>  | neutral fragments lost, in % |                 |                 |                 |                                |                               |                                  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                       |                 | H <sub>2</sub>               | 2H <sub>2</sub> | 3H <sub>2</sub> | CH <sub>4</sub> | CH <sub>4</sub> H <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> | (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> ) | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> | (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> ) | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> | (C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ) |
| 2-methylpropene       | Sc              | 100                          |                 |                 |                 |                                |                               |                                  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> |                              | no reaction     |                 |                 |                                |                               |                                  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |
|                       | Co <sup>b</sup> | 88                           |                 |                 |                 |                                | 12                            |                                  |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |
| 2-methyl-1-butene     | Sc              | 65                           | 23              |                 | 5               |                                |                               | 7                                |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 26                           |                 |                 | 41              |                                | 28                            |                                  | 5                             |                                  |                               |                                   |
|                       | Co <sup>b</sup> | 46                           |                 |                 | 26              |                                | 20                            |                                  | 8                             |                                  |                               |                                   |
| 3-methyl-1-butene     | Sc              | 53                           | 29              |                 | 7               |                                |                               | 11                               |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 21                           |                 |                 | 42              |                                | 29                            |                                  | 8                             |                                  |                               |                                   |
|                       | Co <sup>b</sup> | 35                           |                 |                 | 35              |                                | 22                            |                                  | 8                             |                                  |                               |                                   |
| 2-methyl-2-butene     | Sc              | 64                           | 30              |                 |                 |                                |                               | 6                                |                               |                                  |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 35                           |                 |                 | 34              |                                | 24                            |                                  | 7                             |                                  |                               |                                   |
|                       | Co <sup>b</sup> | 34                           |                 |                 | 30              |                                | 26                            |                                  | 10                            |                                  |                               |                                   |
| 2-methyl-1-pentene    | Sc              | 5                            | 33              | 8               | 8               | 11                             |                               | 25                               |                               | 10                               |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 9                            |                 |                 | 18              |                                | 54                            |                                  | 2                             | 4                                | 11                            | 2                                 |
|                       | Co <sup>c</sup> | 2                            |                 |                 | 8               |                                | 83                            |                                  | 1                             |                                  | 6                             |                                   |
| 3-methyl-1-pentene    | Sc              | 6                            | 56              | 4               | 2               | 6                              |                               | 23                               |                               | 3                                |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>c</sup> | 20                           |                 |                 | 20              |                                | 7                             | 26                               | 5                             | 3                                | 19                            |                                   |
|                       | Co <sup>c</sup> | 13                           |                 |                 | 8               |                                | 9                             | 47                               | 7                             | 5                                | 11                            |                                   |
| 4-methyl-1-pentene    | Sc              | 3                            | 26              | 9               | 4               | 25                             |                               | 19                               |                               | 14                               |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 4                            |                 |                 | 22              |                                | 6                             |                                  | 56                            | 8                                | 2                             | 2                                 |
|                       | Co <sup>c</sup> | 4                            |                 |                 | 8               |                                | 2                             |                                  | 86                            |                                  |                               |                                   |
| 2-methyl-2-pentene    | Sc              | 6                            | 17              | 6               | 8               | 14                             |                               | 39                               |                               | 10                               |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 12                           |                 |                 | 30              |                                | 37                            |                                  | 6                             | 5                                | 6                             | 4                                 |
|                       | Co <sup>c</sup> | 22                           |                 |                 | 45              |                                | 17                            | 2                                | 9                             |                                  | 5                             |                                   |
| 3-methyl-2-pentene    | Sc              | 6                            | 78              | 3               | 2               | 3                              |                               | 7                                |                               | 1                                |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 14                           |                 |                 | 24              |                                | 23                            | 19                               | 3                             | 4                                | 9                             | 4                                 |
|                       | Co <sup>c</sup> | 7                            |                 |                 | 56              |                                | 14                            | 14                               | 4                             |                                  | 5                             |                                   |
| 4-methyl-2-pentene    | Sc              | 3                            | 33              | 9               | 2               | 31                             |                               | 14                               |                               | 8                                |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>c</sup> | 11                           |                 |                 | 44              |                                | 3                             | 1                                | 22                            | 6                                | 8                             | 5                                 |
|                       | Co <sup>c</sup> | 10                           |                 |                 | 58              |                                | 13                            |                                  | 12                            | 4                                | 3                             |                                   |
| 2,3-dimethyl-1-butene | Sc              | 27                           | 38              | 5               | 5               | 8                              |                               | 9                                |                               | 8                                |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 16                           |                 |                 | 62              |                                | 6                             | 4                                | 2                             | 6                                | 1                             | 3                                 |
|                       | Co <sup>c</sup> | 19                           |                 |                 | 49              |                                | 12                            | 11                               | 4                             |                                  | 5                             |                                   |
| 3,3-dimethyl-1-butene | Sc              | 2                            | <1              | 1               | 57              | 28                             |                               | 4                                |                               | 8                                |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 10                           |                 |                 | 67              |                                | 10                            |                                  | 2                             | 6                                | 2                             | 3                                 |
|                       | Co <sup>c</sup> | 15                           |                 |                 | 63              |                                | 12                            |                                  | 7                             |                                  | 3                             |                                   |
| 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene | Sc              | 27                           | 20              | 5               | 7               | 9                              |                               | 21                               |                               | 11                               |                               |                                   |
|                       | Fe <sup>a</sup> | 20                           |                 |                 | 57              |                                | 8                             | 4                                |                               | 5                                | 4                             | 2                                 |
|                       | Co <sup>b</sup> | 29                           |                 |                 | 46              |                                | 20                            |                                  |                               |                                  | 5                             |                                   |

<sup>a</sup> See ref 21. <sup>b</sup> See ref 20. <sup>c</sup> Hettich, R. L.; Freiser, B. S., unpublished results. The parentheses indicate empirical formula only, e.g. C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> could be H<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>.

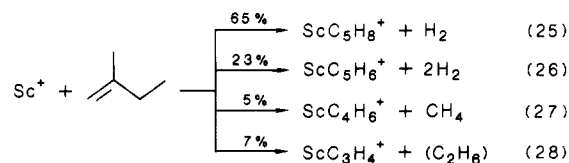
occurs prior to loss of H<sub>2</sub>. As in the case of the linear butenes, the secondary reactions of isobutene include C-C bond cleavage in addition to C-H bond cleavage (reactions 23 and 24). A proposed mechanism for reaction 24 is given



in Scheme II which involves either C-H or C-C insertion. The intermediate in the C-H insertion pathway has no β-hydrogens, thus leaving only the possibility for a β-methyl shift and reductive elimination of methane. Conversely, the intermediate in the C-C insertion pathway has β-hydrogens which can undergo β-hydrogen shifts to generate a complex that will also reductively eliminate methane. Support for the final product proposed in Scheme II is found in the CID results which show loss of the allene ligand to be the predominant process. In comparing the reactivity of other transition-metal ions with isobutene, we note that Fe<sup>+</sup> is unreactive while Co<sup>+</sup> both dehydrogenates and also cleaves a C-C bond resulting in a loss of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>. Interestingly, CID on CoC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> from isobutene yields exclusive loss of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub> suggesting a rearranged Co<sup>+</sup>-butadiene structure.<sup>22</sup>

Approximately 94% of the products in the reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with 2-methyl-2-butene and 88% of the products in

the reaction with 2-methyl-1-butene result from dehydrogenations. The product distribution for the reaction with 2-methyl-1-butene is given in reactions 25-28. It is



somewhat surprising that the dehydrogenation to C-C bond cleavage ratio is larger for the isomeric branched butenes than the linear pentenes. It is also interesting to note that neither Fe<sup>+</sup> nor Co<sup>+</sup> dehydrogenates any of these branched alkenes more than once. CID on ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> from reaction 26 shows fragmentation and loss of the entire ligand (reactions 29-34). As discussed in greater detail below, these results indicate that this ion does not rearrange to a cyclopentadiene ring structure.

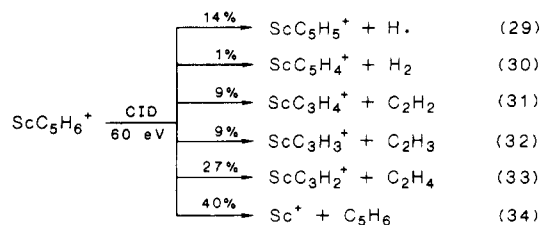
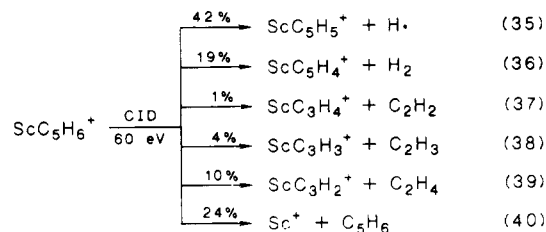


Table III. Neutral Products Lost in the Primary and Secondary Reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with Cyclic Alkenes

| alkene              | primary neutral lost | rel % | primary product ion | secondary neutral lost | rel % | secondary product ion |
|---------------------|----------------------|-------|---------------------|------------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| cyclopentene        | H <sub>2</sub>       | >98   |                     | 2H <sub>2</sub>        | 100   |                       |
| cyclohexene         | 2H <sub>2</sub>      | 100   |                     | 2H <sub>2</sub>        | 100   |                       |
| 1-methylcyclohexene | 2H <sub>2</sub>      | 100   |                     | 2H <sub>2</sub>        | 100   |                       |

The reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene (I), 2,3-dimethyl-1-butene (II), and 3,3-dimethyl-1-butene (III) offer additional insight. For both I and II, dehydrogenation reactions are the major processes observed (>50%). However, dehydrogenations account for <5% of the total products observed for III. This supports the idea that Sc<sup>+</sup> initially coordinates to alkenes at the double bond. Following coordination, I and II both have β-hydrogens which can be transferred onto the metal to initiate the dehydrogenation process. Since there are no β-hydrogens in III, dehydrogenation does not readily occur. Instead, Sc<sup>+</sup> can insert into one of the three terminal C-C bonds which makes the loss of CH<sub>4</sub> the most probable result. This is indeed what is observed, with the loss of CH<sub>4</sub> corresponding to ~57% of the total products observed in the case of 3,3-dimethyl-1-butene.

**Reactions with Cyclic Alkenes.** The reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with this last class of alkenes yield exclusively dehydrogenation processes, as seen in Table III. In the case of cyclopentene, single dehydrogenation is the major process observed with a minor amount of double dehydrogenation also observed. CID of the single dehydrogenation product ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> yields predominantly Sc<sup>+</sup>-cyclopentadienyl and the bare metal ion at low kinetic energies with some additional fragmentation products appearing at higher energies (reactions 35–40). Although these reaction path-



ways are the same as reactions 29–34, the relative abundances differ significantly from the CID results obtained from ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> generated from the linear and branched alkenes.

Double dehydrogenations were the exclusive processes observed in the reaction of Sc<sup>+</sup> with both cyclohexene and 1-methylcyclohexene resulting in presumably the Sc<sup>+</sup>-benzene and Sc<sup>+</sup>-toluene ions, respectively. This is supported by CID results. CID of ScC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> generated from cyclohexene yields loss of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> exclusively. Similarly, CID of ScC<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub><sup>+</sup> generated from 1-methylcyclohexene yields the loss of C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub> exclusively. These results for Sc<sup>+</sup> can be compared to those obtained for Fe<sup>+</sup> and Co<sup>+</sup> which also showed double dehydrogenation as the major product with cyclohexene.<sup>23</sup>

The secondary reactions of these cyclic alkenes strongly mimic the primary reactions. Again, only dehydrogenations are observed. Sc<sup>+</sup>-cyclopentadiene doubly dehydrogenates cyclopentene to form presumably the Sc<sup>+</sup>-bis(cyclopentadienyl) complex (i.e. scandocenium). The Sc<sup>+</sup>-bis(cyclopentadienyl) structure is supported by CID

Table IV. ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> Differentiation

| ScC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> <sup>+</sup> precursor | CID at ~44 eV neutral loss (%)   | ion-molecule reactions                      |   |
|--|--|---|---|
|  |  | benzene                                     | acetonitrile                                |
| linear butenes   | -C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (69)<br>-C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (15)<br>-H <sub>2</sub> (16) | condensation (100%)                         | condensation (100%)                         |
| isobutene  | -C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (77)<br>-C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (15)<br>-H <sub>2</sub> (8)  | condensation (52%)<br>dehydrogenation (48%) | condensation (54%)<br>dehydrogenation (46%) |
| propene  | -C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (63)<br>-C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (29)<br>-H <sub>2</sub> (8)  | condensation (70%)<br>dehydrogenation (30%) | condensation (66%)<br>dehydrogenation (34%) |

results which show the appearance of ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> as the major fragment ion. Likewise, the only reaction seen for Sc<sup>+</sup>-benzene and Sc<sup>+</sup>-toluene with cyclohexene and 1-methyl-1-cyclohexene are double dehydrogenations forming the Sc<sup>+</sup>-bis(benzene) complex and the Sc<sup>+</sup>-bis(toluene) complex, respectively. CID on the secondary product from cyclohexene yields sequential losses of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> and, likewise, sequential losses of C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub> fragments are observed for the toluene system supporting the bis(arene) structures.

**Isomer Differentiation.** Throughout this study, a number of isomeric species have been observed. Three of these, ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup>, ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, and ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>, have been the subject of further investigation. The methods used to attempt to differentiate the various isomers included CID, specific ion-molecule reactions, and H/D exchange experiments. In a number of cases, either a single method or a combination of the above mentioned methods yielded evidence for the existence of unique isomeric species. Unfortunately, in other cases the results were not clearly distinguishable, and, therefore, isomer differentiation was not possible. In addition, the presence of mixtures of isomeric ions could not be elucidated or ruled out.

The first isomer studied was ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> generated as the dehydrogenation product from the linear butenes (reaction 10) or isobutene, and in the secondary reactions with propene (reaction 9). The results are summarized in Table IV. The CID of these isomers all show losses of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, and H<sub>2</sub> with approximately the same ratios. However, the existence of at least two different isomers is supported by ion-molecule reactions with benzene and acetonitrile. ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> generated from the linear butenes only showed condensation with both benzene and acetonitrile, while ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> generated from isobutene and propene was observed to lose H<sub>2</sub> in its reactions with both benzene and acetonitrile as well as yield the corresponding condensation products.

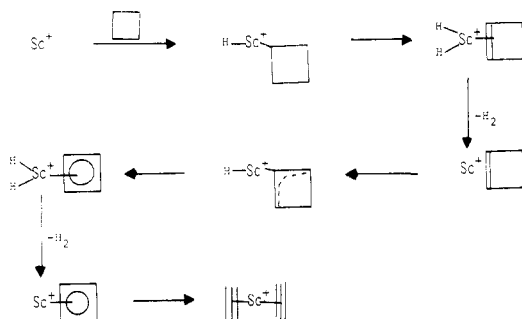
H/D exchange experiments were also performed on these isomers by using C<sub>3</sub>D<sub>6</sub> as the deuterating reagent. ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> generated from the linear butenes gave four rapid exchanges followed by two slower exchanges which sup-

Table V.  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  Differentiation

| $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$ precursor | CID at 20 eV neutral loss (%) | ion-molecule reactions            |                               |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                                      |                               | hydrogen cyanide neutral loss (%) | acetonitrile neutral loss (%) |
| 1,3-butadiene                        | $-\text{C}_4\text{H}_4$ (21)  | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (9)       | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (8)   |
|                                      | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (28)  | $-\text{H}_2$ (70)                | $-\text{H}_2$ (22)            |
|                                      | $-\text{H}_2$ (51)            | cond <sup>a</sup> (21)            | cond <sup>a</sup> (70)        |
| ethene                               | $-\text{C}_4\text{H}_4$ (24)  | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (10)      | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (8)   |
|                                      | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (14)  | $-\text{H}_2$ (71)                | $-\text{H}_2$ (24)            |
|                                      | $-\text{H}_2$ (62)            | cond <sup>a</sup> (19)            | cond <sup>a</sup> (68)        |
| cyclobutane                          | $-\text{C}_4\text{H}_4$ (29)  | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (20)      | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (22)  |
|                                      | $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ (71)  | $-\text{H}_2$ (80)                | $-\text{H}_2$ (39)            |
|                                      | $-\text{H}_2$ (0)             | cond <sup>a</sup> (0)             | cond <sup>a</sup> (39)        |

<sup>a</sup> Cond = condensation.

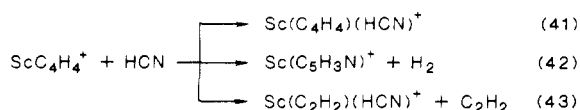
Scheme III



ports the butadiene structure. Isobutene yielded six very slow exchanges which differs from the linear butenes. H/D exchange could not successfully be performed on  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_6^+$  generated from propene due to a small product ion signal and difficulty in initially isolating an unscrambled  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_6^+$  species. The  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_6^+$  generated from isobutene and propene apparently are very similar if not identical. The possibility of a mixture also exists.

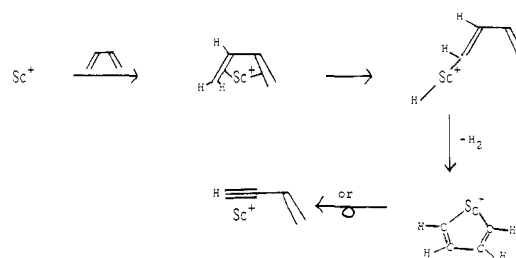
The next isomer studied,  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$ , can be generated from three different precursors: ethene, cyclobutane, and butadiene. The results are given in Table V and indicate that  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  generated from cyclobutane is clearly different than the ions generated from ethene and butadiene. The results for  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  generated from ethene and 1,3-butadiene, however, are more ambiguous. The CID spectra for  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  generated from the three neutral precursors are shown in Figure 1. The curves represent a visual fit through the data. The most striking difference observed is that, while the ions from ethene and butadiene lose  $\text{H}_2$ , those from cyclobutane do not. This result provides evidence for at least two stable  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  isomers. Although the CID spectra from ethene and butadiene are similar, they differ in that  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  loss is a more dominant process at lower energies for the species generated from butadiene. In fact it is surprising that  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  loss is least from the species one would most expect to observe it, namely, from ethene. This suggests, however, that the  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_4$  ligand generated from ethene is predominantly coupled and in the form of a single ligand as discussed below.

To further probe the structures of the isomeric  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  ions, ion-molecule reactions with hydrogen cyanide and acetonitrile were studied. With hydrogen cyanide, three products were observed for  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  generated from ethene and 1,3-butadiene (reactions 41–43). For  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  gen-

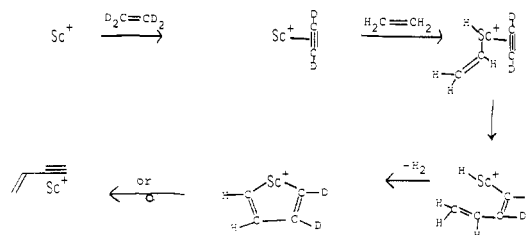


erated from cyclobutane, reaction 41 was not observed. It

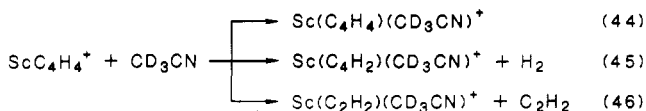
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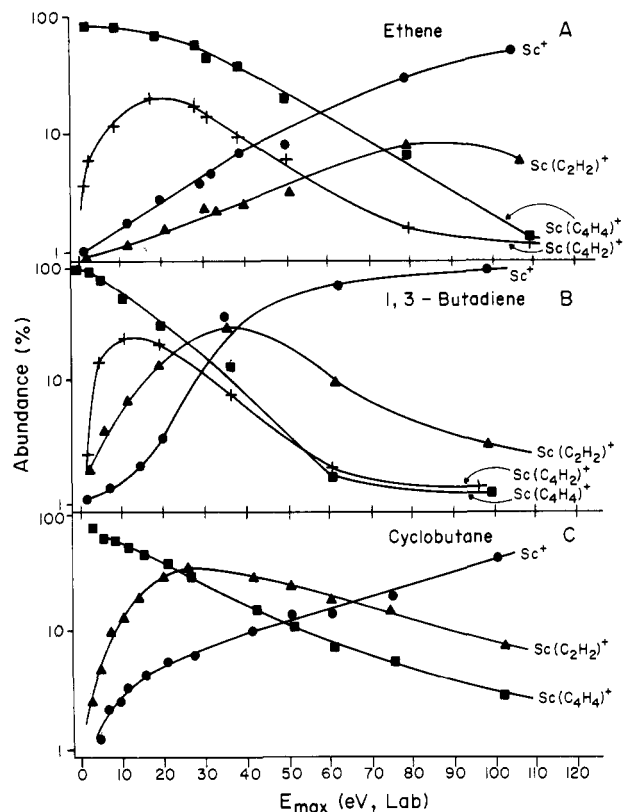
Scheme V



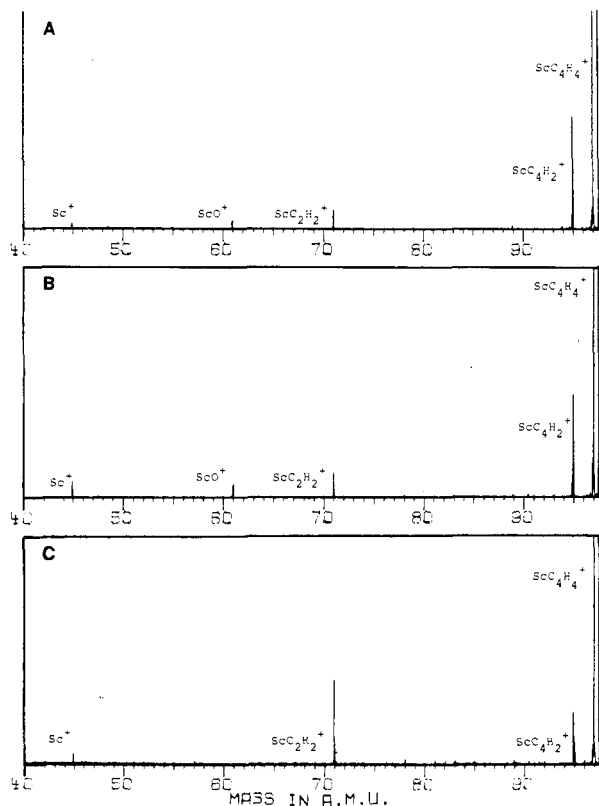
is interesting that  $\text{H}_2$  loss is observed (reaction 42), whereas it is not observed in the CID spectra. Thus, in agreement with the CID experiments, these results also differentiate  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  generated from cyclobutane from that generated from ethene and 1,3-butadiene. The product ion distribution for the latter two species, once again, are not significantly different enough to claim that they are unique isomers. However, the small amount of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  loss (10%) for  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  generated from ethene is further evidence for a single ligand species. When the  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  isomers were allowed to react with acetonitrile, three products were observed (reactions 44–46). Again, only subtle differences



in the reactivity of these ions were observed. Condensation of acetonitrile (reaction 44) is by far the predominant process. The fact that loss of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  again seems to be more favorable for cyclobutane, 22% compared to 8% for both ethene and butadiene, supports a bis(acetylene) structure for at least a portion of the population of this ion and a one ligand structure for the other two isomers. H/D exchange experiments were attempted on the  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  isomers but proved to be inconclusive. Other reagents used included benzene, pyridine, and ammonia. In each case loss of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  was greatest for  $\text{ScC}_4\text{H}_4^+$  generated from cyclobutane. However, no other striking differences in products or product ion distributions were observed. Finally, photodissociation experiments yield evidence for the existence of two distinct isomers. Figure 2 shows the results of trapping each isomer for five seconds while irradiating them at 370 nm (77 kcal/mol). Each of the isomers show the same losses as in the CID experiment, except for cyclobutane which also shows a loss of  $\text{H}_2$  which is absent in its CID spectrum. The cyclobutane case once again shows a greater occurrence of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  loss than do ethene or butadiene, and the data for ethene and butadiene are remarkably similar. A mechanism for the formation of the bis(acetylene) species generated from cyclobutane is shown in Scheme III. This mechanism invokes C-H insertions and a sequence of  $\beta$ -hydrogen shifts that are typical of  $\text{Sc}^+$  chemistry. The great ring strain is alleviated by decomposition of the four-member ring into two acetylene ligands. A possible mechanism for the formation of



**Figure 1.** CID product ion intensities vs ion kinetic energy for ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> isomers generated from (a) ethene (b) 1,3-butadiene, and (c) cyclobutane.



**Figure 2.** Photodissociation spectra (using 370-nm light) of ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> isomers generated from (a) ethene, (b) 1,3-butadiene, and (c) cyclobutane. Note: the presence of ScO<sup>+</sup> arises from background oxygen in the system.

a monoligand species from the reaction with butadiene is given in Scheme IV. Since the data collected on the ScC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> isomers generated from butadiene and ethene do

**Table VI.** ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> Differentiation

| ScC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>6</sub> <sup>+</sup> precursor | CID at 60 eV<br>neutral loss (%)    | H/D exchange                               |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| branched butenes <sup>a</sup>                          | -H <sup>•</sup> (14)                | six very slow exchanges                    |
|  | -H <sub>2</sub> (1)                 |  |
|  | -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> (9)  |  |
|  | -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> (9)  |  |
|  | -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (27) |  |
|  | -C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (40) |  |
| cyclopentene   | -H <sup>•</sup> (42)                | one fast followed by five slower exchanges |
|  | -H <sub>2</sub> (19)                |  |
|  | -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> (1)  |  |
|  | -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> (4)  |  |
|  | -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (10) |  |
|  | -C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (24) |  |

<sup>a</sup>The branched butenes represent the acyclic isomer. CID results here are from ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> generated from 2-methyl-1-butene.

not unambiguously differentiate between these two isomers, a mechanism for the reaction of Sc<sup>+</sup> with ethene producing the same product as the reaction with butadiene is proposed in Scheme V and invokes a migratory insertion of acetylene into a Sc<sup>+</sup>-alkylidene bond. Next, concerted loss of H<sub>2</sub> and ring closure result in the formation of the same product ion proposed in the reaction with 1,3-butadiene (Scheme IV). In addition, exclusive loss of H<sub>2</sub> and absence of the H/D exchange products ScC<sub>2</sub>HD<sup>+</sup> and ScC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> in the reaction of ScC<sub>2</sub>D<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> with C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> support initial insertion into a C-H bond in the incoming ethylene and the absence of a reversible bis(alkylidene) intermediate.

Another species whose isomers can be readily differentiated is ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup>. The cyclic species (generated presumably by dehydrogenation of cyclopentene) shows major differences in both CID results and H/D exchange experiments compared to the acyclic species (dehydrogenation product of 2-methyl-1-butene). The CID results for the acyclic species shows a higher degree of fragmentation, i.e. formation of ScC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, ScC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, and ScC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, than does the cyclic species. In addition, the H/D exchange results for the acyclic species shows six slow exchanges with C<sub>2</sub>D<sub>4</sub>, whereas the cyclic species exhibits one rapid exchange followed by five slow exchanges. The latter behavior is characteristic of the hydrido-cyclopentadienyl structure.<sup>23</sup> These results can be found in Table VI. In general agreement with the CID results, photodissociation of the cyclic species yields considerably less fragmentation than does the acyclic species. Surprisingly, no significant differences were detected between the ScC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> ions generated from the branched butenes or the linear pentenes using any of the techniques mentioned above.

**Thermochemistry.** It is possible to extract thermochemical data from the FTMS experiment. The heats of formation of acetylene and ethene and the fact that Sc<sup>+</sup> dehydrogenates ethene yields  $D^{\circ}(\text{Sc}^+-\text{acetylene}) > 41.7$  kcal/mol.<sup>18</sup> Likewise, it is possible to derive lower limits on all of the Sc<sup>+</sup>-ligand bond energies formed through the reactions of Sc<sup>+</sup> with the various alkenes studied. In order to successfully bracket the Sc<sup>+</sup>-ligand bond energy, however, first a known Sc<sup>+</sup>-ligand bond strength is needed. Second, it must be possible to form and isolate this Sc<sup>+</sup>-ligand complex in our system. Beauchamp and Tolbert reported  $D^{\circ}(\text{Sc}^+-\text{CH}_3) = 65 \pm 5$  kcal/mol and  $D^{\circ}(\text{Sc}^+-\text{H}) = 54 \pm 4$  kcal/mol.<sup>6</sup> In a more recent study, Armentrout and co-workers, using slightly more sensitive instrumentation determined  $D^{\circ}(\text{Sc}^+-\text{CH}_3) = 59.0 \pm 3$  kcal/mol and  $D^{\circ}(\text{Sc}^+-\text{H}) = 56.2 \pm 2$  kcal/mol.<sup>19</sup> A variety





*trans*-2-pentene, 646-04-8; 1-hexene, 592-41-6; *trans*-2-hexene, 4050-45-7; *trans*-3-hexene, 13269-52-8; 1-heptene, 592-76-7; 2-methylpropene, 115-11-7; 3-methyl-1-butene, 563-45-1; 2-methyl-2-butene, 513-35-9; 2-methyl-1-pentene, 763-29-1; 3-methyl-1-pentene, 760-20-3; 4-methyl-1-pentene, 691-37-2; 2-

methyl-2-pentene, 625-27-4; 3-methyl-2-pentene, 922-61-2; 4-methyl-2-pentene, 4461-48-7; 2,3-dimethyl-1-butene, 563-78-0; 3,3-dimethyl-1-butene, 558-37-2; 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene, 563-79-1; cyclopentene, 142-29-0; cyclohexene, 110-83-8; 1-methylcyclohexene, 591-49-1; isobutene, 115-11-7.

## Ortho-Chelated Arylrhodium(I) Complexes. X-ray Structure of $\text{Rh}^{\text{I}}[\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2)_{2-o,o'}\text{-C,N}](\text{COD})$

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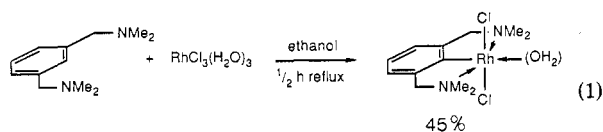
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The reaction of  $\text{Li}_n[\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2)_{2-o,o'}]_n$  with  $[\text{RhCl}(\text{diene})]_2$  yields the ortho-chelated arylrhodium(I) complexes  $\text{Rh}[\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2)_{2-o,o'}](\text{diene})$  ( $\text{R} = \text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2$ , diene = COD (**1a**) or NBD (**1b**); diene = COD,  $\text{R} = \text{Me}$  (**2**) or  $\text{H}$  (**3**)). The solid-state structure of **1a** was determined by a single-crystal X-ray diffraction study.  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{Rh}$ : triclinic, space group  $P\bar{1}$ , with lattice parameters  $a = 10.169$  (1) Å,  $b = 13.036$  (1) Å,  $c = 14.688$  (2) Å,  $\alpha = 79.54$  (1)°,  $\beta = 77.04$  (1)°,  $\gamma = 79.53$ °;  $V = 1845.6$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 4$ ;  $D(\text{calcd}) = 1.448$  g cm<sup>-3</sup>. Refinement with 4696 observed reflections converged at  $R = 0.0395$ . The structure of **1a** consists of a rhodium(I) center that has a square-planar coordination comprising the two double bonds of COD and a C atom and one of the N atoms of the monoanionic aryl ligand. In solution compounds **1** and **2** exhibit dynamic behavior which involves a reversible dissociation of the Rh-N bond and rotation of the aryl moiety around Rh-C. This process, which generates a highly unsaturated T-shaped 14 electron species, is accompanied by the relief of steric repulsions within the complex. Complex **1** reacts with a range of electrophilic reagents leading to Rh-C bond breakage (HX, X = acac, Cl, Br, OAc, OH, OMe, L-alanyl;  $\text{MX}_n\text{L}_m$ ,  $\text{SnMe}_2\text{Br}_2$ ,  $\text{NiBr}_2(\text{PBu}_3)_2$ ,  $\text{ZrCl}_4$ ,  $\text{PdCl}_2(\text{NCPH})_2$ ,  $\text{HgCl}_2$ ,  $\text{PtBr}_2(\text{COD})$ , and  $[\text{IrCl}(\text{COD})]_2$ ). A redox reaction of **1** with  $\text{AgX}$  (X = OAc,  $\text{NO}_3$ ) leads to the formation of  $\text{Rh}^{\text{III}}\text{X}_2[\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2)_{2-o,o'}](\text{H}_2\text{O})$ .

### Introduction

Recently we reported on the syntheses of  $\text{Rh}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_2\text{-}[\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2)_{2-o,o'}](\text{H}_2\text{O})$  via direct metalation of  $m\text{-}(\text{Me}_2\text{NCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$  with  $\text{RhCl}_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3$  (eq 1).<sup>1v</sup> The high



stability of this organometallic complex and its derivatives shows the stabilizing influence that the "built-in" ligands in the organo group have on the metal-carbon bond. In the special case of bis-ortho chelation, a terdentate monoanionic aryl ligand like  $[\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2)_{2-o,o'}]$  encapsulates the complexed metal to some extent but still leaves enough distinctly positioned sites for the resulting complex to serve as a model compound for the study of elementary reaction processes. In this respect the use of organo, but also nonorgano,<sup>2</sup> terdentate ligands has been extensively exploited by us<sup>1</sup> and others<sup>3-6</sup> and has produced many unprecedented results. The chemistry of nickel(II) and platinum(II)  $[\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2)_{2-o,o'}]$  complexes has greatly improved our understanding of the elementary steps in electron-transfer processes between  $d^8$  metal complexes

and electrophiles like alkyl halides and halogens.<sup>1</sup> These results prompted us to also develop the chemistry of

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