Hydridodimethylplatinum(IV) Complexes with Bis(pyridine) Ligands: Effect of Chelate Ring Size on Reactivity

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The effect of changing the bite angle of the dipyridyl ligand LL on the reactivity of the dimethylplatinum-(II) complexes [PtMe₂(LL)] has been studied, by comparing complexes with the ligands LL = di-2pyridylamine (DPA) or di-2-pyridyl ketone (DPK), which form a six-membered chelate ring, to compounds with 2,2'-bipyridyl derivatives, which form a five-membered chelate ring. The complex [PtMe₂(DPA)] undergoes easy oxidative addition of methyl iodide to give the corresponding platinum(IV) complex [PtIMe₃(DPA)]. Both [PtMe₂(DPA)] and [PtMe₂(DPK)] are protonated by acids HX at low temperature to give the hydridodimethylplatinum(IV) complexes [PtHXMe₂(NN)] and [PtH(S)Me₂(NN)]X (S = solvent), which can exist in two isomeric forms with H trans to X or N. The structure of the complex [PtHClMe₂(DPK)] was determined crystallographically. In a solution containing excess CD₃OD, extensive hydrogen/deuterium exchange occurs into the methylplatinum groups and methane product at low temperature, indicating very easy reversibility of the exchange between hydridomethylplatinum(IV) and (methane)platinum(II) complexes. The hydridomethylplatinum(IV) complexes reductively eliminate methane at room temperature in solution but have significantly higher thermal stability and undergo more extensive H–D exchange than when NN = 2,2'-bipyridyl. The reaction of [PtMe₂(DPA)] with excess HCl gave [PtCl₂(DPA)], and the reaction of [PtMe₂(DPK)] with excess CF₃SO₃H gave the aqua complex $[Pt(OH_2)_2(DPK)](CF_3SO_3)_2$ or the binuclear hydroxo complex $[Pt_2(\mu-OH)_2(DPK)_2](CF_3SO_3)_2$. depending on the experimental conditions.

Introduction

The chemistry of alkylhydridoplatinum(IV) complexes,^{1–10} particularly the equilibration with alkane complexes of platinum-(II), has given important insights into the mechanism of C–H bond activation by electrophilic organoplatinum(II) complexes.^{11–17} Most methylhydridoplatinum(IV) complexes have been prepared by protonation of the corresponding methylplatinum(II) complexes.³ Complexes of the type [PtHXMe₂(LL)], with LL typically a bidentate diamine or dimine ligand, are short-lived intermediates,^{1–4} which are most readily detected

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Chart 1. Hydridoplatinum(IV) Complexes



such as the anionic tris(pyrazol-1-yl)borate and bipyridylmethylsulfonate or the neutral bis(2-pyridylmethyl)amine and 1,4,7triazacyclononane (Chart 1).⁵⁻¹⁰ The complexes [PtHXMe₂(LL)] decompose by dissociation of the anionic ligand X⁻ followed by reductive elimination of methane from the 5-coordinate intermediate [PtHMe₂(LL)]⁺, and the ligand dissociation is more difficult in the complexes [PtHMe₂(LLL)]⁺, where LLL is a tridentate ligand.⁵⁻¹⁰ Stable complexes with bidentate ligands can be formed if none of the ligands are easily dissociated, such as in the complexes [PtHMe₃(LL)] with LL = 4,4'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-bipyridine, bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane.^{6,7}

Alkylhydridoplatinum(IV) complexes are important intermediates in the activation of alkanes by oxidative addition of a C-H bond to platinum(II).¹⁻¹⁷ For the C-H activation reaction to occur easily, the complexes [PtMeX(LL)] and [PtMe(S)-(LL)]⁺ are most reactive if the anionic ligand X⁻ or solvent molecule S is weakly bound, because the first step involves their displacement by alkane to form the "alkane complex" [PtMe(R-H)(LL)]⁺, which can equilibrate with the 5-coordinate





platinum(IV) complex [PtHRMe(LL)]⁺.^{11–17} While bidentate ligands do not usually give stable alkylhydridoplatinum(IV) complexes, their platinum complexes have found use in catalysis. A recent example is the use of the complex [Pt(bpym)-Cl₂] (bpym = 2,2'-bipyrimidyl) in sulfuric acid solution to catalyze the conversion of methane to methyl bisulfate.¹² The catalytic cycle is proposed to involve oxidative addition of a C–H bond of methane to give a hydridomethylplatinum(IV) intermediate as a key step, though electrophilic activation is also considered possible.^{12,17}

In efforts to optimize C-H activation by organoplatinum complexes, the design of the supporting ligands is crucially important. Bidentate nitrogen-donor ligands have shown the greatest promise and, in addition to 2,2'-bipyrimidine, the most studied ligands have been the diimines ArN=CHCH=NAr, with bulky aryl groups,^{13,14} which have proved to be more reactive than 2,2'-bipyridine and its derivatives.^{4,7} All of these ligands form five-membered chelate rings. The bis(7-azaindolyl) ligands form much larger eight- or nine-membered chelate rings, and in the platinum(II) complexes, one side of the square plane is blocked (Chart 2). These ligands give platinum(II) complexes which can activate the C-H bonds of benzene under mild conditions.¹⁶ We have independently studied the effect of increasing the chelate ring size by using the ligands di-2pyridylamine (DPA) and di-2-pyridyl ketone (DPK). These both form six-membered chelate rings, and previous studies have shown that the ligands are similarly bowed rather than planar in their platinum complexes.^{18–20} The electronic effects of the bridging NH group in DPA¹⁸ or C=O group in DPK^{19,20} are

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Figure 1. Views of the structure of [PtIMe₃(DPA)] (**3**): (a) molecular structure; (b) polymer formed by NH···I hydrogen bonding. Selected parameters: Pt(1)–C(1) = 2.065(5), Pt(1)–C(2) = 2.058(9), Pt(1)–N(1) = 2.162(4), Pt(1)–I(1) = 2.7796(7) Å; N(1)–Pt(1)–N(1A) = $84.8(2)^{\circ}$; H-bond N(3)···I(1A) = 3.809(6) Å, N(3)–H(3)–I(1A) = $162(7)^{\circ}$.

different, thus making it possible to distinguish between geometrical and electronic effects on the reactivity of complexes [PtMe₂(DPA)] (1) and [PtMe₂(DPK)] (2) in comparison with [PtMe₂(bipy)]. This article shows that the ligands DPA and DPK both give more stable hydridoplatinum(IV) complexes and easier H–D exchange reactions in comparison with 2,2'-bipyridine ligands^{1,4} and reports the first structure determination of a hydridomethylplatinum(IV) complex of the type [PtHXMe₂-(LL)], with an easily dissociated halide ligand.

Results and Discussion

Oxidative Addition of MeI to [PtMe₂(DPA)]. The dimethylplatinum(II) complex [PtMe₂(DPA)] (1) was prepared by the reaction of dipyridylamine (DPA) with [Pt₂Me₄(μ -SMe₂)₂].²¹ It is characterized by a single methylplatinum resonance at δ 0.56 ppm (²*J*(PtH) = 86 Hz) in the ¹H NMR spectrum in CD₂Cl₂.

The reaction of **1** with MeI gave the stable trimethylplatinum-(IV) complex *fac*-[PtIMe₃(DPA)] (**3**). The ¹H NMR spectrum of **3** contained two methyl resonances, with relative peak intensities of 2:1 at δ 1.24 (²*J*(PtH) = 71 Hz, Me trans to N) and 0.87 ppm (²*J*(PtH) = 72 Hz, Me trans to I). The structure of complex **3** is shown in Figure 1a. The platinum atom displays octahedral geometry, and there is a plane of symmetry containing the atoms Pt(1)I(1)C(2)N(3). The DPA ligand adopts a boat conformation with the bridging NH group directed toward C(2) and away from I(1). The molecules associate into supramolecular polymeric chains through weak intermolecular NH···IPt hydrogen bonding (Figure 1b), with N(3)···I(1) = 3.809(6) Å.

The reaction of complex **1** with CD_3I in CD_2Cl_2 solution was carried out at -78 °C, and the reaction was monitored by ¹H NMR spectroscopy. The oxidative addition was complete at -60 °C to give [PtIMe₂(CD₃)(DPA)] (**3*** and **3****) (Scheme 1), with



complete scrambling between the CH₃ and CD₃ groups. In contrast, the oxidative addition of CD₃I to [PtMe₂(bipy)] occurs regioselectively to give [PtIMe₂(CD₃)(bipy)] by trans oxidative addition (CD₃ trans to I), and subsequent CH₃/CD₃ scrambling occurs only slowly at room temperature.²² These results indicate that the ionic 5-coordinate intermediate in oxidative addition, namely [PtMe₂(CD₃)(DPA)]⁺I⁻, is sufficiently long-lived to undergo intramolecular Me/CD₃ exchange before iodide coordination to give [PtIMe₂(CD₃)(DPA)] occurs (Scheme 1). Therefore, in comparison to the 2,2'-bipyridine system studied earlier,²¹ either the rearrangement step in Scheme 1 is faster or the iodide coordination step is slower in the DPA system (or a combination of both).

Protonolysis Reactions of Complexes 1 and 2. The reactions of complexes 1 and 2 with acids at room temperature gave the overall reactions shown in Scheme 2. The reactions with HCl gave methane and the corresponding complex [PtClMe(LL)] (4a, LL = DPA; 5a, LL = DPK) and then, in a much slower reaction, $[PtCl_2(LL)]$ (6a, LL = DPA; 7a, LL = DPK). The reactions with CF3CO2H and CF3SO3H in nonpolar solvents occurred similarly: for example, to give first the methylplatinum complexes [Pt(O₂CCF₃)Me(DPA)] (4b) and [Pt(O₃SCF₃)Me-(DPA)] (4c) or, in more polar solvents, solvent complexes such as [PtMe(NCMe)(DPK)][CF₃CO₂] (9a) and [PtMe(NCMe)-(DPK)][CF₃SO₃] (9b).²³ There is an easy equilibrium between the neutral and cationic complexes in such cases; for example, the complex [Pt(O₂CCF₃)Me(DPA)] (4b) reacted very rapidly with Me₂S to give [PtMe(SMe₂)(DPA)][CF₃CO₂] (8a). After long reaction times, both methylplatinum groups of complexes 1 and 2 could be cleaved.

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Figure 2. View of the structure of $[PtCl_2(DPA)]$ (**6a**) showing the polymer formed by NH···Cl hydrogen bonding. Selected parameters: Pt-N(11) = 2.015(5), Pt-N(23) = 2.018(4), Pt-Cl(2) = 2.299(1), Pt-Cl(1) = 2.307(1) Å; $N(11)-Pt-N(23) = 88.7(2)^{\circ}$.



In reactions carried out in moist acetone with excess CF₃-SO₃H, the aqua complex [Pt(OH₂)₂(DPK)][CF₃SO₃]₂ (**10**) or the binuclear hydroxo complex [Pt₂(μ -OH)₂(DPK)₂][CF₃SO₃]₂ (**11**) were crystallized from solution. Similar chemistry has been established with other bidentate nitrogen-donor ligands,^{4,7,13,14,23,24} so characterization of the complexes was straightforward. Several complexes were structurally characterized in order to prove the stoichiometry and to establish the ligand conformations.

The structure of the DPA complex **6a** is shown in Figure 2. The ligand adopts a boat conformation similar to that in the platinum(IV) complex **3**. The deviation of the six-membered chelate ring from planarity can be measured by the displacement of the NH nitrogen atom from the plane defined by the platinum atom and its in-plane ligating atoms (1.28 Å in **3**, 1.39 Å in **6a**) or by the angle between the same platinum plane and the plane defined by the CN(H)C atoms (116° in **3**, 114° in **6a**), and the similarity of the conformations in **3** and **6a** is evident.

The structures of the DPK complexes 5a, 10, and 11 are shown in Figures 3–5, respectively. In all three complexes the Pt(DPK) chelate ring adopts the boat conformation. The



Figure 3. View of the structure of [PtClMe(DPK)] (5a). Selected parameters: Pt-N(1) = 2.04(2), Pt-N(14) = 2.07(3) Å; $N(1)-Pt-N(14) = 88.7(9)^{\circ}$.



Figure 4. View of the structure of $[Pt(OH_2)_2(DPK)][CF_3SO_3]_2$ (10). Each triflate anion is hydrogen-bonded to two aqua ligands to form a network structure. Selected parameters: Pt-N(11) = 1.994(6), Pt-N(24) = 1.990(6), Pt-O(25) = 2.036(5), Pt-O(26) =2.043(5) Å; $N(24)-Pt-N(11) = 90.5(2)^\circ$; H-bond distances $O(25)\cdots O(41) = 2.636(8)$, $O(25)\cdots O(32) = 2.596(7)$, $O(26)\cdots O(43B) = 2.660(7)$, $O(26)\cdots O(33A) = 2.631(7)$ Å.

distortions from planarity, as measured by the displacement of the carbonyl carbon atom from the platinum(II) plane (1.54 Å in 5a, 1.60 Å in 10) or by the angle between the CC(O)C atoms and the platinum plane (108° in 5a, 106° in 10), are similar in the mononuclear complexes. The chelate rings are somewhat flatter in the binuclear complex 11 (displacement of C atom 1.08-1.45 Å (mean value 1.20 Å); angle between planes 115-132° (mean value 126°)). Complex 10 forms a network structure through hydrogen bonding between triflate anions and aqua ligands (Figure 4), while pairs of binuclear molecules of 11 stack one above the other with resulting long contacts between them $(Pt(1)\cdots Pt(3) = 3.61 \text{ Å}; Pt(2)\cdots Pt(4) = 3.65 \text{ Å})$ (Figure 5). An interesting feature of complex 11 is that the two independent molecules have different conformations. The molecule containing Pt(1) and Pt(2) is folded such that the angle between the two platinum planes is 28°, whereas the molecule containing Pt(3) and Pt(4) is almost flat with an angle between the two platinum planes of only 1°.

Identification of Hydridoplatinum(IV) Intermediates. The reactions of complexes 1 and 2 with HCl gave the relatively stable hydridoplatinum(IV) intermediates 12 and 13, shown in Scheme 3, with NMR data summarized in Table 1. When the reactions were carried out at low temperature, the complexes could be isolated in pure form, though as a mixture of isomers.

Complex 13a was crystallized at low temperature, and its structure is shown in Figure 6. This is the first structural

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characterization of a hydridomethylplatinum(IV) complex with a bidentate nitrogen-donor ligand and with a relatively weakly bonded chloride ligand. The platinum atom has octahedral stereochemistry with the hydride trans to chloride and with no short contacts to the hydride atom (the shortest nonbonding

Table 1. Selected NMR Data for the Hydridoplatinum(IV) Complexes

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com- plex	НХ	solvent	δ(PtH)	¹ J(PtH) trans, Hz	atom	δ(Pt- Me)	² J(PtH) trans, Hz	atom
13a	HCl	CD ₂ Cl ₂	-20.36	1586	Cl	1.17	68	N
13b	HCl	CD_2Cl_2	-21.00	1392	Ν	1.01	71	Ν
						1.23	78	Cl
14a	HOTf	$(CD_3)_2CO$	-26.21	1774	0	1.07	63	Ν
14b	HOTf	$(CD_3)_2CO$	-20.15	1391	Ν	1.22	80	0
						0.85	64	Ν
15a	HOTf	CD ₃ CN	-22.55	1584	Ν	0.98	70	Ν
15b	HOTf	CD ₃ CN	-20.43	1376	Ν	0.93	67	Ν
						0.80	65	Ν
16a	HOTf	CD ₃ CN	-22.03	1554	Ν	1.09	65	Ν
16b	HOTf	CD ₃ CN	-20.18	1393	Ν	а		

 $^{\it a}$ This was a minor product, and the methyl platinum resonances were not resolved.



Figure 6. View of the structure of [PtHClMe₂(DPK)] (**13a**). There is a plane of symmetry containing the atoms PtHClC(7)O(8). Selected parameters: Pt-C(11) = 2.073(8), Pt-N(1) = 2.154(6), Pt-Cl = 2.446(3), Pt-H = ca. 1.4 Å; C(11)-Pt-C(11A) = 87.2(6), $N(1)-Pt-N(1A) = 85.6(3)^{\circ}$.

distance is ca. 2.4 Å to a hydrogen atom of each PtMe group). The distance Pt-Cl = 2.446(3) Å is long, as a result of the high trans influence exerted by the hydride ligand. It is the easy dissociation of this ligand in solution to generate a 5-coordinate cation that allows the easy interconversion between isomers and ultimately the reductive elimination of methane. The distortion of the DPK ligand from planarity, as measured by the displacement of the carbonyl carbon atom from the platinum(II) plane (1.57 Å in **13a**, 1.54 Å in **5a**, 1.60 Å in **10**) or by the angle between the CC(O)C atoms and the platinum plane (106° in **13a**, 108° in **5a**, 106° in **10**) is similar to the distortion in the mononuclear platinum(II) complexes **5a** and **10**. The carbonyl group is directed toward the smaller axial ligand, the hydride in **13a**, and so there is not significant steric hindrance.

The complex **13** was also characterized by its ¹H NMR spectra (Table 1, Figure 7). Thus, reaction of complex **2** with HCl at -30 °C gave complex **13a** by trans oxidative addition. At 0 °C, isomerization of **13a** to **13b** was observed and, at 20 °C, slow reductive elimination of methane occurred to give [PtClMe(DPK)] (**5a**). Figure 7 shows the ¹H NMR spectra in the hydride region as the isomerization of **13a** to **13b** occurred. Complete isomerization was not observed in this case. The PtH coupling is considerably higher in **13a** (δ (PtH) -20.36, ¹J(PtH) = 1586 Hz) than in **13b** (δ (PtH) -21.00, ¹J(PtH) = 1392 Hz).

The reaction of complex **1** in acetone or dichloromethane solution with triflic acid at -80 °C gave the hydridoplatinum-(IV) complex [PtHMe₂(CF₃SO₃)(DPA)] (**14**) (Scheme 3) as a mixture of the isomers **14a** (δ (PtH) -26.21, ¹*J*(PtH) = 1774 Hz) and **14b** (δ (PtH) -20.15, ¹*J*(PtH) = 1391 Hz), as shown in Figure 8.²³ Complex **14a** gave only one methylplatinum resonance in the ¹H NMR spectrum, whereas the less symmetrical complex **14b** gave two (Table 1, Figure 9). At -60



Figure 7. ¹H NMR spectra of complex **13** in the hydride region: (top) spectrum at -20 °C, showing selective formation of **13a**; (bottom) spectrum at 20 °C, showing partial isomerization to **13b**.



Figure 8. ¹H NMR spectra of complex **14** in the PtH region: (a) spectrum at -80 °C, showing the presence of both **14a** and **14b**; (b) spectrum at -60 °C, showing the presence of **14b** only.



Figure 9. ¹H NMR spectra of complex 14 in the MePt region: (a) spectrum at -80 °C, showing the presence of both 14a and 14b; (b) spectrum at -65 °C, showing the isomerization to 14b.

°C, complex **14a** had completely isomerized so that the only hydridoplatinum complex present was **14b** (Figures 8 and 9). At -40 °C, only the reductive elimination product [PtMe-(CF₃SO₃)(DPA)] (**4b**) was present.²³ The complex **14** clearly has low thermal stability, but it was positively identified, whereas analogous complexes formed by reaction of complex **2** or [PtMe₂(bipy)] with triflic acid were unstable, even at -80 °C.

More stable hydridoplatinum(IV) complexes were formed in reactions with triflic acid when the reactions were carried out in the presence of acetonitrile, which can form the complexes $[PtHMe_2(NCMe)(DPA)]^+(CF_3SO_3)^-$ (15) and $[PtHMe_2(NCMe)(DPK)]^+(CF_3SO_3)^-$ (16). In a typical experiment, a solution of 2 in a $(CD_3)_2CO/CD_3CN$ solvent mixture at -78



Figure 10. ¹H NMR spectrum at -20 °C of a solution obtained by reaction of complex **2** with triflic acid in a 3:1 mixture of CD₃-OD and CD₃CN, showing the methylplatinum (left) and methane (right, recorded at higher sensitivity) regions. The major product is **16a**, with smaller amounts of **16b**, **9b**, and methane. The PtCH_{3-n}D_n and CH_{4-n}D_n isotopomers are indicated for the compounds **16a**, **9b**, and CH₄.

°C was treated with triflic acid and NMR spectra were recorded as the solution was warmed to room temperature. The complex **16a** was formed as the product of trans oxidative addition, which was stable to -40 °C but then decomposed by reductive elimination of methane between -40 and 0 °C. The cis isomer **16b** was identified as a minor product in solution only by its characteristic hydride resonance (Table 1). Similar experiments were carried out by varying the concentration of CD₃CN from 0.2 to 2 mol L⁻¹, and the rate of decomposition of the hydride derivative was shown to decrease and then reach a roughly steady value at higher concentrations of CD₃CN. The order of stability of the hydridoplatinum(IV) derivatives was **15** > **16** > [PtHMe₂(MeCN)(bu₂bipy)]CF₃SO₃ (bu₂bipy = 4,4-di-*tert*butyl-2,2'-bipyridine) under similar conditions.

H-D Exchange Reactions. Hydrogen/deuterium exchange reactions in hydridomethylplatinum(IV) complexes have been studied by several groups.^{4,7,13,14} If the dimethylplatinum(II) complex [(LL)PtMe₂] is treated with D⁺, reversible intramolecular reactions of the initially formed 5-coordinate complex $[(LL)PtD(CH_3)_2]^+$ can give the methane complex [(LL)Pt- $(CH_3D)(CH_3)$ ⁺ and then $[(LL)PtH(CH_2D)(CH_3)]$ ⁺ and [(LL)- $Pt(CH_4)(CH_2D)$ ⁺. At each stage, the platinum(IV) complexes can be trapped by addition of anion or solvent to make a 6-coordinate complex, or the methane complex of platinum(II) can react with anion or solvent to form free methane (CH₄ or CH₃D). In the presence of a deuterated solvent, such as the alcohol ROD, intermolecular exchange between PtH and ROD groups can lead to multiple deuterium incorporation into the methane or methylplatinum products. Thus, there are three critical rate constants whose relative magnitudes determine the observed isotope distribution in the products: the rate of intramolecular H–D exchange (step A), the rate of intermolecular H–D exchange with solvent (step B), and the rate of methane displacement from platinum (step C).^{13,14}

Complexes 1 and 2 can give particularly easy H–D exchange reactions, as illustrated by Figure 10 and the selected data given in Table 2. The experiments were carried out by reaction of of a dimethylplatinum(II) complex in a deuterium-labeled solvent in an NMR tube with a protic acid at -78 °C. The NMR tube was then inserted into the NMR probe, which was precooled to -80 °C, and the course of the reaction was monitored by recording spectra at 20 °C intervals as the solution was warmed slowly to room temperature in the NMR probe. For example, the ¹H NMR spectrum shown in Figure 10 was recorded from

Table 2. H-D Exchange Reactions

reagent	solvent	% reach ^a	CH ₄	PtMe ^b
Teagent	sorvent	70 Teach	<i>u</i> ₀ . <i>u</i> ₁ . <i>u</i> ₂ . <i>u</i> ₃	<i>u</i> ₀ . <i>u</i> ₁ . <i>u</i> ₂
1	CD_3OD	20	1:17:20:32	1:1.9:1.4
TfOD		100	1:16:20:35	1:1.9:2.1
1	CD_3OD^c	50	1:15:21:39	1:1.8:1.8
TfOD	CD_3CN^c	100	1:15:23:48	1:2.1:2.3
2	CD ₃ OD	15	1:10:5:4	d
TfOD		100	1:11:10:17	d
2	CD_3OD^c	25	1:15:9:7	1:1.0:0.5
TfOD	CD_3CN^c	100	1:13:11:17	1:1.0:0.6
2	CD_3OD	5	1:35:6:4	1:0.2:0.1
DCl		20	1:35:13:6	1:0.8:0.4
		100	1:33:28:30	1:0.9:0.6
[PtMe ₂ (NN)] ^e TfOD	CD ₃ OD	100	1:10:11:9	1:0.7:0.4

^{*a*} Estimated percent reaction to give methane. ^{*b*} Data for the methylplatinum(II) product. ^{*c*} Solvent mixture 3:1 CD₃OD:CD₃CN. ^{*d*} Overlap of peaks did not allow integration. ^{*e*} NN = 4,4'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-bipyridine.

a solution obtained by reaction of complex 2 with triflic acid in a 3:1 CD₃OD/CD₃CN solvent mixture at -78 °C and then warmed to -20 °C in the NMR probe. At this point about 25% reaction to form methane had occurred; thus, the reaction mixture contained about 25% of the products methane and [PtMe(MeCN)(DPK)]⁺ (9b) and about 75% of the hydridoplatinum(IV) intermediate [PtHMe₂(MeCN)(DPK)]⁺ (16), as a mixture of isomers 16a and 16b. There was extensive deuterium incorporation into the methane product and into the methylplatinum groups of both the intermediate 16a/16b and the product 9b. The peaks for isotopomers containing PtCH₃, PtCH₂D, and PtCHD₂ groups were resolved for each complex, as shown in Figure 10, and the extent of H/D exchange increased during the reaction. Of course, PtCD₃ groups and CD₄ are also formed but cannot be observed in the ¹H NMR spectrum. The cleavage of (and H-D exchange into) the remaining methylplatinum bond in complex 9b was slow, and further H-D exchange of the free methane did not occur.

Because equilibrium and kinetic isotope effects, which have not been determined, affect the H-D exchange and because peak overlap can make it difficult to integrate the peaks due to the isotopomers accurately, only a qualitative interpretation of the data in Table 2 will be given. First, it is clear in all cases that multiple deuterium incorporation into the methane and methylplatinum(II) products is observed. In addition, the extent of deuterium incorporation increases during the reaction, indicating that methane displacement (step C) is the slow step in the overall H–D exchange reaction in each case.^{7,13,14} The differences in relative rates are, however, not great enough to lead to complete H-D equilibration in the methane product. Table 2 also indicates that, for a given acid and solvent, the degree of deuterium incorporation into the methane product follows the sequence $[PtMe_2(DPA)] > [PtMe_2(DPK)] >$ [PtMe₂(bu₂bpy)]. This is the same sequence as the order of stability of a given hydridoplatinum(IV) complex, [PtHMe₂X-(LL)] or [PtHMe₂(S)(LL)]⁺, as described above. Finally, there is little effect of the acid CF₃SO₃D versus DCl, or of the presence or absence of CD₃CN in the CD₃OD solvent in reactions with CF₃SO₃D, on the overall extent of deuterium incorporation, although the overall rates of reaction to give methane are affected greatly. The reaction of complex 1 with acids DX also led to NH/ND exchange, but this is likely to occur independently of the exchange involving the methylplatinum groups.

The results can be interpreted in terms of Scheme 4, which, for simplicity, omits the deuterium labels. In the presence of acid, none of the starting material [PtMe₂(NZN)] or the key



^{*a*} The labels A-C denote the key mechanistic steps leading to H–D exchange (see text) when reactions are carried out in methanol- d_4 .

intermediates I-III are directly detectable, but it is the easy exchange between them that is the key to H-D exchange in the deuterated solvent medium. The initial resting state is the protonated 6-coordinate platinum(IV) complex [PtHMe₂X-(NZN)] or $[PtHMe_2(S)(NZN)]^+$, each of which can exist as trans or cis isomers. The greater stability of these complexes in the order $X = Cl > CF_3SO_3$ or S = MeCN > MeOH is a function of the ligating ability of X^- or S, with the better ligands giving a lower steady-state concentration of the key intermediates I-III.^{4–10,13,14,25} The extent of deuterium incorporation into the methane product depends on how much slower step C is than the slower of steps A and B. It was expected that there would be a dependence on the acid HX or the solvent, since the associative displacement of methane from III is expected to follow the sequence $X = Cl > CF_3SO_3$ or $S = CD_3CN > CD_3$ -OD, but no significant effect was observed. This would be consistent with dissociative methane loss or, in view of convincing evidence for associative displacement in related complexes,^{13,14} with a lack of discrimination between incoming nucleophiles for complexes with the good leaving group methane.

It is important to determine if the observed differences between the reactivity of the complexes with DPA, DPK, and bu_2bipy ligands arise from electronic or steric effects. If the chelate ligand effect is primarily electronic, it can be understood in terms of the stronger donors increasing the steady-state concentrations of the platinum(IV) intermediates I and II over

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the platinum(II) intermediate **III**, giving slower rates for the nucleophilic displacement of methane. The carbonyl stretching frequencies of the carbonyl derivatives [PtMe(CO)(LL)]⁺ are 2105, 2119, and 2109 cm⁻¹ for LL = DPA, DPK, bu₂bipy, respectively,^{19b} indicating that DPA is the strongest donor (as a result of the π -donor property of the NH group) and DPK is the weakest donor (as a result of the electron-withdrawing properties of the carbonyl group). The differences between DPA/DPK and bu₂bipy are therefore not due to electronic effects and, thus, are proposed to arise from differential steric effects, with the roughly planar bu₂bipy promoting faster displacement of methane.^{19b}

Experimental Section

All reactions were carried out under nitrogen, either using Schlenk techniques or in a drybox, unless otherwise specified. NMR spectra were recorded by using Varian Mercury 400 or INOVA 400 or 600 spectrometers. ¹H NMR chemical shifts are reported relative to TMS, and ¹⁹F NMR chemical shifts are reported relative to CFCl₃. The complexes [Pt₂Me₄(μ -SMe₂)₂], [PtMe₂(DPA)] (1), and [PtMe₂(DPK)] (2) were prepared according to the literature procedures.^{19,21}

[PtIMe₃(DPA)] (3). To a solution of PtMe₂(DPA) (89.1 mg, 0.225 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added MeI (15:1, 0.241 mmol), and the solution was stirred for 2 h. After 2 h, diethyl ether (30 mL) was added to precipitate the product as a white solid, which was separated, washed with ether, and dried under vacuum. Yield: 88.3 mg, 73%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₈IN₃Pt: C, 29.01; H, 3.37; N, 7.81. Found: C, 28.74; H, 3.29; N, 7.72. ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6): δ 0.87 (s, 3H, ²*J*(PtH) = 72 Hz, Pt-Me trans to I); 1.24 (s, 6H, ²*J*(PtH) = 71 Hz, Pt-Me trans to py); 7.14 (t, 2H, ³*J*(HH) = 6 Hz, py); 7.27 (d, 2H, ³*J*(HH) = 8 Hz, py); 7.87 (td, 2H, ³*J*(HH) = 2 Hz, py); 9.65 (br, 1H, NH).

[PtMe(DPK)(NCMe)][BF₄] (**9c).** To a solution of complex **2** (0.410 g, 0.1 mmol) in CH₃CN (15 mL) was added HBF₄ (14 μ L, 54% in ether, 0.1 mmol). The solution was stirred for 2 h, and then the solvent was evaporated to give the product as a yellow solid, which was washed with pentane (25 mL) and dried under vacuum. Yield: 86%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₄BF₄N₃OPt: C, 32.20; H, 2.70; N, 8.05. Found: C, 31.82; H, 2.66; N, 8.01. ¹H NMR (CD₃CN): δ 0.96 (s, 3H, ²*J*(PtH) = 76 Hz, PtMe); 2.74 (s, 3H, ⁴*J*(PtH) = 12 Hz, PtCNMe); 7.93 (t, 1H); 8.01 (t, 1H); 8.19 (d, 1H); 8.33 (d, 1H); 8.44 (t, 1H); 8.48 (t, 1H); 8.94 (d, 1H, ³*J*(HH) = 6 Hz, ³*J*(PtH) = 6 Hz, PtNCH, trans to NCMe); 8.88 (d, 1H, ³*J*(HH) = 6 Hz, PtNCH, trans to Me).

[PtMe(DPK)(NCMe)]⁺CF₃CO₂⁻ (9a). This was prepared similarly from complex 2 and CF₃CO₂H. Yield: 89%. Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{14}F_{3}N_{3}O_{3}Pt$: C, 35.04; H, 2.57; N, 7.66. Found: C, 34.99; H, 2.48; N, 7.47. NMR in CD₃CN: as for **9c**.

[PtClMe(DPK)] (5a). This was prepared similarly from complex **2** and HCl. Yield: 90%. Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{11}ClN_2OPt$: C, 33.54; H, 2.58; N, 6.52. Found: C, 34.33; H, 2.51; N, 6.34. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 1.04 (s, ²*J*(PtH) = 77 Hz, PtMe); 7.50 (t, 1H); 7.66 (t, 1H); 7.95 (d, 1H); 8.06 (d, 1H); 8.07 (t, 1H); 8.10 (t, 1H); 8.84 (d, ³*J*(HH) = 6 Hz, ³*J*(PtH) = 67 Hz, PtNCH, trans to Cl); 9.23 (d, ³*J*(HH) = 5 Hz, ³*J*(PtH) = 17 Hz, PtNCH, trans to Me). ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR (CD₂Cl₂): δ 514.4 ppm.

[PtMe(CF₃CO₂)(DPA)] (4b). To a solution of [PtMe₂(DPA)] (50 mg, 0.126 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added excess CF₃CO₂H (19.0 μ L, 0.247 mmol). After 30 min, pentane (30 mL) was added to precipitate the product as a pale yellow solid, which was separated, washed with pentane (5 mL), and dried under vacuum. Yield: 74%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₂F₃N₃O₂Pt: C, 31.59; H, 2.45; N, 8.50. Found: C, 31.88; H, 2.62; N, 8.24. ¹H NMR (acetoned₆): δ 0.67 (s, 3H, ²*J*(PtH) = 77 Hz, Pt–Me); 6.86 (t, 1H, ³*J*(HH) = 6 Hz, py); 7.02 (t, 1H, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 6$ Hz, py); 7.13 (d, 1H, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 8$ Hz, py); 7.18 (d, 1H, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 8$ Hz, py); 7.71 (td, 1H, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 8$ Hz, ${}^{4}J(HH) = 2$ Hz, py); 7.85 (td, 1H, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 8$ Hz, ${}^{4}J(HH) = 2$ Hz, py); 8.23 (dd, 1H, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 6$ Hz, ${}^{4}J(HH) = 1$ Hz, py); 8.38 (dd, 1H, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 6$ Hz, ${}^{4}J(HH) = 1$ Hz, py); 10.66 (1H, NH).

[PtMe(CF₃SO₃)(DPA)] (4c). This compound was prepared similarly. Yield: 58%. Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{12}F_3N_3O_3PtS$: C, 27.17; H, 2.28; N, 7.92. Found: C, 26.95; H, 2.42; N, 8.01. ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6): δ 0.52 (s, ²*J*(PtH) = 77 Hz, PtMe); 7.14 (m, py); 7.45)m, py); 8.08 (br, py); 8.58)br, py); 10.26 (br, NH). ¹⁹F NMR (acetone- d_6): 76 (s, CF₃).

[PtMe(DPA)(SMe₂)]CF₃CO₂ (8a). To a solution of complex **4b** (10 mg) in acetone (2 mL) was added excess SMe₂ (0.15 g). After 10 min, the solvent was evaporated and the pale yellow solid product was washed with pentane (2 × 10 mL) and dried under vacuum. Yield: 85%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₈F₃N₃O₂PtS: C, 32.38; H, 3.26; N, 7.55. Found: C, 32.03; H, 3.07; N, 7.56. ¹H NMR (acetone-*d*₆): 0.75 (s, 3H, ²*J*(PtH) = 75 Hz, Pt–Me); 2.43 (s, 6H, ³*J*(PtH) = 59 Hz, Pt–SMe₂); 7.13 (td, 1H, ³*J*(HH) = 6 Hz, ⁴*J*(HH) = 1 Hz, py); 7.18 (td, 1H, ³*J*(HH) = 6 Hz, ⁴*J*(HH) = 1 Hz, py); 7.92 (td, 1H, ³*J*(HH) = 8 Hz, ⁴*J*(HH) = 2 Hz, py); 7.95 (td, 1H, ³*J*(HH) = 8 Hz, ⁴*J*(HH) = 2 Hz, py); 8.32 (dd, 1H, ³*J*(HH) = 6 Hz, ⁴*J*(HH) = 2 Hz, py); 11.96 (br, 1H, NH).

[PtHCIMe₂(DPK)] (13a/13b). To a solution of complex **2** (0.102 g, 0.25 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was added a solution of HCl in ether (250 μ L, 1.0 M, 0.25 mmol). The product precipitated as a yellow solid, which was collected by filtration, washed with ether (3 × 2 mL) and pentane (3 × 8 mL), and dried under vacuum. The product was isolated as a mixture of isomers. Yield: 83%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₅ClN₂OPt: C, 35.02; H, 3.39; N, 6.28. Found: C, 34.46; H, 3.09; N, 5.99. ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂): **13a**, δ –20.36 (1H, ¹*J*(PtH) = 1586 Hz, PtH, trans to Cl), 1.17 (6H, ²*J*(PtH) = 68 Hz, 2PtMe), 7.60 (t, 2H), 8.03 (d, 2H), 8.19 (t, 2H), 9.35 (d, 2H); **13b**, δ –21.00 (1H, ¹*J*(PtH) = 1392 Hz, PtH, trans to N), 1.01 (3H, ²*J*(PtH) = 71 Hz, PtMe trans to Cl), 1.23 (3H, ²*J*(PtH) = 78 Hz, PtMe trans to N), 7.51 (t, 2H), 7.67 (t, 2H), 7.96 (d, 1H), 8.09 (d, 1H), 8.14 (t, 1H), 8.17 (t, 1H), 8.86 (d, 1H), 9.25 (d, 1H).

[PtHMe₂(DPA)(CF₃SO₃)] (14a/14b). To a solution of [PtMe₂-(DPA)] (19 mg, 0.049 mmol) in acetone- d_6 (0.5 mL) in an NMR tube, cooled to -78 °C, was added triflic acid (4.5 μ L, 0.051 mmol). The tube was then placed in the precooled probe of the NMR spectrometer at -80 °C, and ¹H NMR spectra were obtained at 20 $^{\circ}$ C intervals from -80 to +20 $^{\circ}$ C. At -60 $^{\circ}$ C, complex 14b was the only hydride complex observed. Complex 4c was observed as an impurity with increasing presence as the temperature was increased. ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6 , -80 °C): **14a**, δ -26.21 (s, ${}^{1}J(\text{PtH}) = 1774 \text{ Hz}, \text{Pt-H trans to O}, 0.85 \text{ (s, }{}^{2}J(\text{PtH}) = 64 \text{ Hz},$ Pt-Me trans to N), 1.07 (s, 6H, ${}^{2}J(PtH) = 63$ Hz, Pt-Me trans to N), 8.44–7.04 (m, 8H, py), 10.09 (br, 1H, NH); **14b**, δ –20.15 (s, ${}^{1}J(\text{PtH}) = 1391 \text{ Hz}, \text{Pt-H trans to N}, 0.85 \text{ (s, } {}^{2}J(\text{PtH}) = 64 \text{ Hz},$ Pt-Me trans to N), 1.22 (s, ${}^{2}J(PtH) = 80$ Hz, Pt-Me trans to O), 8.44–7.04 (m, 8H, py), 10.30 (br, 1H, NH). ¹⁹F NMR: δ 75 (s, CF₃).

At -60 °C, complex **14b** was the only hydride complex present. Above -20 °C, complex **4c** was the major complex present. The resonance due to methane at $\delta({}^{1}\text{H})$ 0.2 grew over this temperature range.

Other unstable hydride complexes were characterized similarly, and data are given in Table 1.

H/D Exchange Reactions. A solution of $[PtMe_2(DPK)]$ (0.01 mmol) in methanol- d_4 (0.5 mL) in an NMR tube was cooled to -78 °C, and triflic acid-d (5:1, 0.02 mmol) was added. The ¹H NMR spectrum was recorded at -80 °C and then at 20 °C intervals

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	3	5a	6a	10	11 •0.5thf	$13a \cdot CH_2Cl_2$
formula	C13H18IN3Pt	C ₁₂ H ₁₁ ClN ₂ OPt	C10H9Cl2N3Pt	C13H12F6N2O9PtS2	C ₂₆ H ₂₂ F ₆ N ₄ O _{10.5} Pt ₂ S ₂	C14H17Cl3N2OPt
fw	538.29	429.77	437.19	713.46	1126.78	530.74
T/K	200(2)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)
λ/Å	0.710 73	0.710 73	0.710 73	0.710 73	0.710 73	0.710 73
space group	$P2_{1}/m$	$P2_{1}/c$	$P2_1/n$	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$	Pnma	Pnma
cell dimens						
a/Å	6.7464(5)	4.0239(3)	9.9704(3)	8.2846(2)	22.1033(4)	15.7153(8)
b/Å	14.248(1)	19.568(1)	10.1342(3)	14.8183(4)	21.9063(3)	12.4400(5)
c/Å	8.4038(6)	15.316(1)	11.7173(4)	16.5000(4)	12.9826(2)	8.7904(4)
β /deg	112.833(4)	96.298(4)	94.027(2)	90	90	90
$V/Å^3$	744.49(9)	1198.7(1)	1181.02(6)	2025.60(9)	6286.2(2)	1718.51(14)
Ζ	2	4	4	4	8	4
$D_{\rm c}/{ m Mg}~{ m m}^{-3}$	2.401	2.381	2.459	2.339	2.381	2.051
μ/mm^{-1}	11.484	11.911	12.306	7.240	9.125	8.630
R1 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$)	0.0327	0.0988	0.0334	0.0333	0.0485	0.0473
wR2 $(I > 2\sigma(I))$	0.0569	0.2624	0.0606	0.0726	0.1147	0.1105

as it was warmed to room temperature. Other experiments were run in a similar way, with products identified by their NMR spectra, and deuterium incorporation was estimated from the peak intensities in the methylplatinum or methane regions. **Acknowledgment.** We thank the NSERC (Canada) for financial support and for a scholarship to E.M.P. R.J.P. thanks the government of Canada for a Canada Research Chair.

X-ray Structure Determinations. A suitable crystal was mounted on a glass fiber, and data were collected by using a Nonius Kappa-CCD diffractometer. Details of the data collections and structure refinements are given in Table 3. Solution and refinement of the structures was carried out by using the SHELXTL version 5.1 (G. M. Sheldrick) suite of programs.

Supporting Information Available: X-ray crystallographic data as a CIF file for the structure determination of complex **2**. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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