# Coordination of Alkenes at a Highly Electrophilic Site. New Dicationic Platinum(II) Complexes: Synthesis, Structure, and Reactions with Nucleophiles<sup>§</sup>

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Dicationic platinum(II) alkene complexes  $[Pt(PNP)(alkene)](BF_4)_2$  (alkene = ethylene, propene, 1-butene, Z- and E-2-butene, styrene, norbornene; PNP = 2,6-bis(diphenylphosphinomethyl)pyridine) have been prepared and characterized by <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy, and the molecular structure of the ethylene complex has been determined by X-ray diffraction analysis. Nucleophilic attack at the coordinated double bond takes place more readily than for known neutral and monocationic species, and a variety of protic nucleophiles NuH (MeOH, H<sub>2</sub>O, aromatic amines) give the corresponding  $\beta$ -functionalized  $\sigma$ -alkyl complexes [Pt(PNP)(CHRCHR'Nu)]BF<sub>4</sub> also in the absence of auxiliary bases. In the case of the styrene derivatives an unusual decomposition pathway gives the stable alkenyl complex [Pt(PNP)(CH=CHPh)]BF<sub>4</sub>. A competitive equilibrium process between substitution and addition was revealed by reacting ethylene with the isolated aniline complex [Pt(PNP)-(PhNH<sub>2</sub>)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. The nucleophilic addition product was found to be thermodynamically favored over the substitution product more than in the case of the analogous palladium complexes.

### Introduction

The nucleophilic addition reaction at platinum(II) alkene complexes has been widely studied because of the great importance for introduction of functional groups in hydrocarbons.<sup>1</sup> In comparison to palladium-(II) the analogous platinum(II) complexes usually exhibit a higher stability and were therefore used as model complexes for attaining mechanistic insights in Pd-catalyzed reactions.<sup>2</sup> Investigations of the reaction of  $\pi$ -alkene Pt(II) complexes with nucleophiles and the resulting  $\sigma$ -alkyl complexes revealed crucial and interesting mechanistic details such as the competition of nucleophilic addition and substitution reaction<sup>3</sup> or the

reversal of the nucleophilic addition versus Pt-C bond cleavage in acidic medium.<sup>4</sup>

An important fact that has been revealed experimentally<sup>5</sup> and theoretically<sup>2a,6</sup> is that the electrophilic character of the coordinated alkene can be enhanced by increasing the positive charge on the metal ion. As was shown by Natile and co-workers, cationic alkene platinum(II) complexes react with a much wider variety of nucleophiles compared to the neutral complexes.<sup>4b,7</sup> Except for a couple of studies concerning dicationic diene complexes,<sup>8</sup> previous investigations were limited to species bearing a single positive charge on the metal center, and neither the reactivity nor the synthesis of dicationic Pt(II) complexes of simple monoalkenes has been described so far.

We have recently investigated novel dicationic palladium(II) alkene complexes<sup>9</sup>  $[Pd(PNP)(alkene)](BF_{4})_{2}$  stabilized by the tridentate ligand 2,6-bis(diphenylphos-

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phinomethyl)pyridine<sup>10</sup> (PNP), in which the alkene is highly activated both kinetically and thermodynamically toward protic nucleophiles. The unusually high stability of those complexes and of their  $\sigma$ -alkyl derivatives allowed us to reveal a reversible overall equilibrium process and to estimate for the first time the thermodynamic constants for the competitive equilibria of nucleophilic addition and substitution reactions. In this paper we report on the synthesis and structural characterization of isostructural dicationic platinum(II) alkene complexes and on their reactions with protic nucleophiles. A comparison is given of their reactivities to those of the analogous palladium(II) complexes<sup>9</sup> as well as to those of neutral<sup>3c</sup> and monocationic<sup>4b,7</sup> platinum(II) species.

## **Results and Discussion**

Synthesis and Characterization of [Pt(PNP)-(alkene)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. The dicationic alkene platinum(II) complexes  $[Pt(PNP)(CH_2=CHR)](BF_4)_2$  (R = H 1, Me 2, Et 3, Ph 4) have been prepared similarly to the analogous palladium(II) alkene complexes<sup>9</sup> starting from the iodo complex [Pt(PNP)I]I,<sup>11</sup> by reaction with 2 equiv of silver tetrafluoroborate in the presence of an excess of the corresponding alkene, according to eq 1.



In contrast, the complexes with internal alkenes such as Z-, E-2-butene and norbornene could not be obtained by the silver salt method. Due perhaps to a stronger coordination tendency of these alkenes to silver rather than to platinum, the halide abstraction remained incomplete. However, these complexes (5-7) were alternatively accessible by substitution of ethylene from complex 1 with an excess of the corresponding alkene, cf. eq 2.



Compounds 1–7 were characterized by <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy. They represent the first examples of dicationic monoalkene complexes of platinum(II) that have been isolated.<sup>12</sup> Compared to their analogous

Table 1. <sup>13</sup>C NMR Shifts  $\delta$  (ppm) of the Coordinated Alkenes in [Pt(PNP)(alkene)](BF4)2, Coordination-Induced Upfield Shift  $\Delta \delta = \delta_{coord}$  - $\delta_{\text{free}}$  (ppm), and Coupling Constants to Platinum (H<sub>7</sub>)

(112)							
		=СН			=CH <sub>2</sub>		
alkene	δ	$\Delta\delta$	J <sub>C-Pt</sub>	δ	$\Delta\delta$	$J_{\rm C-Pt}$	
CH <sub>2</sub> =CH <sub>2</sub>				77.9	-45.4	116	
CH <sub>2</sub> =CHMe	103.5	-31.1	108	74.3	-41.7	138	
CH <sub>2</sub> =CHEt	107.7	-35.2	113	73.1	-42.7	131	
CH <sub>2</sub> =CHPh	108.2	-27.3	81	66.5	-45.5	137	
<i>E</i> -MeCH=CHMe	96.9	-28.5	115				
Z-MeCH=CHMe	99.2	-26.7	118				
norbornene	91.9	-43.8	131				

palladium(II) species,<sup>9</sup> the complexes 1-7 appear in general to be more stable as solids as well as in solution  $(CH_2Cl_2, CH_3NO_2)$ , which is consistent with their higher inertness to the alkene substitution by potential donor molecules (e.g., H<sub>2</sub>O, see later discussion).

The <sup>31</sup>P NMR signals of the complexes 1-4 and 7 appear as a singlet in the range  $\delta$  38–41, which are 6-10 ppm more upfield shifted than those of the corresponding Pd<sup>II</sup> complexes. The <sup>31</sup>P-<sup>195</sup>Pt coupling constants are observed around 2170-2330 Hz.

While the <sup>1</sup>H NMR data of the alkene protons (see Experimental Section) give little evidence for the influence of the high positive charge on the Pt-alkene bond, the <sup>13</sup>C NMR data (cf. Table 1) substantially reflect the bonding conditions of the coordinated alkenes. The coordination-induced upfield shift  $\Delta\delta$  is about  $-31 \pm 4$ ppm for the methyne carbon atoms and about  $-43 \pm 2$ ppm for the methylene carbon atoms, which are slightly larger values than those of the analogous palladium-(II) complexes ( $\Delta\delta(CH) \approx -15$  ppm and  $\Delta\delta(CH_2) \approx -33$ ppm). However, compared to the upfield shifts found for monocationic platinum(II) alkene complexes<sup>13</sup> ( $\Delta\delta$ (CH) pprox -40 ppm and  $\Delta\delta(CH_2) pprox$  -50 ppm), the  $\Delta\delta$  values of the dicationic complexes are smaller. Similarly, carbonplatinum coupling constants  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt}$  are significantly smaller (81-138 Hz) than those in monocationic complexes (around 170-210 Hz).13 This indicates the weakness of the Pt-alkene bond, which is consistent with the proposed decreased contribution of the  $\pi$ -backdonation.<sup>14</sup> Exceptionally higher values of both  $\Delta \delta$  and  $J_{\rm C-Pt}$  are found for the norbornene complex 7, which can be explained by the pyramidalization effect occurring in a strained cyclic alkene, resulting in a stronger metal-alkene bond.<sup>15</sup>

The values of  $\Delta \delta$  as well as of  $J_{C-Pt}$  are smaller for CH than for CH<sub>2</sub>. The different extent of  $\Delta \delta$  and  $J_{C-Pt}$ for the CH and CH<sub>2</sub> groups indicates an increased polarization of the C-C double bond in unsymmetrically substituted coordinated alkenes due to the different Pt-C bond strengths to CH and CH<sub>2</sub>.<sup>16</sup> The resulting difference in electron density at the methyne and methylene carbon atoms could be the determining factor

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for the regioselectivity of the nucleophilic attack which would preferentially take place (at least kinetically<sup>17</sup>) at the methyne carbon (Markovnikov addition).

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra show an average  $C_2$  symmetry for the propene, 1-butene, and styrene complexes **2**–**4** and an average  $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry for the *Z*-2-butene and norbornene complexes **5** and **7**. This indicates a fast rotation around the Pt–(C=C) bond axis at room temperature.<sup>18</sup> The rotation is still fast at 203 K, as shown by the unchanged spectra of the propene and norbornene complexes **2** and **7** at this temperature. Compared to the analogous palladium(II) complexes,<sup>9</sup> no differences in the rotation behavior of the platinum complexes **1**–**7** can be noted.

**Alkene Exchange.** The intermolecular exchange between the coordinated and free alkene was found to be very slow for the platinum complexes 1-7 on the NMR time scale at room temperature. Even addition of a large excess of the corresponding free alkene did not affect the signal pattern of the coordinated alkene. Only a slight broadening was observed for the signal of the coordinated ethylene when about 5 equiv of free ethylene was added to a solution of complex **1**, the <sup>195</sup>Ptsatellites being still visible.

The exchange rate of the coordinated alkene in square planar platinum(II) complexes usually grows going from anionic to neutral<sup>19</sup> and is fast in monocationic<sup>13</sup> complexes. However, the exchange can be strongly retarded by steric hindrance of bulky substituents of adjacent ligands.<sup>13,20</sup> Presumably, the steric shielding by the phenyl groups of the PNP ligand is responsible for the slow alkene exchange in **1**–**7**, despite the 2-fold positive charge of the platinum center.

While the ethylene exchange in the dicationic palladium(II) complex with any other alkenes was equilibrated within a few minutes, in the case of the platinum-(II) complexes the equilibration time was expectedly found to be longer and largely dependent on the structure of the individual alkene (eq 3).

 $[Pt(PNP)(CHR=CHR')](BF_4)_2 + C_2H_4 \xrightarrow{K(CD_2Cl_2)}$ 

 $[Pt(PNP)(C_2H_4)](BF_4)_2 + CHR=CHR'$  (3)

к
6 <sup>.</sup> 10 <sup>-3</sup>
2.1
4
10
26

(17) For the analogous dicationic palladium(II) a similar polarization of the C–C double bond is indicated by <sup>13</sup>C NMR data. As supposed, high Markovnikov regioselectivity was found for nucleophilic addition at unsymmetrically substituted alkenes. In the case of the styrene complex and dimethylamine the complex [(PNP)Pd(CH<sub>2</sub>CHPhNMe<sub>2</sub>)]<sup>+</sup> was observed as the kinetically controlled addition product; see ref 9.

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In complex **1** the displacement of the ethylene by  $\alpha$ -alkenes CH<sub>2</sub>=CHR was equilibrated within 15 min, whereas with internal alkenes RCH=CHR it needed ca. 3 h. Kinetic measurements of the substitution of Z-2butene (complex 5) by ethylene have shown clearly an approximately linear increase of the reaction rate upon increasing the ethylene concentration. These observations strongly support the associative mechanism for the alkene exchange, <sup>19</sup> which was also discussed elsewhere for square planar platinum(II) complexes<sup>13</sup> and was shown in the case of the isostructural rhodium(I) ethylene complex by freezing the five-coordinate species as the intermediate at low temperature.<sup>21</sup> The exchange rate also depends on the structural features of the leaving alkene. For example, the displacement of Z-2butene by ethylene is faster than that of *E*-2-butene.<sup>22</sup>

By integration of the appropriate <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals of all the four species involved in eq 3, stability constants could be estimated relative to the ethylene complex 1. Their order is the same as that found for the analogous palladium complexes. Interestingly, the relative stabilities of E- and Z-2-butene are reversed with respect to those of the square planar Pt(II) complexes described by Kurosawa.<sup>23</sup> Most likely as found also for the analogous palladium complexes,9 the stability is affected by steric influence of the  $C_2$ -symmetrical ligand periphery of the PNP ligand, to which the E-2-butene fits better than Z-2-butene. Noteworthy is the relatively high stability of the norbornene complex 7, consistent with the exceptionally larger values of  $\Delta \delta$  and  $J_{C-Pt}$ , which suggests a stronger  $\pi$ -bond of this strained alkene to platinum.

Molecular Structure of [Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CH<sub>2</sub>)]-(BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1. Single crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained from a saturated solution in dichloromethane after standing for a few days at room temperature. An ORTEP view of the complex dication is shown in Figure 1. Selected bond lengths and angles are collected in Table 2. The molecule displays the usual square planar coordination around the platinum center. The values of the structural parameters of the Pt(PNP) fragment like P-Pt-N angles and Pt-P and Pt-N distances are very similar to those of other square planar M(PNP) complexes (M = Rh,<sup>21</sup> Pd<sup>9,24</sup>), showing the rigidity of the coordinated PNP and its rather invariable structural feature when changing the metal or the other ligand. The ethylene molecule is symmetrically coordinated at the Pt(PNP) fragment: the Pt-C(3) and Pt-C(4) distances are identical [(2.181(8) and 2.180(6) Å, respectively], and the C-C double bond lies nearly ideally perpendicular to the coordination plane, whereas in the isostructural Rh<sup>I</sup> complex the ethylene double bond is tilted by 6° from the normal of

<sup>(18)</sup> The methylene protons of the PNP ligand show a characteristic signal pattern in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum: for complexes with  $C_2$  symmetry it appears as two doublets of virtual triplets due to AA'BB'XX', whereas for those with  $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry as a simple virtual triplet due to an AA'XX' spin system.

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**Figure 1.** ORTEP representation of the dicationic part of compound  $1 \cdot CH_2Cl_2$  in the solid state. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 2. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) for [Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CH<sub>2</sub>)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

$(\mathbf{I} \cdot \mathbf{CH}_2 \mathbf{CI}_2)$				
Pt-P1	2.3059(13)			
Pt-P2	2.3063(13)			
Pt-N31	2.051(4)			
Pt-C3	2.181(8)			
Pt-C4	2.180(6)			
P1-C1	1.823(5)			
P2-C2	1.827(6)			
C3-C4	1.359(10)			
P1-Pt-P2	163.57(5)			
P1-Pt-N31	81.57(13)			
P1-Pt-C3	98.1(2)			
P1-Pt-C4	96.53(18)			
P2-Pt-N31	82.00(13)			
P2-Pt-C3	97.6(2)			
P2-Pt-C4	99.05(18)			
N31-Pt-C3	162.5(2)			
N31-Pt-C4	161.1(2)			
C3 –Pt –C4	36.3(3)			

the coordination plane.<sup>21</sup> The C–C double bond length [1.359(10) Å] is similar to that found in the isostructural Rh<sup>I</sup> complex [1.351(11) Å]. Compared to other square planar Pt<sup>II</sup> alkene complexes, the Pt–C distances in complex **1** are significantly longer than those observed for the anionic complex [Pt(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)Cl<sub>3</sub>]<sup>-</sup> [2.128(3) and 2.135(3) Å],<sup>25</sup> but similar to the cationic complex [Pt(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)Cl(Me<sub>2</sub>NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>)]<sup>+</sup> [2.184(5) and 2.166(5) Å].<sup>26</sup> While the high positive charge seems to affect significantly the Pt–C bond lengths, no particular influence is seen on the C–C double bond length, which was found to be around 1.37 Å for all the examples cited.

**Reactions with Nucleophiles. I. Reaction with MeOH.** Dissolution of the complexes 1-4 in CD<sub>3</sub>OD led to the quantitative formation of the addition products  $8-d_3-11-d_3$ , producing a strongly acidic solution (cf. eq 4). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra show exclusively signals of the  $\beta$ -methoxyalkyl complexes (see ExperimentalSection), and no signals of the substitution product were detectable. In contrast, in the case of the analogous palladium-(II) complexes the substitution of the alkene by methanol was considerably competitive to the addition reaction and dominated with increasing steric hindrance of the substituents R/R' at the alkene.<sup>9</sup>

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \left[ Pt(PNP)(CHR=CHR') \right]^{2+} + MeOH \\ \hline 1-6 \\ & \left[ Pt(PNP)(CHRCHR'OMe) \right]^{+} + H^{+} & (4) \\ \\ \hline \\ \frac{R/R'}{H/H} & 8 \\ H/Me & 9 \\ H/Et & 10 \\ H/Ph & 11 \\ Me/Me & 12a \end{array}$$

Me/Me 12b

The formation of a small amount of the  $\beta$ -methoxyethyl complex 8 was even detectable when only 20 equiv of MeOH was added to a solution of complex 1 in CD<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>. This shows clearly the rather high reactivity to nucleophilic addition at the C-C double bond due to the higher electrophilicity of the dicationic complexes compared to monocationic alkene Pt<sup>II</sup> complexes. Indeed, for the latter ones it was reported that they could be recrystallized even in hot methanol without showing any decomposition (or any other reaction).<sup>5a</sup> In that case the addition of methanol succeeded only in the presence of a strong base like KOH. The direct addition of alcohols at the C-C double bond has been reported only with dicationic platinum(II) diene complexes.<sup>8</sup> It was also promoted by a dimeric platinum(III) complex where a 4-fold positively charged alkene Pt<sup>III</sup> complex was proposed as an intermediate.27

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of Z- and E-2-butene complex 5 or 6 dissolved in CD<sub>3</sub>OD shows a mixture of the addition product (12a or 12b, respectively<sup>28</sup>) and unreacted starting complex in a ratio of ca. 2:1. By addition of 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> the equilibrium reaction (eq 4) could be immediately shifted quantitatively to the  $\beta$ -methoxyalkyl complex **12a** or **12b**. This demonstrates that the nucleophilic addition is a fast reaction. Thus, the complexes 8-11 could be readily obtained by reaction of the alkene complexes 1-4 in  $CH_2Cl_2$  solution with 4 equiv of MeOH and addition of 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. For the complexes 2-4 a high regioselectivity (Markovnikov) of the methanol addition was observed, which was independently confirmed by reductive cleavage of the addition product with NaBH<sub>4</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>OD, producing  $CH_3CHROMe$  (R = Me, Et, Ph).

The norbornene complex 7 dissolved in methanol gave a product mixture. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum two new singlets appear at  $\delta$  2.63 and 2.82, which could be assigned to methoxy groups, suggesting the formation of two different addition products. Changes were also noted in the aliphatic region of the spectrum, but since the signals are relatively broad and overlapping, no efforts have been made for further structural identification of these products so far.

The treatment of the complex  $\mathbf{8}$  with HBF<sub>4</sub> in methanol led to the reversal of the nucleophilic addition, and

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<sup>(28)</sup> The addition of methanol to Z- and E-2-butene complexes **5** and **6** gave the diastereomers **12a** and **12b** (see discussion for analogous Pd complexes in ref 9), which show slight but significant differences in their <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum; see Experimental Section.



even in the absence of additional free ethylene to the regeneration of the complex **1**. This shows the high stability of the ethylene complex **1** toward substitution by methanol.

The  $\beta$ -methoxyalkyl complexes **8–12** are stable as solids as well as in solution. Although complex 11 is quite stable after isolation, it showed a decomposition in the solution in which it was formed in situ by dissolving 4 in CD<sub>3</sub>OD, cf. eq 4. After standing for 2 h, complex **11** was completely converted to a new single species detected by <sup>1</sup>H NMR. A crystalline solid that precipitated from the methanol solution showed an identical <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum after dissolution in CD<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>. A doublet with <sup> $\hat{1}95$ </sup>Pt satellites appearing at  $\delta$  6.12  $({}^{3}J_{\rm H-Pt} = 79$  Hz), a partially hidden doublet of triplets at  $\delta$  7.84 assigned to the Pt-CH=CH moiety, and multiplets at  $\delta$  6.84 and 7.09 due to the phenyl group suggest the formation of the alkenyl complex [Pt(PNP)-(CH=CHPh)]BF<sub>4</sub>, **13**, cf. Scheme 1. The isolated alkenyl complex was also characterized by <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy, where signals for the alkenyl group were observed at  $\delta$  118.9 and 139.2, showing coupling to the phosphorus nuclei ( $J_{C-P} = 9.1$  and 5.5 Hz, respectively). This interesting decomposition pathway does not seem to have been observed so far for a  $\beta$ -functionalized  $\sigma$ -alkyl complex.<sup>29</sup> A possible mechanism could involve initial protonation at the oxygen atom,<sup>30</sup> methanol removal from 11 (the reverse addition), and formation of a carbocation at the  $\beta$ -carbon atom followed by an  $\alpha$ -proton loss (see Scheme 1). The additional stabilization in **13** due to the  $\pi$ -conjugation with the phenyl ring could explain why alkenyl complexes analogous to 13 were not formed starting from complexes **1** and **2**.

**II. Reaction with H\_2O.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of a solution of the ethylene complex **1** in  $CD_2Cl_2$  with ca. 4 equiv of  $H_2O$  did not show any detectable reaction. However, the addition of a larger excess of  $H_2O$  (resulting in a biphasic mixture) led to a complete disappearance of the signals of **1**, and the new signals observed in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum indicated a conversion to

mono- and dialkylated addition products **14** and **15** in a ratio of 1:1 (cf. Scheme 2). The signal sets for the [PtCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O] have been assigned to **14** ( $\delta$  1.83 and 2.68) and to **15** ( $\delta$  2.05 and 3.62).<sup>31</sup> The dinuclear complex **15** is presumably formed by a further nucleophilic attack of **14** at remaining **1** or, as was supposed for [PtCl(CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OH)(Me<sub>2</sub>NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>)],<sup>4b,32</sup> by a spontaneous condensation reaction. In sharp contrast to the analogous palladium complex,<sup>9</sup> the ethylene displacement by water did not occur for complex **1** even in the absence of any free ethylene. Preparatively, the mixture of addition products **14**/15 was obtained in a molar ratio of 1:4 by reaction of complex **1** with 4 equiv of H<sub>2</sub>O and 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>.

When aqueous HBF<sub>4</sub> was added to a solution of the isolated complex mixture **14/15**, the nucleophilic addition was reversed to the ethylene complex **1**, similar to the analogous reaction observed with the  $\beta$ -methoxy-alkyl complex **8**. Although there was no free ethylene and a large excess of water was present in solution, no aqua complex was detected, which shows again the stability of the platinum(II) complex to alkene substitution by water.

The reactions of the propene, 1-butene, and styrene complexes (**2**, **3**, and **4**) with  $H_2O$  have been similarly investigated. They give only single addition products, likely due to the steric hindrance of the substituent R, and show exclusive Markovnikov regiochemistry [Pt-(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CHROH)]BF<sub>4</sub> (R = Me **16**, Et **17**, Ph **18**). For the complex **18** (in situ formed from **4** and  $H_2O$ , cf. comment<sup>30</sup>) the same decomposition occurred in solution as observed for the methoxyalkyl complex **11**, resulting in the alkenyl complex **13** (cf. Scheme 1).

**III. Reactions with Aromatic Amines.** The nucleophilic addition of amines at platinum(II) alkene complexes has been the subject of investigation over several decades.<sup>1</sup> These studies have shown that the formation of the  $\beta$ -ammonioalkyl complex depends on several factors such as complex charge, basicity of the amine, and steric hindrance of substituents at the amine as well as at the alkene.<sup>1d</sup> Because of their weak basicity, the additions of aromatic amines at platinum-(II) alkene complexes are rare<sup>33</sup> compared to those of aliphatic amines. While for neutral platinum(II) complexes no addition of aromatic amines was evident,<sup>33</sup> with a cationic complex a C–C bond formation in the *para* position of the aromatic amine occurred rather than N-addition to the C–C double bond.<sup>35</sup>

Since a high reactivity of the dicationic platinum(II) alkene complexes was observed with methanol and water as weakly basic nucleophiles, it was interesting to investigate the reactions with different weakly basic aromatic amines  $H_2NAr$ , also with the intention of comparing the actual reactivity with that of the isostructural palladium(II) complexes.

The reaction of the ethylene complex **1** in  $CD_2Cl_2$  solution with only 1 equiv of aniline (p $K_a = 4.6$ ) at room

<sup>(29)</sup> Recently an interesting rearrangement of a Markovnikov addition product  $[Pt(Me_2NCH_2CH_2NMe_2)Cl\{CH_2CHPh(CH(C(O)Me)_2]\}$ into the anti-Markovnikov regioisomer was reported which is only observerd in solid state via detachment of the acetylacetonate, while in solution also an irreversible decomposition to other species takes place in a few days, for which unfortunately no further specification was given; see ref 32.

<sup>(30)</sup> It should be remembered that **11** here was formed in situ; therefore there was still a stoichiometric amount of H<sup>+</sup> in solution dissociated from the primarily formed addition product [Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>-CH(Ph)OHCH<sub>3</sub>)]<sup>2+</sup>, which is considered also the intermediate species for the methanol dissociation (reverse addition) assuming the principle of the microscopic reversibility.

<sup>(31)</sup> The assignment of the signals for **14** and **15** has been done on the basis of the chemical shifts of the isostructural palladium complexes; see ref 9.

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temperature led immediately to a complete conversion to a mixture of  $\beta$ -ammonio mono- and dialkylated addition products **19**-H<sup>+</sup> and **20**-H<sup>+</sup> in a ratio of 1:1 (cf. Scheme 3). Also in this case no indication for the substitution of the ethylene could be detected by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy.

Performing the reaction of complex **1** with 4 equiv of aniline and 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> at 0 °C, the  $\beta$ -aminoethyl complex  $[Pt(PNP)(CH_2CH_2NHPh)]BF_4$ , **19**, could be obtained as a single addition product. By further reaction of the isolated complex 19 with the ethylene complex 1, the complex 20-H<sup>+</sup> was independently prepared. Complex 20-H<sup>+</sup> was isolated as a stable compound and characterized by <sup>1</sup>H NMR, confirming the dialkylated structure observed before. The proton of the ammonium group in **20**-H<sup>+</sup> was abstracted by reaction with 2 equiv of  $NaHCO_3$ , converting it into the corresponding amino derivative [{Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)}<sub>2</sub>NPh]-(BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, **20**. Comparing the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of corresponding ammonio and amino derivatives 19-H<sup>+</sup>/19 or **20**-H<sup>+</sup>/**20**, characteristic differences in chemical shifts of the NPh signals are notable. These signals of **19** and **20** appear significantly upfield shifted by  $\Delta \delta 0.3-1.0$ than those found correspondingly for **19**-H<sup>+</sup> and **20**-H<sup>+</sup>, which is consistent with the loss of the positive charge at the N atom by abstracting a proton. Unfortunately, the <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals of NH<sub>2</sub> for **19**-H<sup>+</sup> and NH for **20**- $H^+$  are not detectable; either they might be hidden under the large signals of PPh in the region  $\delta$  7.4–7.8, or they might be very broad because of relatively fast intermoleculare H<sup>+</sup>-exchange.

At this point it was difficult to decide whether the nucleophilic addition reaction is only kinetically controlled or also thermodynamically favored over the substitution reaction. Indeed, for the analogous palladium(II) complexes a thermodynamic equilibrium of substitution and addition reactions does exist.<sup>9</sup> The high

inertness toward substitution of the platinum(II) complexes was shown by treatment of the aniline complex **21** (prepared independently, see Experimental Section) with a large excess of ethylene in the presence of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. Stirring the mixture overnight (in  $CD_2Cl_2/$  $CD_3NO_2$ ) no reaction was at all observed. By contrast, in the case of palladium(II) a complete equilibrium shift to the addition product was observed in a similar experiment.<sup>9</sup>

However, the kinetic inhibition of the substitution of aniline by ethylene could be overcome by addition of some acetonitrile (ca. 0.8 equiv) to the solution of the aniline complex 21 saturated with ethylene (in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/ CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>). In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum signals of the addition product 19-H<sup>+</sup> became visible after 1 day, their intensity increased with time, and after ca. 10 days no further change was seen. In this way the existence of an equilibration process has been shown, which is quite slower than that revealed for the palladium(II) complexes. This allowed a rough estimation of the thermodynamic equilibrium constants for the formal "insertion" reaction, cf. eq 5.<sup>36</sup> The value  $K_{\rm ins} = 10^2$  L mol<sup>-1</sup> indicates that the double positive charge on Pt does indeed thermodynamically favor the addition over the substitution reaction even more than in the case of palladium(II) ( $K_{ins} = 1 \text{ L mol}^{-1}$ ).<sup>9</sup> In comparison, for the neutral platinum(II) ethylene complexes it was found that the amine addition, although being kinetically favored, appears to be thermodynamically disfavored over the substitution.<sup>3c</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{K}_{\text{ins}'} = 10^{2} \text{ Lmol}^{-1} \\ & [(\text{PNP})\text{Pt}(\text{PhNH}_{2})]^{2+} + \text{CH}_{2} = \text{CH}_{2} \underbrace{(\text{MeCN})}_{2} \\ & \mathbf{21} \\ & [(\text{PNP})\text{Pt}(\text{CH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{NH}_{2}\text{Ph})]^{2+} \end{aligned}$$
(5)

**19-**H⁺

The addition of ca. 0.8 equiv of acetonitrile is sufficient for a reasonable acceleration of the substitution of aniline by ethylene via the formation of acetonitrile complex **22**. Each individual auxiliary substitution

<sup>(36)</sup> The term "insertion" refers only to the formal outcome of the reaction and does not have any mechanistic implication. It is likely that the actual mechanism involves consecutive (bimolecular) substitutions of aniline by acetonitrile and then of acetonitrile by ethylene followed by external *trans* nucleophilic attack of aniline on the coordinated ethylene. In these considerations the equilibration to double addition product is completely neglected, although it was seen in the experiment described above. The equilibration constant  $K_{ins}$  however demonstrates clearly the higher preference for the nucleophilic addition (considering only the single addition).

reaction of complexes 21 and 1 with acetonitrile (cf. eqs 6 and 7) equilibrates within 10 h, allowing the evaluation of their equilibrium constants. Combining these values with that of the "insertion" equilibrium eq 5, the individual equilibrium constants for the ethylene substitution by aniline,  $K_{\rm sub} = 3 \times 10^4$ , and nucleophilic addition,  $K_{add} = 3 \times 10^6$  L mol<sup>-1</sup> (cf. eq 8), were estimated. These values show that the relative stability of ethylene complexes **1** compared to the aniline complex **21** is somewhat higher than found for the analogous palladium(II) complexes ( $K_{sub} = 2 \times 10^5$ ),<sup>9</sup> which seems to be consistent with the calculated overall metalalkene bond energies decreasing in the order Pt > Pd.<sup>37</sup> However, the nucleophilic addition is more favored for the platinum(II) complexes than found for palladium-(II)  $(K_{\text{add}} = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ L mol}^{-1})$ . In contrast, neutral platinum(II) complexes do not undergo nucleophilic addition ( $K_{add} < 0.1 \text{ L mol}^{-1}$ ) with weak bases such as aniline (p $K_a < 5$ ).<sup>3c</sup>



A solution of the propene complex **2** was treated with 1 equiv of aniline, giving the complete formation of the  $\beta$ -ammoniopropyl complex [Pt(PNP)(CHCHMeNH<sub>2</sub>-Ph)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, **23**-H<sup>+</sup> (Markovnikov addition), which was isolated as a stable compound. Upon proton abstraction by the auxiliary base NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, the  $\beta$ -aminopropyl complex **23** could be obtained (cf. eq 9). As discussed above, the <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals of the NPh group in **23** show a characteristic upfield shift by  $\Delta\delta$  0.4–1.0, indicating the transformation of the ammonio into the amino derivatives. While the N*H* signal for **23** appears at  $\delta$ 3.02, that of N*H*<sub>2</sub> for **23**-H<sup>+</sup> is not detectable for the same probable reasons described for **19**-H<sup>+</sup>/**20**-H<sup>+</sup>.

Furthermore the reaction of 1-butene and styrene complexes **3** and **4** with aniline/NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was investigated and gave also exclusively Markovnikov addition products **24** and **25**, cf. eq 9.

Even the addition of 1 equiv of the less basic 2chloroaniline ( $pK_a = 2.6$ ) to a solution of the ethylene complex 1 ( $CD_2Cl_2/CD_3NO_2$ ) led to the complete conversion to the  $\beta$ -ammonioethyl complex **26**-H<sup>+</sup>, and by treatment with NaHCO<sub>3</sub> the deprotonated complex **26** was obtained, whose <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum shows the characteristic upfield shift of the NPh signals by  $\Delta\delta$ 0.2-1.0 compared to those of **26**-H<sup>+</sup>. Likewise toluidine (p $K_a = 5.1$ ) and 4-methoxyaniline (p $K_a = 5.3$ ) readily gave with complex **1** and NaHCO<sub>3</sub> the  $\beta$ -aminoethyl complexes **27** and **28** (cf. eq 9), which could be isolated in good yields as quite stable solids.



As was seen for the treatment of the  $\beta$ -methoxy- and  $\beta$ -hydroxymethyl complexes with acid, the  $\beta$ -aminoalkyl complexes also gave rise to the reversal of the nucleophilic addition when gaseous HCl was bubbled in a CD<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub> solution. In this case the chloro complex was formed and the alkene was liberated, cf. eq 10. Interestingly in  $\beta$ -ammonioethyl platinum(II) complexes (resulting from the addition of amines at the monocationic ethylene complex) the Pt-C  $\sigma$  bond can be cleaved with HCl.<sup>4a,38</sup> In the  $\sigma$ -alkyl complexes produced from the dicationic alkene complexes however, a positive charge remains at the platinum center, which presumably stabilizes the Pt-C  $\sigma$  bond, and this could be the reason the C-N bond dissociation is favored over the Pt-C cleavage.

$$[(PNP)Pt(CH_2CHRNHPh)]BF_4 \xrightarrow{+ HCl (g)/ CD_2Cl_2} R = H 19, R = Me 23$$
$$[(PNP)PtCl]BF_4 + CH_2=CHR + PhNH_3Cl (10)$$

## Conclusions

A novel class of dicationic platinum(II) monoalkene complexes has been obtained through the use of the tridentate "pincer" ligand PNP. Compared to their recently prepared palladium analogues,9 these complexes appear to be thermodynamically more stable and kinetically less labile toward substitution by oxygen and nitrogen donors. The dicationic complexes display an exceptionally high reactivity toward nucleophilic attack on the coordinated alkene, as a consequence of the double positive charge on the metal ion (or, viewed from a thermodynamic perspective, the  $\sigma$ -alkyl derivatives resulting from the nucleophilic attack are strongly stabilized by the residual positive charge on the metal ion). This is exemplified by the "superacid" behavior in methanol solution, which leads to the protonation of the solvent and to the quantitative formation of the  $\beta$ -methoxyalkyl derivatives, in contrast to that of monocationic

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species, which require the presence of an auxiliary base to assist the same reaction.4b Aromatic amines (even those having very low basicity) also give the addition products quantitatively, and an approximate estimation of the equilibrium constants for the addition and substitution reactions has been obtained in the case of aniline and coordinated ethylene. The equilibrium constant for the addition reaction ( $K_{add} = 3 \times 10^6$ ) is at least 7 orders of magnitude larger than in neutral complexes,<sup>3c</sup> and (again in contrast to the behavior of neutral species) the addition reaction proved to be thermodynamically favored over the substitution reaction  $(K_{add}/K_{sub} = K_{ins} = 10^2 \text{ L mol}^{-1})$ . The electrophilicity of the coordinated alkene is also larger than that displayed by the isostructural palladium(II) complexes, which in methanol solution give only partial conversion to  $\beta$ -methoxyalkyl derivatives and which give lower values of  $K_{add}$  and  $K_{ins}$  for the reaction of aniline with coordinated ethylene.9 In conclusion, dicationic platinum(II) alkene complexes appear to be ideal substrates for exploiting the electrophilic properties of coordinated alkenes and possibly give rise to new C-C and C-heteroatom bond formations, although the stability of the resulting  $\sigma$ -alkyl derivatives might be an obstacle to further useful transformations.

### **Experimental Section**

General Procedures. All reactions were carried out under dry nitrogen. CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was refluxed over CaH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>OH over Mg/ Mg(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, and diethyl ether over Na/benzophenone. The solvents were distilled before using. CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>, and CDCl<sub>3</sub> were dried with 4 Å molecular sieves. AgBF<sub>4</sub> was obtained from ABCR and was used without further purification. The aromatic amines RNH<sub>2</sub> were obtained by Aldrich and were distilled before using. The NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Gemini 200 and 300, Bruker AC-250, and Bruker WH-400 instruments. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR shifts were referenced to the resonance of the residual protons of the solvents, the <sup>13</sup>C NMR shifts to the solvent resonance ( $\delta$  = 53.8, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>;  $\delta$  = 62.8, CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>;  $\delta$  = 45.3, CD<sub>3</sub>OD<sub>3</sub>), and the <sup>13</sup>P NMR shifts to the resonance of PPh<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta = -3$ , CDCl<sub>3</sub>), the external standard. Abbreviations used in NMR data: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; ps.t, pseudo triplet; m, multiplet; br, broad.

X-ray Structure Determination of [Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>= CH<sub>2</sub>)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). Details of the X-ray experiment, data reduction, and final structure refinement calculation are summarized in Table 3. A crystal of complex 1·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> suitable for X-ray structure determination was grown from a saturated solution of complex 1 in dichloromethane, fixed with perfluorinated ether, and mounted in a glass capillary. Preliminary examination and data collection were carried out on a Stoe IPDS system attached to a rotating anode (NONIUS FR591; 50 kV; 60 mA; 3.0 kW) and graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å). Data collection was performed at 233 K with an exposure time of 600 s per image ( $\varphi$ -scans, oscillation modus,  $\Delta \varphi = 1.2^{\circ}$ ). A total number of 12 889 reflections were collected.<sup>39a</sup> After merging a sum of 6619 independent reflections remained and were used for all

 Table 3. Crystallographic Data for Compound

 1·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

chem formula fw	C <sub>34</sub> H <sub>33</sub> B <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> F <sub>8</sub> NP <sub>2</sub> Pt 957.15
color/shape	colorless/fragment
cryst size (mm)	0.34 imes 0.28 imes 0.12
cryst syst	monoclinic
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> (No. 4)
a (Å)	9.4350(9)
b (Å)	21.9467(10)
c (Å)	9.0662(8)
$\beta$ (deg)	93.516(11)
$V(Å^3)$	1873.8(3)
Z	2
$T(\mathbf{K})$	233
$\rho_{\text{calcd}}$ (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.696
$\mu ({\rm mm}^{-1})$	4.038
$F_{000}$	936
$\theta$ -range (deg)	2.35 - 25.64
data collcd ( <i>h,k,l</i> )	<i>h</i> : $\pm 11$ , <i>k</i> : $\pm 25$ , <i>l</i> : $\pm 11$
no. of rflns collcd	12 889
no. of indep rflns/ $R_{\rm int}$	6619/0.0409
no. of obsd rflns $(I > 2\sigma(I))$	6244
no. of params refined	451
R1 (obsd/all)	0.0265/0.0287
wR2 (obsd/all)	0.0674/0.0690
GOF (obsd/all)	0.990/0.990
max/min $\Delta \rho$ (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.95 /-0.65

calculations. Data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects. A correction for absorption effects was applied using the program Difabs.<sup>39b</sup> The unit cell parameters were obtained by full-matrix least-squares refinements of 4965 reflections with the programs Select and Cell.<sup>39a</sup> The structure was solved by a combination of direct methods and difference Fourier syntheses.<sup>39c</sup> All non-hydrogen atoms of the asymmetric unit were refined with anisotropic thermal displacement parameters. All hydrogen atoms were calculated in ideal positions (riding model). Full-matrix least-squares refinements were carried out by minimizing  $\sum w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2$  with the SHELXL-97 weighting scheme and stopped at maximum shift/err < 0.001.39d Neutral atom scattering factors for all atoms and anomalous dispersion corrections for the non-hydrogen atoms were taken from International Tables for Crystallography.<sup>39e</sup> All other calculations (including ORTEP graphics) were done with the program PLATON.<sup>38b</sup> Calculations were performed on a PC workstation (Intel Pentium II) running LINUX. The correct enantiomer is proved by Flack's parameter (x =-0.026(6)

**Syntheses.** The ligand  $PNP^{10}$  and complex  $Pt(SMe_2)_2I_2^{40}$  were prepared according to the procedures described in the literature.

**[Pt(PNP)I]I.** A solution of 1 g (2.10 mmol) of PNP in 10 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added to a solution of 1.2 g (2.09 mmol) of Pt(SMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>I<sub>2</sub> in 60 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The volume of the solution was reduced to 15 mL by removing the solvent under reduced pressure. The product was precipitated by dropwise addition of ca. 40 mL of diethyl ether under stirring. The pale yellow solid was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum. Yield: 1.9 g (2.05 mmol, 98%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 4.73 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.4 Hz, 4H,CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.56 (m, 12H, Ph), 7.88 (m, 8H, Ph), 8.17 (m, 3H, py).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CHR)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> 1–4. General Procedure.** A mixture of 200 mg (0.216 mmol) of [Pt(PNP)I]I and 84 mg (0.432 mmol) of AgBF<sub>4</sub> in 8 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was cooled to 0 °C and saturated with the respective gaseous alkene; in the case of liquid alkenes 10 equiv was added. After stirring the mixture for 1 h the precipitate was filtered off. In the case of ethylene the precipitate (containing product) was washed with nitromethane (1 mL, free of any nitrile). The product was

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precipitated respectively from the solution by dropwise addition of ca. 40 mL of diethyl ether. The solid was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum.

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CH<sub>2</sub>)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (1).** Yield: 166 mg (0.191 mmol, 88%); white solid; dec pt 206 °C. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{33}H_{31}B_2F_8NP_2Pt$ : C, 45.44; H, 3.58; N, 1.61. Found: C, 45.23; H, 3.56; N, 1.70. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  4.35 (t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H</sub>-P = 2.8 Hz, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>H</sub>-Pt = 59 Hz, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.94 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H</sub>-P + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H</sub>-P = 5.0 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.50-7.80 (m, 12H, Ph), 7.84-7.98 (m, 10H, Ph, py), 8.17 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H</sub>-H = 8.0 Hz, 1H, py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  43.6 (ps.t, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-P + <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-P = 18.0 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 77.9 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-Pt = 116.5 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 124.0 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-P + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-P = 5.4 Hz, py-3,5), 130.4 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-P + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-P = 5.3 Hz, Ph<sub>m</sub>), 133.5 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-P + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C</sub>-P = 6.7 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 134.0 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 144.0 (s, py-4), 161.6 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  41.7 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>P</sub>-Pt = 2174 Hz).

[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CHMe)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (2). Yield: 159 mg (0.179 mmol, 83%); white solid; dec pt 185 °C. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>33</sub>B<sub>2</sub>F<sub>8</sub>NP<sub>2</sub>Pt: C, 46.08; H, 3.75; N, 1.58. Found: C, 45.89; H, 3.84; N, 1.70. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  1.56 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 5.8 Hz,  ${}^{3}J_{H-Pt}$  = 44.0 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.31 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{H-P}$  = 7.8 Hz,  ${}^{2}J_{H-Pt} = 68$  Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.32 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{H-P} = 14.8$  Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.69 (d ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{H-H} = 16.8$  Hz,  ${}^{2}J_{H-P} + {}^{4}J_{H-P} = 5.2$  Hz, 2H,  $PCH_aH_b$ ), 5.14 (d ps.t,  ${}^2J_{H-H} = 16.8$  Hz,  ${}^2J_{H-P} + {}^4J_{H-P} = 5.4$ Hz, 2H, PCH<sub>a</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 5.47 (m, 1H, CH), 7.50–7.80 (m, 12H, Ph), 7.80–8.10 (m, 11H, Ph, py).  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CD\_3NO\_2):  $\delta$ 21.2 (s,  ${}^{2}J_{C-Pt} = 31$  Hz,  $CH_{3}$ ), 44.1 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 17.4$ Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 74.3 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt} = 138$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 103.5 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt} = 108$  Hz, CH), 124.0 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 36.8$  Hz, Ph<sub>3</sub>), 124.4 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 36.8$  Hz, Ph<sub>f</sub>) 125.1 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P}$ = 6.0 Hz, py-3,5), 131.0 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.7$  Hz, Ph<sub>m,m'</sub>), 133.6 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.7$  Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 134.9 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 135.2 (s, Ph<sub>d</sub>), 135.3 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.7$  Hz, Ph<sub>d</sub>), 145.5 (s, py-4), 162.6 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): δ 40.8 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{\rm PPt} = 2268$  Hz).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CHEt)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (3).** Yield: 172 mg (0.191 mmol, 88%); white solid; dec pt 196 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.71 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.6 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.05 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.92 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.46 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.81 (d ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 17.6 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 5.4 Hz, 2H, PCH<sub>a</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 5.00 (d ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 17.6 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.8 Hz, 2H, PCH<sub>a</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 5.52 (m, 1H, CH), 7.60–7.83 (m, 12H, Ph), 7.83–8.05 (m, 10H, Ph, py), 8.21 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.4 Hz, 1H, py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  14.9 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.0 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.2 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 16.3 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.1 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 131 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 107.7 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 113.1 Hz, CH), 123.4 (m, Ph<sub>*j*</sub>), 124.4 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 6.2 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 134.3 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 134.6 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 134.7 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 6.3 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 144.4 (s, py-4), 161.9 (s, py-2, 6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  39.3 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>P-Pt</sub> = 2236 Hz).

[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CHPh)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (4). Yield: 167 mg (0.176 mmol, 82%); white solid; dec pt 210 °C. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>35</sub>B<sub>2</sub>F<sub>8</sub>NP<sub>2</sub>Pt: C, 49.39; H, 3.72; N, 1.48. Found: C, 49.50; H, 3.87; N, 1.39. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ):  $\delta$  4.59 (d ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{H-H} = 16.0$  Hz,  ${}^{2}J_{H-P} + {}^{4}J_{H-P} = 6.0$  Hz, 2H, PCH<sub>a</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 4.71 (d ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} = 14.0$  Hz,  ${}^{3}J_{H-P} = 6.0$  Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.89 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} = 10.0$  Hz,  ${}^{2}J_{H-Pt} = 72$  Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.24 (d ps.t, 2H,  ${}^{2}J_{H-H} = 23.2$  Hz,  ${}^{2}J_{H-P} + {}^{4}J_{H-P} = 6.0$  Hz, PCH<sub>a</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 6.20 (m, 1H,  ${}^{2}J_{H-Pt} = 56$  Hz, CH), 6.91 (d, 2H, CPh), 7.19 (m, 3H, CPh), 7.50-7.80 (m, 23H, PPh, py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  44.4 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 17.1$  Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 66.5 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt} =$ 138 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 108.2 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt} = 81$  Hz, CH), 123.4 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P}$  $+{}^{3}J_{C-P} = 30.8$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 123.5 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 30.1$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>) 125.2 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 6.0$  Hz, py-3,5), 129.5 (s, CPh), 130.7 (s, CPh), 130.8 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 6.2$  Hz, PPh<sub>m</sub>), 131.2 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 6.1$  Hz, PPh<sub>m</sub>), 134.1 (s, Ph), 134.4 (s, PPh<sub>p</sub>), 134.5 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.0$  Hz, PPh<sub>o</sub>), 134.8 (s,  $PPh_{p}$ ), 134.9 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.7$  Hz,  $PPh_{d}$ ), 137.2 (s, CPh), 145.5 (s, py-4), 161.9 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  38.2 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{P-Pt} = 2328$  Hz).

**[Pt(PNP)(MeCH=CHMe)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (5 and 6). General Procedure.** To a solution of 200 mg of the ethylene complex **1** in 30 mL of  $CH_2Cl_2$  was added ca. 20 equiv of *E*- or *Z*-2butene as gas. The solution was stirred for 7 h at room temperature under refluxing the *E*- or *Z*-2-butene using a coil cooled with dry ice. The product was precipitated by dropwise addition of diethyl ether. The solid was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum.

**[Pt(PNP)(Z-MeCH=CHMe)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (5).** Yield: 186 mg (0.206 mmol, 90%); white solid. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{35}H_{35}B_2F_8$ -NP<sub>2</sub>Pt: C, 46.69; H, 3.92; N, 1.56. Found: C, 46.58; H, 3.99; N, 1.63. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  1.88 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 4.8 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 48 Hz, 6H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.91 (ps.t, 4H, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 5.0 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.76 (br, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 72.0 Hz, 2H, CH), 7.60-8.02 (m, 22H, py, Ph), 8.17 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.6 Hz, 1H, py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  17.7 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 44.7 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 16.4 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 99.2 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 118 Hz, CH), 124.4 (ps.t, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 30.9 Hz, Ph<sub>i</sub>), 125.7 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.3 Hz, py-3,5), 131.5 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.4 Hz, Ph<sub>i</sub>), 133.5 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 7.2 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 135.7 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 146.1 (s, py-4), 162.0 (s, py-2,6).

**[Pt(PNP)(E-MeCH=CHMe)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (6).** Yield: 172 mg (0.191 mmol, 88%); white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  1.48 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 4.0 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 44 Hz, 6H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.85 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 17.6 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 5.1 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>a</sub>CH<sub>b</sub>), 5.10 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 17.6 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.6 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>a</sub>CH<sub>b</sub>), 5.37 (br, 2H, J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 53 Hz, CH), 7.62-8.08 (m, 22H, Ph, py), 8.18 (t, 1H, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.2 Hz, py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>): 20.9 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 44.7 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 18.2 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 96.9 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 115 Hz, CH), 125.5 (m, Ph<sub>i</sub>), 125.8 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.1 Hz, py-3,5), 131.6 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.5 Hz, Ph<sub>m,m'</sub>), 134.4 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 6.5 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 135.5 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 135.7 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 135.8 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 6.8 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 146.1 (s, py-4), 162.0 (s, py-2, 6).

[Pt(PNP)(norbornene)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (7). To a solution of 200 mg (0.229 mmol) of 1 in 30 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added 10 equiv of norbornene. After 1 h of stirring at room temperature the volume of the solution was reduced to ca. 6 mL. A microcrystalline white solid precipitated. The precipitation was completed by addition of ca. 30 mL of diethyl ether. The solid was filtered off, washed three times with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum. Yield: 162 mg (0.175 mmol, 81%); white solid; dec pt 160 °C. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>37</sub>B<sub>2</sub>F<sub>8</sub>NP<sub>2</sub>Pt·0.5CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 47.15; H, 3.90; N, 1.43. Found: C, 47.33; H, 3.98; N, 1.33. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.47 (d,  $J_{H-H} = 10.8$  Hz, 1H,CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.75 (d,  $J_{H-H} = 8.8$  Hz, 3H,CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.86 (d,  $J_{H-H} = 9.2$  Hz, 2H,-CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.32 (d, J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.7 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.80 (br, 2H, CH), 4.33 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{H-P} = 6.0$  Hz,  ${}^{2}J_{H-Pt} = 54$  Hz, 2H, CH), 4.92 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{H-P}$  $+ {}^{4}J_{H-P} = 4.8$  Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.67–8.01 (m, 23H, Ph, py).  ${}^{13}C$ NMR (50 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2/CD_3NO_2$ ):  $\delta$  25.1 (s,  ${}^{3}J_{C-Pt} = 40$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.9 (s, CH), 46.2 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 16.3$  Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 91.9 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt} = 131$  Hz, CH), 124.5 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 30.9$ Hz, Ph<sub>3</sub>), 125.1 (br, py-3,5), 131.3 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.3$ Hz, Ph<sub>m</sub>), 134.8 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 5.7$  Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 135.2 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 144.4 (s, py-4), 160.1 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  40.7 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{P-Pt} = 2177$  Hz).

**Reaction of [Pt(PNP)(CHR=CHR')](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (1–4) with MeOH. General Procedure.** A 0.230 mmol portion of the alkene complex was dissolved in 2 mL of MeOH, and 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was added. The mixture was stirred for 10 min. The gray precipitated NaBF<sub>4</sub> was filtered off. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude product was dissolved in 2 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and crystallized by dropwise addition of diethyl ether. The product was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum.

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OMe)]BF<sub>4</sub> (8).** Yield: 154 mg (0.188 mmol, 82%), white solid. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{34}H_{34}BF_4NOP_2Pt$ : C, 50.02; H, 4.20; N, 1.70. Found: C, 49.89; H, 4.10; N, 1.70. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  2.08 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 88 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.82 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.02 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.46 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.8 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.48–7.90 (m, 23H, Ph,

py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD/CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.5 (s, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 651 Hz, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 46.5 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 16.4 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 51.4 (s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 77.9 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 124.0 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 4.3 Hz, py-*3*,*5*), 128.3 (ps.t, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 27.3 Hz, PPh<sub>*i*</sub>), 130.6 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.5 Hz, Ph<sub>*m*</sub>), 131.3 (s, Ph<sub>*p*</sub>), 134.2 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 7.3 Hz, Ph<sub>*o*</sub>), 140.2 (s, py-*4*), 160.8 (s, py-*2*,*6*). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  29.9 (s, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>P-Pt</sub> = 3020 Hz).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Me)OMe)]BF<sub>4</sub> (9).** Yield: 162 mg (0.195 mmol, 85%), white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.65 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 6.0, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.79 (m, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.26 (m, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.72 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.97 (m, 1H, CHO), 4.42 (ps.t, 4H, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.6 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.48–7.98 (m, 22H, Ph, py), 8.03 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 1H, py-4). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>-OD):  $\delta$  4.6 (s, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 651 Hz, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 19.9 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 42.3 (s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 42.8 (m, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 79.3 (s, CH), 120.2 (br, py-*3*, *5*), 126.9 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.5 Hz, Ph<sub>m,m'</sub>), 129.6 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 129.7 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 130.6 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 6.1 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 130.6 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 6.9 Hz, Ph<sub>d</sub>), 137.7 (s, py-4), 157.6 (s, py-2,6).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Et)OMe)]BF**<sub>4</sub> **(10).** Yield: 151 mg (0.179 mmol, 78%), white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.35 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.4, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.98 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.18 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.80 (m, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.22 (m, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.64 (m, 1H, CHO), 2.73 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.42 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.8 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.48–7.98 (m, 22H, Ph, py), 8.03 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.3 Hz, 1H, py-4).

[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Ph)OMe)]BF<sub>4</sub> (11). Yield: 181 mg (0.202 mmol, 88%), white solid. Anal. Calcd for C40H38BF4NOP2Pt: C, 53.83; H, 4.29; N, 1.57. Found: C, 53.71; H, 4.38; N, 1.56. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  2.02 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 80 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.60 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.69 (m, 1H, CHO), 4.42 (m, 4H, PCH2), 6.60 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.09 (m, 3H, CPh), 7.54-7.66 (m, 8H, PPh), 7.79–7.91 (m, 14H, PPh, py), 8.00 (t, 1H,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} =$ 7.4 Hz, py-4). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  11.0 (t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 4.4 Hz,  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt} = 658$  Hz, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 46.2 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} =$ 17.3 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 56.0 (s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 87.9 (s,  ${}^{2}J_{C-Pt} = 26$  Hz CH), 123.3 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.0$  Hz, py-3,5), 125.9 (s, CPh), 127.0 (s, CPh), 127.4 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 28.1$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 127.7 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 28.2$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 128.4 (s, CPh), 129.7 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.3$  Hz, PPh<sub>m</sub>), 129.8 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P}$ = 5.8 Hz, PPh<sub>m</sub>), 132.5 (s, PPh<sub>p</sub>), 132.6 (s, PPh<sub>p</sub>), 133.5 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.8$  Hz, PPh<sub>o</sub>), 134.1 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.8$ Hz, PPh<sub>o</sub>), 140.4 (s, py-4), 145.8 (s, CPh), 159.6 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  30.3 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>P-Pt</sub> = 3110 Hz).

**Reaction of 5 and 6 with CD\_3OD.** A 6 mg sample of complex **5** or **6** was dissolved in 0.5 mL of  $CD_3OD$ , and ca. 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was added. After shaking the mixture in an NMR tube for 5 min a <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was recorded.

[Pt(PNP)(CH(Me)CH(Me)OCD<sub>3</sub>)]BF<sub>4</sub> (12a- $d_3$ , from 5). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  0.78 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{H-H} = 6.0$  Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.95 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{H-H} = 7.0$  Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_{H-Pt} = 58$  Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.34 (m, <sup>2</sup> $J_{H-Pt} = 81$  Hz, 1H, CH), 2.74 (m, 1H, CH) 4.58 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup> $J_{H-P}$ + <sup>4</sup> $J_{H-P} = 4.7$  Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.55–8.02 (m, 23H, Ph, py).

[Pt(PNP)(CH(Me)CH(Me)OCD<sub>3</sub>)]BF<sub>4</sub> (12b- $d_3$ , from 6). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  0.96 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{H-H}$  = 6.2 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.06 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{H-H}$  = 6.9 Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_{H-Pt}$  = 57 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.19 (m, <sup>2</sup> $J_{H-Pt}$  = 85 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.56 (m, 1H, CH) 4.60 (m, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.50–8.06 (m, 23H, Ph, py).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH=CHPh)]BF**<sub>4</sub> **(13).** Complex **11** was dissolved in MeOH. After 2 h a pale yellow crystalline solid precipitated, which was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under vaccum. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  4.55 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.8 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.12 (d, 1H, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 16.6 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 78 Hz, CH), 6.84 (m, 2H, CPh), 7.09 (m, 2H, CPh), 7.56-7.84 (m, 23H, PPh, py), 7.84 (dt, 1H, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 6.0 Hz, PtCH), 8.08 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.2 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  45.5 (ps.t, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 16.3 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 118.9 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 9.1 Hz, CH), 123.6 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.1 Hz, py-*3*,*5*), 125.3 (s, Ph), 126.2 (s, Ph), 127.4 (ps.t, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 29.1 Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 129.9 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.4 Hz, Ph<sub>i</sub>), 139.2 (t, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.5 Hz, CH), 140.8 (s, py-*4*), 160.5 (s, py-*2*,*6*).

**Reaction of [Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>=CHR)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> with H<sub>2</sub>O. General Procedure.** A mixture of 0.230 mmol of the alkene complex in 5 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> with 4 equiv of H<sub>2</sub>O and 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C. The gray precipitated NaBF<sub>4</sub> was filtered off. The product was precipitated by dropwise addition of diethyl ether. The product was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum.

[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH)]BF<sub>4</sub> (14)/[{Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)}<sub>2</sub>O]-(BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (15). Yield: 160 mg (0.200 mmol, 87%, based on Pt), white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 14:  $\delta$  2.08 (m, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 88 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.34 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.46 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.8 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.30-7.80 (m, 23H, Ph, py). 15:  $\delta$ 1.85 (m, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 93 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.66 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.39 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.6 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.30-7.80 (m, 23H, Ph, py).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Me)OH)]BF<sub>4</sub> (16).** Yield: 150 mg (0.184 mmol, 80%), white solid. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{34}H_{34}BF_4NOP_2Pt$ ·2CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 43.84; H, 3.88; N, 1.42. Found: C, 43.42; H, 3.81; N, 1.41. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.71 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.96 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 4.4 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.04 (m, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 79 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.55 (m, 1H, CHO), 4.43 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.6 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.40–7.98 (m, 21H, Ph, py), 8.02 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.3 Hz, 1H, py-4). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  12.8 (s, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 666 Hz, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 26.8 (s, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 46 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 46.6 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 16.2 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 71.9 (s, CH), 123.4 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 4.8 Hz, py-3.5), 130.0 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.1 Hz, Ph<sub>n</sub>), 131.8 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 133.6 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 7.3 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 139.7 (s, py-4), 159.0 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  29.4 (s, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>P-Pt</sub> = 3033 Hz).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Et)OH)]BF**<sub>4</sub> (17). Yield: 152 mg (0.184 mmol, 80%), white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.40 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.3 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.93 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 4.4 Hz, 1H, OH), 0.93 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.13 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.06 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 84 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.20 (br, 1H, CHO), 4.43 (m, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.40-8.03 (m, 23H, Ph, py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  9.5 (s, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 9.5 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.0 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.7 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 16.5 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 77.2 (t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 7.4 Hz, CH), 123.4 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 4.7 Hz, py-3.5), 130.0 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.4 Hz, Ph<sub>m</sub>), 131.8 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 132.6 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 7.3 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 139.7 (s, py-4), 159.0 (s, py-2.6).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Ph)OH)]BF<sub>4</sub> (18).** Yield: 151 mg (0.173 mmol, 75%), white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  1.47 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 2.8 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.05–2.18 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.28–4.60 (m, 5H, CH, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.70 (m, 2H, CPh), 7.04 (m, 3H, CPh), 7.50–8.05 (m, 23H, PPh, py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>-NO<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  14.0 (s, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 46.1 (m, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 78.9 (m, CH), 123.8 (br, py-*3*,*5*), 125.8 (s, CPh), 127.8 (s, CPh), 129.0 (s, CPh), 130.5 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.7 Hz, PPh<sub>*m*</sub>), 133.3 (s, PPh<sub>*p*</sub>), 134.3 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>C-P</sub> = 7.8 Hz, PPh<sub>*o*</sub>), 141.1 (s, py-*4*), 146.4 (s, CPh), 160.5 (s, py-*2*,*6*). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  31.0 (s, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>P-Pt</sub> = 3052 Hz).

**[Pt(PNP)(MeCN)](BF<sub>4</sub>)**<sub>2</sub> (22). To a solution of 200 mg (0.228 mmol) of the ethylene complex **1** in 6 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added ca. 20 equiv of MeCN. The mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The product was precipitated by dropwise addition of diethyl ether. The white solid was filtered off, washed two times with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum. Yield: 198 mg (0.218 mmol, 95%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  2.42 (s, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 12 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.64 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.7 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.60–7.97 (m, 22H, Ph, py), 8.17 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 1H, py).

**[Pt(PNP)(PhNH<sub>2</sub>)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (21).** To a solution of 150 mg (0.165 mmol) of the acetonitrile complex **22** in 4 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added ca. 10 equiv of PhNH<sub>2</sub>. The mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The product was precipitated by dropwise addition of diethyl ether. The white solid was filtered off, washed three times with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum. Yield: 141 mg (0.146 mmol, 89%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  4.64 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.7 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.39 (br, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 68 Hz, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 6.40 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.8 Hz, 2H,

NPh<sub>*a*</sub>), 6.91–7.04 (m, 3H, NPh<sub>*m*,*p*</sub>), 7.53–7.80 (m, 22H, PPh), 8.04 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} = 7.8$  Hz, 1H, py).

**Reaction of 1 with PhNH<sub>2</sub>.** A 0.008 mmol sample of complex **1** was dissolved in 0.5 mL of  $CD_2Cl_2$ , and after addition of 1 equiv of PhNH<sub>2</sub> a <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was recorded.

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>Ph)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (19-H<sup>+</sup>).** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  2.18 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 92 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.99 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.39 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.6 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.98 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 7.20 (m, 3H, NPh), 7.47–7.74 (m, 22H, PPh), 7.99 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 1H, py).

[{**Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)**}**2NHPh](BF**<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (**20**-**H**<sup>+</sup>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  1.22 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 85 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.82 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 92 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.78 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.37 (m, 8H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.42 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.6 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 6.84 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.6 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 6.84 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.6 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 7.47–7.74 (m, 22H, PPh), 7.95 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 1H, py).

Reaction of 1 with 19. A mixture of 100 mg (0.115 mmol) of complex 1 and 100 mg of complex 19 in 5 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The white product was preciptated by dropwise addition of diethyl ether. The product was filtered off, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum. Yield: 171 mg (0.098 mmol, 85%), pink solid. The product was identified as 20-H<sup>+</sup> by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscpoy (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>72</sub>H<sub>68</sub>B<sub>3</sub>F<sub>12</sub>N<sub>3</sub>P<sub>4</sub>Pt<sub>2</sub>·0.5CH<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 48.59; H, 3.88; N, 2.34. Found: C, 48.73; H, 4.11; N, 2.32. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): δ −9.7 (s, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 45.9 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 16.5$  Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 64.0 (s, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 122.2 (s, NPh), 123.3 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 4.3$  Hz, py-3,5), 126.4 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P}$  $+{}^{3}J_{C-P} = 28.6$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 126.5 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 28.6$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 129.3 (s, NPh), 130.2 (m, Ph<sub>m,m</sub>), 132.7 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 132.9 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 133.2 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.9$  Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 133.4 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.8$  Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 136.7 (s, NPh), 140.6 (s, py-4), 160.0 (s, py-2,6).

[{**Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)**}2**NPh](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (20).** A mixture of 70 mg (0.04 mmol) of complex **20**-H<sup>+</sup> in 4 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. The gray precipitated NaBF<sub>4</sub> was filtered off. The product was precipitated by dropwise addition of diethyl ether, filtered off, washed with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum. Yield: 63 mg (96%, 0.038 mmol), pink solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  1.82 (m, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 90 Hz, 4H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.75 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.39 (m, 8H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.55 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.2 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>a</sub>), 6.27 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.3 Hz, 1H, NPh<sub>p</sub>), 6.58 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>m</sub>), 7.41–7.76 (m, 22H, PPh), 8.04 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 1H, py).

**Reaction of 2 with PhNH<sub>2</sub>.** To a solution of 69 mg (0.077 mmol) of complex **2** was added 1 equiv of PhNH<sub>2</sub> (7  $\mu$ L), and after stirring for 5 min the product was precipitated by dropwise addition of diethyl ether. The product was filtered off, washed three times with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum. Yield: 72 mg (0.073 mmol, 96%).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Me)NH<sub>2</sub>Ph)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (23-H<sup>+</sup>).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>40</sub>B<sub>2</sub>F<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Pt: C, 49.05; H, 4.08; N, 2.86; F, 15.52. Found: C, 48.85; H, 4.21; N, 2.83; F, 15.36. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.73 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.92 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 87 Hz, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.55 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 95 Hz, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.14 (m, 1H, CH), 4.47 (m, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.93 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.5 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>a</sub>), 7.27 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.8 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>a</sub>), 7.38 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.5 Hz, NPh<sub>p</sub>), 7.59–7.72 (m, 25H, NH<sub>2</sub>, Ph, py), 8.07 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.6 Hz, 1H, py-4).

**Reaction of 1 with (2-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>).** A 0.008 mmol sample of complex **1** was dissolved in 0.5 mL of  $CD_2Cl_2$ , and after addition of 1 equiv of 2-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> a <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was recorded.

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (26-H<sup>+</sup>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>): \delta 2.10 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 99 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.17 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.52 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.6 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.77–7.39 (m, 4H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.57–7.77 (m, 22H, PPh), 8.04 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.8 Hz, 1H, py).**  **Reaction of 1–4 with ArNH<sub>2</sub>. General Procedure.** A solution of 0.230 mmol of the alkene complex in 5 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub> was cooled to 0 °C, and 4 equiv of ArNH<sub>2</sub> and 2 equiv of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> were added. The mixture was stirred for 4 h at 0 °C. The gray precipitated NaBF<sub>4</sub> was filtered off. The white product was precipitated by dropwise addition of diethyl ether. The product was filtered off, washed three times with diethyl ether, and dried under vacuum.

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NHPh)]BF<sub>4</sub> (19).** Yield: 137 mg (0.156 mmol, 68%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  2.12 (m, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 87 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.85 (m, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 16 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.30 (br, 1H, NH), 4.46 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>*J*<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.7 Hz, 4H,), 5.92 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.3 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 6.50 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 6.7 Hz, 1H, NPh<sub>p</sub>), 6.90 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 6.7 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 7.20–7.95 (m, 22H, Ph, py), 8.05 (t, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 1H, py-4).

[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Me)NHPh)]BF<sub>4</sub> (23). Yield: 162 mg (0.182 mmol, 79%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>39</sub>BF<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Pt: C, 53.88; H, 4.41; N, 3.14; F, 8.52. Found: C, 53.62; H, 4.46; N, 3.08; F, 8.36. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.70 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 5.4 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.92 (m, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.21 (m, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.02 (s, 1H, NH), 3.15 (m, 1H, CH), 4.45 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{H-P} + {}^{4}J_{H-P} = 4.8$  Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.90 (d,  $J_{H-H} = 8.6$  Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 6.56 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} =$ 7.3 Hz, 1H, NPh<sub>p</sub>), 6.93 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} = 7.9$  Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>m</sub>), 7.48-7.93 (m, 22H, PPh, py), 8.05 (t, 1H,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} = 7.3$  Hz, py-4).  ${}^{13}C$ NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  9.7 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt} = 657$  Hz, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 24.7 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{C-Pt} = 46$  Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 46.5 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 16.6$ Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 52.6 (s, NCH), 113.2 (s, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 117.6 (s, NPh<sub>p</sub>), 124.3 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 4.2$  Hz, py-3,5), 127.2 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P}$  $+{}^{3}J_{C-P} = 27.4$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 127.8 (ps.t,  ${}^{1}J_{C-P} + {}^{3}J_{C-P} = 28.3$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 129.1 (s, NPh<sub>m</sub>), 129.9 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.8$  Hz, Ph<sub>*m*,*m'*</sub>), 132.6 (s, Ph<sub>*p*</sub>), 132.7 (s, Ph<sub>*p'*</sub>), 133.2 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P}$ = 6.8 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 133.7 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 6.8$  Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 140.4 (s, py-4), 147.4 (s, NPh<sub>i</sub>), 159.6 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  29.4 (s, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>P-Pt</sub> = 3060 Hz).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Et)NHPh)]BF<sub>4</sub> (24).** Yield: 170.8 mg (0.188 mmol, 82%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.32 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.4 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.09 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.00 (m, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 83.0 Hz, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.98 (m, 2H, CH, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.72 (br, 1H, NH), 4.43 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.8 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.89 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.6 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 6.50 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.4 Hz, 1H, NPh<sub>p</sub>), 6.90 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.9 Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>m</sub>), 7.48–7.83 (m, 22H, PPh, py), 8.05 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.0 Hz, 1H, py-4).

[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Ph)NHPh)]BF<sub>4</sub> (25). Yield: 170 mg (0.179 mmol, 78%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ):  $\delta$  1.85 (m, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.30 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{H-Pt} = 89$  Hz, 1H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.72 (m, 1H, NH), 3.83 (m, 1H, CH), 4.52 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{H-P} + {}^{4}J_{H-P} = 4.7$  Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.82 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} = 7.2$  Hz, 2H, NPh<sub>o</sub>), 6.50 (m, 3H, NPh<sub>p</sub>, CPh), 6.87 (m, 2H, NPh<sub>m</sub>), 7.02 (m, 3H, CPh), 7.34-7.82 (m, 22H, PPh, py), 8.02 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} = 8.0$  Hz, 1H, py-4).  ${}^{13}C$  NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  13.2 (s, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 46.0 (m, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 63.6 (s, NCH), 113.2 (s, NPh), 116.9 (s, NPh), 123.5 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P}$ = 4.2 Hz, py-3.5), 125.3 (s, CPh), 126.3 (s, CPh), 128.5 (s, CPh), 128.9 (s, NPh), 130.0 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.6$  Hz, Ph<sub>m</sub>), 130.3 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.4$  Hz, Ph<sub>m</sub>), 132.6 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 132.7 (s,  $Ph_{p'}$ ), 132.7 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 7.6$  Hz,  $Ph_{o}$ ), 132.7 (s,  $PPh_{p}$ ), 133.0 (s, PPh<sub>p</sub>), 134.3 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 7.4$  Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 140.5 (s, py-4), 147.0 (s, NPh), 159.8 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  32.8 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{P-Pt} =$  3003 Hz).

[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl-*o*)]BF<sub>4</sub> (26). Yield: 151 mg (0.165 mmol, 72%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  2.24 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 80 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.94 (m, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 41.3 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.99 (br, 1H, NH), 4.46 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.8 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.75 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.2 Hz, 1H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*o*), 6.48 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.4 Hz, 1H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*p*), 6.81 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.5 Hz, 1H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*m*), 7.10 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 7.4 Hz, 1H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*m*), 7.55-7.78 (m, 22H, PPh, py), 8.05 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.1 Hz, 1H, py-4). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  -0.1 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 645 Hz, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 46.1 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 16.4 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 48.7 (s, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 110.8 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 116.4 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 118.3 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 123.0 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.5 Hz, py-3,5), 126.1 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 126.9 (ps.t, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 29.9 Hz, PPh<sub>2</sub>), 127.5 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 128.6 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 129.7 (ps.t,  ${}^{3}J_{C-P} + {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.8$  Hz, Ph<sub>m</sub>), 132.4 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 133.0 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 7.9$  Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 140.3 (s, py-4), 143.7 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 159.5 (s, py-2, 6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  29.1 (s,  ${}^{1}J_{P-Pt} = 2997$  Hz).

[Pt(PNP)(CH2CH2NHC6H4Me-p)]BF4 (27). Yield: 147 mg (0.165 mmol, 72%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>39</sub>BF<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Pt: C, 53.88; H, 4.41; N, 3.14. Found: C, 53.63; H, 4.31; N, 3.02. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  2.14 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.16 (br, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 103 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.79 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{H-Pt} = 35$  Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.20 (br, 1H, NH), 4.45 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{H-P} + {}^{4}J_{H-P} =$  4.6 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.85 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} =$  8.4 Hz, 2H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-o), 6.72 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} =$  8.4 Hz, 2H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*m*), 7.54–7.83 (m, 22H, PPh, py), 8.03 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{H-H} = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, py-4). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ):  $\delta$  1.6 (s, <sup>1</sup> $J_{C-Pt}$  = 639 Hz, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 36.5 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 46.6 (ps.t,  ${}^{2}J_{C-P} + {}^{4}J_{C-P} = 17.5$ Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 49.9 (s, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 111.3 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*o*), 123.5 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub>  $+ {}^{5}J_{C-P} = 4.3$  Hz, py-3,5), 126.1 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*p*), 126.6 (ps.t, {}^{1}J\_{C-P}  $+{}^{3}J_{C-P} = 27.6$  Hz, PPh<sub>i</sub>), 128.8 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-m), 129.1 (ps.t, {}^{3}J\_{C-P}  $+{}^{5}J_{C-P} = 5.4$  Hz, Ph<sub>m</sub>), 131.8 (s, Ph<sub>p</sub>), 132.6 (ps.t, {}^{2}J\_{C-P} + {}^{4}J\_{C-P} = 7.3 Hz, Ph<sub>o</sub>), 139.6 (s, py-4), 146.3 (s,  $NC_6H_4$ -*i*), 158.8 (s, py-2,6). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  29.1 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>P-Pt</sub> = 3029 Hz).

**[Pt(PNP)(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OMe-***p***)]<b>BF**<sub>4</sub> (28). Yield: 154 mg (0.170 mmol, 74%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  2.14 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 82 Hz, 2H, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.78 (m, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-Pt</sub> = 38 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.68 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.69 (br, 1H, NH), 4.45 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H-P</sub> = 4.7 Hz, 4H, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.89 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.3 Hz, 2H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>*o*), 6.53 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H-H</sub> = 8.4 Hz, 2H, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*m*), 7.54-7.83 (m, 23H, PPh, py). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta$  0.9 (s, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-Pt</sub> = 637 Hz, PtCH<sub>2</sub>), 46.6 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 17.5 Hz, PCH<sub>2</sub>), 50.1 (s, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 66.7 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 113.8 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 114.7 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 123.5 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 4.3 Hz, py-3,5), 130.1 (ps.t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>5</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 7.3 Hz, PPh<sub>o</sub>), 132.7 (s, PPh<sub>p</sub>), 133.6 (ps.t, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> + <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-P</sub> = 7.3 Hz, PPh<sub>o</sub>), 140.5 (s, py-4), 140.7 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 159.6 (s, NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 159.7 (s, py-2,6).

**Reductive Degradation with NaBH**<sub>4</sub>. For the reduction ca. 20 mg of the respective complexes was dissolved in 0.7 mL of the appropriate solvent. The solutions of complexes **9–11** in CD<sub>3</sub>OD, complexes **16–18** in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O (10:1), and complexes **23–25** in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (a drop of CD<sub>3</sub>OD was added) were cooled to 0 °C and were treated with an excess of NaBH<sub>4</sub>. After stirring the respective mixture for 1 h at 0 °C an <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was recorded.

**Equilibrium Constant Determinations.** The equilibrium constants for the ligand exchange and addition reactions were

determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of equilibration mixtures at 298 K. The reported values are the average result of three measurements run at different concentrations of the olefin (eqs 3, 5, and 7) or acetonitrile (eq 6). The error of these values lies within  $\pm 15-20\%$ . For the ligand exchange reactions (eq 3) solutions of the respective complexes in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (c = 7-15 mM) were treated with an excess of the appropriate substituting ligand. Very unbalanced equilibria like ethylene/ norbornene exchange (eq 3), PhNH<sub>2</sub>/MeCN (eq 6), and MeCN/ ethylene (eq 7) were handled by treating a solution of the most stable complex with a large excess of the exchanging ligand. For the ethylene "insertion" reaction<sup>36</sup> to a solution of the isolated aniline complex 21 were added 0.8 equiv of MeCN and a large excess of ethylene. The reaction mixture was kept in a sealed NMR tube, which was monitored by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy over a period of 14 days.

**Kinetic Measurements.** The olefin exchange reaction (eq 3) was monitored by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy at T = 300 K on three samples containing 9 mg of complex **5** (0.01 mmol) in a mixture of 50  $\mu$ L of CD<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>/550  $\mu$ L of CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, after the addition of free excess ethylene to each sample (initial molar ratio 3.2, 4.5, and 8.0, respectively, for the three samples). The corresponding apparent rate constants were determined from pseudo-first-order plots (5 × 10<sup>-4</sup>, 9 × 10<sup>-4</sup>, 18 × 10<sup>-4</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively), showing a marked and approximately linear increase of the substitution rate with the concentration of free ethylene.

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