Synthesis and Characterization of Tungsten Alkenyl–Carbyne and Alkenyl–Ketenyl Complexes Containing Dithio Ligands. X-ray Crystal Structure and MO Analyses of

 $[(dppe){\kappa^{3}(S,C,S)-S_{2}CPCy_{3}}W \equiv CCH = C(CH_{2})_{3}CH_{2}][BF_{4}]$

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The reaction of $[(dppe)(CO)_2(MeCN)W \equiv CCH = \dot{C}CH_2(CH_2)_nCH_2\dot{C}H_2][BF_4]$ (dppe = 1,2-bis-(diphenylphosphino)ethane; n = 1 (**1a**), 4 (**1b**)) with S₂CPCy₃ in methanol for 10 min affords $[(dppe)(CO)_2{\kappa(S)-S_2CPCy_3}W \equiv CCH = CCH_2(CH_2)_nCH_2CH_2][BF_4]$ (n = 1 (**2a**), 4 (**2b**)). Similarly, the complexes $[(dppe)(CO)_2{\kappa(S)-S_2P(OEt)_2}W \equiv CCH = CCH_2(CH_2)_nCH_2CH_2]$ (n = 1 (**3a**),

4 (3b) have been prepared by the reaction with $[NBu_4][S_2P(OEt)_2]$. When **1a** and **1b** are reacted with S_2CPCy_3 in methanol for 24 h, the complexes $[(dppe)\{\kappa^3(S, C, S)-S_2CPCy_3\}$

W=CCH=CCH₂(CH₂)_{*n*}CH₂CH₂][BF₄] (n = 1 (**4a**), 4 (**4b**)) are formed. Moreover, when **1a** and **1b** are reacted with NaS₂CNR₂ (R = Me, Et), the ketenyl complexes [(dppe)(CO){ $\kappa^2(S,S)$ -

S₂CNR₂}W{ $\kappa^2(C,C)=C-(C=O)CH=CCH_2(CH_2)_nCH_2CH_2$ }] are formed (R = Me, n = 1 (**5a**), 4 (**5b**); R = Et, n = 1 (**5c**), 4 (**5d**)) subsequent to the coupling between the carbyne group and carbon monoxide. IR and ¹H, ³¹P, and ¹³C NMR data are reported for all of the species. The molecular structure of compound **4a**, determined by X-ray diffraction methods, shows that the S₂CPCy₃ ligand is bound to the metal in a pseudoallylic $\kappa^3(S,C,S)$ fashion. The metal coordination is completed by the W=C triple bond of the alkenyl–carbyne group and by two additional W–P bonds. Since the metal center in **4a** is formally a deficient 16-electron species and since the synthetic route has clearly indicated that an additional CO ligand is preferentially rejected by the metal, a reasonable interpretation of the bonding has been sought by means of EHMO calculations. Not only has the coexistence between the dithiocarboxylate and the carbyne ligands been elucidated, but also the strength of the W–S bonds is accounted for in comparison with the weaker W–S bonds observed in other saturated W complexes containing a $\kappa^3(S,C,S)$ dithio ligand. Finally, qualitative theoretical considerations are presented for the different behavior of the dithiocarbamate ligand.

Introduction

Since the discovery¹ of the first carbyne complex by E. O. Fischer in 1973, the chemistry of metal–carbon triple bonds has been extensively investigated.² Car-

byne group 6 low-valent metal complexes (Fischer-type) are genuine examples, and to date, a large number of them have been prepared. Although carbyne complexes of this type are readily accessible through a number of well-established synthetic methodologies,^{2a,c,e} only a few complexes bearing unsaturated substituents on the carbyne functionality have been described.³ We have

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recently reported⁴ an efficient route for the synthesis of cationic alkenyl-carbyne complexes of the type $[(dppe)(CO)_2LW \equiv CCH = CCH_2(CH_2)_nCH_2CH_2][BF_4] (L =$ CO, MeCN; dppe = 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane; n = 1, 4 (A, Chart 1), which have been proven to be good precursors for the preparation of cationic [(dppe)- $(CO)_2LW \equiv CCH = CCH_2(CH_2)_n CH_2CH_2 [BF_4]$ and neutral $[(dppe)(CO)_2XW \equiv CCH = \dot{C}CH_2(CH_2)_nCH_2\dot{C}H_2]$ (X = Cl, Br, I) derivatives. As an extension of the synthetic applications of the precursor complexes (A), we have obtained a number of novel tungsten derivatives containing dithio ligands. The series of complexes is as follows: (i) alkenyl-carbyne complexes (**B**) containing monodentate ligands such as $\kappa^1(S)$ diethyldithiophosphate $[S_2P(OEt)_2]^-$ and the zwitterionic tricyclohexylphosphonium dithiocarboxylate S₂CPCy₃, (ii) alkenylcarbyne complexes (C) with the S₂CPCy₃ ligand bonded in a tridentate $\kappa^3(S,C,S)$ coordination mode, and (iii) alkenyl-ketenyl complexes (D) which in contrast to the aforementioned complexes (B) and (C) result from the reactions of complexes A with dithiocarbamate ligands $S_2CNR_2^-$ (R = Me, Et) through the coupling of the carbyne group and carbon monoxide (formal insertion of a carbonyl group into the metal-carbon triple bond).

The X-ray crystal structure of the complex [(dppe)- $\{\kappa^3(S,C,S)-S_2CPCv_3\}W \equiv CCH = \dot{C}(CH_2)_3\dot{C}H_2$ [BF4] (4a) is reported to highlight the features of an interesting organometallic species with a formal electron shortage (16 electrons) and in which a η^3 -coordinated dithio acid coexists with a triple $W \equiv C$ bond. In order to elucidate in some detail the electronic nature of **4a**, extended Hückel calculations (EHMO method)⁵ have been carried out for a simplified model of the complex, namely $[(PH_3)_2 \{\kappa^3(S, C, S) - S_2CPH_3\}W (\equiv CCH = CH_2)]^+.$

Results and Discussion

Alkenyl-Carbyne Complexes. The addition of an equimolar amount of S₂CPCy₃ to a solution of [(dppe)- $(CO)_2(MeCN)W \equiv CCH = CCH_2(CH_2)_n CH_2CH_2 [BF_4]$ (1a and 1b) in methanol at room temperature (Scheme 1, eq 1a) in 10 min leads to substitution of the acetonitrile ligand giving the cationic alkenyl-carbyne complexes 2a and 2b, isolated as the tetrafluoroborate salts (90% yield). They are orange air-sensitive solids that are not stable over -20 °C. Similarly, the reaction of **1a** and **1b** with $[NBu_4][S_2P(OEt)_2]$ (eq 1b) affords neutral complexes 3a and 3b (82-85% yield), isolated as yellow air-stable solids.

The conductance data of acetone solutions show that complexes 2a and 2b are 1:1 electrolytes. The IR spectra (CH_2Cl_2) (Table 1) of all of the complexes exhibit the two typical ν (CO) carbonyl stretching absorptions in the range of 2000-1930 cm⁻¹ for *cis*-dicarbonyl complexes, indicating the substitution of the acetonitrile ligand.

The presence of the dithio ligands is assessed by the ³¹P NMR spectra (Table 1). Thus, the phosphorus resonance of S₂CPCy₃ in complexes 2a and 2b appears as a singlet signal at 31.7 ppm, as expected for a formal phosphonium character,⁶ while the corresponding resonance of the dithiophosphate ligand in complexes 3a and **3b** appears as a triplet at δ 107.9 ppm (³*J*(P–P) = 21.0– 20.5 Hz) due to the coupling of the two equivalent phosphorus nuclei of dppe in a *cis* position. The spectra also show the resonances of dppe at δ 42.4 s ppm (**2a**,**b**) and 38.2-38.1 ppm (d, ${}^{3}J(P-P)$ 21.0-20.5 Hz) (**3a,b**), indicating the chemical equivalence of the phosphorus atoms in accordance with the trans carbyne-dithio ligand arrangement.

When complexes **1a** and **1b** are allowed to react in methanol with S_2 CPCy₃ for 24 h, a gradual change of color to red is observed along with the precipitation of a red crystalline solid identified as $[(dppe) \{ \kappa^3(S,C,S) \}$

 S_2CPCy_3 }W=CCH=CCH₂(CH₂)_nCH₂CH₂][BF₄] (n = 1 (4a) and 4 (4b)) (90% yield) (Scheme 1, eq 1c). Alternatively, these complexes can be also obtained in similar yield when solutions of 2a and 2b in methanol are stirred at room temperature for 24 h. IR spectra of 4a and **4b** show no ν (CO) carbonyl stretching absorptions, confirming the total substitution of the carbonyl ligands. The analytical data and mass spectra (FAB) (see Experimental Section) are in accordance with this formulation. The ¹³C and ³¹P NMR spectra (Tables 1 and 2) are also consistent with this geometry, indicating

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Scheme 1



Table 1. IR^{*a*} and ³¹P{¹H} and ¹H NMR^{*b*} Data for the Alkenyl–Carbyne Complexes

		³¹ P	P{ ¹ H}		
	IR ν (CO)	P(CH ₂) ₂ P	S ₂ CPCy ₃ or S ₂ P(OEt) ₂	$^{1}H C_{\beta}H$	
2a	2000 s, 1936 vs	42.4 s (230.1) ^c	31.7 s	5.18 s, br	
2b	1999 s, 1936 vs	42.4 s (229.4) ^c	31.7 s	4.81 s, br	
3a	2001 vs, 1936 vs	38.2 d (21.0 ^d , 226.9 ^c)	107.9 t (21.0 ^d)	4.92 s, br	
3b	1999 vs, 1931 vs	38.1 d (20.5 ^d , 226.8 ^c)	107.9 t (20.5 ^d)	4.52 s, br	
4a		62.1 d (1.7 ^e , 294.0 ^c)	35.2 t (1.7 ^e)	4.53 s, br	
4b		62.2 d (1.5 ^e , 294.0 ^c)	35.2 t (1.5 ^e)	4.46 s, br	

^{*a*} Spectra recorded in CH₂Cl₂, ν (cm⁻¹). Abbreviations: s, strong; vs, very strong. ^{*b*} Spectra recorded in CDCl₃ (³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra of **4a** and **4b** recorded on a Bruker AMX400 spectrometer in CD₂Cl₂), δ in ppm, *J* in Hertz. Abbreviations: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; br, broad. ^{*c*} *J*(P–W). ^{*d*} ³*J*(P–P). ^{*e*} *J*(P–P).

Table 2. ¹³C{¹H} NMR Data for the Alkenyl–Carbyne Complexes^a

	$^{13}C{^{1}H}$				
	$C_{\alpha}{}^{b}$	\mathbf{C}_{eta}	\mathbf{C}_{γ}	$2 cis CO^b$	S ₂ CPCy ₃ ^c
2a	290.9 m	d	166.5 s	214.5 dd (33.4, 8.6)	220.9 d (40.6)
2b	290.9 m	d	165.2 s	214.7 dd (33.1, 7.8)	220.8 d (40.2)
3a	276.6 m	d	164.0 s	213.7 m	
3b	276.7 t (10.4)	134.8 s	162.7 s	213.9 m	
4a	300.5 t (13.4)	d	158.4 s		60.6 d (71.5)
4b	300.8 t (13.6)	135.3 s	155.8 s		60.5 d (70.7)

^{*a*} Spectra recorded in CDCl₃, δ in ppm, *J* in Hertz. Abbreviations: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; m, multiplet. ^{*b* 2}*J*(C–P). ^{*c*} *J*(C–P). ^{*d*} Overlapped by the aromatic carbons.

the presence of the alkenyl–carbyne group and the dithio ligand bonded to the metal atom in a $\kappa^3(S, C, S)$ coordination mode. In particular, the carbon resonance of the dithiocarboxylate group in the S₂CPCy₃ ligand appears at a high field (*ca.* δ 60.5 ppm, d, J(C-P) = 70.7-71.5 Hz), and the ³¹P NMR spectra show a low-field triplet signal at *ca.* δ 35.2 (³J(P-P) = 1.7-1.5 Hz) typical of a quaternary phosphorus atom bearing a formal positive charge. These values can be compared to those shown by other $\kappa^3(S, C, S)$ phosphonium dithio-

carboxylate complexes.⁷ The ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra also show resonances due to the dppe ligand (*ca.* δ 62.1 ppm, d, ³*J*(P–P) = 1.7–1.5 Hz; *J*(P–W) = 294.0 Hz), as expected for an AX₂ spin system.

The reactions can be monitored by ³¹P NMR in CDCl₃, which shows a stepwise acetonitrile–carbonyl substitution through the formation of complexes **2a** and **2b** as intermediate species. The first reaction step seems to be very fast, since after 5 min the signal of the starting complex (*e.g.*, **1a**) at δ 47 ppm is no longer observed and two new singlet signals at δ 31.7 and 42.4 ppm appear attributable in complex **2a** (*vide supra*) to the phosphorus atoms of the dithio ligand and dppe, respectively. After *ca.* 1 h, the spectrum also shows two signals at δ 35.2 and 62.1 ppm assigned to the final complex **4a**, which are the only ones observed after *ca.* 24 h of reaction.

X-ray Crystal Structure of 4a. The crystal structure of complex **4a** consists of cationic complexes and of BF_4^- anions. The structure of the cationic complex

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Figure 1. View of the molecular structure of the cationic complex of $[(dppe)_{\kappa^3(S,C,S)}-S_2CPCy_3]W\equiv CCH=C(CH_2)_3CH_2][BF_4]$ (**4a**), with the atom-numbering scheme.

Only one of the two disordered positions of the alkenylcarbyne ligand are shown.

is shown in Figure 1, together with the atom-numbering scheme; selected bond distances and angles are given in Table 3.

The W atom displays a roughly square pyramidal coordination with the triply-bonded C(1) atom from the alkenyl-carbyne group lying at the apical site. Two cis basal sites are occupied by the phosphorus atoms of the dppe chelate, while the other two sites are jointly spanned by the S₂C unit of the tricyclohexylphosphonium dithiocarboxylate ligand. The apical alkenylcarbyne ligand has been found disordered over two positions (A and B) with a separation between the carbynic C(1A) and C(1B) atoms of 0.57 Å. For the sake of clarity, only the ligand in the position A is shown in Figure 1. The structural parameters relative to the carbyne ligand are W-C(1A) = 1.811(15) Å, W-C(1B)= 1.808(16) Å, W-C(1A)-C(2A) = 166(1)°, and W-C- $(1B)-C(2B) = 170(2)^{\circ}$. The W-C bond lengths are comparable with that found, 1.830(3) Å, in the neutral, 18-electron complex trans-[(dppe)(CO)₂ClW=CCH=

 $C(CH_2)_3CH_2$].⁴ Remarkably, in the latter, the W–C–C angle is much closer to linearity, *i.e.*, 178.9(2)°. Also, the W–P(2) and W–P(3) bond distances in **4a** appear shorter (2.474(4) and 2.463(4) Å) than those in the above reference complex (2.539(1) and 2.524(1) Å, respectively). The five-membered rings in positions A and B display envelope and twist conformations, respectively.

The coordination of the S₂CPCy₃ ligand is of the pseudoallylic $\kappa^3(S,C,S)$ -type with W–S(1), W–S(2), and W–C(8) bond lengths of 2.404(4), 2.401(4), and 2.142-(10) Å, respectively, and with the C–S bond lengths practically equal to each other, 1.747(11) *vs* 1.766(11) Å. Also, the P(1)–C(8) distance of 1.82(1) Å is comparable to the typical P–Cy distances, in the range 1.82-(1)–1.86(1) Å. The latter linkage is practically eclipsed to the carbynic W–C(1) linkage, the dihedral angles

Table 3. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) for Complex 4a

	(405) 101	complex in	
W-S(1)	2.404(4)	P(3)-C(41)	1.829(11)
W-S(2)	2.401(4)	P(3)-C(47)	1.821(12)
W-P(2)	2.474(4)	C(1A)-C(2A)	1.42(2)
W-P(3)	2.463(4)	C(2A)-C(3A)	1.36(2)
W-C(1A)	1.811(15)	C(3A)-C(4A)	1.52(3)
W-C(1B)	1.808(16)	C(3A)-C(7A)	1.51(3)
W-C(8)	2.142(10)	C(4A)-C(5A)	1.50(5)
S(1)-C(8)	1.747(11)	C(5A)-C(6A)	1.51(5)
S(2)-C(8)	1.766(11)	C(6A)-C(7A)	1.51(4)
P(1) - C(8)	1.823(11)	C(1B)-C(2B)	1.43(2)
P(1) - C(9)	1.820(11)	C(2B)-C(3B)	1.36(3)
P(1) - C(15)	1.824(13)	C(3B)-C(4B)	1.52(4)
P(1)-C(21)	1.862(14)	C(3B)-C(7B)	1.51(3)
P(2)-C(27)	1.867(15)	C(4B)-C(5B)	1.50(5)
P(2)-C(29)	1.831(12)	C(5B)-C(6B)	1.52(6)
P(2)-C(35)	1.814(12)	C(6B)-C(7B)	1.51(4)
P(3)-C(28)	1.825(12)		
C(1B)-W-C(8)	103.9(7)	W-C(1A)-C(2A)	166(1)
C(1A) - W - C(8)	107.6(6)	C(1A)-C(2A)-C(3A)	126(2)
C(1A) - W - C(1B)	18.3(7)	C(2A) - C(3A) - C(7A)	124(2)
P(3) - W - C(8)	139.5(3)	C(2A)-C(3A)-C(4A)	130(2)
P(3)-W-C(1B)	92.4(6)	C(4A) - C(3A) - C(7A)	105(2)
P(3)-W-C(1A)	78.1(6)	C(3A) - C(4A) - C(5A)	102(2)
P(2)-W-C(8)	136.9(3)	C(4A)-C(5A)-C(6A)	108(3)
P(2)-W-C(1B)	85.2(6)	C(5A) - C(6A) - C(7A)	101(3)
P(2)-W-C(1A)	94.0(6)	C(3A) - C(7A) - C(6A)	110(2)
P(2)-W-P(3)	80.4(1)	W-C(1B)-C(2B)	170(2)
S(2)-W-C(8)	45.3(3)	C(1B)-C(2B)-C(3B)	129(2)
S(2)-W-C(1B)	110.9(6)	C(2B)-C(3B)-C(7B)	121(2)
S(2)-W-C(1A)	126.6(6)	C(2B)-C(3B)-C(4B)	125(2)
S(2)-W-P(3)	154.9(1)	C(4B)-C(3B)-C(7B)	112(2)
S(2)-W-P(2)	91.9(1)	C(3B) - C(4B) - C(5B)	98(3)
S(1) - W - C(8)	44.7(3)	C(4B)-C(5B)-C(6B)	107(3)
S(1)-W-C(1B)	125.1(6)	C(5B)-C(6B)-C(7B)	100(3)
S(1)-W-C(1A)	114.7(6)	C(3B)-C(7B)-C(6B)	102(2)
S(1)-W-P(3)	95.7(1)	S(2)-C(8)-P(1)	120.9(6)
S(1)-W-P(2)	149.8(1)	S(1)-C(8)-P(1)	117.1(6)
S(1) - W - S(2)	79.0(1)	S(1)-C(8)-S(2)	120.8(6)

C(1A)WC(8)P(1) and C(1B)WC(8)P(1) being 6(1)° and -13(1)°, respectively. It is noteworthy that the bonding of the S₂C fragment to the tungsten atom in **4a** differs significantly from that observed in the metal-saturated complex^{7a} [W{ $\kappa^3(S, C, S)$ -S₂CPMe₃}(CO)₂(PMe₃)₂] where the W–S bond lengths, 2.505(8) and 2.541(7) Å, are definitely longer and the W–C one is only slightly shorter, 2.12(2) Å. Another structure which is closely related to the present one is that of the formal 16-electron complex⁸ [W(=CBu^t)(CHBu^t)(CH₂Bu^t)(dmpe)]. Also, in the latter the carbyne group occupies the apex of the square pyramid (W=C = 1.785(8) Å) while in the basal plane there are, besides the two phosphine donors of the chelate, adjacent alkyl and alkylidene groups.

Ketenyl Complexes. The facile substitution of the carbonyl groups with dithio ligands in complexes **1a** and **1b** prompted us to investigate their reactivity with dialkyldithiocarbamate, a typical monoanionic chelate ligand. The addition of a stoichiometric amount of NaS₂-CNR₂ (R = Me, Et) to a solution of **1a** and **1b** in methanol at -20 °C gives a purple solution from which ketenyl complexes **5a**-**d** are obtained in good yields (Scheme 2). These complexes have been isolated as brown solids, and they are stable under N₂ atmosphere. They have been characterized by elemental analyses, mass spectrometry (FAB) (see Experimental Section), and IR and NMR spectroscopies (Tables 4 and 5).

The IR spectra (CH₂Cl₂) (Table 4) show two ν (CO) stretching carbonyl absorptions, one very strong at

Scheme 2



 Table 4. IR^a and ³¹P{¹H} NMR^b Data for the

 Alkenyl-Ketenyl Complexes

	IR		$^{31}P\{^{1}H\}^{c}$		
			P trans to		
	ν(CO)	ν (C=C=O)	κ^2 -ketenyl	P trans to S	
5a	1869 vs	1731 m	18.4 d (19.0, 72.3)	45.5 d (19.0, 312.7)	
5b	1870 vs	1729 m	17.6 d (16.8, 67.9)	46.0 d (16.8, 315.1)	
5c	1869 vs	1729 m	17.4 d (19.8, 73.1)	46.3 d (19.8, 310.8)	
5d	1870 vs	1727 m	16.6 d (18.1, 68.1)	46.4 d (18.1, 313.3)	

^{*a*} Spectra recorded in CH₂Cl₂, ν (cm⁻¹). Abbreviations: m, medium; vs, very strong. ^{*b*} Spectra recorded in CDCl₃, δ in ppm, *J* in Hertz. Abbreviations: d, doublet. ^{*c*} *J*(P–P) and *J*(P–W).

1869–1870 cm⁻¹, assigned to the terminal carbonyl ligand, and a second medium intensity absorption at 1729–1731 cm⁻¹, indicating the presence of the ketenyl group.⁹ This is confirmed by the ketenyl carbon resonance in the ¹³C NMR spectra (Table 5) which appears as an unresolved multiplet at δ 199.4–201.4 ppm due to the coupling with the unequivalent phosphorus nuclei. An additional doublet of doublets at δ 187.9–190.4 ppm (dd, ²*J*(C–P) = 18, 10 Hz) are assigned to the α carbon of the ketenyl group [W{ $\kappa^2(C,C)$ =C–(C=O)-

CH=CCH₂(CH₂)_nCH₂CH₂]. Further resonances attributable to the rest of the carbon nuclei of the alkenyl moieties and dithiocarbamate and dppe ligands can also be assigned (see Experimental Section). The ³¹P NMR spectra of complexes **5a**–**d** (Table 4) consist of two doublets (²J(P–P) = 16.8–19.8 Hz) along with the ¹⁸³W satellites. As expected for the high *trans* influence of the κ^2 -ketenyl ligand, small values of J(P–W) coupling constants are observed (δ 16.6–18.4, ¹J(P–W) = 67.9– 72.3 Hz, P *trans* to κ^2 -ketenyl; δ 45.5–46.4, ¹J(P–W) = 310.8–315.1 Hz, P *trans* to S).^{9a} Significantly, the former coupling constants are lower than those shown by the alkenyl–carbyne ligand.⁴

When the reactions are monitored by IR in the carbonyl region, the formation of an intermediate complex is observed. Thus, after 5 min the spectra show two new ν (CO) stretching absorptions at 1997 and 1933 cm⁻¹. The reactions are allowed to proceed until these absorptions totally disappear to give those corresponding to the final complexes **5a**-**d**. Although all attempts to isolate these intermediate species have failed, we believe



that *cis*-dicarbonyl complexes containing monodentate dithiocarbamate ligands are formed (Scheme 2).^{9b} The ability of dithiocarbamate ligands to chelate probably favors the substitution of an additional carbonyl ligand, promoting the coupling of the carbyne group and carbon monoxide to give the κ^2 -alkenyl–ketenyl moiety. In contrast to this behavior, complexes **3a** and **3b** remain unchanged even when their solutions in methanol are heated under reflux. This probably indicates the unfavorable "bite angle" of the S₂P(OR)₂ ligands, although tungsten complexes in which dithiophosphate is acting as a chelate ligand have been reported.¹⁰

MO Analyses of Complexes 4a,b. The unit S_2 -CPR₃, formally resulting from the aggregation of carbon disulfide and a tertiary phosphine, is found to be a versatile ligand. The metal complexes show a variety of coordination modes, and up to four electron pairs can be involved in the bonding with the metal(s). In particular, the trihapto binding mode, $M(\kappa^3 - S, C, S)$, has been structurally characterized in a number of mononuclear⁷ and binuclear^{6,11} complexes. The trihapto coordination of S₂CPCy₃ in complexes 4a,b is particularly interesting because it coexists with a carbyne group bonded to the same metal center. Also, the case is peculiar because a significant amount of backdonation into the empty π^* level of S₂CPCy₃ (see **I**) is expected to occur from a somewhat electron-deficient metal species (16 electrons). The EHMO calculations



have been performed mainly based on the structural results obtained for **4a**. The working model **II** has the imposed C_s symmetry with the terminal alkenyl group, hanging from the carbyne, fixed in the mirror plane. No



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Table 5. Selected ¹³C{¹H} NMR Data for the Alkenyl–Ketenyl Complexes^a

		$^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$				
	$W=C_{\alpha}=C=O^{b}$	\mathbf{C}_{eta}	\mathbf{C}_{γ}	$2 cis CO^{b}$	$C_{\alpha}=C=O$	$S_2 C N R_2$
5a	190.0 dd (18.6, 10.5)	119.5 s	150.0 s	221.9 dd (10.0, 2.8)	199.4 m	211.8 s
5b	190.4 dd (18.7, 9.7)	124.5 s	148.5 s	222.4 dd (10.4, 2.4)	201.4 m	211.3 s
5C 5d	190.1 dd (17.8, 11.1)	119.6 S 124.9 s	149.9 S 147.1 s	221.3 m 221.8 dd (10.8, 3.6)	201.2 m 199.6 m	211.5 S 211.2 S

^{*a*} Spectra recorded in CDCl₃, δ in ppm, J in Hertz. Abbreviations: s, singlet; d, doublet; m, multiplet. ^{*b*} In parenthesis ²J(C–P).



Figure 2. Diagram of the interactions between the dithio ligand S_2CPH_3 and the fragment $[W(=CCH=CH_2)(PH_3)_2]^+$.

alkenyl–carbyne fragment about the extended W=C–C vector nor do the main electronic features seem to be affected by the substitution of the terminal $CH=CH_2$ group with a single H atom.

Figure 2 shows the diagram for the interaction between the dithiocarboxylate ligand and the remaining part of the molecule. The frontier molecular orbitals (FMOs) of the ligand S₂CPH₃ (on the right side of the figure) have been described recently.^{7c,12} Essentially, these consist of two major *in-plane* combinations of sulphur lone pairs (*in-phase* σ_{ip} and *out-of-phase*, σ_{op}), and three of the π -S₂C system containing four electrons. Besides the empty π^* -S₂C level, these include the π -S₂C and π^n -S₂C combinations.

The fragment of the type ML_3 (with pseudo $C_{3\nu}$ symmetry) is somewhat atypical because of the triple linkage between the metal and one of the ligands (W=CR). In any case, by adopting a classic strategy¹³ the frontier orbitals can still be thought to descend from an octahedron following the removal of three *fac* σ donors. Accordingly, there are two main subsets of levels, namely a lower t_{2g} and higher e_g + σ _{hybrid}. Two levels of the former subset, considered empty, have the

proper d_{π} symmetry (*xz*, *yz* orbitals) to interact with the p_{π} orbitals of a formally trianionic carbyne. The interactions are also at the origin of the W=C triple bond (the bonding/antibonding combinations are highlighted in Figure 2).

By considering the carbyne group as a formal trianion (π -donor), *versus* monocationic (π -acceptor) or a neutral moiety,¹⁴ the metal can be regarded as a d² species. Indeed, several theoretical studies have already been devoted to octahedral metal–carbyne complexes,¹⁵ but the situation may be simplified by thinking that the unique electron pair of the d² metal is hosted in the third t_{2g} orbital (x^2-y^2), hence, it is available for back-donation into the empty π^* -S₂C FMO. The bonding combination (the strongest observed in terms of overlap population between fragment orbitals) gives rise to the HOMO of the molecule, shown in **III**. It is noteworthy that the



total energy as well as that of the HOMO are optimized for a value of the $C_{carbyne}$ -W- $C_{dithioligand}$ bond angle very close to the experimental one (*ca.* 105°).

Previous MO studies^{7c,12} on the interaction between the ligand S₂CPH₃ and metal fragments such as [Fe-(CO)₃] and [W(CO)₂(PH₃)₂] also pointed out the extra stability of the back-donation into the FMO **I**, which adds to the four-electron donation involving the S₂C π system. The rest of metal orbitals lying above the t_{2g} set are also shown in Figure 2. One of them, *xy*, interacts more strongly with the π^n -S₂C antisymmetric combination. Finally, there are two possible candidates (see **IV** and **V**) which, being empty, can potentially interact with the symmetric π -S₂C bonding combination.



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The higher level σ_{hy} (IV) has sp hybrid character while the lower has d_{π} character (V). Since the main lobe of the latter points opposite to the W=C linkage, it is indicated as z^2 in Figure 2.

In principle, both of the FMOs IV and V could share the electrons donated from π -S₂C and the description of the whole complex as a 16-electron species could still be rational.¹⁶ However, as a new piece of information provided by the calculations, the *in-plane* sulfur lone pair σ_{ip} (see Figure 2) contributes somehow to the bonding, in particular it overlaps preferentially with z^2 . The 18-electron configuration can be achieved in this manner, *i.e.*, through the involvement of all of the nine metal orbitals in some different interaction. Experimentally, the participation of as many as three sulphur electron pairs in bonding to the metal is supported by the comparison of the W-S distances in the present and other 18-electron species also containing the same dithio ligand $\kappa^3(S,C,S)$ coordinated. As discussed during the description of the structure **4a**, the W–S distance in the 18-electron complex $[W{\kappa^3(S,C,S)-S_2CPMe_3}]$ - $(CO)_2(PMe_3)_2$ ^{7a} is at least 0.1 Å longer than in our species, a fact which is nicely rationalized by the theoretical arguments which assign a certain double bond character to the W–S linkages.

The fragment molecular orbital (FMO) analysis highlights the importance of the relative orientation of S_2CPH_3 with respect to the fragment [W(=CCH= $(CH_2)(PH_3)_2]^+$. The dithic ligand is able to donate up to three electron pairs (two from the π and one from the σ system) only if the P-C bond of S_2CPH_3 eclipses the W–C triple bond, as occurs in the molecular structure of **4a**. Similar preferred orientations for π -acceptor ligands (alkenes and alkynes) have been reported in several d² complexes containing multiple-bonded ligands¹⁷ (mainly oxo¹⁸ and imido^{18b,19} derivatives). While the metal achieves the formal 18-electron configuration, a fourth electron pair is backdonated into the electrophilic S_2C carbon atom (I). If the dithio ligand is turned upside down, the energetics of the system is disfavored by ca. 0.6 eV and, importantly, the fluxionality of the κ^3 bound S₂CPR₃ ligand is prevented by the highest energetics when the C-P vector is perpendicular to the W=C linkage ($\Delta E > 1.4 \text{ eV}$).

The dichotomy between the $\kappa^3(S,C,S)$ and $\kappa^2(S,S)$ coordination modes of dithio ligands in a variety of saturated metal complexes has been previously addressed.^{7c} For the model compound [(PH₃)₂(S₂CPH₃)W(=CCH= (CH_2)]⁺, the complex with a $\kappa^3(S,C,S)$ bonding mode is more stable than the dihapto one by ca. 1 eV. The stabilization of the HOMO due to the back-donation is lost at the square pyramidal geometry if S₂CPH₃ is

results.

dihapto bonded. It is worth pointing out that although in the present complex the metal is electron poor (recall its apparent 16-electron configuration and, at the very best, the extra donation from the *in-plane* σ_{ip} S₂C lone pair), the back-donation from the unique electron pair in $dx^2 - y^2$ is a major stabilizing force.

There still remains doubts on the reasons why in 4a the ligand S₂CPCy₃ prefers the trihapto coordination while the metal center could be formally saturated by the dihapto $\kappa^2(S,S)$ coordination in the presence of an extra CO ligand. Evidently (see Scheme 1), the addition of S₂CPCy₃ forces the departure of as many as two CO ligands from the coordination sphere. As a possible explanation, if the S₂CPCy₃ group were dihapto coordinated, there could be a significant electron repulsion between its filled π MOs (at the sulfur atoms) and the metal xz, yz orbitals. The latter are expected to accumulate large electron density when involved in π interactions with the triply-bonded carbyne group. Similar points have been raised by other authors regarding the coexistence in the complex of a carbyne ligand with coligands capable of donating four π electrons such as an alkyne.²⁰ Along the same lines also, the deformation of the octahedral geometry in such complexes has been interpreted.^{2b} In summary, the metal back-donation into the π^* -S₂C orbital at κ^3 -(S,C,S) bonding and the loss of π repulsions due to the dihapto coordination seem to be the factors counterbalancing the loss of one carbonyl ligand. Hence, the preference for the five-coordinated complexes 4a,b over the sixcoordinated monocarbonyl species is reasonable.

The different behavior of S₂CNR₂⁻ ligands versus S_2CPCy_3 on coordination to the alkenyl-carbyne core affords the ketenyl derivatives 5a-d (Scheme 2). Although a theoretical analysis of such a different reactivity has not been carried out as yet, we want to comment on the evidently different electronic properties of the dithiocarbamate ligands vs S₂CPR₃. Indeed, the population of the dithiocarbamate π system is characterized by a total of six electrons, and the electrophilicity at the central carbon atom is evidently diminished. This feature is usually well-described by the VB representation VI.



Importantly, the back-donation from the metal is greatly reduced as is the possibility of forming trihaptoadducts analogous to those obtained with S₂CPR₃. Also, since the π electron density accumulates less at the sulfur atoms, the $\kappa^2(S,S)$ coordination is less hindered and the octahedral geometry is more easily achieved.

The trihapto-pseudoallylic coordination of S₂CPCy₃ found in 4a,b has been characterized by X-ray crystallography in other dithio ligands (xanthate and thioxanthate) bonded to d² oxo-molybdenum complexes, for example as in $[Mo(O){\kappa^2(S,S)-S_2CSPr^i}{\kappa^3(S,C,S)-S_2CSPr^i}$ S_2CSPr^i],²¹ [Mo(O){ $\kappa^2(S,S)-S_2CPh$ }{ $\kappa^3-(S,C,S)-S_2CPh$ }],²² $[Mo(O) \{\kappa^{2}(S,S) - S_{2}C(PMe_{3})OPr^{i}\} \{\kappa^{3}(S,C,S) - S_{2}C(PMe_{3})OPr^{i}\} \}$

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 S_2COPr^{i}],²³ and $[M_0(O) \{\kappa^2(S,S) - S_2C(PMe_3)SPr^{i}\} \{\kappa^3 - \kappa^3 -$ (S, C, S)-S₂CSPrⁱ].²⁴ These complexes are closely related with compounds **4a**,**b**, and all of them have been studied through the corresponding $[Mo(O) \{\kappa^3 - (S, C, S) - S_2 CX\}$ -(S-S)] models or, alternatively, by a general [Mo(O)- $\{\kappa^3(S,C,S)-S_2CH\}\{\kappa^2-(S,S)-S_2CH\}\}$ model compound. The bonding of the dithio ligand to the ML₃ fragment (pseudo $C_{3\nu}$), containing the oxo group and the other κ^2 dithio ligand, can be described as previously done for a model of **4a**. The HOMO of the $[Mo(O) \{\kappa^3(S,C,S)\}$ - S_2CH { κ^2 -(*S*,*S*)- S_2CH } model is formed through the same interaction highlighted before, that is the overlap of the π^* -S₂C FMO and the filled d $x^2 - y^2$ orbital. Similar preferred orientations of the κ^3 -S₂CX group can be understood in terms of maximum overlap between FMOs as outlined for the carbyne example and need no further comments.

Experimental Section

The reactions were carried out under dry nitrogen using Schlenk techniques. All solvents were dried by standard methods and distilled under nitrogen before use. The com-

plexes [(dppe)(CO)₂(MeCN)W=CCH=CCH₂(CH₂)_nCH₂CH₂][BF₄] (n = 1 (1a), 4 (1b)) were prepared by the literature methods.⁴ [NBu₄][S₂P(OEt)₂], NaS₂CNR₂ (R= Me, Et) (Aldrich Chemical Co.), and S₂CPCy₃ (Strem Chemical Co.) were used as received

Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1720-XFT spectrometer. Mass spectra (FAB) were recorded using a VG-Autospec spectrometer, operating in the positive mode; 3-nitrobenzyl alcohol (NBA) was used as the matrix. The conductivities were measured at room temperature, in *ca*. 10^{-3} mol dm⁻³ acetone solutions, with a Jenway PCM3 conductivimeter. The C, H, and N analyses were carried out with a Perkin-Elmer 240-B microanalyzer.

NMR spectra were run on a Bruker AC300 spectrometer at 300 MHz (1H), 121.5 MHz (31P), or 75.5 MHz (13C) using CDCl₃ as solvent. The spectral references used were tetramethylsilane for ¹H and ¹³C NMR measurements and 85% H₃PO₄ for ³¹P NMR measurements.

Selected IR and ¹H, ³¹P{¹H}, and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectroscopic data for the novel alkenyl-carbyne complexes and alkenylketenyl complexes are collected in Tables 1, 2, 4, and 5.

$[(dppe)(CO)_2 \{ \kappa(S) - S_2 CPCy_3 \} W \equiv CCH = CCH_2(CH_2)_n - CCH_2(CH_2)_n$

 CH_2CH_2 [BF₄] (n = 1 (2a), 4 (2b)). General Procedure. An equimolar amount of complex 1a or 1b (0.2 mmol) and S₂CPCy₃ in methanol (20 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. The color of the solution changed from orange to red. Removal of the solvent and washing the resulting solid with diethyl ether (5 mL) and hexane (2×5 mL) gave 2a or 2b as orange solids. Yield: 2a and 2b, 90%. Conductivity (acetone, 20° °C, Ω^{-1} cm² mol⁻¹): **2a**, 136; **2b**, 140.

Spectral data for 2a: IR (KBr, ν (CO) and ν (B-F)) 1989 (s), 1923 (vs), 1055 (s, br). ¹H NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 1.09 (m, 14H, 7 CH₂), 1.38 (m, 10H, 5 CH₂), 1.69 (m, 10H, 5 CH₂), 1.91 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 2.35 (m, 3H, P(CH(CH₂)₅)₃), 2.50-3.20 (m, 4H, $P(CH_2)_2 P), \ 7.27-7.70$ (m, 20H, $PPh_2).$ $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR (d, CDCl₃): 24.9-34.6 (m, 19 CH₂), 29.5 (m, P(CH₂)₂P), 32.4 (d, J(C-P) = 36.1 Hz, $P(CH(CH_2)_5)_3)$, 128.1–135.0 (m, C_β , PPh₂).

Spectral data for 2b: 1H NMR (d, CDCl₃) 1.12 (m, 12H, 6 CH₂), 1.42 (m, 14H, 7 CH₂), 1.74 (m, 16H, 8 CH₂), 2.44 (m, 5H, CH₂, P(CH(CH₂)₅)₃), 2.82 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 3.06 (m, 2H, P(CH_a H_b)₂P), 7.30–7.73 (m, 20H, PPh₂). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (d, CDCl₃): 23.1-35.6 (m, 22 CH₂), 29.6 (m, P(CH₂)₂P), 32.4 (d, J(C-P) = 36.2 Hz, $P(CH(CH_2)_5)_3$), 128.1–135.7 (m, C_{β} , PPh₂).

 $[(dppe)(CO)_2 \{\kappa(S) - S_2P(OEt)_2\} W \equiv CCH = CCH_2(CH_2)_{\mu}$

 CH_2CH_2] (n = 1 (3a), 4 (3b)). General Procedure. A mixture of 1a or 1b (0.2 mmol) and [NBu₄][S₂P(OEt)₂] (0.2 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h. After evaporation of the solvent to dryness, the residue was extracted with toluene and filtered off on Alox. Removal of the solvent gave **3a** or **3b** as bright yellow solids. Yield: 3a, 85%; 3b, 82%.

Spectral and analytical data for 3a: IR (KBr, v(CO)) 1995 (vs), 1928 (vs). ¹H NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 1.20 (t, J(H–H) = 7.1 Hz, 6H, P(OCH₂CH₃)₂), 1,48 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 1.93 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.99 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.60 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 2.80 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 3.78 (m, 4H, P(OCH₂CH₃)₂), 7.33-7.74 (m, 20H, PPh₂). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 15.6 (d, ³*J*(C-P) = 9.0 Hz, P(OCH2CH3)2), 25.4 (s, CH2), 26.1 (s, CH2), 27.2 (m, P(CH2)2P), 31.5 (s, CH₂), 34.4 (s, CH₂), 61.8 (d, ${}^{2}J(C-P) = 6.6$ Hz, P(O*C*H₂-CH₃)₂), 128.2–136.6 (m, C_{β}, PPh₂). MS (FAB, m/e): 860 [M⁺ -2CO], 731 [M⁺ - (EtO)₂PS₂], 645 [M⁺ -2CO - 2EtO - S -C₇H₉]. Anal. Calcd for C₃₉H₄₃O₄P₃S₂W: C, 51.1; H, 4.7. Found: C, 51.0; H, 4.8.

Spectral and analytical data for 3b: IR (KBr, v(CO)) 1991 (vs), 1921 (vs). ¹H NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 1.19 (t, J(H-H) = 7.0 Hz, 6H, P(OCH₂CH₃)₂), 1.42 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 1.50 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 1.77 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 2.38 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.60 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 2.80 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 3.77 (m, 4H, P(OCH₂-CH₃)₂), 7.33-7.70 (m, 20H, PPh₂). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 15.7 (d, ${}^{3}J(C-P) = 9.2$ Hz, P(OCH₂CH₃)₂), 25.5 (s, CH₂), 26.8 (s, CH2), 27.0 (s, 3 CH2), 27.4 (m, P(CH2)2P), 31.8 (s, CH2), 35.9 (s, CH₂), 62.0 (d, ${}^{2}J(C-P) = 6.7$ Hz, P(OCH₂CH₃)₂), 128.3-136.4 (m, PPh₂). MS (FAB, m/e): 902 [M⁺ - 2CO], 773 [M⁺ - (EtO)₂PS₂], 645 [M⁺ - 2CO - 2EtO - S - C₁₀H₁₅]. Anal Calcd for C42H49O4P3S2W: C, 52.6; H, 5.2. Found: C, 52.8; H. 4.8

 $[(dppe){\mathcal{K}^{3}(S,C,S)-S_{2}CPCy_{3}}W \equiv CCH = CCH_{2}(CH_{2})_{n}$

CH₂CH₂][BF₄] (*n* **= 1 (4a), 4 (4b)). General Procedure. A** mixture of complex 1a or 1b (0.2 mmol) and S₂CPCy₃ (0.2 mmol) in methanol (20 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The color of the solution changed from orange to deep red, and a red crystalline solid precipitated. Complete precipitation took place by addition of diethyl ether (20 mL). The solvent was decanted, and the resulting solid was washed with diethyl ether (5 mL) and hexane (2 \times 5 mL) to give the compounds 4a or 4b as red crystalline solids. Yield: 4a and **4b**, 90%. Conductivity (acetone, 20 °C, Ω^{-1} cm² mol⁻¹): **4a**, 121; 4b, 118.

Spectral and analytical data for 4a: IR (KBr, v(B-F)) 1056 (s, br). ¹H NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 1.28 (m, 14H, 7 CH₂), 1.67 (m, 8H, 4 CH2), 1.80 (m, 10H, 5 CH2), 2.15 (m, 6H, 3 CH2), 2.70 (m, 3H, P(CH(CH₂)₅)₃), 3.14 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 3.52 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 7.13-7.96 (m, 20H, PPh₂). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 25.0 (s, CH₂), 25.5 (m, 3 CH₂), 26.3 (s, CH₂), 26.9 (d, ${}^{2}J(C-P) = 11.8$ Hz, 6 CH₂), 27.4 (m, 6 CH₂), 29.6 (m, P(CH₂)₂P), 30.2 (s, CH₂), 32.8 (s, CH₂), 33.9 (d, J(C-P) = 41.4 Hz, P(CH- $(CH_2)_5)_3$, 128.7–132.9 (m, C_{β}, PPh₂). MS (FAB, m/e): 1031 $[M^{+}-BF_{4}],\,751\,\,[M^{+}-BF_{4}-PCy_{3}],\,646\,\,[M^{+}-BF_{4}-PCy_{3}]$ $- C - C_7 H_9$]. Anal. Calcd for $C_{52}H_{66}BF_4P_3S_2W$: C, 55.8; H, 6.0. Found: C, 55.6; H, 6.0.

Spectral and analytical data for **4b**: IR (KBr, ν (B-F)) 1065 (s, br). ¹H NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 0.84 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.10 (m, 2H, CH2), 1.19 (m, 6H, 3 CH2), 1.29 (m, 10H, 5 CH2), 1.38 (m, 2H, CH_2), 1.46 (m, 2H, CH_2), 1.70 (m, 4H, 2 CH_2), 1.78 (m, 4H, 2 CH2), 1.84 (m, 6H, 3 CH2), 2.14 (m, 6H, 3 CH2), 2.72 (m, 3H, P(CH(CH₂)₅)₃), 3.23 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 3.48 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 7.11–7.99 (m, 20H, PPh₂). $^{13}C{^{1}H}$ NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 23.2 (s, CH₂), 25.3 (s, CH₂), 25.5 (s, CH₂), 25.6 (s, 3 CH₂), 27.0 (d, ${}^{2}J(C-P) = 11.7$ Hz, 6 CH₂), 27.6 (d, ${}^{3}J(C-P) =$

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2.1 Hz, 6 CH₂), 27.9 (s, CH₂), 29.7 (m, P(CH₂)₂P), 30.2 (s, CH₂), 31.8 (s, CH₂), 32.6 (s, CH₂), 33.9 (d, J(C-P)=41.6 Hz, P(*C*H-(CH₂)₅)₃), 128.8–132.8 (m, PPh₂). MS (FAB, m/e): 1073 [M⁺ – BF₄], 793 [M⁺ – BF₄ – PCy₃], 646 [M⁺ – BF₄ – PCy₃ – C – C₇H₉]. Anal. Calcd for C₅₅H₇₂BF₄P₃S₂W: C, 56.9; H, 6.2. Found: C, 56.3; H, 6.2.

 $[(dppe)(CO) \{ \kappa^2(S,S) - S_2CNR_2 \} W \{ \kappa^2(C,C) = C(C=O) - C(C=O) \}$

CH=CCH₂(CH₂)_nCH₂CH₂] (R = Me, n = 1 (5a), 4 (5b); R = Et, n = 1 (5c), 4 (5d)). General Procedure. A mixture of 1a or 1b (0.2 mmol) and NaS₂CNR₂ (0.2 mmol) in methanol (20 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. The color of the solution changed from orange to reddish-purple. The solvent was removed under vacuum, the solid residue was extracted with dichloromethane, and the extract was filtered. The solution was concentrated to *ca.* 2 mL, and methanol (10 mL) was added. Slow evaporation of the solvents gave 5a-d as red solids. Yield: 5a, 85%; 5b, 80%; 5c, 80%; 5d, 88%.

Spectral and analytical data for **5a**: IR (KBr, ν (CO); ν (C=C=O)) 1870 (vs); 1731 (m). ¹H NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 1.48 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 2.53 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 2.58 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 2.60 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 2.69 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.10 (m, 2H, P(CH_aH_b)₂P), 7.10-8.04 (m, 21H, C_βH, PPh₂). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 24.6 (m, PC_aH₂C_bH₂P), 26.1 (s, CH₂), 26.5 (s, CH₂), 30.2 (m, PC_aH₂C_bH₂P), 31.5 (s, CH₂), 34.4 (s, CH₂), 38.5 (s, NCH₃), 39.7 (s, NCH₃), 126.3-135.9 (m, PPh₂). MS (FAB, m/e): 852 [M⁺], 795 [M⁺ - 2CO - H], 702 [M⁺ - 2CO - H - C₇H₉], 646 [M⁺ - 2CO - H - C₇H₉ - CNMe₂]. Anal. Calcd for C₃₈H₃₉-NO₂P₂S₂W: C, 53.6; H, 4.6; N, 1.6. Found: C, 54.1; H, 4.4; N, 1.5.

Spectral and analytical data for **5b**: IR (KBr, ν (CO); ν (C=C=O)) 1869 (vs); 1722 (m). ¹H NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 1.39 (m, 6H, 3 CH₂), 1.59 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.73 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.00 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.20–3.50 (m, 4H, P(CH₂)₂P), 2.32 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.56 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 2.67 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 7.02–8.33 (m, 21H, C_βH, PPh₂). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 23.7 (m, PC_aH₂C_bH₂P), 25.5 (s, CH₂), 26.3 (s, CH₂), 26.5 (s, CH₂), 27.3 (s, CH₂), 27.4 (s, CH₂), 30.1 (m, PC_aH₂C_bH₂P), 31.0 (s, CH₂), 37.7 (s, CH₂), 38.5 (s, NCH₃), 39.7 (s, NCH₃), 126.4–134.9 (m, PPh₂). MS (FAB, m/e): 894 [M⁺], 838 [M⁺ – 2CO], 702 [M⁺ – 2CO – H – C₁₀H₁₅], 646 [M⁺ – 2CO – H – C₁₀H₁₅ – CNMe₂]. Anal. Calcd for C₄₁H₄₅NO₂P₂S₂W: C, 55.1; H, 5.1; N, 1.6. Found: C, 54.8; H, 5.0; N, 1.5.

Spectral and analytical data for **5c**: IR (KBr, ν (CO); ν (C=C=O)) 1869 (vs); 1726 (m). ¹H NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 0.93 (t, J(H-H) = 7.2 Hz, 3H, NCH₂CH₃), 0.96 (t, J(H-H) = 7.2 Hz, 3H, NCH₂CH₃), 1.50 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 2.05 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.50 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.50–3.30 (m, 4H, P(CH₂)₂P), 3.00 (m, 2H, NCH₂-CH₃), 3.27 (m, 2H, NCH₂CH₃), 7.00–8.00 (m, 21H, C_βH, PPh₂). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 12.19 (s, NCH₂CH₃), 12.24 (s, NCH₂CH₃), 25.2 (m, PC_aH₂C_bH₂P), 26.2 (s, CH₂), 26.6 (s, CH₂), 30.2 (m, PC_aH₂C_bH₂P), 31.5 (s, CH₂), 34.4 (s, CH₂), 44.1 (s, NCH₂CH₃), 45.3 (s, NCH₂CH₃), 127.1–136.3 (m, PPh₂). MS (FAB, m/e): 880 [M⁺], 823 [M⁺ – 2CO – H], 730 [M⁺ – 2CO – H – C₇H₉], 646 [M⁺ – 2CO – H – C₇H₉ – CNEt₂]. Anal. Calcd for C₄₀H₄₃NO₂P₂S₂W: C, 54.6; H, 4.9; N, 1.6. Found: C, 55.4; H, 5.0; N, 1.5.

Spectral and analytical data for **5d**: IR (KBr, ν (CO); ν (C=C=O)) 1869 (vs); 1725 (m). ¹H NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 0.90 (t, J(H-H) = 7.1 Hz, 3H, NCH₂CH₃), 0.97 (t, J(H-H) = 7.1 Hz, 3H, NCH₂CH₃), 1.42 (m, 6H, 3 CH₂), 1.75 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂), 2.20 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.48 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.70–3.40 (m, 4H, P(CH₂)₂P), 2.95 (m, 2H, NCH₂CH₃), 3.25 (m, 2H, NCH₂CH₃), 7.00–8.00 (m, 21H, C_{\beta}H, PPh₂). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 12.2 (s, N(CH₂CH₃)₂), 24.7 (m, PC_aH₂C_bH₂P), 25.6 (s, CH₂), 26.2 (s, CH₂), 26.4 (s, CH₂), 27.3 (s, CH₂), 27.5 (s, CH₂), 30.3 (m, PC_aH₂C_bH₂P), 30.9 (s, CH₂), 37.8 (s, CH₂), 44.0 (s, NCH₂CH₃), 45.2 (s, NCH₂CH₃), 127.0–134.5 (m, PPh₂). MS (FAB, m/e): 922 [M⁺], 866 [M⁺ - 2CO], 730 [M⁺ - 2CO - H - C₁₀H₁₅], 646 [M⁺ - 2CO - H - C₁₀H₁₅ - CNEt₂]. Anal. Calcd for C₄₃H₄₉NO₂P₂S₂W: C, 56.0; H, 5.4; N, 1.5. Found: C, 56.8; H, 5.4; N, 1.4.

 Table 6. Experimental Data for the X-ray

 Diffraction Study of Complex 4a

formula	$C_{52}H_{66}BF_4P_3S_2W$
M_r	1118.79
cryst syst	monoclinic
space group	$P2_1/n$
radiation (λ, A)	graphite-monochromated
	(Μο Κα, 0.710 73)
<i>a</i> , Å	16.864(4)
<i>b</i> , Å	17.940(5)
<i>c</i> , Å	17.506(5)
β , deg	99.39(2)
V, Å ³	5225(2)
Z	4
$D_{\rm calc}$, g cm ⁻³	1.422
F(000)	2280
cryst size, mm	0.16 imes 0.22 imes 0.28
μ (Mo K α), cm ⁻¹	24.30
θ range, deg	3-27
no. of reflns measd	$\pm h, k, l$
unique total no. of data	11384
unique no. of obsd data	4555 $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$
$R = \sum \Delta F / \sum F_0 $	0.0493
$R_{\rm w} = [\Sigma w (\Delta F)^2 / \Sigma w (F_0)^2]^{1/2}$	0.0558

Crystal Structure Determination of Complex 4a. Selected crystallographic data for complex **4a** are listed in Table 6. Data were collected at room temperature (22 °C) on a Philips PW 1100 single-crystal diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo K α radiation. All reflections with θ in the range 3–27° were measured; of 11 384 independent reflections, 4555, having $I > 2\sigma(I)$, were considered observed and used in the analysis. One standard reflection was monitored every 100 measurements; no significant decay was noticed over the time of data collection. Intensities were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects. A correction for absorption was applied (maximum and minimum values for the transmission factors were 1.0 and 0.612).²⁵

The structure was solved by Patterson and Fourier methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares first with isotropic thermal parameters and then with anisotropic thermal parameters for the non-hydrogen atoms, excluding the carbon atoms of the alkenyl-carbyne ligand and of the phenyl rings and the atoms of the BF4⁻ anion (both the ligand and anion were found disordered and distributed in two positions, A and B, of equal occupancy factors). The hydrogen atoms were placed at their geometrically calculated positions (C-H = 0.96Å) and refined "riding" on the corresponding carbon atoms. The final cycles of refinement were carried out on the basis of 435 variables; after the last cycles, no parameters shifted by more than 0.9 esd. The highest remaining peak (close to the W atom) in the final difference map was equivalent to about 1.50 e/Å³. In the final cycles of refinement, a weighting scheme $W = K[\sigma^2(F_0) + gF_0^2]^{-1}$ was used; at convergence the K and g values were 0.738 and 0.0017. Final R and R_w values were 0.0493 and 0.0558, respectively. The analytical scattering factors, corrected for the real and imaginary parts of anomalous dispersion, were taken from ref 26. All calculations were carried out on the Gould Powernode 6040 and Encore 91 computers of the Centro di Studio per la Strutturistica Diffrattometrica del CNR, Parma, using the SHELX-76 and SHELX-86 systems of crystallographic computer programs.²⁷

The extended Hückel parameters were taken from ref 28, and the graphic interpretation of the MO calculations has been performed by using the package CACAO.²⁹ The geometry of the model used for the calculations is fully consistent with that obtained from the X-ray analysis of compound **4a**.

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