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Diplatinum Complexes with Bridging Silyl Ligands. Si-H Bond Activation of μ -Silyl Ligand Leading to a New Platinum Complex with Bridging Silylene and Silane Ligands

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Summary: A diplatinum complex with bridging diethylsilyl ligands, $[{Pt(PCy_3)}_2(\mu-\eta^2-HSiEt_2)_2]$ (1), reacted with an excess of H_2SiPh_2 to yield $[{Pt(PCy_3)}_2(\mu-\eta^2-HSiPh_2)_2]$ (2) via exchange of the bridging SiHEt_2 ligands with SiHPh_2 groups. An equimolar reaction of H_2SiPh_2 with 1 afforded a mixture of the dinuclear complexes $[{Pt(PCy_3)}_2(\mu-\eta^2-HSiEt_2)(\mu-\eta^2-HSiPh_2)]$ (3) and $[{Pt(PCy_3)}_2(\mu-\eta^2:\eta^2-H_2SiEt_2)(\mu-SiPh_2)]$ (4). X-ray crystallographic structure determination of 4 showed bridging coordination of the H_2SiEt_2 ligand to two Pt centers via two Pt-H-Si three-center two-electron bonds (Pt-Si = 2.375(8) and 2.39(1) Å).

Bridging primary (RSiH₂) or secondary (R₂SiH) organosilyl ligands in dinuclear transition metal complexes are bonded to one metal via an M–Si σ -bond and to the other via an M–H– Si three-center two-electron bond.¹ Diplatinum,^{2–4} dipalladium,⁵ and Pd–Pt heterobimetallic complexes⁶ with two bridging silyl ligands, formulated as [{M(PR₃)}₂(μ - η ²-HSiR₂)₂] (M = Pd and/ or Pt), have a four-membered M₂Si₂ core, which contains the M–Si and M–H–Si bonds as well as a bond between the two d^9 metal centers. A theoretical study of the complexes revealed a partial character of μ -silane and hydride ligands bonded to two metal centers caused by Si–H bond activation.⁷ Dinuclear Rh complexes with μ -silylene and hydride ligands were reported to undergo intramolecular hydrogen exchange via an intermediate complex with a silyl ligand bonded to two Rh atoms via Rh–Si and Rh–H–Si bonds.^{8,9} Dinuclear transition metal complexes with bridging silane ligands are much less common

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than those with bridging silyl or silylene ligands. Graham, Carreňo, Suzuki, Kira, and their respective co-workers reported dinuclear Re, Mn, and Ru complexes in which the secondary silane coordinated to the metal centers via two M–H–Si bonds.^{10–12} Small J_{H-Si} values (36 Hz) of the bridging HSi- $(C_6H_4Me)_2$ ligand in the Ru complexes suggest partial activation of the Si–H bond involved in the three-center two-electron bonds.¹² Herein, we report the reactions of H₂SiPh₂ with a diplatinum complex that contains two dialkylsilyl ligands, which results in formation of a new diplatinum complex with bridging silane and silylene ligands via migration of a hydrogen atom of the bridging diphenylsilyl ligands.

A diplatinum complex with bridging diethylsilyl ligands, [{Pt-(PCy₃)}₂(μ - η ²-HSiEt₂)₂] (1), reacted with an excess of H₂SiPh₂ (Pt:Si = 1:3.7) at room temperature to produce [{Pt(PCy₃)}₂-(μ - η ²-HSiPh₂)₂] (2) in 96% yield, as shown in eq 1. Complex



2 was characterized by comparison of its NMR data with those in the previous report.² Recently, Braddock-Wilking reported that a diplatinum complex with bridging silafluorenyl groups, [{Pt(PPh₃)₂(H)}{Pt(PPh₃)}(μ -SiC₂₀H₂₄)(μ - η ²-HSiC₂₀H₂₄)], undergoes exchange of the Si ligands with bridging HGePh₂ groups to produce [{Pt(PPh₃)}(μ - η ²-HGePh₂)₂] caused by addition of H₂GePh₂.¹³ Mononuclear Pt complexes containing a Pt–Ge bond were reported to be thermodynamically more stable than that of the silyl ligand of the Pt complexes.¹⁴ Fink reported higher stability of M–Si (M = Pd, Pt) bonds of the complexes with aryl-substituted silyl ligands than those with alkylsilyl ligands.¹⁵

An equimolar reaction of H₂SiPh₂ with **1** formed a mixture of a diplatinum complex with two different bridging secondary silyl ligands, [{Pt(PCy₃)}₂(μ - η ²-HSiPh₂)(μ - η ²-HSiEt₂)] (**3**; 50%), and the complex with bridging diethylsilane and diphenylsilylene ligands, [{Pt(PCy₃)}₂(μ - η ²: η ²-H₂SiEt₂)(μ -SiPh₂)] (**4**; 45%), together with a small amount of **2** (5%) (eq 2). Recrystallization of the products formed a mixture of **3** and **4** in 55:45 molar ratio, which was determined by integration of C₆H₅-*ortho* hydrogen signals in the ¹H NMR spectrum. Addition of H₂-SiPh₂ to the mixture of **3** and **4** (Pt:Si = 1:3) at room temperature formed complex **2** in 67% yield as the sole product. This result indicates that the displacement of bridging silyl ligands proceeds via formation of intermediates **3** and **4**, and then further reaction with H₂SiPh₂ produces **2**.

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Repeated recrystallization of the products of reaction 2 from toluene-hexane (1:7) at -20 °C yielded a solid composed of 3 and 4 in 6:94 molar ratio. Single crystals of 3 and 4 suitable for X-ray crystallography were obtained by carefully choosing the crystals from the mixtures. Isolation of pure samples of 3 or 4 was not feasible partly due to mutual isomerization of the complexes in solution (vide infra). Figure 1 shows molecular structures of **3** and **4**.¹⁶ Distances between the two Pt centers of **3** (2.6591(7) Å) and **4** (2.708(1) Å) are within the range of Pt-Pt bonds in diplatinum(I) complexes.^{2,3,4a,d,f} The Pt1-Si1 (2.402(4) Å) and Pt2-Si2 (2.388(3) Å) bonds of 3 are significantly longer than two other bonds (Pt1-Si2 = 2.318(3)) Å, Pt2-Si1 = 2.306(4) Å). The longer Pt-Si bonds are assigned to those involved in the Pt-H-Si interaction, although positions of the Pt-H-Si hydogens were not determined by difference Fourier synthesis. The complex, [{Pt(PCy₃)}₂(μ - η ²-HSiMe₂)₂], was also reported to have the Pt2Si2 core with a distorted rectangular structure (Pt-Si = 2.324(2), 2.420(2) Å).² The Pt-H-Si bonds of 3 are assigned at opposite positions of the Pt₂-Si₂ core, which is formed by two Pt centers and the bridging diphenylsilyl and diethylsilyl ligands. The Pt₂Si₂ core of 4 contains two longer Pt-Si bonds on the same side of the Pt-Pt bond (Pt1-Si1 = 2.375(8) Å, Pt2-Si1 = 2.39(1) Å) and two other Pt-Si bonds that are shorter (Pt1-Si2 = 2.314(8)) Å, Pt2-Si2 = 2.304(7) Å). The two former bonds are assigned to those involved in the Pt-H-Si interactions, while the latter bonds are due to Pt-Si bonds, indicating a structure with bridging H₂SiEt₂ and SiPh₂ ligands. The torsion angle for the P2-Pt2-Pt1-P1 unit of 4 (160.9(3)°) indicates an synorientation of the Pt-P bonds with respect to the Pt-Pt bond, while the corresponding angle of **3** is smaller $(113.9(6)^{\circ})$.

The multinuclear NMR (¹H, ¹³C{¹H}, ²⁹Si{¹H}, and ³¹P{¹H} NMR) spectra were obtained from a mixture of **3** and **4** in 6:94 molar ratio, while NMR data of **3** were obtained from the mixture in 55:45 molar ratio. The ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum of **4** displays a single signal at δ 51.8 as part of an AA'XX' spin system ($J_{Pt-P} = 3849$, 362 Hz, ³ $J_{P-P} = 55$ Hz). Complex **3** exhibits two ³¹P{¹H} NMR signals at δ 53.2 and 53.5 (³ $J_{P-P} =$ 59 Hz), which is consistent with the unsymmetrical structure shown in eq 2. Two ²⁹Si resonances of **4** are observed at δ 230.1

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⁽¹⁶⁾ Crystallographic data for 3: $C_{52}H_{88}P_2Si_2Pt_2$, fw = 1221.57, triclinic, space group $P\overline{1}$, a = 13.792(3) Å, b = 14.357(2) Å, c = 14.581(3) Å, $\alpha =$ $\dot{63.636(5)}^{\circ}, \beta = 88.025(8)^{\circ}, \gamma = 84.744(8)^{\circ}, V = 2575.8(8) \text{ Å}^{3}, Z = 2, T$ = 133 K, $\rho_{\text{calcd}} = 1.575 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $\mu = 5.5449 \text{ mm}^{-1}$, F(000) = 1228, Rigaku Saturn-CCD diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo $K \alpha$ radiation $(\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å})$, yellow crystal $(0.20 \times 0.32 \times 0.45 \text{ mm})$. Of 19314 reflections collected, 10 980 were independent ($R_{int} = 0.024$); 609 variables refined with 8459 reflections to final R indices $R1(I > 2\sigma(I)) = 0.0644$, wR2($I > 2\sigma(I)$) = 0.1383, GOF = 1.088. Crystallographic data for 4: $C_{52}H_{88}P_2Si_2Pt_2$, fw = 1221.57, triclinic, space group $P\overline{1}$, a = 13.897(3) Å, b = 13.971(4) Å, c = 14.889(3) Å, $\alpha = 86.84(2)^{\circ}$, $\beta = 69.18(1)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 69.18(1)^{\circ}$ 79.58(1)°, V = 2657(1) Å³, Z = 2, T = 133 K, $\rho_{calcd} = 1.527$ g cm⁻³, $\mu =$ 5.3752 mm⁻¹, F(000) = 1228, Rigaku Saturn-CCD diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å), yellow crystal $(0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.20 \text{ mm})$. Of 19 998 reflections collected, 11296 were independent ($R_{int} = 0.061$); 604 variables refined with 5788 reflections to final *R* indices $R1(I > 2\sigma(I)) = 0.1149$, $wR2(I > 2\sigma(I)) = 0.3341$, GOF = 1.118



Figure 1. ORTEP drawings of (a) 3 and (b) 4 at 30% ellipsoidal level. Hydrogens except for bridging hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) for 3: Pt1–Pt2 2.6951(7), Pt1–P1 2.270(2), Pt1–Si1 2.402(4), Pt1–Si2 2.318-(3), Pt2–P2 2.266(2), Pt2–Si1 2.306(4), Pt2–Si2 2.388(3), Pt2–Pt1–P1 163.74(5), P1–Pt1–Si1 142.7(1), P1–Pt1–Si2 107.7(1), Si1–Pt1–Si2 109.5(2), Pt1–Pt2–P2 174.08(6), P2–Pt2–Si1 121.2(1), P2–Pt2–Si2 127.2(1), Si1–Pt2–Si2 110.4(2), Pt1–Si1–Pt2 69.8(1), Pt1–Si2–Pt2 69.86(9). Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) for 4: Pt1–Pt2 2.708(1), Pt1–P1 2.264(5), Pt1–Si1 2.375(8), Pt1–Si2 2.314(8), Pt2–P2 2.262(5), Pt2–Si1 2.39-(1), Pt2–Si2 2.004(7), Pt2–Pt1–P1 162.4(2), P1–Pt1–Si1 141.8-(3), P1–Pt1–Si2 108.6(2), Si1–Pt1–Si2 109.6(2), Pt1–Pt2–P2 161.4(2), P2–Pt2–Si1 142.8(2), P2–Pt2–Si2 107.5(2), Si1–Pt2–Si2 109.4(2), Pt1–Si1–Pt2 69.3(2), Pt1–Si2–Pt2 71.8(2).

and 141.3. The signals are assigned to the Si nuclei of the SiPh₂ ligand and of H₂SiEt₂, respectively, based on their peak positions. The difference of the ²⁹Si NMR peak positions between the μ -HSiEt₂ and μ -HSiPh₂ ligands of **3** (δ 195.5 and 163.7) is much smaller than that of the two Si signals of 4. The ²⁹Si{¹H} NMR spectrum of $[Ru_2(CO)_6{\mu-Si(C_6H_4Me)_2}(\mu-PPh_2-$ CH₂PPh₂)] exhibited a signal due to the μ -silylene ligand at δ 172.6, which was at lower magnetic field position than the signal of $[Ru_2(CO)_4{SiH(C_6H_4Me)_2}_2{\{\mu-\eta^2:\eta^2-H_2Si(C_6H_4Me)_2\}}(\mu-\eta^2)]$ PPh₂CH₂PPh₂)] (δ 154.8).¹² The ²⁹Si NMR signal of the H₂-SiEt₂ ligand of **4** shows a larger coupling constant (${}^{2}J_{P-Si} = 72$ Hz) than the signal of the SiPh₂ ligand (${}^{2}J_{P-Si} = 3.5$ Hz). Two ${}^{2}J_{P-Si}$ values observed with the Si signal of **3** (60 and 11 Hz) are assigned to an interaction through the Pt-H-Si bond and to that through the Pt-Si bond, respectively, on the basis of comparison of the values with 4.

The ¹H NMR signals due to Pt–H–Si hydrogens of **3** and **4** are overlapped severely by the signals of the PCy₃ hydrogens. Preparation of a partially deuterated complex by the reaction of D₂SiPh₂ with **1** and ²H{¹H} NMR measurement of the products enabled determination of the peak positions. Figure 2a displays the ²H{¹H} NMR spectrum of [{Pt(PCy₃)}₂(μ -SiPh₂)(μ - η ²: η ²-DHSiEt₂)] (**4**-*d*) obtained by repeated recrystallization of the products. A single signal at δ 1.01 flanked by ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites ($J_{Pt-D} = 99$ Hz) is assigned to the deuterium coordinated to the diethylsilane ligand. Figure 2b shows the spectrum of the products before recrystallization. Two signals with equal intensity are observed at δ 2.43 and 1.44, which are assigned to deuterium nuclei of two isotopomers of **3**, [{Pt-



Figure 2. ${}^{2}H{}^{1}H{}$ NMR spectra (toluene, 40 °C) of the products obtained from an equimolar reaction of D₂SiPh₂ with **1** (a) after purification and (b) before purification. Peaks with \blacklozenge , \blacklozenge , and * are due to **3**-DSiPh₂, **3**-DSiEt₂, and **4**-*d*, respectively.



Figure 3. Change in amounts of H₂SiPh₂, **3**, and **4** during the equimolar reaction of H₂SiPh₂ with **1** at 25 °C. [**1**] = 18 mM in toluene- d_8 . Dibenzyl was used as an internal standard (18 mM).

 $(PCy_3)_2(\mu-\eta^2-DSiPh_2)(\mu-\eta^2-HSiEt_2)]$ (**3**-DSiPh₂) and [{Pt-(PCy₃)}₂($\mu-\eta^2$ -HSiPh₂)($\mu-\eta^2$ -DSiEt₂)] (**3**-DSiEt₂). The assigned signal for **3**-DSiPh₂ is at a similar position (δ 2.43) to the ¹H NMR peak position for the Pt-H-SiPh₂ hydrogen of **2** (δ 2.45).^{6a} Formation of **3**-DSiEt₂ indicates intramolecular exchange of Si-H hydrogen atoms between the diethylsilyl and diphenylsilyl ligands.

Figure 3 plots the change in the amount of the complexes during the reaction of H₂SiPh₂ with 1, as determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy. The increase in the formation of 3 is much faster than that of 4 at the initial stage of the reaction, while gradual isomerization of **3** and **4** is observed after about 2 h. After 10 h a mixture of the complexes 3 and 4 is observed in a 55:45 molar ratio. The isomerization of the complexes starting from a mixture of 3 and 4 in a 6:94 ratio in the presence of added PCy₃ (Pt:PCy₃ = 1:0.6) eventually gives a new ratio of 3 to 4 of close to 55:45 after 25 h, but it occurs more slowly in the absence of PCy₃ and requires 2 weeks to attain equilibrium. Scheme 1 illustrates a possible mechanistic pathway that accounts for hydrogen migration between the Si ligands. Transformation of an Si-H bond (Ha) in the bis(μ -silyl)platinum complex 3 and formation of a new bond between the resulting hydride ligand in the intermediate species and the Si atom of the other silvl ligand (SiEt₂) yield the bridging silane ligand in 4. Intramolecular transfer of a hydrogen from the silane ligand in 4 to the silvlene ligand regenerates the complex with two bridging silvl ligands in 3. Repetition of the transformation



process in Scheme 1 results in hydrogen exchange between the two silyl ligands of **3**.

Activation of the Si–H bond to form an intermediate complex with hydride and μ -silylene ligands may be facilitated by the coordination of an additional phosphine ligand, because Pd– Pt and Pt–Pt complexes with hydride and μ -silylene ligands, [{M(H)(PR₃)₂}{M(PR₃)}(μ -SiR₂)(μ - η ²-HSiR₂)], were reported to be formed by addition of the phosphine ligand to the dinuclear complexes with two bridging silyl ligands. 4c,f,6b

In summary, we observed stepwise displacement of the two bridging diethylsilyl ligands caused by addition of diphenylsilane. One of the two intermediates has a new structure composed of two Pt centers bridged by H_2SiEt_2 and $SiPh_2$ ligands.

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