

# Formation of Palladium- and Platinum-Substituted Fulvenes by Activation of a Cyclopentadienyl or Indenyl Ligand

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The stepwise, low-temperature reaction of  $\{\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\mu\text{-Cl})(\text{PMe}_3)_2\}$  (**1**) with  $\text{CNBu-}t$  and  $\text{NaCp}'$  ( $\text{Cp}' = \text{C}_5\text{H}_5, \text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{Me}$ ) or  $\text{LiInd}$  ( $\text{Ind} = \text{C}_9\text{H}_7$ ) affords metal-substituted fulvenes of composition  $\text{Pd}[\text{C}(\text{NHBu-}t)=\text{C}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{R})][\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{CNBu-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$  ( $\text{R} = \text{H, Me}$ ) and  $\text{Pd}[\text{C}(\text{NHBu-}t)=\text{C}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_6)][\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{CNBu-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$ , of which the  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{Me}$ -derived complex **5a** has been characterized by X-ray crystallography. The mononuclear species  $\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]\text{Cl}(\text{CNBu-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$  (**2**) has been isolated as an intermediate of this reaction. An alternative synthesis of the palladabenzofulvene complex **6** involves the reaction of the 16 electron indenyl derivative  $(\eta^3\text{-Ind})\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{PMe}_3)$  (**7**) with 2 equiv of  $\text{CNBu-}t$ . In this case an  $\eta^1$ -indenyl intermediate of composition  $(\eta^1\text{-Ind})\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{CNBu-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$  (**8**) can be observed by low-temperature NMR spectroscopy. The complex  $\text{Pt}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]\text{Cl}(\text{CNBu-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$  (**12**) has been synthesized by the comproportionation reaction of  $\text{Pt}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]\text{Cl}(\text{PMe}_3)_2$  (**10**) and  $\text{Pt}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]\text{Cl}(\text{CNBu-}t)_2$  (**11**), in the presence of catalytic amounts of  $\text{CNBu-}t$ . Complex **12** reacts with  $\text{CNBu-}t$  and  $\text{NaCp}$  to give first the cationic species  $\{\text{Pt}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{CNBu-}t)_2(\text{PMe}_3)\}^+\text{Cl}^-$  (**13**) and then a mixture of platinafulvene isomers related to the above-mentioned Pd complexes. The fluxionality of these metallafulvene derivatives and the mechanism of their formation are discussed.

## Introduction

Organic isocyanides have a rich chemistry derived from their migratory insertion into transition metal–carbon bonds.<sup>1,2</sup> Both  $\eta^1$ - and  $\eta^2$ -iminoacyl structures have been reported to form along with a variety of polyimino-type products derived from multiple insertion reactions.<sup>1,2</sup> Many different alkyl (or aryl) groups are able to migrate onto the isocyanide carbon. However, there seems to be no report on complexes that proceed from the migratory insertion of the ubiquitous cyclopentadienyl ligand, despite the ample precedent that now exists for its monohapto coordination mode.<sup>3</sup> This contrasts with the fact that examples of related formal

insertions involving other unsaturated molecules into  $\text{M}-\eta^1\text{-Cp}$  bonds have been known for many years.<sup>4</sup> For instance, Casey and co-workers have disclosed a CO migratory insertion of this kind during the course of the reaction of  $(\eta^1\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)\text{Re}(\text{CH}_3)(\text{CO})(\text{NO})(\text{PMe}_3)_2$  with a large excess of  $\text{PMe}_3$ . This gave the structurally characterized cyclopentadienylidene ketene species  $\text{Re}[\text{C}(\text{O})=\text{C}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4)](\text{NO})(\text{PMe}_3)_3$ .<sup>4a</sup>

Recently we have reported the synthesis of the  $\eta^2$ -iminoacyl complex  $\text{Ni}[\eta^2\text{-C}(\text{NBU-}t)\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]\text{Cl}(\text{PMe}_3)$ , the first nickel compound of this type to be structurally authenticated by X-ray crystallography. This compound is generated by migratory insertion of  $\text{CNBu-}t$  into the Ni–C bond of the dimeric alkyl  $\{\text{Ni}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\mu\text{-Cl})(\text{PMe}_3)_2\}_2$ .<sup>5</sup> During the course of these studies we

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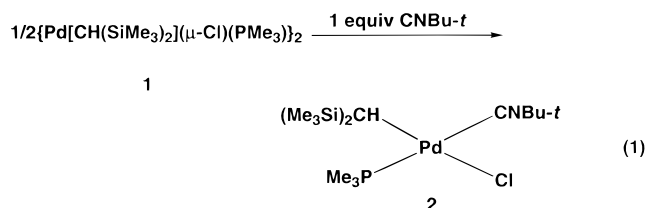
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became interested in the related chemistry of Pd- and Pt-alkyl complexes that contain the bulky hydrocarbyl unit  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ . In this contribution we wish to report the results of the reactions that involve the sequential use of *tert*-butylisocyanide and cyclopentadienyl-type ligands. As discussed below, the products of these transformations have composition  $\text{M}[\text{C}(\text{NHBU-}t)=\text{C}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{R})][\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{CNBU-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Pd}, \text{Pt}$ ;  $\text{R} = \text{H}, \text{Me}$ ) and  $\text{Pd}[\text{C}(\text{NHBU-}t)=\text{C}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_6)][\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{CNBU-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$  and exhibit metallafulvene structures. At least in a formal sense these complexes can be thought of as deriving from the migratory insertion of the organic isocyanide into a  $\text{M}-\eta^1\text{-Cp}$  or  $\text{M}-\eta^1\text{-Ind}$  bond ( $\text{Ind} = \text{C}_9\text{H}_7$ ), followed by tautomerization of the resulting iminoacyl functionality. Part of this work has appeared in a preliminary form.<sup>6</sup>

## Results

**Synthesis and Characterization of Palladafulvene Complexes.** The reaction of 1 equiv of  $\text{CNBU-}t$  with the recently described dimer  $\{\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\mu\text{-Cl})(\text{PMe}_3)_2\}_2$  (**1**)<sup>7</sup> cleanly and stereospecifically affords the new isocyanide adduct  $\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]\text{Cl}(\text{CNBU-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$  (**2**), which has been fully characterized by spectroscopy (eq 1).



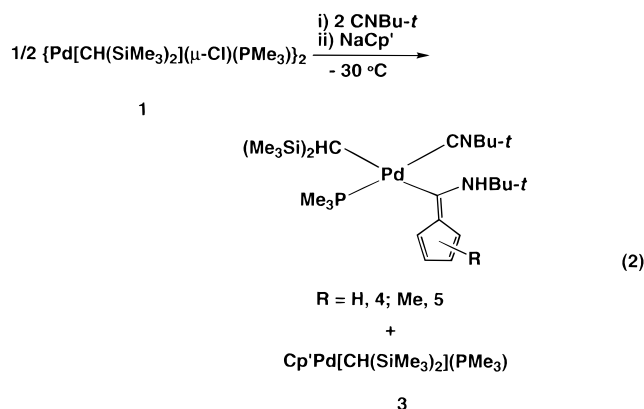
At variance with the results found in the analogous Ni system,<sup>5</sup> no insertion of the isocyanide into the Pd-alkyl bond takes place under these conditions. However, the formation of **2** is not an unexpected observation, as neutral Pd(II)-alkyl complexes which contain isocyanide ligands are rather inert toward this rearrangement. In those cases where this insertion reaction is facile the intermediate isocyanide adduct is usually sufficiently long-lived to be observed.<sup>1e,8</sup>

When an excess ( $\geq 2$  equiv) of  $\text{CNBU-}t$  is added to a cold solution ( $-30^\circ\text{C}$ ) of **1** in  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  a white precipitate forms. Due to a complex decomposition reaction, no clean products can be isolated after work up, but treatment of the above suspension with 1 equiv of  $\text{NaCp}$ , also at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$ , furnishes, among other unidentified compounds, the palladafulvene derivative  $\text{Pd}[\text{C}(\text{NHBU-}t)=\text{C}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4)][\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{CNBU-}t)(\text{PMe}_3)$  (**4**) in 45% yield (eq 2). The already described complex ( $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$ )- $\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{PMe}_3)$  (**3**) is also generated in this reaction and can be separated from **4** by fractional crystallization.<sup>7</sup> Analytical data and spectroscopic stud-

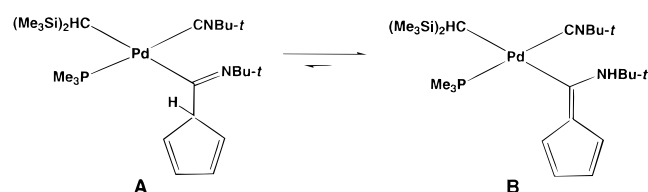
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ies indicate the incorporation of a Cp and two  $\text{CNBU-}t$  ligands and are in accord with **4** having formulation **B**, i.e. the tautomeric enamine form of the iminoacyl structure **A**, that would result from the formal insertion



of  $\text{CNBU-}t$  into a  $\text{Pd}-\eta^1\text{-Cp}$  bond. Thus, the IR spectrum contains a sharp, albeit weak, absorption at ca.  $3322\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , indicative of the presence of a N-H bond, whose existence is further substantiated by the observation of a broad resonance at  $\delta 6.94$  in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum. The  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum is particularly informative. The mutually trans arrangement of the  $\text{CNBU-}t$  and  $\text{PMe}_3$  ligands is indicated by the strong  $^{13}\text{C}-^{31}\text{P}$  coupling of 154 Hz found for the Pd-CNBU-*t* nucleus ( $\delta 139.1$ ). The Pd-bound  $^{13}\text{C}$  atom of the enamine moiety appears at low field ( $\delta 206.0$ , d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 5\text{ Hz}$ ), whereas the resonances of the five nonequivalent carbon atoms of the original Cp fragment cluster between 102 and 129 ppm. Rotation of the  $\text{C}_5$  ring around the  $\text{C}=\text{C}$  double bond is therefore slow in the NMR time scale at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ , in good agreement with the behavior of related organic<sup>9</sup> and organometallic<sup>10</sup> systems.

The use of methylcyclopentadienyl anion allows for the formation of the corresponding substituted fulvene complex **5** (eq 2), which because of the presence of the methyl group in the Cp ring is produced as a mixture of stereoisomers. The  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of the crude of the reaction shows the existence of three, out of the four possible isomers **5a-d** depicted in Scheme 1, in a ratio of 6:5:3. Pure samples of **5a** can be isolated by fractional crystallization from cold petroleum ether solutions and its structure unambiguously assigned by means of NOEDIFF experiments (Scheme 1). The most significant NOEs are (i)  $\text{H}_c$  ( $\delta 6.47$ ) and the NH proton ( $\delta 6.99$ ) with the protons of the methyl group of the  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{Me}$  ligand; (ii)  $\text{H}_b$  ( $\delta 6.66$ ) with  $\text{H}_c$  and  $\text{H}_a$  ( $\delta 7.16$ ). For the other isomers proton chemical shift and coupling constant data cannot either be confidently used for

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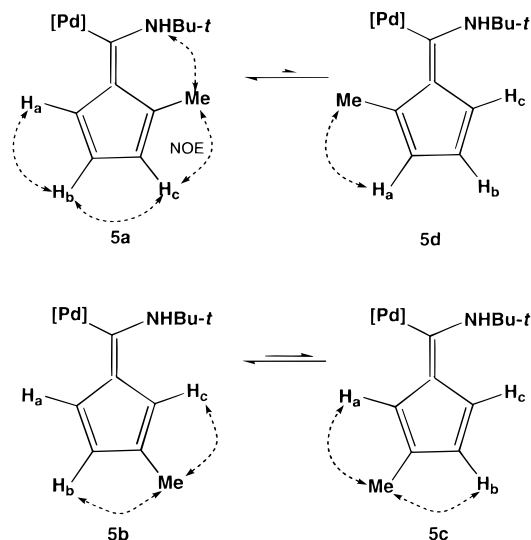
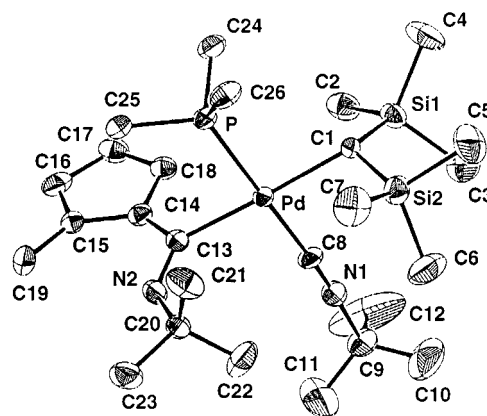


Table 1. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) for 5a

Pd–P	2.295(3)	P–Pd–C(1)	89.3(2)
Pd–C(1)	2.17(1)	P–Pd–C(8)	170.9(3)
Pd–C(8)	1.99(1)	P–Pd–C(13)	89.0(3)
Pd–C(13)	2.09(1)	C(1)–Pd–C(8)	92.3(4)
C(13)–C(14)	1.37(1)	C(1)–Pd–C(13)	177.8(4)
C(13)–N(2)	1.35(1)	C(8)–Pd–C(13)	89.1(4)

unequivocal structural identification but as for **5a** NOEDIFF experiments prove conclusive. Thus, irradiation of the resonance corresponding to the ring methyl group of the other two fulvene species produces NOE effects with two neighboring protons. This implies that these species are **5b** and **5c**, for the case of **5d** only one NOE effect (with  $H_a$ ) would have been observed (Scheme 1). Finally we have also made use in this analysis of the closer similarity expected for the chemical shifts of  $H_a$  and  $H_b$  in isomers **5a** and **5b** in comparison with **5c**. The ratio in which these complexes appear to coexist is  $5a/5b/5c = 5:6:3$ , and while the **5b/5c** proportion is probably thermodynamic in nature because of the effective rotation around the C=C bond in the laboratory time scale,<sup>9,10</sup> the fraction of **5a** may reflect the kinetic distribution of the reaction.

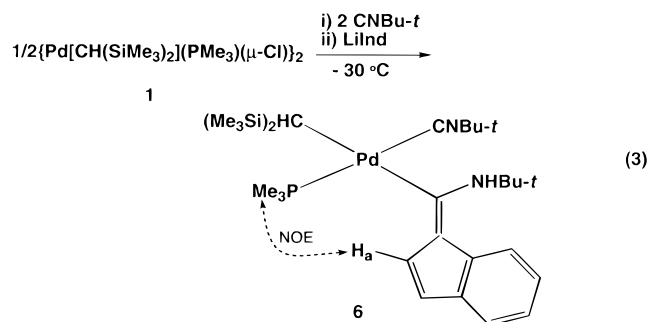
The structure of the **5a** isomer has been confirmed by X-ray diffraction methods. Selected bond distances and angles can be found in Table 1. As can be observed in Figure 1, the Pd center is in a distorted square-planar coordination environment, with the terminal isocyanide carbon atom C(8) presenting the largest deviation (0.28 Å) from the least-squares plane defined by Pd, P, C(1), C(8), and C(13). The fulvene moiety is planar and is almost perpendicular to the Pd coordination plane (dihedral angle of 80.77°), possibly to minimize adverse steric interactions. The Pd–C(1) bond of 2.17(1) Å is somewhat longer than Pd–C(13) at 2.09(1) Å due to differences in the hybridization at carbon. The latter length is in the range normally found for the Pd–C(sp<sup>2</sup>) bonds.<sup>11</sup> The remaining bond distances within the fulvene unit, particularly those of C(13)–C(14) and



**Figure 1.** Molecular structure of complex **5a** showing the atom labeling scheme. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity. ORTEP ellipsoids represent 30% probability.

C(13)–N(2) bonds (1.37(1) and 1.35(1) Å, respectively), are similar to those found in  $H_4C_4C=C(H)NMe_2$ .<sup>9</sup>

A similar transformation is observed when LiInd is used instead of a cyclopentadienyl reagent. Upon stepwise addition of 2 equiv of CNBu-*t* and 1 equiv of LiInd to solutions of **2** at low temperatures the benzoannulated fulvene derivative Pd[C(NHBu-*t*)=C(C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>6</sub>)]-[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>](CNBu-*t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (**6**) is formed in a ca. 40% yield (eq 3). The presence of an absorption at 3390 cm<sup>-1</sup>

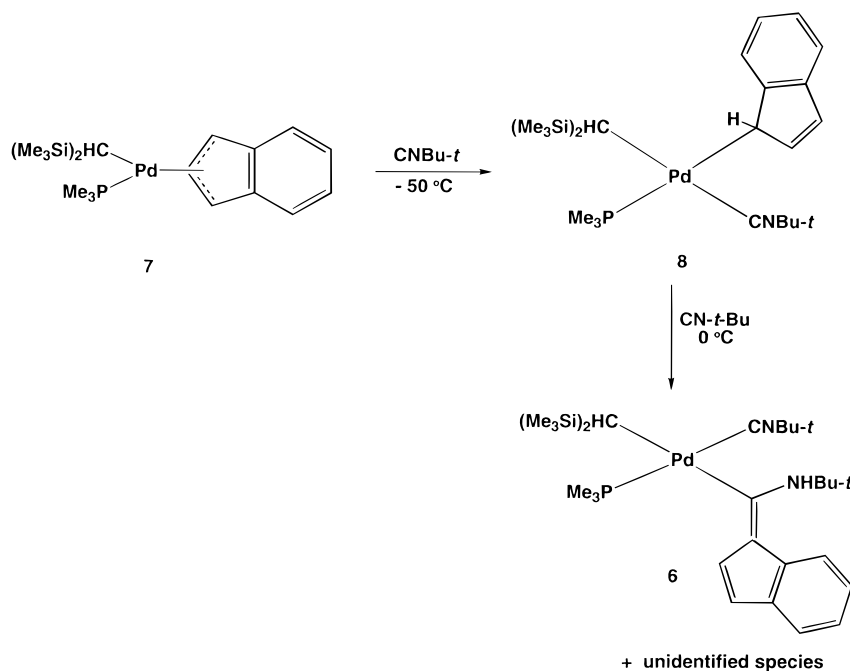


in the IR spectrum, and an associated broad singlet at  $\delta$  7.27 in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum are indicative of the existence of a NH group. Additionally the analysis of the resonances found in both the <sup>1</sup>H and the <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra reveal the presence of a fulvene unit (in this case with a fused benzene ring) bonded to the metal center through the *exo* carbon ( $\delta$  196.7). The ligand disposition around the metal center is easily deduced from the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra as has already been detailed for **4** and **5**. Two possible stereoisomers ("rotamers") are to be expected depending on the relative position of the benzene ring with respect to the amino group, but just one is observed by NMR spectroscopy. The presence of a NOE effect on  $H_a$  upon saturation of the PMe<sub>3</sub> protons clearly shows that the favored stereoisomer is the one depicted in eq 3.

Interestingly, the fulvene derivative **6** can be prepared by reaction of the indenyl complex ( $\eta^3$ -Ind)Pd[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>](PMe<sub>3</sub>) (**7**)<sup>7</sup> with 2 equiv of CNBu-*t*. In an attempt to gain mechanistic information this transformation has been monitored by low temperature NMR spectroscopy. Only 1 equiv of the isocyanide reacts initially, and an  $\eta^1$ -indenyl species **8** is cleanly formed at -50 °C (Scheme 2). Particularly informative from a structural point of view is the presence of a doublet in

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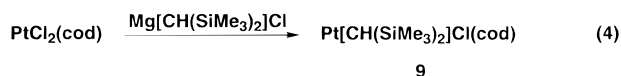
Scheme 2



the  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum at  $\delta$  48.15 ( $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 69$  Hz). This is assigned to the methyne group of the Pd-CH(ind) moiety and the strong  $^{13}\text{C}-^{31}\text{P}$  coupling is indicative of the trans disposition of the  $\eta^1$ -indenyl ligand with respect to the  $\text{PMe}_3$  group. The spectroscopic data recorded for **8** are similar to those found for other transition metal  $\eta^1$ -indenyl complexes that have been reported in the literature.<sup>12</sup> The clean formation of intermediate **8** implies that the isocyanide attacks selectively the Pd atom at one of the pseudoallylic positions of **7**, that which is trans with respect to the  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$  group (Scheme 2).

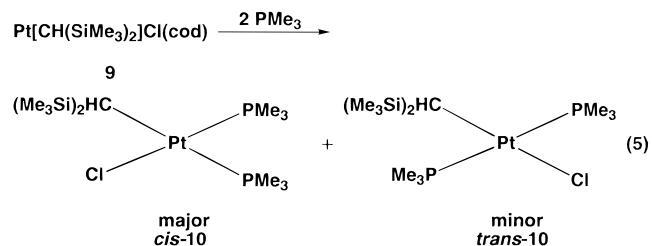
If the reaction temperature is allowed to reach 0 °C, **8** gradually disappears and the resonances corresponding to the indenylfulvene species **6** (among those of other species) concomitantly grow up in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the reaction mixture.

**Synthesis of Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl(CNBu-*t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (12).** To gain further information about the mechanism of formation of these palladafulvene complexes and with the expectation of isolating reaction intermediates we decided to study the related Pt system. As an entry to this chemistry the complex Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl(cod) (**9**) (cod = 1,5-cyclooctadiene) was prepared by the procedure described<sup>13</sup> by Young and co-workers for the synthesis of related alkyls (eq 4).



All the efforts directed to obtain a dimeric Pt complex similar to **1** by addition of 1 equiv of  $\text{PMe}_3$  to solutions of **9** were unsuccessful, and equimolar mixtures of unreacted starting material and the monomeric compound Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (**10**) were always ob-

tained. In accord with this result, the reaction of **9** with 2 equiv of  $\text{PMe}_3$  cleanly gives the bis(phosphine) adduct **10** (eq 5) which is generated as a kinetic mixture of the



*cis* and *trans* isomers in a 3:1 ratio. The former, i.e., the *cis*-**10** isomer can be readily isolated by fractional crystallization from petroleum ether/Et<sub>2</sub>O mixtures. The analysis of its  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum is straightforward<sup>14</sup> and merits no further comment but for the *trans* isomer the corresponding spectrum is somewhat more complicated due to the restricted rotation around Pt-CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> bond. This behavior, also observed in the Pd analogue,<sup>7</sup> makes the two  $\text{PMe}_3$  ligands non equivalent in the NMR time scale at 25 °C, and therefore the  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum consists of the superposition of two spin systems: the ABX of the  $^{196}\text{Pt}$  ( $S = 1/2$ )-containing molecules (ca. 34%) and the AB that corresponds to other Pt isotopomers. The strong coupling constant between the two phosphorus nuclei ( $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 500$  Hz) demonstrates the mutual trans disposition of the phosphine ligands.<sup>15</sup>

Since the reaction of **9** with 1 equiv of  $\text{PMe}_3$ , already discussed, does not give the monophosphine complex analogue of **1** a different synthetic strategy was devised to prepare the desired mononuclear species Pt[CH-

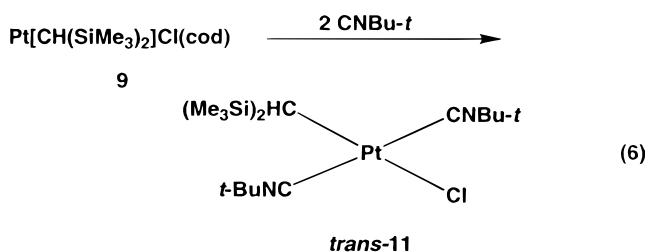
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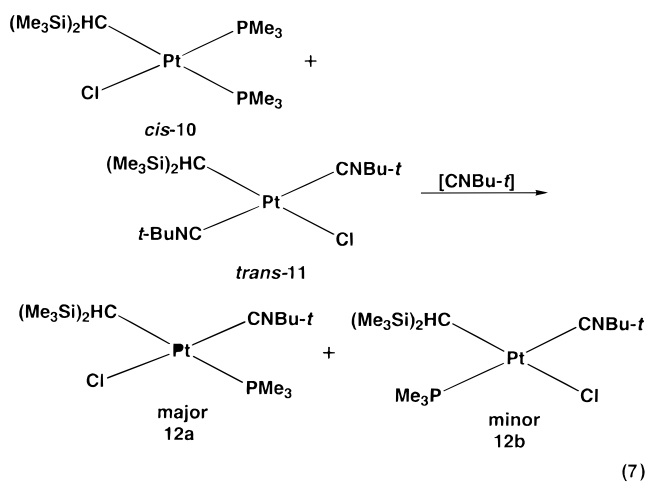
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(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl(CN*Bu-t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (**12**). Treatment of **9** with 2 equiv of CN*Bu-t* affords the complex Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]-Cl(CN*Bu-t*)<sub>2</sub> (**11**) exclusively as the *trans* isomer (eq 6).

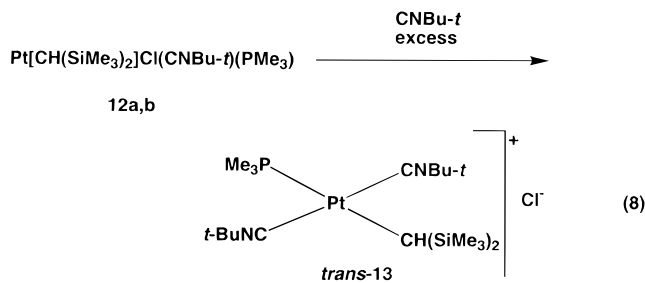


Analytical and spectroscopic data for this complex are collected in the Experimental Section and are in accord with the proposed formulation. When an equimolar mixture of *cis*-**10** and *trans*-**11** is dissolved in Et<sub>2</sub>O and treated with a catalytic amount of CN*Bu-t* (or PMe<sub>3</sub>) a ligand redistribution reaction<sup>16</sup> takes place and complex **12** is generated as a mixture of the two isomers shown in eq 7 (4:1 ratio). The *trans* configuration of the major



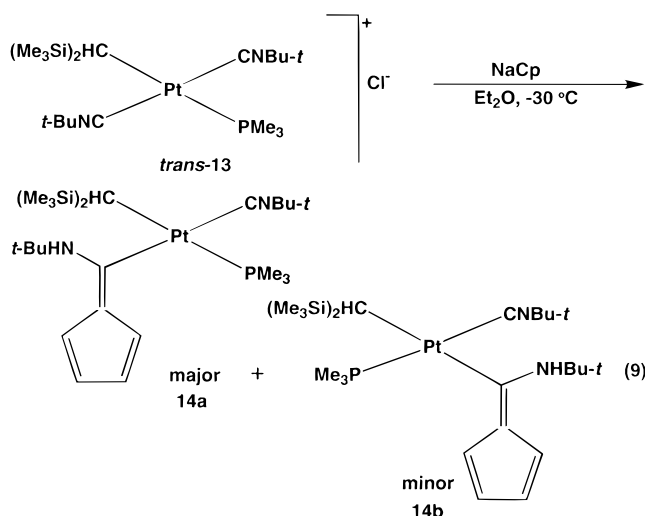
species, **12a**, is attested by the strong coupling that exists between the methyne carbon, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, and the phosphorus nucleus of the PMe<sub>3</sub> ligand ( $\delta = 16.0$ ,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 77$  Hz).<sup>13a</sup> As for the minor isomer **12b** the *cis* disposition of the PMe<sub>3</sub> and chloride ligands can be deduced from the analysis of the <sup>195</sup>Pt satellites of <sup>31</sup>P-<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum ( $\delta -15.3$ ,  $^1J_{\text{Pt}} = 1750$  Hz).<sup>14</sup> It is interesting to note that the Pd derivative **2** stereochemistry is identical to the less favored Pt isomer **12b**.

**Synthesis and Characterization of Platinafulvene Derivatives.** In contrast with the behavior of **2**, the addition of an excess ( $\geq 2$  equiv) of *tert*-butylisocyanide to **12** results in the isolation (ca. 75% yield) of a pure stable compound. This has been identified as the cationic species {Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>](CN*Bu-t*)<sub>2</sub>(PMe<sub>3</sub>)}Cl (**13**) (eq 8). This reaction is not unexpected. In fact, the displacement of a chloride ligand by an isocyanide is a well-known reaction in the chemistry of square-planar Pt(II) complexes.<sup>17</sup> The proposed *trans* geometry of **13** is based on NMR spectroscopic studies ( $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 54$  Hz for the CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> carbon nucleus) whereas its ionic formulation is in accord with its low solubility in Et<sub>2</sub>O



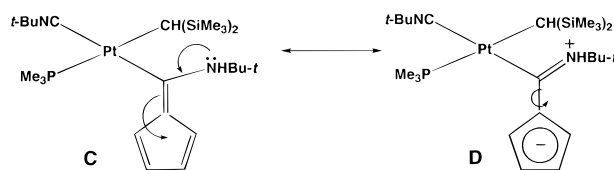
and also with the observation of almost identical NMR spectroscopic parameters for the species that results when the chloride anion is replaced by the non coordinating BAR<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> anion (Ar = 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl).<sup>18</sup>

Compound **13** reacts at low temperature with NaCp to produce a mixture of several compounds (<sup>31</sup>P NMR evidence) (eq 9). One of them, the platinafulvene **14a**



( $\delta$  Pt-CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> -3.0,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 69$  Hz), is isolated as a brown-yellow crystalline solid by crystallization from Et<sub>2</sub>O:petroleum ether solutions in ca. 40% yield. The minor isomer **14b** has the PMe<sub>3</sub> *cis* to both the alkyl and the fulvene ligands ( $\delta -7.5$ , d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 5$  Hz, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and  $\delta 195$ , d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 9$  Hz, fulvene *exo* carbon).

As shown in Figure 2, complex **14a** exhibits fluxional behavior in solution. The two rotamers **E** and **F** that are present at low temperatures in a ca. 1:7 ratio (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) interconvert rapidly in the NMR time scale at higher temperatures. They are assigned as **E** and **F** and are proposed to arise from restricted rotation around C-N bond (see canonical form **D**) differing in



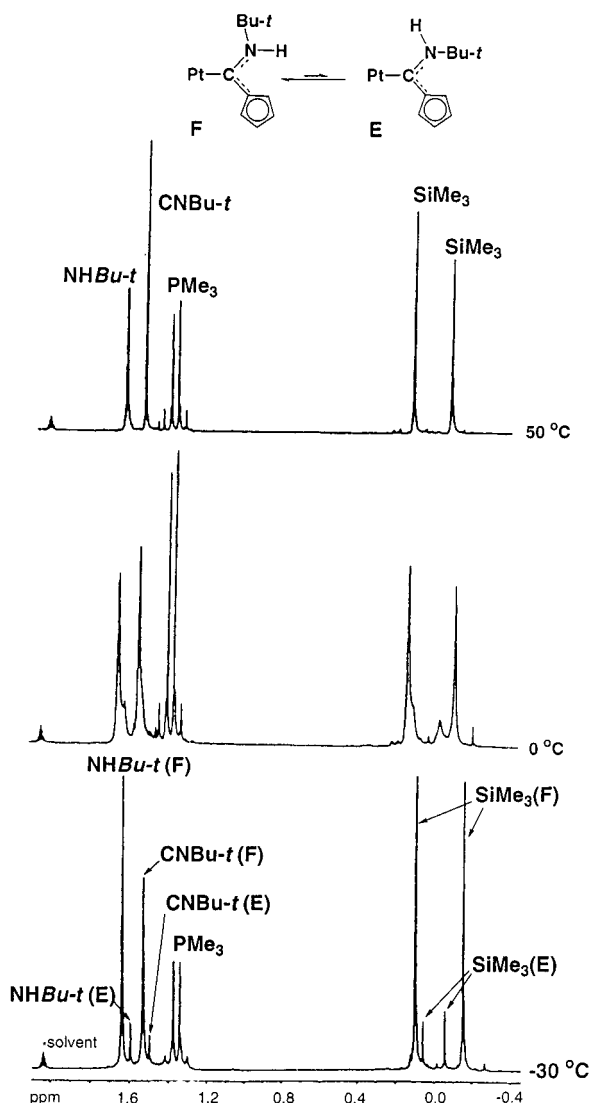
the spatial orientation of the Pt and Bu-*t* moieties (**E**, *trans*; **F**, *cis*;<sup>19</sup> Figure 2). The major rotamer **F** is

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**Figure 2.** Variable temperature  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **14a** (acetone- $d_6$ ) in the range from 2.0 to  $-0.4$  ppm.

characterized by a  $^3J_{\text{HPt}}$  coupling of 105 Hz between the N–H proton and the  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  nucleus whereas for the minor, **E**, a value of ca. 40 Hz can be extracted from the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum recorded in toluene at  $-30$  °C. These data are similar to those previously reported for related species.<sup>19b</sup> In keeping with these considerations only two resonances due to the  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_4$  fragment can be observed in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum in the fast-exchange regime.

Interestingly the minor isomer **14b**, which has trans  $\text{PMe}_3$  and  $\text{CNBu-}t$  ligands (see eq 9), does not exhibit any sign of fluxionality and resembles in this regard the palladafulvene compounds already described. Hence for this species canonical form **D** has a smaller contribution to the electronic structure thereby explaining the higher double-bond character of the  $\text{C}_{\text{exo}}-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4$  linkage and the faster rotation around the  $\text{C}_{\text{exo}}-\text{N}$  bond. The  $^3J_{\text{HPt}}$  value of 70 Hz found for the amine proton of this complex clearly indicates the presence of fast equilibrating rotamers of types **E** and **F**.

### Discussion

It appears reasonable to suggest that iminoacyl complexes of type **A**, formally derived from the migra-

tory insertion of  $\text{CNBu-}t$  into a  $\text{M}-\eta^1\text{-Cp}'$  or  $\text{M}-\eta^1\text{-Ind}$  linkage, are initially formed in the reactions leading to the metallafulvene complexes described in this paper. Subsequent tautomerization to the more stable enamine form (see for example **B**) leads to final products of these reactions. A similar transformation has been advanced to explain the generation of the keteneimine  $\text{Ph}_3\text{HC}_4=\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{NHR}$  in the reaction of  $\text{PdCl}_2(\text{CNR})_2$  with  $\text{KC}_5\text{Ph}_3\text{H}$ , but the purported palladafulvene complex intermediate could not be detected.<sup>20</sup> To our knowledge compounds **4**, **5**, **6**, and **14** find no precedent in the literature, even though complexes of the transition metals that contain fulvene ligands are well-known.<sup>21</sup> In our view, their closest analogues are some cobal-

tafulvenes that possess a  $\text{Co}=\text{C}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}$  delocalized fragment<sup>22</sup> and a recently described tungsten derivative that has an N-deprotonated 6-amino-fulvene ligand.<sup>10</sup>

The higher stability of the enamine form **B**, as compared to the iminoacyl structure **A**, is unusual in transition metal chemistry, where the imine formulation is clearly predominant.<sup>23</sup> Moreover, organic enamines that contain a hydrogen atom bonded to nitrogen are commonly unstable with respect to their imine tautomers.<sup>24</sup> It is evident that the adoption of the enamine structure in the compounds described herein is due to the stability of the fulvene moiety, doubtless associated with the extensive electronic delocalization of this structure.<sup>25</sup>

In closing, some comments devoted to the mechanism of the reaction that leads to the proposed iminoacyl products with structure of type **A** appear appropriate. Two reactions pathways, routes **a** and **b** of Scheme 3, may be considered. The first involves initial attack at the metal cationic center by  $\text{Cp}'$  or indenyl ligand followed by a migratory insertion reaction. The second implicates direct attack at a coordinated isocyanide ligand. Despite our efforts we have been unable to distinguish conclusively between these possibilities. The observation of more than one stereoisomer in some of these reactions (for example **14a** and **14b**, eq 9) would be in favor of route **a** since a neutral five-coordinate species of the kind illustrated in Scheme 3 could readily undergo isomerization even at low temperatures. There is precedent in the literature for Pd- and Pt- $\eta^1\text{-Cp}$  complexes<sup>26</sup> as well as for five-coordinated M(II) compounds of these elements.<sup>27</sup> Furthermore, as already

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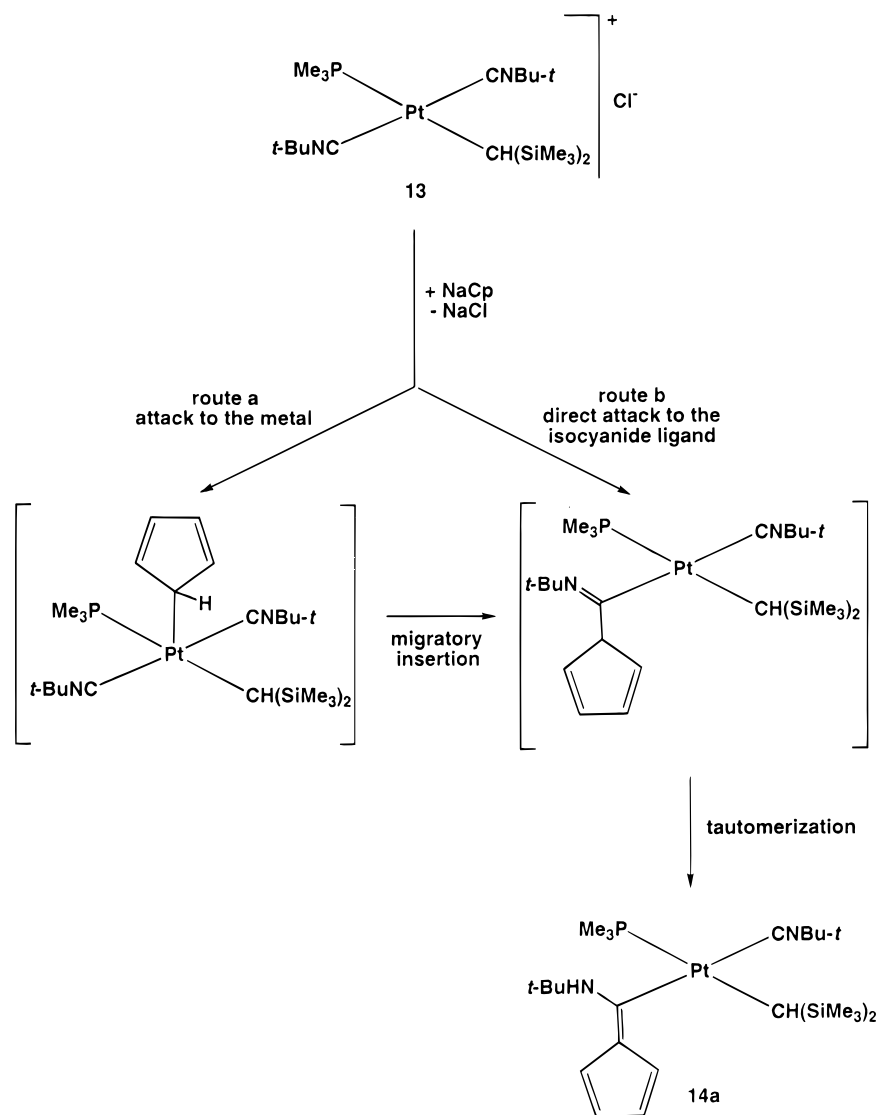
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Scheme 3



mentioned related reactions that involve formal migratory insertions of unsaturated molecules into  $M-\eta^1\text{-Cp}$  bonds are known.<sup>4a</sup> Notwithstanding the above, the observations summarized in Scheme 3 are also consistent with route **b**, i.e., with a direct attack onto the coordinated isocyanide ligand.

As already mentioned, the addition of 2 equiv of CNBu-*t* to a solution of the palladium-indenyl complex **7** in THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, maintained at  $-50^\circ\text{C}$ , gives the  $\eta^1$ -indenyl derivative **8**. Subsequent reaction with 1 equiv of NaCp at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  leads to the fulvene complexes **4** and **6** in ca. 1:1 ratio, along with very small amounts of the  $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5$  derivative **3** (Scheme 4). These results may be interpreted by assuming indenyl displacement by the isocyanide<sup>28</sup> and formation of an undetected cationic bis(isocyanide) complex of palladium analogous to **13** that contains an  $\eta^0\text{-Cp}$  or  $\eta^0\text{-Ind}$  group as the counteranion,<sup>3,29</sup> that is, with the generation of the fulvene derivatives entailing a direct attack onto a coordinated

isocyanide ligand. Similar mechanistic proposals have been suggested for somewhat related processes.<sup>30</sup> Hence, as already indicated, it is not clear whether our fulvene compounds are formed by either route **a** or **b**, the additional possibility also exists that both pathways may be operative under the reaction conditions.

### Experimental Section

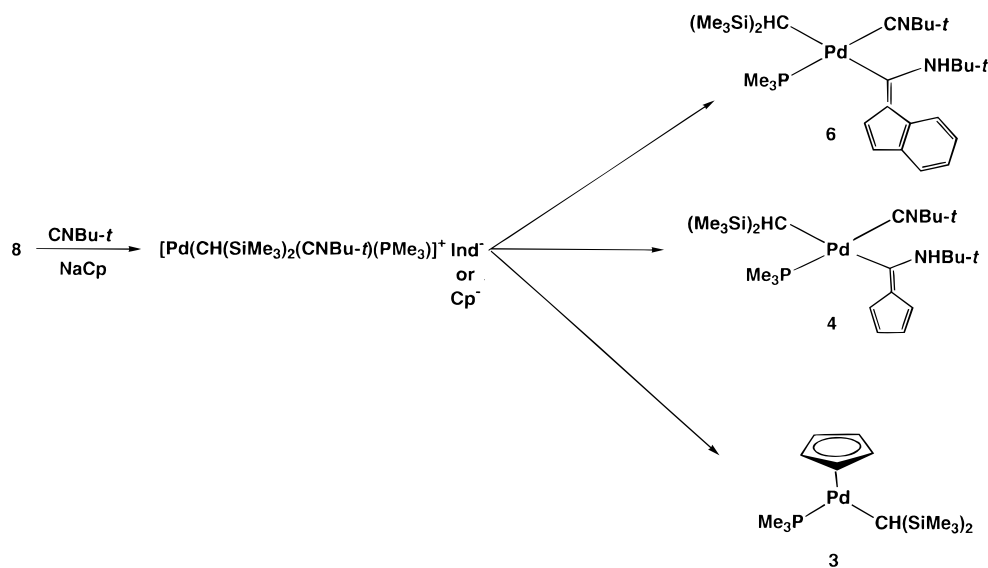
Microanalyses were performed by the Analytical Service of the University of Seville. The spectroscopic instruments used were Perkin-Elmer models 577 and 684 for IR spectra and Bruker AMX-300 and AMX-500 for NMR spectroscopy. Spectra are referenced to external SiMe<sub>4</sub> using the residual protio solvent peaks as internal standards (<sup>1</sup>H NMR experiments) or the characteristic resonances of the solvent nuclei (<sup>13</sup>C NMR experiments). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR chemical shifts are referenced to external 85% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>. All preparations and other operations were carried out under oxygen-free nitrogen by conventional Schlenk techniques. Solvents were dried and degassed before use. The petroleum ether used had a boiling point of 40–60 °C. NaCp was prepared from NaH and freshly cracked

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Scheme 4



dicyclopentadiene. Compounds  $\{\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\mu\text{-Cl})(\text{PMe}_3)_2$  (**1**),  $(\eta^3\text{-Ind})\text{Pd}[\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{PMe}_3)$  (**7**)<sup>7</sup> and  $\text{PtCl}_2(\text{cod})$ <sup>31</sup> were prepared according to the reported procedures.

**Preparation of Pd[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl(CNBu-*t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (2).** CNBu-*t* (0.36 mmol, 0.36 mL of a 1 M solution in THF) was added to a cold ( $-30^\circ\text{C}$ ) solution of complex **1** (0.14 g, 0.18 mmol) in  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (10 mL). An instantaneous discoloration was observed and the mixture stirred at that temperature for 30 min. The solvent was stripped off in vacuo, and the white residue was extracted with a mixture of petroleum ether and  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (1:1). Concentration and cooling at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  provided compound **2** as a white crystalline solid in essentially quantitative yield. IR (Nujol):  $\nu(\text{CN})$  2200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  0.18 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HP}} = 12.0$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ ), 0.28 (s, 18H,  $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 0.93 (s, 9H,  $\text{CNCMe}_3$ ), 1.12 (d,  $^2J_{\text{HP}} = 10.2$  Hz, 9H,  $\text{PMe}_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  4.0 ( $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 7.8 ( $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ ), 13.8 (d,  $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 32$  Hz,  $\text{PMe}_3$ ), 29.0 ( $\text{CMe}_3$ ), 56.7 ( $\text{CMe}_3$ ), 138.2 (d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 170$  Hz,  $\text{CNBu-}t$ );  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  -8.1.

**Preparation of Pd[C(NHBu-*t*)=C(C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)][[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>](CNBu-*t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (4).** A solution of complex **1** (0.19 g, 0.25 mmol) in  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (30 mL) was cooled to  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  and treated with a solution of CNBu-*t* in THF (2.6 mL, 0.57 M, 1.48 mmol). The solution became colorless, and the formation of a white precipitate was observed. After stirring for 30 min at this temperature, a solution of NaCp was added (1.3 mL, 0.37 M, 0.48 mmol). The orange mixture formed was maintained at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  for 15 min and after stirring for the same period of time at room temperature the solvent was evaporated under vacuo, and the residue was extracted with a mixture of petroleum ether/ethyl ether (30 mL, 2:1) and filtered. After concentration and cooling at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$ , complex **4** was obtained as white crystals (0.13 g, 45%). Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{43}\text{N}_2\text{Si}_2\text{-PPd}$ : C, 52.38; H, 8.97; N, 4.89. Found: C, 51.95; H, 8.85; N, 4.60. IR (Nujol):  $\nu(\text{NH})$  3322,  $\nu(\text{CN})$  2190 and 1508  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  -0.67 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HP}} = 14.5$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ ), 0.35 (s, 9H,  $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 0.50 (s, 9H,  $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 0.89 (s, 9H,  $\text{CNCMe}_3$ ), 0.95 (d,  $^2J_{\text{HP}} = 9.4$  Hz, 9H,  $\text{PMe}_3$ ), 1.29 (s, 9H,  $\text{NHCMe}_3$ ), 6.66 (m, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{fulv}}$ ), 6.80 (m, 2H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{fulv}}$ ), 6.95 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.20 (m, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{fulv}}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  0.5 (d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 5$  Hz,  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ ), 4.6 ( $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 5.0 ( $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 15.1 (d,  $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 32$  Hz,  $\text{PMe}_3$ ), 29.6 ( $\text{CMe}_3$ ), 31.4 ( $\text{NHCMe}_3$ ), 53.5 ( $\text{CMe}_3$ ), 57.7 ( $\text{NHCMe}_3$ ), 102.2, 114.7, 120.4, 123.6 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{fulv}}$ ), 129.2 ( $\text{C}=\text{CC}_4\text{H}_4$ ), 139.1 (d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 154$  Hz,  $\text{CNBu-}t$ ), 206.0 (d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 9$  Hz,  $\text{C}=\text{CC}_4\text{H}_4$ ).  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  -15.0.

**Preparation of Pd[C(NHBu-*t*)=C(C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Me)][[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>](CNBu-*t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (5).** The methylcyclopentadienyl derivative **5** was obtained as a mixture of stereoisomers (NMR evidence) following a similar procedure to that described above but using  $\text{NaC}_5\text{H}_4\text{Me}$ . Fractional crystallization at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  from petroleum ether solutions afforded only one stereoisomer, **5a**, as white crystals. Yield 40%. IR (Nujol):  $\nu(\text{NH})$  3330,  $\nu(\text{CN})$  2182 and 1520  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  -0.69 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HP}} = 14.2$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ ), 0.38 (s, 9H,  $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 0.51 (s, 9H,  $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 0.88 (s, 9H,  $\text{CNCMe}_3$ ), 0.95 (d,  $^2J_{\text{HP}} = 9.6$  Hz, 9H,  $\text{PMe}_3$ ), 1.38 (s, 9H,  $\text{NHCMe}_3$ ), 2.59 (s, 3H,  $\text{Me-CC}_4\text{H}_3$ ), 6.47 (m,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 2.6$ ,  $^4J_{\text{HH}} = 2.2$ ,  $^4J_{\text{HMe}} = 1.1$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{fulv}}$ ), 6.66 (dd,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 4.4$  Hz,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 2.6$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{fulv}}$ ), 6.99 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.16 (dd,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 4.4$  Hz,  $^4J_{\text{HH}} = 2.2$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{fulv}}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  -0.3 (d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 6$  Hz,  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ ), 4.9 ( $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 5.3 ( $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 14.5 (d,  $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 31$  Hz,  $\text{PMe}_3$ ), 19.0 ( $\text{Me-CC}_4\text{H}_3$ ), 28.9 ( $\text{CMe}_3$ ), 31.4 ( $\text{NHCMe}_3$ ), 57.5 ( $\text{CMe}_3$ ), 57.7 ( $\text{NHCMe}_3$ ), 115.0, 120.0, 124.6 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{fulv}}$ ), 117.1 ( $\text{C}=\text{CC}(\text{Me})\text{C}_3\text{H}_3$ ), 129.0 ( $\text{C}=\text{CC}(\text{Me})\text{C}_3\text{H}_3$ ), 140.0 (d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 159$  Hz,  $\text{CNBu-}t$ ), 200.6 (d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 8$  Hz,  $\text{C}=\text{CC}(\text{Me})\text{C}_3\text{H}_3$ );  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  -16.3.

**Preparation of Pd[C(NHBu-*t*)=C(C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>6</sub>)][[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>](CNBu-*t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (6).** A solution of the dimer **1** (0.22 g, 0.28 mmol) in  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (25 mL) was treated, at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$ , with a solution of CNBu-*t* in THF (1.2 mL, 1 M, 1.2 mmol). The solution became colorless, and, after stirring for 30 min at low temperature, a solution of LiInd (0.57 mmol, prepared by reaction of a solution of indene in  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  with *n*-BuLi) was added. The intense yellow mixture was stirred at  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  for 30 min and then taken to dryness. The resulting oily residue was redissolved in  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (3 mL), and purification was achieved by chromatography at  $-15^\circ\text{C}$  (alumina as the static phase and a 1:1 mixture of light petroleum/ $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  as eluant). Compound **6** was recovered as a yellow band and concentration of this fraction, and cooling to  $-30^\circ\text{C}$  provided the product as a yellow powder. Yield 0.14 g (40%). Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{53}\text{N}_2\text{Si}_2\text{-PPd}$ : C, 55.89. Found: C, 55.59; H, 8.56; N, 4.57; H, 8.51; N, 4.49. IR (Nujol):  $\nu(\text{NH})$  3390,  $\nu(\text{CN})$  2180 and 1530  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  -0.66 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HP}} = 14.0$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ ), 0.37 (s, 9.0 H,  $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 0.51 (s, 9H,  $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 0.76 (s, 9H,  $\text{CNCMe}_3$ ), 0.87 (d,  $^2J_{\text{HP}} = 9$  Hz, 9H,  $\text{PMe}_3$ ), 1.40 (s, 9H,  $\text{NHCMe}_3$ ), 6.99 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 4.7$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{cping}}$ ), 7.27 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.29 (t,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.5$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{benzring}}$ ), 7.38 (t,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.5$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{benzring}}$ ), 7.76 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 4.7$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{cping}}$ ), 7.83 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.4$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{benzring}}$ ), 7.94 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.7$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}_{\text{benzring}}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$  -0.1 (d,  $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 5$  Hz,  $\text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2$ ), 4.9 ( $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 5.2 ( $\text{SiMe}_3$ ), 14.5 (d,  $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 30$  Hz,

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PMe<sub>3</sub>), 28.7 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 31.4 (NHCM<sub>3</sub>), 52.8 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 56.9 (NH-CMe<sub>3</sub>), 112.4, 118.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>CP<sub>ring</sub>), 119.8 (C=CC<sub>8</sub>H<sub>6</sub>), 120.3, 120.8, 134.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>benzring), 129.9, 140.6 (C<sub>q</sub>), 196.7 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 9 Hz, C=CC<sub>8</sub>H<sub>6</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25 °C) δ -16.1.

**Reaction of Complex 7 with CNBu-*t*. Formation of Pd(η<sup>1</sup>-C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>7</sub>)[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>](CNBu-*t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (8).** A solution of complex 5 (13 mg, 0.03 mmol) in 0.5 mL of CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was placed in an NMR tube and treated at -70 °C with approximately 2 equiv of CNBu-*t* (7.5 μL). <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra, registered at -50 °C, showed the quantitative formation of compound 8. When warmed to room-temperature decomposition of 8 was observed giving the metallafulvene 6 (30%, NMR) plus other unidentified species. Data for 8: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>, -50 °C) δ -0.48 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 19.6 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 0.13 (s, 9H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.22 (s, 9H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.01 (s, 9H, CNMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.27 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 8.9 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 5.37 (br s, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>CP<sub>ring</sub>), 6.55 (t, 1H, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 3.8 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>CP<sub>ring</sub>), 6.93 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>benzring), 7.02 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>CP<sub>ring</sub>), 7.43 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 6.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>benzring), 7.51 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 7.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>benzring); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -50 °C): δ 3.9 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 4.6 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 16.9 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 29 Hz, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 29.6 (coordinated CNMe<sub>3</sub>), 30.3 (free CNMe<sub>3</sub>), 48.2 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 69 Hz, Pd-CH(ind)), 56.5 (CNMe<sub>3</sub>), 115.6 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 6 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>CP<sub>ring</sub>), 120.1, 120.7, 120.8, 122.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>benzring), 139.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>CP<sub>ring</sub>), 141.4 (C<sub>q</sub>), 153.5 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 4 Hz, coordinated CNBu-*t*); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -50 °C) δ -16.6.

**Reaction of Complex 7 with 2 Equiv of CNBu-*t* and 1 Equiv of NaCp.** To a solution of complex 7 in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.5 mL), at -30 °C, was added CNBu-*t* (10.5 μL). After 10 min at this temperature, 1 equiv of NaCp (0.1 mL, 0.19 M in THF) was added by syringe into this solution. The resulting mixture was immediately studied by NMR spectroscopy, and after 30 min the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum showed two doublets at δ -0.69 (<sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 14.5 Hz) and -0.71 (<sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 14.5 Hz) that correspond to the two possible fulvene species 4 and 6, together with a less intense doublet at δ -1.21 (<sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 11.2 Hz) due to the presence of 3. The <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum consisted of two singlets at δ -15.2 and -15.6 assigned to the two fulvene complexes, and one singlet at δ -4.4 for 3 (5:5:1 ratio, respectively). When 4 equiv of CNBu-*t* was used in the reaction, the mentioned ratio of these species was 15:15:1.

**Preparation of Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl(cod) (9).** To a cold (-70 °C) stirred suspension of PtCl<sub>2</sub>(cod) (2.35 g, 6.28 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (30 mL) was added a solution of Mg[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl in Et<sub>2</sub>O (28 mL, 0.22 N, 6.28 mmol) dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 3 days. Filtration, concentration, and cooling to -30 °C furnished complex 9 as white crystals. Yield 1.6 g (45%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>31</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>ClPt: C, 36.16; H, 6.23. Found: C, 36.23; H, 6.44. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, -60 °C) δ 0.12 (s, 18H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.57 (s, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HPt</sub> = 64 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 2.1-2.6 (m, 8H, CH<sub>2</sub>(cod)), 4.42 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HPt</sub> = 73 Hz, 2H, CH(cod)), 5.35 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HPt</sub> = 36 Hz, 2H, CH(cod)); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ 4.2 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 23.2 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 570 Hz, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 28.2 (<sup>2</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 9 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>(cod)), 31.7 (<sup>2</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 10 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>(cod)), 85.0 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 213 Hz, CH(cod)), 111.3 (<sup>2</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 42 Hz, CH(cod)).

**Preparation of Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (10).** PMe<sub>3</sub> (1.2 mmol, 1.2 mL of a 1 M solution in THF) was added to a solution of complex 9 (0.26 g, 0.52 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (15 mL) at room temperature. After stirring for 8 h, the reaction mixture was taken to dryness and the resulting oily white residue was extracted into a 2:1 mixture of petroleum ether/Et<sub>2</sub>O. Crystallization at -30 °C afforded only the *cis* isomer as white crystals (0.14 g, 50%). Concentration of the mother liquor and cooling at -30 °C provided white crystals of the *trans* isomer (0.03 g, 10%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>37</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>ClPt: C, 28.79; H, 6.83. Found: C, 28.43; H, 7.01. Data for *cis*-10: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25 °C) δ 0.05 (s, 18H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.18 (dd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 11.0, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 9.0 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 1.02 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 10.0 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.06 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 8.9 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25 °C) δ 6.1 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 11.8 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 77 Hz, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 477 Hz, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 14.8 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 30 Hz, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 17.3 (dd, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 42 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 3

Hz, PMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25 °C) δ -17.3 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>PP</sub> = 15, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>PPt</sub> = 1830 Hz) and -28.2 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>PP</sub> = 15, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>PPt</sub> = 4150 Hz). Data for *trans*-10: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25 °C) δ 0.03 (s, 9H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.06 (s, 9H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.48 (dd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 15.0 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 1.46 (dd, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 8.6 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 1.0 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.56 (dd, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 8.4 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 2.0 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25 °C) δ -12.0 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>PP</sub> = 500 Hz, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>PPt</sub> = 2760 Hz) and -19.1 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>PP</sub> = 500 Hz, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>PPt</sub> = 2840 Hz).

**Preparation of Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl(CNBu-*t*)<sub>2</sub> (11).** To a solution of compound 9 (0.26 g, 0.52 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (15 mL) was added a solution of CNBu-*t* in toluene (2.2 mL, 0.49 M, 1.04 mmol) at room temperature, and the mixture stirred for a period of 8 h. The solvent was removed completely in vacuo, and the resulting oily residue crystallized from petroleum ether at -30 °C to give 11 as a white microcrystalline solid. Yield 0.14 g (50%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>ClPt: C, 36.71; H, 6.66; N, 5.04. IR (Nujol): ν(CN) 2192 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Found: C, 36.93; H, 6.75; N, 4.69. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ 0.05 (s, 18H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.42 (s, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HPt</sub> = 93 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 1.52 (s, 18H, CNMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ -7.5 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 509 Hz, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 3.71 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 29.9 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 58.0 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 129.5 (CNMe<sub>3</sub>).

**Preparation of Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Cl(CNBu-*t*)(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (12).** To a mixture of complexes *cis*-10 (0.045 g, 0.08 mmol) and 11 (0.045 g, 0.08 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL) was added a trace of CNBu-*t*, and the mixture stirred for 8 h at room temperature. After that period, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the product extracted into 10 mL of a mixture of petroleum ether/Et<sub>2</sub>O (3:1). By concentration and cooling to -30 °C, a white crystalline solid was obtained. Yield 0.048 g (50%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>37</sub>NSi<sub>2</sub>PClPt: C, 32.8; H, 6.74; N, 2.55. Found: C, 33.10; H, 6.95; N, 2.52. IR (Nujol): ν(CN) 2178 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Data for the major species 12a: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ 0.45 (s, 18H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.97 (s, 9H, CNMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.09 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 10.0 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ 4.4 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 14.1 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 30 Hz, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 16.0 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 77 Hz, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 30.0 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 58.0 (CMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ -18.0 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>PPt</sub> = 1660 Hz). Data for the minor species 12b: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ 0.64 (s, 18H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.87 (s, 9H, CNMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.06 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 10.0 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C): δ -15.3 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>PPt</sub> = 1750 Hz).

**Preparation of {Pt[CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>](CNBu-*t*)<sub>2</sub>(PMe<sub>3</sub>)}Cl (13).** To a solution of complex 12 (0.13 g, 0.24 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL) was added a solution of CNBu-*t* in THF (0.74 mL, 1 M, 0.74 mmol) at room temperature. After approximately 5 min, the precipitation of a white solid was observed and the reaction mixture stirred for 30 min. The solvent was completely evaporated leaving a white solid. This residue was washed with petroleum ether (10 mL) and dried in vacuo. Yield 0.11 g (75%). A sample of this complex of microanalytical purity has proved difficult to be obtained. The formation of this complex is however secured by the isolation of the related BAR<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> derivative (see below) which gives reliable analytical data. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ 0.15 (s, 18H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.70 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 8.0, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HPt</sub> = 71 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 1.95 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 10.0 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.63 (s, 18H, CNMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ 4.3 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 7.6 (s, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 54 Hz, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 332 Hz, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 15.6 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 35 Hz, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 29.8 and 29.9 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 60.3 and 60.6 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 125.8 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 1460 Hz, CNMe<sub>3</sub>), and 127.3 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>CPt</sub> = 1430 Hz, CNMe<sub>3</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ -21.5 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>PPt</sub> = 1560 Hz).

**Preparation of Complex 13 with BAR<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> as the Counterion (Ar = 3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl).** Complex 13 (0.10 g, 0.18 mmol) and NaBAR<sub>4</sub> (0.16 g, 0.18 mmol) were dissolved in Et<sub>2</sub>O (15 mL) at room temperature. The formation of a cloudy precipitate was immediately observed. After 15 min of stirring the reaction mixture was filtered, the volume of the resulting solution was reduced to 5 mL and then cooled to -70 °C. Petroleum ether (10 mL) was then added, and the pale yellow solid obtained isolated by filtration and dried under vacuum. Yield: 0.14 g (50%). IR (Nujol): ν(CN) 2200 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Anal. Calcd for  $C_{52}H_{58}F_{24}N_2BSi_2PPT$ : C, 42.77; H, 3.97; N, 1.91. Found: C, 42.05; H, 3.92; N, 1.84.

**Preparation of Pt[C(NHBU- $\eta$ )=C(C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>)] [CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]- (CNBU- $\eta$ )(PMe<sub>3</sub>) (14).** To a cold (-30 °C) suspension of complex **13** (0.08 g, 0.128 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (20 mL) was added a solution of NaCp in THF (3.2 mL, 0.04 M, 0.13 mmol) via syringe. The cooling bath was removed, and as it was warmed, the reaction mixture developed a yellow coloration. After 30 min at room temperature, the solvent was removed in vacuo, leaving a brown residue. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectroscopy showed that the residue was comprised of a mixture of **14a** and **14b**, in an approximate 2:1 molar ratio, and, of a third unidentified species. After extraction into a 2:1 mixture of light petroleum/Et<sub>2</sub>O (15 mL) the solution was filtered. The resulting yellow solution was reduced in volume and cooled to -30 °C to afford the major isomer **14a** as brown-yellow crystals (0.035 g, 40%). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{25}H_{53}N_2Si_2PPT$ : C, 45.36; H, 7.77; N, 4.23. Found: C, 45.45; H, 7.80; N, 3.90. IR (Nujol):  $\nu$ (NH) 3350,  $\nu$ (CN) 2160 and 1520 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Data for the major species **14a**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>COCD<sub>3</sub>, -50 °C)  $\delta$  -0.18 (s, 9H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 0.08 (s, 9H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.35 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 10.0 Hz, 9H, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.48 (s, 9H, CNCMe<sub>3</sub>), 1.58 (s, 9H, NHCMe<sub>3</sub>), 5.70 (m, 1H, CH<sub>fulv</sub>), 5.74 (m, 1H, CH<sub>fulv</sub>), 6.14 (m, 1H, CH<sub>fulv</sub>), 6.60 (m, 1H, CH<sub>fulv</sub>), 7.60 (br s, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HPt</sub> = 105 Hz, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>COCD<sub>3</sub>, -50 °C)  $\delta$  -3.0 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 69 Hz, CH(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 5.6 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 6.5 (SiMe<sub>3</sub>), 13.9 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 33 Hz, PMe<sub>3</sub>), 29.9 (CNCMe<sub>3</sub>), 31.4 (NHCMe<sub>3</sub>), 54.3 (CNCMe<sub>3</sub>), 59.1 (NHCMe<sub>3</sub>), 105.1, 113.9, 115.6, 124.8 (CH<sub>fulv</sub>), 128.4 (C=CC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>), 193.8 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 11 Hz, C=CC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>COCD<sub>3</sub>, -50 °C):  $\delta$  -24.2 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>PtP</sub> = 1970 Hz).

**X-ray Structure Determination of Complex 5a.** The crystal selected for the X-ray study contained half a molecule of 1,2-dimethoxyethane of crystallization per asymmetric unit. Crystallographic data can be found in Table 2. A yellow plate having approximate dimensions of 0.28 × 0.15 × 0.30 mm was mounted on a glass fiber and transferred to an AFC6S-Rigaku single-crystal diffractometer. The cell parameters were obtained from the settings of 25 reflections ranged 11.61 <  $\theta$  < 17.73°. The data were collected in the interval 5 <  $\theta$  < 45°, using the  $\omega$ -2 $\theta$  scan method at a speed of 8°/min. The standard reflections were intensity controlled for decay correction (the final decay was 16%). Absorption ( $\psi$  scan method and transmission factors ranged 0.93–1.00), Lorentz, and polarization corrections were also applied. The structure was solved by the Patterson method and phase expansion and refinement of the remainder of the structure. All non-hydrogen atoms in the complex molecule were anisotropically refined, the carbon and oxygen atoms in the solvate were isotropically refined by full-matrix least-squares methods. Approximately half of the hydrogen atoms were localized in difference Fourier maps and the rest have been placed at the calculated positions. Refinements concluded with  $R$  = 0.051,  $R_w$  = 0.055, and goodness of fit 1.24. Scattering factors were

**Table 2. Crystal and Refinement Data for 5a**

empirical formula	PdC <sub>29</sub> H <sub>53</sub> PN <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> <sup>1/2</sup> C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
fw	632.32
cryst syst	triclinic
space group	P1
<i>a</i> (Å)	16.254(5)
<i>b</i> (Å)	11.101(2)
<i>c</i> (Å)	11.081(2)
$\alpha$ (deg)	90.60(2)
$\beta$ (deg)	70.52(2)
$\gamma$ (deg)	83.78(2)
<i>U</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1872(2)
<i>Z</i>	2
<i>F</i> (000)	674
<i>D<sub>c</sub></i> (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.122
temp (K)	290
cryst dimens (mm)	0.28 × 0.15 × 0.36
diffractometer	AFC6S-Rigaku
radiation	graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda$ = 0.710 69 Å)
$\mu$ (Mo K $\alpha$ ) (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	6.12
scan technique	$\omega/2\theta$
scan rate	8.0°/min (in $\omega$ ) (3 scans)
scan width	(1.05 + 0.30 tan) $^\circ$
$\theta_{max}$	45.1 $^\circ$
no. of reflns measd	total: 5104 unique: 4898 ( $R_{int}$ = 0.080)
detector aperture	6.0 mm horizontal 6.0 mm vertical
no. of obsd data ( $I \geq 3(I)$ )	2654
structure solution	Patterson method
refinement	full-matrix least-squares
function minimized	$w( F_o  -  F_c )^2$
least-squares weights	$4F_o^2/(F_o^2)$
<i>p</i> -factor	0.03
anomalous dispersion	all non-hydrogen atoms
refln/param ratio	8.83
<i>R<sub>F</sub></i> (%)	5.1
<i>R<sub>w</sub></i> (%)	5.5
goodness of fit indicator	1.24
max shift/error	0.03
abs cor range	0.93–1.00

taken from those included in the TEXSAN system,<sup>32</sup> running on a DEC VAX 3520 at the Servicios Centralizados de Ciencia y Tecnología, Universidad de Cádiz.

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