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INTRODUCTION

This report describes work carried out under Grant Number AFOSR 82-0070 during the period 01 Mar 82 - 28 Feb 86. We have previously submitted through the European Office of Aerospace Research and Development three Interim Reports, as well as reprints and preprints of various scientific journal articles resulting from work carried out under the Grant.

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RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

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As described in our original proposal (Feb. 81) the objective of the research was to devise new systematic syntheses of polynuclear metal complexes containing bonds between metal atoms of different transition elements. Cluster compounds constitute an almost marginal state of molecular matter, and heteronuclear species offer exciting possibilities for new chemistry in relation to selective activation of different substrates at different metal centres, differing redox character of individual metal atoms, and the preparation of polymetallic crystallites of importance to heterogeneous catalysis. We proposed to establish the molecular structures of the new species produced, investigate any dynamic behaviour, and study reactions of the cluster frameworks with substrate moelcules in order to discover new reactivity patterns. In practice, over the four year period the research program closely followed the original plan.

RESEARCH PROGRESS.

Polynuclear Ruthenium Carbonyl Complexes Containing Gold, Silver, and Copper.

Compounds in which gold-containing groups are bonded to transition elements were first obtained about twenty years ago. However, it became

Reference numbers in text refer to cumulative list of journal articles on pages 19 - 21.

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apparent^{*} that an isolobal relationship exists between the groups CH_3 , H and $AuPR_3$. This prompted us to design a rational synthesis of polynuclear metal species containing $AuPPh_3$ groups. The strategy involved treatment of a polynuclear transition metal hydride complex with $[AuMe(PPh_3)]$. Methane is eliminated and the $AuPPh_3$ group replaces H in the structure.

Our method proved to be very successful, particularly in the preparation of gold— ruthenium clusters.^{3,4,7} Some examples of compounds prepared and fully characterised by <u>X</u>-ray diffraction studies are given in Figures 1- 5. When more than one AuPPh₃ group is introduced into the cluster Au — Au bonds form (Figures 3 and 4). The compound $[Au_3Ru_4(\mu_3-H)(C0)_{12}-(PPh_3)_3]$ is interesting in that it contains seven metal atoms.⁷



Figure 1. Molecular structure of $[AuRu_3(\mu-COMe)(CO)_{10}(PPh_3)]$.

(a) R. Hoffmann, <u>Angew.Chem., Int.Ed.Engl.</u>, 1982, <u>21</u>, 711; (b) K. Wade,
in 'Transition Metal Clusters', ed. B.F.G. Johnson, Wiley, New York, 1980,
ch. 3; (c) D.G. Evans and D.M.P. Mingos, J.Organomet.Chem., 1982, <u>232</u>, 171.







Figure 3. Molecular structure of $[Au_3Ru_3(\mu_3-COMe)(CO)_9(PPh_3)_3]$. Three carbonyl ligands on Ru(3), labelled (7), (8), and (9), have been omitted because they are obscured by the bonds Ru(3)-Au(3), Ru(3)-Ru(1), and Ru(3)-Ru(2), respectively.

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Figure 4. The molecular structure of $[Au_3Ru_4(\mu_3-H)(CO)_{12}(PPh_3)_3]$. As part of our work we investigated the reaction between $[AuMe(PPh_3)]$ and $[Ru_3(\mu-H)_2(\mu_3-S)(CO)_9]$ and in this manner prepared the compounds $[AuRu_3(\mu-H)(\mu_3-S)(CO)_8(PPh_3)L]$ and $[Au_2Ru_3(\mu_3-S)(CO)_8(PPh_3)_2L]$ (L = CO or PPh_3). These are the first examples of cluster complexes containing gold, ruthenium and sulphur. Of particular significance was the observation $\underline{via}^{31}P-\{^{1}H\}$ n.m.r. spectroscopy of dynamic behaviour in solution for these compounds, involving site exchange of the gold atoms.³ The molecular structure of $[Au_2Ru_3(\mu_3-S)(CO)_8(PPh_3)_3]$ is shown in Figure 5. The probable



Figure 5. Molecular structure of $[Au_2Ru_3(\mu_3-S)(CO)_8(PPh_3)_3]$, phenyl groups have been omitted for clarity.

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mechanism for rearrangement of the latter complex is shown schematically in Figure 6.



Figure 6. Polytopal site-exchange of Au and Ru sites in $[Au_2Ru_3(\mu_3-S)-(C0)_8(PPh_3)_3]$ observed in solution <u>via</u> ³¹P-{¹H} n.m.r. studies (see ref. 3). The process involves a restricted Berry <u>pseudo</u>-rotation.

 \bigcirc = Au, a = Ru, b = S

We have also prepared a series of hexanuclear metal clusters $[MM^{Ru}_{4}^{-}(\mu_{3}^{-}H)_{2}^{(CO)}_{12}^{(PPh}_{3})_{2}]$ (M = M⁻ = Cu, Ag or Au; M = Ag or Au, M⁻ = Cu; M = Au, M⁻ = Ag) by treating the diamion $[Ru_{4}^{(\mu-H)}_{2}^{(CO)}_{12}]^{2^{-}}$ with the complexes $[MX^{(PPh}_{3})]$ (M = Au or Cu, X = Cl; M = Ag, X = I) in the presence of $TlPF_{6}$ (see Scheme below).⁵ A novel alternative synthesis involves metathesis of the two appropriate bimetallic species as in reaction (iii) of the Scheme.





The structures of the clusters with the metal cores Cu_2Ru_4 , Ag_2Ru_4 and $AgCuRu_4$ have been established by <u>X</u>-ray diffraction, thereby determining all the metal — metal separations (see Figures 7 and 8).



Figure 7. Molecular structure of the compounds $[M_2Ru_4(\mu_3-H)_2(CO)_{12}(PPh_3)_2]$, with phenyl ligands on phosphorus omitted for clarity.

$$M(1) = Cu, M(2) = Cu;$$

 $M(1) = Ag, M(2) = Ag,$
 $M(1) = Ag, M(2) = Cu.$



Figure 8.

B. The $M_2Ru_4P_2$ core geometries in (a) $[Cu_2Ru_4(\mu_3-H)_2(CO)_{12}(PPh_3)_2]$, (b) $[Ag_2Ru_4(\mu_3-H)_2(CO)_{12}(PPh_3)_2]$, and (c) $[AgCuRu_4(\mu_3-H)_2(CO)_{12}^{-1}(PPh_3)_2]$. Distances (in Å) are given for the metal — metal contacts with that for (b) at the top, (a) in the middle and (c) at the bottom. The metal atom geometry within these hexanuclear metal clusters is bicapped tetrahedral, as found for certain other 84 electron clusters. The Group 1B metals are in close contact and these occupy two distinct sites. One [M(2)] which is in contact with four metal atoms, and a second [M(1)] which is in contact with three. In $[AgCuRu_4(\mu_3-H)_2(CO)_{12}^{-}(PPh_3)_2]$ the copper atom occupies the site of higher co-ordination number, and the larger silver atom the other site. The hydrido ligands bridge the M(2)Ru₂ faces involving the higher co-ordination number site. No triply-bridging hydrido ligands bonded to Group 1B metals have been previously reported.

For these clusters, ${}^{31}P-\{{}^{1}H\}$ n.m.r. spectroscopy established two types of Group 1B metal-exchange. Firstly, an intramolecular mode observable on the n.m.r. time-scale, and secondly an intermolecular mode which is active on the chemical time-scale. The presence of the latter allows cluster formation with predictable stoichiometry and controlled regiochemistry.⁵

Heteronuclear Cluster Compounds Containing Bonds Between Iridium and Osmium or Platinum.

Heteronuclear cluster compounds involving iridium are rare, and yet a range of such compounds should exist in view of the facility with which cobalt and rhodium form mixed-metal clusters. At the commencement of our research under the Grant we discovered the cluster complex $[IrOs_3(\mu-H)_2(\mu-Cl)-(CO)_{12}]$.² Subsequently we discovered the novel raft-like iridium — platinum cluster $[Ir_3Pt_3(\mu-CO)_3(CO)_3(n-C_5Me_5)_3]$. The latter was prepared from the reaction between $[Pt(C_2H_4)_3]$ and $[Ir(CO)_2(n-C_5Me_5)]$.⁸ The structure of the hexametal species, which contains two crystallographically independent molecules in the unit cell, is shown in Figure 9. The n.m.r. data reveal that the CO and $n-C_5Me_5$ ligands in this cluster undergo dynamic behaviour in solution.

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Figure 9. The molecular structures of the two crystallographically independent molecules of $[Ir_3Pt_3(\mu-C0)_3(C0)_3(n-C_5Me_5)_3]$ showing the atom numbering scheme.

3. Mixed-metal Clusters of Osmium and Platinum with Carbido Ligands.

There is currently considerable interest in metal cluster compounds containing carbido ligands because the chemistry of such species may relate to the reactivity of carbon on metal surfaces, as in, for example, Fischer-Tropsch chemistry.^{*} We have discovered three new carbido osmium — platinum clusters as a result of studies on the reactions between the compounds $[0s_3(\mu-H)(\mu_3-CH)(CO)_{10}]$ and $[Pt(C_2H_4)_2\{P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3\}]$, and between the latter species and $[0s_3(\mu-H)(\mu-COMe)(CO)_{10}]$. The structures of the three products $[0s_3Pt(\mu-H)_2(\mu_4-C)(CO)_{10}\{P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3\}]$, $[0s_3Pt_2(\mu-H)_2(\mu_5-C)-(\mu-CO)(CO)_9\{P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3\}_2]$, and $[0s_3Pt_2(\mu-H)(\mu_5-C)(\mu-OMe)(\mu-CO)(CO)_9-\{P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3\}_2]$ have been established by <u>X</u>-ray crystallography and are shown in Figures 10 - 12.⁹

It is convenient to view the metal framework in $[Os_3Pt(\mu-H)_2(\mu_4-C)-(CO)_{10}{P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3}]$ as derived from a 'butterfly' arrangement with the Os(1) — Pt bond broken. Thus Os(1) and Os(2) may be viewed as hinge

See J.S. Bradley, <u>Adv.Organomet.Chem.</u>, 1983, <u>22</u>, 1, for a review.

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Figure 10.

The molecular structure of $[Os_3Pt(\mu-H)_2(\mu_4-C)(CO)_{10}{P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3}]$ showing the crystallographic numbering.



Figure 11.

The molecular structure of $[Os_3Pt_2(\mu-H)_2(\mu_5-C)(\mu-CO)(CO)_g-(P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3)_2]$ showing the crystallographic numbering.



Figure 12.

The molecular structure of $[Os_3Pt_2(\mu-H)(\mu_5-C)(\mu-OMe)(\mu-CO)-(CO)_9{P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3}_2]$ showing the crystallographic numbering but with the cyclohexyl groups omitted for clarity. atoms, and Os(3) and Pt as 'wingtip' atoms. The co-ordination mode of the carbido-ligand is irregular and at first sight the rather 'open' metal framework suggests that the carbido-carbon may be sterically accessible and hence reactive. However, as shown in Figure 13, this is not the case.



Figure 13. Space-filling diagram of $[Os_3Pt(\mu-H)_2(\mu_4-C)(CO)_{10}{P(cyclo-C_6H_{11})_3}]$ emphasising the protection of the carbido-ligand by the bulky groups surrounding it.

In the compound $[Os_3^{Pt_2}(\mu-H)_2(\mu_5-C)(\mu-CO)(CO)_9^{\{P(cyclo-C_6^{H_{11}})_3\}_2]}$ the metal framework can be viewed as derived from a square pyramid with two Pt — Os bonds having been broken since Pt(1) — Os(3) [3.628(1) Å] and Pt(2) — Os(3) [3.693(1) Å] are too long to be considered bonding (Figure 11). The carbido ligand is essentially of equal distance from all five metal atoms. The compound $[Os_3^{Pt_2}(\mu-H)(\mu_5-C)(\mu-OMe)(\mu-CO)(CO)_9^{\{P(cyclo-C_6^{H_{11}})_3\}_2]}$ contains a pentanuclear $Os_3^{Pt_2}$ core, involving a rather 'buckled' square arrangement of two Pt and two Os atoms with a third, Os(3), bonded to only Os(1) in the square (Figure 12). A methoxy ligand bridges the Os(2) - Os(3) vector. The carbido ligand is essentially equidistant from all five metal atoms and co-ordination about the carbido atom approximates to distorted trigonal bipyramidal. The mechanism of formation of these compounds has been discussed. They represent hitherto rare examples of heteronuclear metal cluster compounds with carbido ligands.*

4. <u>Compounds Containing Chains or Rings of Platinum or Nickel and Tungsten</u> <u>Atoms</u>.

Some years ago we showed that the alkylidyne — tungsten compound $[W(\equiv CR)(CO)_2(n-C_5H_5)] (R = C_6H_4Me-4)$ and $[Pt(C_2H_4)_3]$ afforded the trinuclear metal complex $[PtW_2(\mu-CR)_2(CO)_4(n-C_5H_5)_2]$.^{**} This pacies with its two spiro trimetallacyclopropene rings is unsaturated, and we have used this feature to prepare polynuclear platinum — tungsten compounds <u>via</u> the stepwise transformation shown in the Scheme below.



Scheme. $W \equiv C$ is $[RC \equiv W(CO)_2^{-1}(n-C_5H_5)]$ R can be C_6H_4Me-4 , Ph or Me and $n-C_5H_5$ may be replaced by $n-C_5Me_5$. Numbers in circles refer to number of metal atoms in the chain.

The only other species of this type reported so far have been described by J.W. Kolis, E.M. Holt, J.A. Hriljac, and D.F. Shriver, <u>Organometallics</u>, 1984, <u>3</u>, 496; J.A. Hriljac, P.N. Swepston, and D.F. Shriver, <u>ibid</u>, 1985, <u>4</u>, 158.

* T.V. Ashworth, M.J. Chetcuti, J.A.K. Howard, F.G.A. Stone, S.J. Wisbey, and P. Woodward, <u>J.Chem.Soc., Dalton Trans.</u>, 1981, 763. This approach to the synthesis of metal cluster compounds with chains of metal atoms has been very successful, although in this new field progress is likely to be relatively slow since preparative work has to proceed simultaneously with <u>X</u>-ray crystallographic studies. The only satisfactory method of structural analysis is <u>via X</u>-ray diffraction methods. In Figure 14 we show the structure of a new species containing a Pt_3W_4 chain.¹¹ The twisted backbone is evident and indicates the reason for the existence of isomers and our subsequent discovery of highly novel 'star clusters' with a ring of eight metal atoms as illustrated by



Figure 14. The molecular structure of $[Pt_3W_4(\mu-CR)_2(\mu_3-CR)_2(CO)_8(n-C_5H_5)_4]$ (R = C₆H₄Me-4). the $Ni_2Pt_2W_4$ compound shown in Figure 15.¹⁰



Figure 15. The molecular structure of $[Ni_2Pt_2W_4(\mu_3-CPh)_4(CO)_8(n-C_5H_5)_4]$.

The compound $[Ni_2Pt_2W_4(\mu_3-CPh)_4(CO)_8(n-C_5H_5)_4]$ shown in Figure 15 has a symmetrical arrangement of bridging carbyne groups (Figure 16, III, see page 15). Interestingly, unsymmetrical isomers $[Ni_2Pt_2W_4(\mu-CR)-(\mu_3-CR)_3(CO)_8(n-C_5H_5)_4]$ have been prepared, and identified by <u>X</u>-ray diffraction (see Figure 16, I and II). It will be noted that the isomers I and II differ according to whether the μ -CR group edge bridges a Pt — W or a Ni — W bond.

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Figure 16. The core structures of the cluster compounds $[Ni_2Pt_2W_4(\mu_2-CR)-(\mu_3-CR)_3(CO)_8(n-C_5H_5)_4]$ (two isomers, I and II) and $[Ni_2Pt_2W_4(\mu_3-CR)(CO)_8(n-C_5H_5)_4]$ (III), showing the metal atoms and the ligated carbon atoms of the carbyne groups.

In order to extend this novel area of chemistry, we have recently prepared a substantial number of compounds containing chains of three, four and five metal atoms. These complexes are shown on pages 16 and 17. The importance of these compounds lies in their subsequent use as precursors to larger clusters. The new compounds are either unsaturated with C = W end groups, or they contain the displaceable cyclo-octa-1,5-diene ligand on platinum. The addition of other metal ligand fragments should thus be possible, leading to a rich new area of chemistry.



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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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During the four year period of the Grant we have obtained the following results which are especially noteworthy.

- (i) Development of a rational synthesis of gold ruthenium clusters <u>via</u> reactions of $[AuMe(PPh_3)]$ with polynuclear ruthenium hydrido-(carbonyl) complexes. The discovery of the first trimetallic complexes containing the core structures MM⁻Ru₄ (M = Ag, M⁻ = Cu; M = Au, M⁻ = Cu; M = Au, M⁻ = Ag) and demonstration <u>via</u> ³¹P-{¹H} n.m.r. spectroscopy of polytopal rearrangements of these clusters in solution.
- (ii) Discovery of the first carbido clusters containing two different platinum group metals, <u>viz</u> platinum and osmium. The reaction pathways to these species involve novel C — H and C — OMe cleavage reactions by a low-valent platinum — phosphine complex.
- (iii) The discovery of a rational route to cluster compounds containing chains and rings of metal atoms in which the metal — metal bonds are bridged by alkylidyne groups. This work has led to the characterisation of cluster compounds with core structures having eight metal atoms (Pt_4W_4 or $Ni_2Pt_2W_4$) in a ring in the shape of a 'star', and as such represent a hitherto unknown type of polynuclear metal species.

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