

# Reversible Isomerization via Migration of SnPh<sub>3</sub> in S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>-Bridged Heterobinuclear Compounds. X-ray Structures of [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(SnPh<sub>3</sub>)(CO)<sub>3</sub>] and [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>]

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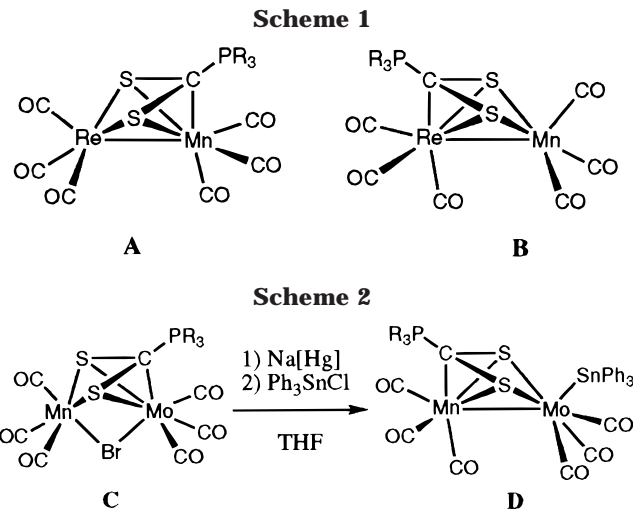
The reduction of [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Re(μ-Br)(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**1**) with Na/Hg and subsequent reaction of the resulting anionic species with Ph<sub>3</sub>SnCl yields [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(SnPh<sub>3</sub>)(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**2**), which, as the temperature increases, partially isomerizes reversibly, through migration of SnPh<sub>3</sub>, to [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**3**).

## Introduction

During the last years we have developed synthetic routes to binuclear complexes with bridging η<sup>3</sup>;η<sup>2</sup>-S<sub>2</sub>CPR<sub>3</sub> ligands.<sup>1</sup> This bridge imparts a remarkable stability to the binuclear unit and, at the same time, rearranges readily to adapt to changes in the molecule.

The S<sub>2</sub>CPR<sub>3</sub> ligand was found for the first time as a η<sup>3</sup>;η<sup>2</sup> bridge in the symmetric template (CO)<sub>3</sub>Mn–Mn(CO)<sub>3</sub>.<sup>1a</sup> When it bridges two different metal fragments, M and M', two isomers can be expected, depending on which metal is bonded to the central carbon of the ligand.

Interestingly, a definite preference for one of the isomers has been found in all the examples. For M = Mn(CO)<sub>3</sub>, M' = Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>, only isomer **A** (see Scheme 1) is obtained either by reaction of [MnBr(CO)<sub>3</sub>(S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)] with Na[Re(CO)<sub>5</sub>] or by reaction of [ReBr(CO)<sub>3</sub>(S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)] with Na[Mn(CO)<sub>5</sub>].<sup>1b</sup> Therefore, with equal coordination sphere and oxidation states, the nature of the metal dictates the selective formation of the metal–carbon bond. No isomerization to **B** was detected upon prolonged heating. Hence, either there is a large kinetic barrier for the breaking of the Mn–C bond, or a large



thermodynamic advantage can be attributed to the observed product.<sup>2</sup>

For complexes with a S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub> bridge between Mo and Mn, we found a sequence of reactions in which the central carbon of S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub> shifts from one metal to another, showing that changes in the coordination sphere overcome the nature of the metal as a factor in determining the carbon preference.<sup>3,4</sup> Thus, sodium amalgam reduction of [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Mn(μ-Br)(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>] and reaction of the resulting anion with Ph<sub>3</sub>SnCl yields [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Mo(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mn(CO)<sub>3</sub>].<sup>3</sup>

The overall reaction results in the formation of the Mo–Mn and Mo–Sn bonds and the shift of the central

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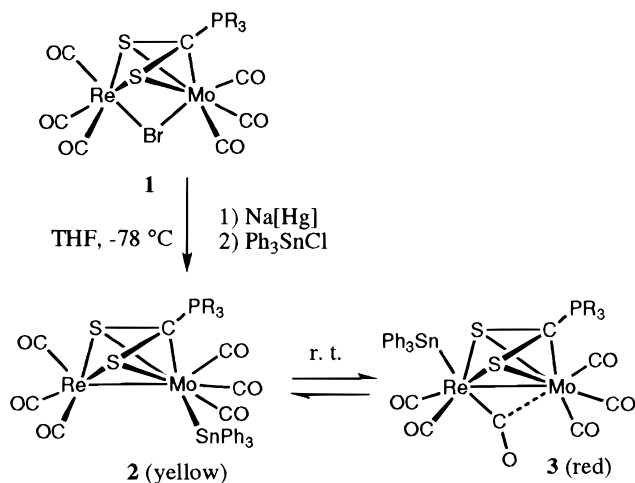
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Scheme 3



carbon from Mo to Mn. Whether the carbon migration takes place prior, subsequently, or simultaneously to the metal-metal bond formation remains an open question.

A parallel behavior could be anticipated for the rhenium analogue  $[(\text{CO})_3\text{Re}(\mu\text{-Br})(\mu\text{-S}_2\text{CPCy}_3)\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3]$  (**1**).<sup>1f</sup> However, the reaction took a different course. Our findings are the subject of this article.

### Results and Discussion

The reaction of  $[(\text{CO})_3\text{Re}(\mu\text{-Br})(\mu\text{-S}_2\text{CPCy}_3)\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3]$  (**1**)<sup>1f</sup> with Na/Hg in THF gives a solution with carbonyl stretching frequencies considerably lower than those of **1**, indicating reduction to an anionic species. Reaction of this solution with  $\text{Ph}_3\text{SnCl}$  at  $-80^\circ\text{C}$  gives a new compound **2**, displaying a pattern of  $\nu(\text{CO})$  bands that is consistent with a neutral formulation.

When the solution of **2** is allowed to warm, the IR bands of a second neutral species **3** appear. The **3/2** ratio grows to reach a value of 4/5 after 1 h at room temperature and then does not change appreciably when the temperature is maintained several hours at  $60^\circ\text{C}$ .

The mixture of **2** and **3** can be isolated as an orange solid with C, H analyses consistent with a formulation  $[\text{MoRe}(\text{SnPh}_3)(\text{CO})_6(\text{S}_2\text{CPCy}_3)]$ , reminiscent of the related MnMo chemistry. Crystallization from  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{hexane}$  yielded a mixture of yellow and red crystals, which were found to be pure **2** and **3**, respectively. When the crystals of either **2** or **3** are dissolved ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  or THF), the composition of the solution evolves to give the **3/2** = 4/5 mixture.

Hence, a reversible isomerization takes place between **2** and **3**, and the 4/5 mixture corresponds to the thermodynamic equilibrium. The similar concentrations in the equilibrium reflect the close thermodynamic stabilities of **2** and **3**.

The structures of **2** and **3** were determined by X-ray diffraction. In both compounds, a  $\text{S}_2\text{CPCy}_3$  ligand bridges the  $\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3$  and  $\text{Re}(\text{CO})_3$  fragments, coordinating Mo through the two sulfur atoms and the central carbon, and Re through the two sulfur atoms. A terminal  $\text{SnPh}_3$  group is bonded to Mo in **2** and to Re in **3**.

In **3**, one of the carbonyl ligands bonded to rhenium shows a considerable deviation from linearity [ $\text{Re}-\text{C}(1)-\text{O}(1) = 156.0(32)^\circ$  and  $157.4(30)^\circ$ ], and the carbon

atom C(1) is near Mo [2.60(3) and 2.51(3) Å]. As expected for a semibringing carbonyl, the  $\text{Re}-\text{C}$  distance [2.00(4) and 2.06(3) Å] is slightly longer than in terminal carbonyl ligands.

The coordination of this carbonyl follows the pattern expected for semibringing carbonyl ligands in asymmetric binuclear compounds:<sup>5</sup> the electron count is 16 for Mo and 18 for Re; then, a dative  $\text{Mo}-\text{Re}$  bond must be considered. This would leave  $\text{Re}(+)$  and  $\text{Mo}(-)$  charges. The semibringing CO ligand mitigates this charge separation by allowing an empty orbital of CO to accept electron density from a filled Mo orbital.

The comparison of the structural parameters in both isomers reveals several features of interest: in the first place the  $\text{Mo}-\text{Re}$  distance is slightly shorter (about 0.152 Å, ca. 5%) in the structure of **3** (average 2.919 Å), containing a dative  $\text{Re}\rightarrow\text{Mo}$  bond and a semibringing carbonyl, than in **2** (3.071 Å), with a normal  $\text{Re}-\text{Mo}$  bond and without a semibringing carbonyl. The presence of an unsupported dative bond usually produces a significant elongation of the  $\text{M}-\text{M}$  distance when compared to a "normal" bond.<sup>6</sup> However, there is a fairly wide range of complexes of the "ferrole" type with, and without, a semibringing carbonyl. In most cases those compounds containing a semibringing carbonyl display  $\text{Fe}-\text{Fe}$  dative bonds which are slightly shorter than the  $\text{Fe}-\text{Fe}$  bonds in similar complexes without a semibringing carbonyl.<sup>7</sup> Therefore, we ascribe the small shortening of the  $\text{Re}\rightarrow\text{Mo}$  distance to the effect of the semibringing carbonyl, which compensates the elongation that would be expected for the dative bond.

Other minor differences concern the metal-sulfur distances: the  $\text{Re}-\text{S}$  distances in **2** (average 2.411 Å) are slightly shorter than those in **3** (average 2.459 Å), while the  $\text{Mo}-\text{S}$  distances in **2** (average 2.530 Å) are slightly longer than those in **3** (average 2.505 Å). It seems that the coordination of  $\text{SnPh}_3$  to the metal produces a slight elongation of the  $\text{M}-\text{S}$  distances. For the remaining structural parameters, the differences found are well within the experimental error ( $\pm 3\sigma$  range).

Two features are remarkable in the structure of **2**: (a) both the  $\text{SnPh}_3$  ligand and the  $\text{PCy}_3$ -bonded carbon coordinate the same metal. Avoidance of such a congested arrangement was considered to be partially responsible for the observed structure of  $[(\text{CO})_3(\text{Ph}_3\text{Sn})\text{Mo}(\mu\text{-S}_2\text{CPCy}_3)\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_3]$ .<sup>3</sup> (b) The central carbon of the  $\text{S}_2\text{CPCy}_3$  ligand prefers to bind the metal in the higher formal oxidation state, in contrast with all our previous findings.<sup>3,4</sup> No product with the central  $\text{S}_2\text{CPCy}_3$  carbon bonded to Re is observed, in contrast with the related MnMo chemistry.

All this indicates the preference of the central carbon of the  $\text{S}_2\text{CPCy}_3$  ligand to bind Mo rather than Re and the fact that this preference overcomes the tendency of that carbon to bind the metal in the lower formal oxidation state and the destabilizing effect of having two

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**Table 1. Crystal Data and Refinement Details for [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Re( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(SnPh<sub>3</sub>)(CO)<sub>3</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O (2) and [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Re( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (3)**

|   | <b>2</b>   | <b>3</b>   |
|---|--|--|
| formula                                   | C <sub>43</sub> H <sub>50</sub> MoO <sub>7</sub> PRE <sub>2</sub> Sn | C <sub>43</sub> H <sub>48</sub> MoO <sub>6</sub> PRE <sub>2</sub> Sn |
| fw  | 1174.79  | 1156.8   |
| cryst syst,                               | triclinic, $P\bar{1}$  | $P2_1/n$   |
| space group                               | (No. 2)  | (No. 14)   |
| a, Å                                      | 10.844(5)  | 21.149(5)  |
| b, Å                                      | 14.511(9)  | 11.425(2)  |
| c, Å                                      | 16.192(9)  | 39.260(9)  |
| $\alpha$ , deg                            | 79.91(6)   | 90   |
| $\beta$ , deg                             | 70.32(4)   | 97.75(3)   |
| $\gamma$ , deg                            | 74.72(5)   | 90   |
| V, Å <sup>3</sup>                         | 2304(44)   | 9400(7)  |
| Z   | 2  | 8  |
| T, K                                      | 293  | 293  |
| $\rho_{\text{calc}}$ , g cm <sup>-3</sup> | 1.69   | 1.63   |
| F(000)                                    | 1144   | 4128   |
| $\lambda$ (Mo K $\alpha$ ), Å             | 0.710 69   | 0.710 69   |
| cryst size, mm;                           | 0.6 × 0.5 × 0.3,   | 0.70 × 0.30 × 0.15,  |
| color                                     | orange   | red  |
| $\mu$ , cm <sup>-1</sup>                  | 36.23  | 35.48  |
| method of collection                      | $\omega/2\theta$ scan  | $\omega/2\theta$ scan  |
| scan range, deg                           | 1 ≤ $\theta$ ≤ 25  | 1 ≤ $\theta$ ≤ 25  |
| no. of reflns measd                       | 8401   | 14 052   |
| no. of reflns obsd,                       | 3457   | 4987   |
| $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$                       |  |  |
| function minimized                        | $\sum w(F_o -  F_c )^2$  | $\sum w(F_o -  F_c )^2$  |
| weighting scheme                          | Chebyshev polynomial <sup>a</sup>                                    | units  |
| no. of params                             | 503  | 632  |
| residuals R, R <sub>w</sub> <sup>b</sup>  | 0.058, 0.067   | 0.063, 0.071   |

<sup>a</sup>  $w = w[1 - ((|F_o| - |F_c|)/6\sigma(F_o))^2]$ ;  $w' = 1/\sum_{r=1}^4 A_r T_r(X)$ ,  $X = F_o/F_o(\text{max})$ , with three coefficients, 5.87, -3.23, and 4.05, for the Chebyshev series. <sup>b</sup>  $R = \sum(|\Delta F|)/\sum|F_o|$ ,  $R_w = [\sum w(|\Delta F|)^2/\sum w|F_o|^2]^{1/2}$ .

**Table 2. Selected Interatomic Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) in [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Re( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(SnPh<sub>3</sub>)(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (2)**

|                   |          |                  |          |
|-------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| Re(1)–Mo(1)       | 3.071(2) | Re(1)–S(1)       | 2.417(4) |
| Re(1)–S(2)        | 2.404(4) | Re(1)–C(1)       | 1.84(2)  |
| Re(1)–C(2)        | 1.94(2)  | Re(1)–C(3)       | 1.90(2)  |
| Mo(1)–Sn(1)       | 2.866(2) | Mo(1)–S(1)       | 2.535(4) |
| Mo(1)–S(2)        | 2.525(4) | Mo(1)–C(4)       | 1.97(2)  |
| Mo(1)–C(5)        | 1.95(2)  | Mo(1)–C(6)       | 1.96(2)  |
| Mo(1)–C(7)        | 2.18(1)  | S(1)–C(7)        | 1.78(2)  |
| S(2)–C(7)         | 1.75(1)  | P(1)–C(7)        | 1.82(1)  |
| Mo(1)–Re(1)–S(1)  | 53.4(1)  | Mo(1)–Re(1)–S(2) | 53.3(1)  |
| S(1)–Re(1)–S(2)   | 71.9(1)  | Mo(1)–Re(1)–C(1) | 152.6(6) |
| S(1)–Re(1)–C(1)   | 108.6(6) | S(2)–Re(1)–C(1)  | 104.0(6) |
| Mo(1)–Re(1)–C(2)  | 111.0(6) | S(1)–Re(1)–C(2)  | 164.3(6) |
| Mo(1)–Re(1)–C(3)  | 108.3(5) | S(2)–Re(1)–C(3)  | 161.4(5) |
| Re(1)–Mo(1)–Sn(1) | 87.89(5) | Re(1)–Mo(1)–S(1) | 50.0(1)  |
| S(1)–Mo(1)–S(2)   | 68.0(1)  | Re(1)–Mo(1)–C(4) | 141.5(5) |
| S(1)–Mo(1)–C(4)   | 146.2(5) | Re(1)–Mo(1)–C(5) | 139.4(5) |
| Sn(1)–Mo(1)–C(5)  | 121.0(5) | S(2)–Mo(1)–C(5)  | 144.1(5) |
| S(1)–Mo(1)–C(6)   | 99.1(5)  | S(2)–Mo(1)–C(6)  | 134.2(6) |
| C(4)–Mo(1)–C(6)   | 111.6(7) | Sn(1)–Mo(1)–C(7) | 132.3(4) |
| C(4)–Mo(1)–C(7)   | 104.9(6) | C(5)–Mo(1)–C(7)  | 102.8(6) |
| C(6)–Mo(1)–C(7)   | 142.7(7) | Mo(1)–C(7)–S(1)  | 78.8(5)  |
| Mo(1)–C(7)–S(2)   | 79.1(5)  | S(1)–C(7)–S(2)   | 106.2(8) |
| Mo(1)–C(7)–P(1)   | 140.1(8) | S(1)–C(7)–P(1)   | 120.2(8) |
| S(2)–C(7)–P(1)    | 121.5(8) |                  |          |

bulky groups close on the coordination sphere of the same metal. It must be noted that the fact that the central carbon is bonded to Mo in **1**, **2**, and **3** cannot be attributed to a high kinetic barrier for Mo–C cleavage, since that cleavage does occur in the sequence mentioned above to afford the Mn–C bonded complex [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Mo( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mn(CO)<sub>3</sub>].<sup>3</sup>

According to IR monitoring at low temperature, the reaction of the anion with Ph<sub>3</sub>SnCl affords **2**, with a

Mo–Sn bond, which then slowly and partially rearranges to **3**. This suggests that the nucleophilic character of the anion is concentrated on Mo. If a similar pathway operates for the MoMn system, formation of the Mo–Mn and Mo–Sn bond would take place in a first step to give a MoMn complex isostructural with **2**. This undetected species would rapidly rearrange to the observed [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Mo( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mn(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**D**).<sup>3</sup>

Although there is some precedent of migration of stannyl groups from a metal to a cyclopentadienyl group,<sup>8</sup> this is the first example, as far as we know, of a reversible migration of a stannyl group between two metals. There are two previous reports describing the migration of silyl groups from Fe to Pt (irreversible), in [FePt( $\mu$ -PPh<sub>2</sub>)(CO)<sub>4</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>(SiR<sub>3</sub>))],<sup>9</sup> and between two Ru atoms (reversible), in [Ru<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -CH<sub>2</sub>)Cp<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>2</sub>(H)(SiR<sub>3</sub>)].<sup>10</sup>

## Experimental Section

General conditions and methods were given elsewhere.<sup>1f</sup>

[(CO)<sub>3</sub>Re( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(SnPh<sub>3</sub>)(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**2**) and [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Re( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**3**). A solution of [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Mo( $\mu$ -Br)( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**1**)<sup>1f</sup> (0.177 g, 0.20 mol) in THF (20 mL) was stirred with 5% sodium amalgam (excess). In about 30 min, the IR spectrum showed the disappearance of the bands of **1** and the presence of bands at lower frequency, corresponding to the species Na[Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>( $\mu$ -S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>] ( $\nu$ CO (THF): 1989s, 1895vs, 1885s, 1867m, 1805m, 1761m, cm<sup>-1</sup>). Then, the solution was filtered to another flask through a cannula with filter paper at one end using positive nitrogen pressure. A solution of Ph<sub>3</sub>SnCl (0.077 g, 0.20 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was cooled to -80 °C and added via cannula to the cooled (-80 °C) solution of the anionic complex. The reaction mixture was stirred at -80 °C for 30 min. An IR taken at this point showed only the bands of **2**. The solvent was removed in vacuo, the solid residue was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) at -80 °C, and the solution was filtered with cannula/paper as before to another flask, layered with hexanes, and kept at -30 °C several days. Yellow crystals of **2** were obtained and were used to obtain spectroscopic data and for X-ray studies. When this procedure was repeated without cooling, the crystallization yielded a mixture of yellow crystals of **2** and dark red crystals of **3**. Crystals of **3** were hand-picked and used to obtain spectra and for X-ray studies.

Spectroscopic data for **2**: IR  $\nu$ (CO) (THF) 2018m, 1981vs, 1933s, 1921m, 1900s, cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  7.63 and 7.30 [m, 15H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>], 2.54 [m, 3H, CH of Cy], 2.15 to 1.30 [m, 30 H, C<sub>2</sub> of Cy]; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  42.81. Spectroscopic data for **3**: IR  $\nu$ (CO) (THF) 2016s, 1983s, 1943s, 1866m (broad), cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) 7.74 and 7.31 [m, 15H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>], 2.31 [m, 3H, CH of Cy], 2.15 to 1.30 [m, 30 H, C<sub>2</sub> of Cy]; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  42.95.

A solid consisting of a mixture of composition **3/2** = 4/5 could be obtained in good yield (0.195 g, from 0.177 g of **1**, 85%) working at room temperature with the following modification of the previous procedure: after the reaction with Ph<sub>3</sub>SnCl is complete (as judged by IR), the resulting solution is filtered with cannula and paper, the THF was removed in vacuo, the residue was extracted in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL), this solution was filtered through a short column of alumina (activation grade IV), and the solution was concentrated in vacuo to a volume of 5 mL. Hexanes (20 mL) was added with stirring to cause precipitation of an orange solid. The liquid was discarded, and

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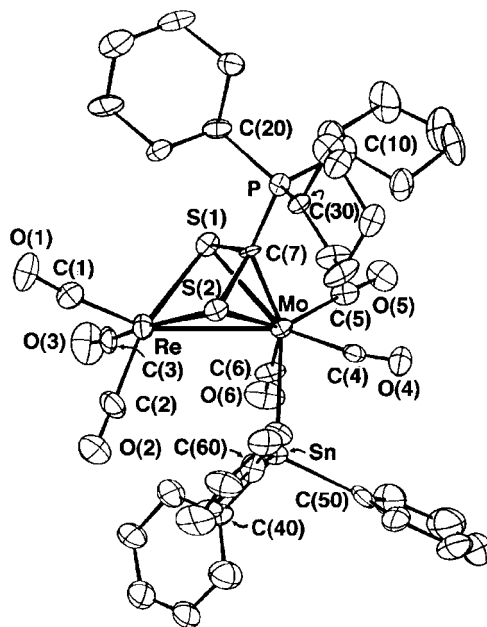
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**Table 3. Selected Interatomic Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) in [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (3)**

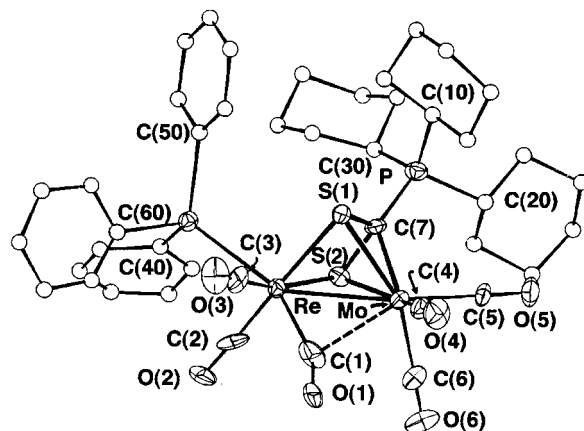
| molecule 1        |           | molecule 2              |           |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Re(1)–Mo(1)       | 2.914(3)  | Re(101)–Mo(101)         | 2.925(3)  |
| Re(1)–Sn(1)       | 2.761(2)  | Re(101)–Sn(101)         | 2.763(2)  |
| Re(1)–S(1)        | 2.432(7)  | Re(101)–S(101)          | 2.468(7)  |
| Re(1)–S(2)        | 2.468(8)  | Re(101)–S(102)          | 2.467(8)  |
| Re(1)–C(1)        | 2.00(4)   | Re(101)–C(101)          | 1.89(3)   |
| Re(1)–C(2)        | 1.86(4)   | Re(101)–C(102)          | 1.81(4)   |
| Re(1)–C(3)        | 1.85(5)   | Re(101)–C(103)          | 1.77(6)   |
| Mo(1)–S(1)        | 2.500(8)  | Mo(101)–S(101)          | 2.506(8)  |
| Mo(1)–S(2)        | 2.507(9)  | Mo(101)–S(102)          | 2.508(8)  |
| Mo(1)–C(1)        | 2.60(3)   | Mo(101)–C(101)          | 2.51(3)   |
| Mo(1)–C(4)        | 1.97(3)   | Mo(101)–C(104)          | 1.87(3)   |
| Mo(1)–C(5)        | 1.97(3)   | Mo(101)–C(105)          | 1.97(4)   |
| Mo(1)–C(6)        | 2.00(4)   | Mo(101)–C(106)          | 2.06(3)   |
| Mo(1)–C(7)        | 2.18(3)   | Mo(101)–C(107)          | 2.15(3)   |
| S(1)–C(7)         | 1.80(3)   | S(101)–C(107)           | 1.77(3)   |
| S(2)–C(7)         | 1.70(3)   | S(102)–C(107)           | 1.79(3)   |
| P(1)–C(7)         | 1.83(3)   | P(101)–C(107)           | 1.80(3)   |
| Mo(1)–Re(1)–Sn(1) | 144.61(9) | Mo(101)–Re(101)–Sn(101) | 145.26(9) |
| Mo(1)–Re(1)–S(1)  | 54.9(2)   | Mo(101)–Re(101)–S(101)  | 54.6(2)   |
| Mo(1)–Re(1)–S(2)  | 54.8(2)   | Mo(101)–Re(101)–S(102)  | 54.6(2)   |
| S(1)–Re(1)–S(2)   | 71.5(3)   | S(101)–Re(101)–S(102)   | 71.1(2)   |
| Sn(1)–Re(1)–C(1)  | 154.8(10) | Sn(101)–Re(101)–C(101)  | 156.6(10) |
| Mo(1)–Re(1)–C(2)  | 121.2(11) | Mo(101)–Re(101)–C(102)  | 123.6(11) |
| S(1)–Re(1)–C(2)   | 166.6(9)  | S(101)–Re(101)–C(102)   | 171.7(12) |
| Mo(1)–Re(1)–C(3)  | 119.7(10) | Mo(101)–Re(101)–C(103)  | 121.3(13) |
| S(2)–Re(1)–C(3)   | 165.4(13) | S(102)–Re(101)–C(103)   | 164.2(13) |
| Re(1)–Mo(1)–C(4)  | 105.9(9)  | Re(101)–Mo(101)–C(104)  | 110.6(14) |
| S(2)–Mo(1)–C(4)   | 158.3(9)  | S(102)–Mo(101)–C(104)   | 162.8(14) |
| Re(1)–Mo(1)–C(5)  | 169.4(9)  | Re(101)–Mo(101)–C(105)  | 164.0(10) |
| S(1)–Mo(1)–C(6)   | 155.7(10) | S(101)–Mo(101)–C(106)   | 158.6(8)  |
| C(4)–Mo(1)–C(7)   | 130.6(12) | C(104)–Mo(101)–C(107)   | 130.1(14) |
| C(5)–Mo(1)–C(7)   | 99.1(12)  | C(105)–Mo(101)–C(107)   | 92.3(11)  |
| C(6)–Mo(1)–C(7)   | 128.4(12) | C(106)–Mo(101)–C(107)   | 133.3(11) |
| Re(1)–C(1)–O(1)   | 156.0(32) | Re(101)–C(101)–O(101)   | 157.4(30) |
| Mo(1)–C(1)–O(1)   | 125.7(28) | Mo(101)–C(101)–O(101)   | 120.4(25) |
| Mo(1)–C(7)–S(1)   | 77.3(10)  | Mo(101)–C(107)–S(101)   | 78.7(10)  |
| Mo(1)–C(7)–S(2)   | 79.4(10)  | Mo(101)–C(107)–S(102)   | 78.4(10)  |
| S(1)–C(7)–S(2)    | 109.7(15) | S(101)–C(107)–S(102)    | 107.4(14) |
| Mo(1)–C(7)–P(1)   | 132.8(15) | Mo(101)–C(107)–P(101)   | 136.6(14) |
| S(1)–C(7)–P(1)    | 119.1(15) | S(101)–C(107)–P(101)    | 119.7(15) |
| S(2)–C(7)–P(1)    | 125.2(16) | S(102)–C(107)–P(101)    | 123.9(15) |

the solid was washed with hexanes (3 × 5 mL) and dried in vacuo. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>43</sub>H<sub>48</sub>MoO<sub>6</sub>PReS<sub>2</sub>Sn: C, 44.65; H, 4.18. Found: C, 44.72; H, 4.21.

**X-ray Diffraction Study of [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(SnPh<sub>3</sub>)(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (2) and [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (3).** Relevant crystallographic details are given in Table 1. Unit cell parameters were determined from the least-squares refinement of a set of 25 centered reflections. Three reflections were measured every 2 h as orientation and intensity control. Significant decay was not observed for **2**, whereas a correction (30% decay) was necessary for **3**. Corrections were made for Lorentz and polarization effects. An empirical absorption correction was made with DIFABS.<sup>11</sup> An extinction correction was applied for **3**. Computations were performed with CRYSTALS.<sup>12</sup> The structures were solved by direct methods with SHELX86<sup>13</sup> and subsequent Fourier maps. For the structure of **2**, all non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were geometrically positioned, and they were given an overall isotropic thermal parameter. The unit cell was found to contain also two water molecules, related by the inversion center, and linked by hydrogen bonding [O(100)–O(100') 2.84(7) Å].<sup>14</sup> For the structure of **3**, two independent molecules were found in the



**Figure 1.** Perspective view (CAMERON)<sup>15</sup> of the structure of [(CO)<sub>3</sub>Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(SnPh<sub>3</sub>)(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**2**), showing the atom numbering.



**Figure 2.** Perspective view (CAMERON)<sup>15</sup> of the structure of [(CO)<sub>3</sub>(Ph<sub>3</sub>Sn)Re(μ-S<sub>2</sub>CPCy<sub>3</sub>)Mo(CO)<sub>3</sub>] (**3**), showing the atom numbering.

asymmetric unit. Due to the low number of observed reflections, and in order to keep acceptable data-to-parameter ratio, only the heavier atoms and C(1)–C(7) were refined anisotropically. The remaining non-hydrogen atoms were refined isotropically, and the hydrogens were not included in the refinement. Drawings in Figures 1 and 2 were made with CAMERON.<sup>15</sup>

(14) The presence of the water molecules may be due to condensation during the reaction and manipulation of THF solutions at low temperatures, or during the crystallisation period. A reviewer suggested that the possible presence of hydrogen bridges between the water molecules and **2** may have some effect on the crystallization or in the displacement of the equilibrium between **2** and **3**. Some calculations reveal that the nearest neighbor of the oxygen atom of the water molecule, O(100), is O(2) (from a CO group bonded to Re), the distance being 3.545 Å. This is quite long when compared with the distance of 2.84(7) Å between O(100) and O'(100), which are linked by hydrogen bonds. The hydrogen interactions between water and **2**, if present, should be very weak to have any significant influence in the crystallization. On the other hand, we have checked that the addition of water to the **2**+**3** isomer mixture does not modify the isomer ratio, as judged by the <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra, and produces no better crystallization of isomer **2**.

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**Supporting Information Available:** Complete tables of

atomic coordinates, anisotropic thermal parameters, bond lengths and angles, torsion angles, and least-squares planes for the structure of **2** and **3** (11 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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