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ABSTRACT

Reactions of *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(Cl) (**PtCl**) and R₂PhP (1.0 equiv; R = **a**/Me, **b**/*p*-*t*-BuC₆H₄, **c**/*p*-MeOC₆H₄, **d**/*n*-Pr; CH₂Cl₂/rt (**a**) or toluene/reflux (**b-d**)) give mainly *trans*-(C₆F₅)(R₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(Cl) (**Pt'Cl-a-d**, 89-29%) and some disubstitution products *trans*-(C₆F₅)(R₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (**Pt''Cl-a-d**, 4-13%). No substitution occurs with *t*-Bu₂PhP. However, (cod)(C₆F₅)Pt(Cl) and *t*-Bu₂PhP (2.7 equiv; toluene/reflux) react to give *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*t*-Bu₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (**Pt''Cl-e**, 64%), which upon treatment with *p*-tol₃P (1.0 equiv, toluene/reflux) yields *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*t*-Bu₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(Cl) (**Pt'Cl-e**, 91%). Additions of excess butadiyne to **Pt'Cl-a-d** (CH₂Cl₂, cat. CuI, HNET₂) afford the butadiynyl complexes *trans*-(C₆F₅)(R₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(C≡C)₂H (**Pt'C₄H-a-d**, 36-77%), but **Pt'Cl-e** does not similarly react. Cross couplings of **Pt'Cl-a-c** and **Pt'C₄H-a-c** (cat. CuI, HNET₂) give mixtures of diplatinum butadiynyl complexes in which the two unlike phosphine ligands scramble over all four positions (**PtC₄Pt**, **PtC₄Pt'-a-c**, **PtC₄Pt''-a-c**, **Pt'C₄Pt'-a-c**, **Pt'C₄Pt''-a-c**, **Pt''C₄Pt''-b**; TLC separable, 27-2% each). A modified coupling recipe is tested with **Pt'Cl-b,d** and **Pt'C₄H-b,d** (*t*-BuOK, KPF₆, cat. CuCl), and gives **Pt'C₄Pt'-b,d** (21-76%) with only traces of scrambling. The crystal structures of **Pt''Cl-e**, **Pt'C₄H-a**, **Pt'C₄Pt'-a-d**, and **PtC₄Pt''-b** are determined, and the endgroup/endgroup interactions analyzed. Low temperature NMR spectra do not reveal any dynamic processes.

key words: platinum, phosphine ligands, sp carbon chains, substitution, Hagihara coupling, low temperature NMR, crystallography

Highlights

The complexes (C₆F₅)(R₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(X) (X = Cl/(C≡C)₂H) are prepared with diverse R Hagihara couplings give (C₆F₅)(L)(L')Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(L)(L')(C₆F₅) with L/L' scrambling NMR spectra/structures of diplatinum complexes are analyzed regarding atropisomerism

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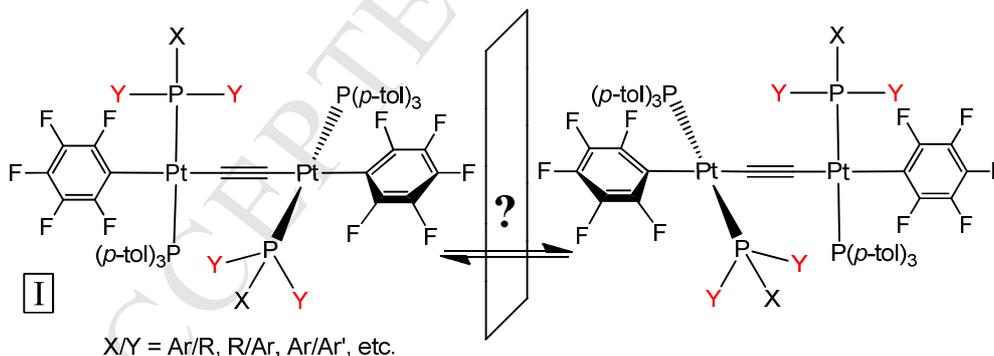
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■ INTRODUCTION

There is an extensive literature of complexes in which two square planar platinum(II) fragments cap butadiynediyl or $-C\equiv C-C\equiv C-$ moieties.¹⁻³ There is also an extensive literature involving higher homologs with as many as 28 sp carbon atoms.^{1c,2-6} However, there are a number of interesting properties or phenomena that are uniquely associated with shorter sp carbon bridges. For example, the platinum(II)/platinum(III) radical cations generated by one electron oxidations are much more stable at modest chain lengths.^{2a,b,g,7}

In a recent paper,⁸ we described a quest for atropisomers⁹ derived from diplatinum ethynediyl or $PtC\equiv CPt$ complexes.¹⁰ The idea was that with appropriate substitution patterns, as exemplified in Scheme 1 with adducts that bear two different *trans* disposed monophosphine ligands on each platinum, it might be possible to separate enantiomers or diastereomers with an axis of chirality. Alternatively, slow interconversion could be established by NMR techniques. To date, these efforts have not resulted in a demonstration of atropisomerism. However, this is likely because the phosphine ligands initially employed were not bulky enough (e.g., X/Y = Ph/Me in **I**). Promising second generation targets are easily envisioned (e.g., X/Y = Ph/*t*-Bu or *i*-Pr/*o*-C₆H₄X).



Scheme 1. Enantiomeric atropisomers derived from diplatinum ethynediyl complexes. The Y groups are diastereotopic and potentially distinguishable by NMR.

In laying the groundwork for these studies, related complexes with longer $PtC\equiv CC\equiv CPt$ bridges were also investigated. Although in retrospect there was little chance of detecting atropisomerism in such species, they provided valuable testing grounds for syntheses of coupling partners, such as platinum chloride complexes with the types of monophosphine ligands in Scheme 1,

trans-(Ar)(R₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(Cl).¹¹ They also revealed problematic phosphine scrambling processes under certain coupling conditions, and "standard" protocols that became unreliable in the presence of bulkier phosphine ligands. Furthermore, several crystal structures that help visualize the magnitudes of the endgroup/endgroup interactions, which must underpin any atropisomerism, could be determined. Accordingly, in this full paper, a detailed account of this previously undisclosed work is presented.

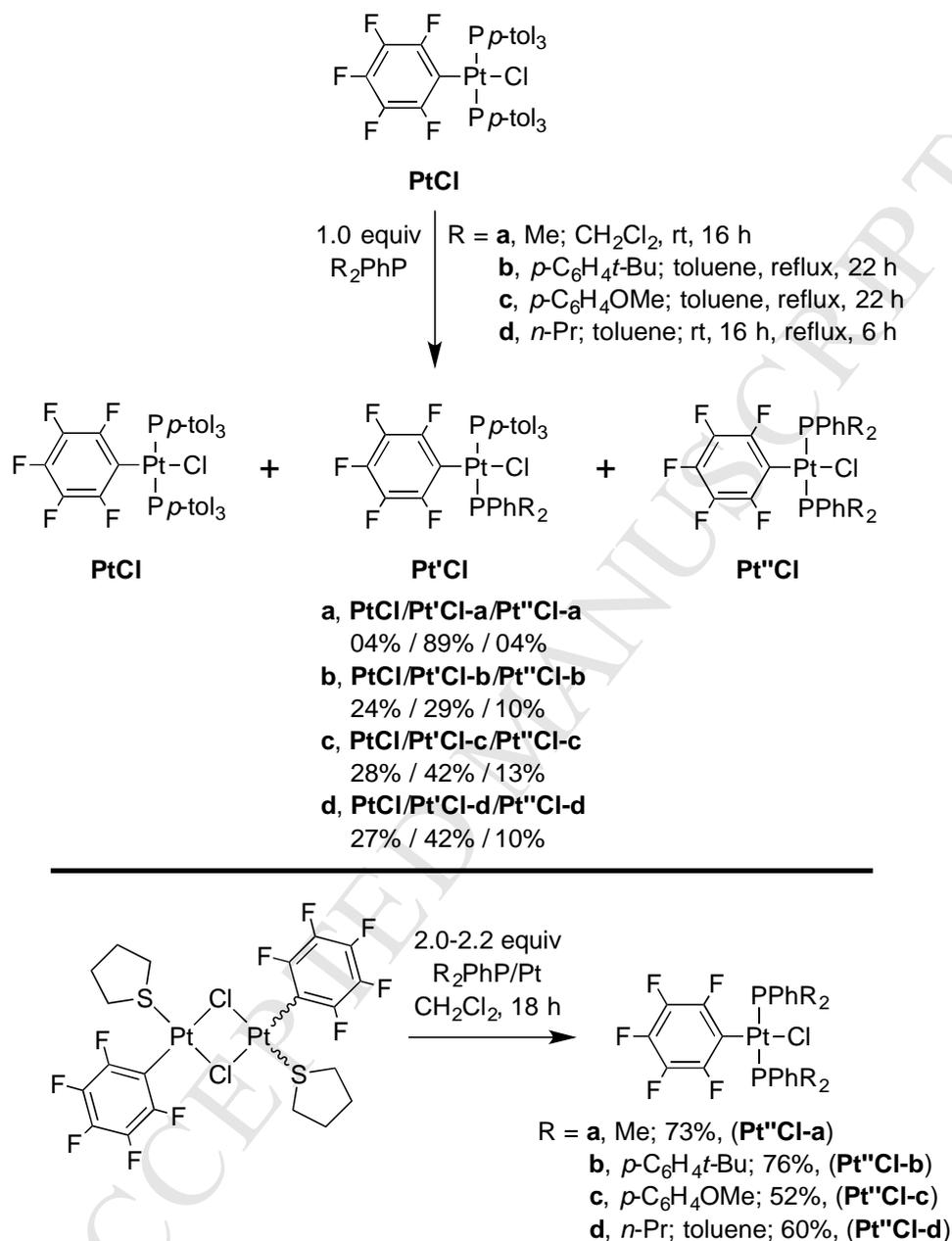
■ RESULTS

1. Syntheses of monoplatinum complexes *trans*-(C₆F₅)(R₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(Cl). The previously reported platinum chloride complex *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(Cl) (**PtCl**)^{2a} and Me₂-PhP (1.0 equiv) were combined in CH₂Cl₂ at room temperature. As shown in Scheme 2 (top), workup gave the monosubstitution product *trans*-(C₆F₅)(Me₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(Cl) (**Pt'Cl-a**) as a white solid in 89% yield. In some cases, small amounts of **PtCl** remained, or the disubstituted byproduct *trans*-(C₆F₅)(Me₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (**Pt''Cl-a**) was detected (each ≤4%). In these cases, **Pt'Cl-a** was purified chromatographically. The identity of **Pt''Cl-a** was confirmed by an independent synthesis from [(C₆F₅)(tth)Pt(μ-Cl)]₂ and Me₂PhP (73%; Scheme 2, bottom). This route has been used to prepare many related platinum bis(phosphine) complexes.^{2a,c,5h,j}

Similar reactions were carried out with three other phosphines of the formula R₂PhP (R = alkyl or aryl; **b-d** in Scheme 2). With the triarylphosphines (*p*-*t*-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP and (*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP, no reactions with **PtCl** occurred over the course of 16 h in refluxing CH₂Cl₂. However, after 22 h in refluxing toluene, the target complexes *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-*t*-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(Cl) (**Pt'Cl-b**) and *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(Cl) (**Pt'Cl-c**) could be isolated in 29-42% yields following chromatography.

When **PtCl** and *n*-Pr₂PhP were combined in CH₂Cl₂ or toluene at room temperature, conversion to *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(*n*-Pr₂PhP)Pt(Cl) (**Pt'Cl-d**) was slow and incomplete. However, the yield of **Pt'Cl-d** improved to 42% when the sample was refluxed in toluene (6 h). In each of these reactions, smaller amounts of the disubstituted byproducts **Pt''Cl-b-d** were also obtained, as verified by independent syntheses (Scheme 2, bottom). Thus, not all of the starting **Pt**-

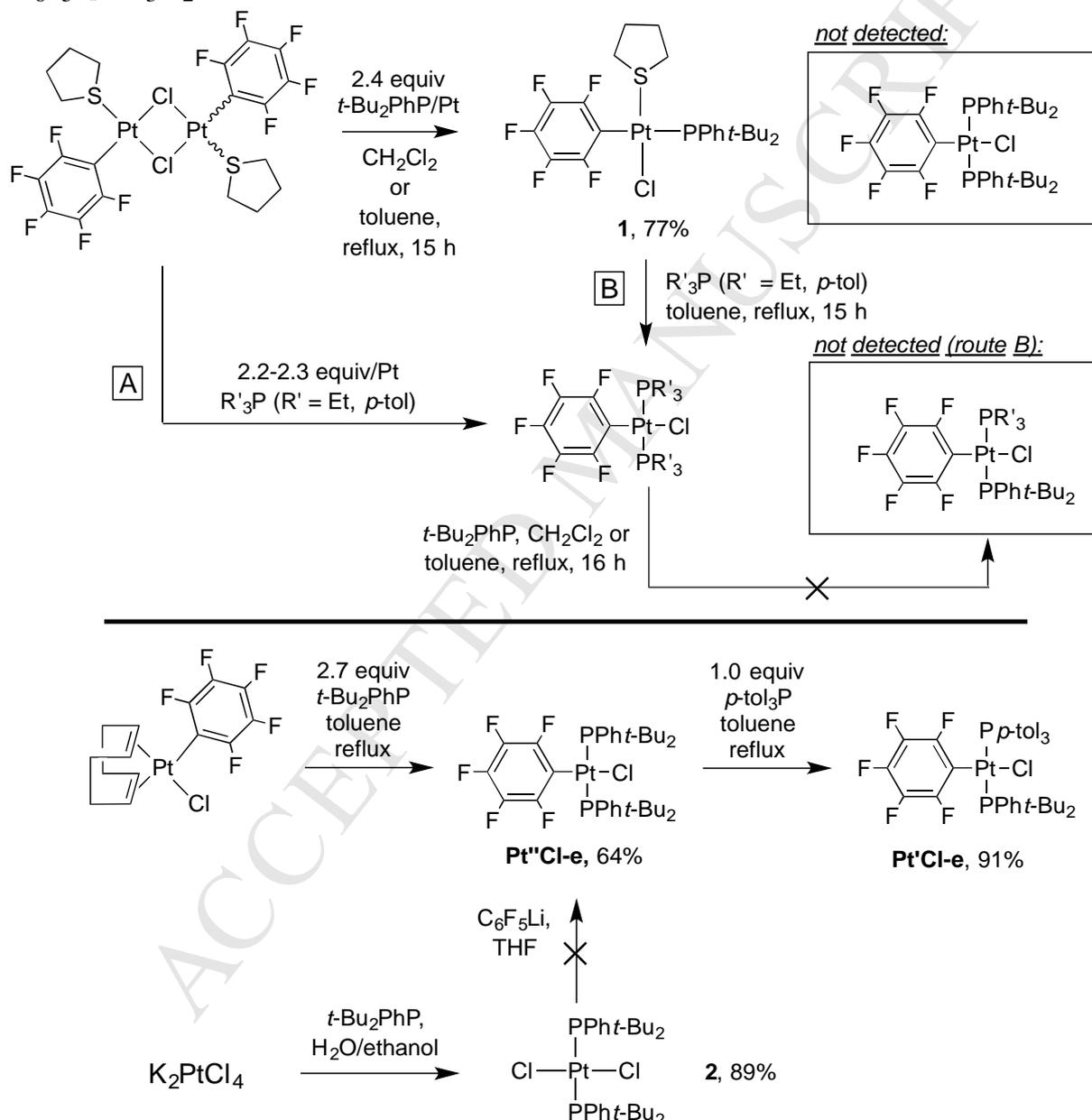
Cl was consumed.



Scheme 2. Syntheses of monoplatinum complexes $trans\text{-}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)(\text{R}_2\text{PhP})(p\text{-tol}_3\text{P})\text{Pt}(\text{Cl})$ (**Pt'Cl**; top) and $trans\text{-}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)(\text{R}_2\text{PhP})_2\text{Pt}(\text{Cl})$ (**Pt''Cl**; bottom).

Analogous complexes with the bulkier phosphine $t\text{-Bu}_2\text{PhP}$ were sought, but no reaction took place with **PtCl** in refluxing toluene. Thus, alternative routes were explored as summarized in Scheme 3. First, reactions of $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)(\text{tht})\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-Cl})]_2$ and excess $t\text{-Bu}_2\text{PhP}$ in CH_2Cl_2 or refluxing toluene yielded the monophosphine complex $(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)(t\text{-Bu}_2\text{PhP})(\text{tht})\text{Pt}(\text{Cl})$ (**1**) instead of the

target bis(phosphine) complex $trans\text{-}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)(t\text{-Bu}_2\text{PhP})_2\text{Pt}(\text{Cl})$ (**Pt''Cl-e**; compare to Scheme 2, bottom). The stereochemistry depicted in Figure 1 was confirmed by a crystal structure (below). Subsequent reactions of **1** with the phosphines Et_3P or $p\text{-tol}_3\text{P}$ in refluxing toluene resulted in $t\text{-Bu}_2\text{PhP}$ displacement. The two-fold substitution products $trans\text{-}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)(\text{Et}_3\text{P})_2\text{Pt}(\text{Cl})$ or $trans\text{-}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)(p\text{-tol}_3\text{P})_2\text{Pt}(\text{Cl})$ (**PtCl**) described earlier^{2a,c} were isolated.



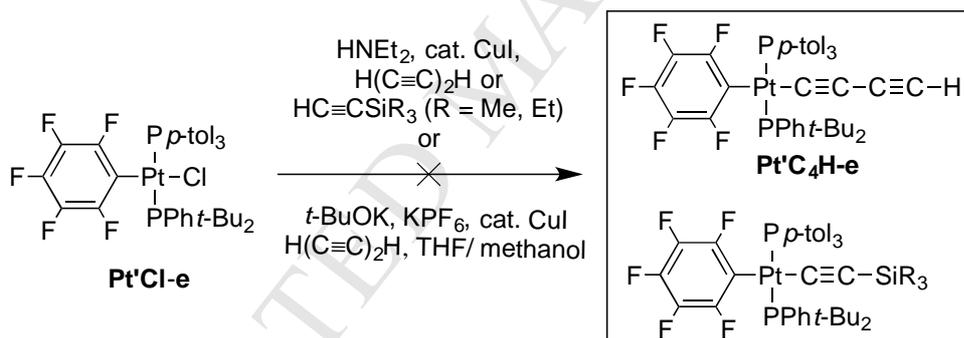
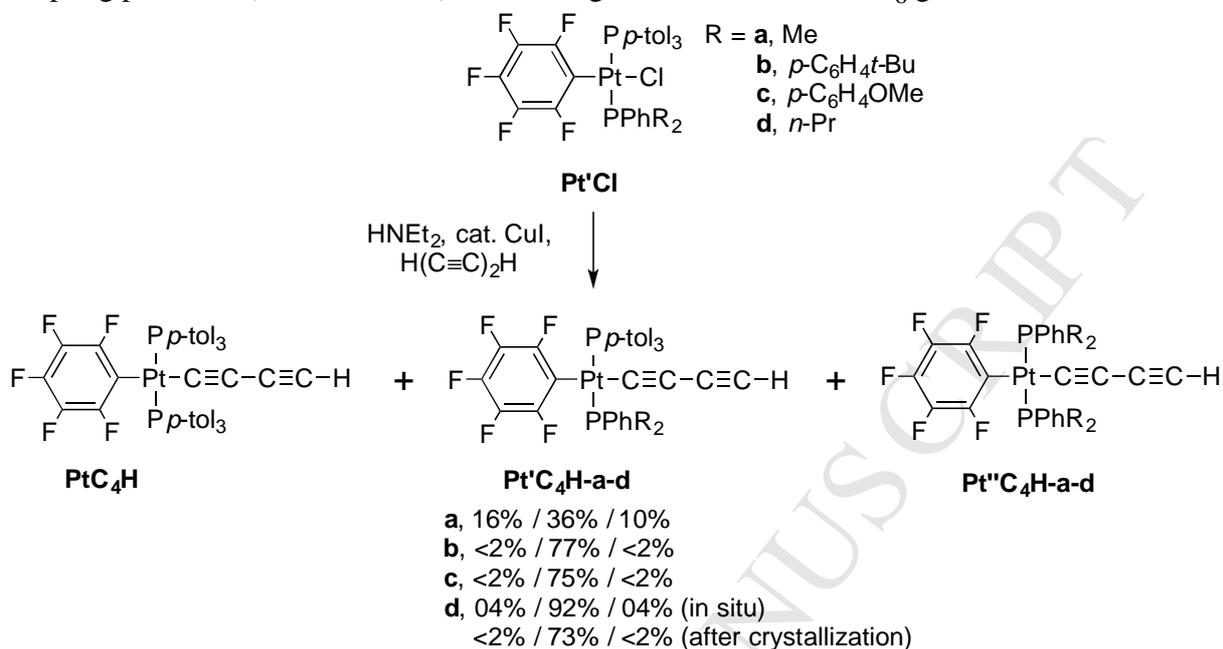
Next, the previously reported dichloride complex *trans*-(*t*-Bu₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl)₂ (**2**) was synthesized by a slight modification of the literature procedure (Scheme 3, bottom).¹² The ¹J_{Pt} value (2542 Hz) indicated a *trans* stereochemistry,¹³ in accord with a crystal structure.¹⁴ However, subsequent additions of C₆F₅Li (prepared *in situ* from *n*-BuLi and C₆F₅Br)¹⁵ in either 1:1 or 1:2 stoichiometries gave mainly starting material. Up to 20% conversion to a new species could be observed in some experiments, but the properties were not appropriate for the target molecule.

Finally, routes involving the previously described cyclooctadiene complex (cod)(C₆F₅)Pt(Cl) were investigated (Scheme 3, bottom).¹⁶ No reaction took place with *t*-Bu₂PhP (2.7 equiv) at room temperature, but *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*t*-Bu₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (**Pt''Cl-e**) formed cleanly in refluxing toluene. A 64% yield was isolated after workup. A subsequent reaction with *p*-tol₃P (1.0 equiv) in refluxing toluene gave the target complex **Pt'Cl-e** in 91% yield.

2. Syntheses of butadiynyl complexes *trans*-(C₆F₅)(R₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(C≡C)₂H (Pt'-C₄H**).** The next objective was to convert the chloride complexes **Pt'Cl-a-e** to the corresponding butadiynyl complexes. As shown in Scheme 4 (top), conditions that were effective in an earlier synthesis of *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂H (**PtC₄H**)^{2a} were applied to **Pt'Cl-a** (excess butadiyne, HNEt₂, cat. CuI). A chromatographic workup gave the target complex *trans*-(C₆F₅)(Me₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(C≡C)₂H (**Pt'C₄H-a**) in 36% yield, together with lesser amounts of the phosphine scrambling products **PtC₄H** (16%) and **Pt''C₄H-a** (10%). In an alternative approach, the butadiynyl complex **PtC₄H** was treated with Me₂PhP (1.0 equiv, CH₂Cl₂, 18 h). Chromatography gave a comparable product distribution: **Pt'C₄H-a**, 30%, **PtC₄H**, 18%, **Pt''C₄H-a**, 11%.

When the di(*n*-propyl)phenylphosphine chloride complex **Pt'Cl-d** and butadiyne were similarly reacted, NMR analyses showed the formation of a 92:4:4 mixture of the target complex **Pt'C₄H-d** and the phosphine scrambling products **PtC₄H** and **Pt''C₄H-d**. Crystallization afforded pure **Pt'C₄H-d** in 73% yield. Interestingly, the two complexes with triarylphosphine ligands, **Pt'Cl-b,c**, did not give detectable phosphine scrambling. Workups afforded the butadiynyl complexes **Pt'C₄H-b,c** in 75-77% yields. As summarized in Scheme 4 (bottom), all attempts to replace the chloride ligand in **Pt'Cl-e** by alkynyl ligands were unsuccessful. Alternative cross

coupling protocols (see also below)^{2d} involving *t*-BuOK base and KPF_6 gave no reaction.

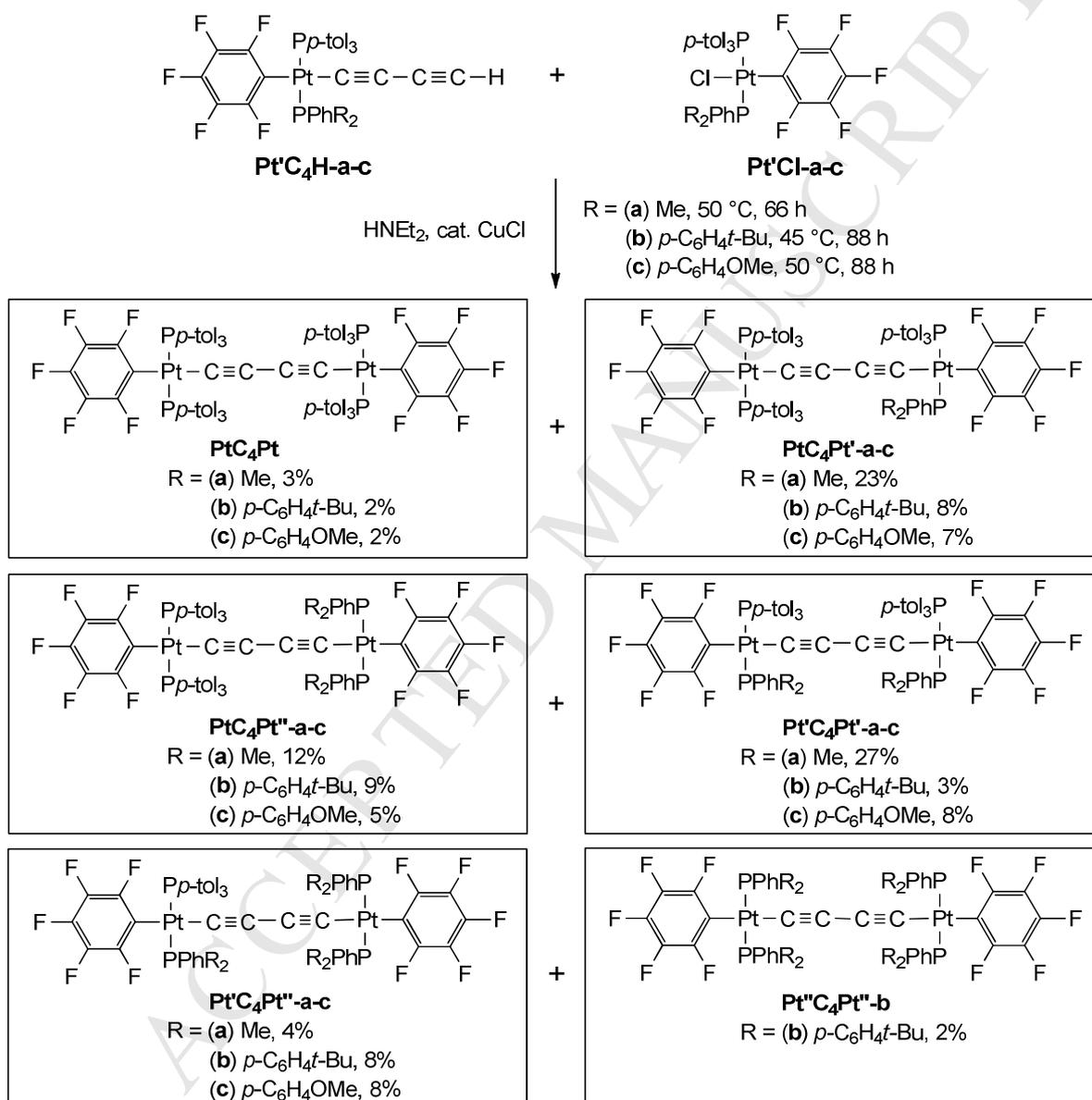


Scheme 4. Successful and unsuccessful syntheses of monoplatinum butadiynyl and alkynyl complexes.

3. Syntheses of diplatinum butadiynediyl complexes. Numerous diplatinum butadiynediyl complexes have been prepared by Hagihara heterocouplings of platinum butadiynyl and platinum chloride complexes.^{2a,c,d} Thus, as shown in Scheme 5, equimolar quantities of the butadiynyl complexes **Pt'C₄H-a-c** (see Scheme 4) and chloride complexes **Pt'Cl-a-c** (see Scheme 2) were combined in HNEt_2 in the presence of a catalytic amount of CuCl . After 66–88 h at 45–50 °C, workups gave mixtures of five to six diplatinum butadiynediyl complexes. Although the individual yields were low, they could be separated by silica gel column chromatography.

It quickly became apparent that the many products were derived from scrambling of the phosphine ligands. In our previous applications of Hagihara coupling reactions, all of the phos-

phine ligands had been identical, so this phenomenon remained undetected. In accord with nomenclature introduced above, the three possible endgroups could be designated **Pt** ((C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃-P)₂Pt), **Pt'** ((C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(R₂PhP)Pt), and **Pt''** ((C₆F₅)(R₂PhP)₂Pt). These can in turn code for the six possible products, **PtC₄Pt**, **PtC₄Pt'**, **PtC₄Pt''**, **Pt'C₄Pt'**, **Pt'C₄Pt''** and **Pt''C₄Pt''**.



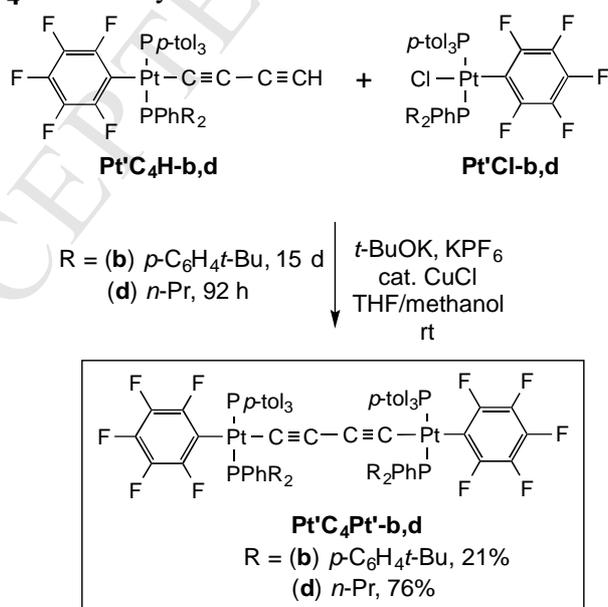
Scheme 5. Syntheses of diplatinum butadiynyl complexes.

In the case where the phenylphosphine substituents (R₂) were Me (**a**), five diplatinum complexes were isolated: **PtC₄Pt**, 3%; **PtC₄Pt'-a**, 23%; **PtC₄Pt''-a**, 12%; **Pt'C₄Pt'-a**, 27%; **Pt'-C₄Pt''-a**, 4%. The R_f values decreased as the number of Me₂PhP ligands increased. All were air

stable yellow solids, and were characterized by NMR (^1H , $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$, $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$) and microanalyses, as summarized in the experimental section. The structures readily followed from the NMR properties, principal details of which are described below.

In the case where the phenylphosphine substituents were *p-t*-BuC₆H₄ (**b**), six diplatinum complexes were isolated: **PtC₄Pt**, 2%; **PtC₄Pt'-b**, 8%; **PtC₄Pt''-b**, 9%; **Pt'C₄Pt'-b**, 3%; **Pt'C₄Pt''-b**, 8%; **Pt''C₄Pt''-b**, 2%. In the case where the phenylphosphine substituents were *p*-MeOC₆H₄ (**c**), five complexes were isolated as summarized in Scheme 5. This coupling was somewhat slower, so a significant amount of unreacted chloride complex **Pt'Cl-c** (26%) was recovered, together with traces of the scrambled analog **PtCl** (1%).

Given these disappointing results, attention was turned to an alternative recipe for cross coupling metal chloride and terminal alkynyl complexes. It had been shown that when THF/methanol solvent mixtures were employed with slight excesses of *t*-BuOK and KPF₆ and a catalytic amount of CuCl, diplatinum butadiynyl complexes could be isolated in good yields.^{2d} This protocol was optimized using equimolar quantities of the *p*-tol₃P substituted reaction partners *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂H (**PtC₄H**) and **PtCl**. As described elsewhere,¹⁷ workup gave the known complex **PtC₄Pt** in 73% yield.



Scheme 6. Syntheses of diplatinum butadiynyl complexes; alternative cross coupling procedure.

Next, comparable conditions were applied to coupling partners that each contained two different phosphine ligands. As shown in Scheme 6, **Pt'C₄H-b** and **Pt'Cl-b** were reacted for 15 d at room temperature. Workup gave the target complex **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** in 21% yield, as well as traces of **PtC₄Pt'-b** and **Pt'C₄Pt''-b** (ca. 1% each). Considerable amounts of **Pt'C₄H-b** and **Pt'Cl-b** were recovered (19%, 36%). Comparable conversions were realized after 3-4 d at 50 °C. Finally, **Pt'C₄H-d** and **Pt'Cl-d** were similarly reacted. Workup after 92 h at room temperature gave the target complex **Pt'C₄Pt'-d** in 76% yield after crystallization. No chromatographic purification step was necessary, and no phosphine scrambling byproducts were apparent.

4. NMR Properties. Certain NMR features of the preceding complexes merit note. In our earlier paper involving similar diplatinum ethynediyl complexes,⁸ no coupling was observed between phosphine ligands on opposite termini (small $^5J_{PP}$). The same would be expected for the more widely separated phosphine ligands in the diplatinum butadiynediyl complexes in this study (still smaller $^7J_{PP}$). Thus, to a first approximation, their NMR spectra should be "hybrids" of those of the monoplatinum butadiynyl complexes corresponding to each endgroup.

This leads to a hierarchy of complexity. First, there are two "series" of butadiynediyl complexes with identical endgroups, each with two *identical* phosphine ligands: **PtC₄Pt** (previously reported) and **Pt''C₄Pt''-b** (isolated only in trace quantities). These give much simpler spectra. Next, there are the title complexes with identical endgroups, each with two *different* phosphine ligands: **Pt'C₄Pt'-a-d**. The 1H NMR spectra exhibit the characteristic signals of each phosphine, with only a few cases of resolved second order phenomena. However, the $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ and $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ NMR spectra exhibit a variety of second order features as described below. Finally, there are three series of complexes with non-identical endgroups: **PtC₄Pt'-a-c**, **PtC₄Pt''-a-c**, and **Pt'C₄Pt''-a-c**. While in theory these give the most complicated NMR spectra, this is only in an additive sense; they seldom introduce new phenomena not manifested in the other complexes.

With regard to the $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ NMR spectra, certain trends in the monoplatinum complexes deserve comment. First, **Pt'Cl-a,d** and **Pt'C₄H-a,d** feature one triarylphosphine ligand and one dialkylphenylphosphine ligand. They exhibit well separated signals (δ 18.3 to 20.2, *p*-tol₃P; -9.9

to 8.8, R₂PPh) and couple as expected (²J_{PP} = 404-450 Hz). However, **Pt'Cl-b,c** and **Pt'C₄H-b,c** feature two similar triarylphosphine ligands.¹⁸ With **Pt'Cl-b** and **Pt'C₄H-b**, only one singlet is observed (δ 19.8-17.8), presumably due to accidental degeneracy. With **Pt'Cl-c** and **Pt'C₄H-c**, two closely spaced singlets are found (δ 19.51-19.57, 17.58-17.64).

All of these trends extend to the diplatinum butadiynediyl complexes **Pt'C₄Pt'-a-d**. However, when ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra of **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** were recorded at -80 °C, separate signals for the *p*-tol₃P and (*p*-*t*-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP ligands could be observed (δ (CD₂Cl₂) 13.79 and 13.91 as opposed to one signal at 14.00 at 22 °C). Importantly, the structures of all four complexes have been confirmed crystallographically (below).

The ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra of **Pt'Cl-a,d**, **Pt'C₄H-a,d**, and **Pt'C₄Pt'-a,d** are unexceptional. However, those of **Pt'Cl-b,c**, **Pt'C₄H-b,c**, and **Pt'C₄Pt'-b,c** are complicated by numerous "virtual couplings".¹⁹ That of **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** features a variety of virtual triplets (typically 5-6 Hz for all aryl carbon atoms that are *o/m* to phosphorus). In contrast, that of **Pt'C₄Pt'-c** exhibits a corresponding number of doublet of doublets, in which the *J* values are very close to those of the virtual triplets. Other complexes that exhibit a large number of virtual triplets include **Pt''Cl-a** and **Pt''C₄H-a** (nearly all Me₂PhP ligand ¹³C NMR signals, and the Me₂P ¹H NMR signal).

Many NMR spectra were recorded at low temperature in hopes of detecting dynamic processes or separate signals for diastereotopic groups as diagrammed in Scheme 1. All of these were uninformative. For example, the ¹H NMR spectra of **Pt'C₄Pt'-a** and **Pt'C₄Pt'-c** (CD₂Cl₂) did not show any significant changes when cooled to -80 °C. In the case of **Pt'C₄Pt'-b**, some ¹H NMR peaks became broader, but no decoalescence phenomena were detected. With **Pt'C₄Pt'-b,c**, the *ipso* carbon atoms of the (*p*-XC₆H₄)₂P moieties are potentially diastereotopic, but only broadened ¹³C{¹H,³¹P} signals were observed at -80 °C.

NMR spectra of the more soluble complex **Pt'C₄Pt'-d** were recorded in the lower freezing solvent CDFCl₂.²¹ Some ¹H NMR signals merged as the temperature was lowered, but no decoalescence was apparent at -120 °C. The ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum showed only broadening, and the ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum was essentially unchanged.

5. Structural Properties. Crystal structures were sought as a means of confirming structural assignments, and for gauging endgroup/endgroup interactions in the diplatinum complexes. Single crystals of **1**, **Pt''Cl-e**, **Pt'C₄H-a**, **Pt'C₄Pt'-a-d**, and **PtC₄Pt''-b** or solvates thereof were grown, and the structures were determined as outlined in Tables 1-3 and the experimental section. Key metrical parameters are provided in Table 3 and Figures 1-3. Many other tetraphosphine complexes with $\text{ArPt}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_m\text{PtAr}$ linkages have been structurally characterized,^{2,5a-c,e-l,o-q} and the bond lengths and angles in Table 3 are unexceptional.

The molecular structures are depicted in Figures 1-8, and additional representations are provided below and in the supplementary material. About half of the lattices contained some type of disorder, which was modeled as detailed in the experimental section. Both **Pt'C₄Pt'-a** and **Pt'C₄Pt'-d** exhibited centers of inversion at the midpoints of the C₄ chains.

For the diplatinum complexes, a measure of the "twist" associated with the square planar endgroups was sought. In one approach, least squares planes were defined using the P-Pt-P linkage on one terminus, and the platinum from the other. For the idealized atropisomers in Scheme 1, the angle defined by these two planes would be 90°. As summarized in Table 3, the angles between the planes in the crystal structures ranged from 0° for the complexes with an inversion center to 44-51° for the others. When planes defined by the P-Pt-P linkages and the ligating C₆F₅ carbon atom (C_{ipso}) were employed, the values were very similar.

In the diplatinum complexes, the pentafluorophenyl ligands on each platinum were always sandwiched between two phosphine derived aryl groups. The average centroid-centroid spacing (π stacking distance) for each molecule is given in Table 3 (3.60-4.10 Å). This phenomenon has been seen in many other diplatinum polyynediyl complexes bearing pentafluorophenyl and two *trans*-triarylphosphine ligands,^{2a,c,g,5e,g,k,l} and has been attributed to quadrupolar interactions between the fluorinated and non-fluorinated aryl groups.²⁰ Other structural features are analyzed in the discussion section.

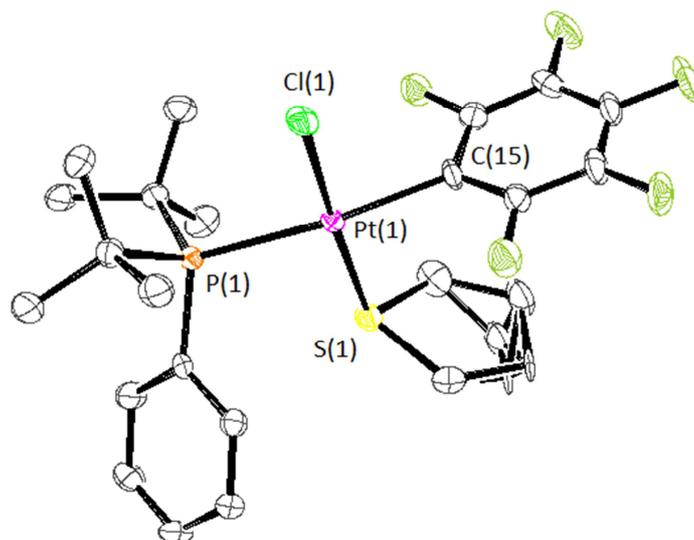


Figure 1. Molecular structure of **1** with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability level. Key bond lengths (Å) and angles (°): Pt(1)-C(15), 2.077(8); Pt(1)-S(1), 2.302(2); Pt(1)-Cl(1), 2.342(2); Pt(1)-P(1), 2.365(2); C(15)-Pt(1)-S(1), 90.4(2); C(15)-Pt(1)-Cl(1), 86.5(2); S(1)-Pt(1)-Cl(1), 176.26(7); C(15)-Pt(1)-P(1), 177.9(2); S(1)-Pt(1)-P(1), 88.90(7); Cl(1)-Pt(1)-P(1), 94.35(7).

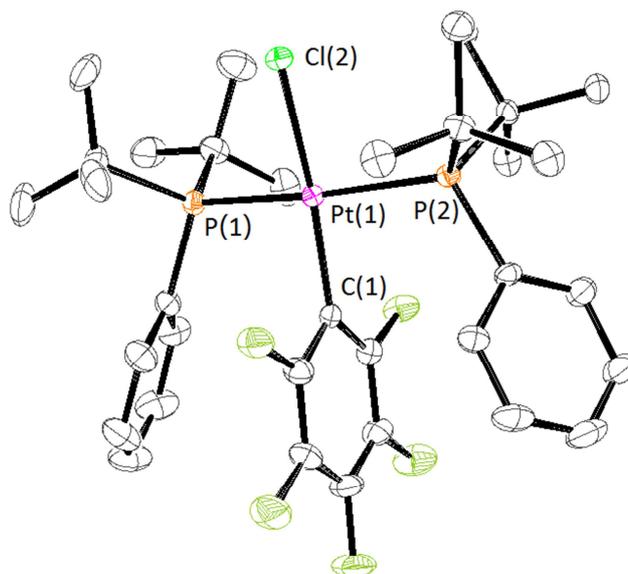


Figure 2. Molecular structure of **Pt''Cl-e** with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability level. Key bond lengths (Å) and angles (°): Pt(1)-C(1), 2.020(3); Pt(1)-P(2), 2.3634(8); Pt(1)-P(1), 2.3673(8); Pt(1)-Cl(2), 2.3647(7); C(1)-Pt(1)-P(2), 92.45(8); C(1)-Pt(1)-Cl(2), 168.68(8); P(2)-Pt(1)-Cl(2), 88.52(2); C(1)-Pt(1)-P(1), 90.98(8); P(2)-Pt(1)-P(1), 169.14(3); P(1)-Pt(1)-Cl(2), 90.14(3).

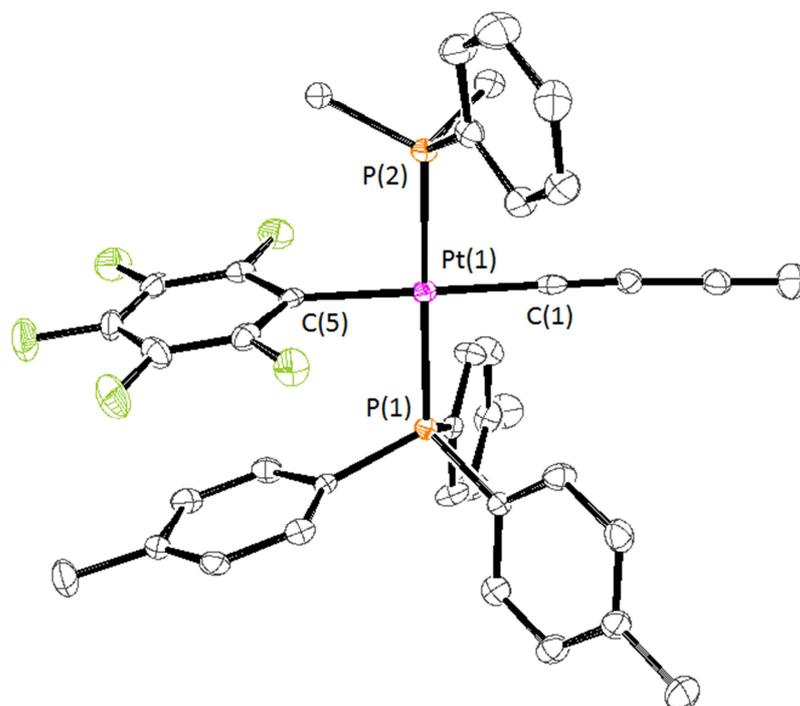


Figure 3. Molecular structure of $\text{Pt}'\text{C}_4\text{H-a}$ with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability level. Key bond lengths (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$): Pt(1)-C(1), 1.993(4); Pt(1)-P(1), 2.3298(13); Pt(1)-P(2), 2.2927(13); Pt(1)-C(5), 2.067(4); C(1)-Pt(1)-P(2), 88.87(11); C(1)-Pt(1)-C(5), 178.05(17); P(2)-Pt(1)-C(5), 91.37(11); C(1)-Pt(1)-P(1), 90.51(11); P(2)-Pt(1)-P(1), 179.30(4); P(1)-Pt(1)-C(5), 89.26(11).

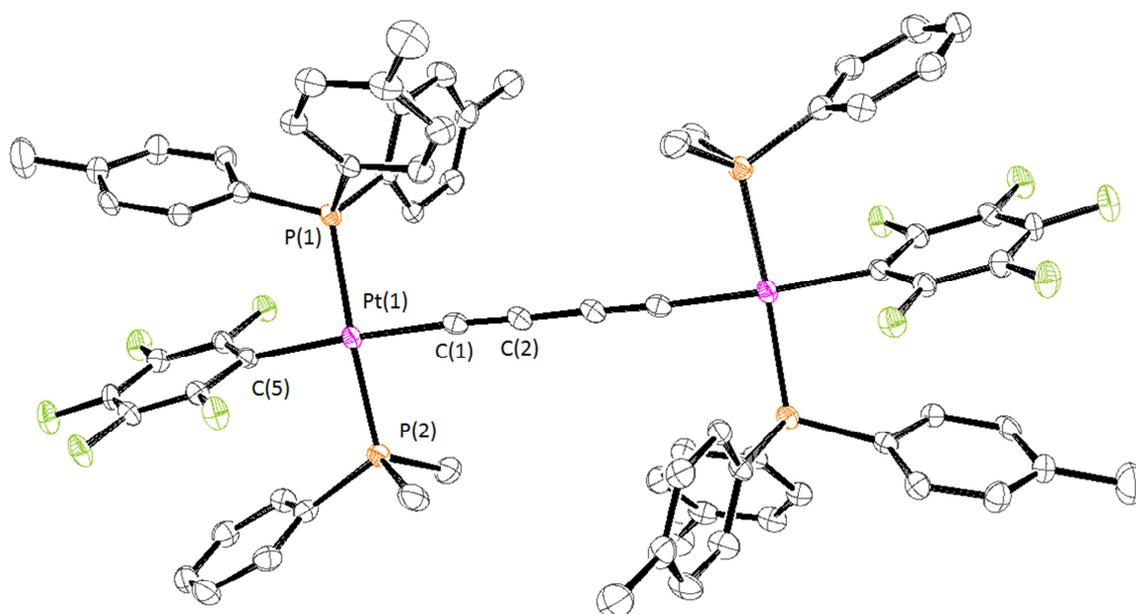


Figure 4. Molecular structure of $\text{Pt}'\text{C}_4\text{Pt'-a}$ with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability level and solvate molecules omitted.

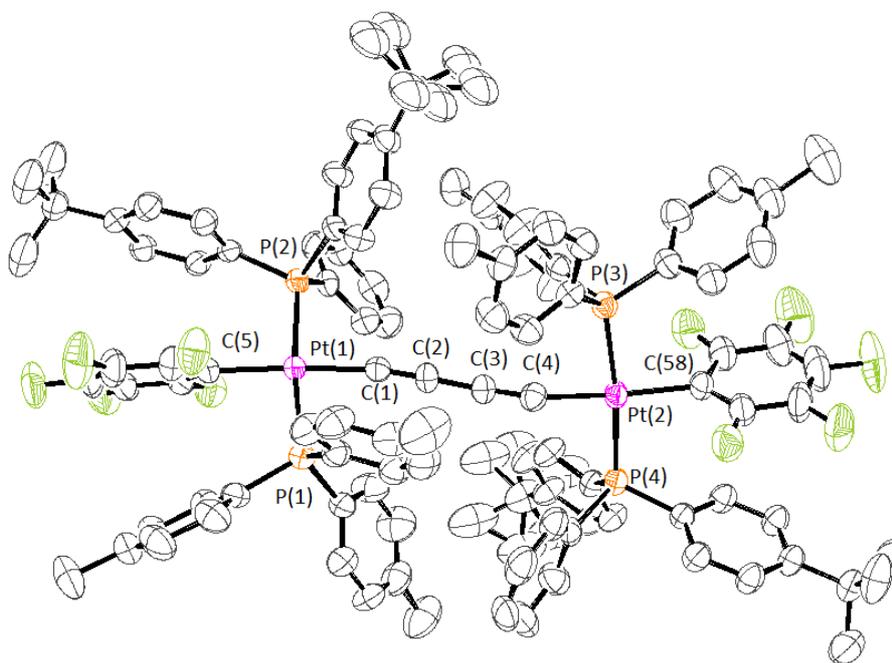


Figure 5. Molecular structure of Pt'C₄Pt'-b with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability level; some *t*-butyl groups are disordered as described in the experimental section.

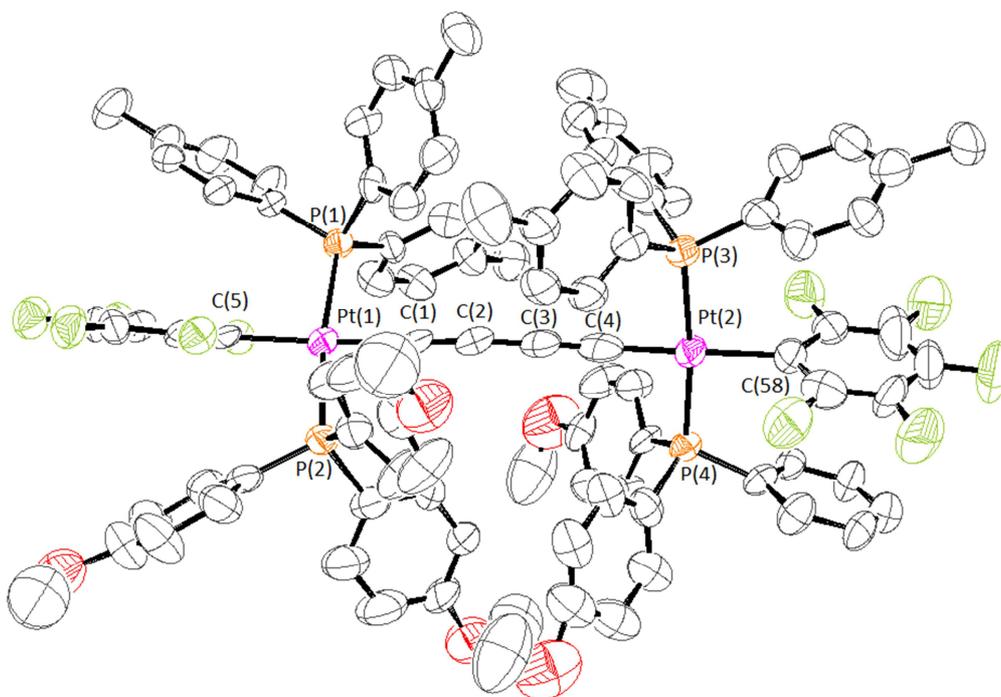


Figure 6. Molecular structure of Pt'C₄Pt'-c with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability level; the methoxy groups are disordered as described in the experimental section.

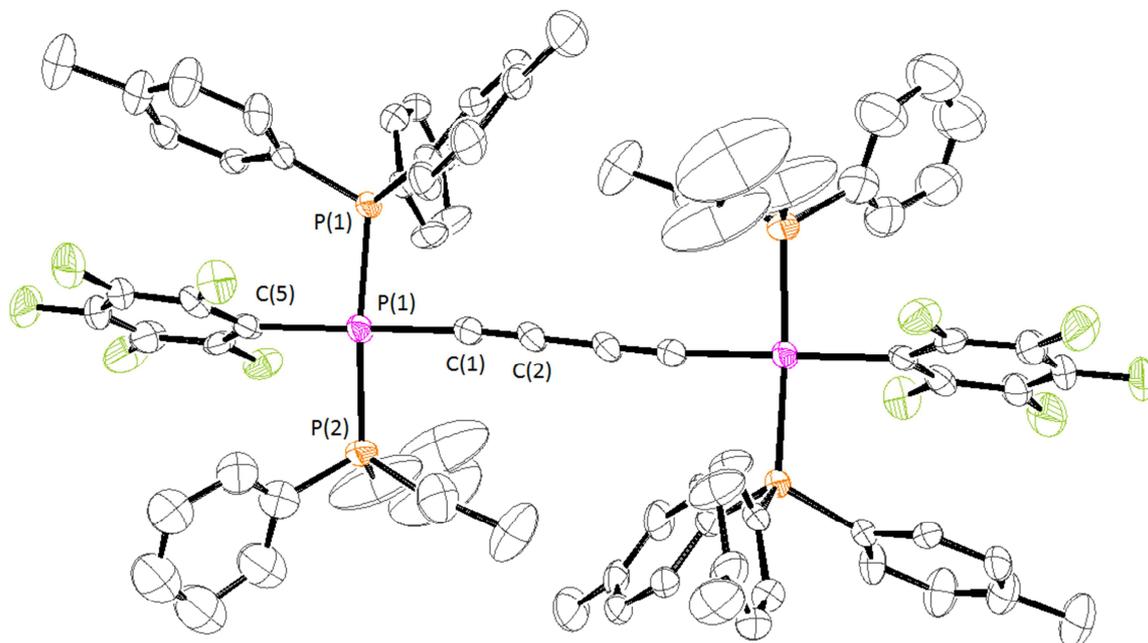


Figure 7. Molecular structure of Pt'C₄Pt'-d with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability level.

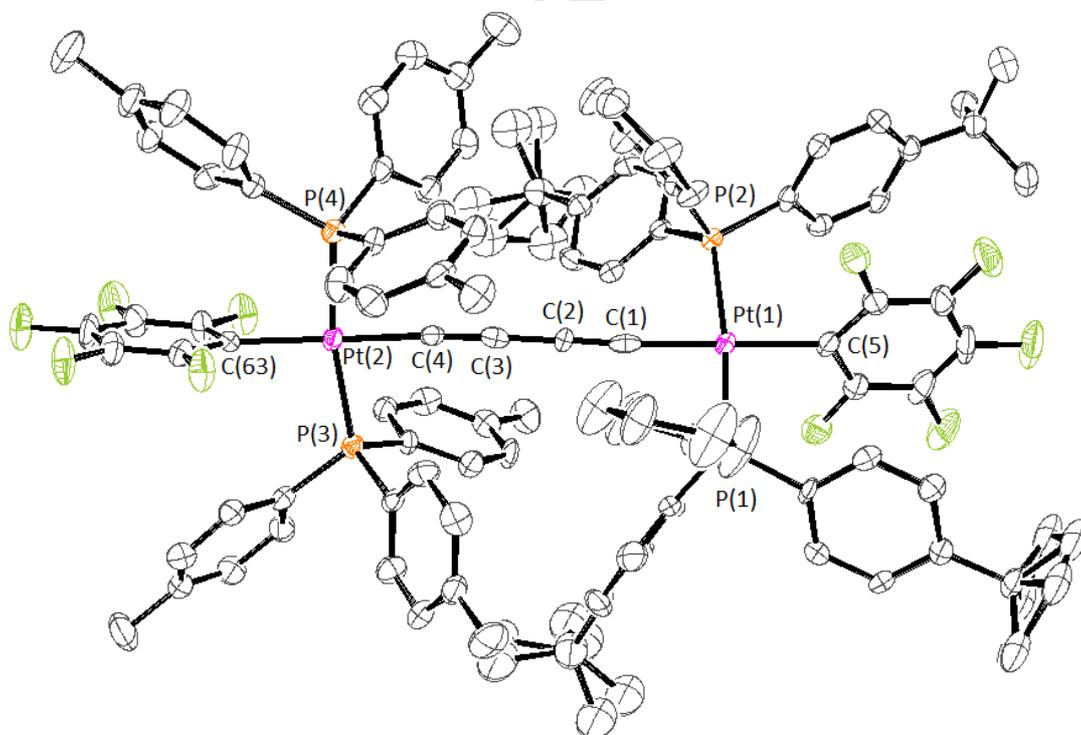


Figure 8. Molecular structure of PtC₄Pt''-b with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability level and solvate molecules omitted; some *t*-butyl groups are disordered as described in the experimental section.

6. Other Characterization. The UV-visible spectra of diplatinum polyynediyl complexes have been extensively analyzed as a function of carbon chain length.^{2a,3a,5g} The λ_{max} red shifts and becomes more intense, and a series of much weaker bands at still longer wavelengths – representing C≡C vibrational fine structure – become increasingly apparent. Such bands were not detected when we initially characterized **PtC₄Pt**.^{2a} Hence, the UV-visible spectra of representative diplatinum butadiynediyl complexes were recorded at higher concentrations and with special attention to this region. As summarized in Table 4, two such bands at 395-387 and 428-422 nm could always be detected. The molar extinction coefficients (ϵ , M⁻¹cm⁻¹) were 500-400 and 120-50, respectively.

■ DISCUSSION

1. Syntheses. The preceding data reveal a number of synthetic challenges with respect to both the monoplatinum and diplatinum target complexes. For example, Scheme 3 illustrates the difficulties associated with introducing two bulky *trans* *t*-Bu₂PhP ligands onto a C₆F₅PtCl fragment. Although a route to the adduct **Pt''Cl-e** and the substitution product **Pt'Cl-e** could ultimately be realized, several reactions that worked with less bulky phosphine ligands (Scheme 2) were unsuccessful. In the same vein, all efforts to replace the chloride ligand in **Pt'Cl-e** with any type of alkynyl ligand were thwarted (Scheme 4).

The phosphine ligand scrambling that accompanied the coupling of **Pt'C₄H-a-c** and **Pt'Cl-a-c** (Scheme 5) was unexpected. This phenomenon was likely masked in earlier studies, which involved reaction components with a single phosphine ligand.^{2a,c,d} Enhanced substitution rates are often found with paramagnetic metal complexes.²² Perhaps the copper catalyst somehow promotes redox equilibria that facilitate scrambling. However, very little or no scrambling is found with the alternative copper catalyzed coupling protocol in Scheme 6. This recipe was not investigated until a late stage of this project. Otherwise, at least some of the target complexes might have been realized in much higher overall yields.

Nonetheless, ligand labilization such as in Scheme 5 can sometimes be turned into an advantage. For example, one could consider the possibility of carrying out late stage phosphine

substitutions simultaneously with coupling. This could greatly increase the breadth of end products accessible, without a corresponding increase in intermediates that must be characterized.

2. Structural and Dynamic Properties. None of the low temperature NMR experiments carried out with the diplatinum butadiynediyl complexes gave any evidence of atropisomerism. Importantly, the many types of NMR couplings observed at ambient temperature (e.g., $^1J_{\text{PtPt}}$, $^nJ_{\text{HPt}}$, $^nJ_{\text{Cpt}}$, $^2J_{\text{PP}}$, certain $^nJ_{\text{HP}}$ and $^nJ_{\text{CP}}$, etc.) exclude the operation of any low energy ligand dissociation processes. These might provide pathways for interconverting atropisomers and/or exchanging diastereotopic groups (see Scheme 1).

This inability to document atropisomerism could have been anticipated if recently published studies with related diplatinum ethynediyl complexes⁸ had been carried out first. However, we misjudged the degree of endgroup/endgroup interactions. In this context, Figure 9 compares space filling representations of three diplatinum complexes: (1) the butadiynediyl complex *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(Et₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PEt₃)₂(*p*-tol),^{2d} which has four identical, moderately sized phosphine ligands, PEt₃, (2) **Pt'C₄Pt'-b**, which has bulkier *p*-tol₃P and (*p*-*t*-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP ligands on each platinum, and (3) the ethynediyl complex *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(Me₂PhP)-Pt(C≡C)Pt(PPhMe₂)(*Pp*-tol₃)(C₆F₅) (**Pt'C₂Pt'-a**),⁸ which has a smaller Me₂PhP ligand and a bulkier *p*-tol₃P ligand on each platinum. The sp carbon chains are highlighted in dark blue.

In the first complex (Figure 9, top), the endgroups are well separated and the carbon chain is highly exposed. In the case of **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** (Figure 9, middle), the phosphine ligands on opposite termini have considerable van der Waals contacts, but the carbon chain remains somewhat visible. With this ligand set, the platinum square planes can apparently rotate by 180°, allowing the interconversion of the types of structures in Scheme 1. Concomitant gearing of the aryl groups on the phosphine ligands is required. Space filling representations of all crystallographically characterized complexes are provided in the supplementary material. **Pt'C₄Pt'-c** exhibits a slightly higher degree of endgroup/endgroup interactions, but **Pt'C₄Pt'-a,d** show no van der Waals contacts as all.

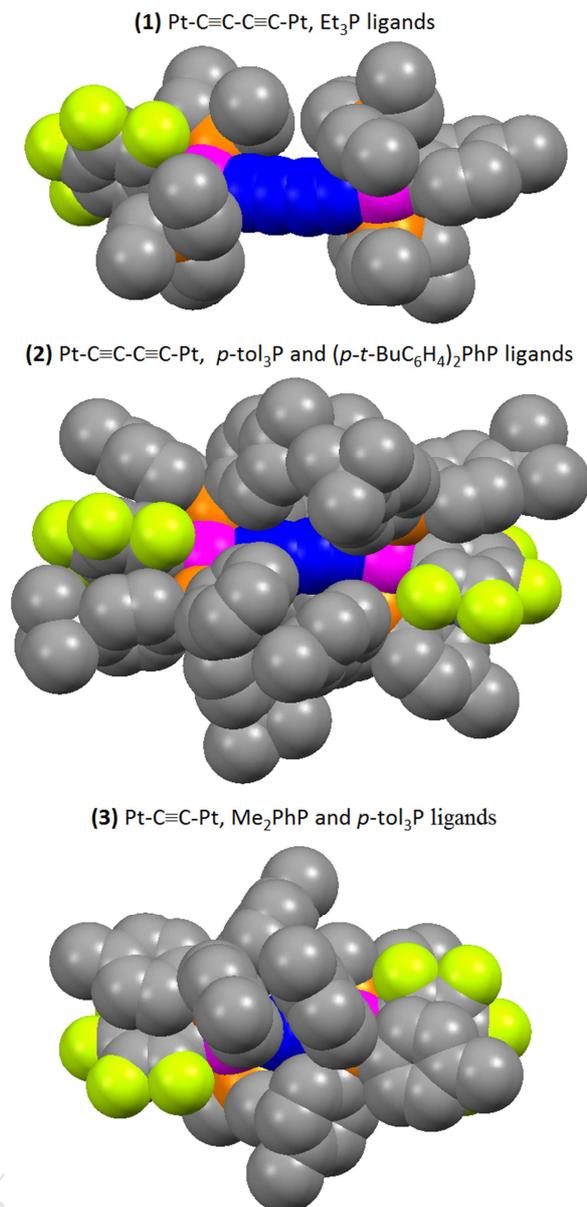


Figure 9. Representative space filling representations of diplatinum polyynediyl complexes: (1) *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)-(Et₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PEt₃)₂(*p*-tol); (2) **Pt'C₄Pt'-b**; (3) *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(Me₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)Pt(PPhMe₂)(*Pp*-tol₃)(C₆F₅) (**Pt'C₂Pt'-a**).

The phosphine ligands on opposite termini in **Pt'C₂Pt'-a** (Figure 9, bottom) have extensive van der Waals contacts and nearly completely shield the sp carbon chain. However, low temperature NMR spectroscopy still failed to establish atropisomerism,⁸ presumably due to a modest barrier to square plane rotation and/or phosphorus substituent gearing. Nonetheless, we consider this a "near miss", as restricted rotation has been observed about other MC₂M' linkages (where

one metal is formally octahedral).²³ Other approaches towards realizing this well established mode of organic stereoisomerism with square planar metal complexes will be pursued in the future. It should also be noted that several other types of atropisomerism have been documented in inorganic and organometallic complexes,²⁴ and conceptually related types of coordination compounds with only axial chirality have been synthesized.²⁵

3. Summary. This study has greatly increased the number of diplatinum butadienyldiyl complexes in the literature, particularly with regard to less symmetrically substituted systems. This was assisted by an unanticipated phosphine ligand scrambling process (Scheme 5), which proves avoidable under modified reaction conditions (Scheme 6). These complexes and their precursors exhibit a wealth of fascinating NMR and structural properties. While the diplatinum complexes remain insufficiently congested for any dynamic processes or atropisomerism to be observed, other applications can be anticipated (e.g., improved stabilities of mixed valence Pt(II)/Pt(III) cation radicals)^{2a,b,g} and will be investigated in due course.

■ EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

Reactions were conducted under inert atmospheres. Workups were carried out in air. Toluene and CH₂Cl₂ used for reactions were dried and degassed with a Glass Contour solvent purification system; other solvents were used as received from common commercial sources. The following reagents were used as received: CuCl (99.999%, Aldrich), CuI (99.999%, Aldrich), KPF₆ (99.9%, Aldrich), *t*-BuOK (97.0%, TCI), Cl₂PhP (98%, Fluka), Me₂PhP (99%, Strem), *n*-Pr₂PhP (98%, Aldrich), *t*-Bu₂PhP (95%, Aldrich), (*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP (95%, Alfa Aesar), *p*-tol₃P (95%, TCI) and K₂PtCl₄ (99.8%, Aldrich).

NMR spectra were recorded at ambient probe temperature unless noted using a Varian instrument operating at 500.00 (¹H), 125.65 (¹³C{¹H}), or 202.28 (³¹P{¹H}) MHz and referenced as follows (δ/ppm): ¹H, residual internal CHCl₃ (7.26); ¹³C, internal CDCl₃ (77.2); ³¹P, external H₃PO₄ (0.00). UV/visible spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu UV-1800 spectrophotometer. Melting points were recorded using a Stanford Research Systems (SRS) MPA100 (Opti-Melt)

automated melting point system. Microanalyses were conducted by Atlantic Microlab.

***trans*-(C₆F₅)(Me₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(Cl) (Pt'Cl-a).**¹¹ A Schlenk flask was charged with *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(Cl) (PtCl);^{2a} 3.170 g, 3.150 mmol), Me₂PhP (0.450 mL, 3.150 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (140 mL). The mixture was stirred for 16 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was washed with hexane (2 × 20 mL) and dried by oil pump vacuum to give Pt'Cl-a as a white powder (2.344 g, 2.790 mmol, 89%), mp 210 °C. Calcd for C₃₅H₃₂ClF₅-P₂Pt (840.06): C, 50.04; H, 3.84. Found: 50.01; H, 3.82.

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.53 (m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.47 (dd, ³J_{HH} = 9.8 Hz, ³J_{HP} = 11.4 Hz, 6H, *o* to P, tol), 7.33 (m, 3H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.11 (dd, ³J_{HH} = 8.1 Hz, ⁴J_{HP} = 1.8 Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 2.35 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol), 1.79 (dd, ²J_{HP} = 10.5 Hz, ⁴J_{HP} = 2.7 Hz, ³J_{HPt} = 36.9 Hz, 6H, P-Me₂); ¹³C{¹H} 145.9 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 229 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 23 Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 140.9 (d, ⁴J_{CP} = 2.3 Hz, *p* to P, tol), 136.8 (dm, ¹J_{CF} = 238 Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 134.5 (d, ²J_{CP} = 10.4 Hz, *o* to P, tol), 132.9 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 54 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 3.1 Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.6 (d, ²J_{CP} = 9.7 Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 130.3 (d, ⁴J_{CP} = 2.0 Hz, *p* to P, Ph), 128.9 (d, ³J_{CP} = 10.8 Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.4 (d, ³J_{CP} = 10.0 Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 126.6 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 55.4 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 2.7 Hz, ²J_{CPt} = 25.8 Hz,²⁹ *i* to P, tol), 111.1 (t, ²J_{CF} = 43.5 Hz, *i* to Pt, C₆F₅), 21.5 (s, CH₃, tol), 12.3 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 36.6 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 1.7 Hz, ²J_{CPt} = 37.6 Hz,²⁹ P-Me₂); ³¹P{¹H} 20.2 (d, ²J_{PP} = 450 Hz, ¹J_{PPt} = 2624 Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P), -5.5 (d, ²J_{PP} = 450 Hz, ¹J_{PPt} = 2620 Hz,²⁹ P-Me₂Ph).

***trans*-(C₆F₅)(Me₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (Pt''Cl-a).** A Schlenk flask was charged with [(C₆F₅)-(tht)Pt(μ-Cl)]₂ (1.010 g, 1.040 mmol),²⁶ Me₂PhP (0.60 mL, 4.20 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (70 mL). The solution was stirred for 18 h and filtered through a celite/decolorizing charcoal/glass frit assembly. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was washed with methanol (2 × 20 mL) and dried by oil pump vacuum to give Pt''Cl-a as a white powder (0.433 g, 0.643 mmol, 31%). The solvent was removed from the washes by rotary evaporation. The residue was recrystallized from methanol/hexane mixture to yield another crop of Pt''Cl-a (0.585 g, 0.868 mmol, 42% or 73% total).

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.44 (m, 4H, *o* to P), 7.32 (m, 6H, *m/p* to P), 1.73 (virtual t,³⁰ ²J_{HP})

= 3.9 Hz, $^3J_{\text{HPt}} = 27.9$ Hz, 12H, Me); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 146.3 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 228$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 26$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 76$ Hz,²⁹ *o* to Pt, C_6F_5), 136.6 (dm, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 247$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C_6F_5), 132.6 (virtual t,³⁰ $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 28.1$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 33.2$ Hz,²⁹ *i* to P), 130.4 (virtual t,³⁰ $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 5.8$ Hz, *o* to P), 130.3 (s, *p* to P), 128.4 (virtual t,³⁰ $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 5.1$ Hz, *m* to P), 108.1 (t, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 43.5$ Hz, *i* to Pt, C_6F_5), 12.2 (virtual t,³⁰ $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 18.9$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 35.8$ Hz,²⁹ PMe_2); $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -5.5 (s, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2520$ Hz²⁹).

***trans*-(C_6F_5)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-*t*-Bu C_6H_4)₂PhP)Pt(Cl) (Pt'Cl-b).** A Schlenk flask was charged with **PtCl** (6.186 g, 6.147 mmol),^{2a} (*p*-*t*-Bu C_6H_4)₂PhP (2.302 g, 6.147 mmol),²⁷ and toluene (150 mL). The solution was refluxed for 22 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was washed with hexane (3 × 30 mL, leaving 5.213 g) and chromatographed on a silica gel column (3.8 × 42 cm, 8:1 v/v toluene/hexane). The solvent was removed from the product containing fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give **Pt'Cl-b** (1.906 g, 1.771 mmol, 29%), **PtCl** (1.475 g, 1.466 mmol, 24%), and an unknown complex (0.121 g) as white solids. A fourth fraction contained mainly *trans*-(C_6F_5)((*p*-*t*-Bu C_6H_4)₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (**Pt''Cl-b**, ~10%), together with the unknown complex and a second one.

Date for **Pt'Cl-b**. dec pt 249 °C. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{53}\text{H}_{52}\text{ClF}_5\text{P}_2\text{Pt}$ (1076.46): C 59.14, H 4.87. Found: C 59.31, H 4.86. NMR (δ , CDCl_3): ^1H 7.88-7.78 (m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.60-7.47 (m, 10H, *o* to P, tol+ C_6H_4), 7.40-7.33 (m, 3H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.30 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 8.4$ Hz, 4H, *m* to P, C_6H_4), 7.13 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.8$ Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 2.36 (s, 9H, CH_3 , tol), 1.30 (s, 18H, $\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 153.9 (s, *p* to P, C_6H_4), 145.3 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 225$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 22$ Hz, *o* to Pt, C_6F_5), 141.0 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.3 (dm, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 245$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C_6F_5), 135.0 (virtual t,³⁰ $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 6.3$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 134.6 (virtual t,³⁰ $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 6.3$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.3 (virtual t,³⁰ $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 6.3$ Hz, *o* to P, C_6H_4), 130.7 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 130.2 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 30.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 26.5$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 128.9 (virtual t,³⁰ $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 5.7$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.2 (virtual t,³⁰ $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 5.6$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 126.7 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 31.7$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 27.5$ Hz, *i* to P, tol), 126.6 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 31.8$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 27.2$ Hz, *i* to P, C_6H_4), 125.1 (virtual t,³⁰ $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 5.6$ Hz, *m* to P, C_6H_4), 114.5 (t, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 45.4$ Hz, *i* to Pt, C_6F_5), 34.9 (s, $\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$), 31.2 (s, CH_3); 21.5 (s, CH_3 , tol); $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 19.8 (s, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2726$ Hz²⁹).

***trans*-(C_6F_5)((*p*-*t*-Bu C_6H_4)₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (Pt''Cl-b).** A Schlenk flask was charged with

$[(C_6F_5)(tht)Pt(\mu-Cl)]_2$ (0.129 g, 0.132 mmol),²⁶ (*p-t*-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP (0.218 g, 0.582 mmol),²⁷ and CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). The solution was stirred for 16 h and filtered through a celite/decolorizing charcoal/glass frit assembly. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was washed with cold methanol (2 × 10 mL) and dried by oil pump vacuum to give **Pt''Cl-b** as a white powder (0.231 g, 0.201 mmol, 76%).

NMR (δ , CDCl₃): ¹H 7.91-7.80 (m, 4H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.56-7.46 (m, 8H, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 7.44-7.36 (m, 6H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.28 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.4 Hz, 8H, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 1.29 (s, 36H, CH₃); ³¹P{¹H} 19.7 (s, ¹J_{PPt} = 2731 Hz²⁹).

trans-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(Cl) (Pt'Cl-c). A Schlenk flask was charged with **PtCl** (5.032 g, 5.000 mmol),^{2a} (*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP (1.612 g, 5.000 mmol), and toluene (120 mL). The solution was refluxed for 22 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was washed with hexane (3 × 50 mL) and chromatographed on a silica gel column (3.8 × 42 cm), using 50:50 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane to elute **PtCl**, 80:20 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane to elute **Pt'Cl-c**, and 40:60 v/v ethyl acetate/hexane to elute **trans-(C₆F₅)((*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (Pt''Cl-c)**. The solvent was removed from the fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give **PtCl** (1.406 g, 1.397 mmol, 28%), **Pt'Cl-c** (2.149 g, 2.098 mmol, 42%) and **Pt''Cl-c** (0.643 g, 0.616 mmol, 13%) as white solids.

Data for **Pt'Cl-c**. mp 215 °C. Calcd for C₄₇H₄₀ClF₅O₂P₂Pt (1024.30): C, 55.11; H, 3.94. Found: 55.06; H, 3.95. NMR (δ , CDCl₃): ¹H 7.71-7.61 (m, 4H, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 7.59-7.42 (m, 8H, *o* to P, tol+Ph), 7.37-7.29 (m, 1H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.26 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.2 Hz, 2H, *m* to P, Ph), 7.13 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 6.88 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.1 Hz, 4H, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 3.83 (s, 6H, OCH₃), 2.36 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol); ¹³C{¹H} 161.5 (s, *p* to P, C₆H₄), 145.2 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 225 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 20 Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 140.9 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.5 (dm, ¹J_{CF} = 238 Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 136.4 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 6.9 Hz, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 134.4 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 6.3 Hz, *o* to P, tol), 133.7 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 5.9 Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 131.0 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 33.9 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 23.9 Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.2 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 128.8 (virtual t, ³⁰ ³J_{CP} = 5.5 Hz, *m* to P, tol), 127.8 (virtual t, ³⁰ ³J_{CP} = 5.2 Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 126.5 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 34.4 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 24.7 Hz, *i* to P, tol), 120.5 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 36.6 Hz, ³J_{CP} =

25.9 Hz, *i* to P, C₆H₄), 114.5 (br, *i* to Pt, C₆F₅), 113.8 (dd, ³J_{CP} = 6.6 Hz, ⁵J_{CP} = 5.1 Hz, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 55.4 (s, OCH₃), 21.4 (s, CH₃, tol); ³¹P{¹H} 19.565, 19.506 (2 × s, ¹J_{PPt} = 2723 Hz²⁹).

***trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (Pt''Cl-c).** A Schlenk flask was charged with [(C₆F₅)(tht)Pt(μ-Cl)]₂ (0.140 g, 0.144 mmol),²⁶ (*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP (0.210 g, 0.652 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL). The solution was stirred for 16 h and filtered through a celite/decolorizing charcoal/glass frit assembly. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was washed with methanol (2 × 2 mL) and recrystallized from dichloromethane/hexane/methanol to give **Pt''Cl-c** as a white powder (0.155 g, 0.149 mmol, 52%).

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.71-7.60 (m, 8H, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 7.54-7.43 (m, 4H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.38-7.30 (m, 6H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.26 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 4H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.88 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.7 Hz, 8H, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 3.83 (s, 12H, OCH₃); ³¹P{¹H} 19.2 (s, ¹J_{PPt} = 2716 Hz²⁹).

***trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(*n*-Pr₂PhP)Pt(Cl) (Pt'Cl-d).** A Schlenk flask was charged with **PtCl** (6.167 g, 6.128 mmol),^{2a} *n*-Pr₂PhP (1.30 mL, 6.190 mmol), and toluene (120 mL). The solution was stirred for 16 h and then refluxed for 6 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was washed with hexane (3 × 60 mL). Only unreacted **PtCl** remained (1.096 g, 1.089 mmol, 18%). The solvent was removed from the combined washes by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column (6.4 × 43 cm) using 50:50 v/v CHCl₃/hexane to elute displaced *p*-tol₃P, 55:45 v/v CHCl₃/hexane to elute **Pt''Cl-d**, 60:40 v/v CHCl₃/hexane to elute **Pt'Cl-d**, and 80:20 v/v CHCl₃/hexane to elute **PtCl**. The solvent was removed from the fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give **Pt''Cl-d** (0.481 g, 0.612 mmol, 10%), **Pt'Cl-d** (2.295 g, 2.561 mmol, 42%), and **PtCl** (0.511 g, 0.508 mmol, 9% or 27% including the residue isolated above).

Data for **Pt'Cl-d**. NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.47 (dd, ³J_{HP} = 11.0 Hz, ³J_{HH} = 8.0 Hz, 6H, *o* to P, tol; overlapped with *m*, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.35-7.28 (m, 3H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.10 (dd, ³J_{HH} = 8.0 Hz, ⁴J_{HP} = 2.0 Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 2.35 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol), 2.29-1.95 (m, 4H, PCH₂), 1.79-1.39 (m, 4H, PCH₂CH₂), 1.01 (dt, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, ⁴J_{HP} = 0.5 Hz, 6H, PCH₂CH₂CH₃); ¹³C{¹H} 145.8 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 226 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 19 Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 140.8 (d, ⁴J_{CP} = 2.5 Hz, *p* to P, tol),

136.6 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 256$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 134.4 (dd, $^2J_{CP} = 11.1$ Hz, $^4J_{CP} = 1.1$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 131.3 (d, $^2J_{CP} = 8.8$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 130.6 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 50.0$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 2.6$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.0 (d, $^4J_{CP} = 2.4$ Hz, *p* to P, Ph), 128.8 (d, $^3J_{CP} = 10.9$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.2 (d, $^3J_{CP} = 9.8$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 126.6 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 55.0$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 3.0$ Hz, *i* to P, tol), 111.1 (t, $^2J_{CF} = 43.8$ Hz, *i* to Pt, C₆F₅), 24.9 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 32.0$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 1.9$ Hz, PCH₂), 21.4 (d, $^5J_{CP} = 1.1$ Hz, CH₃, tol), 17.7 (s, PCH₂CH₂), 15.9 (d, $^3J_{CP} = 14.7$ Hz, PCH₂CH₂CH₃); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 20.2 (d, $^2J_{PP} = 434$ Hz, $^1J_{PPt} = 2624$ Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P), 8.8 (d, $^2J_{PP} = 434$ Hz, $^1J_{PPt} = 2629$ Hz,²⁹ *n*-Pr₂PhP).

***trans*-(C₆F₅)(*n*-Pr₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (Pt''Cl-d).** A Schlenk flask was charged with [(C₆F₅)-(tht)Pt(μ-Cl)]₂ (0.130 g, 0.134 mmol),²⁶ *n*-Pr₂PhP (0.13 mL, 0.619 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL). The solution was stirred for 16 h and filtered through a celite/decolorizing charcoal/glass frit assembly. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was recrystallized from hexane to give **Pt''Cl-d** as a white powder (0.125 g, 0.159 mmol, 60%).

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 1H 7.43-7.37 (m, 4H, *o* to P), 7.29 (d, $^4J_{HP} = 7.0$ Hz, 4H, *m* to P, overlapped with m, 2H, *p* to P), 2.21-1.90 (m, 8H, PCH₂), 1.71-1.33 (m, 8H, PCH₂CH₂), 0.98 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.5$ Hz, 12 H, PCH₂CH₂CH₃); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 8.7 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2534$ Hz²⁹).

(C₆F₅)(*t*-Bu₂PhP)(tht)Pt(Cl) (1).³¹ A Schlenk flask was charged with [(C₆F₅)(tht)Pt(μ-Cl)]₂ (0.986 g, 1.015 mmol),²⁶ *t*-Bu₂PhP (1.16 mL, 4.816 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (75 mL). The solution was stirred for 16 h and filtered through a celite/decolorizing charcoal/glass frit assembly. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was washed with cold methanol (2 × 10 mL). Recrystallization from CH₂Cl₂/hexane gave colorless crystals of **1** (1.099 g, 1.552 mmol, 77%).

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 1H 7.99-7.88 (m, 4H, *o* to P), 7.52-7.43 (d, 6H, *m/p* to P), 3.04, 2.71 (each br, 4H, SCH₂), 1.59 (d, 18H, $^3J_{HP} = 13.5$ Hz, C(CH₃)₃), 1.42 (br, 4H, SCH₂CH₂) ; $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ ³² 146.7 (dd, $^1J_{CF} = 222$ Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 22$ Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 137.6 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 243$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 135.2 (d, $^2J_{CP} = 8.4$ Hz, *o* to P), 131.2 (d, $^1J_{CP} = 35.3$ Hz, *i* to P), 130.3 (d, $^4J_{CP} = 2.0$ Hz, *p* to P), 127.9 (d, $^3J_{CP} = 8.7$ Hz, *m* to P), 39.4 (s, SCH₂), 37.5 (d, $^1J_{CP} = 18.6$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 17.7$ Hz,²⁹ C(CH₃)₃), 30.9 (d, $^2J_{CP} = 3.0$ Hz, CH₃), 29.8 (s, $^3J_{CPt} = 15.9$ Hz,²⁹

SCH₂CH₂); ³¹P{¹H} (see Figure S4) 42.0 (apparent septet, ⁴J_{PF} = 34.8 Hz, ¹J_{PPt} = 2330 Hz²⁹).

trans-(*t*-Bu₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl)₂ (2).^{12,14} A Schlenk flask was charged with K₂PtCl₄ (1.299 g, 3.130 mmol) and deoxygenated H₂O (10 mL). Another Schlenk flask was charged with *t*-Bu₂PhP (1.50 mL, 6.295 mmol) and ethanol (10 mL). The ethanol solution was transferred via cannula to the aqueous solution. The resulting pink suspension was stirred. After 1 d, the yellow precipitate was washed with H₂O, ethanol, hexane and diethyl ether, and dried in vacuum to give previously reported **2** (1.968 g, 2.769 mmol, 89%).

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.94 (br, 4H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.42-7.30 (m, 6H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 1.61 (virtual t, ³⁰ ³J_{HP} = 6.8 Hz, 36H, C(CH₃)₃); ³¹P{¹H} 42.8 (s, ¹J_{PPt} = 2542 Hz²⁹).

trans-(C₆F₅)(*t*-Bu₂PhP)₂Pt(Cl) (Pt''Cl-e). A Schlenk flask was charged with (cod)(C₆F₅)Pt(Cl) (2.797 g, 5.530 mmol),¹⁶ *t*-Bu₂PhP (3.50 mL, 14.689 mmol) and toluene (120 mL). The solution was refluxed for 48 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was washed with ethanol (2 × 25 mL) and hexane (2 × 25 mL) and dried by oil pump vacuum to give **Pt''Cl-e** as a white solid (2.980 g, 3.538 mmol, 64%).

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.90 (br, s, 4H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.24-7.08 (m, 6H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 1.58 (t, ³J_{HP} = 6.0 Hz, 36H, C(CH₃)₃); ³¹P{¹H} 41.8 (br s, ¹J_{PPt} = 2668 Hz).

trans-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(*t*-Bu₂PhP)Pt(Cl) (Pt'Cl-e). A Schlenk flask was charged with **Pt''Cl-e** (2.815 g, 3.342 mmol), *p*-tol₃P (1.025 g, 3.368 mmol) and toluene (120 mL). The solution was refluxed for 14 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was washed with methanol (2 × 30 mL), ethanol (20 mL) and hexane (20 mL) to give **Pt'Cl-e** as a white powder (2.800 g, 3.029 mmol, 91%).

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.87-7.80 (m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.52 (dd, ³J_{HP} = 11.0 Hz, ³J_{HH} = 8.0 Hz, 6H, *o* to P, tol), 7.28-7.21 (m, 3H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.11 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.0 Hz, ⁴J_{HP} = 2.0 Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 2.35 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol) 1.52 (d, ³J_{HP} = 14.0 Hz, 18H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C{¹H} 146.2 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 222 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 20 Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 140.8 (d, ⁴J_{CP} = 2.4 Hz, *p* to P, tol), 136.8 (dm, ¹J_{CF} = 254 Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 135.5 (d, ²J_{CP} = 7.9 Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 134.6 (d, ²J_{CP} = 10.7 Hz, *o* to P, tol), 130.1 (d, ¹J_{CP} = 38.3 Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 129.6 (d, ⁴J_{CP} = 1.6 Hz, *p* to P, Ph), 128.7 (d,

$^3J_{\text{CP}} = 11.2$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 126.7 (d, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 9.0$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 126.7 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 58.3$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 1.8$ Hz, *i* to P, tol), 111.0 (t, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 40.2$ Hz, *i* to Pt, C_6F_5), 37.6 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 17.8$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 3.0$ Hz, C(CH₃)), 31.5 (s, CH₃); 21.5 (s, CH₃, tol); $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 50.2 (d, $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 421$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2711$ Hz,²⁹ *t*-Bu₂PhP), 18.5 (d, $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 421$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2689$ Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P).

***trans*-(C₆F₅)(Me₂PhP)(*p*-tol₃P)Pt(C≡C)₂H (Pt'C₄H-a). Synthesis A.** A Schlenk flask was charged with *trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂H (PtC₄H;^{2a} 0.822 g, 0.806 mmol), Me₂PhP (0.115 mL, 0.811 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (60 mL). The solution was stirred for 18 h. The solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum. The residue was washed with hexane (2 × 20 mL). A $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of the washes showed signals for *p*-tol₃P, *p*-tol₃PO, and smaller quantities of platinum complexes (~10%). The residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column (2.5 × 30 cm, packed in hexane, eluted with 1:1 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane). The solvent was removed from the product containing fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give PtC₄H as an off-white solid (0.148 g, 0.145 mmol, 18%), Pt'C₄H-a as pale yellow solid (0.206 g, 0.242 mmol, 30%), and *trans*-(C₆F₅)(Me₂PhP)₂Pt(C≡C)₂H (Pt''C₄H-a) as a pale yellow solid (0.061 g, 0.089 mmol, 11%).

Data for Pt'C₄H-a. mp 128 °C. Calcd for C₃₉H₃₃F₅P₂Pt (853.71): C, 54.87; H, 3.90. Found: 54.66; H, 3.90. NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ^1H 7.53 (m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.45 (dd, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 8.3$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{HP}} = 11.6$ Hz, 6H, *o* to P, tol), 7.35 (m, 3H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.11 (dd, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.8$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{HP}} = 1.8$ Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 2.36 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol), 1.88 (dd, $^2J_{\text{HP}} = 10.5$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{HP}} = 2.7$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{HPt}} = 44.4$ Hz,²⁹ 6H, PMe₂), 1.69 (t, $^6J_{\text{HP}} = 1.0$ Hz, $^5J_{\text{HPt}} = 9.3$ Hz,²⁹ 1H, ≡CH); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 146.4 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 228$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 22$ Hz, *o* to Pt, C_6F_5), 140.9 (d, $^4J_{\text{CP}} = 2.3$ Hz, *p* to P, tol), 136.9 (dm, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 230$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C_6F_5), 134.4 (d, $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 10$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CPt}} = 31$ Hz,²⁹ *o* to P, tol), 133.5 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 54.4$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 3.1$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 28.9$ Hz,²⁹ *i* to P, Ph), 130.7 (d, $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 9.7$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CPt}} = 28.2$ Hz,²⁹ *o* to P, Ph), 130.4 (d, $^4J_{\text{CP}} = 2.3$ Hz, *p* to P, Ph), 128.9 (d, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 11.1$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.4 (d, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 10.4$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 127.4 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 56.8$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 2.6$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 27.2$ Hz,²⁹ *i* to P, tol), 124.5 (t, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 52$ Hz, *i* to Pt, C_6F_5), 99.5 (br, $^1J_{\text{CPt}} = 1011$ Hz,²⁹ Pt-C≡C), 92.7 (s, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 278$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 72.4 (t, $^4J_{\text{CP}} = 2.3$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CPt}} = 36.7$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C),

60.1 (s, PtC≡CC≡C), 21.5 (s, CH₃, tol), 14.4 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 37.6 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 1.7 Hz, ²J_{CPt} = 45.3 Hz, ²⁹PMe₂); ³¹P{¹H} 18.3 (d, ²J_{PP} = 419 Hz, ¹J_{PPt} = 2556 Hz, ²⁹p-tol₃P), -9.9 (d, ²J_{PP} = 419 Hz, ¹J_{PPt} = 2529 Hz, ²⁹Me₂PhP).

Data for **Pt''C₄H-a**. NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.44 (m, 4H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.34 (t, ³J_{HP} = 0.9 Hz, 4H, *m* to P, Ph), 7.32 (m, 2H, *p* to P, Ph), 1.82 (virtual t, ³⁰²J_{HP} = 3.9 Hz, ³J_{HPt} = 33 Hz, 12H, PMe₂; ≡CH signal not observed); ¹³C{¹H}³² 146.7 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 216 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 28 Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 136.8 (dm, ¹J_{CF} = 258 Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 133.2 (virtual t, ³⁰¹J_{CP} = 28.6 Hz, *i* to P), 130.6 (virtual t, ³⁰²J_{CP} = 5.8 Hz, *o* to P), 130.4 (s, *p* to P), 128.5 (virtual t, ³⁰³J_{CP} = 5.1 Hz, *m* to P), 100.2 (br, PtC≡C), 90.3 (s, ²J_{CPt} = 256 Hz, ²⁹PtC≡C), 72.2 (s, PtC≡CC), 60.2 (s, PtC≡C≡C), 14.3 (virtual t, ³⁰¹J_{CP} = 19.8 Hz, ²J_{CPt} = 44.3 Hz, ²⁹PMe₂); ³¹P{¹H} -9.9 (s, ¹J_{PPt} = 2426 Hz²⁹).

Synthesis B. A Schlenk flask was charged with **Pt'Cl-a** (0.791 g, 0.942 mmol), CuI (0.040 g, 0.21 mmol), CH₂Cl₂ (6 mL), and HNEt₂ (50 mL), and cooled to -45 °C (CO₂/CH₃CN). Then butadiyne (1.7 M in THF, 10.5 mL, 17.5 mmol)²⁸ was added with stirring. The cold bath was allowed to warm to room temperature (ca. 3 h). After an additional 16 h, the solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum. The residue was extracted with toluene (3 × 20 mL). The combined extracts were filtered through a neutral alumina column (7 cm, packed in toluene). The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was washed with ethanol (20 mL) and dried by oil pump vacuum (total mass 0.5015 g). Analysis by ³¹P{¹H} NMR established the following product quantities: **Pt'C₄H-a** (0.2835 g, 0.332 mmol, 36%), **Pt-C₄H** (0.154 g, 0.151 mmol, 16%), **Pt''C₄H-a** (0.064 g, 0.093 mmol, 10%).

trans-(C₆F₅)(p-tol₃P)((p-t-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂H (Pt'C₄H-b). A Schlenk flask was charged with **Pt'Cl-b** (0.539 g, 0.501 mmol), CuI (0.020 g, 0.11 mmol), CH₂Cl₂ (4 mL) and HNEt₂ (40 mL), and cooled to -45 °C (CO₂/CH₃CN). Then butadiyne (2.14 M in THF, 4.2 mL, 9.0 mmol)²⁸ was added with stirring. The cold bath was allowed to warm at 10 °C (ca. 6 h). The cold bath was removed, and after an additional 1 h, the solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum. The residue was extracted with toluene (3 × 25 mL). The combined extracts were filtered

through a neutral alumina column (2.5 × 7 cm, packed in toluene). The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation to give **Pt'C₄H-b** as an off-white solid (0.418 g, 0.384 mmol, 77%), dec pt 149 °C. Calcd for (C₅₇H₅₃F₅P₂Pt)·(CH₂Cl₂) (1175.03): C, 59.29; H, 4.72. Found: 59.16; H, 4.72.

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.85-7.73 (m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.62-7.41 (m, 10H, *o* to P, tol+C₆H₄), 7.43-7.34 (m, 3H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.29 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.4 Hz, 4H, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 7.12 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 5.31 (s, 2H, CH₂Cl₂), 2.35 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol), 1.47 (t, ⁶J_{HP} = 0.9 Hz, 1H, ≡CH); ¹³C{¹H} 154.0 (s, *p* to P, C₆H₄), 146.0 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 226 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 23 Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 141.0 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.5 (dm, ¹J_{CF} = 254 Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 134.9 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 6.4 Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 134.6 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 6.4 Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.3 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 6.4 Hz, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 131.1 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 29.3 Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.7 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 128.9 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 5.6 Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.2 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 5.5 Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 127.5 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 30.2 Hz, *i* to P, tol), 127.2 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 30.0 Hz, *i* to P, C₆H₄), 125.1 (virtual t, ³⁰J_{CP} = 5.5 Hz, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 98.1 (s, ¹J_{CPt} = 993 Hz, ²⁹PtC≡C), 95.3 (s, ²J_{CPt} = 265 Hz, ²⁹PtC≡C), 72.7 (t, ⁴J_{CP} = 2.5 Hz, ³J_{CPt} = 36.2 Hz, ²⁹PtC≡CC), 59.9 (s, PtC≡C≡C), 53.7 (s, CH₂Cl₂), 34.9 (s, C(CH₃)₃), 31.3 (s, CH₃); ³¹P{¹H} 17.8 (s, ¹J_{PPt} = 2656 Hz²⁹).

trans-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂H (Pt'C₄H-c). Complex **Pt'Cl-c** (1.317 g, 1.286 mmol), CuI (0.051 g, 0.268 mmol), CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL), HNet₂ (80 mL), and butadiyne (2.14 M in THF, 15 mL, 32.1 mmol)²⁸ were combined in a procedure analogous to that for **Pt'C₄H-b**. A similar workup (toluene extraction 3 × 40 mL) gave **Pt'C₄H-c** as an off-white solid (0.999 g, 0.962 mmol, 75%), mp 138 °C. Calcd for C₅₁H₄₁F₅O₂P₂Pt (1037.92): C, 59.02; H, 3.98. Found: 58.93; H, 3.98.

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.66-7.56 (m, 4H, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 7.55-7.41 (m, 8H, *o* to P, tol+Ph), 7.36-7.29 (m, 1H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.26 (d, ³J_{HH} = 5.4 Hz, 2H, *m* to P, Ph), 7.12 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 6.87 (d, ³J_{HH} = 9.0 Hz, 4H, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 3.84 (s, 6H, OCH₃), 2.36 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol), 1.49 (t, ⁶J_{HP} = 0.9 Hz, 1H, ≡CH); ¹³C{¹H} 161.6 (s, *p* to P, C₆H₄), 145.9 (dd, ¹J_{CF} =

225 Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 24$ Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 140.9 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.7 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 238$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 136.4 (dd, $^2J_{CP} = 7.9$ Hz, $^4J_{CP} = 6.3$ Hz, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 134.4 (dd, $^2J_{CP} = 7.0$ Hz, $^4J_{CP} = 5.8$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 133.8 (dd, $^2J_{CP} = 6.7$ Hz, $^4J_{CP} = 5.5$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 131.8 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 34.4$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 24.5$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.3 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 128.8 (dd, $^3J_{CP} = 6.6$ Hz, $^5J_{CP} = 4.6$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 127.9 (dd, $^3J_{CP} = 6.2$ Hz, $^5J_{CP} = 4.4$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 127.4 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 35.1$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 25.3$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 26.4$ Hz,²⁹ *i* to P, tol), 121.4 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 37.2$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 26.4$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 27.9$ Hz,²⁹ *i* to P, C₆H₄), 113.8 (dd, $^3J_{CP} = 6.9$ Hz, $^5J_{CP} = 5.0$ Hz, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 98.0 (s, $^1J_{CPt} = 989$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 95.2 (s, $^2J_{CPt} = 267$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 72.6 (t, $^4J_{CP} = 2.5$ Hz, $^3J_{CPt} = 34.5$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡CC), 60.1 (s, PtC≡CC≡C), 55.4 (s, OCH₃), 21.5 (s, CH₃, tol); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 17.64, 17.58 (2 × s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2647$ Hz²⁹).

***trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(*n*-Pr₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂H (Pt'C₄H-d).** Complex Pt'Cl-d (1.214 g, 1.355 mmol), CuI (0.053 g, 0.278 mmol), CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL), HNet₂ (90 mL), and butadiyne (3.98 M in THF, 6.1 mL, 24.4 mmol)²⁸ were combined in a procedure analogous to that for Pt'C₄H-c. A similar workup gave a residue that was recrystallized from hexane to give Pt'C₄H-d as an off-white solid (0.898 g, 0.987 mmol, 73%), mp 54 °C. Calcd for C₄₃H₄₁F₅P₂Pt (909.81): C, 56.77; H, 4.54. Found: 56.52; H, 4.64.

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 1H 7.53-7.47 (m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.44 (dd, $^3J_{HP} = 11.0$ Hz, $^3J_{HH} = 8.0$ Hz, 6H, *o* to P, tol), 7.37-7.30 (m, 3H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.10 (dd, $^3J_{HH} = 8.0$ Hz, $^4J_{HP} = 2.0$ Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 2.35 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol), 2.31-2.08 (m, 4H, PCH₂), 1.65 (t, $^6J_{HP} = 1.0$ Hz, 1H, ≡C-H), 1.76-1.62, 1.53-1.39 (2 × m, 2H/2H, PCH₂CH₂), 1.02 (dt, $^3J_{HH} = 7.3$ Hz, $^4J_{HP} = 1.0$ Hz, 6H, PCH₂CH₂CH₃); $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ 146.5 (dd, $^1J_{CF} = 224$ Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 23$ Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 140.9 (d, $^4J_{CP} = 2.4$ Hz, *p* to P, tol), 136.9 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 248$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 134.4 (dd, $^2J_{CP} = 11.3$ Hz, $^4J_{CP} = 1.1$ Hz, $^3J_{CPt} = 20.1$ Hz,²⁹ *o* to P, tol), 131.5 (d, $^2J_{CP} = 9.4$ Hz, $^3J_{CPt} = 17.8$ Hz,²⁹ *o* to P, Ph), 131.3 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 51.6$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 2.6$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.2 (d, $^4J_{CP} = 2.3$ Hz, *p* to P, Ph), 128.8 (d, $^3J_{CP} = 11.1$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.2 (d, $^3J_{CP} = 9.9$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 127.5 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 56.4$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 2.9$ Hz, $^3J_{CPt} = 26.4$ Hz,²⁹ *i* to P, tol), 124.4 (t, $^2J_{CF} = 53$ Hz, *i* to Pt, C₆F₅), 98.6 (br, $^1J_{CPt} = 1000$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 92.7 (s, $^2J_{CPt} = 274$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 72.6 (t, $^4J_{CP} = 2.4$ Hz, $^3J_{CPt}$

= 34.9 Hz,²⁹ PtC≡CC), 59.9 (s, PtC≡CC≡C), 27.0 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 33.3 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 1.8 Hz, ²J_{CPt} = 33.5 Hz,²⁹ PCH₂), 21.5 (d, ⁵J_{CP} = 1.3 Hz, CH₃, tol), 18.0 (s, ³J_{CPt} = 23.5 Hz,²⁹ PCH₂CH₂), 16.1 (d, ³J_{CP} = 15.0 Hz, PCH₂CH₂CH₃); ³¹P{¹H} 18.5 (d, ²J_{PP} = 404 Hz, ¹J_{PPt} = 2556 Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P), 6.0 (d, ²J_{PP} = 404 Hz, ¹J_{PPt} = 2546 Hz,²⁹ *n*-Pr₂PhP).

trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(Me₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPhMe₂)(P*p*-tol₃)(C₆F₅) (Pt'**C₄Pt'**-a).** A Schlenk flask was charged with **Pt'Cl-a** (0.354 g, 0.421 mmol), **Pt'**C₄H-a* (0.359 g, 0.420 mmol), CuCl (0.016 g, 0.166 mmol), and HNEt₂ (60 mL). The mixture was stirred for 65 h at 50 °C. After cooling, the solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum, and the residue extracted with toluene (3 × 20 mL). The combined extracts were filtered through a neutral alumina column (8 cm, packed in toluene). The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column (2.5 × 40 cm, 40:60 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane). The solvent was removed from the product containing fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give five complexes as yellow solids: *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(P*p*-tol₃)₂(C₆F₅) (**PtC₄Pt'**,^{2a} 0.021 g, 0.011 mmol, 3%), *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(P*p*-tol₃)(PPhMe₂)(C₆F₅) (**PtC₄Pt'-a**, 0.169 g, 0.0928 mmol, 23%), *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPhMe₂)₂(C₆F₅) (**PtC₄Pt''-a**, 0.079 g, 0.048 mmol, 12%), *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(Me₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPhMe₂)(P*p*-tol₃)(C₆F₅) (**Pt'**C₄Pt'-a****, 0.184 g, 0.111 mmol, 27%), and *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(Me₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPhMe₂)₂(C₆F₅) (**Pt'**C₄Pt''-a****, 0.022 g, 0.015 mmol, 4%).

Data for **PtC₄Pt'**.^{2a} NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.42 (m, 24H, *o* to P), 6.88 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 24H, *m* to P), 2.28 (s, 36H, CH₃); ³¹P{¹H} 16.4 (s, ¹J_{PPt} = 2713 Hz²⁹).

Data for **PtC₄Pt'-a**. mp 132 °C. Calcd for C₈₇H₇₄F₁₀P₄Pt₂ (1823.58): C, 57.30; H, 4.09. Found: 57.15; H, 4.22. NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.53 (m, 12H, *o* to P, tol, **Pt**), 7.37 (dd, ³J_{HH} = 8.3 Hz, ³J_{HP} = 11.2 Hz, 6H, *o* to P, tol, **Pt'**), 7.31-7.21 (m, 3H, *o/p* to P, Ph), 7.16-7.10 (m, 2H, *m* to P, Ph), 7.00 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 12H, *m* to P, tol, **Pt**), 6.90 (dd, ³J_{HH} = 8.4 Hz, ⁴J_{HP} = 2.1 Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol, **Pt'**), 2.30 (s, 18H, CH₃, tol, **Pt**), 2.28 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol, **Pt'**), 1.54 (dd, ²J_{HP} = 10.5 Hz, ⁴J_{HP} = 2.7 Hz, ³J_{HPt} = 44.4 Hz,²⁹ 6H, PMe₂); ¹³C{¹H}^{32,33} 146.4 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 223 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 26 Hz, *o* to **Pt'**, C₆F₅), 146.1 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 222 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 24 Hz, *o* to **Pt**, C₆F₅), 140.3 (s, *p* to P, tol,

Pt), 140.1 (d, $^4J_{CP} = 2.3$ Hz, *p* to P, tol, **Pt'**), 136.4 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 267$ Hz, *m/p* to **Pt/Pt'**, C₆F₅), 134.7 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.3$ Hz, *o* to P, tol, **Pt**), 134.5 (d, $^2J_{CP} = 11.5$ Hz, *o* to P, tol, **Pt'**), 134.5 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 59$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 3.2$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.2 (d, $^2J_{CP} = 9.1$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 129.6 (d, $^4J_{CP} = 2.4$ Hz, *p* to P, Ph), 128.5 (d, $^3J_{CP} = 10.7$ Hz, *m* to P, tol, **Pt'**), 128.5 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, tol, **Pt**), 128.3 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 29.6$ Hz, *i* to P, tol, **Pt**), 128.3 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 55.4$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 2.3$ Hz, *i* to P, tol, **Pt'**), 128.0 (d, $^3J_{CP} = 10.0$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 102.8 (s, $^3J_{CP} = 31.5$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 266$ Hz, $^{29}PtC\equiv C$), 100.8 (s, $^3J_{CP} = 33.8$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 273$ Hz, $^{29}PtC\equiv C$), 88.8 (br, $^1J_{CPt} = 960$ Hz, $^{29}PtC/Pt'C$), 21.5 (s, CH₃, tol, **Pt**), 21.4 (s, CH₃, tol, **Pt'**), 13.7 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 38.2$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 2.0$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 49.4$ Hz, $^{29}PMe_2$); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 17.0 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2714$ Hz, $^{29}p\text{-tol}_3P$, **Pt**), 15.9 (d, $^2J_{PP} = 436$ Hz, $^1J_{PPt} = 2620$ Hz, $^{29}p\text{-tol}_3P$, **Pt'**), -10.7 (d, $^2J_{PP} = 436$ Hz, $^1J_{PPt} = 2554$ Hz, $^{29}Me_2PhP$, **Pt'**).

Data for **PtC₄Pt'-a**. mp 101 °C. Calcd for C₇₄H₆₄F₁₀P₄Pt₂ (1657.38): C, 53.63; H, 3.89. Found: 53.82; H, 3.87. NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 1H 7.55 (m, 12H, *o* to P, tol), 7.20 (m, 6H, *o/p* to P, Ph), 7.12 (d, 4H, $^3J_{HH} = 7.2$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 7.08 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 7.8$ Hz, 12H, *m* to P, tol), 2.36 (s, 18H, CH₃, tol), 1.55 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{HP} = 3.6$ Hz, $^3J_{HPt} = 31.8$ Hz, 12H, PMe); $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ 146.8 (dd, $^1J_{CF} = 229$ Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 28$ Hz, *o* to **Pt''**, C₆F₅), 146.1 (dd, $^1J_{CF} = 221$ Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 25$ Hz, *o* to **Pt**, C₆F₅), 140.4 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.5 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 266$ Hz, *m/p* to **Pt/Pt''**, C₆F₅), 134.7 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.3$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.1 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 27.0$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.2 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 129.7 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 128.6 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.7$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.2 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 29.9$ Hz, *i* to P, tol), 128.1 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.1$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 124.8 (br, *i* to **Pt**, C₆F₅), 123.0 (br, *i* to **Pt''**, C₆F₅), 101.5 (s, $^3J_{CP} = 34.7$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 260$ Hz, $^{29}PtC\equiv C$), 97.5 (s, $^3J_{CP} = 33.2$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 286$ Hz, $^{29}Pt''C\equiv C$), 89.1 (s, $^1J_{CPt} = 968$ Hz, $^{29}Pt''C$), 88.9 (s, $^1J_{CPt} = 959$ Hz, ^{29}PtC), 21.6 (s, CH₃, tol), 14.0 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 19.8$ Hz, $^2J_{CPt} = 44.2$ Hz, $^{29}PMe_2$); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 17.5 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2712$ Hz, $^{29}P(p\text{-tol})_3$), -10.8 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2458$ Hz, $^{29}Me_2PhP$).

Data for **Pt'C₄Pt'-a**. mp 194 °C. Calcd for (C₇₄H₆₄F₁₀P₄Pt₂)·(CH₂Cl₂)₂ (1827.20): C, 49.96; H, 3.75. Found: 50.29; H, 3.70. NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 1H 7.46 (dd, $^3J_{HH} = 8.1$ Hz, $^3J_{HP} =$

11.1 Hz, 12H, *o* to P, tol, overlapped with m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.17-7.31 (m, 6H, *m/p* to P, Ph), 7.02 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.8$ Hz, 12H, *m* to P, tol), 2.31 (s, 18H, CH₃, tol), 1.73 (dd, $^2J_{\text{HP}} = 10.5$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{HP}} = 2.7$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{HPt}} = 45$ Hz, 12H, PMe₂); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 146.5 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 223$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 20$ Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 140.3 (d, $^4J_{\text{CP}} = 2.4$ Hz, *p* to P, tol), 136.4 (dm, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 282$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 134.6 (d, $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 11.1$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.4 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 53$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 3.1$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 130.5 (d, $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 9.7$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 129.8 (d, $^4J_{\text{CP}} = 2.4$ Hz, *p* to P, Ph), 128.6 (d, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 10.7$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.1 (d, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 10.4$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 128.2 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 55.4$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 2.7$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 26.2$ Hz,²⁹ *i* to P, tol), 126.1 (t, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 50.4$ Hz, *i* to Pt, C₆F₅), 99.6 (s, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 33.9$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 275$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 90.0 (s, $^1J_{\text{CPt}} = 971$ Hz,²⁹ PtC), 21.5 (s, CH₃, tol), 14.2 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 37.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 2.0$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 45.0$ Hz,²⁹ PMe₂); $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 16.8 (d, $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 435$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2610$ Hz,²⁹ P(*p*-tol)₃), -10.8 (d, $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 435$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2570$ Hz,²⁹ Me₂PhP).

Data for **Pt'C₄Pt''-a**. NMR (δ , CDCl₃): ^1H 7.50 (dd, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 8.0$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{HP}} = 11.1$ Hz, 6H, *o* to P, tol, **Pt'**, overlapped with m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph, **Pt''**), 7.32 (m, 6H, *o/p* to P, Ph, **Pt''**), 7.22 (m, 3H, *m/p* to P, Ph, **Pt'**), 7.12 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 8.4$ Hz, 4H, *m* to P, Ph, **Pt''**), 7.07 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 8.1$ Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 2.33 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol), 1.88 (dd, $^2J_{\text{HP}} = 10.5$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{HP}} = 2.7$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{HPt}} = 45$ Hz,²⁹ 6H, PMe₂, **Pt'**), 1.70 (virtual t, $^{30}^2J_{\text{HP}} = 3.3$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{HPt}} = 32.4$ Hz,²⁹ 12H, PMe₂, **Pt''**); $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 18.0 (d, $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 433$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2595$ Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P), -10.2 (d, $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 433$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2576$ Hz,²⁹ Me₂PhP, **Pt'**), -10.4 (s, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2459$ Hz,²⁹ Me₂PhP, **Pt''**).

***trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-*t*-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄*t*-Bu)₂)(*Pp*-tol₃)(C₆F₅) (Pt'C₄Pt''-b). Synthesis A.** A Schlenk flask was charged with **Pt'Cl-b** (0.286 g, 0.266 mmol), **Pt'C₄H-b** (0.289 g, 0.266 mmol), CuCl (0.014 g, 0.141 mmol), and HNEt₂ (60 mL). The mixture was stirred for 88 h at 45 °C. After cooling, the solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum, and the residue extracted with toluene (3 × 25 mL). The combined extracts were filtered through a neutral alumina column (8 cm, packed in toluene). The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column (3.8 × 43 cm, 30:70 v/v CH₂Cl₂/ hexane). The solvent was removed from the product containing fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give three pure complexes as yellow solids: *trans*,

trans-(C₆F₅)((*p*-*t*-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄*t*-Bu)₂)₂(C₆F₅) (**Pt''C₄Pt''-b**, 0.010 g, 0.005 mmol, 2%), *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-*t*-BuC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄*t*-Bu)₂)₂(C₆F₅) (**Pt'C₄Pt''-b**, 0.036 g, 0.016 mmol, 6%) and **PtC₄Pt** (0.009 g, 0.005 mmol, 2%). Other fractions contained mixtures of three additional complexes. One of these (0.055 g) was chromatographed on a silica gel column (2.5 × 42 cm, 18:82 v/v ethyl acetate/hexane). The solvent was removed from the product containing fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄*t*-Bu)₂)₂(C₆F₅) (**PtC₄Pt''-b**, 0.015 g, 0.007 mmol, 3%) and *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄*t*-Bu)₂)(-*Pp*-tol₃)(C₆F₅) (**PtC₄Pt'-b**, 0.039 g, 0.019 mmol, 8%). Another fraction (0.064 g) was chromatographed on a silica gel column (2.5 × 43 cm, 12:88 v/v ethyl acetate/hexane). The solvent was removed from the product containing fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give **Pt'C₄Pt''-b** (0.010 g, 0.005 mmol, 2%) and a mixture of **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** and **PtC₄Pt''-b** (0.050 g). NMR analysis of the mixture indicated 3% and 6% yields of **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** and **PtC₄Pt''-b**, respectively (a total of 0.046 g, 0.021 mmol, 8% for the latter).

Data for **Pt''C₄Pt''-b**. dec pt 205 °C. NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.75-7.67 (m, 8H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.44-7.35 (m, 16H, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 7.13 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.4 Hz, 16H, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 7.06 (m, 4H, *p* to P, Ph), 6.93 (m, 8H, *m* to P, Ph), 1.26 (s, 72H, C(CH₃)₃); ³¹P{¹H} 16.0 (s, ¹J_{Pt} = 2715 Hz²⁹).

Data for **Pt'C₄Pt''-b**. dec pt 182 °C. Calcd for C₁₁₅H₁₁₄F₁₀P₄Pt₂(2200.19): C 62.78; H 5.22. Found: C 62.76, H 5.26. NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.77-7.66 (m, 6H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.48-7.36 (m, 18H, *o* to P, tol+C₆H₄), 7.14 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.4 Hz, 12H, *m* to P, C₆H₄, overlapped with m, 6H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.03-6.90 (m, 6H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.83 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 2.25 (s, 9H, CH₃, tol), 1.27 (s, 18H, C(CH₃)₃, **Pt'**), 1.26 (s, 36H, C(CH₃)₃, **Pt''**); ¹³C{¹H}³² 153.1 (s, *p* to P, C₆-H₄, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 146.0 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 222 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 24 Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 139.9 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.8 (dm, ¹J_{CF} = 235 Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 135.02 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 6.3 Hz, *o* to P, Ph, **Pt''**), 135.00 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 6.2 Hz, *o* to P, Ph, **Pt'**), 134.6 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 6.3 Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.43 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 5.8 Hz, *o* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt'**), 134.35 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 6.0 Hz, *o* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt''**), 131.6 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 30.6 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 28.2 Hz, *i* to P, Ph, **Pt'**), 131.5 (virtual t, ³⁰ ¹J_{CP} =

29.0 Hz, *i* to P, Ph, **Pt''**), 129.8 (s, *p* to P, Ph, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 128.3 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 127.52 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.0$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph, **Pt'**), 127.47 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph, **Pt''**), 124.6 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 104.4 (s, $^2J_{CPt} = 271$ Hz, $^{29}PtC\equiv C$), 104.2 (s, $^2J_{CPt} = 271$ Hz, $^{29}PtC\equiv C$), 87.0 (s, $^1J_{CPt} = 952$ Hz, ^{29}PtC), 34.8 (s, C(CH₃)₃), 31.38 (s, C(CH₃)₃, **Pt'**), 31.36 (s, C(CH₃)₃, **Pt''**), 21.5 (s, CH₃, tol); $^{31}P\{^1H\}^{34}$ 16.35 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2713$ Hz²⁹), 16.16 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2712$ Hz²⁹).

Data for **PtC₄Pt''-b**. NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 1H (see Figure S5)³⁵ 7.75-7.65 (m, 4H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.48-7.35 (m, 20H, *o* to P, tol+C₆H₄), 7.14 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 7.5$ Hz, 8H, *m* to P, C₆H₄, overlapped with *m*, 4H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.04-6.92 (m, 4H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.84 (dd, $^3J_{HH} = 7.8$ Hz, $^4J_{HP} = 2.4$ Hz, 12H, *m* to P, tol), 2.260, 2.251 (2 \times s, 9H/9H, CH₃, tol), 1.264, 1.259 (2 \times s, 18H/18H, C(C-H₃)₃); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ (see Figure S6)³⁵ 16.2 (apparent t, $J_{PP} = 17.2$ Hz, $^1J_{PPt} = 2715$ Hz²⁹). MS (MALDI, THAP matrix, *m/z* for the most intense peak of the isotope envelope): 2130 (M⁺, 46%), 2153 (M+Na⁺, 74%), 2169 (M+K⁺, 35%), and other peaks.

Data for **PtC₄Pt'-b**. dec pt 155 °C. Calcd for C₁₀₅H₉₄F₁₀P₄Pt₂ (2059.86): C, 61.22; H, 4.60. Found: C 61.27, H 4.73; NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 1H 7.75-7.65 (m, 2H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.49-7.35 (m, 18H, *o* to P, tol+C₆H₄), 7.14 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 8.4$ Hz, 4H, *m* to P, C₆H₄, overlapped with *m*, 2H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.02 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.6$ Hz, 2H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.87 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 7.8$ Hz, 18H, *m* to P, tol), 2.27 (s, 27H, CH₃, tol), 1.27 (s, 18H, C(CH₃)₃); $^{13}C\{^1H\}^{32}$ 153.3 (s, *p* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 146.1 (dd, $^1J_{CF} = 223$ Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 23$ Hz, *o* to **Pt'**, C₆F₅), 140.04 (s, *p* to P, tol, **Pt'**), 140.00 (s, *p* to P, tol, **Pt**), 136.7 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 218$ Hz, *m/p* to **Pt'**, C₆F₅), 135.1 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.7$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 134.7 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.2$ Hz, *o* to P, tol, **Pt/Pt'**), 134.5 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.1$ Hz, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 131.7 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 30$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 129.9 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 128.4 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.6$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.38 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 29.7$ Hz, *i* to P, tol, **Pt**), 128.35 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 29.6$ Hz, *i* to P, tol, **Pt'**), 128.1 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 30.1$ Hz, *i* to P, C₆H₄), 127.5 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 124.6 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 104.4, 104.2 (2 \times s, $^2J_{CPt} = 259/259$ Hz, $^{29}PtC\equiv C$), 86.84, 86.60 (2 \times s, $^1J_{CPt} = 970/965$ Hz, ^{29}PtC), 34.8 (s, C(CH₃)₃), 31.3 (s, CH₃), 21.4 (s, CH₃, tol); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 16.29 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2711$ Hz, ^{29}Pt), 16.17 (s,

$^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2712 \text{ Hz}$,²⁹ **Pt'**).

Synthesis B. A Schlenk flask was charged with **Pt'Cl-b** (0.913 g, 0.848 mmol), **Pt'C₄H-b** (0.925 g, 0.848 mmol), CuCl (0.019 g, 0.194 mmol), *t*-BuOK (0.118 g, 1.048 mmol), KPF₆ (0.188 g, 1.023 mmol), THF (70 mL), and methanol (50 mL) with stirring. After 15 d, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 25 mL). The extract was filtered through a alumina/celite pad (2.5 × 5 cm). The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column (3.8 × 44 cm, 3:1 v/v toluene/hexane). The solvent was removed from the product containing fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give two pure complexes, **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** (0.020 g, 0.009 mmol, 2%) and **Pt'Cl-b** (0.320 g, 0.297 mmol, 36%), as yellow and white solids, respectively. The other fractions were mixtures, and one that was rich in diplatinum products was chromatographed on a silica gel column (3.8 × 43 cm, 1:1 v/v chloroform/hexane). The solvent was removed from the product containing fractions by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum to give three pure complexes, **Pt'C₄H-b** (0.171 g, 0.157 mmol, 19%), **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** (0.379 g, 0.178 mmol, 21%) and **PtC₄Pt'-b** (0.014 g, 0.007 mmol, 1%).

Data for **Pt'C₄Pt'-b**. dec pt 165 °C. Calcd for C₁₁₀H₁₀₄F₁₀P₄Pt₂ (2130.09): C 62.03, H 4.92; found: C 62.13, H 4.96; NMR (δ, CDCl₃): ¹H 7.75-7.64 (m, 4H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.49-7.35 (m, 20H, *o* to P, tol+C₆H₄), 7.14 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.7 Hz, 8H, *m* to P, C₆H₄, overlapped with m, 4H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.05-6.95 (m, 4H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.83 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 12H, *m* to P, tol), 2.25 (s, 18H, CH₃, tol), 1.26 (s, 36H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C{¹H}³² 153.2 (s, *p* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 146.1 (dd, ¹J_{CF} = 221 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 21 Hz, *o* to **Pt'**, C₆F₅), 140.0 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.3 (dm, ¹J_{CF} = 254 Hz, *m/p* to **Pt'**, C₆F₅), 135.0 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 6.3 Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 134.6 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 6.3 Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.4 (virtual t, ³⁰ ²J_{CP} = 5.9 Hz, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 131.7 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 31.0 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 27.6 Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 129.9 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 128.3 (virtual t, ³⁰ ³J_{CP} = 5.5 Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.3 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 31.0 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 28.4 Hz, *i* to P, tol), 128.1 (dd, ¹J_{CP} = 31.2 Hz, ³J_{CP} = 27.8 Hz, *i* to P, C₆H₄), 127.5 (virtual t, ³⁰ ³J_{CP} = 5.5 Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 124.6 (virtual t, ³⁰ ³J_{CP} = 5.2 Hz, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 104.3 (s, ²J_{CPt} = 254 Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 86.8 (br s, ¹J_{CPt} = 967 Hz,²⁹ PtC), 34.9 (s,

$C(CH_3)_3$, 31.4 (s, CH_3), 21.5 (s, CH_3 , tol); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ (see also Figure S1) 16.4 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2711$ Hz²⁹).

trans,trans-(C_6F_5)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄OMe)₂)(*Pp*-tol₃)(C_6F_5) (**Pt'C₄Pt'-c**). A Schlenk flask was charged with **Pt'Cl-c** (0.747 g, 0.729 mmol), **Pt'-C₄H-c** (0.688 g, 0.663 mmol), CuCl (0.026 g, 0.263 mmol), and HNEt₂ (120 mL). The mixture was stirred for 88 h at 50 °C. After cooling, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The maroon residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column (3.8 × 42 cm) using 40:60 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane to elute **PtC₄Pt** (0.022 g, 0.011 mmol, 2%), 50:50 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane to elute *trans,trans*-(C_6F_5)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(*Pp*-tol₃)(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄OMe)₂)₂(C_6F_5) (**PtC₄Pt'-c**, 0.084 g, 0.042 mmol, 7%) and **PtCl** (0.111 g, 0.108 mmol, 16%), 60:40 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane to elute an unknown complex (0.062 g), *trans,trans*-(C_6F_5)(*p*-tol₃P)₂Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄OMe)₂)₂(C_6F_5) (**PtC₄Pt''-c**, 0.059 g, 0.029 mmol, 5%), and *trans,trans*-(C_6F_5)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄OMe)₂)(*Pp*-tol₃)(C_6F_5) (**Pt'C₄Pt'-c**, 0.111 g, 0.055 mmol, 8%), 70:30 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane to elute **Pt'Cl-c** (0.199 g, 0.185 mmol, 26%), and 75:20 v/v CH₂Cl₂/hexane to elute *trans,trans*-(C_6F_5)(*p*-tol₃P)((*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPh(*p*-C₆H₄OMe)₂)₂(C_6F_5) (**Pt'C₄Pt'-c**, 0.098 g, 0.048 mmol, 8%) and a second unknown complex (0.059 g).

Data for **PtC₄Pt'-c**. NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 1H 7.57-7.35 (m, 24H, *o* to P, Ph+tol+C₆H₄), 7.16 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.8$ Hz, 1H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.03 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.5$ Hz, 2H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.88 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 7.8$ Hz, 18H, *m* to P, tol), 6.62 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 8.7$ Hz, 4H, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 3.73 (s, 6H, OCH₃), 2.28 (s, 27H, CH₃, tol); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 16.35 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2711$ Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P, **Pt**), 16.24, 16.17 (2 × s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2707$ Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P, (*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP, **Pt'**).

Data for **PtC₄Pt''-c**. dec pt 184 °C. Calcd for C₉₈H₈₀F₁₀O₄P₄Pt₂ (2025.68): C, 58.11; H, 3.98. Found: 58.10; H, 3.98. NMR (δ , CDCl₃): 1H 7.54-7.36 (m, 24H, *o* to P, Ph+tol+C₆H₄), 7.18 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.2$ Hz, 2H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.03 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.5$ Hz, 4H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.90 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 7.8$ Hz, 12H, *m* to P, tol), 6.63 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 9.0$ Hz, 8H, *m* to P, C₆H₄), 3.73 (s, 12H, OCH₃), 2.29 (s, 18H, CH₃, tol); $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ ³² 161.1 (s, *p* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 146.1 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 229$ Hz, *o* to **Pt/Pt''**, C₆F₅), 140.0 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.4 (virtual t,³⁰ $^2J_{CP} = 6.9$ Hz, *o* to P, C₆H₄), 136.3

(dm, $^1J_{CF} = 261$ Hz, *m/p* to **Pt'/Pt''**, C_6F_5), 134.6 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.3$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.0 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.1$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 132.4 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 29.0$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 129.7 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 128.3 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.5$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.3 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 29.6$ Hz, *i* to P, tol), 127.4 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 122.2 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 31.3$ Hz, *i* to P, C_6H_4), 113.3 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.8$ Hz, *m* to P, C_6H_4), 104.1, 103.8 ($2 \times$ s, $^2J_{C_{Pt}} = 275$ Hz, $^{29}PtC \equiv C$), 86.9 (br s, $^1J_{C_{Pt}} = 951$ Hz, $^{29}PtC \equiv C$), 55.4 (s, OCH_3), 21.5 (s, CH_3 , tol); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 16.30 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2710$ Hz, $^{29}Pp\text{-tol}_3$), 15.92 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2698$ Hz, $^{29}(p\text{-MeOC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{PhP}$).

Data for **Pt'C₄Pt'-c**. mp 128 °C. Calcd for $C_{98}H_{80}F_{10}O_4P_4Pt_2$ (2025.68): C, 58.11; H, 3.98. Found: 58.28; H, 3.89. NMR (δ , $CDCl_3$): 1H 7.55-7.36 (m, 24H, *o* to P, Ph+tol+ C_6H_4), 7.18 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.2$ Hz, 2H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.04 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.2$ Hz, 4H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.89 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 7.8$ Hz, 12H, *m* to P, tol), 6.65 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 8.7$ Hz, 8H, *m* to P, C_6H_4), 3.74 (s, 12H, OCH_3), 2.29 (s, 18H, CH_3); $^{13}C\{^1H\}^{32}$ 161.1 (s, *p* to P, C_6H_4 , **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 146.1 (dd, $^1J_{CF} = 223$ Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 23$ Hz, *o* to Pt, C_6F_5), 140.1 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.4 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 7.5$ Hz, *o* to P, C_6H_4), 136.4 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 258$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C_6F_5), 134.6 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.8$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.0 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.5$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 132.4 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 33.4$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 24.8$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 129.7 (s, *p* to P, Ph), 128.4 (dd, $^3J_{CP} = 6.1$ Hz, $^5J_{CP} = 4.8$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.3 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 33.9$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 25.4$ Hz, *i* to P, tol), 127.4 (dd, $^3J_{CP} = 5.9$ Hz, $^5J_{CP} = 4.6$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 122.2 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 36.0$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 26.8$ Hz, *i* to P, C_6H_4), 113.3 (dd, $^3J_{CP} = 6.6$ Hz, $^5J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, C_6H_4), 103.9 (s, $^2J_{C_{Pt}} = 264$ Hz, $^{29}PtC \equiv C$), 86.8 (s, $^1J_{C_{Pt}} = 966$ Hz, $^{29}PtC \equiv C$), 55.4 (s, OCH_3), 21.5 (s, CH_3 , tol); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 16.17, 16.14 ($2 \times$ s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2704$ Hz 29).

Data for **Pt'C₄Pt''-c**. mp 119 °C. Calcd for $C_{97}H_{78}F_{10}O_6P_4Pt_2$ (2043.73): C, 57.01; H, 3.85. Found: 57.13; H, 3.86. NMR (δ , $CDCl_3$): 1H 7.57-7.37 (m, 24H, *o* to P, Ph+tol+ C_6H_4), 7.19 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.5$ Hz, 3H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.05 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.2$ Hz, 6H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.91 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 7.8$ Hz, 6H, *m* to P, tol), 6.66 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 9.0$ Hz, 4H, *m* to P, C_6H_4 , **Pt'**), 6.65 (d, $^3J_{HH} = 8.7$ Hz, 8H, *m* to P, C_6H_4 , **Pt''**), 3.75 (s, 6H, OCH_3 , **Pt'**), 3.74 (s, 12H, OCH_3 , **Pt''**), 2.30 (s, 9H, CH_3); $^{13}C\{^1H\}^{32}$ 161.1 (s, *p* to P, C_6H_4 , **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 146.1 (dd, $^1J_{CF} = 223$ Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 24$ Hz, *o* to **Pt'/Pt''**, C_6F_5), 140.1 (s, *p* to P, tol), 136.4 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.9$ Hz, *o* to P, C_6H_4 , **Pt'** and

Pt''), 136.3 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 261$ Hz, *m/p* to **Pt'/Pt''**, C₆F₅), 134.6 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.3$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 134.0 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 6.1$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 132.4 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 29.0$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph, **Pt''**), 132.4 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 33.3$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 25.0$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph, **Pt'**), 129.7 (s, *p* to P, Ph, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 128.4 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.5$ Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.3 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 33.6$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 25.7$ Hz, *i* to P, tol), 127.5 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.4$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 122.2 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 35.9$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 27.0$ Hz, *i* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt'**), 122.2 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 31.3$ Hz, *i* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt''**), 113.3 (virtual t, $^{30}J_{CP} = 5.7$ Hz, *m* to P, C₆H₄, **Pt'** and **Pt''**), 103.8, 103.7 (2 × s, $^2J_{CPt} = 265/265$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 87.0 (s, $^1J_{CPt} = 963$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 55.39 (s, OCH₃, **Pt'**), 55.37 (s, OCH₃, **Pt''**), 21.5 (s, CH₃, tol); $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ 16.19, 16.15 (2 × s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2703$ Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P, (*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP, **Pt'**), 15.94 (s, $^1J_{PPt} = 2696$ Hz,²⁹ (*p*-MeOC₆H₄)₂PhP, **Pt''**).

trans,trans-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)(*n*-Pr₂PhP)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PPhn-Pr₂)(*Pp*-tol₃)(C₆F₅) (Pt'C₄-Pt'-d). A Schlenk flask was charged with **Pt'Cl-d** (0.876 g, 0.977 mmol), **Pt'C₄H-d** (0.888 g, 0.976 mmol), CuCl (0.021 g, 0.212 mmol), *t*-BuOK (0.146 g, 1.301 mmol), KPF₆ (0.239 g, 1.298 mmol), THF (70 mL), and methanol (50 mL) with stirring. After 92 h, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 25 mL). The extract was filtered through an alumina/celite pad (2.5 × 4 cm). The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and oil pump vacuum. The residue was recrystallized twice from CH₂Cl₂ to yield pale yellow crystals of **Pt'C₄Pt'-d** (1.312 g, 0.741 mmol, 76%), dec pt 214 °C. Calcd for C₈₂H₈₀F₁₀P₄Pt₂ (1769.62): C, 55.66; H, 4.56. Found: 55.88; H, 4.72.

NMR (δ, CDCl₃): 1H (see also Figures S2 and S3) 7.46 (dd, $^3J_{HP} = 11.0$ Hz, $^3J_{HH} = 8.0$ Hz, 12H, *o* to P, tol), 7.41-7.34 (m, 4H, *o* to P, Ph), 7.27-7.21 (m, 2H, *p* to P, Ph), 7.20-7.15 (m, 4H, *m* to P, Ph), 6.99 (dd, $^3J_{HH} = 8.0$ Hz, $^4J_{HP} = 2.0$ Hz, 12H, *m* to P, tol), 2.31 (s, 18H, CH₃, tol), 2.20-2.08, 2.07-1.93 (2 × m, 4H/4H, PCH₂), 1.67-1.53, 1.47-1.33 (2 × m, 4H/4H, PCH₂-CH₂), 0.87 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.5$ Hz, 12H, PCH₂CH₂CH₃); $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ 146.5 (dd, $^1J_{CF} = 224$ Hz, $^2J_{CF} = 25$ Hz, *o* to Pt, C₆F₅), 140.2 (d, $^4J_{CP} = 2.4$ Hz, *p* to P, tol), 136.6 (dm, $^1J_{CF} = 249$ Hz, *m/p* to Pt, C₆F₅), 134.6 (d, $^2J_{CP} = 11.2$ Hz, *o* to P, tol), 132.1 (dd, $^1J_{CP} = 49.1$ Hz, $^3J_{CP} = 2.8$ Hz, *i* to P, Ph), 131.3 (d, $^2J_{CP} = 8.8$ Hz, *o* to P, Ph), 129.5 (d, $^4J_{CP} = 1.9$ Hz, *p* to P, Ph), 128.5 (d, $^3J_{CP} =$

10.8 Hz, *m* to P, tol), 128.4 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 54.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 3.0$ Hz, *i* to P, tol), 127.9 (d, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 9.7$ Hz, *m* to P, Ph), 126.4 (t, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 52.3$ Hz, *i* to Pt, C₆F₅), 99.9 (s, $^2J_{\text{CPt}} = 267.6$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 87.9 (br, $^1J_{\text{CPt}} = 971$ Hz,²⁹ PtC≡C), 26.9 (dd, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 33.5$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 1.3$ Hz, PCH₂), 21.4 (d, $^5J_{\text{CP}} = 1.1$ Hz, CH₃, tol), 18.0 (s, PCH₂CH₂), 16.0 (d, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 14.8$ Hz, PCH₂CH₂CH₃); $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ 17.6 (d, $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 421$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2620$ Hz,²⁹ *p*-tol₃P), 6.0 (d, $^1J_{\text{PPt}} = 2590$ Hz,²⁹ $^2J_{\text{PP}} = 421$ Hz, *n*-Pr₂PhP).

Crystallography. Colorless crystals of **1** and **Pt'Cl-e** were grown from CH₂Cl₂/hexane at room temperature. Pale yellow crystals of **Pt'C₄H-a** were grown from CH₂Cl₂/acetone/hexane at -5 °C. Pale yellow crystals of **Pt'C₄Pt'-a**·2CH₂Cl₂ were grown from CH₂Cl₂/hexane at -5 °C. Orange-brown crystals of **PtC₄Pt''-b**·C₇H₈ were grown from toluene/ethanol at room temperature. Yellow crystals of **Pt'C₄Pt'-b** could be grown analogously, or from toluene/hexane at -15 °C (identical unit cells). Yellow crystals of **Pt'C₄Pt'-c** were grown from CH₂Cl₂/ethanol mixture at room temperature. Pale yellow crystals of **Pt'C₄Pt'-d** were grown from CH₂Cl₂ at -15 °C.

For all the data in Tables 1 and 2, integrated intensity information for each reflection was obtained by reduction of the data frames with the program APEX2³⁶ or SAINTplus³⁷. The integration method employed a three dimensional profiling algorithm, and all data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization factors, as well as crystal decay effects. These data were merged and scaled to produce suitable data sets. The program SADABS³⁸ was employed for absorption corrections. Structures were solved using SHELXTL (SHELXS).³⁹ All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters. Carbon bound hydrogen atoms were placed in idealized positions (C-H = 0.96 Å, U_{iso}(H) = 1.2 × U_{iso}(C)). The structures were refined (weighted least squares/*F*²) to convergence.³⁹

With **1**, the thermal parameters of the SC₄H₈ carbon atoms (C(45) to C(48)) indicated disorder, which could be modeled. The R factor (6.5%) and significant unaccounted electron densities near Pt(1) in the Fourier difference map (~6.4, 2.4, 1.8, and 1.6 eÅ⁻³; distance from Pt(1) to highest *q*₁ peak ca. 1.0 Å; distances between *q*₁, *q*₂, *q*₃, and *q*₄ all about 2.1 Å) sug-

gested a "whole-molecule-disorder". Using O-fit in XP, the whole-molecule-disorder was modeled and refined, decreasing the R factor to 4.7%. There were two possible configurations for the disorder with the C₆F₅ ligands occupying opposite ends: one with both SC₄H₈ ligands and hence both Cl ligands occupying the same side, and the other with these ligands occupying opposite sides. Both models were refined, but the resulting R factors were very close and did not differentiate between them. The occupancy of the molecule with Pt(1) refined to 0.93, and that with Pt(1A) refined to 0.07. Considering the highly biased ratio, the refinement was carried out with the molecule with the minor occupancy fully rigid.

With **Pt'Cl-e**, systematic reflection conditions suggested the noncentrosymmetric space group *P*2₁2₁2₁. This assignment was further supported by statistical tests. With **Pt'C₄Pt'-a**·2CH₂Cl₂, there were no complications although the inversion center at the midpoint of the sp carbon chain is noteworthy.

With **PtC₄Pt''-b**·C₇H₈, the combination of the Cu source and the multi-wire detector on the GADDS diffractometer employed restricted the 2θ angle to 120°. This precluded attaining the resolution recommended by the CHECK-CIF protocol. Some *t*-Bu groups were disordered, but their occupancies could be modeled (73:27 for C(60/61/62) vs. C(60A/61A/62A); 46:54 for C(50/51/52) vs. C(50A/51A/52A); 24:76 for C(34/35/36) vs. C(34A/35A/36A)). Under the conditions employed, data collection could only be carried out to 93% completion.

With **Pt'C₄Pt'-b**, data were collected at the lowest temperature possible with the instrument (−60 °C, 213 K). Some *t*-Bu groups were disordered, but their occupancies could be modeled (61:39 for C(102/103/104) vs. C(130/131/132); 55:45 for C(49/50/51) vs. C(49A/C50A/C51A)). The fluorine atoms also exhibited elongated displacement parameters, suggesting a wagging of the C₆F₅ groups. No attempts were made to model this disorder.

With **Pt'C₄Pt'-c**, two methoxy groups were disordered over three sites: O(1)-C(38), O(2)-C(48), O(3)-C(51). As a result, one hydrogen on the phenyl group associated with this disorder is not modeled (the formula shows one less hydrogen). Some of the thermal parameters associated with the other methoxy groups are larger, but attempts to model additional disorder did not

give lower R factors. The same limitations as with **PtC₄Pt''-b** precluded attaining the resolution recommended by the CHECK-CIF protocol.

With **Pt'C₄Pt'-d**, which exhibited an inversion center at the midpoint of the sp carbon chain, four carbon atoms of the phenyl group (C(34) to C(37)) and three of one *n*-propyl group (C(38) to C(40)) showed elongated thermal ellipsoids, indicating disorder. However, efforts to model this disorder did not improve the refinement.

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Appendix A. Supplementary material

CCDC 1515530, 1515531, 1515532, 1515534, 1515535, 1515537, 1515538 and 1515536 contain the supplementary crystallographic data for **1**, **Pt''Cl-e**, **Pt'C₄H-a**, **Pt'C₄Pt'-a-d**, and **Pt-C₄Pt''-b**. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

Appendix B. Supplementary data

Supplementary data related to this article (NMR spectra showing non-first-order phenomena, space filling representations of molecular structures) can be found at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jorganchem.2017xxx>.

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[31] (a) The phosphorus and sulfur donor ligands in **1** are *cis*. (b) tht = tetrahydrothiophene.

[32] One or more of the arene signals *ipso* to phosphorus (P) or platinum (Pt) were not

observed.

[33] This spectrum was recorded using single crystals grown from acetone/diethyl ether/ CH_2Cl_2 /hexane. Signals (δ) for acetone (207.2, 31.1), diethyl ether (66.0, 15.5), and CH_2Cl_2 (53.7) were apparent.

[34] The signal intensities are similar and do not allow an unambiguous assignment (theory, 2:1:1).

[35] Although the NMR spectra of **PtC₄Pt''-b** exhibits some unusual non-first order features, the structural assignment is unequivocal, as evidenced by the mass spectrum and crystallographic data (Figure 8).

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Table 1. Summary of Crystallographic Data for Monoplatinum Complexes.

Complex	1	Pt'Cl-e	Pt'C₄H-a
empirical formula	C ₄₈ H ₆₂ Cl ₂ F ₁₀ P ₂ Pt ₂ S ₂	C ₃₄ H ₄₆ ClF ₅ P ₂ Pt	C ₃₉ H ₃₃ F ₅ P ₂ Pt
formula weight	1416.12	842.19	853.68
temperature (K)	110(2)	110(2)	110(2)
diffractometer	Bruker D8 GADDS	Bruker Apex 2	Bruker Smart
wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
crystal system	monoclinic	orthorhombic	triclinic
space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	<i>P</i> 1
unit cell dimensions			
<i>a</i> (Å)	13.403(8)	12.1059(15)	9.502(5)
<i>b</i> (Å)	16.599(10)	14.2630(18)	11.234(5)
<i>c</i> (Å)	24.219(15)	20.214(2)	16.775(8)
α°	90	90	82.188(6)
β°	102.724(8)	90	83.654(6)
γ°	90	90	73.939(6)
Volume (Å ³)	5256(6)	3490.3(7)	1699.8(14)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	2
ρ_{calcd} (Mg·m ⁻³)	1.790	1.603	1.668
μ mm ⁻¹ /F(000)	5.627/2768	4.238/1680	4.277/840
Crystal size mm ³	0.05 × 0.04 × 0.03	0.60 × 0.40 × 0.10	0.35 × 0.15 × 0.15
θ range of data collection °	1.50 to 28.76	2.43 to 27.50	1.23 to 27.76
index ranges	-18 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 17 -22 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 21 -32 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 32	-15 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15 -18 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 18 -25 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 26	-12 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 12 -14 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 14 -21 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 21
reflections collected/independent	58195/12840	39178/7918	19785/7793
data/restraints/parameters	12840 / 123 / 610	7918 / 0 / 400	7793 / 0 / 423
goodness of fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.073	1.073	1.012
final <i>R</i> indices <i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0468, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0999	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0192, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0399	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0359, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0712
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0823, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.1155	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0210, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0404	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0452, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0743
largest diff. peak and hole eÅ ⁻³	2.735 and -2.208	0.878 and -0.386	2.250 and -2.234

Table 2. Summary of Crystallographic Data for Diplatinum Complexes.

Complex	Pt'C ₄ Pt'-a·2CH ₂ Cl ₂	Pt'C ₄ Pt'-b	Pt'C ₄ Pt'-c	Pt'C ₄ Pt'-d	PtC ₄ Pt''-b·C ₇ H ₈
empirical formula	C ₇₆ H ₆₈ Cl ₄ F ₁₀ P ₄ Pt ₂	C ₁₁₀ H ₁₀₄ F ₁₀ P ₄ Pt ₂	C ₉₈ H ₇₉ F ₁₀ O ₄ P ₄ Pt ₂ *	C ₈₂ H ₈₀ F ₁₀ P ₄ Pt ₂	C ₁₁₇ H ₁₁₂ F ₁₀ P ₄ Pt ₂
formula weight	1827.16	2129.99	2024.67	1769.52	2222.13
temperature (K)	110(2)	213(2)	110(2)	110(2)	110(2)
diffractometer	Bruker Apex 2	Bruker Apex 2	Bruker D8 GADDS	Bruker D8 GADDS	Bruker D8 GADDS
wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	1.54178	1.54178	1.54178
crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic	monoclinic	triclinic
space group	<i>P</i> 2(1)/ <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2(1)/ <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> 2/ <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> -1
unit cell dimensions					
<i>a</i> (Å)	13.8673(12)	15.376(8)	14.276(6)	15.1018(6)	14.3804(7)
<i>b</i> (Å)	20.4887(18)	31.668(15)	15.175(2)	13.6152(6)	14.8720(7)
<i>c</i> (Å)	14.6707(13)	20.056(10)	20.880(3)	18.0925(9)	24.5452(12)
α°	90	90	81.953(7)	90	99.639(3)
β°	117.9260(10)	94.529(7)	83.809(8)	96.814(3)	92.688(3)
γ°	90	90	72.767(8)	90	100.460(3)
Volume (Å ³)	3682.9(6)	9736(8)	4267.4(11)	3693.8(3)	5073.1(4)
<i>Z</i>	2	4	2	2	2
ρ _{calcd} (Mg m ⁻³)	1.648	1.453	1.576	1.591	1.453
μ mm ⁻¹ /F(000)	4.094/1796	3.003/4280	7.376/2010	8.378/1756	6.225/2234
crystal size mm ³	0.15 × 0.14 × 0.05	0.25 × 0.12 × 0.10	0.10 × 0.09 × 0.03	0.15 × 0.07 × 0.03	0.15 × 0.12 × 0.02
θ range of data collection °	2.53 to 28.81	2.06 to 27.50	2.14 to 57.50	3.25 to 61.43	1.83 to 60.00
index ranges	-18 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 18 -27 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 26 -19 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 19	-19 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 19 -41 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 41 -26 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 26	-15 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15 -16 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 16 -22 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22	-17 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 17 -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 15 -20 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 20	-15 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15 -16 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 16 -27 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 27
reflections collected/independent	42642/9026	113592/22325	33184/10958	23951/5676	37606/14105
data/restraints/parameters	9026/0/438	22325/12/1120	10958/70/1051	5676/65/442	14105/18/1199
goodness of fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.051	1.031	1.044	1.015	1.042
final R indices I>2σ(I)	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0349, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0699	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0396, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0889	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0579, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.1251	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0368, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0917	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0380, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0916
R indices (all data)	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0536, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0755	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0705, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0994	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0989, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.1362	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0533, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0982	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0565, <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.0964
largest diff. peak and hole eÅ ⁻³	1.278 and -1.128	1.461 and -1.024	1.444 and -1.176	1.072 and -0.978	1.786 and -1.146

Table 3. Key Interatomic Distances (Å) and Bond or Plane/Plane Angles (°) in Diplatinum Complexes.

	Pt'C ₄ Pt'-a·2CH ₂ Cl ₂	Pt'C ₄ Pt'-b	Pt'C ₄ Pt'-c	Pt'C ₄ Pt'-d	PtC ₄ Pt''-b·C ₇ H ₈
Pt(1)-C(1)	1.990(4)	1.995(4)	1.966(12)	2.021(7)	1.994(7)
C(1)≡C(2)	1.219(5)	1.195(5)	1.247(15)	1.186(9)	1.216(8)
C(2)-C(3) ^a	1.376(7)	1.381(6)	1.393(18)	1.392(13)	1.366(9)
C(3)≡C(4) ^a	1.219(5)	1.215(6)	1.274(17)	1.186(9)	1.238(8)
C(4)-Pt(2) ^a	1.990(4)	1.979(4)	1.912(16)	2.021(7)	1.973(6)
Pt(1)-C _{ipso}	2.061(4)	2.071(4)	2.068(11)	2.089(6)	2.074(4)
Pt(2)-C _{ipso} ^a	2.061(4)	2.072(4)	2.082(12)	2.089(6)	2.071(6)
Pt(1)-P(1)	2.3101(10)	2.3048(14)	2.308(3)	2.3130(16)	2.2971(15)
Pt(1)-P(2)	2.2932(11)	2.3059(14)	2.315(3)	2.3007(17)	2.2980(15)
Pt(2)-P(3) ^a	2.3101(10)	2.3138(14)	2.297(3)	2.3130(16)	2.3044(15)
Pt(2)-P(4) ^a	2.2932(11)	2.2998(14)	2.299(3)	2.3007(17)	2.2905(15)
Av. C _{sp} ≡C _{sp}	1.219	1.205	1.274	1.186	1.227
Pt...Pt	7.792	7.729	7.764	7.792	7.779
sum of bond lengths, Pt(1) to Pt(2)	7.797	7.765	7.792	7.806	7.787
Pt(1)-C(1)-C(2)	176.8(3)	171.0(4)	178.1(10)	174.0(6)	175.5(5)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3) ^a	178.4(5)	178.0(5)	176.5(13)	177.8(9)	178.4(7)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4) ^a	178.4(5)	175.7(5)	174.0(15)	177.8(9)	178.0(6)
C(3)-C(4)-Pt(2) ^a	176.8(3)	169.6(4)	175.0(11)	174.0(6)	176.3(5)
avg. π stacking ^b	3.603	3.708	3.734	4.098	4.042
(P1-Pt1-P2)Pt2 vs. (P3-Pt2-P4)Pt1 ^c	0	44.18	51.30	0	46.07
(C _{ipso} -P1-Pt1-P2) vs. (P3-Pt2-P4-C _{ipso}) ^c	0	43.67	51.71	0	48.46

^a To facilitate comparisons, some atoms of Pt'C₄Pt'-a·2CH₂Cl₂ and Pt'C₄Pt'-d, both of which exhibit inversion centers, have been renumbered from those in the cif files. ^b Distance between the centroids of the C₆F₅ and aryl rings; average of four values. ^c Angle between planes defined by these atoms.

Table 4. UV-visible data for diplatinum butadiynediyl complexes *trans,trans*-(C₆F₅)(*p*-tol₃P)-(R₃P)Pt(C≡C)₂Pt(PR₃)(P*p*-tol₃)(C₆F₅) in CH₂Cl₂.

Complex	R ₃ P	λ (nm) [ε (M ⁻¹ cm ⁻¹)]
Pt' C ₄ Pt'-a	Me ₂ PhP	321 [24900], 344 [19500], 388 [560], 422 [79]
Pt' C ₄ Pt'-b	(<i>p</i> - <i>t</i> -BuC ₆ H ₄) ₂ PhP	293 [16700], 330 [18900], 351 [14700], 393 [470], 427 [80]
Pt' C ₄ Pt'-c	(<i>p</i> -MeOC ₆ H ₄) ₂ PhP	311 [12800], 330 [16500], 351 [12600], 392 [470], 427 [120]
Pt' C ₄ Pt'-d	<i>n</i> -Pr ₂ PhP	306 [15000], 322 [20000], 344 [15000], 387 [400], 422 [50]
Pt C ₄ Pt ^a	<i>p</i> -tol ₃ P	328 [37000], 351 [12600], 395[500], 428 [90]

^a Reported in reference 2a: 330 [17000], 350 [13200].

Graphical Abstract

The heterocoupling of platinum chloride and butadiynyl complexes (cat. CuI, HNEt₂) gives the title complexes, but with scrambling of the two unlike phosphine ligands on each precursor over all four positions (5-6 isomers). These are separated and structurally characterized, but low temperature NMR spectra do not reveal any dynamic processes.

