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## Dicyclometalated Mononuclear Bis(carbene)platinum(IV) Complexes

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Summary: The consecutive reaction of bis(arylisocyanide)platinum(II) complex **1** with a primary amine and then chloroform gave novel dicyclometalated mononuclear bis(carbene)platinum(IV) complex **2** having an octahedral structure, which may be formed via monocyclometalated bis(carbene)platinum(II) complex **3** and dicyclometalated bis(carbene)platinum(IV) complex **4**.

Mononuclear platinum-carbene complexes are dominated by zero- and divalent platinum complexes.<sup>1</sup> The vast majority of them contain at least one heteroatom attached to the carbenoid carbon, that is, the so-called Fischer-type carbene complexes. One of preparative methods available for the Fischer-type carbene complexes is the nucleophilic attack of alcohols, amines, or thiols on isocyanide complexes.<sup>2</sup> In contrast to platinum(II)-carbene complexes, very few platinum(IV)carbene complexes are known,<sup>3</sup> although many alkylplatinum(IV) derivatives<sup>4</sup> have appeared and their chemistry has been investigated in detail. Clark reported the first platinum(IV)-alkoxy-carbene complex,<sup>3a</sup> and Muir and Chatt showed the first molecular structure of a cationic platinum(IV)–carbene complex by X-ray crystallographic studies.<sup>3e,f</sup> On the other hand, metalation on aromatic groups in transition metal complexes is generally induced by reduction or oxidation. Although the intramolecular ortho-metalation on an aromatic group is well-known for transition metal

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complexes with N-5 and P-donor6 ligands, there have been few examples of ortho-metalation occurring in carbene complexes to give metalated carbene complexes.7,8

We now report the formation of a novel dicyclometalated mononuclear bis(carbene)platinum(IV) complex from the reaction of trans-diiodobis(3,5-dimethoxyphenylisocyanide)platinum(II) (1) with a primary amine in chloroform (eq 1). This new complex is the first doubly metalated bis(carbene)metal complex.



To a solution of  $PtI_2\{CNC_6H_3(OMe)_2\}$  (1) (0.228 g, 0.3 mmol) in chloroform (35 mL) was added propylamine (0.32 mL, 3.0 mmol). After stirring for 48 h at room temperature, precipitates formed were separated from the reaction mixture by filtration and recrystallized from chloroform-acetone to give complex 2 as pale yellow crystals (0.112 g, 42% yield) (eq 1). Both of the isocyanide ligands coordinated to Pt(II) underwent 1,2addition of the amine to the N=C bond with transformation to a carbenoid bond, and simultaneously intramolecular metalation occurred at phenyl rings on both the carbene ligands to give a unique dicyclometalated bis(carbene) complex of tetravalent platinum. Based on spectral and elemental analyses, novel platinum(IV)-carbene complex 2 was identified.<sup>9</sup> In the IR



Figure 1. ORTEP drawing of complex 2. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg): Pt(1)-C(1), 2.050(7); Pt-(1)-C(2), 2.057(7); Pt(1)-C(3), 2.039(6); Pt(1)-C(4), 2.037-(6); Pt(1)-I(1), 2.7417(5); Pt(1)-I(2), 2.7514(6); I(1)-Pt(1)-I(2)I(2), 91.56(2); C(1)-Pt(1)-C(2), 174.8(3); C(3)-Pt(1)-C(4), 89.5(2).

spectra of **2**, absorptions due to  $\nu$ (N–H) and  $\nu$ (N=C) are observed at 3304 and 3270, and 1541 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, and the absorption due to  $\nu(N=C)$  at 2202 cm<sup>-1</sup> in **1** disappears. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **2** in acetone- $d_6$ shows a very simple pattern, suggesting that the complex may have a symmetrical structure. In the <sup>13</sup>C-{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum, the carbene carbon atom appears at  $\delta$  185 ppm with attendant <sup>195</sup>Pt satellite signals ( $J_{\text{Pt}=}$  $_{\rm C}$  = 733 Hz), the <sup>13</sup>C shielding of which is similar to that of cationic Pt(IV)-carbene complexes such as [PtClMe2-(CHNMe<sub>2</sub>)(<sup>t</sup>Bu<sub>2</sub>bpy)]Cl ( $\delta$  185 in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)<sup>4f</sup> and is significantly higher than that observed for typical Fischertype carbene complexes ( $\delta$  190–210 ppm).<sup>8,10</sup> The metalated carbon atom of the phenyl group is observed at  $\delta$  106 ppm and flanked by <sup>195</sup>Pt satellite signals ( $J_{Pt-C}$ = 850 Hz). The <sup>195</sup>Pt NMR spectrum of **2** shows a single peak at -1935 ppm (versus an external K<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>4</sub> reference), which is in a lower field than that of the divalent platinum complex 1 ( $\delta$  -3808 ppm), suggesting the Pt atom in 2 to be in a higher oxidation state.

The structure of **2** has been finally confirmed by an X-ray crystallographic study.<sup>11</sup> Figure 1 depicts the ORTEP drawing, which reveals that 2 adopts an octahedral configuration of a central tetravalent platinum coordinated by two cis iodine atoms, two cis metalated carbons on the aromatic rings, and two trans (diamino)carbene ligands. The Pt=C bond distances (2.050(7) and 2.057(7) Å) are considerably longer than generally expected M=C double bonds but normal for a trans Pt=

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<sup>1575 (</sup> $\nu_{C-N}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, acetone  $d_6$ )  $\delta = 9.72$  (satellite,  $J_{Pt-H} = 53$  Hz, 2H, H1, and H2), 8.19 (br s, 2H, H3, and H4), 6.21 (s, 2H, H5, and H6), 5.75 (s, 2H, H7, and H8), 3.62 (s, 6H, OMe × 2), 3.58  $(NCH_2CH_2CH_3)$ , 22.5  $(NCH_2CH_2CH_3)$ , 11.8  $(NCH_2CH_2CH_3)$ . Mass  $(FAB^+)$ : 892 (M), 765 [M-127(I)]. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{24}H_{34}N_4O_4I_2Pt$ : C, 32.34; H, 3.84; N, 6.28; I, 28.47. Found: C, 32.26; H, 4.06; N, 6.27; I, 28.41

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C bond, <sup>2a,8,10b,12</sup> of which the longer Pt–C carbene bond is due to the delocalization of  $\pi$ -electrons over Pt==C==-(N<)<sub>2</sub> bonds, as frequently observed for the Fischer-type carbene complexes. The shorter bond distances (C(1)– N(1), 1.336 Å; C(1)–N(3), 1.315 Å) than normal C–N bond ones (ca. 1.45 Å) in **2** also support the  $\pi$ -electron delocalization. On the other hand, two five-membered metallacycles share approximately the same planes with aromatic rings, and the dihedral angle is 88.5°. By a close inspection of the structure, it seems like a metallaspiro compound.

The stoichiometry of reaction 1 (eq 1) indicates that the formation of dicyclometalated bis(carbene)platinum **2** from complex **1** must require acceptors for two protons coming from phenyl rings to be metalated. During the course of our study on the mesogenic carbene compounds,<sup>13</sup> we found that an ortho-metalation reaction occurred to give a neutral ortho-metalated bis(diaminocarbene)platinum(II) complex when bis(arylisocyanide)platinum(II) was reacted with a primary amine.<sup>8</sup> Similarly, when complex **1** was reacted with propylamine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, monometalated bis(carbene)platinum(II) **3** and H<sub>2</sub>NPr·HI were formed in 90% yield (eq 2).



In this reaction a proton acceptor is an iodide anion coordinated on the platinum atom in **1**, and the resulting HI was captured by the amine to form the ammonium iodide. On treatment of isolated **3** again with  $H_2NPr\cdot HI$  in  $CH_2Cl_2$  no reaction was observed, but in  $CHCl_3$  complex **2** was obtained in 38% yield (eq 3),

 $3 + H_2 NPr \cdot HI + CHCl_3 \longrightarrow 2 + H_2 NPr \cdot HCl + CH_2Cl_2$  (3)

suggesting that monometalated bis(carbene)platinum  $\mathbf{3}$  may be one of intermediates leading to  $\mathbf{2}$  and that

chloroform participates in the reaction. When **1** was reacted with propylamine in chloroform,  $H_2NPr\cdot HCl$  was obtained as white powders from the reaction residue after isolation of **2**. To clarify the participation of chloroform, we traced the reaction of **1** with propylamine in CDCl<sub>3</sub> by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy and found the formation of CDHCl<sub>2</sub> accompanied with formation of **2** and  $H_2NPr\cdot HCl$ .

On the other hand, complex **3** reacted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> to give (chloro)(iodo)dicyclometalated bis(carbene)platinum  $4^{14}$  (29% yield, eq 4), which was converted to **2** quantitatively on treatment with H<sub>2</sub>NPr·HI in acetone (eq 5).



Unfortunately the formation of complexes 2 and 4 in eqs 1, 3, and 4 was always accompanied by unidentified complexes. This may be one of the causes for the somewhat low yields of 2 and 4. The reaction mechanism of eq 1 seems to be rather complicated, but the above experimental evidence suggests that the reaction proceeds stepwise through intermediates 3 and 4, and the proton acceptors may be iodine and dichloromethyl species. The reaction of eq 4 did not occur in the dark, implying that a radical process may be involved in the step affording 2 from 3 with chloroform. A detailed study on the mechanism is now in progress.

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