

Reaction of Cp*MoCl₄ and Cp*WCl₄ with H₂O, H₂S, Amines, and Hydrazines. Formation of the Trioxo Anions [Cp*Mo(O)₃]⁻ and [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ and the Trisulfido Anion [Cp*W(S)₃]⁻

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In the presence of aqueous NaOH and air, Cp*WCl₄ undergoes hydrolysis and oxidation to form Cp*W(O)₂Cl. When air is excluded, two W(V) intermediates are detected in the above reaction for which spectroscopic evidence indicates the formulations Cp*WCl₃(OH) and Cp*WCl₂(OH)₂. In the absence of air, Cp*MoCl₄ reacts with NaOH(aq) to cleanly yield the Mo(V) compound Cp*Mo(O)Cl₂, but in the presence of air oxidation occurs to give the Mo(VI) complex Cp*Mo(O)₂Cl. Both Cp*WCl₄ and Cp*MoCl₄ react with aqueous Bu^tNH₂ in the presence of air to form the trioxo anions [Cp*M(O)₃]⁻, which have been isolated as their [Bu^tNH₃]⁺ salts. The trioxo anions are also produced upon treatment of Cp*M(O)₂Cl or [Cp*M(O)₂]₂(μ-O) with aqueous Bu^tNH₂. [(Ph₃P)₂N]⁺ and [Buⁿ₄N]⁺ salts of [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ were obtained by metathesis reactions, and the reaction of [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ with EtC(O)CH=CH₂ gave the salt [Bu^t(EtC(O)CH₂CH₂)NH₂][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻. The complex Cp*WCl₄ was also observed to react with anhydrous Bu^tNH₂ in the absence of air to form Cp*W(NBu^t)Cl₂, which in turn gave Cp*W(O)(NBu^t)Cl upon exposure to moist air. With phenylhydrazine, Cp*WCl₄ reacted in air to give the bis(hydrazinido) complex Cp*W(NNHPPh)₂Cl. With H₂S in air, both Cp*WCl₄ and Cp*MoCl₄ reacted to give mixtures of the known dinuclear compounds [Cp*M(S)₂]₂(μ-S)₂ and [Cp*M(S)]₂(μ-S₂), but in the presence of NEt₃, Cp*WCl₄ and H₂S reacted to give the new trisulfido anion [Cp*W(S)₃]⁻. In exploratory reactions of [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ with unsaturated organic substrates, phenylketene was observed to react with this trioxo anion to give a new complex formed via net [2 + 2] cycloaddition of a W=O bond across the ketene C=C bond, and two molecules of MeO{O}CC=CC{O}OMe were taken up by [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ to form a new complex with a six-membered WOC(R)=C(R)C(R)=C(R) ring. Crystal structures are reported for [Bu^t(EtC(O)CH₂CH₂)NH₂][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻·1/2[Bu^tNH₃]⁺Cl⁻, [(Ph₃P)₂N][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻·2H₂O, [Et₃NH][Cp*W(S)₃]⁻, and [Cp*W(S)]₂(μ-S)₂.

Introduction

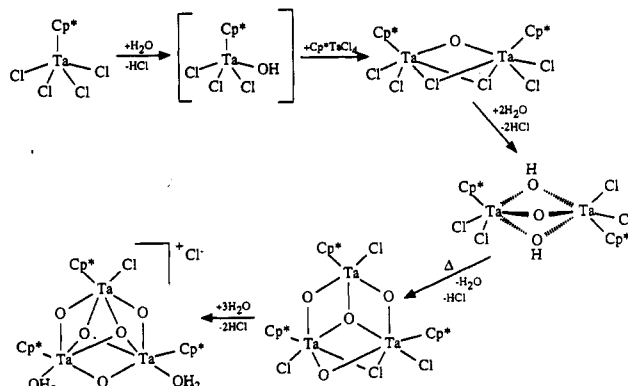
It was earlier reported from these laboratories that Cp*TaCl₄ (Cp* = η⁵-C₅Me₅) undergoes stepwise hydrolysis of the tantalum-chloride bonds to yield the binuclear and trinuclear complexes shown in Scheme I.¹ With the exception of Cp*TaCl₃(OH), all of the products shown in the scheme were isolated as well-characterized solids,¹ and the binuclear complex [Cp*TaCl₂]₂(μ-O)(μ-OH)₂ was recently prepared by Curtis *et al.* by an alternative route and was crystallographically characterized.² Several related tantalum and niobium compounds have also been described.³ A significant aspect of this study was its demonstration that oxide ligands could be introduced into organometallic clusters in a stepwise and controlled manner.

As an extension of that work, we have since examined the hydrolysis behavior of the related group VI metal

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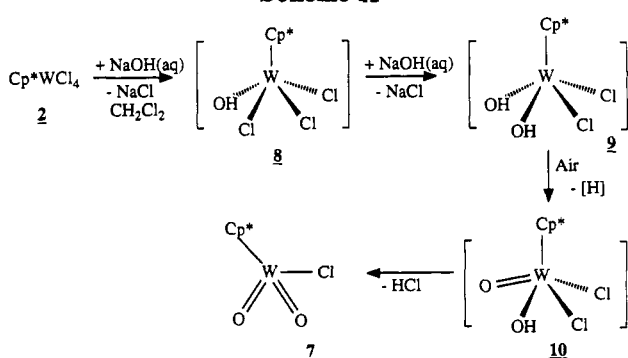
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Scheme I



halides Cp*MoCl₄, 1,⁴ and Cp*WCl₄, 2,^{4,5} and details of those reactions are described herein. Compounds 1 and 2 have been extensively used as starting materials for a variety of organometallic compounds within the Cp*MoL_x and Cp*WL_x families. Although early molecular weight measurements on W(η⁵-C₅Me₄Bu^t)Cl₄ indicated it to be

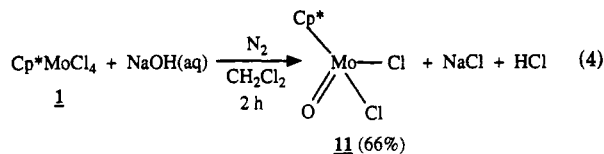
Scheme II



presence of the compounds 8 and 9 shown in Scheme II. After 2 was stirred in CH₂Cl₂ with 2 equiv of aqueous NaOH for 4 h, complex 8 was isolated as a dark green paramagnetic powder by precipitation with hexane. Similarly, compound 9 was obtained as a dark green solid by adding 4 equiv of NaOH(aq) and allowing the reaction to stir for 6 h with a similar workup. Neither compound was obtained pure, with each contaminated with small amounts of each other, 2, 7, and residual NaCl and NaOH. Like the parent compound 2 [¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 13.48 (Cp*)],⁵ both 8 and 9 showed broad ¹H NMR resonances indicative of a paramagnetic species. For 8, a resonance at δ 8.9 is attributed to the Cp* ligand and a resonance at δ 10.1 is assigned to the coordinated OH group. Compound 9 showed similar broad ¹H NMR resonances at δ 16.1 (Cp*) and 29.1 (OH). In each case, the downfield resonances were absent when 8 and 9 were prepared from NaOD in D₂O solution, consistent with the assignment of these resonances to the coordinated OH groups. Neither compound gave a parent ion in its mass spectrum, but in each case a strong ion was observed at *m/z* = 407 corresponding to Cp*W(O)Cl₂. However, no ν_{W=O} vibration in the 890–950-cm⁻¹ region was observed for either compound, indicating the absence of an oxo ligand at this stage of the hydrolysis. Thus, the Cp*W(O)Cl₂ ion observed in the mass spectra must arise by fragmentation reactions, which for 8 would involve loss of HCl and for 9 loss of water. The presence of two chloride ligands in the Cp*W(O)Cl₂ ion in the mass spectrum indicates that neither 8 nor 9 is Cp*W(OH)₃Cl, which could have also formed in these reactions. No evidence was obtained for this latter species, even when excess base was used in the hydrolysis. Both compounds 8 and 9 showed a broad IR (KBr) band attributable to the OH ligand [8, 3447; 9, 3431 cm⁻¹], with this band stronger for 9 than for 8. When these compounds were prepared from NaOD/D₂O, these IR bands shifted to 2519 (8) and 2535 (9) cm⁻¹. A room-temperature ESR spectrum of a solution containing compound 9 showed a signal at *g* ≈ 1.94 with a width at half-height of 55 G which compares well to that of 2 (*g* ≈ 1.92, width at half-height = 50 G).⁵

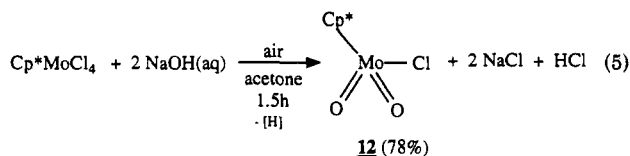
Air-oxidation of both compounds 8 and 9 in solution (rapidly) or in the solid state (slowly) gave high-yield formation of 7. As indicated in Scheme II, we suggest that this proceeds via oxidation to give compound 10, which then forms 7 by rapid loss of HCl.

Hydrolysis of Cp*MoCl₄ with Aqueous NaOH. As earlier found by Green and co-workers for the Cp analogue of Cp*MoCl₄ (1),^{10,11} hydrolysis of 1 with aqueous NaOH in the absence of air proceeded slowly but smoothly to form Cp*Mo(O)Cl₂, 11, as the only detectable product, eq 4. This compound was isolated as a red-brown solid and



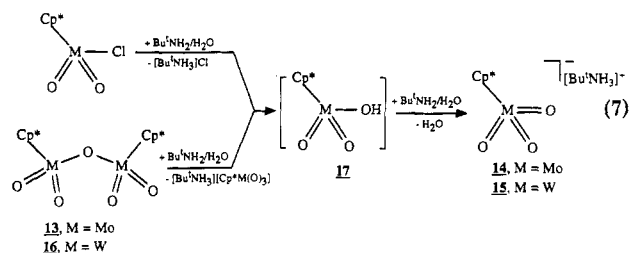
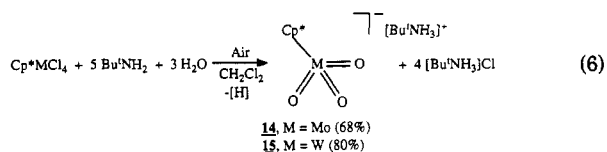
was spectroscopically characterized (see Experimental Section). It presumably forms by hydrolysis of two of the Mo–Cl bonds of 1 to form Cp*Mo(OH)₂Cl₂, which then eliminates a molecule of water.

When the hydrolysis of Cp*MoCl₄ was conducted in air, the known compound Cp*Mo(O)₂Cl, 12,^{16a} was obtained in good yield under the conditions given in eq 5.



However, when the reaction time was 30 min or less, a mixture of compounds 11 and 12 was formed. The former compound is a logical intermediate to 12, and indeed it was observed that 11 reacted in air with 1 equiv of NaOH(aq) to give clean conversion to 12. However, the use of excess NaOH(aq) and longer reaction times gave instead formation of the known dimeric species 13,¹⁶ Scheme III. This latter product likely forms via hydrolysis of 12 to form Cp*Mo(O)₂OH, which undergoes condensation via loss of H₂O to form 13. This was demonstrated by adding excess base to a solution of 12, which led to the clean formation of 13 over a 30-min period.

Formation of the Trioxo Anions [Cp*M(O)₃]⁻ (M = Mo, W) via Hydrolysis of Cp*MCl₄, Cp*M(O)₂Cl, and [Cp*M(O)₂]₂(μ-O) with Bu^tNH₂/H₂O in Air. As noted above, complexes 1 and 2 react with aqueous NaOH to give, after air oxidation, the chloro complexes Cp*M(O)₂Cl. Different results were obtained using the base Bu^tNH₂ in the presence of water. These reactions led to the formation of the new anionic trioxo complexes 14 and 15, which were isolated as their Bu^tNH₃⁺ salts, eq 6. These trioxo anions



also readily result from treatment Cp*M(O)₂Cl with aqueous Bu^tNH₂, and it was also found that 14 and 15 were cleanly produced by a similar reaction of the μ-oxo compounds [Cp*M(O)₂]₂(μ-O) with aqueous Bu^tNH₂, eq 7. As illustrated, both of these latter reactions likely proceed via formation of the hydroxide complex 17, which is then deprotonated by the aqueous base. It was sometimes observed that small amounts of the μ-oxo complexes 13 and 16 were produced during the hydrolysis

Scheme III

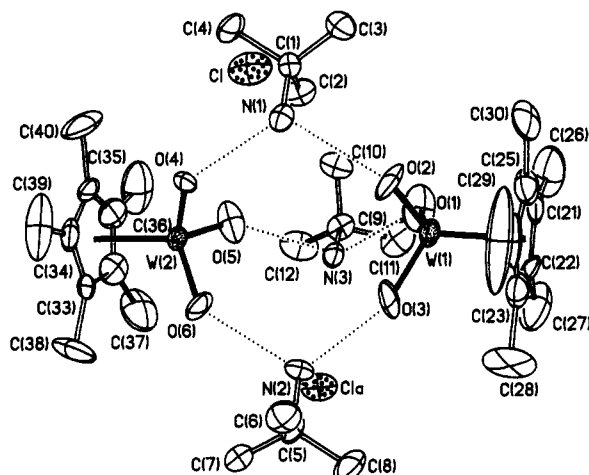
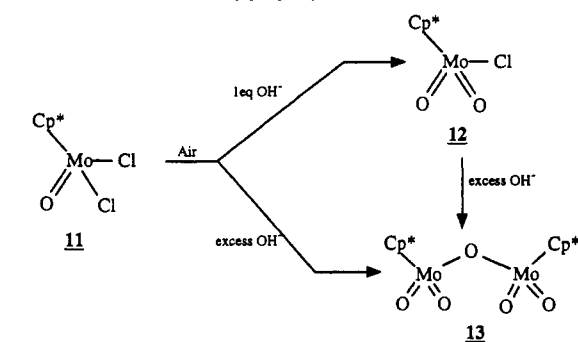


Figure 1. ORTEP drawing for [Bu⁴NH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]·½[Bu⁴NH₃]Cl, 15a.

reactions of Cp*MoCl₄, but their formation could be minimized by using excess BuⁿNH₂(aq). Since the time of the original communication of these results,⁹ Sundermeyer and co-workers have reported the synthesis of [Buⁿ₄N][Cp*W(O)₃]·2H₂O via the similar reaction of [Cp*W(O)₂]₂(μ-O) with [Buⁿ₄N][OH].¹⁷

It was also observed that treatment of complexes 14 and 15 with HCl(g) gave clean re-formation of the chloro complexes Cp*M(O)₂Cl. Complexes 14 and 15 were also observed to react with aqueous acetic acid (2 M) to give near quantitative formation of the binuclear μ-oxo complexes 13 and 16. Both of these reactions likely proceed via protonation of an oxo ligand of 14 and 15 to form the hydroxide complex 17, which then undergoes condensation to form the μ-oxo complexes or displacement of the hydroxide ligand by chloride to form Cp*M(O)₂Cl.

Complexes 14 and 15 were obtained as spectroscopically characterized yellow and white microcrystalline solids, respectively, and three different salts of 15 have been further defined by X-ray diffraction studies (see Figures 1–3 and below). The preparation of 14 and 15 from Cp*MCl₄ or Cp*M(O)₂Cl always gave products containing varying amounts of the [Buⁿ₄NH₃]Cl byproduct, and it has proven difficult to completely separate these salts. The preparation of 14 and 15 from the μ-oxo complexes 13 and 16 does not yield [Buⁿ₄NH₃]Cl as a byproduct, and this represents an important advantage of that synthetic route. A PPN⁺ (PPN⁺ = (Ph₃P)₂N⁺) salt of [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ was also obtained as a chloride-free white powder by first treating [Buⁿ₄NH₃][Cp*W(O)₃] with [Buⁿ₄N]OH to form

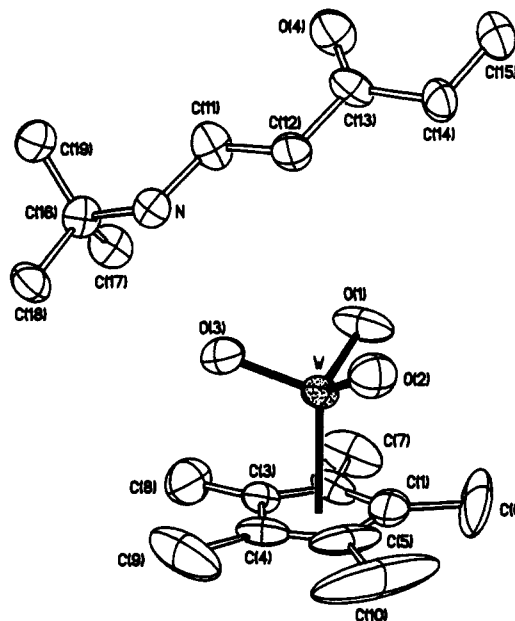


Figure 2. ORTEP drawing for [Bu⁴(EtC{O}CH₂-CH₂)NH₂][Cp*W(O)₃], 15b.

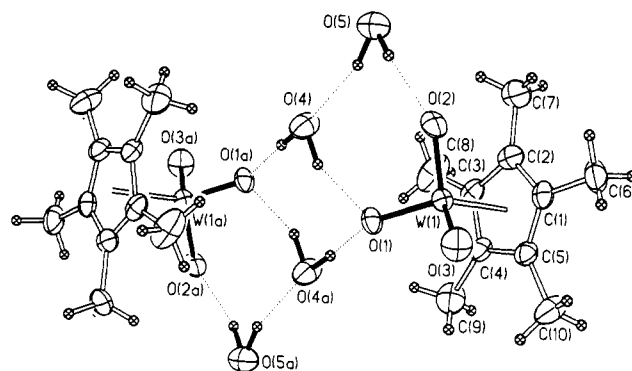


Figure 3. ORTEP drawing for [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃]·2H₂O, 15. The [PPN]⁺ ions have been omitted for clarity.

oilily [Buⁿ₄N][Cp*W(O)₃]. The latter salt is soluble in both polar and nonpolar solvents (CH₂Cl₂, hexane) in contrast to [Buⁿ₄NH₃][Cp*W(O)₃], which is soluble in CH₂Cl₂ but not in less polar organic solvents. We were unable to solidify [Buⁿ₄N][Cp*W(O)₃], but metathesis with [PPN]Cl led to the formation of [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃], which was obtained as an analytically pure white solid, albeit in low overall yield. This latter salt could not be obtained by direct treatment of [Buⁿ₄NH₃][Cp*W(O)₃] with [PPN]Cl since no conditions were found that would give clean metathesis of the cations. The crystal structure of [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃]·2H₂O described below shows the presence of two water molecules per formula unit, although we were unable to obtain convincing IR or ¹H NMR evidence for H₂O in the bulk material described above. Also, the C, H analysis was consistent with an anhydrous sample (see Experimental Section) but not with the hydrated formulation. However, given the strong tendency of the oxo ligands of [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ to hydrogen bond with either the cation or with water, as illustrated in the crystal structures described below and in Sundermeyer's independent preparation of [Buⁿ₄N][Cp*W(O)₃]·2H₂O, the presence of water in all of these samples must be regarded as a likely possibility.

Before proceeding to a discussion of the characterization of 14 and 15, we note that these anions are closely related to the Cp*ReO₃ and Cp*TcO₃ complexes that have been

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extensively studied by Herrmann and co-workers.¹⁸ The hydridotris(1-pyrazolyl)borate (Tp) and hydridotris{3,5-dimethyl-1-pyrazolyl}borate (Tp*) analogues to 14, [TpMo(O)₃]⁻ and [Tp*Mo(O)₃]⁻, have also been prepared^{19a} as has the σ -aryl derivative [(η^1 -2,4,6-C₆H₂Me₃)Mo(O)₃]⁻^{19b} and the Tp*-tungsten analogue, [Tp*W(O)₃]⁻.^{19c} Both the Tp-molybdenum complexes and the σ -aryl derivative have been crystallographically characterized. Related σ -alkyl tungsten trioxo anions [(Me₃CCH₂)W(O)₃]⁻ and [(Me₃SiCH₂)W(O)₃]⁻ are also known.²⁰ An anionic ethylenediaminetetraacetate (EDTA) derivative [EDTA(Mo(O)₃)₂]⁴⁻ has been reported,²¹ and examples of neutral molybdenum trioxo complexes include (1,4,7-triazacyclononane)Mo(O)₃^{22a} and (diethylenetriamine)Mo(O)₃.^{22b} A similar Tp* analogue of 7, Tp*W(O)₂Cl, has also been recently described.²³

Three different salts of [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, 15, have been crystallographically characterized in this work. The first was the mixed salt [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻·1/2[Bu^tNH₃]Cl (15a) obtained from the preparation of 15 via hydrolysis of Cp*WCl₄ by aqueous Bu^tNH₂. As indicated in the formula, 0.5 equiv of [Bu^tNH₃]Cl co-crystallized with each 1 equiv of [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]. A chloride-free salt [Bu^t(EtC{O}CH₂CH₂)NH₂][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ (15b) was serendipitously obtained in an attempt to induce reaction of the oxo ligands of the anion in [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ with EtC{O}CH=CH₂, but instead the *tert*-butylammonium cation added across the olefin double bond to give the cation [Bu^t(EtC{O}CH₂CH₂)NH₂]⁺. The third salt is [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻·2H₂O (15c), which resulted from the metathesis of [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ with aqueous [Bu^t₄N]OH followed by further metathesis with [PPN]Cl. ORTEP drawings are shown in Figures 1–3 and important crystallographic information is given in Tables I–VII. All three structures show the presence of extensive hydrogen bonding between the [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ anion and either the cations (for 15a,b) or H₂O (for 15c). In 15c, the Cp*W(O)₃⁻ anions form hydrogen-bonded dimers as shown in Figure 3 involving four water molecules in each dimer. The tungsten–oxygen distances in the three compounds average

Table I. Crystal, Data Collection, and Refinement Parameters for [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻·1/2[Bu^tNH₃]Cl, 15a, [Bu^t(EtC{O}CH₂CH₂)NH₂][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, 15b, and [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻·2H₂O, 15c

	15a	15b	15c
(a) Crystal Parameters			
formula	C ₃₂ H ₆₆ N ₃ O ₆ ClW ₂	C ₁₉ H ₃₅ NO ₄ W	C ₄₆ H ₄₉ NO ₅ P ₂ W
fw	991.37	525.34	941.7
cryst system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
space group	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁ /c
a, Å	13.822(5)	9.508(3)	11.106(4)
b, Å	17.894(7)	15.142(4)	12.935(2)
c, Å	17.277(7)	15.278(4)	29.285(9)
β , deg	95.06(4)	98.45(2)	92.70(2)
V, Å ³	4256.5(10)	2175.6(11)	4202.5(20)
Z	4	4	4
μ (Mo K α), cm ⁻¹	58.09	56.29	28.71
D _{calc} , g cm ⁻³	1.547	1.604	1.488
color	colorless	colorless	colorless
size, mm	0.36 × 0.38 × 0.46	0.28 × 0.42 × 0.36	0.10 × 0.28 × 0.30
(b) Data Collection			
diffractometer	Nicolet R3m	Nicolet R3m	Siemens P4
data (h,k,l)	±16,+21,+20	±11,+17,+17	±12,+14,+33
2 θ scan	4–48	4–45	4–48
limits, deg			
rflns colld	6926	3124	6751
indpt rflns	6352	2846	6605
rflns (F _o ≥ 3 σ (F _o))	3667 (n = 5)	1889 (n = 5)	4117 (n = 5)
T _{max} /T _{min}	0.143/0.052	0.105/0.063	1.13 (STET)
(c) Refinement			
R(F), % ^a	6.26	4.61	4.04
R _w (F), %	6.26	4.78	4.67
$\Delta(\rho)_{max}$, e Å ⁻³	2.4	1.3	0.49
Δ/σ_{max}	0.04	0.004	0.001
GOF	1.241	1.19	0.94
N _o /N _v	9.2	8.6	8.3

$$^a R(F) = \sum(|F_o| - |F_c|) / \sum|F_o|; R_w(F) = \sum(w^{1/2}(|F_o| - |F_c|)) / (\sum w^{1/2}|F_o|); GOF = [\sum w|F_o| - |F_c| / N_o - N_v]^{1/2}$$

1.751, 1.746, and 1.758 Å, while the O–W–O angles average 105.2, 104.6, and 105.3°, respectively, for 15a–c. The 22 structures with W=O linkages tabulated in an analysis of the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center's database have an average W=O distance of 1.692 Å with a median value of 1.697 Å.²⁴ The W=O bonds in 15a–c are thus longer than typically found. This is consistent with the need for the oxo ligands in 15 to donate only two electrons to the metal to achieve a satisfactory 18 e⁻ count, in contrast to most metal oxo complexes in which the oxo ligand functions as a four-electron donor (using the electron counting convention of treating all atoms as neutral).²⁵ Thus the oxo ligands in 15 should be bound more weakly to the metal than in most other W=O complexes and have a correspondingly longer W=O bond. The spectroscopic data summarized below support this conclusion. However, it should be noted that the extensive hydrogen bonding present in 15a–c may also contribute to the observed lengthening of the W=O bonds.

The spectroscopic data for 14 and 15 are consistent with their indicated formulations. Both the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of highly purified samples of the [Bu^tNH₃]⁺ salts of both anions showed the presence of Cp* and Bu^t groups

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Table II. Atomic Coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and Isotropic Parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for $[\text{Bu}^t\text{NH}_3][\text{Cp}^*\text{W}(\text{O})_3]^{1/2}[\text{Bu}^t\text{NH}_3]\text{Cl}$, 15a

	x	y	z	U^a
W(1)	431.4(5)	1020.0(4)	7986.9(5)	52.7(3)
W(2)	4459.5(4)	1103.9(4)	7373.1(4)	43.1(2)
Cl	2930(4)	3971(2)	9212(3)	79(2)
O(1)	911(10)	178(7)	8383(1)	113(8)
O(2)	1106(8)	1735(7)	8467(9)	88(6)
O(3)	787(10)	1040(11)	7053(10)	131(9)
O(4)	4296(7)	1820(6)	8054(6)	54(4)
O(5)	3945(10)	316(7)	7778(10)	96(7)
O(6)	3710(8)	1324(7)	6537(8)	73(5)
N(1)	2914(9)	2192(6)	8992(8)	47(5)
C(1)	3166(1)	1775(9)	9746(10)	54(6)
C(2)	3164(14)	945(8)	9569(11)	62(7)
C(3)	2456(13)	1969(10)	10298(11)	72(8)
C(4)	4177(11)	2019(11)	10068(12)	75(8)
N(2)	1991(10)	753(6)	5953(8)	47(5)
C(5)	1722(11)	1116(8)	5182(11)	49(6)
C(6)	1687(14)	1949(9)	5337(12)	77(9)
C(7)	2524(13)	922(10)	4690(12)	73(8)
C(8)	740(13)	840(11)	4857(13)	87(9)
N(3)	2330(9)	-584(7)	7636(9)	55(5)
C(10)	2833(15)	-1010(8)	8951(11)	73(8)
C(9)	2535(13)	-1274(8)	8112(12)	59(7)
C(11)	1565(15)	-1691(10)	8110(15)	105(11)
C(12)	3325(16)	-1707(10)	7781(13)	95(10)
C(21)	-1054(12)	655(13)	8582(15)	73(9)
C(22)	-1213(12)	551(10)	7781(13)	61(8)
C(23)	-1207(13)	1208(10)	7428(13)	72(8)
C(24)	-1039(12)	1748(10)	7980(18)	94(11)
C(25)	-947(14)	1382(14)	8724(16)	86(11)
C(26)	-1028(17)	10(17)	9164(18)	173(18)
C(27)	-1355(17)	-223(13)	7375(18)	147(16)
C(28)	-1387(23)	1306(19)	6513(15)	206(21)
C(29)	-957(16)	2587(12)	7868(28)	293(34)
C(30)	-735(17)	1744(19)	9488(17)	194(19)
C(31)	5980(15)	436(15)	7616(17)	83(10)
C(32)	5711(15)	400(13)	6867(17)	79(10)
C(33)	5759(11)	1127(13)	6531(11)	60(7)
C(34)	6054(13)	1587(10)	7146(16)	65(9)
C(35)	6168(12)	1171(16)	7817(13)	77(10)
C(36)	5995(18)	-268(14)	8100(20)	166(19)
C(39)	6166(17)	2434(12)	7121(22)	169(20)
C(40)	6460(18)	1428(21)	8630(17)	216(21)

^a Equivalent isotropic U defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

Table III. Selected Bond Distances and Angles for $[\text{Bu}^t\text{NH}_3][\text{Cp}^*\text{W}(\text{O})_3]^{1/2}[\text{Bu}^t\text{NH}_3]\text{Cl}$, 15a

(a) Bond Distances (\AA)			
W(1)-O(1)	1.759(14)	W(2)-O(4)	1.768(11)
W(1)-O(2)	1.749(13)	W(2)-O(5)	1.752(13)
W(1)-O(3)	1.728(18)	W(2)-O(6)	1.747(12)
N(1)...O(2)	2.71(2)	N(1)...O(4)	2.70(2)
N(2)...O(3)	2.68(2)	N(2)...O(6)	2.70(2)
N(3)...O(1)	2.80(2)	N(3)...O(5)	2.75(2)
(b) Bond Angles (deg)			
O(1)-W(1)-O(2)	106.0(7)	O(4)-W(2)-O(5)	103.7(6)
O(1)-W(1)-O(3)	104.6(9)	O(4)-W(2)-O(6)	106.6(5)
O(2)-W(1)-O(3)	104.1(8)	O(5)-W(2)-O(6)	106.2(6)

in a 15:9 intensity ratio. The ^{17}O NMR spectra of the complexes showed only a single resonance in each case (14, δ 621.5; 15, δ 490.5), indicating the presence of equivalent oxo ligands. In both cases, the chemical shifts of these oxo ligands are at the upfield end of the general range observed for other $\text{Mo}=\text{O}$ and $\text{W}=\text{O}$ compounds (e.g., δ 701 for $[\text{Mo}(\text{O})_3(\text{nitriilotriacetate})]^{3-}$,²⁶ δ 821 for $[\text{Mo}_7(\text{O})_{24}]^{6-}$,²⁷ δ 844 for 13, δ 1025 for $\text{Mo}(\text{O})_2(\text{acac})_2$,²⁶ δ

Table IV. Atomic Coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and Isotropic Parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for $[\text{Bu}^t(\text{EtC}\{\text{O}\}\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)\text{NH}_2][\text{Cp}^*\text{W}(\text{O})_3]$, 15b

	x	y	z	U^a
W	2124.1(5)	4927.3(3)	6917.6(3)	49.4(2)
O(1)	3532(11)	5596(8)	6679(7)	101(5)
O(2)	656(10)	5638(7)	6819(7)	79(4)
O(3)	1714(11)	4223(6)	6026(6)	84(5)
N	1881(10)	4288(6)	4288(7)	51(4)
C(1)	2681(32)	4934(11)	8478(12)	118(12)
C(2)	3760(15)	4381(9)	8177(10)	69(6)
C(3)	3086(13)	3660(8)	7787(8)	51(5)
C(4)	1705(15)	3685(10)	7896(10)	72(6)
C(5)	1504(28)	4458(15)	8344(14)	135(12)
C(6)	3106(33)	5782(12)	8954(12)	262(22)
C(7)	5393(16)	4583(12)	8199(13)	119(9)
C(8)	3753(20)	2913(10)	7344(11)	111(9)
C(9)	611(20)	2980(13)	7537(13)	151(12)
C(10)	-10(30)	4713(19)	8558(17)	330(25)
C(11)	2552(15)	5132(8)	4057(11)	72(6)
C(12)	1946(15)	5914(8)	4493(10)	67(6)
C(13)	2456(13)	6791(8)	4238(10)	59(5)
C(14)	2074(15)	7568(8)	4787(9)	67(6)
C(15)	2689(19)	8417(9)	4521(11)	102(9)
O(4)	3122(11)	6874(6)	3654(8)	83(5)
C(16)	2600(13)	3463(8)	4044(9)	55(5)
C(17)	4060(14)	3394(9)	4581(10)	77(6)
C(18)	1604(14)	2758(8)	4334(9)	69(6)
C(19)	2581(14)	3416(9)	3067(9)	66(6)

^a Equivalent isotropic U defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

Table V. Selected Bond Distances and Angles for $[\text{Bu}^t(\text{EtC}\{\text{O}\}\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)\text{NH}_2][\text{Cp}^*\text{W}(\text{O})_3]$, 15b

(a) Bond Distances (\AA)			
W-O(1)	1.759(11)	N...O(2)	2.74(1)
W-O(2)	1.751(10)	N...O(3)	2.68(1)
W-O(3)	1.728(9)		
(c) Bond Angles (deg)			
O(1)-W-O(2)	104.4(5)	O(2)-W-O(3)	103.1(5)
O(1)-W-O(3)	106.4(5)		

678 for 16, δ 736 for 7, δ 775 for $\text{Cp}_2\text{W}=\text{O}^{28}$). The upfield chemical shift implies a decreased π -bonding to the metal and enhanced electron density on the oxygen atoms in 14 and 15, as compared to the compounds listed above.^{25,27}

A trioxo complex with C_{3v} symmetry should show two $\text{M}=\text{O}$ bands in the IR, corresponding to symmetric (A_1) and asymmetric (E) modes.²⁵ Two $\nu(\text{M}=\text{O})$ vibrations are indeed observed in the IR (KBr) spectra of 14 ($\nu(\text{Mo}=\text{O}) = 864, 819 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) and 15 ($\nu(\text{W}=\text{O}) = 898, 836 \text{ cm}^{-1}$), as was also found for the related compound $\text{Cp}^*\text{Re}(\text{O})_3$ ($\nu(\text{Re}=\text{O}) = 909, 878 \text{ cm}^{-1}$).^{18a} However, the asymmetric bands for 14 and 15 in the IR(KBr) are each split due to the inequivalency of each oxygen in the solid state as a result of hydrogen bonding. A similar splitting was observed for the analogous $[\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}_2]^+$ and $[\text{PPN}]^+$ salts of 15. Kochi and co-workers have observed a similar effect for the complex $[\text{Et}_4\text{N}][\text{TpMo}(\text{O})_3]\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$.^{19a} The $\nu(\text{M}=\text{O})$ vibrations of 14 and 15 are significantly lower in energy than typically found for other Mo -oxo and W -oxo complexes [e.g., $[\text{NH}_4][\text{Mo}(\text{O})_3\text{F}_3]$, $\nu(\text{Mo}=\text{O}) = 900, 824 \text{ cm}^{-1}$,²⁹ $\text{Mo}(\text{O})_3(\text{diethylenetriamine})$, $\nu(\text{Mo}=\text{O}) = 911, 872 \text{ cm}^{-1}$,²⁹ $[\text{PPh}_4][(\eta^1-2,4,6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_2\text{Me}_3)\text{Mo}(\text{O})_3]$, $\nu(\text{Mo}=\text{O}) =$

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Table VI. Atomic Coordinates (×10⁴) and Isotropic Parameters (Å² × 10³) for [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃]₂·2H₂O, 15c

	x	y	z	U(eq) ^a
W(1)	1937.5(3)	2142.2(3)	480.5(1)	33.7(1)
P(1)	-2433(2)	1861(2)	2781.1(8)	29.9(8)
P(2)	-4833(2)	1909(2)	3182.5(8)	29.9(7)
O(1)	1343(6)	891(4)	372(2)	46(2)
O(2)	708(6)	2876(5)	651(2)	52(2)
O(3)	2887(6)	2029(6)	971(2)	65(3)
O(4)	-1165(6)	896(5)	159(3)	68(3)
O(5)	-1735(7)	3038(6)	350(3)	82(3)
N	-3791(6)	1576(5)	2865(2)	34(2)
C(1)	3065(9)	3492(8)	132(3)	45(4)
C(2)	1994(9)	3402(9)	-141(3)	52(4)
C(3)	2019(9)	2404(9)	-360(3)	48(4)
C(4)	3111(8)	1923(7)	-211(3)	44(4)
C(5)	3785(9)	2607(7)	83(3)	48(4)
C(6)	3460(10)	4452(8)	407(4)	78(5)
C(7)	1021(10)	4175(9)	-205(4)	87(6)
C(8)	1082(10)	1958(11)	-679(4)	90(6)
C(9)	3514(10)	867(8)	-357(4)	73(5)
C(10)	4987(9)	2400(10)	320(4)	75(5)
C(11)	-1348(8)	3392(7)	3319(3)	43(3)
C(12)	-1102(9)	4412(8)	3443(4)	64(5)
C(13)	-1531(10)	5198(8)	3170(5)	65(5)
C(14)	-2184(10)	4976(8)	2776(4)	61(4)
C(15)	-2418(9)	3983(7)	2652(3)	47(4)
C(16)	-2010(8)	3169(6)	2928(3)	34(3)
C(21)	-1270(8)	2156(8)	1966(3)	44(3)
C(22)	-1066(9)	1939(8)	1517(3)	52(4)
C(23)	-1812(11)	1249(9)	1276(4)	66(5)
C(24)	-2726(12)	784(10)	1488(4)	77(5)
C(25)	-2941(9)	994(8)	1940(3)	51(4)
C(26)	-2195(8)	1664(7)	2185(3)	37(3)
C(31)	-194(8)	997(8)	3002(4)	55(4)
C(32)	588(9)	389(9)	3273(4)	60(4)
C(33)	158(10)	-247(7)	3601(3)	52(4)
C(34)	-1039(10)	-232(8)	3689(3)	55(4)
C(35)	-1820(8)	393(7)	3438(3)	43(3)
C(36)	-1418(8)	1015(6)	3097(3)	31(3)
C(41)	-3762(9)	2477(9)	4015(3)	57(4)
C(42)	-3256(10)	3202(11)	4306(4)	73(5)
C(43)	-3344(11)	4250(13)	4208(5)	86(6)
C(44)	-3957(10)	4576(9)	3832(4)	62(5)
C(45)	-4480(9)	3833(8)	3517(4)	50(4)
C(46)	-4395(7)	2834(8)	3611(3)	40(3)
C(51)	-7061(8)	2884(8)	3052(4)	60(4)
C(52)	-8007(10)	3282(8)	2787(5)	69(5)
C(53)	-7974(10)	3215(9)	2311(5)	74(5)
C(54)	-7031(10)	2806(8)	2113(4)	64(4)
C(55)	-6078(9)	2407(7)	2365(3)	42(3)
C(56)	-6071(8)	2461(7)	2841(3)	40(3)
C(61)	-5240(8)	-177(7)	3272(3)	38(3)
C(62)	-5767(9)	-1029(7)	3460(3)	49(4)
C(63)	-6476(8)	-964(8)	3836(3)	45(4)
C(64)	-6646(9)	1(8)	4026(3)	52(4)
C(65)	-6115(8)	879(7)	3837(3)	42(3)
C(66)	-5432(7)	787(7)	3459(3)	31(3)

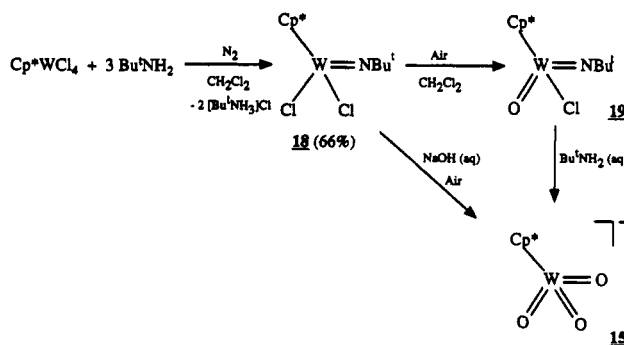
^a Equivalent isotropic *U* defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized *U_{ij}* tensor.

Table VII. Selected Bond Distances and Angles for [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃]₂·2H₂O, 15c

(a) Bond Distances (Å)			
W(1)–O(1)	1.771(6)	O(4)···O(1a)	2.765(9)
W(1)–O(2)	1.755(7)	O(5)···O(2)	2.813(10)
W(1)–O(3)	1.749(7)	O(5)···O(4)	2.892(10)
O(4)···O(1)	2.829(9)		
(b) Bond Angles (deg)			
O(1)–W(1)–O(2)	104.9(3)	O(2)–W(1)–O(3)	105.0(3)
O(1)–W(1)–O(3)	106.1(3)		

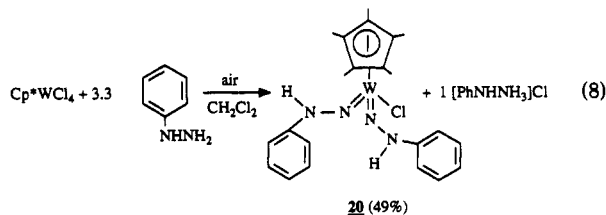
920, 894 cm⁻¹;^{19b} [Et₄N][Tp*Mo(O)₃], $\nu(\text{Mo}=\text{O}) = 924, 898 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.^{19a} This shift to lower energy indicates weaker M=O bonds in 14 and 15 as compared to the compounds above, as also implied by the ¹⁷O NMR data.

Scheme IV

Reaction of Bu^tNH₂ and PhNHNH₂ with Cp*WCl₄.

In view of the reactions described above using Bu^tNH₂/H₂O, it was of interest to determine how Cp*WCl₄ would react with Bu^tNH₂ in the absence of water and air. Reaction did occur over the course of 3 h to form the dichloro(*tert*-butylimido)tungsten complex 18, Scheme IV. Longer reaction times did not lead to further chloride displacement, but in moist air, complex 18 was observed to oxidize to form the oxo-imido complex 19, and in the presence of base, both 18 and 19 give the anionic trioxo complex 15, Scheme IV. Complex 18 was obtained as a spectroscopically characterized yellow-green solid, is analogous to the molybdenum complexes ($\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{R}$)-MoCl₂(NR') (R = H, Me; R' = Prⁿ, Bu^t, Ph) recently reported by Green *et al.*,^{30a} and is similar to the tungsten complex Cp'W(NBu^t)Cl₃ (Cp' = Cp, Cp*) recently described by Sundermeyer *et al.* prepared using a different synthetic approach.^{17,30b} Complex 19 is similar to the known^{16a} dioxo complex Cp*W(O)₂Cl. The evidence presented above suggests that the reaction of Cp*WCl₄ with Bu^tNH₂/H₂O/air to form Cp*W(O)₂Cl occurs via the intermediates 8 and 9 shown in Scheme II, and we also know that Cp*W(O)₂Cl reacts with Bu^tNH₂/H₂O to form [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, eq 7. However, in light of the reactions shown in Scheme IV, we cannot rule out the possibility of complex 18 being an important intermediate in the formation of [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ from Cp*WCl₄ and Bu^tNH₂/H₂O.

Phenylhydrazine was also observed to react with Cp*WCl₄ in air to form the bis(imido) complex 20, eq 8.



This compound was isolated as a dark purple microcrystalline solid and was spectroscopically characterized (see Experimental Section). It is analogous to the bis(imido) complexes Cp'W(NBu^t)₂Cl (Cp' = Cp, Cp*) recently described by Sundermeyer *et al.*^{17,30} and the complex Cp*W(NAr)₂Cl (Ar = 2,6-Pr₂C₆H₃) as reported by Wigley.^{30d}

Reaction of Cp*WCl₄ and Cp*MoCl₄ with H₂S. The reaction of H₂S with the Cp*MCl₄ complexes was examined

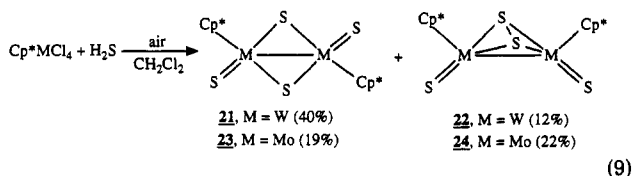
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Table VIII. Crystal, Data Collection, and Refinement Parameters for *anti*-Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 21, and [Et₃NH][Cp*W(S)₃], 26^a

	21	26
(a) Crystal Parameters		
formula	C ₂₀ H ₃₀ S ₄ W ₂	C ₁₆ H ₃₁ S ₃ NW
fw	766.40	517.4
cryst system	monoclinic	orthorhombic
space group	P2 ₁ /n	Pna2 ₁
a, Å	7.870(3)	12.904(4)
b, Å	15.095(5)	12.078(2)
c, Å	10.045(3)	12.969(4)
β, deg	105.54(2)	
V, Å ³	1149.7(6)	2021.5(10)
Z	2	4
μ(Mo Kα), cm ⁻¹	109.22	60.20
D _{calc} , g cm ⁻³	2.214	1.700
color	black	red
size, mm	0.25 × 0.25 × 0.40	0.35 × 0.35 × 0.41
(b) Data Collection		
diffractometer	NicoletR3m	Siemens P4
data (h,k,l)	±11,+20,+14	+17,+16,±17
2θ scan limits, deg	4–55	4–58
rflns colled	2959	5959
indpt rflns	2649	5478
rflns (F _o ≥ nσ(F _o))	2246 (n = 5)	4566 (n = 4)
T _{max} /T _{min}	0.202/0.112	0.134/0.054
(c) Refinement		
R(F), % ^a	5.71	4.14
R _w (F), %	5.45	5.18
Δ(ρ) _{max} , e Å ⁻³	1.8	2.0
Δ/σ _{max}	0.001	0.003
GOF	1.69	1.29
N _o /N _v	18.9	24.0

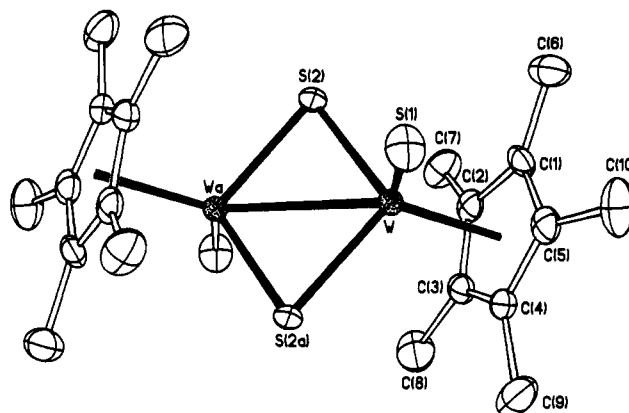
^a R(F) = Σ(|F_o| - |F_d|) / Σ|F_o|; R_w(F) = Σ(w^{1/2}(|F_o| - |F_d|)) / (w^{1/2}|F_o|); GOF = [Σw(|F_o| - |F_d|)² / (N_o - N_v)]^{1/2}.

in an attempt to prepare sulfido complexes similar to the oxo complexes described above, but quite different chemistry was obtained. First, it was observed that the known^{31,32} binuclear complexes 21–24 formed when a stream of H₂S(g) was bubbled through a CH₂Cl₂ solution of Cp*MCl₄ for 2 min, followed by stirring in air for 30 min, eq 9. All four complexes were identified by com-



parison of their spectroscopic data to those reported.^{31–33} In addition, complex 21 was crystallographically characterized (see Figure 4 and below). In neither reaction was any evidence obtained for the unknown compounds Cp*M(S)₂Cl which would be analogous to the complexes Cp*Mo(O)₂Cl and Cp*W(O)₂Cl formed from the similar reaction of 1 and 2 with water (see eqs 3 and 5).

An ORTEP drawing of 21 is shown in Figure 4, and important crystallographic details are given in Tables VIII–X. The crystal structure of the corresponding molybdenum analogue (23) has been previously described,³¹ and the two structures are similar. Complex 21 crystallizes in the P2₁/n space group with 2 molecules per unit cell, and the complex has a crystallographically imposed center of

**Figure 4. ORTEP drawing for Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 21.****Table IX. Atomic Coordinates (×10⁴) and Isotropic Parameters (Å² × 10³) for *anti*-Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 21**

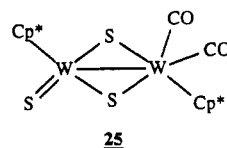
	x	y	z	U ^a
W	268.2(5)	742.5(2)	949.1(4)	22.8(2)
S(1)	1229(5)	1914(2)	174(3)	48(1)
S(2)	2227(3)	-352(2)	746(3)	31.6(8)
C(1)	1457(15)	871(7)	3372(11)	35(4)
C(2)	456(15)	41(8)	3184(10)	35(3)
C(3)	-1314(14)	249(7)	2605(10)	33(3)
C(4)	-1480(14)	1166(9)	2402(11)	38(4)
C(5)	187(16)	1562(8)	2924(11)	38(4)
C(6)	3376(18)	965(11)	4003(15)	56(5)
C(7)	1255(22)	-841(9)	3618(16)	57(6)
C(8)	-2815(21)	-440(12)	2258(16)	69(7)
C(9)	-3178(20)	1710(11)	1896(14)	63(6)
C(10)	655(24)	2532(8)	3129(15)	65(6)

^a Equivalent isotropic U defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

Table X. Selected Bond Distances and Angles for *anti*-Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 21

(a) Bond Distances (Å)			
W–S(1)	2.149(3)	W–S(2)	2.306(3)
W–S(2A)	2.305	W–W(A)	2.900(1)
(b) Bond Angles (deg)			
S(1)–W–S(2)	104.4(1)	S(2)–W–W(A)	51.0(1)
S(1)–W–S(2A)	104.8(1)	W–S(2)–S(2A)	77.9(1)
S(1)–W–W(A)	113.6(1)	S(2)–W–S(2A)	102.1(1)

symmetry between the tungsten atoms. The W₂S₂ core of the molecule is thus planar, and the terminal sulfido ligands are arranged in an *anti* configuration. The W=S (2.149(3) Å) and the W–(μ-S) bond lengths (average 2.305 Å) compare well to the average W=S (2.153 Å) and W–(μ-S) (2.324 Å) values tabulated in ref 24. The W–S–W bond angle is 77.9(1)°, similar to the 78.38(6)° Mo–S–Mo angle found in 23.³¹ The W–W distance of 2.900(1) Å is consistent with the presence of a W–W single bond,³⁴ and overall the structural parameters are similar to those found in the related compound 25 [W=S = 2.13(1) Å; W–(μ-S) = 2.359 Å (av); W–W = 3.045(2) Å; W–S–W = 80.7(3), 80.4(3)°].³²



Reaction of Cp*MCl₄ with H₂S in the presence of Et₃N. The presence of a base significantly influences the

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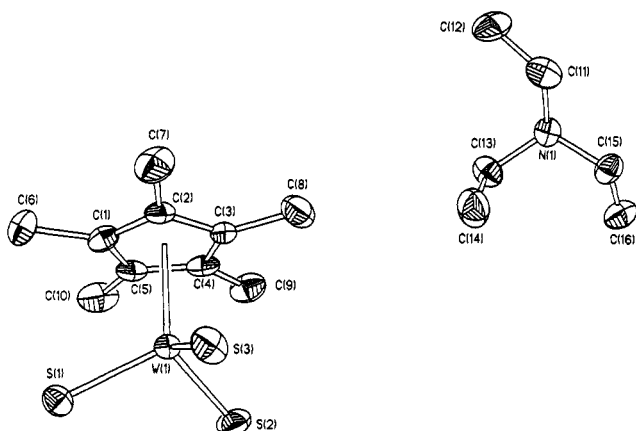
Table XI. Atomic Coordinates (×10⁴) and Isotropic Parameters (Å² × 10³) for [Et₃NH][Cp*W(S)₃], 26

	x	y	z	U ^a
W(1)	2370(1)	4697(1)	2135	34(1)
S(1)	819(2)	4087(2)	2567(2)	45(1)
S(2)	2877(2)	5674(3)	3454(3)	63(1)
S(3)	2095(2)	5906(2)	899(3)	56(1)
N(1)	9482(6)	5967(7)	1407(6)	47(2)
C(1)	2677(8)	2816(8)	1496(7)	42(3)
C(2)	3182(7)	3532(7)	797(6)	38(2)
C(3)	3970(7)	4073(8)	1352(8)	42(3)
C(4)	3965(7)	3649(8)	2369(6)	42(3)
C(5)	3149(8)	2892(8)	2458(6)	41(3)
C(6)	1803(9)	2034(9)	1237(10)	67(4)
C(7)	2994(10)	3636(11)	-329(8)	66(4)
C(8)	4716(9)	4879(10)	837(10)	65(4)
C(9)	4718(9)	3912(10)	3217(9)	63(4)
C(10)	2961(11)	2255(10)	3420(9)	74(5)
C(11)	9363(9)	5708(10)	266(8)	60(4)
C(12)	9404(12)	4478(11)	78(9)	79(5)
C(13)	8594(7)	5532(9)	2026(12)	57(3)
C(14)	7593(9)	6076(13)	1817(15)	87(7)
C(15)	9696(9)	7176(9)	1551(10)	54(4)
C(16)	10064(10)	7438(9)	2643(13)	77(6)

^a Equivalent isotropic *U* defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized *U*_{ij} tensor.

Table XII. Selected Bond Distances and Angles for [Et₃NH][Cp*W(S)₃], 26

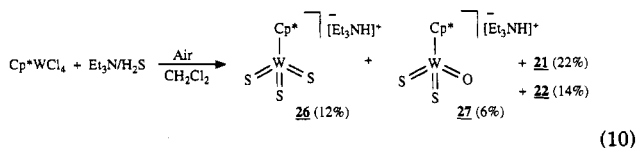
(a) Bond Distances (Å)			
W(1)–S(1)	2.2069(2)	W(1)–S(3)	2.198(3)
W(1)–S(2)	2.178(4)		
(b) Bond Angles (deg)			
S(1)–W(1)–S(2)	104.7(1)	S(2)–W(1)–S(3)	105.2(1)
S(1)–W(1)–S(3)	105.1(1)		

**Figure 5. ORTEP drawing for [Et₃NH][Cp*W(S)₃], 26.**

reactions of 1 and 2 with H₂S. For example, when Et₃N and H₂S were added together to Cp*MoCl₄, compound 24 did not form but the yield of 23 increased to 70%. For the reaction of Cp*WCl₄ with H₂S, the presence of Et₃N gave both 21 and 22 in yields of 22% and 14%, respectively, but also isolated in low yield were the new trisulfido and disulfido-oxo anions 26 and 27, eq 10. The [Et₃NH]⁺ salts of these anions were separated from each other and from 21 and 22 by silica gel chromatography, although we suspect that 27 forms from 26 via hydrolysis of one of the W=S bonds during the chromatographic separation. This

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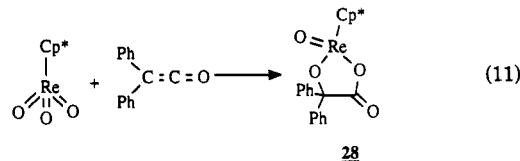
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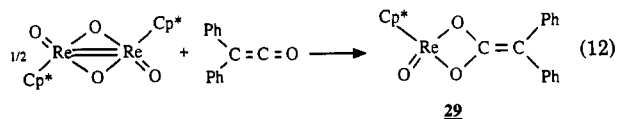
was indeed indicated by rechromatography of isolated 26 which resulted in a mixture of 26 and 27. These salts were respectively obtained as orange-red and yellow-brown microcrystalline solids. Both were spectroscopically characterized, and 26 was further defined by an X-ray diffraction study (see Figure 5 and below). The IR (KBr) spectrum of 26 showed three vibrations at 471 (m), 447 (s), and 432 (s) cm⁻¹, which are in the typical ν(W=S) region (e.g., anti-Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂,³² ν(W=S) = 481 cm⁻¹; Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂,³² ν(W=S) = 486 cm⁻¹; [W(S)₃(CH₂Bu)⁻]₂,²³ ν(W=S) = 490 cm⁻¹). The IR spectrum of 27 showed a single ν(W=O) band at 876 cm⁻¹ and two ν(W=S) bands at 459 and 425 cm⁻¹.

An ORTEP drawing of 26 is shown in Figure 5, and important crystallographic details are given in Tables VIII, XI, and XII. The [Cp*W(S)₃]⁻ anion has pseudo-C_{3v} symmetry, and there is no hydrogen bonding between the [Et₃NH]⁺ cation and the [Cp*W(S)₃]⁻ anion, in contrast to the strong hydrogen bonding observed in [Bu⁺NH₃][Cp*W(O)₃] (see Figure 1). The W=S bond lengths average 2.223 Å and compare well to the average W=S bond length of 2.153 Å tabulated in ref 24. The S–W–S bond angles average 106.1°, similar to the S–Re–S bond angle of 109.9(2)° reported for (η⁵-C₅H₄Me)(Ph₂PCH₂CH₂PPh₂)Ru–S–Re(S)₃³⁵ and the average S–Ta–S bond angle of 104.9° found in [Cp*Ta(S)₃]₂.³⁶

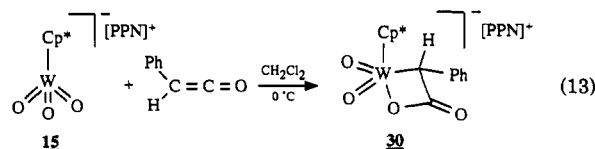
Reaction of [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃] with Phenylketene. Herrmann has shown that Cp*Re(O)₃ and [Cp*Re(O)₂(μ-O)₂] react with diphenylketene to give products that respectively result from net [3 + 2] cycloaddition of the ketene C=C bond across a Re(O)₂ unit to yield 28, eq 11,



and [2 + 2] addition of the ketene C=O bond across a Re=O bond to form 29, eq 12.^{18j,k,o} It was thus of interest

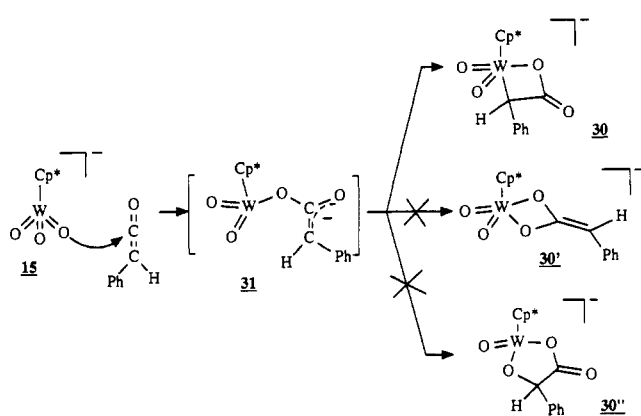


to determine if [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ would behave similarly, and accordingly its reaction with phenylketene was examined. As illustrated in eq 13, the reaction did not follow either

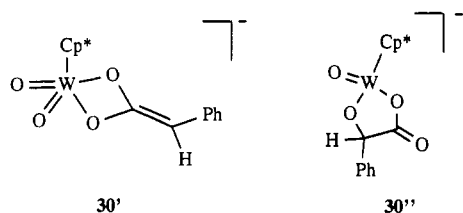


of the reaction paths illustrated in eqs 11 and 12, but instead a net [2 + 2] cycloaddition of the W=O bond across the ketene C=C bond occurred to form complex 30. This species was isolated as a pale yellow microcrystalline solid which showed in the IR a characteristic W(O)₂

Scheme V



pattern and a strong $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ band at 1720 cm^{-1} assigned to the carbonyl group of the metallacycle. In the ^{13}C NMR, the metallacyclic carbon resonances appeared at δ 175.4 (CO) and 43.0 (CHPh). These data argue for the proposed structure 30 rather than the alternative structures 30' and

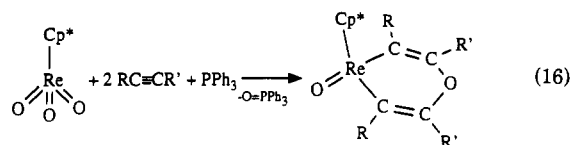
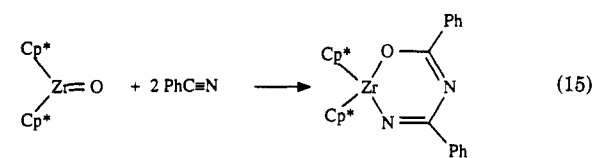
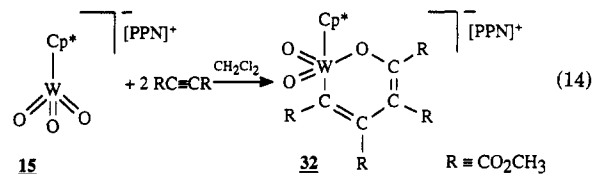


30'', which could have resulted via [2 + 2] cycloaddition of the $\text{W}=\text{O}$ moiety across the ketene $\text{C}=\text{O}$ bond, reactions which would be analogous to Hermann's reactions shown in eqs 11 and 12. The $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ band observed in the IR spectrum of 30 argues against the formulation 30', while 30'' may be ruled out by the $\text{W}(\text{O})_2$ IR pattern. In an attempt to force elimination of CO_2 from 30 to form an oxo-carbene complex, the compound was heated under vacuum but no reaction was detected up to $110\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ when the solid decomposed without giving tractable products.

Complex 30 likely forms via the mechanism outlined in Scheme V involving nucleophilic addition of an oxo ligand of 15 to the electrophilic carbon of phenylketene to give an intermediate like 31. As illustrated in the scheme, this intermediate could undergo ring closure to give 30, 30', or 30'', but the experimental evidence indicates that only the former occurs.

Reaction of $[\text{PPN}][\text{Cp}^*\text{W}(\text{O})_3]$, 15, with $\text{MeO}\{\text{O}\}\text{CC}=\text{CC}\{\text{O}\}\text{OMe}$. Compound 15 also reacted with excess $\text{MeO}\{\text{O}\}\text{CC}=\text{CC}\{\text{O}\}\text{OMe}$ to yield complex 32, which forms via net [2 + 2 + 2] cycloaddition of two alkynes and one $\text{W}=\text{O}$ unit, eq 14. A similar [2 + 2 + 2] cycloaddition of nitriles with $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}=\text{O}$ was earlier reported by Bergman and co-workers, eq 15,³⁷ and Cp^*ReO_3 has been found to react with PPh_3 in the presence of excess alkyne to form a related six-membered ring, eq 16.³⁸

Complex 32 was isolated as a yellow-brown microcrystalline solid and has been spectroscopically characterized. Its IR spectrum showed a characteristic dioxo pattern ($\nu_{\text{W}=\text{O}} = 937\text{ (m)}, 891\text{ (m)}\text{ cm}^{-1}$) and carbonyl bands for the $\text{R} = \text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ substituents ($\nu_{\text{C=O}} = 1728\text{ (vs)}, 1698\text{ (s)}, 1658\text{ (s)}\text{ cm}^{-1}$). Resonances in the alkynyl region were noticeably absent in the ^{13}C NMR spectrum (δ 65–90),



whereas resonances attributable to the alkenyl carbons were observed at δ 168.9, 148.6, 104.1, and 92.8. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum also showed four separate carbonyl resonances at δ 180.6, 171.2, 169.5, and 169.3, four distinct methyl resonances at δ 51.5, 51.0, 50.2, and 50.0, and the Cp^* methyl resonance at δ 10.3. The ^1H NMR spectrum also showed four inequivalent methyl groups (δ 3.80, 3.69, 3.54, 3.52), consistent with the proposed structure.

Scheme VI outlines a speculative mechanism by which 32 may form. Addition of an oxo ligand of 15 to the electron-deficient alkyne could generate a carbanion intermediate like 33. This species could be stabilized via electron delocalization onto the ester substituent and could subsequently add to another 1 equiv of alkyne to give 34, which would yield the observed product 32 upon ring closure. Alternatively, 33 could ring close to give the oxotungstenocyclobutene complex 35, which could yield 32 via coordination of a second equivalent of alkyne followed by insertion of the alkyne into the tungsten-carbon bond. However, we do not believe the latter route to be likely since 35 is a sterically crowded 18 e^- complex and as such should not readily coordinate a second equivalent of alkyne.

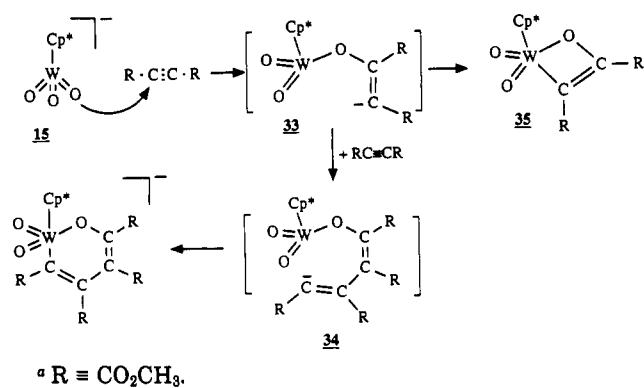
Concluding Remarks

In this work we have shown that Cp^*MoCl_4 (1) and Cp^*WCl_4 (2) readily undergo hydrolysis of the metal-chloride bonds to yield oxo complexes, with the final product dependent upon the nature of the base employed. Hydrolysis using aqueous NaOH in air gave the complexes $\text{Cp}^*\text{M}(\text{O})_2\text{Cl}$, but the use of aqueous Bu^tNH_2 instead led to the formation of the trioxo anions $[\text{Cp}^*\text{Mo}(\text{O})_3]^-$ (14) and $[\text{Cp}^*\text{W}(\text{O})_3]^-$ (15), which are undoubtedly stabilized by hydrogen bonding to the Bu^tNH_3^+ counterion. A particularly significant finding is that aqueous Bu^tNH_2 also forms the trioxo anions from the chloro complexes $\text{Cp}^*\text{M}(\text{O})_2\text{Cl}$ and from the oxo-bridged complexes $[\text{Cp}^*\text{M}(\text{O})_2]_2(\mu\text{-O})$. We thus anticipate that the combination of $\text{Bu}^t\text{NH}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ should have wide utility for converting other metal halide complexes into oxo species, and such reactions are currently under study in these laboratories. As noted above, complexes 14 and 15 are closely related to the complex $\text{Cp}^*\text{Re}(\text{O})_3$ that has been extensively studied by Herrmann and co-workers.¹⁸ Herrmann's compound has a particularly rich chemistry with

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Scheme VI*



both inorganic and organic substrates, and 14 and 15 should likewise prove profitable to study. Some differences might be expected in the reactions of [Cp*Mo(O)₃]⁻, [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, and Cp*Re(O)₃, as already illustrated above for the reactions of these latter two compounds with ketenes (eqs 11 and 13) and alkynes (compare eqs 14 and 16). A very important difference between Cp*Re(O)₃ and [Cp*Mo(O)₃]⁻ and [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, 15, is the anionic character of the latter two compounds. As noted earlier⁹ and to be described in more detail in a subsequent publication,³⁹ the nucleophilic character of the oxo ligands of 15 renders this complex useful for the preparation of a variety of oxo-bridged complexes via displacement of halide ligands from a second metal fragment. A major difference between Cp*Re(O)₃ and [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ is the ability of rhenium to undergo reduction to lower oxidation states, whereas tungsten is more resistant to reduction. This is illustrated by the facile reaction of Cp*Re(O)₃ with PPh₃ to form Ph₃P=O and [Cp*Re(O)]₂(μ-O)₂ whereas [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ has been found to be inert to PPh₃.

Experimental Section

General Methods. The compounds Cp*MCl₄ (M = Mo,⁴W^{4,5}) were prepared by literature procedures. The following reagents were purchased from the indicated sources and used as received: *n*-butyllithium, 1,2,3,4,5-pentamethylcyclopentadiene, MgSO₄, BuⁿNH₂, NaOH, [BuⁿN]OH, [PPN]Cl, PhNHNH₂, Et₃N, HCl(g), H₂S(g), PhCH₂Cl(O)Cl, Et₃N, MeOC(O)C≡C(O)OMe (Aldrich), CH₃CO₂H (Fisher Scientific), and ¹⁷O-labeled H₂O (MSD Isotopes). All manipulations were performed using standard Schlenk techniques under a N₂ atmosphere unless indicated otherwise. Solvents were dried by refluxing over Na/benzophenone ketyl (tetrahydrofuran (THF), Et₂O), CaH₂ (CH₂Cl₂, pentane, hexane, acetonitrile), and K₂CO₃ (ethyl acetate). IR spectra were recorded on either an IBM FTIR-32 spectrometer or a Perkin-Elmer 225 spectrophotometer operated in the absorbance mode. NMR spectra were obtained using a Bruker AM 300 FT NMR spectrometer, and mass spectra were recorded on AEI-MS9 (EI) and AFAB-MS9 (FAB) mass spectrometers. Elemental analyses were obtained from Schwarzkopf Microanalytical Laboratories, Woodside, NY, and Galbraith Laboratories, Inc., Knoxville, TN.

Hydrolysis of Cp*WCl₄ with NaOH(aq) in Air To Form Cp*W(O)₂Cl, 7. Aqueous NaOH (0.66 mL of a 1.99 M solution, 1.30 mmol) was added to a CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL) solution of Cp*WCl₄ (200 mg, 0.434 mmol) in an open beaker. The solution was stirred for 1 hour while the color of the solution turned from orange to green and then to bright yellow. The solution was dried over MgSO₄ to remove any residual H₂O, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Hexane was added to induce precip-

itation of 7 as a bright yellow powder which was washed with hexane (3 × 20 mL) and dried under vacuum (73 mg, 0.19 mmol, 44% yield).

7. IR (KBr): ν_{W=O} = 940 (s), 895 (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 2.23 (Cp*). ¹⁷O NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 736.0. MS (EI): *m/z* = 386 (M⁺). [Literature:^{17a} IR (CS₂) ν_{W=O} = 945 (s), 905 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.23 (Cp*)].

Hydrolysis of Cp*WCl₄ with NaOH(aq) in the Absence of Air To Form 8 and 9. Compound 2 (200 mg, 0.434 mmol) was dissolved in carefully degassed CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL) under a N₂ atm, and 0.22 mL of an aqueous solution of NaOH (1.99 M, 0.43 mmol) that had been degassed by bubbling N₂ for 30 min was added. The solution was stirred under N₂ for 4 h, dried by stirring over MgSO₄ for 15–20 min, and then filtered under reduced pressure through a pad of dried Celite. The solvent was reduced to 2 mL by evaporation under reduced pressure, and degassed hexane was added to induce precipitation of 8 along with any remaining NaCl, NaOH, 9, and unreacted 2 as a dark green solid. The solid was then washed with hexane several times and dried at room temperature under vacuum to yield a dark green powder. Compound 9 was similarly prepared by carrying out the reaction for 6 h and using an additional 2 equivs of NaOH (0.44 mL of 1.99 M, 0.87 mmol). Compound 9 was isolated as a dark green powder containing some NaCl, NaOH, 7, 8, and unreacted 2.

8. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 8.9 (br, Cp*), δ 10.1 (br, OH). MS (EI): *m/z* = 407 (M⁺ - HCl). IR (KBr): ν_{O-H} = 3447 cm⁻¹ (br, weak); ν_{O-D} = 2519 cm⁻¹ (br, weak) when prepared from NaOD/D₂O.

9. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 16.1 (br, Cp*), δ 29.1 (br, OH). MS (EI): *m/z* = 407 (M⁺ - H₂O). IR (KBr): ν_{O-H} = 3431 cm⁻¹ (br); ν_{O-D} = 2535 cm⁻¹ (br) when prepared from NaOD/D₂O. ESR (CH₂Cl₂; 25 °C, Varian E-line spectrometer at 9 GHz with a modulation frequency of 100 kHz): *g* ≈ 1.94.

Hydrolysis of Cp*MoCl₄ with NaOH(aq) in the Absence of Air To Form Cp*Mo(O)Cl₂, 11. Compound 1 (200 mg, 0.54 mmol) was dissolved in carefully degassed CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL) under a N₂ atm, and 0.27 mL of an aqueous solution of NaOH (1.99 M, 0.54 mmol) that had been degassed by bubbling N₂ for 30 min was added. The solution was stirred under N₂ for 2 h, dried by stirring over MgSO₄ for 10–15 min, and filtered through a pad of dried Celite (under reduced pressure). The solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure, and the red-brown solid was recrystallized from Et₂O and hexane (1:10) to give, after washing with hexane (3 × 10 mL), 11 as a red-brown powder (112 mg, 0.353 mmol, 66% yield).

11. Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₅OCl₂Mo: C, 37.76; H, 4.75. Found: C, 37.63; H, 4.48. IR (KBr): ν_{Mo=O} = 932 (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 12.5 (br, Cp*). MS (EI): *m/z* = 319 (M⁺).

Hydrolysis of Cp*MoCl₄ with NaOH(aq) in Air To Form Cp*Mo(O)₂Cl, 12. A 2.0 M solution of NaOH was prepared using distilled H₂O. Compound 1 (200 mg, 0.537 mmol) was dissolved in acetone (100 mL) to which 0.81 mL of a 1.99 M aqueous solution of NaOH (1.61 mmol) had been added. The solution was stirred for 1.5 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo, and the residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂. MgSO₄ was added to remove residual H₂O, and the solution was filtered. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the product was recrystallized from Et₂O and hexane (1:10) to give a yellow solid, which was washed (3 × 10 mL) with hexane to leave the known compound 12 in 78% yield (125 mg, 0.418 mmol).

12. IR (KBr): ν_{Mo=O} = 907 (s), 876 (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 2.09 (Cp*). MS (EI): *m/z* = 300 (M⁺). ¹⁷O NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 905.6. [Literature:^{17a} IR (CS₂) ν_{Mo=O} = 919 (s), 888 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.09 (Cp*)].

Formation of Cp*Mo(O)₂Cl, 12, via Hydrolysis of Cp*Mo(O)Cl₂, 11, with NaOH(aq). Equimolar amounts of compound 11 (60 mg, 0.19 mmol) and NaOH(aq) (2.00 M, 0.095 mL) were stirred in acetone in a beaker for 30 min, which gave a color change from red-brown to yellow. The solvent was removed in vacuo, and the residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂. This solution was dried over MgSO₄ and filtered, and the solvent volume was reduced to 2 mL under reduced pressure. Addition

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of hexane gave precipitation of 12 as a bright yellow solid, which was washed with hexane (3 × 10 mL) and dried in vacuo (30 mg, 53%).

Formation of Cp*Mo(O)₂OMo(O)₂Cp*, 13, via Hydrolysis of Cp*Mo(O)Cl₂ and Cp*Mo(O)₂Cl with Excess NaOH(aq). An excess of NaOH(aq) (2.00 M, 0.29 mL) was added to an acetone solution of Cp*Mo(O)Cl₂ (60 mg, 0.19 mmol). This solution was stirred for 1 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂. This solution was dried over MgSO₄ and filtered. The volume was reduced to 2 mL, and hexane was added to precipitate 13 as a bright yellow solid, which was washed with hexane (3 × 10 mL) and dried under vacuum (39%). A similar reaction using Cp*Mo(O)₂Cl (47 mg, 0.16 mmol) and an excess of NaOH(aq) (1.99 M, 0.24 mL) in acetone gave 13 in 82% yield.

Formation of [Cp*Mo(O)₃]⁻, 14, and [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, 15a, via Hydrolysis of Cp*MoCl₄ and Cp*WCl₄ with Bu^tNH₂/H₂O in Air. An excess Bu^tNH₂ (2.4 mL, 23 mmol) and H₂O (0.50 mL, 27 mmol) was added to a CH₂Cl₂ solution (165 mL) of Cp*WCl₄ (1.0 g, 2.2 mmol) in a 250-mL Schlenk flask, but with no efforts made to exclude air, and the solution was allowed to stir overnight in the sealed flask. The resulting amber colored solution was dried over MgSO₄ and filtered through Celite to remove the precipitated [Bu^tNH₃][Cl]. The solvent was reduced in vacuo to 5 mL, and 1:1 Et₂O/hexane was added to induce precipitation of [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃], 15a, as a white solid. The product was washed with (3 × 40 mL) and then dried in vacuo. To further purify the sample and remove as much co-crystallized [Bu^tNH₃][Cl] as possible, the solid was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL), the solution was filtered through Celite, and 1:1 Et₂O/hexane was added to induce crystallization. The mixed salt [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]^{1/2}[Bu^tNH₃][Cl] (15a) could be obtained in 80% optimized yield as a white, microcrystalline powder after such a procedure. The salt [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*Mo(O)₃], 14, was obtained as a pale yellow solid in 68% yield by similar hydrolysis of Cp*MoCl₄.

14. Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₇O₃NMo: C, 47.59; H, 7.70. Found: C, 47.82; H, 7.58. IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{Mo-O}} = 860$ (s), 829 (s), 811 (s), 797 (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.88 (s, 15H, Cp*), δ 1.18 (s, 9H, Bu^t), δ 7.19 (br, 3H, NH₃). ¹⁷O NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 624.0. MS (FAB⁻): $m/z = 281$ (M⁻).

15a. Anal. Calcd for C₃₂H₆₈N₃O₆ClW₂: C, 38.74; H, 6.71. Found: C, 39.08; H, 6.96. IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{W-O}} = 898$ (s), 836 (s), 803 (w, sh), 786 (w, sh) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 1.27 (Bu^t), 2.01 (Cp*), 8.1 (br, Bu^tNH₃). ¹⁷O NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 490.5. MS (FAB⁻): $m/z = 367$ (M⁻).

Metathesis of [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃] with [PPN]Cl To Form [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃], 15c. The salt [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃] (1.00 g, 2.27 mmol), obtained as above, was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) to which was added [Bu^t₄N]OH (40 wt %, aq) (1.48 mL, 2.27 mol). The solution was stirred vigorously for 10 min, MgSO₄ was added, and stirring was continued for several min. The solution was then filtered through Celite directly into a flask containing solid [PPN]Cl (976 mg, 1.70 mmol). This solution was stirred for 24 h and then extracted with cold water (3 × 20 mL) to remove [Bu^t₄N]Cl. The remaining solution was stirred over MgSO₄ and filtered through Celite. The solvent was evaporated to leave a white residue, which was dissolved in CH₃CN (1–2 mL). Ethyl acetate (50 mL) was slowly added until the solution just turned cloudy. After being stirred for 3 min, the solution was filtered to remove the white [PPN]Cl precipitate. The solution volume was then decreased to 5–10 mL under reduced pressure, and pentane was added to induce precipitation of white [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃]. The latter steps were repeated if the sample was still contaminated with excess [PPN]Cl. The yield of [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃] is variable but low (40–50% maximum).

15c. Anal. Calcd for C₄₆H₄₅P₂N₃O₃W: C, 61.01; H, 5.01. Found: C, 60.45; H, 5.14. IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{W-O}} = 899$ (s), 839 (s), 811 (s), 799 (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 1.95 (Cp*), δ 7.45–7.69 (Ph).

Formation of [Cp*W(O)₃]⁻ by Treatment of Cp*W(O)₂Cl and [Cp*W(O)₂]₂(μ -O) with Aqueous Bu^tNH₂. An excess of Bu^tNH₂ (0.08 mL, 0.763 mmol) and H₂O (0.04 mL, 2.22 mmol) was added to a CH₂Cl₂ solution (25 mL) of Cp*W(O)₂Cl (140 mg, 0.362 mmol). The solution was stirred for 1 h, dried over MgSO₄, and filtered through a pad of Celite. The solvent volume was reduced to 2–3 mL, and hexane was added to induce precipitation of [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃], which was isolated in 86% yield (137 mg, 0.311 mol). The molybdenum analogue [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*Mo(O)₃] was similarly prepared in 94% yield. Similar reactions with [Cp*W(O)₂]₂(μ -O) with aqueous Bu^tNH₂ gave the salts [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃] and [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*Mo(O)₃] in 82% and 85% yields, respectively.

Addition of CH₃COOH(aq) to [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃] To Form [Cp*W(O)₂]₂(μ -O). A dilute solution of CH₃COOH in distilled water (2.0 M, 0.55 mL) was added to a CH₂Cl₂ solution (25 mL) of [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃] (220 mg, 0.500 mmol), and the solution was stirred for 1 h in air in an open beaker. Solid MgSO₄ was added, the solution was filtered, the solvent was removed under vacuum, and the resultant yellow solid was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexane (1:15) to leave the known compound [Cp*W(O)₂]₂(μ -O), 16, as a pale yellow solid in 67% yield (120 mg, 0.167 mmol). The molybdenum analog [Cp*Mo(O)₂]₂(μ -O), 13, was similarly prepared in 58% yield.

16. IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{W-O}} = 939$ (s), 890 (s), $\nu_{\text{W-O-W}} = 810$ (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 2.13 (Cp*). ¹⁷O NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 678.0 (W(=O)₂), 193.4 (W-O-W). MS (EI): $m/z = 718$ (M⁺). [Literature:⁸ IR (CS₂) $\nu_{\text{W-O}} = 942$ (s), 896 (s), $\nu_{\text{W-O-W}} = 820$ (broad); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.16 (Cp*).]

13. IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{Mo-O}} = 906$ (s), 876 (s), $\nu_{\text{Mo-O-Mo}} = 754$ (br) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 1.99 (Cp*). ¹⁷O NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 843.8 (Mo(=O)₂), 277.9 (Mo-O-MO). MS (EI): $m/z = 542$ (M⁺). [Literature:⁸ IR (CS₂) $\nu_{\text{Mo-O}} = 912$ (s), 882 (s), $\nu_{\text{Mo-O-Mo}} = 771$ (br) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.01 (Cp*).]

Reaction of Cp*WCl₄ with Bu^tNH₂ To Form Cp*W(NBu^t)Cl₂, 18. To a dried and degassed CH₂Cl₂ solution (25 mL) of Cp*WCl₄ (200 mg, 0.434 mol) was added Bu^tNH₂ (0.460 mL, 4.38 mmol) that had been dried over molecular sieves and degassed by three freeze–pump–thaw cycles. The resultant green solution was stirred for 3 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was dissolved in dried and degassed hexane (10 mL). The solution was filtered to remove the salt [Bu^tNH₃][Cl]. The hexane filtrate was cooled in a liquid nitrogen/2-propanol bath, which induced crystallization of 18 as green-yellow needles. The hexane was removed via cannula, and the needles were dried in vacuo (66% yield).

18. Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₆NCl₂W: C, 36.31; H, 5.66. Found: C, 36.10; H, 5.64. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ -1.58 (br, Bu^t), 8.31 (br, Cp*). MS (EI): $m/z = 462$ (M⁺).

Oxidation of Cp*W(NBu^t)Cl₂ To Form Cp*W(NBu^t)(O)Cl, 19. Compound 18 (240 mg, 0.518 mmol) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ in a 100-mL Schlenk flask, and the stopcock was opened to admit a small quantity of air. The solution was allowed to stir in air for 30 min, the solvent was reduced in vacuo to 3 mL, and hexane was added to precipitate complex 19 as a yellow powder. The solid was washed with hexane (3 × 10 mL) and dried under vacuum to give 19 in 66% yield (151 mg, 0.170 mmol).

19. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 1.46 (s, 9H, Bu^t), 2.37 (s, 15H, Cp*). ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 12.8 (C₅(CH₃)₅), 28.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 76.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 126.1 (C₅(CH₃)₅). MS (EI): $m/z = 406$ (M⁺).

Hydrolysis of Cp*W(NBu^t)Cl₂, 18, with NaOH(aq) To Form [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃], 15. Excess NaOH(aq) (2.00 M, 0.70 mL) was added to a 50-mL CH₂Cl₂ solution of 18 (160 mg, 0.348 mmol) in an open beaker. The solution was stirred for 30 min, MgSO₄ was added, and stirring was continued for several minutes. After filtration, the solvent was reduced to 3 mL, and hexane was added to induce precipitation of 15 as a white solid (50 mg, 33%).

Hydrolysis of Cp*W(NBu^t)(O)Cl, 19, with NaOH(aq) To Form [Bu^tNH₃][Cp*W(O)₃], 15. Compound 19 (180 mg, 0.408 mmol) was dissolved in 50 mL of CH₂Cl₂ in a beaker to which NaOH(aq) (2.00 M, 0.61 mL) was added. The solution was stirred

for 30 min, MgSO₄ was added, and stirring was continued for several minutes. The solution was filtered, the solvent volume was reduced to 3 mL, and hexane was added to induce precipitation of 15, which was isolated in 22% yield.

Reaction of Phenylhydrazine with Cp*WCl₄ in Air To Form Cp*W(NNHPh)₂Cl₂ 20. Phenylhydrazine (214 μL, 2.175 mmol) was added to a CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) solution of Cp*WCl₄ (300 mg, 0.651 mmol) in a 100-mL Schlenk flask to which air had been admitted. This solution was stirred at 22 °C for 12 h, during which time the color changed from orange to dark purple and the salt [PhNHNH₃]Cl precipitated. The solution was filtered, the solvent was reduced to 5 mL under reduced pressure, and the remaining solution was chromatographed on silica gel with Et₂O as eluent to give a single dark purple band of 20. This complex was isolated as a dark purple microcrystalline solid by evaporation of solvent and was recrystallized by dissolution in a small amount of hexane and cooling to -78 °C (180 mg, 0.319 mmol, 49%).

20. Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₂₇N₄Cl₂W: C, 46.62; H, 4.80. Found: C, 46.91; H, 4.64. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 2.08 (s, 15H, Cp*), 7.12–7.39 (m, 10H, Ph), 9.33 (br, 2H, (NNHPh)). ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 9.8 (C₅(CH₃)₅), 113.5 (C₅(CH₃)₅), 121.9–149.5 (C₆H₅). MS (EI): *m/z* = 564 (M⁺).

Reaction of Cp*WCl₄ with H₂S To Form anti-Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 21, and Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 22. Hydrogen sulfide gas was bubbled through a CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL) solution of Cp*WCl₄ (150 mg, 0.326 mmol) in a 100-mL Schlenk flask for 2 min, and the solution was then allowed to stir for 30 min with no efforts made to exclude air. The solvent was removed under vacuum, and the amber residue was then chromatographed on silica gel using toluene as eluent to yield the known compound 21³² (40%, 50 mg, 0.065 mmol). The eluent was then changed to Et₂O, which eluted 22³² (12%, 15 mg, 0.020 mmol).

21. IR (KBr): ν_{W-S} = 485 (s); ν_{W-S-W} = 432 (w) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 2.24 (Cp*). MS (EI): *m/z* = 766 (M⁺). [Literature:³² IR (KBr): ν_{W-S} = 481 (s), ν_{W-S-W} = 430 (vw) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.23 (Cp*).]

22. IR (KBr): ν_{W-S} = 490 (m), 477 (m) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 2.20 (Cp*). MS (EI): *m/z* = 766 (M⁺). [Literature:³² IR (KBr): ν_{W-S} = 486 (s); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.19 (Cp*).]

Reaction of Cp*WCl₄ with H₂S in the Presence of Et₃N To Form 21, 22, [Cp*W(S)₃]⁻, 26, and [Cp*W(S)₂(O)]⁻, 27. H₂S(g) was slowly bubbled through a CH₂Cl₂ solution (25 mL) of Cp*WCl₄ (500 mg, 1.09 mmol) in a 100-mL Schlenk flask for 1 min. Excess Et₃N (1.0 mL, 7.17 mmol) was then quickly added, and the solution was allowed to stir for 20 min after which time the solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was dissolved in THF (30 mL), and the solution was filtered to remove the salt [Et₃NH]Cl. The solvent was reduced to a minimum, and the mixture was chromatographed on silica gel. Compounds 21 (22%) and 22 (14%) were removed from the column using neat toluene and toluene/Et₂O (70:30), respectively. The salt [Et₃NH][Cp*W(S)₃]⁻, 26, eluted with 3:1 Et₂O/THF, and [Et₃NH][Cp*W(S)₂(O)]⁻, 27, came off the column with neat acetone. The latter compounds were recrystallized by reducing the solvent volume and adding hexane. Compound 26 was obtained as a microcrystalline orange-red solid in 12% yield (65 mg, 0.063 mmol). Compound 27 is a yellow-brown solid and was obtained in 6% yield (30 mg, 0.030 mmol).

26. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₃₁S₃NW: C, 37.14; H, 6.04. Found: C, 37.24; H, 5.87. IR (KBr): ν_{M-S} = 471 (m), 447 (s), 432 (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 2.16 (s, 15H, Cp*), 1.41 (t, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, 9H, CH₂CH₃), 3.37 (q, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, 6H, CH₂CH₃), 9.04 (br, 1H, NH). MS (FAB⁻): *m/z* = 415 (M⁻).

27. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₃₁S₂ONW: C 38.33; H 6.23. Found: C, 38.49; H, 6.38. IR (KBr): ν_{M-S} = 459 (m), 425 (m); ν_{M-O} = 876 (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 2.08 (s, 15H, Cp*), 1.37 (t, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, 9H, CH₂CH₃), 3.22 (q, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, 6H, CH₂CH₃), 10.17 (br, 1H, NH). MS (FAB⁻): *m/z* = 399 (M⁻).

Reaction of Cp*MoCl₄ with H₂S To Form anti-Cp*₂Mo₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 23, and Cp*₂Mo₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 24. Hydrogen sulfide was bubbled through a CH₂Cl₂ solution of Cp*MoCl₄ (200 mg, 0.538 mmol), and the solution was allowed to stir for several

hours. The mixture was separated as described above for the reaction of H₂S with Cp*WCl₄ to yield the known compounds 23³² (19%) and 24³² (22%). If an excess of Et₃N (1.0 mL, 7.17 mmol) was present in the reaction mixture, 23 was obtained in 70% yield, but 24 was not produced.

23. IR (KBr): ν_{Mo-S} = 490 (s); ν_{Mo-S-Mo} = 448 (w) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 2.04 (Cp*). MS (EI): *m/z* = 590 (M⁺). [Literature:³² IR (KBr): ν_{Mo-S} = 485 (s); ν_{Mo-S-Mo} = 442 (w) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 2.01 (Cp*).]

24. IR (KBr): ν_{Mo-S} = 488 (s); ν_{Mo-S-Mo} = 444 (w) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 2.05 (Cp*). MS (EI): *m/z* = 590 (M⁺). [Literature:³² IR (KBr): ν_{Mo-S} = 479 (s); ν_{Mo-S-Mo} = 439 (w) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 2.06 (Cp*).]

Reaction of [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃] with Phenylketene. Phenylketene was generated in situ by following the published methods⁴⁰ and was then added dropwise (0.279 mmol) via an addition funnel over a period of 15 min into a chilled CH₂Cl₂ solution of [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃] (253 mg, 0.279 mmol). This solution was then stirred at 0 °C for 3 h, during which time it changed from colorless to an intense bright yellow. The solvent was removed under vacuum, and the residue was extracted into THF. Addition of pentane to this solution precipitated a pale yellow solid, which was washed with pentane (3 × 10 mL) and dried under reduced pressure to give 30 in 44% yield (125 mg, 0.122 mmol).

30. Anal. Calcd for C₅₄H₅₁O₄P₂NW: C, 63.35; H, 5.02. Found: C, 63.74; H, 4.83. IR (KBr): ν_{W-O} = 937 (s), 891 (s) cm⁻¹, ν_{C=O} = 1720 (s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 2.11 (s, 15H, Cp*), 3.56 (s, 1H, CHPh), 7.03–7.25 (m, 5H, CHPh), 7.36–7.65 (m, 30H, PPN-Ph). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 10.2 (C₅(CH₃)₅), 43.0 (CHPh), 120.1 (C₅(CH₃)₅), 125.8–127.6 (CHPh), 129.3–136.5 (PPN-Ph), 175.4 (CO). MS (FAB⁻): *m/z* = 485 (M⁻).

Reaction of [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃] with MeO{O}CC=CC{O}OMe. A 2-fold excess of MeO{O}CC=CC{O}OMe (38 μL, 0.309 mmol) was added to a CH₂Cl₂ solution of [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃] (140 mg, 0.154 mmol), and the mixture was allowed to stir for 3 h at room temperature. The solvent was removed from the resultant yellow-red solution, and the residue was extracted with THF. The THF was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was recrystallized from THF/pentane to give a golden yellow powder, which was washed several times with pentane (10 mL) and dried under vacuum to give 31 in 71% yield (130 mg, 0.143 mmol).

31. Anal. Calcd for C₆₈H₅₇O₁₁P₂NW: C, 58.55; H, 4.83. Found: C, 58.75; H, 4.53. IR (KBr): ν_{W-O} = 937 (w), 891 (w) cm⁻¹; ν_{CO} = 1728 (s), 1698 (m), 1658 (m). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 2.16 (s, 15H, Cp*), 3.52 (s, 3H, Me), 3.54 (s, 3H, Me), 3.69 (s, 3H, Me), 3.80 (s, 3H, Me), 7.40–7.70 (m, 30H, PPN). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 10.3 (C₅(CH₃)₅), 50.0 (Me), 50.2 (Me), 51.0 (Me), 51.5 (Me), 92.8 (W-CCO₂Me=C), 104.3 (W-C(CO₂Me)=C), 148.5 (W-O-C(CO₂Me)=C), 168.9 (W-O-C(CO₂Me)=C), 120.1 (C₅(CH₃)₅), 126.1–133.8 (PPN), 169.3, 169.5, 171.2, 180.7 (CO).

Crystal Structure Determinations for [Bu⁺NH₃][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, 15a, [Bu⁺(EtC{O}CH₂-CH₂)NH₂][Cp*W(O)₃]⁻, 15b, [PPN][Cp*W(O)₃]-2H₂O, 15c, anti-Cp*₂W₂(S)₂(μ-S)₂, 21, and [Et₃NH][Cp*W(S)₃]⁻, 26. Crystallographic data for the structures of 15a–c, 21, and 26 are collected in Tables I and VIII. All specimens were sealed with epoxy cement in thin-walled capillary tubes. Photographic characterization revealed 2/*m* Laue symmetry for 15a–c and 21 and *mmm* symmetry for 26. Systematic absences in the diffraction data were uniquely consistent with the assignment of *P*₂₁/*n* for 15a, 15b, and 21 and of *P*₂₁/*c* for 15c, and either of the orthorhombic space groups *Pna*2₁ or *Pnam* for 26. *E*-statistics initially suggested the noncentrosymmetric alternative for 26; this choice was supported by the absence of mirror-plane symmetry and the results of refinement. The hand for 26 was established by the Rogers test (multiplier = 0.92(3)). Data were collected using graphite-monochromated Mo K α radiation (λ = 0.710 73 Å) at 296 K. Three standard reflections were monitored

every 197 data; variation in the standards was less than 2% in all cases. For **15c** no correction for absorption was required (T_{\max}/T_{\min}). All other data sets were empirically corrected for absorption effects.

Patterson maps were used to obtain the W-atom positions, and the structures were completed by subsequent difference Fourier syntheses. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters and hydrogen atoms were treated as idealized contributions for **15a**, **15b**, **21**, and **26** and for the methyl groups of **15c**. The hydrogen atoms of the two water molecules of **15c** were found and isotropically refined. Computations for **15a**, **15b**, and **21** used SHELXTL (version 5.1) for the Data General Eclipse S-30 and for **15c** and **26** SHELXTL-PC (version 4.2) for MS-DOS computers (G. Sheldrick, Siemens, Madison, WI).

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