Formation of Palladium- and Platinum-Substituted Fulvenes by Activation of a Cyclopentadienyl or Indenyl Ligand

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The stepwise, low-temperature reaction of $\{Pd[CH(SiMe_3)_2](\mu-Cl)(PMe_3)\}_2$ (1) with CNBu-t and NaCp' (Cp' = C_5H_5 , C_5H_4Me) or LiInd (Ind = C_9H_7) affords metal-substituted fulvenes of composition $Pd[C(NHBu-t)=C(C_4H_3R)][CH(SiMe_3)_2](CNBu-t)(PMe_3)$ (R = H, Me) and Pd- $[C(NHBu-t)=C(C_8H_6)][CH(SiMe_3)_2](CNBu-t)(PMe_3)$, of which the C_5H_4Me -derived complex 5a has been characterized by X-ray crystallography. The mononuclear species Pd[CH-(SiMe₃)₂|Cl(CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (2) has been isolated as an intermediate of this reaction. An alternative synthesis of the palladabenzofulvene complex 6 involves the reaction of the 16 electron indenyl derivative $(\eta^3$ -Ind)Pd[CH(SiMe₃)₂](PMe₃) (7) with 2 equiv of CNBu-t. In this case an η^1 -indenyl intermediate of composition (η^1 -Ind)Pd[CH(SiMe₃)₂](CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (8) can be observed by low-temperature NMR spectroscopy. The complex Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂]-Cl(CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (12) has been synthesized by the comproportionation reaction of Pt[CH-(SiMe₃)₂|Cl(PMe₃)₂ (10) and Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂|Cl(CNBu-t)₂ (11), in the presence of catalytic amounts of CNBu-t. Complex 12 reacts with CNBu-t and NaCp to give first the cationic species {Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂](CNBu-t)₂(PMe₃)}Cl (13) and then a mixture of platinafulvene isomers related to the above-mentioned Pd complexes. The fluxionality of these metallafulvene derivatives and the mechanism of their formation are discussed.

Introduction

Organic isocyanides have a rich chemistry derived from their migratory insertion into transition metal—carbon bonds. 1,2 Both η^1 - and η^2 -iminoacyl structures have been reported to form along with a variety of polyimino-type products derived from multiple insertion reactions. 1,2 Many different alkyl (or aryl) groups are able to migrate onto the isocyanide carbon. However, there seems to be no report on complexes that proceed from the migratory insertion of the ubiquitous cyclopentadienyl ligand, despite the ample precedent that now exists for its monohapto coordination mode. 3 This contrasts with the fact that examples of related formal

insertions involving other unsaturated molecules into $M-\eta^1$ -Cp bonds have been known for many years.⁴ For

instance, Casey and co-workers have disclosed a CO

migratory insertion of this kind during the course of

the reaction of $(\eta^1-C_5H_5)Re(CH_3)(CO)(NO)(PMe_3)_2$ with

Ni-C bond of the dimeric alkyl {Ni[CH(SiMe₃)₂](μ-Cl)-

(PMe₃)₃. During the course of these studies we

a large excess of PMe₃. This gave the structurally characterized cyclopentadienylidene ketene species $Re[C(O)=C(C_4H_4)](NO)(PMe_3)_3.^{4a}$ Recently we have reported the synthesis of the η^2 -iminoacyl complex $Ni[\eta^2-C(NBu-t)CH(SiMe_3)_2]Cl(PMe_3)$, the first nickel compound of this type to be structurally authenticated by X-ray crystallography. This compound is generated by migratory insertion of CNBu-t into the

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became interested in the related chemistry of Pd- and Pt-alkyl complexes that contain the bulky hydrocarbyl unit CH(SiMe₃)₂. In this contribution we wish to report the results of the reactions that involve the sequential use of tert-butylisocyanide and cyclopentadienyl-type ligands. As discussed below, the products of these transformations have composition M[C(NHBu-t)=C- (C_4H_3R) [CH(SiMe₃)₂] (CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (M = Pd, Pt; R = H, Me) and Pd[C(NHBu-t)=C(C₈H₆)][CH(SiMe₃)₂](CNBut)(PMe₃) and exhibit metallafulvene structures. At least in a formal sense these complexes can be thought of as deriving from the migratory insertion of the organic isocyanide into a $M-\eta^1$ -Cp or $M-\eta^1$ -Ind bond (Ind = C₉H₇), followed by tautomerization of the resulting iminoacyl functionality. Part of this work has appeared in a preliminary form.6

Results

Synthesis and Characterization of Palladaful**vene Complexes.** The reaction of 1 equiv of CNBu-t with the recently described dimer {Pd[CH(SiMe₃)₂](*u*-Cl)(PMe₃) $_{2}$ (1)⁷ cleanly and stereospecifically affords the new isocyanide adduct Pd[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(CNBu-t)-(PMe₃) (2), which has been fully characterized by spectroscopy (eq 1).

$$1/2 \{ Pd[CH(SiMe_3)_2](\mu-CI)(PMe_3) \}_2 \xrightarrow{ \begin{subarray}{c} 1 \\ \hline \end{subarray}} 1 \\ (Me_3Si)_2CH \\ \hline \end{subarray} CNBu-t \\ \hline \end{subarray} (1)$$

At variance with the results found in the analogous Ni system,⁵ no insertion of the isocyanide into the Pdalkyl bond takes place under these conditions. However, the formation of 2 is not an unexpected observation, as neutral Pd(II)-alkyl complexes which contain isocyanide ligands are rather inert toward this rearrangement. In those cases where this insertion reaction is facile the intermediate isocyanide adduct is usually sufficiently long-lived to be observed. 1e,8

When an excess (≥ 2 equiv) of CNBu-t is added to a cold solution (-30 °C) of 1 in Et₂O a white precipitate forms. Due to a complex decomposition reaction, no clean products can be isolated after work up, but treatment of the above suspension with 1 equiv of NaCp, also at -30 °C, furnishes, among other unidentified compounds, the palladafulvene derivative Pd[C(NHBu $t)=C(C_4H_4)[CH(SiMe_3)_2](CNBu-t)(PMe_3)$ (4) in 45% yield (eq 2). The already described complex (η^5 -C₅H₅)-Pd[CH(SiMe₃)₂](PMe₃) (3) is also generated in this reaction and can be separated from 4 by fractional crystallization.⁷ Analytical data and spectroscopic stud-

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$$1/2 \ \{ Pd[CH(SiMe_3)_2](\mu-CI)(PMe_3) \}_2 \xrightarrow{i) \ 2 \ CNBu-t} \\ 1 \\ (Me_3Si)_2HC \xrightarrow{Pd} Pd \xrightarrow{NHBu-t} \\ Me_3P \xrightarrow{R} \qquad (2) \\ R = H, 4; Me, 5 \\ + \\ Cp'Pd[CH(SiMe_3)_2](PMe_3) \\ 3$$

ies indicate the incorporation of a Cp and two CNBu-t ligands and are in accord with 4 having formulation B, i.e. the tautomeric enamine form of the imonoacyl structure **A**, that would result from the formal insertion

of CNBu-t into a Pd- η^1 -Cp bond. Thus, the IR spectrum contains a sharp, albeit weak, absorption at ca. 3322 cm⁻¹, indicative of the presence of a N-H bond, whose existence is further substantiated by the observation of a broad resonance at δ 6.94 in the ¹H NMR spectrum. The ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum is particularly informative. The mutually trans arrangement of the CNBu-t and PMe₃ ligands is indicated by the strong ¹³C−³¹P coupling of 154 Hz found for the Pd-*C*NBu-*t* nucleus (δ 139.1). The Pd-bound 13 C atom of the enamine moiety appears at low field (δ 206.0, d, ${}^{2}J_{CP}$ = 5 Hz), whereas the resonances of the five nonequivalent carbon atoms of the original Cp fragment cluster between 102 and 129 ppm. Rotation of the C5 ring around the C=C double bond is therefore slow in the NMR time scale at 25 °C, in good agreement with the behavior of related organic⁹ and organometallic¹⁰ sys-

The use of methylcyclopentadienyl anion allows for the formation of the corresponding substituted fulvene complex 5 (eq 2), which because of the presence of the methyl group in the Cp ring is produced as a mixture of stereoisomers. The ³¹P{ ¹H} NMR spectrum of the crude of the reaction shows the existence of three, out of the four possible isomers **5a**–**d** depicted in Scheme 1, in a ratio of 6:5:3. Pure samples of 5a can be isolated by fractional crystallization from cold petroleum ether solutions and its structure unambiguously assigned by means of NOEDIFF experiments (Scheme 1). The most significant NOEs are (i) H_c (δ 6.47) and the NH proton (δ 6.99) with the protons of the methyl group of the C_5H_4Me ligand; (ii) H_b (δ 6.66) with H_c and H_a (δ 7.16). For the other isomers proton chemical shift and coupling constant data cannot either be confidently used for

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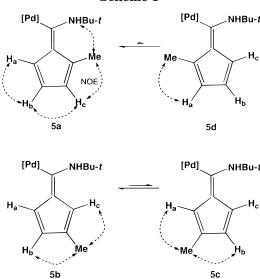


Table 1. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) for 5a

Pd-P	2.295(3)	P-Pd-C(1)	89.3(2)
Pd-C(1)	2.17(1)	P-Pd-C(8)	170.9(3)
Pd-C(8)	1.99(1)	P-Pd-C(13)	89.0(3)
Pd-C(13)	2.09(1)	C(1)-Pd-C(8)	92.3(4)
C(13)-C(14)	1.37(1)	C(1)-Pd-C(13)	177.8(4)
C(13)-N(2)	1.35(1)	C(8)-Pd-C(13)	89.1(4)

unequivocal structural identification but as for 5a NOEDIFF experiments prove conclusive. Thus, irradiation of the resonance corresponding to the ring methyl group of the other two fulvene species produces NOE effects with two neighboring protons. This implies that these species are **5b** and **5c**, for the case of **5d** only one NOE effect (with Ha) would have been observed (Scheme 1). Finally we have also made use in this analysis of the closer similarity expected for the chemical shifts of Ha and Hb in isomers 5a and 5b in comparison with 5c. The ratio in which these complexes appear to coexist is 5a/5b/5c = 5:6:3, and while the 5b/**5c** proportion is probably thermodynamic in nature because of the effective rotation around the C=C bond in the laboratory time scale, 9,10 the fraction of **5a** may reflect the kinetic distribution of the reaction.

The structure of the 5a isomer has been confirmed by X-ray diffraction methods. Selected bond distances and angles can be found in Table 1. As can be observed in Figure 1, the Pd center is in a distorted square-planar coordination environment, with the terminal isocyanide carbon atom C(8) presenting the largest deviation (0.28 Å) from the least-squares plane defined by Pd, P, C(1), C(8), and C(13). The fulvene moiety is planar and is almost perpendicular to the Pd coordination plane (dihedral angle of 80.77°), possibly to minimize adverse steric interactions. The Pd-C(1) bond of 2.17(1) Å is somewhat longer than Pd-C(13) at 2.09(1) Å due to differences in the hybridization at carbon. The latter length is in the range normally found for the $Pd-C(sp^2)$ bonds.¹¹ The remaining bond distances within the fulvene unit, particularly those of C(13)-C(14) and

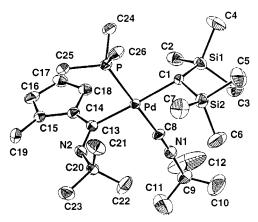


Figure 1. Molecular structure of complex **5a** showing the atom labeling scheme. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity. ORTEP ellipsoids represent 30% probability.

C(13)-N(2) bonds (1.37(1) and 1.35(1) Å, respectively), are similar to those found in H_4C_4C = $C(H)NMe_2$.

A similar transformation is observed when LiInd is used instead of a cyclopentadienyl reagent. Upon stepwise addition of 2 equiv of CNBu-t and 1 equiv of LiInd to solutions of **2** at low temperatures the benzo-annulated fulvene derivative Pd[C(NHBu-t)=C(C₈H₆)]-[CH(SiMe₃)₂](CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (**6**) is formed in a ca. 40% yield (eq 3). The presence of an absorption at 3390 cm⁻¹

$$1/2 \{Pd[CH(SiMe_3)_2](PMe_3)(\mu-CI)\}_2 \xrightarrow{ii) \ 2 \ CNBu-t} \\ 1 \\ (Me_3Si)_2HC \\ CNBu-t \\ NHBu-t \\ NOE \\ H_a \\ 6$$

in the IR spectrum, and an associated broad singlet at δ 7.27 in the ¹H NMR spectrum are indicative of the existence of a NH group. Additionally the analysis of the resonances found in both the ¹H and the ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra reveal the presence of a fulvene unit (in this case with a fused benzene ring) bonded to the metal center through the *exo* carbon (δ 196.7). The ligand disposition around the metal center is easily deduced from the ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra as has already been detailed for 4 and 5. Two possible stereoisomers ("rotamers") are to be expected depending on the relative position of the benzene ring with respect to the amino group, but just one is observed by NMR spectroscopy. The presence of a NOE effect on H_a upon saturation of the PMe₃ protons clearly shows that the favored stereoisomer is the one depicted in eq 3.

Interestingly, the fulvene derivative **6** can be prepared by reaction of the indenyl complex $(\eta^3\text{-Ind})\text{Pd}[\text{CH-}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2](\text{PMe}_3)$ (7)⁷ with 2 equiv of CNBu-t. In an attempt to gain mechanistic information this transformation has been monitored by low temperature NMR spectroscopy. Only 1 equiv of the isocyanide reacts initially, and an η^1 -indenyl species **8** is cleanly formed at $-50\,^{\circ}\text{C}$ (Scheme 2). Particularly informative from a structural point of view is the presence of a doublet in

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the $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum at δ 48.15 ($^2J_{\text{CP}}=69$ Hz). This is assigned to the methyne group of the Pd-CH-(ind) moiety and the strong $^{13}\text{C}-^{31}\text{P}$ coupling is indicative of the trans disposition of the η^1 -indenyl ligand with respect to the PMe3 group. The spectroscopic data recorded for **8** are similar to those found for other transition metal η^1 -indenyl complexes that have been reported in the literature. The clean formation of intermediate **8** implies that the isocyanide attacks selectively the Pd atom at one of the pseudoallylic positions of **7**, that which is trans with respect to the CH(SiMe3)2 group (Scheme 2).

If the reaction temperature is allowed to reach 0 °C, **8** gradually disappears and the resonances corresponding to the indenylfulvene species **6** (among those of other species) concomitantly grow up in the ¹H NMR spectrum of the reaction mixture.

Synthesis of Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(CNBu-t)**(PMe₃) (12).** To gain further information about the mechanism of formation of these palladafulvene complexes and with the expectation of isolating reaction intermediates we decided to study the related Pt system. As an entry to this chemistry the complex Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(cod) **(9)** (cod = 1,5-cyclooctadiene) was prepared by the procedure described¹³ by Young and co-workers for the synthesis of related alkyls (eq 4).

$$PtCl_{2}(cod) \xrightarrow{Mg[CH(SiMe_{3})_{2}]Cl} Pt[CH(SiMe_{3})_{2}]Cl(cod)$$
(4)

All the efforts directed to obtain a dimeric Pt complex similar to **1** by addition of 1 equiv of PMe₃ to solutions of **9** were unsuccessful, and equimolecular mixtures of unreacted starting material and the monomeric compound Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(PMe₃)₂ (**10**) were always ob-

tained. In accord with this result, the reaction of $\bf 9$ with 2 equiv of PMe₃ cleanly gives the bis(phophine) adduct $\bf 10$ (eq 5) which is generated as a kinetic mixture of the

+ unidentified species

cis and trans isomers in a 3:1 ratio. The former, i.e., the cis-10 isomer can be readily isolated by fractional crystallization from petroleum ether/Et₂O mixtures. The analysis of its ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum is straightforward¹⁴ and merits no further comment but for the trans isomer the corresponding spectrum is somewhat more complicated due to the restricted rotation around Pt-CH(SiMe₃)₂ bond. This behavior, also observed in the Pd analogue,7 makes the two PMe₃ ligands non equivalent in the NMR time scale at 25 °C, and therefore the ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum consists of the superposition of two spin systems: the ABX of the 196 Pt ($S = ^{1}/_{2}$)containing molecules (ca. 34%) and the AB that corresponds to other Pt isotopomers. The strong coupling constant between the two phosphorus nuclei (${}^{2}J_{PP} = 500$ Hz) demonstrates the mutual trans disposition of the phosphine ligands.15

Since the reaction of **9** with 1 equiv of PMe₃, already discussed, does not give the monophosphine complex analogue of **1** a different synthetic strategy was devised to prepare the desired mononuclear species Pt[CH-

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 $(SiMe_3)_2]Cl(CNBu-t)(PMe_3)$ (12). Treatment of **9** with 2 equiv of CNBu-t affords the complex Pt[CH(SiMe_3)_2]-Cl(CNBu-t)_2 (11) exclusively as the trans isomer (eq 6).

Analytical and spectroscopic data for this complex are collected in the Experimental Section and are in accord with the proposed formulation. When an equimolar mixture of *cis-*10 and *trans-*11 is dissolved in Et₂O and treated with a catalytic amount of CNBu-t (or PMe₃) a ligand redistribution reaction ¹⁶ takes place and complex 12 is generated as a mixture of the two isomers shown in eq 7 (4:1 ratio). The trans configuration of the major

species, **12a**, is attested by the strong coupling that exists between the methyne carbon, $CH(SiMe_3)_2$, and the phosphorus nucleus of the PMe₃ ligand ($\delta = 16.0$, $^2J_{CP} = 77$ Hz). ^{13a} As for the minor isomer **12b** the cis disposition of the PMe₃ and chloride ligands can be deduced from the analysis of the ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites of ³¹P-{¹H} NMR spectrum ($\delta - 15.3$, $^1J_{PPt} = 1750$ Hz). ¹⁴ It is interesting to note that the Pd derivative **2** stereochemistry is identical to the less favored Pt isomer **12b**.

Synthesis and Characterization of Platinafulvene Derivatives. In contrast with the behavior of **2**, the addition of an excess (≥ 2 equiv) of *tert*-butylisocyanide to **12** results in the isolation (ca. 75% yield) of a pure stable compound. This has been identified as the cationic species {Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂](CNBu- \hbar_2 (PMe₃)}Cl (**13**) (eq 8). This reaction is not unexpected. In fact, the displacement of a chloride ligand by an isocyanide is a well-known reaction in the chemistry of square-planar Pt(II) complexes.¹⁷ The proposed trans geometry of **13** is based on NMR spectroscopic studies ($^2J_{CP} = 54$ Hz for the *C*H(SiMe₃)₂ carbon nucleus) whereas its ionic formulation is in accord with its low solubility in Et₂O

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CNBu-}t\\ \text{excess} \\ \\ \text{12a,b} \\ \\ \text{12a,b} \\ \\ \text{Me}_{3}\text{P} \\ \\ \text{CNBu-}t\\ \\ \text{CH}(\text{SiMe}_{3})_{2} \\ \\ \text{CI}^{-} \\ \\ \text{(8)} \\ \\ \text{CI}^{-} \\ \\ \text{(8)} \\ \\ \text{CI}^{-} \\ \\ \text{(8)} \\ \\ \text{(8)}$$

and also with the observation of almost identical NMR spectroscopic parameters for the species that results when the chloride anion is replaced by the non coordinating BAr_4^- anion (Ar = 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)-phenyl). ¹⁸

Compound **13** reacts at low temperature with NaCp to produce a mixture of several compounds (³¹P NMR evidence) (eq 9). One of them, the platinafulvene **14a**

(δ Pt-CH(SiMe₃)₂ -3.0, $^2J_{CP}=69$ Hz), is isolated as a brown-yellow crystalline solid by crystallization from Et₂O:petroleum ether solutions in ca. 40% yield. The minor isomer **14b** has the PMe₃ cis to both the alkyl and the fulvene ligands (δ -7.5, d, $^2J_{CP}=5$ Hz, CH-(SiMe₃)₂ and δ 195, d, $^2J_{CP}=9$ Hz, fulvene exo carbon).

As shown in Figure 2, complex **14a** exhibits fluxional behavior in solution. The two rotamers \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{F} that are present at low temperatures in a ca. 1:7 ratio (acetone- d_6) interconvert rapidly in the NMR time scale at higher temperatures. They are assigned as \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{F} and are proposed to arise from restricted rotation around C-N bond (see canonical form \mathbf{D}) differing in

the spatial orientation of the Pt and Bu-t moieties (**E**, trans; **F**, cis; ¹⁹ Figure 2). The major rotamer **F** is

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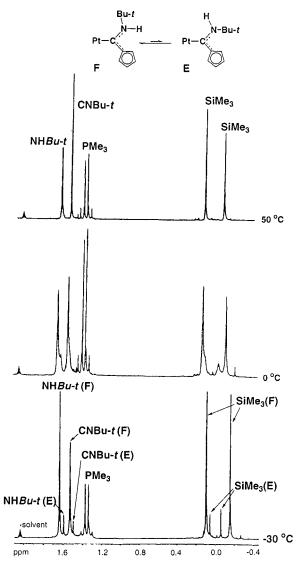


Figure 2. Variable temperature ¹H NMR spectra of 14a (acetone- d_6) in the range from 2.0 to -0.4 ppm.

characterized by a $^3J_{\rm HPt}$ coupling of 105 Hz between the N-H proton and the ¹⁹⁵Pt nucleus whereas for the minor, E, a value of ca. 40 Hz can be extracted from the ¹H NMR spectrum recorded in toluene at −30 °C. These data are similar to those previously reported for related species. 19b In keeping with these considerations only two resonances due to the C₅H₄ fragment can be observed in the ¹H NMR spectrum in the fast-exchange

Interestingly the minor isomer **14b**, which has trans PMe₃ and CNBu-t ligands (see eq 9), does not exhibit any sign of fluxionality and resembles in this regard the palladafulvene compounds already described. Hence for this species canonical form **D** has a smaller contribution to the electronic structure thereby explaining the higher double-bond character of the C_{exo} – C_5H_4 linkage and the faster rotation around the C_{exo} -N bond. The ${}^3J_{HPt}$ value of 70 Hz found for the amine proton of this complex clearly indicates the presence of fast equilibrating rotamers of types **E** and **F**.

Discussion

It appears reasonable to suggest that iminoacyl complexes of type A, formally derived from the migra-

tory insertion of CNBu-t into a $M-\eta^1$ -Cp' or $M-\eta^1$ -Ind linkage, are initially formed in the reactions leading to the metallafulvene complexes described in this paper. Subsequent tautomerization to the more stable enamine form (see for example **B**) leads to final products of these reactions. A similar transformation has been advanced to explain the generation of the keteneimine Ph3-HC₄=C=CNR in the reaction of PdCl₂(CNR)₂ with KC₅-Ph₃H, but the purported palladafulvene complex intermediate could not be detected.²⁰ To our knowledge compounds 4, 5, 6, and 14 find no precedent in the literature, even though complexes of the transition metals that contain fulvene ligands are well-known.²¹ In our view, their closest analogues are some cobaltafulvenes that possess a Co=C-CH=CH-CH=CH

delocalized fragment²² and a recently described tungsten derivative that has an N-deprotonated 6-aminofulvene ligand.10

The higher stability of the enamine form \mathbf{B} , as compared to the iminoacyl structure A, is unusual in transition metal chemistry, where the imine formulation is clearly predominant.²³ Moreover, organic enamines that contain a hydrogen atom bonded to nitrogen are commonly unstable with respect to their imine tautomers.²⁴ It is evident that the adoption of the enamine structure in the compounds described herein is due to the stability of the fulvene moiety, doubtless associated with the extensive electronic delocalization of this structure.25

In closing, some comments devoted to the mechanism of the reaction that leads to the proposed iminoacyl products with structure of type **A** appear appropriate. Two reactions pathways, routes **a** and **b** of Scheme 3, may be considered. The first involves initial attack at the metal cationic center by Cp' or indenyl ligand followed by a migratory insertion reaction. The second implicates direct attack at a coordinated isocyanide ligand. Despite our efforts we have been unable to distinguish conclusively between these possibilities. The observation of more than one stereoisomer in some of these reactions (for example **14a** and **14b**, eq 9) would be in favor of route **a** since a neutral five-coordinate species of the kind illustrated in Scheme 3 could readily undergo isomerization even at low temperatures. There is precedent in the literature for Pd- and Pt- η^1 -Cp complexes²⁶ as well as for five-coordinated M(II) compounds of these elements.²⁷ Furthermore, as already

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Scheme 3

mentioned related reactions that involve formal migratory insertions of unsaturated molecules into $M-\eta^1$ -Cp bonds are known.^{4a} Notwithstanding the above, the observations summarized in Scheme 3 are also consistent with route **b**, i.e., with a direct attack onto the coordinated isocyanide ligand.

As already mentioned, the addition of 2 equiv of CNBu-t to a solution of the palladium-indenyl complex 7 in THF- d_8 , maintained at -50 °C, gives the η^1 -indenyl derivative 8. Subsequent reaction with 1 equiv of NaCp at -30 °C leads to the fulvene complexes **4** and **6** in ca. 1:1 ratio, along with very small amounts of the η^5 -C₅H₅ derivative 3 (Scheme 4). These results may be interpreted by assuming indenyl displacement by the isocyanide²⁸ and formation of an undetected cationic bis(isocyanide) complex of palladium analogous to 13 that contains an η^0 -Cp or η^0 -Ind group as the counteranion,3,29 that is, with the generation of the fulvene derivatives entailing a direct attack onto a coordinated

isocyanide ligand. Similar mechanistic proposals have been suggested for somewhat related processes.³⁰ Hence, as already indicated, it is not clear whether our fulvene compounds are formed by either route a or b, the additional possibility also exists that both pathways may be operative under the reaction conditions.

Experimental Section

Microanalyses were performed by the Analytical Service of the University of Seville. The spectroscopic instruments used were Perkin-Elmer models 577 and 684 for IR spectra and Bruker AMX-300 and AMX-500 for NMR spectroscopy. Spectra are referenced to external SiMe₄ using the residual protio solvent peaks as internal standards (¹H NMR experiments) or the characteristic resonances of the solvent nuclei (13C NMR experiments). ³¹P{¹H} NMR chemical shifts are referenced to external 85% H₃PO₄. All preparations and other operations were carried out under oxygen-free nitrogen by conventional Schlenk techniques. Solvents were dried and degassed before use. The petroleum ether used had a boiling point of 40-60 °C. NaCp was prepared from NaH and freshly cracked

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dicyclopentadiene. Compounds {Pd[CH(SiMe₃)₂](μ -Cl)(PMe₃)}₂ (1), (η ³-Ind)Pd[CH(SiMe₃)₂](PMe₃) (7)⁷ and PtCl₂(cod)³¹ were prepared according to the reported procedures.

Preparation of Pd[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (2). CNBu-t (0.36 mmol, 0.36 mL of a 1 M solution in THF) was added to a cold (-30 °C) solution of complex 1 (0.14 g, 0.18 mmol) in Et₂O (10 mL). An instantaneous discoloration was observed and the mixture stirred at that temperature for 30 min. The solvent was stripped off in vacuo, and the white residue was extracted with a mixture of petroleum ether and Et₂O (1:1). Concentration and cooling at -30 °C provided compound 2 as a white crystalline solid in essentially quantitative yield. IR (Nujol): ν (CN) 2200 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (\hat{C}_6D_6 , 25 °C) δ 0.18 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HP}$ = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 0.28 (s, 18H, SiMe₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, CNCMe₃), 1.12 (d, ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 10.2$ Hz, 9H, PMe₃); ${}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ 4.0 (SiMe₃), 7.8 (CH- $(SiMe_3)_2)$, 13.8 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CP} = 32$ Hz, PMe₃), 29.0 (CMe₃), 56.7 (CMe₃), 138.2 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CP} = 170 \text{ Hz}$, CNBu-t); ${}^{31}P\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ -8.1.

Preparation of Pd[C(NHBu-t)=C(C₄H₄)][[CH(SiMe₃)₂]-(CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (4). A solution of complex 1 (0.19 g, 0.25 mmol) in Et₂O (30 mL) was cooled to -30 °C and treated with a solution of CNBu-t in THF (2.6 mL, 0.57 M, 1.48 mmol). The solution became colorless, and the formation of a white precipitate was observed. After stirring for 30 min at this temperature, a solution of NaCp was added (1.3 mL, 0.37 M, 0.48 mmol). The orange mixture formed was maintained at −30 °C for 15 min and after stirring for the same period of time at room temperature the solvent was evaporated under vacuo, and the residue was extracted with a mixture of petroleum ether/ethyl ether (30 mL, 2:1) and filtered. After concentration and cooling at -30 °C, complex 4 was obtained as white crystals (0.13 g, 45%). Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{43}N_2Si_2$ -PPd: C, 52.38; H, 8.97; N, 4.89. Found: C, 51.95; H, 8.85; N, 4.60. IR (Nujol): ν (NH) 3322, ν (CN) 2190 and 1508 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ -0.67 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HP}$ = 14.5 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 0.35 (s, 9H, SiMe₃), 0.50 (s, 9H, SiMe₃), 0.89 (s, 9H, CNCMe₃), 0.95 (d, ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 9.4$ Hz, 9H, PMe₃), 1.29 (s, 9H, NHCMe₃), 6.66 (m, 1H, CH_{fulv}), 6.80 (m, 2H, CH_{fulv}), 6.95 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.20 (m, 1H, CH_{fulv}); ${}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR ($CD_{2}Cl_{2}$, 25 °C) δ 0.5 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CP}$ = 5 Hz, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 4.6 (SiMe₃), 5.0 (SiMe₃), 15.1 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CP} = 32$ Hz, PMe₃), 29.6 (CMe₃), 31.4 (NHCMe₃), 53.5 (CMe₃), 57.7 (NHCMe₃), 102.2, 114.7, 120.4, 123.6 (CH_{fulv}), 129.2 (C= CC_4H_4), 139.1 (d, ${}^2J_{CP} = 154$ Hz, CNBu-t), 206.0 (d, ${}^2J_{CP} = 9$ Hz, $C = CC_4H_4$). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ -15.0.

Preparation of Pd[C(NHBu-t)=C(C₄H₃Me)][CH(SiMe₃)₂]-(CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (5). The methylcyclopentadienyl derivative 5 was obtained as a mixture of stereoisomers (NMR evidence) following a similar procedure to that described above but using NaC₅H₄Me. Fractional crystallization at −30 °C from petroleum ether solutions afforded only one stereoisomer, 5a, as white crystals. Yield 40%. IR (Nujol): ν (NH) 3330, ν (CN) 2182 and 1520 cm $^{-1}.~^{1}H$ NMR (C₆D $_{6}$, 25 °C) δ -0.69 (d, $^{3}J_{HP}$ $= 14.2 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH(SiMe_3)_2), 0.38 \text{ (s, 9H, SiMe_3)}, 0.51 \text{ (s, 9H, SiMe_3)}$ SiMe₃), 0.88 (s, 9H, CNCMe₃), 0.95 (d, ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 9.6$ Hz, 9H, PMe₃), 1.38 (s, 9H, NHCMe₃), 2.59 (s, 3H, Me-CC₄H₃), 6.47 (m, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 2.6$, ${}^{4}J_{HH} = 2.2$, ${}^{4}J_{HMe} = 1.1$ Hz, 1H, CH_{fulv}), 6.66 (dd, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 4.4 \text{ Hz}, {}^{3}J_{HH} = 2.6 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH_{fulv}), 6.99 \text{ (br s, 1H, NH)},$ 7.16 (dd, ${}^3J_{HH}=4.4$ Hz, ${}^4J_{HH}=2.2$ Hz, 1H, CH_{fulv}); ${}^{13}C\{{}^1H\}$ NMR (C_6D_6 , 25 °C) δ -0.3 (d, ${}^2J_{CP}=6$ Hz, $CH(SiMe_3)_2$), 4.9 (SiMe₃), 5.3 (SiMe₃), 14.5 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CP} = 31$ Hz, PMe₃), 19.0 (Me-CC₄H₃), 28.9 (CMe₃), 31.4 (NHCMe₃), 57.5 (CMe₃), 57.7 (NH- CMe_3), 115.0, 120.0, 124.6 (CH_{fulv}), 117.1 ($C=CC(Me)C_3H_3$), 129.0 (C=CC(Me)C₃H₃), 140.0 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CP} = 159$ Hz, CNBu-t), 200.6 (d, ${}^2J_{CP} = 8$ Hz, $C = CC(Me)C_3H_3$); ${}^{31}P\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (C_6D_6 , 25 °C) δ -16.3.

Preparation of Pd[C(NHBu-t)=C(C₈H₆)][[CH(SiMe₃)₂]-(CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (6). A solution of the dimer 1 (0.22 g, 0.28 mmol) in Et₂O (25 mL) was treated, at -30 °C, with a solution of CNBu-t in THF (1.2 mL, 1 M, 1.2 mmol). The solution became colorless, and, after stirring for 30 min at low temperature, a solution of LiInd (0.57 mmol, prepared by reaction of a solution of indene in Et₂O with *n*-BuLi) was added. The intense yellow mixture was stirred at $-30\,^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 30 min and then taken to dryness. The resulting oily residue was redissolved in Et₂O (3 mL), and purification was achieved by chromatography at −15 °C (alumina as the static phase and a 1:1 mixture of light petroleum/Et₂O as eluant). Compound 6 was recovered as a yellow band and concentration of this fraction, and cooling to -30 °C provided the product as a yellow powder. Yield 0.14 g (40%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₉H₅₃N₂Si₂-PPd: C, 55.89. Found: C, 55.59; H, 8.56; N, 4.57.; H, 8.51; N, 4.49. IR (Nujol): ν (NH) 3390, ν (CN) 2180 and 1530 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ -0.66 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HP}$ = 14.0 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 0.37 (s, 9.0 H, $SiMe_3$), 0.51 (s, 9H, $SiMe_3$), 0.76 (s, 9H, $CNCMe_3$), 0.87 (d, ${}^2J_{HP} = 9$ Hz, 9H, PMe_3), 1.40 (s, 9H, NHCMe₃), 6.99 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 4.7$ Hz, 1H, CH_{cpring}), 7.27 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.29 (t, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H, CH_{benzring}), 7.38 (t, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H, CH_{benzring}), 7.76 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 4.7$ Hz, 1H, CH_{cpring}), 7.83 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7.4 \text{ Hz}$, 1H, CH_{benzring}), 7.94 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7.7 \text{ Hz}$, 1H, CH_{benzring}); ${}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ -0.1 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CP} = 5$ Hz, $CH(SiMe_3)_2)$, 4.9 (SiMe₃), 5.2 (SiMe₃), 14.5 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CP} = 30$ Hz,

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Reaction of Complex 7 with CNBu-t. Formation of $Pd(\eta^1-C_9H_7)[CH(SiMe_3)_2](CNBu-t)(PMe_3)$ (8). A solution of complex 5 (13 mg, 0.03 mmol) in 0.5 mL of CD₂Cl₂ was placed in an NMR tube and treated at -70 °C with approximately 2 equiv of CNBu-t (7.5 μL). ¹H and ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra, registered at -50 °C, showed the quantitative formation of compound 8. When warmed to room-temperature decomposition of 8 was observed giving the metallafulvene 6 (30%, NMR) plus other unidentified species. Data for 8: ¹H NMR (CD₂-Cl₂, -50 °C) δ -0.48 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HP} = 19.6$ Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 0.13 (s, 9H, SiMe₃), 0.22 (s, 9H, SiMe₃), 1.01 (s, 9H, CNCMe₃), 1.27 (d, ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 8.9 \text{ Hz}$, 9H, PMe₃), 5.37 (br s, 1H, CH_{cpring}), 6.55 (t, 1H, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 3.8$ Hz, CH_{cpring}), 6.93 (m, 2H, $CH_{benzring}$), 7.02 (m, 1H, CH_{cpring}), 7.43 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 6.9$ Hz, 1H, CH_{benzring}), 7.51 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7.0 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{H}, CH_{benzring}); {}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\} NMR (CD_{2}Cl_{2}, -50)$ °C): δ 3.9 (SiMe₃), 4.6 (SiMe₃), 16.9 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CP} = 29$ Hz, PMe₃), 29.6 (coordinated CNCMe₃), 30.3 (free CNCMe₃), 48.2 (d, ²J_{CP} = 69 Hz, Pd-CH(ind)), 56.5 (CNCMe₃), 115.6 (d, ${}^{3}J_{CP}$ = 6 Hz, CH_{cpring}), 120.1, 120.7, 120.8, 122.6 (CH_{benzring}), 139.7 (CH_{cpring}), 141.4 (C_q), 153.5 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CP} = 4$ Hz, coordinated CNBu-t); ${}^{31}P\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (\dot{CD}_2Cl_2 , -50 °C) δ -16.6.

Reaction of Complex 7 with 2 Equiv of CNBu-t and 1 Equiv of NaCp. To a solution of complex 7 in CD₂Cl₂ (0.5 mL), at -30 °C, was added CNBu-t (10.5 μ L). After 10 min at this temperature, 1 equiv of NaCp (0.1 mL, 0.19 M in THF) was added by syringe into this solution. The resulting mixture was inmediately studied by NMR spectroscopy, and after 30 min the 1H NMR spectrum showed two doublets at δ –0.69 ($^3J_{HP}=14.5$ Hz) and –0.71 ($^3J_{HP}=14.5$ Hz) that correspond to the two possible fulvene species 4 and 6, together with a less intense doublet at δ –1.21 ($^3J_{HP}=11.2$ Hz) due to the presence of 3. The $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ NMR spectrum consisted of two singlets at δ –15.2 and –15.6 assigned to the two fulvene complexes, and one singlet at δ –4.4 for 3 (5:5:1 ratio, respectively). When 4 equiv of CNBu-t was used in the reaction, the mentioned ratio of these species was 15:15:1.

Preparation of Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(cod) (9). To a cold (-70 °C) stirred suspension of PtCl₂(cod) (2.35 g, 6.28 mmol) in Et₂O (30 mL) was added a solution of Mg[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl in Et₂O (28 mL, 0.22 N, 6.28 mmol) dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 3 days. Filtration, concentration, and cooling to -30 °C furnished complex **9** as white crystals. Yield 1.6 g (45%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₃₁Si₂ClPt: C, 36.16; H, 6.23. Found: C, 36.23; H, 6.44. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, -60 °C) δ 0.12 (s, 18H, SiMe₃), 0.57 (s, $^2J_{HPt} = 64$ Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 2.1–2.6 (m, 8H, CH₂(cod)), 4.42 (m, $^2J_{HPt} = 73$ Hz, 2H, CH(cod)), 5.35 (m, $^2J_{HPt} = 36$ Hz, 2H, CH(cod)); 13 C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ 4.2 (SiMe₃), 23.2 ($^1J_{CPt} = 570$ Hz, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 28.2 ($^2J_{CPt} = 9$ Hz, CH₂(cod)), 31.7 ($^2J_{CPt} = 10$ Hz, CH₂(cod)), 85.0 ($^1J_{CPt} = 213$ Hz, CH(cod)), 111.3 ($^2J_{CPt} = 42$ Hz, CH(cod)).

Preparation of Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(PMe₃)₂ (10). PMe₃ (1.2 mmol, 1.2 mL of a 1 M solution in THF) was added to a solution of complex 9 (0.26 g, 0.52 mmol) in Et₂O (15 mL) at room temperature. After stirring for 8 h, the reaction mixture was taken to dryness and the resulting oily white residue was extracted into a 2:1 mixture of petroleum ether/Et2O. Crystallization at -30 °C afforded only the cis isomer as white crystals (0.14 g, 50%). Concentration of the mother liquor and cooling at -30 °C provided white crystals of the trans isomer (0.03 g, 10%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₃₇Si₂P₂ClPt: C, 28.79; H, 6.83. Found: C, 28.43; H, 7.01. Data for cis-10: 1H NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ 0.05 (s, 18H, SiMe₃), 0.18 (dd, ${}^{3}J_{HP} = 11.0$, ${}^{3}J_{HP} = 9.0$ Hz, 1H, $CH(SiMe_3)_2$), 1.02 (d, ${}^2J_{HP} = 10.0$ Hz, 9H, PMe₃), 1.06 (d, ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 8.9$ Hz, 9H, PMe₃); ${}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ 6.1 (SiMe₃), 11.8 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CP} = 77 \text{ Hz}$, ${}^{1}J_{CPt} = 477 \text{ Hz}$, $CH(SiMe_{3})_{2}$), 14.8 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CP} = 30$ Hz, PMe₃), 17.3 (dd, ${}^{1}J_{CP} = 42$ Hz, ${}^{2}J_{CP} = 3$

Hz, PMe₃); 3 P{ 1 H} NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ –17.3 (d, ${}^{2}J_{PP}$ =15, ${}^{1}J_{PPt}$ = 1830 Hz) and –28.2 (d, ${}^{2}J_{PP}$ = 15, ${}^{1}J_{PPt}$ = 4150 Hz). Data for *trans*-**10**: 1 H NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ 0.03 (s, 9H, SiMe₃), 0.06 (s, 9H, SiMe₃), 0.48 (dd, ${}^{3}J_{HP}$ = 15.0 Hz, ${}^{3}J_{HP}$ = 10.0 Hz, 1H, C*H*(SiMe₃)₂), 1.46 (dd, ${}^{2}J_{HP}$ = 8.6 Hz, ${}^{3}J_{HP}$ = 1.0 Hz, 9H, PMe₃), 1.56 (dd, ${}^{2}J_{HP}$ = 8.4 Hz, ${}^{3}J_{HP}$ = 2.0 Hz, 9H, PMe₃); 3 P-{ 1 H} NMR (C₆D₆, 25 °C) δ –12.0 (d, ${}^{2}J_{PP}$ = 500 Hz, ${}^{1}J_{PPt}$ = 2760 Hz) and –19.1 (d, ${}^{2}J_{PP}$ = 500 Hz, ${}^{1}J_{PPt}$ = 2840 Hz).

Preparation of Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(CNBu-t)₂ (11). To a solution of compound **9** (0.26 g, 0.52 mmol) in Et₂O (15 mL) was added a solution of CNBu-t in toluene (2.2 mL, 0.49 M, 1.04 mmol) at room temperature, and the mixture stirred for a period of 8 h. The solvent was removed completely in vacuo, and the resulting oily residue crystallized from petroleum ether at −30 °C to give **11** as a white microcrystalline solid. Yield 0.14 g (50%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₃₇N₂Si₂ClPt: C, 36.71; H, 6.66; N, 5.04. IR (Nujol): ν(CN) 2192 cm⁻¹. Found: C, 36.93; H, 6.75; N, 4.69. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ 0.05 (s, 18H, SiMe₃), 0.42 (s, $^2J_{\text{HPt}}$ = 93 Hz, 1H, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 1.52 (s, 18H, CNCMe₃); 13 C{ 1 H} NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ −7.5 ($^1J_{\text{CPt}}$ = 509 Hz, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 3.71 (SiMe₃), 29.9 (CMe₃), 58.0 (CMe₃), 129.5 (CNCMe₃).

Preparation of Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂]Cl(CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (12). To a mixture of complexes cis-10 (0.045 g, 0.08 mmol) and 11 (0.045 g, 0.08 mmol) in Et₂O (10 mL) was added a trace of CNBu-*t*, and the mixture stirred for 8 h at room temperature. After that period, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the product extracted into 10 mL of a mixture of petroleum ether/Et₂O (3:1). By concentration and cooling to -30 °C, a white crystalline solid was obtained. Yield 0.048 g (50%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₃₇NSi₂PClPt: C, 32.8; H, 6.74; N, 2.55. Found: C, 33.10; H, 6.95; N, 2.52. IR (Nujol): ν -(CN) 2178 cm⁻¹. Data for the major species **12a**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ 0.45 (s, 18H, SiMe₃), 0.97 (s, 9H, CNCMe₃), 1.09 (d, ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 10.0 \text{ Hz}$, 9H, PMe₃); ${}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ 4.4 (SiMe₃), 14.1 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CP}$ = 30 Hz, PMe₃), 16.0 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CP}$ = 77 Hz, CH(SiMe₃)₂), 30.0 (CMe₃), 58.0 (CMe₃); ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ –18.0 (${}^{1}J_{PPt}$ = 1660 Hz). Data for the minor species **12b**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ 0.64 (s, 18H, SiMe₃), 0.87 (s, 9H, CNC Me_3), 1.06 (d, ${}^2J_{HP} = 10.0 \text{ Hz}$, 9H, PMe₃); ${}^{31}P_{-}$ {¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C): δ -15.3 (¹ J_{PPt} = 1750 Hz).

Preparation of {Pt[CH(SiMe₃)₂](CNBu-t)₂(PMe₃)}Cl (13). To a solution of complex 12 (0.13 g, 0.24 mmol) in Et₂O (10 mL) was added a solution of CNBu-t in THF (0.74 mL, 1 M, 0.74 mmol) at room temperature. After approximately 5 min, the precipitation of a white solid was observed and the reaction mixture stirred for 30 min. The solvent was completely evaporated leaving a white solid. This residue was washed with petroleum ether (10 mL) and dried in vacuo. Yield 0.11 g (75%). A sample of this complex of microanalytical purity has proved difficult to be obtained. The formation of this complex is however secured by the isolation of the related BAr₄⁻ derivative (see below) which gives reliable analytical data. 1 H NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ 0.15 (s, 18H, SiMe₃), 0.70 (d, ${}^{3}J_{HP} = 8.0, {}^{2}J_{HPt} = 71 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH(SiMe_{3})_{2}), 1.95 \text{ (d, } {}^{2}J_{HP} =$ 10.0 Hz, 9H, PMe₃) 1.63 (s, 18H, CNC \textit{Me}_3); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ 4.3 (SiMe₃), 7.6 (s, ${}^{2}J_{CP} = 54$ Hz, ${}^{1}J_{CPt} = 332$ Hz, $CH(SiMe_3)_2$), 15.6 (d, ${}^1J_{CP} = 35$ Hz, PMe₃), 29.8 and 29.9 (CMe_3) , 60.3 and 60.6 (CMe_3), 125.8 ($^1J_{CPt} = 1460$ Hz, CNC_3 Me₃), and 127.3 (${}^{1}J_{CPt} = 1430 \text{ Hz}$, $CNCMe_{3}$); ${}^{31}P\{{}^{1}H\} \text{ NMR}$ (CDCl₃, 25 °C) δ -21.5 (${}^{1}J_{PPt}$ = 1560 Hz).

Preparation of Complex 13 with BAr₄⁻ as the Counterion (Ar = 3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl). Complex 13 (0.10 g, 0.18 mmol) and NaBAr₄ (0.16 g, 0.18 mmol) were dissolved in Et₂O (15 mL) at room temperature. The formation of a cloudy precipitate was immediately observed. After 15 min of stirring the reaction mixture was filtered, the volume of the resulting solution was reduced to 5 mL and then cooled to -70 °C. Petroleum ether (10 mL) was then added, and the pale yellow solid obtained isolated by filtration and dried under vacuum. Yield: 0.14 g (50%). IR (Nujol): ν (CN) 2200 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd for C₅₂H₅₈F₂₄N₂BSi₂PPt: C, 42.77; H, 3.97; N, 1.91. Found: C, 42.05; H, 3.92; N, 1.84.

Preparation of Pt[C(NHBu-t)=C(C₄H₄)][CH(SiMe₃)₂]-(CNBu-t)(PMe₃) (14). To a cold $(-30 \, ^{\circ}\text{C})$ suspension of complex 13 (0.08 g, 0.128 mmol) in Et₂O (20 mL) was added a solution of NaCp in THF (3.2 mL, 0.04 M, 0.13 mmol) via syringe. The cooling bath was removed, and as it was warmed, the reaction mixture developed a yellow coloration. After 30 min at room temperature, the solvent was removed in vacuo, leaving a brown residue. ¹H and ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectroscopy showed that the residue was comprised of a mixture of 14a and **14b**, in an approximate 2:1 molar ratio, and, of a third unidentified species. After extraction into a 2:1 mixture of light petroleum/Et₂O (15 mL) the solution was filtered. The resulting yellow solution was reduced in volume and cooled to -30 °C to afford the major isomer 14a as brown-yellow crystals (0.035 g, 40%). Anal. Calcd for C25H53N2Si2PPt: C, 45.36; H, 7.77; N, 4.23. Found: C, 45.45; H, 7.80; N, 3.90. IR (Nujol): ν (NH) 3350, ν (CN) 2160 and 1520 cm⁻¹. Data for the major species **14a**: 1 H NMR (CD₃COCD₃, -50 $^{\circ}$ C) δ -0.18 (s, 9H, SiMe₃), 0.08 (s, 9H, SiMe₃), 1.35 (d, ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 10.0$ Hz, 9H, PMe₃), 1.48 (s, 9H, CNCMe₃), 1.58 (s, 9H, NHCMe₃), 5.70 (m, 1H, CH_{fulv}), 5.74 (m, 1H, CH_{fulv}), 6.14 (m, 1H, CH_{fulv}), 6.60 (m, 1H, CH_{fulv}), 7.60 (br s, ${}^3J_{HPt} = 105$ Hz, 1H, NH); ${}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR $(CD_3COCD_3, -50 \, ^{\circ}C) \, \delta -3.0 \, (d, \, ^2J_{CP} = 69 \, Hz, \, CH(SiMe_3)_2),$ 5.6 (SiMe₃), 6.5 (SiMe₃),13.9 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CP} = 33$ Hz, PMe₃), 29.9 (CNCMe₃), 31.4 (NHCMe₃), 54.3 (CNCMe₃), 59.1 (NHCMe₃), 105.1, 113.9, 115.6, 124.8 (CH_{fulv}), 128.4 ($C=CC_4H_4$), 193.8 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CP} = 11 \text{ Hz}, C = CC_{4}H_{4}); {}^{31}P\{{}^{1}H\} \text{ NMR (CD}_{3}COCD_{3}, -50 °C):$ δ -24.2 (s, ${}^{1}J_{PPt} = 1970$ Hz).

X-ray Structure Determination of Complex 5a. The crystal selected for the X-ray study contained half a molecule of 1,2-dimethoxyethane of crystallization per asymmetric unit. Crystallographic data can be found in Table 2. A yellow plate having approximate dimensions of $0.28 \times 0.15 \times 0.30$ mm was mounted on a glass fiber and transferred to an AFC6S-Rigaku single-crystal diffractometer. The cell parameters were obtained from the settings of 25 reflections ranged 11.61 < θ < 17.73°. The data were collected in the interval $5 < \theta < 45^\circ$, using the ω -2 θ scan method at a speed of 8°/min. The standard reflections were intensity controlled for decay correction (the final decay was 16%). Absorption (ψ scan method and transmission factors ranged 0.93-1.00), Lorentz, and polarization corrections were also applied. The structure was solved by the Patterson method and phase expansion and refinement of the remainder of the structure. All nonhydrogen atoms in the complex molecule were anisotropically refined, the carbon and oxygen atoms in the solvate were isotropically refined by full-matrix least-squares methods. Approximately half of the hydrogen atoms were localized in difference Fourier maps and the rest have been placed at the calculated positions. Refinements concluded with R = 0.051, $R_{\rm w} = 0.055$, and goodness of fit 1.24. Scattering factors were

Table 2. Crystal and Refinement Data for 5a

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empirical formula	$PdC_{29}H_{53}PN_{2}Si_{2}\cdot ^{1}/_{2}C_{4}H_{10}O_{2}$	
fw	632.32	
cryst syst	triclinic	
space group	<i>P</i> 1	
a (Å)	16.254(5)	
b (Å)	11.101(2)	
c (Å)	11.081(2)	
α (deg)	90.60(2)	
β (deg)	70.52(2)	
γ (deg)	83.78(2)	
$U(\mathring{A}^3)$	1872(2)	
Z	2	
F(000)	674	
$D_{\rm c}~({ m g~cm^{-3}})$	1.122	
temp (K)	290	
cryst dimens (mm)	0.28 imes 0.15 imes 0.36	
diffractometer	AFC6S-Rigaku	
radiation	graphite-monochromated	
	Mo Kα ($\lambda = 0.710 69 \text{ Å}$)	
$\mu(\text{Mo K}\alpha) \text{ (cm}^{-1})$	6.12	
scan technique	$\omega/2\theta$	
scan rate	8.0°/min (in ω) (3 scans)	
scan width	$(1.05 + 0.30 \text{ tan})^{\circ}$	
$ heta_{ ext{max}}$	45.1°	
no. of reflcns measd	total: 5104	
	unique: $4898 (R_{int} = 0.080)$	
detector aperture	6.0 mm horizontal	
	6.0 mm vertical	
no. of obsd data $(I \ge 3(I))$	2654	
structure solution	Patterson method	
refinement	full-matrix least-squares	
function minimized	$W(F_0 - F_c)^2$	
least-squares weights	$4F_0^{2/2}(F_0^2)$	
<i>p</i> -factor	0.03	
anomalous dispersion	all non-hydrogen atoms	
reflcn/param ratio	8.83	
R_{F} (%)	5.1	
R_{w} (%)	5.5	
goodness of fit indicator	1.24	
max shift/error	0.03	
abs cor range	0.93 - 1.00	

taken from those included in the TEXSAN system,³² running on a DEC VAX 3520 at the Servicios Centralizados de Ciencia y Tecnología, Universidad de Cádiz.

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