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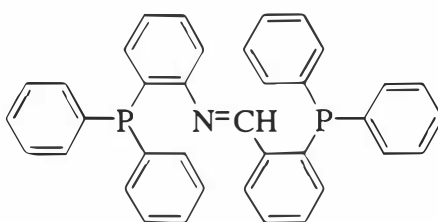
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P56, Table 2.9, fourth entry under v(P-C) should be 1090 not 1890 cm⁻¹
P57, line -3, cuvette not curvette
P62, line 2, trifluoroacetic not uifuoacetic
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P70, delete lines 6 through 10 and "found in the title complex." of line 11
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Abstract

Chapter 1 - This first part of the chapter aims to give the reader a flavour of the chemistry concerning phosphorus-nitrogen hybrid ligands containing both phosphorus and nitrogen donor atoms. This will be achieved by highlighting selected relevant examples from the literature. The second part will introduce the ligand 2-(diphenylphosphino)-N-[2-(diphenylphosphino)benzylidene]benzeneamine, (PNCHP), which is the subject of Chapters 2 through 6.



PNCHP

Chapter 2 - The ligand PNCHP reacts with $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(1,3,5\text{-cycloheptatriene})]$ to give the complex $fac\text{-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PNCHP-}\kappa^3P,N,P)]$ which readily isomerises to $mer\text{-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PNCHP-}\kappa^3P,N,P)]$. Kinetic studies on the isomerisation in acetone yielded the first-order forward rate constants (k_1) 1.22×10^{-5} , 4.18×10^{-5} , 1.72×10^{-4} and $4.89 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 19.5, 29.7, 40.0 and 49.5 °C respectively, with thermodynamic activation parameters ΔH_1^\ddagger and ΔS_1^\ddagger of 95 kJ mol^{-1} and $-14.1 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ respectively. The related complex $fac\text{-}[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PNHCH}_2\text{P-}\kappa^3P,N,P)]$ (PNHCH₂P = 2-(diphenylphosphino)-N-[(2-diphenylphosphino)benzyl]benzeneamine) does not undergo isomerisation. The complex $cis\text{-}[\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_4(\text{PNCHP-}\kappa^2N,P)]$ reacts with sulfur to give $cis\text{-}[\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_4(\text{SPNCHP-}\kappa^2N,P)]$ and reacts with methyl iodide under an atmosphere of carbon monoxide to yield the anion $[\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5\text{I}]^-$.

Chapter 3 - The complexes $[\text{M}(\text{CO})_3(\text{PNCHP-}\kappa^3P,N,P)]$ ($\text{M} = \text{Cr}, \text{Mo}$ or W), containing a terdentate PNCHP ligand, react with H^+ to give the protonated products $[\text{M}(\text{CO})_3\{\text{PN}(\text{H})\text{CHP-}\kappa^2P,P-\eta^2(\text{C}=\text{N})\}]^+$, where the imino group has 'slipped' from a κ^1N to a $\eta^2(\text{C}=\text{N})$ coordination mode as a result of the protonation of the nitrogen atom. When

the acid is HCl the above cation $[M(CO)_3\{PN(H)CHP-\kappa^2P,P-\eta^2(C=N)\}]^+$ (M = Mo or W) converts to *cis*- $[M(CO)_2Cl_2(PNHCH_2P-\kappa^3P,N,P)]$. In this unusual reaction the imine group of the PNCHP ligand has been reduced to an amine concurrently with the two electron oxidation of the metal. In contrast, on reaction of *cis*- $[Cr(CO)_4(PNCHP-\kappa^2N,P)]$ with H^+ , the bidentate PNCHP ligand dissociates from the metal resulting in cyclisation of the ligand to give a phosphonium salt.

Chapter 4 - PNCHP favours terdentate coordination with Pd(II) and Pt(II). The complexes $[MCl(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]Cl$ and $[Pd(CH_3)(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]Cl$ are synthesised starting with $[MCl_2(1,5\text{-cyclooctadiene})]$ and $[M(CH_3)Cl(1,5\text{-cyclooctadiene})]$, respectively. The ionic chlorides can be exchanged with BF_4^- using $AgBF_4$. Abstraction of the covalent chloride with $AgBF_4$ in the presence of acetonitrile yields $[Pt(CH_3CN)(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]^{2+}$. The acetonitrile ligand of this dication can be substituted with triphenylphosphane, 2-picoline, or 3-picoline. The reaction of $[Pt(CH_3CN)(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]^{2+}$ with 1,10-phenanthroline, 2,2'-bipyridine, bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane or 2,2':6',2''-terpyridine (L-L) yields complexes of the type $[Pt(L-L)(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]^{2+}$ - the first five-coordinate platinum(II) dications.

Chapter 5 - The complex $[RhCl(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]$ is synthesised by reacting the PNCHP ligand with 0.5 equivalents of $[{RhCl(1,5\text{-cyclooctadiene})}]_2$. This extremely reactive compound undergoes oxidative addition of dichloromethane and chloroform to yield complexes of the type $[RhCl_2(R)(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]$ (R = CH_2Cl or $CDCl_2$). Addition of carbon monoxide to $[RhCl(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]$ results in the adduct $[RhCl(CO)(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]$ which is in equilibrium with square planar complex $[Rh(CO)(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]Cl$. The coordinated chloride ligand of $[RhCl(PNCHP-\kappa^3P,N,P)]$ can be substituted with tetrahydrofuran, acetonitrile or triphenylphosphane.

Chapter 6 - The triosmium clusters $[Os_3(CO)_{11}(CH_3CN)]$ and $[Os_3(CO)_{10}(CH_3CN)_2]$ react with PNCHP to give $[{Os_3(CO)_{11}}]_2(PNCHP-\kappa^2P,P)$ (containing PNCHP bridging equatorially two osmium triangles), two coordination isomers of $[Os_3(CO)_{11}(PNCHP-\kappa^1P)]$ and 1,1- $[Os_3(CO)_{10}(PNCHP-\kappa^2P,P)]$, respectively. When 1,1- $[Os_3(CO)_{10}(PNCHP-\kappa^2P,P)]$ is reacted with one equivalent of trimethylamineoxide the major product is $[Os_3(\mu-$

$\text{H}(\text{CO})_7(\mu_3\text{-PNCP})$], in which the imine hydrogen of PNCHP has migrated to the osmium cluster and PNCP is left to act as a triply bridging nine-electron donor. Two geometrical isomers of $[\text{Os}_3(\mu\text{-H})(\text{CO})_8(\mu_2\text{-PNCP})]$ are found as minor products, with PNCP acting as a doubly bridging seven-electron donor ligand.

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Abbreviations

Ar	aryl
CHT	1,3,7-cycloheptatriene
COD	1,5-cyclooctadiene
CP/MAS	cross polarisation/magic angle spinning
dec	decomposition
diphos	1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane
Et	ethyl
Hz	hertz
IR	Infrared
xJ	coupling constant over X bonds (Hz)
M ⁺	molecular ion
Me	methyl
MeCN	acetonitrile
M.p.	melting point
m/z	mass to charge ratio
NMR	nuclear magnetic resonance
PNCHP	2-(diphenylphosphino)-N-[2-(diphenylphosphino)benzylidene]- benzeneamine
PNHCH ₂ P	2-(diphenylphosphino)-N-[(2-diphenylphosphino)benzyl]- benzeneamine
2-pico	2-picoline
3-pico	3-picoline
Ph	phenyl
phen	1,10-phenanthroline
ppm	parts per million
SPNCHP	2-(diphenylphosphinothioyl)-N-[2-(diphenylphosphino)- benzylidene]-benzeneamine
terpy	2,2':6',2''-terpyridine
THF	tetrahydrofuran
tlc	thin layer chromatography
UV-vis	ultraviolet-visible

δ chemical shift in ppm
 $\nu(\text{XY})$ stretching frequency of X-Y bond (cm^{-1})]