One-Pot Synthesis for Osmium(II) Azavinylidene–Carbyne and Azavinylidene–Alkenylcarbyne Complexes Starting from an Osmium(II) Hydride–Azavinylidene Compound

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Treatment at room temperature of the complex OsHCl₂(=N=CMe₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂ (1) with Ag- $[CF_3SO_3]$ and the subsequent stirring of the resulting solution under an acetylene atmosphere gives the azavinylidene–carbyne derivative $[OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(\equiv CCH_3)(P^iPr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ (2). The related complexes $[OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(=CCH_2R)(P^iPr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ (R = Cy (3), (CH₂)₂- CH_3 (4)) have been prepared by reaction of 1 with Ag[CF₃SO₃] and cyclohexylacetylene or 1-pentyne. The structure of **2** in the solid state has been determined by an X-ray diffraction study. The geometry around the metal center could be described as a distorted trigonal bipyramid with apical phosphines and inequivalent angles within the Y-shaped equatorial plane. The azavinylidene coordinates in a bent fashion with an Os–N–C angle of 152.0(8)°. Complexes 2-4 react with MeLi to afford the five-coordinate azavinylidene-vinylidenes $OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(=C=CHR)(P^iPr_3)_2$ (R = H (5), Cy (6), (CH₂)₂CH₃ (7)), as a result of the deprotonation of the β -CH₂ group of the carbyne ligands in **2**–**4**. The formation of **2**–**4** involves azavinylidene-alkenyl and imine-vinylidene intermediates. In agreement with this, it is also reported that, at -25 °C, the addition of cyclohexylacetylene to the solution resulting from the treatment of 1 with $Ag[CF_3SO_3]$ affords $[Os\{(E)-CH=CHCy\}Cl(=N=$ CMe_2)(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (8), where the H_β atom of the alkenyl ligand interacts with the osmium atom to form an agostic bond. At -30 °C, the addition of NaCl to tetrahydrofuran solutions of **8** gives $OsCl_2 = C = CHCy$ (NH = CMe₂) (PiPr₃)₂ (**9**), which evolves into **6** in solution at room temperature. Complex 1 also reacts with Ag[CF₃SO₃] and 2-methyl-1-buten-3-yne. The reaction leads to the azavinylidene−alkenylcarbyne [OsCl(=N=CMe₂)(=CCH=CMe₂)(Pⁱ- Pr_{3}_{2} [CF₃SO₃] (**10**), which by deprotonation with MeLi yields the azavinylidene–alkenylvinylidene OsCl(=N=CMe₂){=C=CHC(Me)=CH₂}(PⁱPr₃)₂ (11). The formation of 10 proceeds similarly to those of 2-4. Thus, it has been observed that, at -25 °C, the addition of 2-methyl-1-buten-3-yne to the solution resulting from the treatment of 1 with $Ag[CF_3SO_3]$ gives [Os- $\{(E)-CH=CHC(Me)=CMe_2\}CI(=N=CMe_2)(P^iPr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ (12), which in solution at room temperature evolves into **10**. The complexes [OsCl(=N=CMe₂)(=CCH=CPhR)(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃- SO_3 (R = H (13), CH₃ (14), Ph (15)) have been prepared by reaction of 1 with Ag[CF₃SO₃] and 1-phenyl-2-propyn-1-ol, 2-phenyl-3-butyn-2-ol, and 1,1-diphenyl-2-propyn-1-ol, respectively. The deprotonation of **14** with MeLi affords OsCl(=N=CMe₂){=C=CHC(Ph)=CH₂}- $(P^{i}Pr_{3})_{2}$ (15).

Introduction

The synthesis of Fischer type carbyne complexes has been traditionally a laborious process, which has involved the formation of transition-metal-bonded sp²- or sp-hybridized carbon atoms and their subsequent transformation into sp carbyne carbon atoms.¹

In 1993, we showed that the carbynes $OsHCl_2 \equiv C-CH_2R)(P^iPr_3)_2$ and alkenylcarbynes $OsHCl_2 \equiv CCH \equiv CR_2)(P^iPr_3)_2$ can be prepared in a one-pot synthesis by treatment of the dihydride-dichloro complex $OsH_2-Cl_2(P^iPr_3)_2$ with terminal alkynes, alkynols, and 1-en-

3-ynes. The key intermediates of these reactions are dihydrogen–vinylidene species, which evolve by electrophilic attack of the acidic hydrogen proton of the dihydrogen on the C_{β} atom of the vinylidene.²

The behavior of the complex $OsH_2Cl_2(P^iPr_3)_2$ in the presence of alkynes cannot be extrapolated to other osmium compounds containing two hydrogen atoms bonded to the metallic center. Up until now, in addition to $OsH_2Cl_2(P^iPr_3)_2$, the reactivity of three complexes has been studied: the dihydrogen $OsCl_2(\eta^2-H_2)(CO)(P^iPr_3)_2$,³ the neutral seven-coordinate dihydride $OsH_2(\kappa^2-O_2-$

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 $\rm CCH_3)\{\kappa^1\text{-}OC(O)CH_3\}(P^iPr_3)_2,^4$ and the cationic sevencoordinate dihydride $[OsH_2(\kappa^2-O_2CCH_3)(H_2O)(P^iPr_3)_2]^{+,5}$ and between them serious differences of behavior are observed. It appears that the formed organometallic compound is a result of a sophisticated combination of electronic factors involving the metal and the alkyne. Thus, the dihydrogen complex $OsCl_2(\eta^2-H_2)(CO)(P^iPr_3)_2$ reacts with phenylacetylene to give the carbene derivative OsCl₂(=CHCH₂Ph)(CO)(PⁱPr₃)₂,³ whereas the neutral dihydride OsH₂(κ^2 -O₂CCH₃){ κ^1 -OC(O)CH₃}(PⁱPr₃)₂ affords the hydride-vinylidene $OsH(\kappa^2 - O_2CCH_3)$ {=C= $CHC(CH_3) = CH_2 (P^iPr_3)_2$ in the presence of 2-methyl-1-buten-3-yne,⁴ and the cation $[OsH_2(\kappa^2-O_2CCH_3)(H_2O)-$ (PⁱPr₃)₂]⁺ gives hydride–osmacyclopropenes, hydride– carbynes,⁵ or mixtures of both types of compounds depending upon the nature of the alkyne.⁶

In contrast to the osmium compounds containing two hydrogen atoms bonded to the metal, the chemistry of osmium monohydrides in the presence of terminal alkynes is very clear. Via vinylidene⁷ or π -alkyne⁸ intermediates, they afford alkenyl derivatives.⁹ When alkynols are used, alkenylcarbene compounds are also obtained.¹⁰ However, the formation of carbyne complexes has not been observed.

Azavinylidene complexes are an interesting class of transition-metal compounds containing an M-N double bond.^{11,12} Some of them have even been proposed as intermediates in the catalytic and stoichiometric reduction of nitriles^{13,11s,x} and in the ammoxidation of propylene.¹¹⁰ Hydride-azavinylidene complexes are very rare, and only two mononuclear species had been reported before 2000: the five-coordinate d⁶ derivatives $MH(=N=CPh_2)(CO)(P^iPr_3)_2$ (M = Ru,¹⁴ Os¹⁵).

We have recently shown that the dihydride-dichloro complex OsH₂Cl₂(PⁱPr₃)₂ reacts, in a one-pot synthesis, not only with terminal alkynes but also with oximes. The reactions lead to the six-coordinate d⁴ hydrideazavinylidene derivatives OsHCl₂(=N=CR₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂,¹⁶ which are related to the carbynes $OsHCl_2 (\equiv CCH_2R)$ -(PⁱPr₃)₂ containing an azavinylidene ligand instead of a carbyne group.

These hydride-azavinylidene complexes do not react with phenylacetylene due to their saturated character. However, the treatment of dichloromethane solutions of OsHCl₂(=N=CR₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂ with Ag[CF₃SO₃] at room temperature and the subsequent addition at -25 °C of phenylacetylene affords the alkenyl derivatives [Os{(E)-CH=CHPh $Cl(=N=CR_2)(P^iPr_3)_2$ ⁺. These compounds

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are the result of the addition of the M-H bond of the starting materials to the carbon-carbon triple bond of the alkyne, in agreement with the general tendency shown by the osmium monohydride complexes. In solution at room temperature, the azavinylidene-styryl compounds are unstable and evolve into a novel type of derivative, containing the imine and vinylidene functional groups, by the novel hydrogen transfer reaction from styryl groups to azavinylidene ligands.¹⁷

In this paper, we report the formation of other two novel types of difunctional organometallic compounds, azavinylidene-carbyne and azavinylidene-alkenyl-

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carbyne, and show that not only the reaction products from dihydrides and alkynes are the result of a sophisticated combination of electronic factors involving the metal and the alkyne but also those formed from monohydrides and alkynes.

Results and Discussion

1. Reactions of $OsHCl_2(=N=CMe_2)(P^iPr_3)_2$ with HC=CR. Treatment at room temperature of dichloromethane solutions of $OsHCl_2(=N=CMe_2)(P^iPr_3)_2$ (1) with 1.0 equiv of $Ag[CF_3SO_3]$, and the subsequent stirring of the resulting solution under an acetylene atmosphere, gives rise to the five-coordinate azavinylidene–carbyne complex $[OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(=CCH_3)-(P^iPr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ (2). The related compounds $[OsCl-(=N=CMe_2)(=CCH_2R)(P^iPr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ (R = Cy (3), $(CH_2)_2CH_3$ (4)) were similarly prepared by reaction of 1 with $Ag[CF_3SO_3]$ and the corresponding alkyne (eq 1).



Complexes **2**–**4** were isolated as yellow solids in about 80% yield, and they were characterized by MS, elemental analysis, and IR and ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H{}$, ${}^{1}H{}$, and ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H{}$ NMR spectroscopy. Complex **2** was further characterized by an X-ray crystallographic study. A view of the molecular geometry of the cation of the complex is shown in Figure 1. Selected bond distances and angles are listed in Table 1.

The geometry around the osmium atom can be rationalized as a distorted trigonal bipyramid with apical phosphines (P(1)–Os–P(2) = 165.60(11)°) and inequivalent angles within the Y-shaped equatorial plane. The angles C(22)–Os–N, C(22)–Os–Cl, and N–Os–Cl are 111.6(5), 108.8(5), and 139.6(3)°, respectively. This Y structure is similar to that found in the vinylidene complex OsCl(=N=CMe₂)(=C=CHPh)-(PⁱPr₃)₂¹⁸ and the calculated structure for RuHCl(=C=CH₂)(PH₃)₂.¹⁹ However, it contrasts with the structure of the carbene complexes RuCl₂(=CR₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂, in which the carbene ligand occupies the apical position of a square pyramid.²⁰



Figure 1. Molecular diagram for the cation of $[OsCl-(=N=CMe_2)(=CCH_3)(P'Pr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ (2). Thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability.

Table 1. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) for the Complex [OsCl(=N=CMe₂)(=CCH₂)(PⁱPr₂)₂][CF₂SO₃] (2)

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Os(1)-Cl	2.401(3)	Os(1)-N	1.871(8)
Os(1)-P(1)	2.426(3)	N-C(19)	1.267(13)
Os(1)-P(2)	2.434(3)	C(22)-C(23)	1.488(19)
Os(1)-C(22)	1.720(13)		
Cl-Os(1)-P(1)	87.25(11)	P(1)-Os(1)-N	88.3(3)
Cl-Os(1)-P(2)	86.21(11)	P(2) - Os(1) - C(22)	97.9(4)
Cl-Os(1)-C(22)	108.8(5)	P(2)-Os(1)-N	88.4(3)
Cl-Os(1)-N	139.6(3)	C(22) - Os(1) - N	111.6(5)
P(1) - Os(1) - P(2)	165.60(11)	Os-N-C(19)	152.0(8)
P(1) - Os(1) - C(22)	2) 96.3(4)	Os-C(22)-C(23)	169.4(12)

The very short Os-C(22) bond length of 1.720(13) Å is fully consistent with an Os-C(22) triple-bond formulation. Similarly to other metal carbyne compounds,²¹ a slight bending in the Os-C(22)-C(23) moiety is also present (Os-C(22)-C(23) = 169.4(12)°).

The azavinylidene ligand coordinates to the osmium atom in a bent fashion with an Os-N-C(19) angle of 152.0(8)°. A similar coordination mode has been observed for the azavinylidene ligands of the osmium $OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(=C=CHPh)(P^iPr_3)_2$ complexes $(157.2(6)^{\circ})^{18}$ [Os{=N=C(Me)^tBu}(η^{6} -C₆H₆)(PⁱPr₃)][PF₆] $(167(2), 168(2), \text{ and } 155(2)^\circ)$, ^{12m} and *cis*-[OsCl₂{=N= $C(Ph)(2-PhCOC_6H_4)$ (terpy) [PF₆] (168.3(3)°).^{12t} The Os-N distance of 1.871(8) Å is similar to that of OsCl- $(=N=CMe_2)(=C=CHPh)(P^iPr_3)_2$ (1.873(5) Å)¹⁸ and intermediate between those found in OsCl₂(=C=CHPh)- $(NH=CMe_2)(P^iPr_3)_2$ (2.072(7) Å)¹⁷ and in the complexes $[Os{=N=C(Me)^{t}Bu}(\eta^{6}-C_{6}H_{6})(P^{i}Pr_{3})][PF_{6}]$ (1.81(2) and 1.83(2)Å), ^{12m} and in *cis*-[OsCl₂{=N=C(Ph)(2-PhCOC₆H₄)}- $(terpy)][PF_6]$ (1.812(6) Å),^{12t} while the N–C(19) distance of 1.267(13) Å is similar to those found in the aforementioned compounds.

In addition, it should be mentioned that the methyl carbon atoms C(20) and C(21) form a plane with the

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Os-C-N unit, which is perpendicular to the best plane containing the phosphorus atoms of the phosphine ligands and the osmium atom (89.8(3)°).

The IR and ¹H, ³¹P{¹H}, and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra of 2-4 are consistent with the structure shown in Figure 1. The IR spectra in KBr contain a ν (C=N) band at about 1670 cm⁻¹, along with the characteristic stretching bands of the free $[CF_3SO_3]^-$ anion²² (see Experimental Section), in agreement with the salt character of the complexes. Because the azavinylidene ligand lies in the Y plane, the methyl groups are inequivalent and, in the ¹H NMR spectrum, they display two singlets between 2.6 and 2.2 ppm. The resonances corresponding to the hydrogen atoms bonded to the C_{β} atom of the carbyne groups are observed between 2.9 and 2.5 ppm. The ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$ NMR spectra show the characteristic Os≡C resonance of the carbyne ligands, which appear at about 290 ppm as triplets with C-P coupling constants of about 5 Hz. The ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra contain singlets between 36 and 33 ppm.

Complexes **2**–**4** react with MeLi to give the azavinylidene–vinylidene derivatives $OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(=C=CHR)(P^iPr_3)_2$ (R = H (**5**), Cy (**6**), (CH₂)₂CH₃ (**7**)), as a result of the extraction of a proton of the β -CH₂ groups (eq 2).



 $R = H (2, 5), Cy (3, 6), (CH_2)_2CH_3 (4, 7)$

Complexes 5 and 6 were obtained as orange solids in 73% and 80% yields, respectively, whereas complex 7 was obtained as an orange oil in quantitative yield. The spectroscopic data of these complexes agree well with those previously reported for the related compound OsCl(=N=CMe₂)(=C=CHPh)(PⁱPr₃)₂, where the trigonal-bipyramidal geometry around the osmium atom and the bent coordination of the azavinylidene have been proved by an X-ray diffraction analysis.¹⁸ In agreement with the presence of the azavinylidene and vinylidene ligands, the IR spectra in KBr of the three compounds show ν (C=N) and ν (Os=C=C) bands at about 1660 cm⁻¹ and between 1625 and 1605 cm⁻¹, respectively. As in 2-4 the azavinylidene ligand of 5-7 lies in the Y plane. Thus, the ¹H NMR spectra show two methyl resonances between 2.2 and 1.9 ppm, corresponding to the inequivalent methyl groups of the azavinylidene. The resonance due to the =CH hydrogen atom of the vinylidene ligands appears between 1.6 and 2.3 ppm. The $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectra show the characteristic C_{α} and C_{β} resonances of the vinylidenes, which are observed at about 270 ppm, as triplets with C–P coupling constants of about 11 Hz and between 110 and 90 ppm as singlets. The $^{31}P\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectra contain singlets at about 3 ppm.

2. Azavinylidene–Alkenyl and Imine–Vinylidene Species as Intermediates in the Formation of 2–4. To obtain information about the formation of 2–4, we have carried out at -25 °C the addition of cyclohexylacetylene to the solution resulting from the treatment of **1** with [AgCF₃SO₃]. Under these conditions the alkenyl derivative [Os{(*E*)-CH=CHCy}Cl(=N=CMe₂)-(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (**8**) was obtained after 5 h, as a green solid in 70% yield (eq 3).



The unsaturated character of 8 is strongly supported by its IR spectrum in KBr, which contains the characteristic stretching bands of the free [CF₃SO₃]⁻ anion at 1274, 1223, 1150, and 1032 cm⁻¹. The ¹H NMR spectrum in dichloromethane- d_2 at -30 °C confirms the presence of the alkenyl group with an E stereochemistry and suggests that the H_{β} atom interacts with the metal to form an agostic bond. Thus, the resonance corresponding to the vinylic H_{α} atom is observed at 6.08 ppm, in agreement with the chemical shift reported for Os- ${(E)-CH=CHCy}Cl(CO)(P^{i}Pr_{3})_{2}$ (6.80 ppm).^{7a} However, according to a ¹H-¹H COSY spectrum, the resonance due to the H_β atom lies at about 2.70 ppm, shifted about 2 ppm to higher field in comparison with that found in the carbonyl complex (4.60 ppm), which does not show agostic interaction. In agreement with the agostic interaction the value of the H_{α} - H_{β} coupling constant in 8 (9.5 Hz) is lower than that found in $Os\{(E)-CH=$ CHCy}Cl(CO)(PⁱPr₃)₂ (12.6 Hz). The ¹³C NMR spectrum is also consistent with a weak interaction between the H_{β} atom of the alkenyl ligand and the osmium atom. The C_{β} resonance appears at 138.0 ppm with a C–H coupling constant of 142.5 Hz, a significantly low value compared to the ${}^{1}J(C-H)$ value of 154.5 Hz corresponding to the C_{α} resonance, which is observed at 143.1 ppm. The ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H$ NMR spectrum shows a singlet at -1.7ppm. These spectroscopic data agree well with those previously reported for the styryl complex [Os{(*E*)-CH= CHPh}Cl(=N=CMe₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃], where the H_{β} atom of the styryl ligand also interacts with the metal.¹⁷

In solution at room temperature there is a marked difference in behavior between the aforementioned styryl compound and **8**. While the former species evolves into mixtures of five products, none of them are azavinylidene-carbyne derivatives; complex **8** affords **3** as

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a consequence of a 1,2-hydrogen shift within the alkenyl group. However, at -30 °C the behavior is not very different. The addition of NaCl to tetrahydrofuran solutions of **8** gives rise to the imine–vinylidene derivative OsCl₂(=C=CHCy)(NH=CMe₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂ (**9**), as a result of the hydrogen transfer from the alkenyl group to the azavinylidene ligand (eq 4). Under the same condi-



tions, the styryl compound initially affords $Os{(E)-CH= CHPh}Cl_2(=N=CMe_2)(P^iPr_3)_2$, which evolves into the corresponding imine-vinylidene at room temperature.

Complex **9** was isolated as an orange solid in 86% yield. In agreement with the presence of the imine ligand, the IR spectrum in KBr contains a ν (N–H) band at 3201 cm⁻¹. In the ¹H NMR spectrum in toluene- d_8 at -20 °C, the NH resonance appears at 11.33 ppm. The spectrum is in accordance with the mutually cis disposition of the chloride ligands, showing two ⁱPr methyl chemical shifts. In the ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum, the resonance due to the C_{α} atom of the vinylidene is observed at 287.6 ppm as a triplet with a C–P coupling constant of 9.7 Hz, whereas the C_{β} atom displays a singlet at 110.3 ppm. The ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum shows a singlet at -21.2 ppm.

In dichloromethane- d_2 , at room temperature, complex 9 dissociates a chloride and evolves into 3, as a result of the hydrogen transfer from the imine to the C_β atom of the vinylidene. After 24 h, the transformation is quantitative. This reaction along with those showed in eqs 3 and 4 suggest that the formation of 2-4, according to eq 1, proceeds via the elemental steps summarized in Scheme 1. The extraction of a chloride ligand from 1 activates the metallic center for the insertion of the alkyne into the Os-H bond. The formed alkenyl ligand evolves into a carbyne group by a double hydrogen transfer reaction involving the azavinylidene ligand. The first step of this formal 1,2-hydrogen shift takes place between the C_{α} atom of the alkenyl and the N atom of the azavinylidene, whereas the second one involves the N and C_{β} atoms of the resulting imine and vinylidene ligands. The latter step is in agreement with the expected electrophilic character of the hydrogen atom of the imine and the well-known nucleophilic nature of the C_{β} atoms of the vinylidene ligands.²³

In contrast to **9**, the imine–phenylvinylidene complexes OsCl₂(=C=CHPh)(NH=CR₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂ do not evolve into the corresponding azavinylidene–carbyne species.¹⁷

Scheme 1





Moreover, their protonation affords imine–carbyne derivatives, which regenerate the imine–vinylidenes by deprotonation. This suggests that for R = Ph the imine–vinylidene form is thermodynamically more stable than the azavinylidene–carbyne form. The higher stability of the imine–vinylidene form could be related to a conjugating effect between the phenyl group and the π -system of the vinylidene. A similar situation has been previously observed between osmacyclopropene and osmium carbyne species. While for R = H and alkyl the osmium carbyne form is thermodynamically more stable than the cyclic one, there is a reversal in the relative energy of the isomers for $R = Ph.^5$

3. Reactions of OsHCl₂(=N=CMe₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂ with 2-Methyl-1-buten-3-yne. Treatment at room temperature of dichloromethane solutions of 1 with 1.0 equiv of Ag[CF₃SO₃] and the subsequent addition of 1.0 equiv of 2-methyl-1-buten-3-yne leads after 4 h to the azavinylidene–alkenylcarbyne derivative [OsHCl(=N=CMe₂)-(=C-CH=CMe₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (10), according to eq 5.



Complex **10** was isolated as a yellow solid in 77% yield. In the ¹H NMR spectrum in chloroform-*d* at room temperature, the most noticeable resonances are those corresponding to the alkenylcarbyne group, which appear as singlets at 6.07 (=CH) and 2.09 and 1.88 ppm (CH₃). As in **2**–**5**, the methyl groups of the azavinylidene display two resonances, indicating that the

disposition of this ligand is as shown in Figure 1. The ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$ NMR spectrum shows the resonance due to the C(sp) atom of this ligand at 278.9 ppm, as a triplet with a C–P coupling constant of 5.5 Hz, whereas those corresponding to the C(sp²) atoms are observed as singlets at 170.5 and 136.9 ppm. The ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H$ NMR spectrum contains a singlet at 32.1 ppm.

Similarly to **2**–**4**, complex **10** can be deprotonated by MeLi. However, the deprotonation does not occur at the C_{β} atom of the carbyne but at one of the two methyl groups of the alkenyl unit. As a result, the treatment at room temperature of tetrahydrofuran solutions of **10** with MeLi affords the novel azavinylidene–alkenyl-vinylidene compound OsCl(=N=CMe₂){=C=CHC(Me)= CH₂}(PⁱPr₃)₂ (**11**), according to eq 6.



Complex 11 was isolated as an orange microcrystalline solid in 73% yield. The presence of the alkenylvinylidene ligand in 11 is strongly supported by the ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra of this complex in dichloromethane- d_2 , at room temperature. In the ¹H NMR spectrum, the unsaturated η^1 -carbon ligand gives rise to three singlets at 4.56 and 4.08 ppm (=CH₂) and 2.11 ppm (CH₃) and a triplet at 3.27 ppm with a H-P coupling constant of 3.3 Hz, which corresponds to the β -CH proton. In the ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum, the C_{α} and C_{β} resonances of the vinylidene unit appear at 275.2 and 116.6 ppm, the first of them as a triplet with a C-Pcoupling constant of 10.5 Hz, whereas the second one is observed as a singlet. The C(sp²) atoms of the alkenyl unit display singlets at 137.9 and 100.6 ppm. The ³¹P-¹H} NMR spectrum contains a singlet at 2.9 ppm.

To obtain information about the formation of **10**, we carried out at -25 °C the addition of 2-methyl-1-buten-3-yne to the solution resulting from the treatment of **1** with Ag[CF₃SO₃]. Under these conditions the butadienyl derivative [Os{(*E*)-CH=CHC(Me)=CH₂}(=N=CMe₂)-(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (**12**) was obtained after 5 h as a green solid in 74% yield (eq 7).

Complex **12** is the result of the extraction of a chloride ligand from **1** and the selective addition of the Os–H bond to the carbon–carbon triple bond of the enyne. A similar addition has been previously observed for the five-coordinate monohydrides MHCl(CO)($P^{i}Pr_{3}$)₂ (M = Ru,²⁴ Os³) and RhH(SnPh₃)(acac)(PCy_{3}).²⁵ In contrast, the reaction of *cis*-(Me₃Si)CH=CHC=CSiMe₃ with the six-coordinate RuHCl(CO)(PPh₃)₃ gives a stable complex



whose molecular structure is formally regarded as the result of either 1,2-addition of the Ru–H to the double bond or 1,4-addition of the Ru–H to the conjugated enyne.²⁶

The structure proposed for 12 in eq 7 is consistent with the IR and ^{1}H , ^{13}C , and $^{31}P{^{1}H}$ NMR spectra of this compound. The IR in KBr contains the characteristic stretching bands of the free [CF₃SO₃]⁻ anion, at 1281, 1221, 1140, and 1031 cm^{-1} , in agreement with the salt nature of the compound. The ¹H NMR spectrum, in dichloromethane- d_2 at -30 °C, suggest that the OsCH=CHR unit has an *E* stereochemistry and that, in a manner similar to $\mathbf{8}$, the H_{β} atom interacts with the metal to form an agostic bond. Thus, this resonance appears at 3.73 ppm, shifted between 2 and 4 ppm to higher field in comparison with those found in other butadienyl compounds without agostic interactions.^{3,4,24,25} The value of the H-H coupling constant (10.5 Hz) is similar to that found in 8 and between 3 and 8 Hz lower than those observed in other (*E*)-butadienyl derivatives. In the ¹³C NMR spectrum the resonances of the butadienyl ligand appear at 145.2 (C_{β}), 141.5 (C_{α}), 137.3 (C_{γ}), and 115.9 (C_{δ}) ppm. In agreement with the H_{β}-Os interaction, the $\hat{I}J(C_{\beta}-H)$ value of 137.3 Hz is significantly lower than the ${}^{1}J(C_{\alpha}-H)$ and ${}^{1}J(C_{\delta}-H)$ values of 154.1 and 158.5 Hz, respectively. The ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum contains a singlet at -0.6 ppm.

In solution at room temperature, complex **12** evolves into **10**, indicating that **12** is an intermediate in the formation of **10**, as **8** is intermediate in the formation of **3**. However, it should be noted that while the formation of **3** involves a formal 1,2-hydrogen shift in the alkenyl ligand of **8**, the formation of **10** involves a formal 1,4-hydrogen shift in the butadienyl ligand of **12**.

This 1,4-hydrogen shift is the result of the hydrogen transfer from the C_{α} atom of the butadienyl ligand to the nitrogen atom of the azavinylidene group and the subsequent hydrogen transfer from the nitrogen atom of the resulting imine to the C_{δ} atom of the resulting alkenylvinylidene. In this context, it should be mentioned that the addition of H⁺ to the C_{δ} atom of alkenylvinylidene ligands is a general method to prepare alkenylcarbyne compounds.²⁷

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these compounds probably involves imine-hydroxyvinylidene intermediates related to $\mathbf{9}$, which evolves into the corresponding carbyne derivatives by protonation of the OH group with the N-H of the imine.

Complexes **13**–**15** were isolated as brown (**13** and **15**) or light pink (**14**) solids in about 80% yield. In the ¹H NMR spectra, the most noticeable resonances are those corresponding to the β -CH hydrogen atom of the carbyne ligands, which appear at about 7 ppm. The ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra agree well with that of **10**. The resonances due to the C(sp) atom of the unsaturated η^1 -carbon ligands are observed at about 280 ppm, as triplets with C–P coupling constants of about 6 Hz, whereas the resonances corresponding to the C(sp²) atoms appears at about 160 and 130 ppm as singlets. The ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra show singlets between 28 and 34 ppm.

Similarly to **10**, the addition of MeLi to tetrahydrofuran solutions of **14** produces the deprotonation of the methyl group of the alkenyl unit, to afford the azavinylidene–alkenylvinylidene $OsCl(=N=CMe_2){=C=}$ $CHC(Ph)=CH_2{(P^iPr_3)_2}$ (**16**), according to eq 9. The



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deprotonation of the C_{β} atom of the alkenylcarbyne of **14** is not observed. In agreement with this, complexes **13** and **15** are inert in the presence of MeLi.

Complex **16** was isolated as an orange microcrystalline solid in 72% yield. The ¹H, ¹³C{¹H}, and ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra of **16** agree well with that of **11**. In the ¹H NMR spectrum, the =CH resonance of the vinylidene unit is observed at 3.23 ppm, as a triplet with a H–P coupling constant of 3.0 Hz, whereas the =CH₂ group of the alkenyl unit displays two singlets at 5.40 and 5.19 ppm. In the ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum, the C_{α} and C_{β} resonances of the vinylidene appear at 275.7 and 112.0 ppm, respectively, the first of them as a triplet with a C–P coupling constant of 11.0 Hz, whereas the second one is observed as a singlet. The vinyl carbon atoms of the alkenyl unit display singlets at 131.9 and 105.4 ppm. The ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum shows a singlet at 4.6 ppm.

Concluding Remarks

This paper reveals the existence of two novel types of difunctional organometallic compounds: the fivecoordinate azavinylidene–carbyne $[OsCl(=N=CMe_2)-(\equiv CCH_2R)(P^iPr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ (R = H, alkyl) and the fivecoordinate azavinylidene–alkenylcarbyne $[OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(\equiv CCH=CRR')(P^iPr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ (R, R' = H, alkyl, phenyl), which by deprotonation yield the corresponding five-coordinate azavinylidene–vinylidene $OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(=C=CHR)(P^iPr_3)_2$ and azavinylidene–alkenylvinylidene $OsCl(=N=CMe_2){=C=CHC(R)=CH_2}(P^iPr_3)_2$.

The formation of the carbyne ligand of $[OsCl(=N=CMe_2)(\equiv CCH_2R)(P^iPr_3)_2][CF_3SO_3]$ is the result of the extraction of a chloride from the complex $OsHCl_2(=N=CMe_2)(P^iPr_3)_2$ and the subsequent addition of the Os-H bond to the alkynes $HC\equiv CR$ (R = H, alkyl). The reactions initially give azavinylidene–alkenyl intermediates, which evolve by a formal 1,2-hydrogen shift within the alkenyl group into the carbynes. This hydrogen shift involves (i) the hydrogen transfer from the C_{α} atom of the alkenyl ligand to the nitrogen atom of the azavinylidene group to afford imine–vinylidene species and (ii) the NH hydrogen migration from the imine to the C_{β} atom of the vinylidene.

Azavinylidene–alkenylcarbynes are similarly formed from OsHCl₂(=N=CMe₂)(PⁱPr₃)₂ and enynes (HC=CC-(Me)=CH₂) or alkynols (HC=CC(OH)PhR). In this case the reactions initially give azavinylidene–butadienyl or azavinylidene–hydroxyvinylidene intermediates, which evolve into imine–alkenylvinylidenes or imine–hydroxyvinylidenes, respectively. The imine–alkenylvinylidenes afford azavinylidene–alkenylcarbynes by migration of the NH hydrogen atom from the imine to the C_{δ} atom of the alkenylvinylidene ligand, whereas the imine– hydroxyvinylidenes afford azavinylidene–alkenylcarbynes by protonation of the OH group of the hydroxyvinylidene with the NH of the imine.

In conclusion azavinylidene-carbyne and azavinylidene-alkenylcarbyne complexes can be prepared in a one-pot synthesis by reaction of hydride-azavinylidenes with terminal alkynes and enynes or alkynols, respectively. The formation of these species takes place via a novel hydrogen shift in the alkynes, which is promoted by the azavinylidene ligand. All reactions were carried out with rigorous exclusion of air using Schlenk-tube techniques. Solvents were dried by the usual procedures and distilled under argon prior to use. The starting material $OsHCl_2{=}N=C(CH_3)_2{(P^iPr_3)_2}$ (1) was prepared by the published method.¹⁶ ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 300 MHz, and chemical shifts are expressed in ppm downfield from Me₄Si. ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra were recorded at 75.4 MHz, and chemical shifts are expressed in ppm downfield from Me₄Si. ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra were recorded at 121.4 MHz, and chemical shifts are expressed in ppm downfield from 85% H₃PO₄. Coupling constants, *J* and *N*, are given in hertz.

Preparation of [OsCl{=N=C(CH₃)₂}(=CCH₃)(PⁱPr₃)₂]-[CF₃SO₃] (2). A pale green solution of 1 (100 mg, 0.157 mmol) in a mixture of dichloromethane (10 mL) and acetone (0.5 mL) was treated with 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag[CF₃SO₃]. The suspension was stirred for 3 h and was filtered through Celite to eliminate the AgCl formed. The resulting blue solution was stirred under an acetylene atmosphere for 1 h. After the color changed to yellow, the solvent was concentrated to ca. 0.5 mL. Addition of diethyl ether yielded a yellow precipitate that was washed with diethyl ether (3 \times 2 mL) and dried in vacuo. Yield: 90 mg (74%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₄H₅₁NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 37.03; H, 6.60; N, 1.79; S, 4.11. Found: C, 37.05; H, 6.21; N, 2.16; S, 3.91. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1671 (m); ν_a (SO₃) 1281 (s); $v_s(CF_3)$ 1223 (s); $v_a(CF_3)$ 1143 (s); $v_s(SO_3)$ 1030 (s); $\delta_a(SO_3)$ 638 (s). ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 2.71 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.52 (s, 3H, Os=CCH₃); 2.43 and 2.34 (both t, $J_{H-P} = 2.1$, 6H, $\{CH_3\}_2C=N$; 1.36 and 1.33 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, N = 13.5, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 290.5 (t, J_{C-P} = 5.5, Os=C); 162.1 (t, J_{C-P} = 3.6, Os=N=C); 121.4 (q, J_{C-F} = 321.2, CF₃); 43.0 (s, Os= CCH_3); 25.3 and 22.2 (both s, $\{CH_3\}_2C=N$; 24.2 (vt, N = 26.2, PCH); 19.8 and 19.4 (both s, PCHCH₃). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 36.1 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 630 (M⁺).

Preparationof[OsCl{=N=C(CH₃)₂}(=CCH₂Cy)(PⁱPr₃)₂]-[CF₃SO₃] (3). A pale green solution of 1 (100 mg, 0.157 mmol) in a mixture of dichloromethane (10 mL) and acetone (0.5 mL) was treated with 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag[CF₃SO₃]. The suspension was stirred for 3 h and was filtered through Celite to eliminate the AgCl formed. After 20 μ L (0.157 mmol) of cyclohexylacetylene was added, the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The color changed to vellow, and the solvent was concentrated to ca. 0.5 mL. Addition of diethyl ether yielded a yellow precipitate that was washed with diethyl ether (3 \times 2 mL) and dried in vacuo. Yield: 105 mg (77%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₀H₆₁NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 41.88; H, 7.15; N, 1.63; S, 3.73. Found: C, 42.03; H, 7.31; N, 1.73; S, 3.68. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1670 (m); ν_a (SO₃) 1263 (s); $\nu_s(CF_3)$ 1223 (s); $\nu_a(CF_3)$ 1152 (s); $\nu_s(SO_3)$ 1032 (s); $\delta_a(SO_3)$ 636 (s). ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 2.95 (m, 2H, Os= CCH₂); 2.89 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.60 and 2.48 (both t, $J_{H-P} = 2.1$, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 2.19 (m, 1H, CH Cy); 2.0–1.2 (m, 10H, CH₂) Cy); 1.52 and 1.48 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 6.9$, N = 13.5, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 295.2 (t, $J_{C-P} =$ 5.5, Os=C); 162.7 (t, $J_{C-P} = 3.7$, Os=N=C); 120.6 (q, $J_{C-F} =$ 319.3, CF₃); 63.1 (s, Os=CCH₂); 37.2, 26.2, and 25.8 (all s, CH₂) Cy); 34.0 (s, CH Cy); 25.5 and 22.4 (both s, {CH₃}₂C=N); 24.1 (vt, N = 26.1, PCH); 19.7 and 19.3 (both s, PCH*C*H₃). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 34.2 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 712 (M⁺).

Preparation of $[OsCl{=N=C(CH_3)_2}{\equiv C(CH_2)_3CH_3}$. (PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (4). This complex was prepared as described for **3**, starting from **1** (100 mg, 0.157 mmol), 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag[CF₃SO₃], and 16 μ L (0.158 mmol) of 1-pentyne. A yellow solid was obtained. Yield: 110 mg (85%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₇H₅₇NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 39.52; H, 7.00; N, 1.70; S, 3.90. Found: C, 39.55; H, 7.03; N, 1.83; S, 3.83. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1676 (m); ν_a (SO₃) 1264 (s); ν_s (CF₃) 1223 (s); ν_a (CF₃) 1152 (s); ν_s (SO₃) 1032 (s); δ_a (SO₃) 637 (s). ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 2.61 (t, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, 2H, β -CH₂); 2.39 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.22 (br, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 1.70 (tt, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, $J_{H-H} = 6.9$, 2H, γ -CH₂); 1.29 (ct, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, $J_{H-H} = 6.9$, 2H, δ -CH₂); 1.07 and 1.05 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, N = 13.5, 36H, PCHCH₃); 0.79 (t, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C{¹H}-APT NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 295.3 (t, $J_{C-P} = 5.2$, OS=C); 162.3 (t, $J_{C-P} = 3.0$, OS= N=C); 121.4 (q, $J_{C-F} = 321.2$, CF₃); 55.0, 27.3, and 22.0 (all s, CH₂); 25.4 and 22.2 (both s, {CH₃}₂CN); 23.4 (vt, N = 26.7, PCH); 19.8 and 19.4 (both s, PCHCH₃); 17.7 (s, CH₃). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂, 20 °C): δ 33.9 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 672 (M⁺).

Preparation of $OsCl{=N=C(CH_3)_2}(=C=CH_2)(P^iPr_3)_2$ (5). A yellow solution of 2 in tetrahydrofuran (100 mg, 0.128 mmol) was treated with a solution of MeLi (80 μ L, 1.6 M in diethyl ether, 0.128 mmol) at room temperature. The color changed immediately to orange and the solvent was concentrated to dryness. Then 8 mL of toluene was added to eliminate by filtration the Li[CF₃SO₃] formed. After the toluene was removed, addition of methanol yielded an orange microcrystalline solid that was washed twice with methanol and dried in vacuo. Yield: 65 mg (80%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₅₀-NClOsP₂: C, 43.97; H, 8.02; N, 2.23. Found: C, 44.12; H, 7.92; N, 2.11. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1658 (m); ν (Os=C=C) 1607 (s). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 2.76 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.19 and 1.93 (both s, 6H, { CH_3 }₂C=N); 2.01 (t, $J_{H-P} = 3.6, 2H, Os=C=CH_2$); 1.37 and 1.23 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 6.6$, N = 13.5, 36H, PCHC H_3). ¹³C{¹H}-APT NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 271.3 (t, $J_{C-P} = 11.1$, Os= C); 152.6 (t, $J_{C-P} = 3.2$, C=N); 91.2 (s, Os=C= CH_2); 23.0 and 21.0 (both t, $J_{C-P} = 2.0$, { CH_3 }₂C=N); 22.8 (vt, N = 28.5, PCH); 19.7 and 19.6 (both s, PCH CH_3). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (C_6D_6 , 20 °C): δ 3.6 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 629 (M⁺).

 $Preparation of OsCl{=}N=C(CH_3)_2}(=C=CHCy)(P^iPr_3)_2$ (6). This complex was prepared as described for 5, starting from **3** (100 mg, 0.116 mmol) and MeLi (75 μ L, 1.6 M in diethyl ether, 0.120 mmol). An orange solid was obtained. Yield: 60 mg (73%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₉H₆₀NClOsP₂: C, 49.03; H, 8.51; N, 1.97. Found: C, 48.65; H, 8.74; N, 1.99. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): v(C=N) 1655 (m); v(Os=C=C) 1621 (s). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 2.81 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.22 and 1.95 (both s, 6H, {CH₃}₂C= N); 2.02 (m, 4H, Cy); 1.80 (m, 4H, Cy); 1.64 (m, 1H, Os=C= CHCy); 1.4–1.1 (m, 3H, Cy); 1.40 and 1.23 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} =$ 6.9 Hz, N = 13.2, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H}-APT NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 267.8 (t, $J_{C-P} = 11.4$, Os=C); 152.6 (t, $J_{C-P} = 3.2$, C=N); 113.9 (s, Os=C=CHCy); 37.6, 27.0, and 26.6 (all s, CH₂) Cy); 32.7 (s, CH Cy); 22.8 and 20.7 (both s, {*C*H₃}₂C=N); 22.3 (vt, N = 23.0, PCH); 19.6 and 19.4 (both s, PCHCH₃). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 2.8 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 711 (M⁺).

Preparation of OsCl{=**N**=**C**(**CH**₃)₂}{=**C**=**CH**(**CH**₂)₂**CH**₃}-(**P**ⁱ**P**₃)₂ (7). This complex was prepared as described for 5, starting from 4 (100 mg, 0.122 mmol) and MeLi (77 μL, 1.6 M in diethyl ether, 0.123 mmol). An orange oil was obtained. IR (Nujol, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1659 (m); ν (Os=C=C) 1610 (s). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 2.76 (m, 8H, PCH and γ -CH₂); 2.23 (t, *J*_{H-P} = 2.0, Os=C=CH); 2.20 and 1.96 (both s, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 1.48 (ct, *J*_{H-H} = 7.2, *J*_{H-H} = 7.0, 2H, δ -CH₂), 1.38 and 1.23 (both dvt, *J*_{H-H} = 6.9, *N* = 12.6, 36H, PCHCH₃); 0.99 (t, *J*_{H-H} = 7.2, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C{¹H}-APT NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 268.5 (t, *J*_{C-P} = 12.0, Os=C); 152.5 (t, *J*_{C-P} = 3.2, C=N); 106.7 (s, Os=C=C); 26.1 and 24.7 (both s, CH₂); 22.0 and 20.8 (both s, {CH₃}₂C=N); 22.5 (vt, *N* = 23.1, PCH); 19.6 and 19.5 (both s, PCHCH₃); 14.1 (s, CH₃). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 2.9 (s). MS (FAB⁺): *m*/*z* 671 (M⁺).

Preparation of [Os{(*E***)-CH=CHCy}Cl{=N=C(CH₃)₂}-(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (8). A pale green solution of 1 (100 mg, 0.157 mmol) in a mixture of dichloromethane (10 mL) and acetone (0.5 mL) was treated with 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag-[CF₃SO₃]. The suspension was stirred for 3 h and was filtered through Celite to eliminate the AgCl formed. The blue solution was cooled to -25 °C, and 30 \muL (0.235 mmol) of cyclohexyl-acetylene was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 h at a temperature between -25 and -10 °C. The color changed to green, and the solvent was concentrated to dryness,**

keeping the temperature lower than -10 °C. Addition of diethyl ether at -50 °C yielded a green precipitate that was washed three times with cold diethyl ether and dried in vacuo. Yield: 95 mg (70%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₀H₆₁NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 41.88; H, 7.15; N, 1.63; S, 3.73. Found: C, 41.65; H, 7.10; N, 1.72; S, 3.62. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1671 (m); ν_a (SO₃) 1274 (s); $v_s(CF_3)$ 1223 (s); $v_a(CF_3)$ 1150 (s); $v_s(SO_3)$ 1032 (s); $\delta_a(SO_3)$ 637 (s). ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C): δ 6.08 (d, $J_{H-H} = 9.5$ Hz, 1H, Os-CH=CHCy); 3.89 and 3.68 (both s, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 2.70 (m, 7H, PCH and Os-CH=CHCy); 1.7-1.2 (m, 11H, Cy); 1.32 and 1.24 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 7.0$, N = 13.7, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C): δ 160.0 (s, Os=N=C); 143.1 (s {d, $J_{C-H} = 154.5$ in ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C)}, Os-CH= CHCy); 138.0 (s {d, $J_{C-H} = 142.5$ in ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C)}, Os-CH=CHCy); 120.6 (q, $J_{C-F} = 318.7$, CF₃); 42.8, 26.3, and 25.8 (all s, $CH_2 Cy$); 35.1 (s, CH Cy); 22.8 (vt, N = 23.0, PCH); 19.2 and 19.0 (both s, PCHCH₃); 10.1 and 7.8 (both s, $\{CH_3\}_2C=N$). ³¹P $\{^1H\}$ NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C): δ -1.7 (s). MS (FAB⁺): *m*/*z* 712 (M⁺).

Preparation of OsCl₂(=C=CHCy){NH=C(CH₃)₂}(PⁱPr₃)₂ (9). A green solution of 8 (100 mg, 0.116 mmol) at -30 °C in tetrahydrofuran was treated with NaCl (25 mg, 0.428 mmol) and was kept stirring during 3 h at this temperature. The color changed to orange, and the solvent was concentrated to dryness at -30 °C. Then 8 mL of toluene was added to eliminate by filtration the Na[CF₃SO₃] formed and the excess NaCl. After the toluene was removed again at -30 °C, addition of pentane at -50 °C yielded an orange precipitate that was washed three times with cold pentane and dried in vacuo. Yield: 75 mg (86%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₉H₆₁NCl₂OsP₂: C, 46.64; H, 8.23; N, 1.88. Found: C, 46.58; H, 8.08; N, 1.70. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): v(N-H) 3201 (m); v(C=N) 1656 (m); v(Os=C=C) 1609 (s). ¹H NMR (toluene-*d*₈, -20 °C): δ 11.33 (s, 1H, N-H); 2.93 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.7-1.0 (m, 12H, Os=C=CHCy and Cy); 1.60 and 1.53 (both s, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 1.33 (m, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (toluene- d_8 , -20 °C): δ 287.6 (t, $J_{C-P} = 9.7$, Os= C); 173.6 (s, C=N); 110.3 (s, Os=C=C); 47.8, 24.8, and 24.3 (all s, CH₂ Cy); 36.0 (s, CH Cy); 27.8 and 22.2 (both s, $\{CH_3\}_2C=N$; 21.3 (br, PCH); 17.8 (br, PCH CH_3). ³¹P $\{^{1}H\}$ NMR (toluene- d_8 , -20 °C): δ -21.2 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 712 (M⁺ -Cl).

Preparation of $[OsCl{=N=C(CH_3)_2}{\equiv}CCH=C(CH_3)_2$ (PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (10). This complex was prepared as described for 3, starting from 1 (100 mg, 0.157 mmol), 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag[CF₃SO₃], and 15 μ L (0.158 mmol) of 2-methyl-1-buten-3-yne. A orange solid was obtained. Yield: 100 mg (77%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₇H₅₅NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 39.63; H, 6.77; N, 1.71; S, 3.91. Found: C, 39.56; H, 6.50; N, 1.82; S, 3.96. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1673 (m); ν_a (SO₃) 1270 (s); ν_s -(CF₃) 1221 (s); ν_a (CF₃) 1144 (s); ν_s (SO₃) 1031 (s); δ_a (SO₃) 636 (s). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 6.07 (s, 1H, CH=); 2.69 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.47 and 2.37 (both t, $J_{H-P} = 2.0$, 6H, {CH₃}₂C= N); 2.09 and 1.88 (both s, 6H, =C{CH₃}); 1.32 and 1.30 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, N = 13.5, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H}-APT NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 278.9 (t, $J_{C-P} = 5.5$, Os=C); 170.5 (s, =C{CH₃}; 162.0 (t, J_{C-P} = 3.0, Os=N=C); 136.9 (s, CH=); 121.4 (q, $J_{C-F} = 322.8$, CF₃); 26.6 and 24.6 (both s, =C{ CH_3 }; 24.8 and 22.0 (both t, $J_{C-P} = 1.8$, { CH_3 }₂C=N); 23.7 (vt, N =26.7, PCH); 19.6 and 19.2 (both s, PCHCH₃). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 32.1 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 670 (M⁺).

Preparation of OsCl{=**N**=**C**(**CH**₃)₂}{=**C**=**CHC**(**CH**₃)= **CH**₂}(**P**ⁱ**Pr**₃)₂ (11). A orange solution of 10 in tetrahydrofuran (100 mg, 0.122 mmol) was treated with a solution of MeLi (77 μ L, 1.6 M in diethyl ether, 0.123 mmol) at room temperature. After 5 min of reaction the solvent was concentrated to dryness. Then 8 mL of toluene was added to eliminate by filtration the Li[CF₃SO₃] formed. After the toluene was removed, addition of 2 mL of methanol at -78 °C yielded an orange microcrystalline solid that was washed with cold methanol (2 × 1 mL) and pentane (3 × 2 mL) and dried in vacuo. Yield: 60 mg (73%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₆H₅₄NClOSP₂: C, 46.73; H, 8.14; N, 2.10. Found: C, 46.52; H, 7.98; N, 2.07. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1671 (m); ν (Os=C=C) 1600 (s). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 4.56 and 4.08 (both s, 2H, =CH₂); 3.27 (t, $J_{H-P} = 3.3$, 1H, Os=C=CH); 2.75 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.16 and 1.94 (both s, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 2.11 (s, 3H, C{CH₃}=); 1.34 and 1.18 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 6.9$, N = 13.5, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C-{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 275.2 (t, $J_{C-P} = 10.5$, Os=C); 153.8 (s, C=N); 137.9 (s, C{CH₃}=); 116.6 (s, Os=C=C); 100.6 (s, =CH₂); 30.2 (s, C{CH₃}=); 23.1 (vt, N = 23.0, PCH); 22.3 and 20.6 (both s, { CH_{3}_{2} C=N); 19.9 and 19.6 (both s, PCHCH₃). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 2.9 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 670 (M⁺ – H).

Preparation of [Os{(E)-CH=CHC(CH₃)=CH₂}Cl{=N= C(CH₃)₂}(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (12). This complex was prepared as described for 8, starting from 1 (100 mg, 0.157 mmol), 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag[CF₃SO₃], and 15 μ L (0.158 mmol) of 2-methyl-1-buten-3-yne. A green solid was obtained. Yield: 95 mg (74%). Anal. Calcd for C₂₇H₅₅NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 39.63; H, 6.77; N, 1.71; S, 3.91. Found: C, 39.53; H, 6.42; N, 1.67; S, 3.81. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1648 (m); ν _a(SO₃) 1281 (s); ν _s-(CF₃) 1221 (s); ν_a (CF₃) 1140 (s); ν_s (SO₃) 1031 (s); δ_a (SO₃) 637 (s). ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C): δ 7.25 (d, $J_{H-H} = 10.5$, 1H, Os-CH=CH); 4.05 and 4.00 (both s, 2H, =CH₂); 3.8 (br, 6H, $\{CH_3\}_2C=N$; 3.73 (dt, $J_{H-H} = 10.5$, $J_{H-P} = 4.5$, 1H, Os-CH= *CH*); 2.8 (m, 6H, PCH); 1.55 (s, 3H, C{CH₃}=); 1.36 and 1.34 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 7.5$, N = 14.1, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H}-APT NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C): δ 160.4 (s, Os=N=C); 145.2 (s, {d, $J_{C-H} = 137.3$ in ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C)}, Os-CH=CH); 141.5 (s, {d, $J_{C-H} = 154.1$ in ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C)}, Os-*C*H=CH); 137.3 (s, {t, $J_{C-H} = 158.5$ in ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂, -30 °C)}, C{CH₃}=); 120.6 (q, J_{C-F} = 318.7, CF₃); 115.9 (s, =CH₂); 22.8 (br, PCH); 22.6 (s, $C\{CH_3\}=$); 19.2 and 19.0 (both s, PCHCH₃); 10.1 and 7.8 (both s, {CH₃}₂C=N). ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H$ } NMR $(CD_2Cl_2, -30 \ ^{\circ}C): \ \delta -0.6 \ (s). MS \ (FAB^+): \ m/z \ 670 \ (M^+).$

Preparation of [OsCl{=}N=C(CH_3)_2](=CCH=CHPh)-(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (13). This complex was prepared as described for 3, starting from 1 (100 mg, 0.157 mmol), 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag[CF₃SO₃], and 21 mg (0.158 mmol) of 1-phenyl-2-propyn-1-ol. A brown solid was obtained. Yield: 110 mg (80%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₁H₅₅NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 42.97; H, 6.39; N, 1.61; S, 3.69. Found: C, 42.72; H, 6.18; N, 1.79; S, 3.69. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1670 (m); ν_a (SO₃) 1275 (s); ν_s -(CF₃) 1223 (s); ν_a (CF₃) 1148 (s); ν_s (SO₃) 1036 (s); δ_a (SO₃) 637 (s). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 7.75 (d, J_{H-H} = 7.5, 2H, $H_{ortho-Ph}$); 7.73 (d, $J_{H-H} = 15.8$, 1H, CH=CHPh); 7.59 (t, J_{H-H} = 7.8, 1H, $H_{para-Ph}$); 7.45 (t, J_{H-H} = 7.8, 2H, $H_{meta-Ph}$); 7.12 (d, $J_{H-H} = 15.8$, 1H, CH=CHPh); 2.71 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.53 and 2.50 (both t, $J_{H-P} = 2.0$, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 1.36 and 1.33 (both dvt, $J_{\text{H-H}} = 7.2$, N = 14.1, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H}-APT NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 278.9 (t, $J_{C-P} = 6.4$, Os=C); 162.4 (t, $J_{C-P} =$ 3.6, Os=N=C); 151.7 (s, = *C*HPh); 135.8, 130.2, and 129.5 (all s, Ph); 133.6 (s, CH=); 133.0 (s, $C_{ipso-Ph}$); 121.6 (q, $J_{C-F} = 322.1$, CF₃); 25.2 and 21.8 (both s, { CH_3 }₂C=N); 24.2 (vt, N = 25.5, PCH); 19.8 and 19.5 (both s, PCHCH₃). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 28.6 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 718 (M⁺).

Preparation of $[OsCl{=N=C(CH_3)_2}{\equiv CCH=C(CH_3)_-}$ Ph}(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (14). This complex was prepared as described for 3, starting from 1 (100 mg, 0.157 mmol), 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag[CF₃SO₃], and 23 mg (0.158 mmol) of 2-phenyl-3-butyn-2-ol. A light pink solid was obtained. Yield: 110 mg (79%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₂H₅₇NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 43.65; H, 6.53; N, 1.59; S, 3.64. Found: C, 43.65; H, 6.86; N, 1.60; S, 3.64. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1670 (m); ν_a (SO₃) 1272 (s); ν_s -(CF₃) 1224 (s); ν_a (CF₃) 1147 (s); ν_s (SO₃) 1031 (s); δ_a (SO₃) 637 (s). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 7.71 (d, J_{H-H} = 7.8, 2H, $H_{ortho-Ph}$); 7.58 (t, $J_{H-H} = 6.9$, 1H, $H_{para-Ph}$); 7.47 (t, $J_{H-H} =$ 7.8, 2H, H_{meta-Ph}); 6.60 (s, 1H, CH=); 2.71 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.47 (br, $\{CH_3\}_2C=N$); 2.42 (s, 3H, $=C\{CH_3\}Ph$); 1.33 and 1.29 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, N = 14.1, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H}-APT NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 277.6 (t, $J_{C-P} = 5.6$, Os=C); 162.5 (t, $J_{C-P} =$ 3.2, Os=N=C); 162.4 (s, =C{CH₃}Ph); 137.6 (s, C_{ipso-Ph}); 134.6, 130.0, and 126.8 (all s, Ph); 132.8 (s, CH=); 121.6 (q, J_{C-F} = 320.1, CF₃); 25.2 and 21.9 (both s, { CH_3 }₂C=N); 23.8 (vt, N= 25.8, PCH); 21.2 (s, =C{ CH_3 }Ph); 19.7 and 19.2 (both s, PCH CH_3). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ 28.6 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 732 (M⁺).

Preparation of $[OsCl{=}N=C(CH_3)_2]{\equiv}CCH=C(Ph)_2$ -(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (15). This complex was prepared as described for 3, starting from 1 (100 mg, 0.157 mmol), 40 mg (0.157 mmol) of Ag[CF₃SO₃], and 33 mg (0.158 mmol) of 1,1diphenyl-2-propyn-1-ol. A brown solid was obtained. Yield: 115 mg (77%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₇H₅₉NSClF₃O₃OsP₂: C, 47.15; H, 6.31; N, 1.49; S, 3.40. Found: C, 46.87; H, 6.45; N, 1.52; S, 3.49. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1676 (m); ν _a(SO₃) 1271 (s); ν _s-(CF₃) 1222 (s); ν_a (CF₃) 1147 (s); ν_s (SO₃) 1031 (s); δ_a (SO₃) 636 (s). ¹H NMR (acetone-*d*₆, 20 °C): δ 7.7–7.4 (m, 10H, Ph); 6.86 (s, 1H, CH=); 2.86 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.65 (br, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 1.36 and 1.32 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 7.5$, N = 14.5, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H} plus APT NMR (acetone- d_6 , 20 °C): δ 281.4 (t, J_{C-P} = 6.0, $Os \equiv C$; 164.2 (t, $J_{C-P} = 3.6$, Os = N = C); 162.2 (s, $=C{Ph}_2$); 140.5 and 139.0 (both s, $C_{ipso-Ph}$); 136.3 (s, CH=); 136.0, 132.5, 132.3, 130.5, and 130.1 (all s, Ph); 121.6 (q, $J_{C-F} = 322.1$, CF₃); 24.9 and 21.2 (both s, {*C*H₃}₂C=N); 23.8 (vt, *N* = 22.5, PCH); 19.9 and 19.4 (both s, PCHCH₃). ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H{}$ NMR (acetone- d_6 , 20 °C): δ 33.9 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 794 (M⁺).

Preparation of OsCl{=N=C(CH₃)₂}{=C=CHC(Ph)= **CH**₂**(PⁱPr**₃)₂ (16). This complex was prepared as described for 11, starting from 14 (100 mg, 0.113 mmol) and MeLi (72 μ L, 1.6 M in diethyl ether, 0.115 mmol). An orange solid was obtained. Yield: 60 mg (72%). Anal. Calcd for C₃₁H₅₆-NClOsP₂: C, 50.98; H, 7.73; N, 1.92. Found: C, 50.80; H, 7.72; N, 1.79. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν (C=N) 1676 (m); ν (Os=C=C) 1603 (s). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 7.71 (d, $J_{H-H} =$ 7.5, 2H, $H_{ortho-Ph}$); 7.21 (t, $J_{H-H} = 7.5$, 2H, $H_{meta-Ph}$); 7.11 (t, $J_{H-H} = 7.2$, 1H, $H_{para-Ph}$); 5.40 and 5.19 (both s, 2H, =CH₂); 3.23 (t, J_{H-P} = 3.0, 1H, Os=C=CH); 2.77 (m, 6H, PCH); 2.16 and 1.93 (both s, 6H, {CH₃}₂C=N); 1.35 and 1.20 (both dvt, $J_{H-H} = 6.9$, N =13.5, 36H, PCHCH₃). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 275.7 (t, J_{C-P} = 11.0, Os=C); 153.8 (s, C=N); 145.2 (s, C_{ipso-Ph}); 139.1 (s, *C*{Ph}=); 127.6, 126.9, and 126.6 (all s, *C*_{Ph}); 112.0 (s, Os= C=*C*); 105.4 (s, =CH₂); 22.8 (vt, *N* = 23.0, PCH); 22.3 and 20.6 (both s, {CH₃}₂C=N); 19.7 and 19.4 (both s, PCHCH₃). ³¹P-{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆, 20 °C): δ 4.6 (s). MS (FAB⁺): m/z 732 (M⁺ - H).

X-ray Structure Analysis of Complex 2. Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis were mounted onto a glass fiber and transferred to an Bruker-Siemens P4 automatic diffractometer (200 K, Mo K α radiation, graphite monochromator, $\lambda = 0.710$ 73 Å). A summary of crystal data and refinement parameters is reported in Table 2. Accurate unit cell parameters were determined by least-squares fitting from the setting of high-angle reflections. Data were collected by the ω scan method. Lorentz and polarization corrections were applied. Decay was monitored by measuring three standards throughout data collection. Corrections for decay and absorption (semiempirical ψ -scan method) were applied.

The structure was solved by Patterson methods and refined by full-matrix least squares on *F*².²⁸ A phosphine ligand (P(1))

Table 2. Crystal Data and Data Collection and
Refinement Details for the Complex
[OsCl(=N=CMe₂)(≡CCH₃)(PⁱPr₃)₂][CF₃SO₃] (2)

Crystal Data			
formula	C24H51ClF3NO3OsP2S		
mol wt	778.31		
habit	irregular block		
space group	monoclinic, $P2_1/n$		
<i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>c</i> , Å	13.146(1), 8.978(1), 28.245(4)		
$\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \text{deg}$	90, 94.28(1), 90		
$V, Å^3; Z$	3324.3(7), 4		
$D_{ m calcd}$, g cm $^{-3}$	1.555		
Data Collection and Refinement Details			
diffractometer	Bruker-Siemens P4		
λ(Mo Kα), Å	0.710 73		
monochromator	graphite oriented		
μ , mm ⁻¹	4.116		
scan type	w		
2θ range, deg	$3 \le 2 heta \le 50$		
temp, K	200.0(2)		
no. of data collect	6385		
<i>hkl</i> limits	0 to 15, -10 to +2, -33 to +33		
no. of unique data	5776 (merging <i>R</i> factor 0.0449)		
no. of params refined/restraints	478/359		
$\mathbf{R1}(F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2))^a$	0.0615		
wR2(all data) ^b	0.1655		
S(all data) ^c	1.025		

^{*a*} R1(*F*) = $\sum ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_0|$. ^{*b*} wR2(*F*²) = { $\sum [w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \sum [w(F_0^2^2)^2]^{1/2}$. ^{*c*} GOF = $S = {\sum [w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2] / (n - p)}^{1/2}$, where *n* is the number of reflections and *p* is the number of refined parameters.

and the triflate anion were observed to be severely disordered. The triisopropylphosphine group was refined as two moieties with complementary occupancy factors, with the same free geometry, and isotropic thermal parameters. The triflate anion was refined with common sulfur and carbon atoms but with two moieties for each of the fluorine and oxygen atoms. The complementary occupancy factors were restrained to amount to 1; isotropic thermal parameters and restrained geometry were also used. The rest of the non-hydrogen atoms were anisotropically refined, and the hydrogen atoms of nondisordered groups were observed or included at idealized positions.

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Supporting Information Available: Tables of atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement coefficients, anisotropic thermal parameters, experimental details of the X-ray studies, and bond distances and angles for **2**. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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