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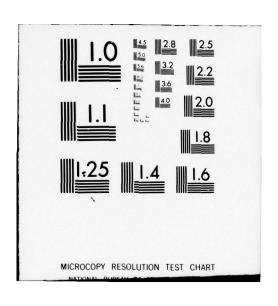








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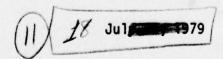
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Abstract: Irradiation of $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_6$ in the presence of $\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_6$ yields $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)(\operatorname{n}^3-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_7)\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_2$ via a sequence of light-induced reactions involving substitution, $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_n(\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_6)$ $(\operatorname{n}=5,4)$; oxidative addition, $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_3\operatorname{H}$; and hydrometallation, $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)(\operatorname{n}^3-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_7)\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_2$. The sequence of events can be followed by monitoring the infrared spectral changes in the CO stretching region. An authentic sample of $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_3\operatorname{H}$ cleanly yields $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)(\operatorname{n}^3-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_7)\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_2$ when irradiated in the presence of $\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_6$; the 355 nm quantum yield for this reaction is 0.12 ± 0.02 . Photoinduced hydrometallation of $\operatorname{C}_5(\operatorname{CH}_3)_5\operatorname{H}$, trans-trans-2,4-hexadiene, 1,4-pentadiene, trans-1,3-pentadiene also appears to obtain upon irradiation of $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_3\operatorname{H}$ in the presence of the diene. Irradiation of $\operatorname{Cr(CO)}_6$ in the presence of $\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_6$ yields $\operatorname{Cr(CO)}_2(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)(\operatorname{n}^3-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_7)$.

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Sir:

We wish to report new results pertaining to photoreaction of low-valent metal carbonyls in the presence of olefins. The systems reported on here are $\operatorname{Mo}(\operatorname{CO})_6$ and $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)\operatorname{Mo}(\operatorname{CO})_3\operatorname{H}$ irradiated in the presence of cyclopentadiene, $\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_6$. These particular systems are important inasmuch as $\operatorname{Mo}(\operatorname{CO})_6$ is a known catalyst precursor under photochemical conditions for the isomerization of olefins and 1,4-hydrogenation of 1,3-dienes, and $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5)\operatorname{Mo}(\operatorname{CO})_3\operatorname{H}$ is reported to be a stoichiometric reducing agent for converting 1,3-dienes to alkenes. Further, $\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_6$ is a source of $\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_5$ in metal complexes, when reacted with an appropriate precursor. Generally, using light to effect an individual step in a catalytic or stoichiometric process may provide for greater specificity or rate or change the course of events altogether. In the systems under consideration here, Mo-CO dissociation is likely a thermally rate limiting process at room temperature which can be substantively altered by optical excitation. Fig. 1.

Our first interest in the $Mo(CO)_6/C_5H_6$ system actually began some years ago when we attempted the photoassisted 1,4-hydrogenation of C_5H_6 to cyclopentene under the conditions 2 giving efficient hydrogenation of those 1,3-dienes which can easily achieve, or are held in, an $\underline{s-cis}$ conformation. Little catalytic chemistry occurred using $Cr(CO)_6$ the catalyst precursor in the attempted hydrogenation of C_5H_6 , though large

spectral changes obtained upon irradiation. We now present the results of a study of the irradiation of $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_6$ or $\operatorname{Cr(CO)}_6$ in the presence of $\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_6$. Irradiation $(355\pm20~\mathrm{nm},~2\times10^{-6}~\mathrm{ein/min})$ at $25^\circ\mathrm{C}$ of $5\times10^{-3}\mathrm{M}$ $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_6$ in a degassed isooctane solution of freshly distilled $0.1\underline{\mathrm{M}}$ $\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_6$ rapidly yields chemical reaction which can be monitored by ir spectroscopy in the CO-stretching region. In accord with very early findings associated with irradiation of $\operatorname{M(CO)}_6$ $(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Cr},~\mathrm{Mo},~\mathrm{W})$ in the presence of olefins, 6 the ir spectral changes initially correspond to formation of $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_5(\mathrm{n}^2-\mathrm{C}_5\mathrm{H}_6)$ with ir bands as given in Table I, equation (1). This primary photoproduct, however, absorbs in the near-uv

$$Mo(CO)_6 \xrightarrow{hv} Mo(CO)_5 + CO \xrightarrow{C_5H_6} Mo(CO)_5(\eta^2 - C_5H_6)$$
 [1]

and is itself photosensitive under the conditions used to produce it.

Continued irradiation of the $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_6$ / $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_5(\operatorname{n}^2-\operatorname{c}_5\operatorname{H}_6)/\operatorname{c}_5\operatorname{H}_6$ mixture results in the further decline of $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_6$ and growth of other Mo-carbonyl species. Ir bands of greater and lesser importance appear at 2043(w), 2029(w), 1961(s), and 1912(w), cm⁻¹ and ultimately, two prominent features at 1880 and 1950 cm⁻¹ appear. The strong 1961 cm⁻¹ feature is attributable to $\operatorname{trans-Mo(CO)}_4(\operatorname{n}^2-\operatorname{c}_5\operatorname{H}_6)_2$ on the basis of its intensity dependence in time and the fact that $\operatorname{trans-Mo(CO)}_4(\operatorname{n}^2-1,3-\operatorname{butadiene})_2$ has a similar feature at 1965 cm⁻¹. The bands at 2043 and 1912 cm⁻¹ may be due to $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_4(\operatorname{n}^4-\operatorname{c}_5\operatorname{H}_6)$ or to $\operatorname{cis-Mo(CO)}_4(\operatorname{n}^2-\operatorname{c}_5\operatorname{H}_6)_2$; presumably the other two features for such complexes in the 1965-1940 cm⁻¹ range are obscured by the 1961 and 1957 cm⁻¹ absorptions of $\operatorname{trans-Mo(CO)}_4(\operatorname{n}^2-\operatorname{c}_5\operatorname{H}_6)_2$ and $\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_5(\operatorname{n}^2-\operatorname{c}_5\operatorname{H}_6)$, respectively. The weak band at 2029 cm⁻¹ identically matches the highest energy CO-stretching absorption of an authentic sample of $(\operatorname{n}^5-\operatorname{c}_5\operatorname{H}_5)\operatorname{Mo(CO)}_3\operatorname{H}^8$, but

the 1946 cm⁻¹ band of this complex is obscured. The bands at 1950 and 1880 cm⁻¹ identically match those from an authentic sample of $\text{Mo(CO)}_2(\eta^5-\text{C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^3-\text{C}_5\text{H}_7)$. This product is somewhat photosensitive, and it, too, ultimately reacts. Yields of up to ~20% (based on ir absorption) of $\text{Mo(CO)}_2(\eta^5-\text{C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^3-\text{C}_5\text{H}_7)$ can be realized starting with Mo(CO)_6 . Interestingly, the irradiation of Cr(CO)_6 in the presence of C_5H_6 results in ir bands at 1942 and 1880 cm⁻¹ which we attribute to $\text{Cr(CO)}_2(\eta^5-\text{C}_5\text{H}_5)(\eta^3-\text{C}_5\text{H}_7)$. The formation of such products possibly accounts for our inability to effect the 1,4-hydrogenation of C_5H_6 at 1 atm. H₂ pressure.

Equations (1)-(4) represent a plausible sequence of photochemical

$$Mo(co)_5(\eta^2-c_5H_6) \xrightarrow{hv} Mo(co)_4(\eta^4-c_5H_6) + co$$
 (2)

$$Mo(CO)_4(\eta^4-C_5H_6) \xrightarrow{hv} (\eta^5-C_5H_5)Mo(CO)_3H + CO$$
 (3)

$$(n^5-c_5H_5)Mo(CO)_3H + c_5H_6 \xrightarrow{hv} Mo(CO)_2(n^5-c_5H_5)(n^3-c_5H_7) + CO$$
 (4)

reactions leading to the formation of the $Mo(CO)_2(\eta^5-C_5H_5)(\eta^3-C_5H_7)$. Irradiation of $trans-Mo(CO)_4(\eta^2-C_5H_6)_2$ may also give rise to this product; isolation and characterization of both tetracarbonyl species is of interest. But whatever the mechanism, the product reflects the fact that C_5H_6 binds, oxidatively adds, and undergoes hydrometallation. The reactive, doubly allylic C-H bonds and the stability of $\eta^5-C_5H_5$ complexes promotes the formation of the $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Mo(CO)_3H$ upon photogeneration of coordinatively unsaturated intermediates in the presence of C_5H_6 .

Irradiation of an authentic sample of $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Mo(CO)_3H^{11}$ in the presence of C_5H_6 leads to the clean formation of $Mo(CO)_2(\eta^5-C_5H_5)(\eta^3-C_5H_7)^{12}$ according to equation (4). Inasmuch as the hydride is conveniently synthesized, equation (4) represents the synthetic procedure of choice for $Mo(CO)_2(\eta^5-C_5H_5)(\eta^3-C_5H_7)$. The 355 nm quantum yield is 0.12 ± 0.02 . Figure 1 shows the ir spectral changes accompanying a typical photoreaction. We conclude that the formation of product proceeds via photogeneration of $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Mo(CO)_2H$ followed by thermal

reaction with C_5H_6 . An alternative mechanism involving $(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5) \text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3$ radicals as in the simple substitution of $(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5) \text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3 \text{H}^{13}$ appears to be ruled out by the following experiment. Visible light (514.5 nm) irradiation of $(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5)_2\text{Mo}_2(\text{CO})_6$ in the presence of $(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5) \text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3 \text{H}$ and C_5H_6 does not lead to $\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_2(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5)(n^3 \cdot C_5H_7)$ $(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5)_2\text{Mo}_2(\text{CO})_6$ is a known photochemical source of $(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5) \text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3$ radicals. ¹⁴ Irradiation of $(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5) \text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3 \text{H}$ in the presence of other dienes such as $\underline{\text{trans}} - 1, 3$ -pentadiene, $\underline{\text{trans}}, \underline{\text{trans}} - 2, 4$ -hexadiene, 1, 4-pentadiene, and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5-pentamethylcyclopentadiene results in ir spectral changes consistent with the formation of $\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_2(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5)(n^3 \cdot \text{ally1})$ complexes. Establishing the role of such complexes in the formation of alkenes from 1, 3-dienes using $(n^5 \cdot C_5H_5) \text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3 \text{H}$ is the object of continuing studies in this laboratory.

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Table I. Infrared Spectral Band Maxima for Pertinent Complexes.

Complex	Band Maxima, cm ⁻¹ (ε, M ⁻¹ cm ⁻¹)a
Mo(CO) ₆	1988 (53,800)
(n ⁵ -c ₅ H ₅)Mo(c0) ₃ H	2029 (5340); 1946 (9190)
Mo(C0) ₂ (n ⁵ -c ₅ H ₅)(n ³ -c ₅ H ₇)	1950 (6290); 1880 (6010)
Mo(CO) ₅ (n ² -c ₅ H ₆)	2079 (1); 1957 (8); 1944 (4)
trans -Mo(CO) ₄ (n ² -C ₅ H ₅) ₂	() 1961
cr(co) ₆	1987 (51,700)

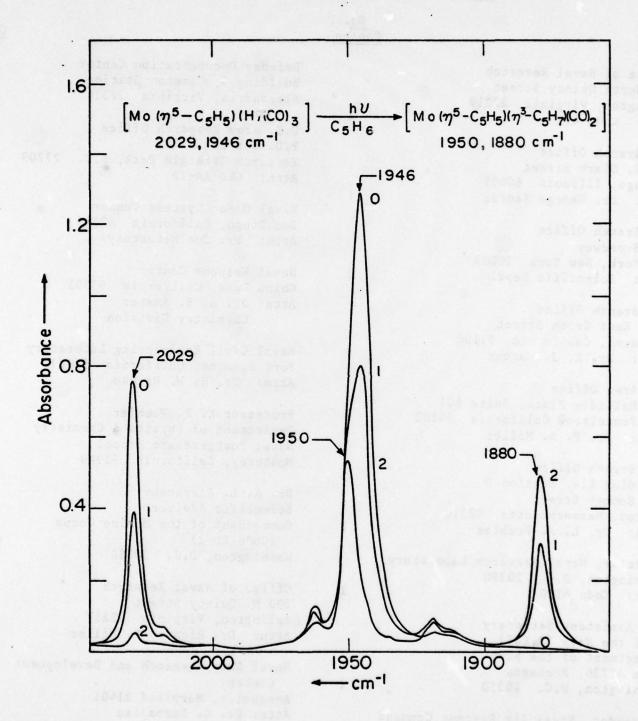
1942 (1.14; 1880 (1.0)

cr(c0)2(n5-c5H5)(n3-c5H7)

meter. Numbers in parentheses which are underlined represent relative absorbance for ^aAll data recorded at 25°C in alkane solvent employing a Perkin Elmer 180 ir spectrothat complex.

Figure Caption

<u>Figure 1.</u> Infrared spectral changes accompanying 355 ± 20 nm irradiation (2 x 10^{-6} ein/sec) of degassed 1.0 ml isooctane solutions of 1.4 x 10^{-2} M (5 - 5 - 5 H₅)Mo(CO)₃H and 0.6M 5 C₅H₆. Trace 0 was before exposure to the irradiation and curves 1 and 2 are after 0.5 and 4.0 h of irradiation, respectively. Ir spectra were recorded in 0.1 mm pathlength NaCl cells.



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