# Cyclopalladation of 2-[(Dimethylamino)methyl]-Substituted Naphthalenes: 1- vs 3-Palladation. Crystal Structures of [Hydrotris(pyrazolyl)borato][2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-3-naphthyl]palladium and trans-[4,4-Dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline]palladium Dichloride

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In the course of a study directed toward the selective metal-mediated oxidation of naphthalenes to 1,4-naphthoquinones, the palladation of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene and 4,4dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline was investigated. Direct palladation of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene with  $Li_2PdCl_4$  showed a clean selectivity for position 3 instead of the earlier reported preference for position 1. This finding was confirmed by the crystal structure of [hydrotris(pyrazolyl)borato][2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-3-naphthyl]palladium. The complex  $C_{22}H_{24}N_7BPd \cdot 0.5CH_3OH$  crystallizes as triclinic in space group  $P\overline{1}$  with a = 13.170(1) Å, b = 13.170(1) Å, b = 13.170(1)13.413(1) Å, c = 14.112(1) Å,  $\alpha = 109.34(1)^{\circ}$ ,  $\beta = 95.60(1)^{\circ}$ ,  $\gamma = 97.38(1)^{\circ}$ , and Z = 4. Final R = 0.025 for 8181 observed reflections with  $I > 2.5\sigma(I)$ . The second ligand, 4,4-dimethyl-2-(2naphthyl)oxazoline, was also cyclopalladated on position 3. The fastest reaction was obtained when palladium acetate was employed. Reaction with Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub> yielded the cyclopalladated complex as the minor product and the intermediate coordination complex trans-[4,4-dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl) oxazoline] palladium dichloride as the major product. This latter complex  $C_{30}H_{30}$ - $Cl_2N_2O_2Pd$  crystallizes in orthorhombic space group Pbca with a = 20.221(1) Å, b = 16.000(1)Å, c = 8.516(1) Å, and Z = 4. Final R = 0.039 for 2479 reflections with  $I > 2.5\sigma(I)$ .

# Introduction

The oxidation of substituted naphthalenes is an important process, because some of the oxidation products are of interest for pharmaceutical applications. For example, 2-methyl-1,4-naphthoquinone (menadione) is the starting material for the synthesis of vitamin K. However, like most oxidation reactions, the conversion of 2-methylnaphthalene into menadione suffers from several disadvantages. In the industrial process, 2-methylnaphthalene is oxidized by chromium(VI) in a strongly acidic mixture of concentrated sulfuric acid and acetic acid. The high reactivity of this oxidizing system results in a low selectivity. Apart from menadione (<70%), a large number of byproducts are formed, *i.e.* the regio-isomer 6-methyl-1,4-naphthoquinone, as well as 2-naphthaldehyde, phthalic acid, 4-methylphthalic acid, and the corresponding phthalic acid anhydrides.<sup>1</sup> Moreover, the process requires a large excess of chromium, thereby



Figure 1. (a) Strategy studied for the metalation and oxidation of aromatic compounds exemplified by (b) metallation and subsequent oxygenation of [(dimethylamino)methyl]benzene.

creating a severe environmental problem. Typically, in this reaction 18 kg of waste is produced for every 1 kg of menadione. Both the low selectivity and the waste problem indicate that new routes for the oxidation of aromatic hydrocarbons are needed.

In a recent study<sup>2</sup> we explored the reaction, shown in Figure 1a, for the regioselective hydroxylation of aromatic systems involving (i) C-H bond activation by cyclopalladation, (ii) selective oxygenation of the Pd-C bond, and

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(iii) reductive removal of the hydroxylated arene, ROH. The feasibility of this cycle was demonstrated by the selective vanadium-catalyzed oxygenation of bis( $\mu$ -chloro)-bis{2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]phenylpalladium} by tertbutyl hydroperoxide.<sup>2</sup> The starting material is obtained via the well-established cyclopalladation reaction of N,Ndimethylbenzylamine (DMBA-H).<sup>3</sup> This route allows the preparation of 2-hydroxy-N,N-dimethylbenzylamine in >90% yield starting from DMBA-H (see Figure 1b). Although this sequence does not yet represent a catalytic process, we recently set out to study whether the above approach could be applied to the selective hydroxylation of 2-substituted naphthalenes.

2-[(Dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene (1) was chosen as the model system because it was reported that the CH<sub>2</sub>-NMe<sub>2</sub> moiety directs cyclometalation to the 1 position<sup>4</sup> (Scheme 1, route 2), with the 3-cyclometalated species 7 being formed as a minor product (route 1). The 1- and 3-palladated naphthalenes were reported to be formed in a 2/1 ratio.

As alternative ligands, 2-(2-naphthyl)oxazolines (11 and 12) can be employed (see Scheme 3). The imine moiety present in these compounds is also capable of directing cyclometalation<sup>5</sup> but has the advantage that the oxazoline fragment in the hydroxylated product may subsequently be converted into either a carboxylate<sup>6</sup> or a methyl group.<sup>7</sup> In this paper we report the results of our studies on the regioselectivity of the cyclopalladation of 2-substituted naphthalenes. Moreover, since oxidation of cyclopalladated complexes has been found to be highly dependent on the charge density of the palladium center,<sup>2</sup> several derivatizations leading to various RPdX species will be described.

## Results

Palladation of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene. The reaction of Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub> with 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene (1) was carried out in methanol using either excess 1 or NaOAc as a base to remove the HCl formed during the reaction. When 1 was used as a base, the yield of 3-palladated chlorine-bridged dimer 2 was 80%, while about 10% of the nonmetalated precursor complex PdCl<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-2)<sub>2</sub> (3) was still present after 20 h (Scheme 1, route 1). When NaOAc was used as a base, 2 was formed quantitatively as the sole organometallic product (96% isolated yield) and the required reaction time was reduced from 20 to 3 h.

The PdCl<sub>2</sub> coordination complex 3 could be easily distinguished from the cyclopalladation product 2 by NMR spectroscopy. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the 3-palladated compound 2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub> shows two patterns in a 2:3 ratio, each having one singlet arising from the NCH<sub>3</sub> group and a singlet from the benzylic protons. Furthermore, the proton in the 1-position appears as a single singlet, while two singlets are found for proton 4. These observations are compatible with the presence of a 2:3 *cis*- and *trans*isomer mixture. Upon the addition of pyridine, the spectrum collapses into one, new pattern, as a result of cleavage of the chlorine bridge to form the mononuclear pyridine complex PdCl(3-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>CH<sub>6</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-2)(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>N) (2') (Scheme 1). The PdCl<sub>2</sub> complex 3 shows only one pattern

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Scheme 2



for the CH<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>3</sub> protons, as well as for the aromatic protons 1 and 4 (*i.e.* one singlet for proton 1, while proton 4 appears as part of an AB pattern). In this case, the addition of excess pyridine to 3 yielded free ligand 1 and PdCl<sub>2</sub>(pyridine)<sub>2</sub>.

The occurrence of 3-palladation is surprising because a previous report claimed the formation of the 1-palladated product 7 under the same reaction conditions (Scheme 1, route 2), with the 3-palladated product only being formed as a minor product.<sup>4,8</sup>

To establish the identities of both 2 and 7, the 1-palladated naphthalene 7 (Scheme 2a) was prepared in 54% yield by the 1:1 reaction of  $PdCl_2(SMe_2)_2$  with [2-(dimethylamino)methyl-1-naphthyl]lithium<sup>9</sup> in Et<sub>2</sub>O.

A derivative of 2, viz. [hydrotris(pyrazolyl)borato][2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-3-naphthyl]palladium (8) (see Scheme 1) was obtained from 2 with potassium hydrotris-(pyrazolyl)borate in THF (90% yield), analogous to that described by Onishi et  $al.^{10}$  Crystallization of 8 from methanol yielded crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction. The unit cell contains two sets of two independent molecules, which differ by the presence or absence of a methanol molecule coordinating to N-7 of the pyrazolyl group that does not coordinate to the palladium (type 1 and type 2, respectively; the molecular structure of both types of 8 in the solid state is shown in Figure 2). Relevant bond distances and bond angles are presented in Table 1. Crystal data are shown in Table 4.

The crystal structure of complex 8 conclusively shows that 3-palladation has occurred. In both type 1 and 2 molecules, the metal center in 8 is almost perfectly planar, while the deviations of the angles between the substituents from 90° are small. The metal plane is not coplanar with the plane of the naphthalene system, which is reflected in the value found for the dihedral angle C(2)-C(1)-Pd-N(4)[15.30(20)° in type 1; 20.40(20)° in type 2]. Although in the solid state two pyrazolyl groups are attached to the palladium, <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra at 25 °C show only one kind of pyrazolyl groups indicating fast exchange on the NMR time scale. This rapid *intra*molecular exchange contrasts with the behavior of the corresponding 2-[(dimethylami-

(8) The original paper describes the reaction of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene with  $K_2PdCl_4$ . The fact that the results were independent of the cation present in this palladating species was established when we found that  $K_2PdCl_4$  and  $Li_2PdCl_4$  gave similar results. no)methyl]phenyl (DMBA) complex, which was reported to show two different kinds of pyrazolyl groups.<sup>10</sup> The reason for these differences remains unclear, as also molecular models show no obvious differences in the steric requirements of the pyrazolyl groups in either the naphthyl (8) or the DMBA compound.

The corresponding bis(3-naphthyl)palladium (5) was prepared by reacting the naphthylpalladium chloride 2 with the 3-lithiated derivative 6 at -78 °C in THF (Scheme 2). The latter was obtained from the reaction of 1 with t-BuLi in pentane at -78 °C in 92% yield.

The cationic complexes **4a**-e were prepared by reacting naphthylpalladium chloride (2) with silver tetrafluoroborate or silver triflate in the presence of the appropriate mono- or bidentate ligands (see Scheme 1). Their <sup>1</sup>H NMR data are summarized in Table 2.

Palladation of 4,4-Dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline. 4,4-Dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline (11) reacts very slowly with Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub> to give a mixture of two products, viz. the palladium dichloride complex PdCl<sub>2</sub>(L)<sub>2</sub>(9) (>94% yield) and the 3-palladated product 10 (<5% yield) (Scheme 3). When the reaction was run for periods shorter than 1 week, the only observable product was 9, present as a mixture of *cis* and *trans* isomers. Cyclometalated 10 was formed in high yield when Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> in HOAc was employed instead of Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub>.<sup>11</sup> After workup with LiCl in acetone, 10 was isolated in 70% yield.

As in the case of the palladation of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene (1) (vide supra), the 3-palladated complex 10 exists as a mixture of *cis* and *trans* isomers. again in a 2:3 molar ratio. In contrast, the precursor complex 9 of PdCl<sub>2</sub> with 4,4-dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline shows two singlets for H(1), as well as for the OCH2 and N-C-CH3 protons, which can only be explained by the formation of a cis/trans isomer mixture. Complex 9 was crystallized by slow distillation of Et<sub>2</sub>O into a concentrated solution of 9 in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and its crystal structure was solved (the molecular structure of 9 is shown in Figure 3). The crystal data are presented in Table 4. Selected bond distances and bond angles are presented in Table 3. The palladium center is nearly perfectly square planar surrounded with the two organic ligands trans and in an anti-fashion. The trans structure points to preferential crystallization of one of the geometrical isomers. When the crystals are dissolved in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, the <sup>1</sup>H NMR

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Figure 2. ORTEP drawing (50% probability level) of the molecular structure of 8 together with the adopted numbering scheme. (MeOH molecule and H-atoms are omitted for clarity).

spectrum of the solution again shows the *cis* and *trans* isomer mixture.

2-(2-Naphthyl)oxazoline (12) (Scheme 3) was prepared to investigate the steric influence of the methyl groups in 11 on cyclopalladations. Compound 12 reacted with Li<sub>2</sub>-PdCl<sub>4</sub> to yield the PdCl<sub>2</sub> coordination complex *trans*-14 (Scheme 3); this reaction proceeded to completion in 91% isolated yield in a period of one day at 25 °C.

Addition of NaOAc to 12 did not convert 14 into 3-palladated 13 as was observed for the formation of the 3-palladated 2-naphthyloxazoline (10). The reaction of 12 with  $Pd(OAc)_2$  gave an undefined mixture containing metallic palladium. Probably the oxazoline ring is destroyed by  $Pd(OAc)_2$ .

NMR Spectra. On N-coordination with the palladium center in cyclopalladated complexes, a puckered 5-membered ring is formed. When the Pd-N coordination is inert on the NMR time scale, this puckering will affect the resonance pattern of the protons in the ring. Since the barrier to ring inversion is generally believed to be small,<sup>12</sup> the benzylic protons as well as the NCH<sub>3</sub> protons will usually appear as one singlet in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum. However, when the inversion is slow on the NMR time scale, the CH<sub>2</sub> protons will be diasterotopic and will therefore appear as AB or AX patterns, while the N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> protons will be present as two singlets. The ring inversion will cause a concomitant movement of the other substituents attached to palladium and therefore the bulkiness of the substituent, as well as the strength of the Pd-N coordination may be expected to influence the rate of inversion. These arguments can be used to explain the NMR spectra of cationic complexes 4a-e. Both MeCN and TMEDA (in 4a,b) are too small to prevent ring inversion. Surprisingly, even bpy is unable to fix the ring, although models show that one of its  $\beta$ -protons is very close to H(4) of the naphthyl ring ortho to the Pd-C bond in 4c. As 4a-c show singlets for the CH<sub>2</sub> and NCH<sub>3</sub> protons, no choice can be made between a rapid on-off movement of the NMe<sub>2</sub> group or fast ring inversion on the NMR time scale. However, [bis(pyrazolyl)methane]palladium (4d) behaves differently. Although the distance between the proton ortho to palladium in the naphthyl system in 4d and H(3) in one of the pyrazolyl rings is approximately equal to the distance mentioned above for 4c, the ring inversion in 4d is accompanied by a concomitant inversion of the six-membered ring formed on coordination of the  $CH_2(pz)_2$  ligand to palladium. Obviously, this extra factor is enough to fix the conformation in the five-membered ring and to explain the NMR behavior. High-temperature <sup>1</sup>H NMR measurements show that the  $CH_2$  and  $NMe_2$  protons coalesce at the same temperature. The barrier to inversion in 4d was calculated to be 62.3 kJ/mol.<sup>12</sup>

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the bis(THF)palladium complex (4e) in  $CD_3CN$  is identical to that of the bis-(MeCN)palladium complex 4a, apart of course from the presence of free THF and the absence of MeCN. However, when the spectrum of 4e was recorded in  $CD_2Cl_2$  or  $CDCl_3$ , an AB pattern and two singlets were found for the  $CH_2$ and the  $N(CH_3)$  protons, respectively, pointing to a higher barrier to inversion for the chelate ring in 4e as compared with this barrier in 4a. Two factors may be responsible for this difference. THF is bulkier than MeCN, and it is a much weaker donor toward palladium.<sup>13</sup> This would imply that the barrier for inversion is comparable or smaller in 4e; however, as a result of the smaller trans influence of oxygen (compared to that of nitrogen in acetonitrile) the bidentate C,N-coordination of the naphthylamine fragment in 4e is enhanced. A combination of this stronger Pd-N coordination and the size of THF appears to be sufficient to prevent fast inversion at room temperature.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the neutral bis(3-naphthyl)palladium (5) shows singlets for the CH<sub>2</sub> and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> protons. Apparently, although 5 is expected to exist in a *cis*-configuration,<sup>14</sup> there is only a small barrier to ring inversion. The neutral tris(pyrazolyl)palladium (8) shows broad singlets for the CH<sub>2</sub> and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> protons; because of fast intramolecular exchange of the pyrazolyl groups, the five-membered ring-inversion is too fast on the NMR time scale.

#### Discussion

Although position 2 of a naphthalene is the thermodynamically favored site for electrophilic attack,<sup>15</sup> the 1-position is kinetically favored.<sup>16</sup> The more effective delocalization of the positive charge in the Wheland intermediate, formed on attack at C(1) of a naphthalene system, usually outweighs the unfavorable steric interaction of the electrophile with H(8), thereby directing the reaction kinetically to the 1-position. Nevertheless, in the palladation of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene (1), only the 3-metalated 2 is formed. Three factors may play a role in the formation of this product, *i.e.* Pd-N coordination of the substrate to the Pd salt, formation of a chelate ring by interaction of the Pd center with the C-H bond, and, finally, steric constraints during these two processes. A separate role is played by the anion. It was noted that in the presence of chloride anions incom-

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Table 1. Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles of Pd(3-C10H4CH2NMe>-2)[BH(C1H1N2)3] (8) with Esd's in Parentheses

	mol 1	mol 2		mol 1	mol 2
		Bond I	Lengths (Å)		
C(1)-Pd	1.984(2)	) 1.989(2)	N(2)-Pd	2.145(2)	2.128(2)
N(1)-Pd	2.087(2)	2.080(2)	N(4)–Pd	2.011(2)	2.026(2)
Bond Angles (deg)					
C(1) - Pd - N(1)	81.77(9)	81.74(9)	N(1) - Pd - N(2)	99.67(8)	98,49(8)
C(1)-Pd-N(2)	178.06(8)	177.52(8)	N(1) - Pd - N(4)	174.35(8)	174.68(8)
C(1) - Pd - N(4)	93.00(8)	93.58(9)	N(2)-Pd-N(4)	85.52(8)	86.07(8)
C(10) - C(1) - Pd	114.3(2)	113.6(2)		00.02(0)	00.07(0)
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	15 20(20)	Difiedra	I Angle (deg)		
C(2) - C(1) - Pd - N(4)	15.30(20)	) 20.40(20)			
	Table 2.	Selected <sup>1</sup> H NMR Da	ata for the Cationic Con	nplexes 4a-e	
cmpd (L)	yield (%)	ArCH <sub>2</sub>	NCH <sub>3</sub>	ArH	
$4a^{a}$ (MeCN)	95	4.06	2.81	7.71 (m. 2 H), 7.42 (m. 3	H), 7.31 (s. 1 H)
$4b^{b}$ (tmeda)	95	4.14	2.90	7.85 (m, 1 H), 7.73 (m, 1 H)	
				7.61 (s. 1 H), 7.51 (m. 1 I	/ H)
				7 40 (m 2 H)	-)
Ac <sup>b</sup> (hny)	94	4 35	2.91	7.78 (m 4 H) 7.60 (s 1 H)	H) 752 (s 1 H)
Adb, CHanza)	92	4 67 (bs)	2.98 (bs)	7.70  (m, + 11), 7.00  (s, 1 11), 7.02  (s, 1 11)	
4u (C112p22)	<i></i>	3.92 (bs)	2.50 (bs)	7.60 (e 1 H) 7.40 (m 2 H)	
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				/.1 - (3, 1 11)	

<sup>a</sup> Recorded in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>b</sup> Recorded in CD<sub>3</sub>CN. <sup>c</sup> For reasons of clarity the data are given as observed on a 200-MHz spectrometer. At 300 MHz all broad singlets arising from pyrazolyl protons appear as doublets or triplets: 8.14 (d, 1 H,  $^{2}J$  = 2.65 Hz), 8.10 (d, 1 H,  $^{2}J$  = 2.53 Hz), 7.92 (d, 1 H,  ${}^{2}J = 2.30$  Hz), 7.79 (d, 1 H,  ${}^{2}J = 2.29$  Hz), 6.55 (dd, 1 H,  ${}^{2}J = 2.65$  Hz,  ${}^{2}J = 2.29$  Hz), 6.52 (dd, 1 H,  ${}^{2}J = 2.53$  Hz,  ${}^{2}J = 2.30$  Hz).  ${}^{4}$  Recorded in CDCl<sub>1</sub>.

3.00, 2.90

5.28 (d, J = 14.2)

3.68 (d, J = 14.2)



plete (in the case of 1) or no (in the case of 2) cyclopalladation occurred.

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Coordination complexes like 3 and 9 are known intermediates in cyclopalladation reactions.<sup>17,18</sup> In such complexes, the arylamine ligand is brought close to the palladium center by Pd-N coordination. After initial coordination, it is presumably Pd-X (X = Cl, OAc) bond dissociation<sup>19</sup> which produces the kinetically active 14e cationic PdX<sup>+</sup> entity that ultimately carries out the electrophilic attack at the C-H bond. For the coordinated PdX<sup>+</sup> moiety, this can equally well be at the 1- or the 3-position of the naphthalene ring since both sites 1 and 3 are equally accessible as regards the steric and conformational restraints of the connecting chain between C<sub>ipso</sub> and the N-donor group. This chain flexibility will play an important role in attaining the oblique, above-plane approach of the ortho-C-H bond toward the Pd center, which initiates the necessary ligand dissociation in the 16e complex, as we proposed earlier.<sup>19</sup> This will be more difficult for the more rigid  $C(sp^2)-C(sp^2)-C(sp^2)-N(sp^2)$ chain in the oxazoline complex than for the more flexible  $C(sp^2)-C(sp^2)-C(sp^3)-N(sp^3)$  chain. The solid-state structure of 9 shows that the C(1)-H bond is close to the palladium. Comparable weak, linear Pt-H-C interactions have been identified by Pregosin et al.<sup>20</sup>

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Figure 3. ORTEP drawing (50% probability level) of the molecular structure of 9 together with the adopted numbering scheme.

Table 3. Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles ofBis[4,4-dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline]palladium Dichloride(9) with Esd's in Parentheses

Bond Lengths (Å)					
Cl-Pd	2.3026(8)	N-Pd	2.0354(19)		
Bond Angles (deg)					
Cl-Pd-N	91.056	N-Pd-N	180		
Cl-Pd-Cl	180				

On attack of the metal center, a  $\sigma$ -complex (Wheland arenonium intermediate) is formed leading to a chelate ring.<sup>21a</sup> For 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene (1), both positions C(1) and C(3) are equally reactive, as far as the Wheland intermediate is concerned. However, when the reaction proceeds further along the reaction coordinate in the direction of proton release, the ligand *trans* to the coordinated amine functionality starts to interfere sterically with H(8) for the 1-metalated transition state, whereas, for the 3-metalated intermediate, no interference with neighboring substituents is obvious (cf. Figure 4). It is this difference in steric constraints that may explain why clean 3-palladation for the present 2-substituted naphthalenes has been observed.

In addition to prior coordination of the substrate arene rendering the electrophilic attack of the metal center an intramolecular process, another role of the nitrogen donor atom may be considered at this stage, *i.e.* accelerating the reaction by acting as an intermediate proton acceptor. We have found evidence for this possibility in the [(dimethylamino)naphthyl]platinum complex PtBr(1-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-8-C,N (1-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>NHMe<sub>2</sub>-8-C,H), in which a protonated tertiary amine shares its proton with a Pt center in a 3-center-4-electron bond.<sup>21b</sup> Also in the formation of (phenylnorbornyl)palladium complex Pd(C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>11</sub>-Ph-o)-(pmdta)OTf ( $C_7H_{11} = 2$ -exo-norbornyl, pmdta = N, N, N', N'', N''-pentamethyldiethylenetriamine) an intramolecular electrophilic attack of Pd(II) at the aryl group is thought to occur in which a noncoordinated nitrogen atom accepts the proton.<sup>21c</sup> In a subsequent step, this proton is used in the protonolysis of the Pd-norbornyl bond; see Figure 5. A similar rate enhancement by proton



Reaction Coordinate

Figure 4. Qualitative energy diagram in which 1- and 3-cyclopalladations of ligand 1 are compared. All energy levels are located on relative positions.



 $\mathbf{N}_{N} = Me_2NCH_2CH_2N(Me)CH_2CH_2NMe_2$ 

**Figure 5.** Part of the reaction of Pd(Ph)(pmdien) with norbornene showing the intramolecular palladation by a 14e Pd cation of the arene ring and the proposed role of the amine substituent in the proton release step.

abstraction was also achieved by the addition of NaOAc. This has been observed earlier in the cyclometalation of [(dimethylamino)methyl]benzene<sup>22</sup> and azobenzene.<sup>23</sup>

The question remains whether or not 2 is formed by a rearrangement of an intermediate 1-palladated product to a 3-palladated species, in other words whether 1- or 3-palladation is kinetically preferred. This question was investigated by carrying out the cyclopalladation of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene with Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>OD. After a reaction time of 3 h, we found no deuteration of position 1, indicating that reversible 1-palladation does not occur. Furthermore, when 1-palladated 7 was suspended in a solution of Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub> in CH<sub>3</sub>-OH, no rearrangement to 2 was found. This supports the view that, in the reaction of 1 with Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub>, palladium is never attached to position 1 but attacks directly and irreversibly at position 3, confirming that attack at position 3 in 1 is kinetically preferred.

# **Experimental Section**

General Methods. Reactions performed in an atmosphere of nitrogen were conducted using standard Schlenk techniques. All solvents, except MeOH and acetone, were dried prior to use. THF and Et<sub>2</sub>O were distilled from sodium-benzophenone ketyl. MeCN was distilled from CaH<sub>2</sub> and stored on 4-Å molecular sieves. CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was dried on CaH<sub>2</sub> or anhydrous CaCl<sub>2</sub>. 2-(Bromomethyl)naphthalene (97%) and AgBF<sub>4</sub> (both purchased from Janssen Chimica) were used without purification. AgOTf (Janssen Chimica) was dried by azeotropic distillation of its solution in

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benzene. Precipitation with an excess of pentane yielded the AgOTf-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> complex. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, except when noted, on a Bruker AC-200 or a AC-300 MHz spectrometer. Elemental analyses were carried out by the Institute of Applied Chemistry (TNO), Zeist, The Netherlands, and by Dornis und Kolbe, Mikroanalytisches Laboratorium, Mülheim a.d. Ruhr, Germany.

2-[(Dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene (1). 2-(Bromomethyl)naphthalene (7.2 g, 32.6 mmol) was dissolved in THF (20 mL). To this solution was added Me<sub>2</sub>NH (0.20 mol) in a mixture of absolute EtOH (35 mL) and THF (150 mL). After it was stirred for 18 h, the mixture was treated with a 20% NaOH solution in  $H_2O$  (50 mL) and a further amount of 200 mL of  $H_2O$ was added. The layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted twice with 150 mL of Et<sub>2</sub>O. The collected organic layer was dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated in vacuo to give an oily liquid, which was distilled in vacuo (0.5 mmHg, 89 °C) and gave 5.24 g of colorless product (28.1 mmol, 85%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz):  $\delta$  7.89–7.85 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.78 (s, 1 H, ArH), 7.55 (d, 1 H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.52–7.48 (m, 2 H, ArH), 3.60 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.31 (s, 6 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz): δ 136.9, 133.6, 133.0, 128.1, 127.9, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 126.1, 125.7, 64.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.6  $(NCH_3).$ 

4,4-Dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline (11) and 2-(2-Naphthyl)oxazoline (12). The ligands 11 and 12 were synthesized by following the three-step procedure described for phenyloxazolines<sup>24</sup> and crystallized from hexane (-18 °C) in 40% and 80% isolated yield, respectively, based on 2-naphthoic acid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (11, 200 MHz):  $\delta$  8.45 (s, 1H, ArH<sup>1</sup>), 8.05–7.49 (m, 6 H, ArH), 4.17 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.43 (s, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (12, 200 MHz):  $\delta$  8.42 (s, 1 H, ArH<sup>1</sup>), 8.03 (d, 1 H, J = 10.0 Hz), 7.91–7.82 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.56–7.45 (m, 2 H, ArH), 4.46 (t, 2 H, <sup>3</sup>H = 9.8 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.09 (t, 2 H, <sup>3</sup>J = 9.8 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (12, 75.5 MHz):  $\delta$  164.7 (C=N), 134.7, 131.7, 128.9, 128.7, 128.1, 127.8, 127.5, 126.5, 125.1, 124.8, 67.6 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 55.0 (NCH<sub>2</sub>).

 $PdCl[3-C_{10}H_6CH_2NMe_2-2]_2$  (2). To a solution of  $Li_2PdCl_4$ (1.18 mmol) in MeOH (5 mL) was added a solution of 1 (0.22 g, 1.18 mmol) and anhydrous NaOAc (97 mg, 1.18 mmol) in MeOH (10 mL). After the solution was stirred at 25 °C for 3 h, the solvent was removed by decantation. The yellow precipitate was washed with MeOH (50 mL) and Et<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL) and dried in vacuo. Yellow 2 was obtained (96%) as a 2:3 cis and trans isomer mixture. When the reaction was carried out in the absence of NaOAc for 1 night at 25 °C, non-cyclopalladated PdCl<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-2)<sub>2</sub>, 3, also was formed (approximately 10% yield) and could not be separated from 2. Reaction of 2 with pyridine yielded the monomeric complex  $PdCl(3-C_{10}H_6CH_2NMe_2-2)(C_5H_5N), 2'$ , which was crystallized from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and Et<sub>2</sub>O. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (2, 200 MHz) (mixture of isomers):  $\delta$  7.80–7.60 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.63 and 7.53 (2 s, ArH<sup>4</sup>), 7.50-7.30 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.35 (s, 1 H, ArH<sup>1</sup>), 4.09 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.92 and 2.87 (2 s, 3 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (2, 50.3 MHz) (mixture of isomers):  $\delta$  145.3, 131.6, 131.1, 129.7, 128.4, 127.9, 127.5, 127.4, 127.0, 125.2, 125.2, 124.7, 119.7, 73.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 73.1 and 72.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.8 and 52.5 (NCH<sub>3</sub>). Several signals of both isomers are coinciding. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>28</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>Pd<sub>2</sub>: C, 47.87; H, 4.30; N, 4.30. Found: C, 47.54; H, 4.33; N, 4.09. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (3, 200 MHz):  $\delta$  8.36 (s, 1 H, ArH<sup>1</sup>), 8.18 (d, 1 H, <sup>3</sup>J = 7.0 Hz, ArH<sup>3</sup> or H<sup>4</sup>), 7.90-7.80 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.54-7.49 (m, 2 H, ArH), 4.09 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.48 (s, 6 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (2', 200 MHz):  $\delta$  8.96 (d, 2 H, J = 5.0 Hz, H<sub>pyridine</sub>), 7.86-7.78 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.68 (d, 1 H,  ${}^{3}J$  = 9.8 Hz, ArH), 7.47-7.25 (m, 5 H, ArH), 6.36 (s, 1 H, ArH), 4.13 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.94 (s, 6 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>Pd: C, 53.35; H, 4.73; N, 6.91. Found: C, 54.12; H, 4.85; N, 6.71.

{PdCl[1-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-2]}<sub>2</sub> (7). A solution of *tert*-butyllithium (42 mmol) in pentane was added to a solution of 1-bromo-2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene (11.1 g, 42 mmol) in pentane (30 mL) at -78 °C. The stirred mixture was allowed to slowly reach 25 °C overnight. The solvent was removed by decantation. The white precipitate was washed with two 100mL portions of pentane and dried in vacuo. The yield of [2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-1-naphthyl]lithium was 5.0 g (26 mmol, 63%).

A solution of PdCl<sub>2</sub>(SMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (0.68 g, 2.3 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (30 mL) was cooled to -78 °C. To this solution was added a solution of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-1-naphthyllithium (0.43g, 2.2 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (40 mL) over a period of 30 min. After stirring at 0 °C for 1 h, the mixture was allowed to reach 25 °C. The solvent was decanted, and the yellow solid washed with two 50-mL portions of Et<sub>2</sub>O and dried in vacuo to give 7 (0.39 g. 24 mmol) as crystals which were obtained by diffusion of Et<sub>2</sub>O into a solution of 7 in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz) (mixture of isomers):  $\delta$  8.73 (d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.8 Hz, H<sup>8</sup> of major isomer), 8.61-8.58 (m, H<sup>8</sup> of minor isomer), 7.64-7.60 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.51-7.47 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.39-7.30 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.20 (d,  ${}^{3}J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, ArH<sup>3</sup> or H<sup>4</sup>), 4.29 and 4.28 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.75 (s, 6 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz) (mixture of isomers):  $\delta$  144.1, 142.8 and 142.6, 137.2 and 137.0, 132.3 and 132.1, 130.6 and 130.4, 127.8 and 127.6, 125.7, 125.0, 124.8, and 124.5, 119.7, 74.6 and 74.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 53.0 and 52.6 (NCH<sub>3</sub>). Several signals from both isomers are coinciding. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>Pd<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 47.88; H, 4.33; N, 4.29. Found: C, 47.79; H, 4.22; N, 4.27.

Bis[4,4-dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline]palladium Dichloride (9). A solution of 11 (2.70 g, 12 mmol) in MeOH (5 mL) was added to a stirred solution of Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub> (12 mmol) in a mixture of MeOH (12 mL) and water (4 mL). After the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 2 days, the yellow solid was collected by centrifugation, washed with two 15-mL portions of MeOH and two 10-mL portions of Et<sub>2</sub>O, and dried in vacuo, to yield 3.54 g (94%) of 9, which was crystallized by diffusion of pentane into a solution of 9 in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz) (major isomer): δ 9.38 (s, 1 H, ArH), 9.02 (dd, 1 H,  $J_1$  = approximately 9.0 Hz,  $J_2 = 1.6$  Hz, ArH), 8.06 (d, 2 H, J = 8.6 Hz, ArH), 7.69–7.57 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.29-7.27 (m, 1 H, ArH), 4.28 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.72 (s, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz) (minor isomer): 9.03 (s, 1 H, ArH), 8.75 (dd, 1 H,  $J_1 = 8.6$  Hz,  $J_2 = 1.7$  Hz, ArH), 7.95 (d, 2 H, J = 7.5 Hz, ArH), 7.60–7.51 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.27–7.24 (m, 1 H, ArH), 4.31 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.95 (s, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz): δ166.9 (N=C, major isomer), 166.7 (N=C, minor isomer), 135.4, 135.0, 132.3, 132.2, 132.0, 131.9, 129.4, 129.3, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.7, 126.9, 126.6, 126.0, 125.7, 124.0, 123.2, 80.1  $(OCH_2 \text{ major isomer}), 79.6 (OCH_2 \text{ minor isomer}), 70.1 [C(CH_3)_2]$ minor isomer], 69.5 [C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> major isomer], 28.7 (CH<sub>3</sub> minor isomer), 28.4 (CH<sub>3</sub> major isomer). The twentieth aromatic carbon was not resolved. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>2</sub>: C, 57.38; H, 4.78; N, 4.46. Found: C, 57.28; H, 4.81; N, 4.54.

Bis(µ-chloro)bis{[[2-(4,4-dimethyloxazolino)naphthyl]palladium (10). A solution of 1.00 g (4.5 mmol) of 11 and Pd-(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (1.00 g, 4.5 mmol) in HOAc (40 mL) was stirred at 60 °C for 1.5 h. After cooling of the solution of 25 °C, the metallic palladium was removed by centrifugation. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The orange residue was dissolved in 20 mL of acetone. To this solution was added a solution of LiCl (0.56g, 13 mmol) in a mixture of 25 mL of acetone and 5 mL of  $H_2O$ . After the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 3 h, the yellow precipitate was collected by centrifugation and washed successively with two 10-mL portions of MeOH and two 20-mL portions of Et<sub>2</sub>O. After the solid was dried in vacuo, 0.87 g (2.37 mmol, 70%) of 10 remained. Crystals were obtained by diffusion of Et<sub>2</sub>O into a solution of 10 in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) (mixture of isomers):  $\delta$  7.82 (s, 1 H, ArH), 7.75–7.71 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.66 (s, 1 H, ArH), 7.46-7.37 (m, 23 H, ArH), 4.44 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub> major isomer), 4.42 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub> minor isomer), 1.64 (s, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub> major isomer), 1.59 (s, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub> minor isomer).  $^{13}C$ NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75.5 MHz): δ 173.2 (N=C, minor isomer), 173.1 (N=C, major isomer), 136.2, 135.9, 134.8, 134.7, 131.1, 131.0, 130.7, 129.7, 128.8, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 126.7, 125.3, 82.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub> minor isomer), 82.2 (OCH<sub>2</sub> major isomer), 66.5 [C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> minor isomer], 66.1 [C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> major isomer], 27.7 (CH<sub>3</sub> major isomer), 27.6 (CH<sub>3</sub> minor isomer). Several <sup>13</sup>C signals for the aromatic region are coalescent. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>28</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Pd<sub>2</sub>: C, 49.20; H, 3.85; N, 3.83. Found: C, 49.30; H, 3.89; N, 3.97.

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## Cyclopalladation of Naphthalenes

**Bis**[2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline]palladium Dichloride (14). A solution of 12 (0.30 g, 1.52 mmol) and Li<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub> (0.76 mmol) in MeOH (30 mL) was stirred overnight at 25 °C. The yellow precipitate was collected and washed with two 20-mL portions of MeOH and two 30-ml portions of Et<sub>2</sub>O. After the solid was dried in vacuo, 0.40 g of product remained (0.70 mmol, 91% yield). Crystallization was achieved by slow distillation of Et<sub>2</sub>O into a concentrated solution of 14 in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz):  $\delta$  9.30 (s, 1 H, ArH), 8.97 (d, 1 H, J = 8.5 Hz, ArH), 7.84-7.67 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.60 (t, 1 H, J = 7.1 Hz, ArH), 7.46-7.41 (m, 1 H, ArH), 4.69 (t, 2 H, <sup>3</sup>J = 9.4 Hz, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.42 (t, 2 H, <sup>3</sup>J = 9.5 Hz NCH<sub>2</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75.5 MHz):  $\delta$  168.1 (C=N), 135.4, 132.2, 131.9, 129.4, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 126.8, 125.4, 122.1, 68.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 55.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>N).

[Pd(3-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-2)x]y,  $x = (MeCN)_2$ , tmeda, 2,2'-bpy, CH<sub>2</sub>pz<sub>2</sub>;  $y = BF_4$ , OTf (4a–d). To a solution of AgBF<sub>4</sub> (570 mg, 2.92 mmol) or AgOTf-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (0.98 g, 2.92 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) was added MeCN (5 mL) or 2.92 mmol of the appropriate bidentate species. The resulting solution was added to a stirred suspension of 2 (0.95 g, 1.46 mmol) in 50 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. After being stirred at 25 °C for 10 min, the solution was decanted and concentrated in vacuo to give an oil which solidified after addition of 50 mL of pentane. See Table 1 for yields and selected <sup>1</sup>H NMR data.

4a: Attempts to crystallize 4a were unsuccessful. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ):  $\delta 2.45$  (s, 3 H, MeCN), 2.12 (s, 3 H, MeCN). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz,  $CD_3CN$ ):  $\delta 147.3$ , 142.0, 133.1, 132.8, 132.5, 128.3, 128.1, 126.6, 126.5, 121.4, 73.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 53.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>). No satisfactory analytical data were obtained.

4b: Crystallization was by slow distillation of Et<sub>2</sub>O into a solution of 4b in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (tmeda fragment, 300 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta$  2.79 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.69 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.69 (s, 6 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.60 (s, 6 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz):  $\delta$  144.50, 143.27, 131.77, 131.59, 127.12, 127.05, 125.58, 125.50, 73.93 (ArCH<sub>2</sub>), 64.32 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 60.59 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 51.92 (NCH<sub>3</sub>), 51.53 (NCH<sub>3</sub>), 49.31 (CH<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>30</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>PdS: C, 43.21; H, 5.44; N, 7.56. Found: C, 44.39; H, 5.48; N, 7.51.

4c: Crystallization by diffusion of Et<sub>2</sub>O into a solution of 4c in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (bpy fragment, 300 MHz):  $\delta$  8.89 (d, 2 H, J = 5.3 Hz), 8.40 (d, 2 H, J = 8.0 Hz), 8.27 (ddd, 2 H,  $J_1$  = 7.8 Hz,  $J_2$  = 7.8 Hz,  $J_3$  = 1.5 Hz), 7.43 (dd, 2 H,  $J_1$  = 6.2 Hz,  $J_2$  = 3.3 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta$  156.4, 152.8, 151.3, 141.6 (2 C), 133.4, 133.0, 128.6 (2 C), 128.4, 128.1, 126.6, 126.4, 124.8, 121.1, 75.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.2 (NCH<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>-H<sub>22</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>PdS: C, 48.37; H, 3.72; N, 7.05. Found: C, 48.32; H, 3.80; N, 7.01.

4d: Crystallization was by diffusion of Et<sub>2</sub>O into a solution of 4d in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CH<sub>2</sub>pz<sub>2</sub> fragment, 200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta$  8.14 (bs, 1 H, pzH), 8.10 (bs, 1 H, pzH), 7.92 (bs, 1 H, pzH), 7.79 (bs, 1 H, pzH), 7.02 (bs, 1 H, CHH), 6.82 (bs, 1 H, CHH), 6.55 (bs, 1 H, pzH), 6.52–6.45 (m, 1 H, pzH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta$  147.1, 146.3, 145.3, 144.5, 134.7, 133.0, 132.7, 128.2, 128.0, 126.5, 126.3, 121.3, 109.8, 108.9, 73.5 (ArCH<sub>2</sub>), 64.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>pz), 53.8–52.4 (NCH<sub>3</sub>). Several signals are not resolved. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>22</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>PdS: C, 42.90; H, 3.77; N, 11.91. Found: C, 42.95; H, 3.85; N, 11.97.

Pd(OTf)[3-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-2)](THF) (4e). A solution of AgOTf·C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (1.08 g, 3.23 mmol) in THF (20 mL) was added to a suspension of 2 (1.0 g) in THF (20 mL). After being stirred for 40 h at 25 °C the red solution was filtrated and concentrated in vacuo. Extremely hygroscopic, red 4e remained (1.43 g, 2.91 mmol, 90%). It proved to be impossible to obtain product containing a well-defined amount of THF. A <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum recorded in CD<sub>3</sub>CN gave the same spectrum obtained for 4a, apart from the signals arising from MeCN. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$ 7.73–7.70 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.42–7.39 (m, 4 H, ArH), 5.27 (d, 1 H, <sup>2</sup>J = 14.2 Hz, CH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>N), 3.73 (bs, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>, THF), 3.68 (d, 1 H, <sup>2</sup>J = 14.2 Hz, CH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>N), 2.99 (s, 3 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.90 (s, 3 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.90 (bs, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>, THF). No satisfactory analytical data were obtained.

 $Pd[BH(pz)_{5}](3-C_{10}H_{6}CH_{2}NMe_{2}-2)$  (8). To a solution of 2 (1.51 g, 2.3 mmol) in THF (40 mL) was added a solution of KHB-

#### Table 4. Crystal Data for the Complexes Pd[BH(pz)<sub>3</sub>](3-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-2] (8) and Bis[4,4-dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline]palladium Dichloride (9)

	Dichloride (9)	
	Crystal Data	
formula	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>24</sub> N <sub>7</sub> BPd· CH <sub>3</sub> OH (8)	$C_{30}H_{30}N_2O_2PdCl_2$ (9)
mol wt	519.73	627.91
cryst system	triclinic	orthorhombic
space group	PĪ	Pbca
a (Å)	13.170(1)	20.221(1)
b (Å)	13.413(1)	16.000(1)
c (Å)	14.112(1)	8.516(1)
$\alpha$ (deg)	109.34(1)	
$\beta$ (deg)	95.60(1)	
$\gamma$ (deg)	97.38(1)	
$V(Å^3)$	2306.4(3)	2755.2(4)
Ζ	4	4
$D_{\rm calc} (\rm g \ cm^{-3})$	1.497	1.514
F(000)	1060	1280
$\mu$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	8.2	8.9
cryst size (mm)	$0.8 \times 0.3 \times 0.3$	$0.25 \times 0.45 \times 0.50$
	Data Collection	
temp (K)	295	295
$\theta_{max}$ (deg)	27.5	27.5
radiation, $\lambda$ (Å)	Mo K $\alpha$ (Zr-filtered), 0.710 73	Mo K $\alpha$ (Zr-filtered), 0.710 73
scan type	$\omega/2\theta$	$\omega/2\theta$
$\Delta \omega$ (deg)	$0.70 \pm 0.35 \tan \theta$	$0.65 + 0.35 \tan \theta$
hor and vert aperture (mm)	3.0, 6.0	3.0, 4.0
ref reflens	304, 042, 420	406,006
data set	h, 0:17; k, -17:17, l, -18:18	-26:26; 0:20; -11:11
tot. data	11 390	13 140
tot. no. of unique data	10 559	3154
obsd data $[I > 2.5\sigma(I)]$	8481	2479
	Refinement	
no. of refined params	591	177
weighting scheme	$w = 1.0/[\sigma^2(F)]$	$w = 1.0/[\sigma^2(F)]$
final R, R <sub>w</sub> , S	0.025, 0.036, 0.86	0.039, 0.029, 1.29
$\Delta/\sigma)_{av}$ in final cycle	0.008	0.04
min and max resd dens $(e/Å^3)$	0.43, 0.31	-0.48, 0.69

(pz)<sub>3</sub> (1.16 g, 4.6 mmol) in THF (20 mL). After the solution was stirred at 60 °C for 2 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo. After extraction with 50 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and removal of the solvent, 2.1 g (4.2 mmol, 91%) of white 8 remained. Crystals suitable X-ray analysis were obtained from a concentrated MeOH solution. After 30 min at 25 °C crystals separated. By means of elemental analysis it was found that the crystals consisted of 8 and 0.5 equiv of MeOH. 1H NMR (300 MHz):  $\delta$  7.81 (bs, 3 H, pzH), 7.76-7.68 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.66 (bs, 3 H, pzH), 7.47 (s, 1 H, ArH), 7.41-7.39 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.18 (s, 1 H, ArH), 6.27 (bs, 3 H, pzH, CC(H)C), 4.04 (bs, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.48 (s, 1.5 H, CH<sub>3</sub>OH, only observed when the product was crystallized from MeOH), 2.52 (bs, 6 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), hydride not resolved. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz):  $\delta$  146.2, 145.5, 141.8 (bs, pz-C), 135.9 (bs, pz-C), 133.0, 131.9, 131.6, 127.3, 127.1, 125.1, 124.7, 119.5, 105.1 (bs, pz-C), 73.4, 51.9. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22.5</sub>H<sub>28</sub>BN<sub>7</sub>O<sub>0.5</sub>Pd: C, 52.00; H, 5.43; N, 18.88; O, 1.54. Found: C, 51.83; H, 5.18; N, 18.29; O, 1.50.

Pd(3-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>-2)<sub>2</sub> (5). To a solution of 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]naphthalene (1) (0.61 g, 3.3 mmol) in pentane (10 mL) was added at -78 °C 2.1 mL of a 1.6 M solution of *tert*butyllithium (3.3 mmol) in pentane. After the solution was stirred at 25 °C for 10 h, the solvent was removed by decantation. The white precipitate was washed with two portions of pentane (15 mL). After drying in vacuo 0.58 g of 6 remained (3.0 mmol, 92%). The lithiated derivative 6 (0.58 g, 3.0 mmol) was dissolved in 15 mL of THF and added to a suspension of 2 (0.44 g, 0.68 mmol) in 20 mL of THF on which a clear brown solution was formed. After the solution was stirred at 25 °C for 2 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo and the product washed with two portions of 20 mL of pentane. After extraction with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, filtration over Celite to remove formed metallic palladium, and evaporation

Table 5. Final Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Thermal Parameters of the Non-Hydrogen Atoms for  $Pd[BH(pz)_3](3-C_{10}H_6CH_2NMe_2-2]$  (8)

atom	x	у	Z	$U(eq)^a (Å^2)$
		(a) Residue	1	
Pd(1)	0.18968(1)	0.13256(1)	0.49752(1)	0.0331(1)
N(11)	0.1823(2)	0.1049(2)	0.6340(1)	0.0444(7)
N(12)	0.2186(2)	0.3046(2)	0.5539(1)	0.0448(6)
N(13)	0.2879(2)	0.3563(2)	0.5134(2)	0.0448(6)
N(14)	0.2004(2)	0.1447(1)	0.3604(1)	0.0354(5)
N(15)	0.2796(2)	0.2116(2)	0.3459(1)	0.0400(6)
N(16)	0.4356(2)	0.2497(2)	0.4834(2)	0.0490(7)
N(17)	0.5199(2)	0.3186(3)	0.5444(3)	0.094(1)
<b>B</b> (1)	0.3546(2)	0.2983(2)	0.4352(2)	0.0452(8)
C(11)	0.1664(2)	-0.0265(2)	0.4422(2)	0.0366(7)
C(12)	0.1830(2)	-0.0931(2)	0.3493(2)	0.0390(7)
C(13)	0.1664(2)	-0.2060(2)	0.3214(2)	0.0411(7)
C(14)	0.1813(2)	-0.2740(2)	0.2249(2)	0.0510(8)
C(15)	0.1682(2)	-0.3822(2)	0.2003(3)	0.062(1)
C(16)	0.1397(3)	-0.4288(2)	0.2705(3)	0.068(1)
C(17)	0.1221(3)	-0.3664(2)	0.3636(3)	0.063(1)
C(18)	0.1348(2)	-0.2533(2)	0.3922(2)	0.0479(8)
C(19)	0.1174(2)	0.1851(2)	0.4873(2)	0.0519(9)
C(110)	0.1321(2)	-0.0765(2)	0.5115(2)	0.0423(7)
C(111)	0.1126(2)	-0.0004(2)	0.6100(2)	0.0502(9)
C(112)	0.2884(2)	0.0977(3)	0.6727(2)	0.058(1)
C(113)	0.1425(3)	0.1863(3)	0.7132(2)	0.062(1)
C(114)	0.2810(3)	0.4616(2)	0.5442(2)	0.062(1)
C(115)	0.2057(3)	0.4781(3)	0.6060(3)	0.071(1)
C(116)	0.1684(2)	0.3789(2)	0.6095(2)	0.0569(9)
C(117)	0.2655(2)	0.2043(2)	0.2478(2)	0.0485(8)
C(118)	0.1785(2)	0.1314(2)	0.1980(2)	0.0459(8)
C(119)	0.1400(2)	0.0967(2)	0.2712(2)	0.0392(7)
C(120)	0.5768(3)	0.2552(4)	0.5740(3)	0.095(1)
C(121)	0.5343(3)	0.1513(4)	0.5330(3)	0.084(2)
C(122)	0.4441(3)	0.1494(3)	0.4745(3)	0.067(1)
		(b) Residue	2	
Pd(2)	0.56158(1)	0.35532(1)	0.05458(1)	0.0339(1)
N(21)	0.5109(2)	0.4757(1)	0.1661(1)	0.0384(6)
N(22)	0.7231(2)	0.4168(2)	0.0906(2)	0.0434(6)
N(23)	0.7886(2)	0.3475(2)	0.0957(2)	0.0464(7)
N(24)	0.5997(2)	0.2286(2)	-0.0529(2)	0.0450(6)
N(25)	0.6769(2)	0.1792(2)	-0.0271(2)	0.0482(7)
N(26)	0.6943(2)	0.2113(2)	0.1607(2)	0.0506(8)
N(27)	0.7492(2)	0.2413(2)	0.2558(2)	0.070(1)
B(2)	0.7506(2)	0.2273(3)	0.0754(3)	0.051(1)
C(21)	0.4114(2)	0.2939(2)	0.0246(2)	0.0342(6)
C(22)	0.3644(2)	0.1889(2)	-0.0238(2)	0.0349(6)
C(23)	0.2558(2)	0.13/1(2)	-0.0307(2)	0.0320(0)
C(24)	0.2067(2)	0.0489(2)	-0.08/2(2)	0.0382(7)
C(25)	0.1013(2)	0.0203(2)	-0.1004(2)	0.0433(7)
C(20)	0.0397(2)	0.0992(2)	-0.0031(2)	0.0400(8)
C(27)	0.0642(2) 0.1027(2)	0.2039(2)	-0.0139(2)	0.0430(0)
C(28)	0.1927(2)	0.2351(2) 0.2425(2)	0.0011(2)	0.0340(0)
C(29)	0.2423(2) 0.2470(2)	0.3423(2) 0.3704(2)	0.0550(2)	0.0354(7)
C(210)	0.3470(2)	0.3704(2) 0.4825(2)	0.0071(2) 0.1241(2)	0.0304(7)
C(211)	0.4045(2)	0.7020(2)	0.12 + 1(2) 0.2552(2)	0.0430(7)
C(212)	0.5002(2)	0.7327(2)	0.2332(2) 0.2023(2)	0.0519(9)
C(213)	0.377(2)	0.3040(2)	0.1132(2)	0.060(1)
C(215)	0.8858(2)	0.5016(3)	0.1173(2)	0.064(1)
C(216)	0.7820(2)	0.5098(2)	0.1030(2)	0.0497(8)
C(217)	0.6815(3)	0.0923(2)	-0.1065(3)	0.066(1)
C(218)	0.6079(3)	0.0842(3)	-0.1844(3)	0.072(1)
C(219)	0.5582(2)	0.1713(2)	-0.1485(2)	0.0577(9)
C(220)	0.6825(3)	0.2170(3)	0.3122(3)	0.082(1)
C(221)	0.5871(3)	0.1710(3)	0.2573(3)	0.082(2)
C(222)	0.5971(3)	0.1679(3)	0.1610(3)	0.066(1)

 ${}^{a} U_{eq} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} a_{i} a_{j}^{*} \dot{a}_{i} \dot{a}_{j}$ 

of the solvent, 0.49 g of light gray 5 remained (1.03 mmol, 84%). The product was crystallized from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and Et<sub>2</sub>O. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (6, 300 MHz,  $C_6D_6$ ):  $\delta$  8.97 (s, 1 H ArH), 7.79–7.76 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.66-7.64 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.56 (s, 1 H, ArH), 7.38-7.35 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.16 (s, 1 H, ArH), 4.48 (d, 1 H,  $^{2}J = 12.8$  Hz, CH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 3.03  $(d, 1 H, {}^{2}J = 12.8 Hz, CH_{A}H_{B}), 1.71 (s, 3 H, NCH_{3}), 0.98 (s, 3 H, NCH_{3})$ NCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (5, 200 MHz):  $\delta$  8.05 (s, 1 H, H<sup>1</sup>), 7.74–7.67 (m,

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Table 6. Final Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Thermal Parameters of the Non-Hydrogen Atoms for Bis[4,4-dimethyl-2-(2-naphthyl)oxazoline]palladium Dichloride (9)

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atom	x	у	Z	$U(eq)^a$ (Å <sup>2</sup> )
Pd	0	0	0	0.0319(1)
Cl	0.05401(4)	0.09966(5)	0.14698(9)	0.0521(3)
0	-0.11010(11)	-0.09209(14)	0.3805(3)	0.0647(9)
N	-0.03860(11)	-0.05247(13)	0.1975(2)	0.0365(8)
C(1)	-0.14835(14)	0.01659(17)	0.2183(3)	0.0406(10)
C(2)	-0.13513(14)	0.09281(18)	0.1530(3)	0.0453(10)
C(3)	-0.18614(14)	0.15112(18)	0.1225(3)	0.0416(10)
C(4)	-0.17375(17)	0.2311(2)	0.0602(4)	0.0563(11)
C(5)	-0.22312(17)	0.2871(2)	0.0380(4)	0.0620(12)
C(6)	-0.28830(17)	0.2656(2)	0.0776(4)	0.0600(14)
C(7)	-0.30211(15)	0.1898(2)	0.1373(4)	0.0561(11)
C(8)	-0.25197(14)	0.12991(19)	0.1615(3)	0.0439(10)
C(9)	-0.26429(15)	0.0506(2)	0.2283(4)	0.0570(12)
C(10)	-0.21446(15)	0.0042(2)	0.2570(4)	0.0542(11)
C(11)	-0.09525(15)	-0.04218(18)	0.2578(3)	0.0427(10)
C(12)	-0.0547(2)	-0.1458(3)	0.4036(4)	0.0880(17)
C(13)	-0.00204(16)	0.11945(17)	0.2861(3)	0.0466(10)
C(14)	0.0572(2)	-0.0828(3)	0.3683(6)	0.116(2)
C(15)	0.0158(2)	-0.1904(2)	0.1821(4)	0.0900(16)

<sup>a</sup> U(eq) = 1/3 of the trace of the orthogonalized U.

2 H, ArH), 7.57 (s, 1 H, H<sup>4</sup>), 7.38-7.31 (m, 2 H, ArH), 4.06 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.66 (s, 6 H, NCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (5, 50.3 MHz): δ 154.8, 146.4, 138.4, 133.4, 131.1, 127.3, 126.9, 124.4, 123.7, 119.4, 72.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.2 (NCH<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>Pd: C, 65.77; H, 5.90; N, 5.90. Found: C, 65.65; H, 5.86; N, 5.89.

Structure Determinations. General Methods. Neutralatom scattering factors were taken from ref 25 and corrected for anomalous dispersion.<sup>26</sup> All calculations were performed on a Micro-VAX cluster. The program PLATON<sup>27</sup> was used for geometrical calculations and illustrations.

Structure Determination and Refinement of 8. A yellowish rod-shaped crystal was mounted on a glass fiber and transferred to an Enraf-Nonius CAD4-F diffractometer for data collection. Unit cell parameters were determined from a leastsquares fit of the SET4 setting angles of 25 reflections with 14.1  $< \theta < 17.9^{\circ}$ . The unit cell parameters were checked for the presence of higher lattice symmetry.<sup>28</sup> Data were corrected for Lp, for a linear decay (2%) of the intensities during the 160 h of X-ray exposure time, and for absorption (ABSORB;29 correction range 1.20-1.33). Four low-order reflections were left out of the final refinement in view of experimental difficulties. Standard deviations as obtained by counting statistics were increased according to an analysis of the excess variance of the three reference reflections.<sup>30</sup>  $\sigma^2(I) = \sigma^2_{cs}(I) + (0.038I)^2$ . The structure was solved with automated Patterson interpretation followed by peak optimization (SHELXS86<sup>31</sup>). Refinement on F was carried out by full-matrix least-squares techniques (SHELX7632). Hydrogen atoms were introduced on calculated positions (B-H, C-H = 0.98 Å) and included in the refinement riding on their carrier atoms, except for the MeOH hydroxyl hydrogen atom, which was located from a difference Fourier map and refined with a distance restraint. Disorder was found in the orientation of the methyl hydrogens of the MeOH molecule and in the MeOH molecule orientation and handled in the refinement with a disorder model. The solvent molecule with minor occupation (p

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= 0.142(7)) was refined isotropically. All other non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters. Hydrogen atoms were refined with two isotropic thermal parameters, one for the hydrogens of the MeOH molecule (U = 0.099(9) Å<sup>2</sup>) and one common to all other hydrogen atoms (U = 0.067(1) Å<sup>2</sup>). Weights were introduced in the final refinement cycles; convergence was reached at R = 0.025. Crystal data and numerical details of the structure determination are given in Table 4. Data on the geometry are given in Table 1. Final atomic parameters for the non-hydrogen atoms are listed in Table 5.

Structure Determination and Refinement of 9. X-ray data were collected on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer for a orange crystal glued on top of a glass fiber. Unit cell parameters were derived from the 25 SET4 setting angles in the range  $10 < \theta < 17^{\circ}$ . A total of 13 140 reflections were scanned and corrected for Lp and a 3% linear decay, resulting in a unique set of 2479 reflections with  $I > 2.5\sigma(I)$ . The structure was solved by Patterson methods (SHELXS-86<sup>31</sup>) and refined by full-matrix least-squares techniques on F (SHELX-76<sup>32</sup>) to a final R = 0.039. Hydrogen atoms were taken into account at calculated positions with two common isotropic thermal parameters and refined riding on their carrier atoms. Numerical details have been collected in Table 4. Final atomic parameters for the non-hydrogen atoms are listed in Table 6.

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**Supplementary Material Available:** Tables of anisotropic thermal parameters, H-atom positions and thermal parameters, and bond distances and angles involving H-atoms for 8 and 9 (10 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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