

# Interconversion between Platinum(II) and Platinum(0) with Change of pH: Aqueous Reactions of Pt(H)(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (TPPTS = P(*m*-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>Na)<sub>3</sub>)

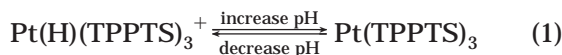
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**Summary:** The oxidation state for platinum complexes of TPPTS can be controlled through variation of the pH of an aqueous solution. Thus Pt(H)(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O gives a well-characterized Pt(II)–H complex at neutral or acidic pH but exists as Pt(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub> at pH ≥ 12.

Protonation of low-oxidation-state metal compounds by protonic acids is well-known. For Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, reactions with a variety of acids HX gave [Pt(H)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]X or Pt(H)(X)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, depending on the nature of X.<sup>1</sup> The basicity of Pt(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> was noted by Muetterties et al. 30 years ago through reaction with H<sub>2</sub>O, which gave Pt(H)(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> in a reaction reversed by removal of the water.<sup>2</sup> A number of years later Pt(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> and Pt(P(*i*-Pr)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> were used to activate H<sub>2</sub>O for H–D exchange and hydration of nitriles.<sup>3</sup> In both of these reactions a Pt(0) complex is changed to a Pt(II) complex by reaction with water. That Pt(0) complexes could be prepared from Pt(II) complexes was shown by reactions of Pt(Cl)(H)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> under phase transfer conditions (benzene, 60% KOH, and 18-crown-6), where Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> was generated and subsequently reacted with alkenes and alkynes.<sup>4</sup> The most pertinent previous example arises from Pt(P(CH<sub>2</sub>OH)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, which was characterized as Pt(H)(P(CH<sub>2</sub>OH)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> in aqueous solution.<sup>5</sup> Very recently protonation of Pd(*i*-Pr)<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>P(*i*-Pr)<sub>2</sub>PCy<sub>3</sub> was reported.<sup>6</sup> In none of these examples was the ease of converting between Pt(II) and Pt(0) by controlling the pH noted. In this communication we describe the interconversion between Pt(H)L<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> and PtL<sub>3</sub> by pH control.



The hydride [Pt(H)(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>]Cl<sup>−</sup> is readily formed from the reaction of Pt(Cl)(H)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> with 3 equiv of

TPPTS.<sup>7</sup> The NMR characterization data in water are definitive for a Pt(II) hydride (<sup>195</sup>Pt{<sup>1</sup>H}, δ −5103 (dt) ppm, *J*<sub>Pt–P<sub>trans</sub></sub> = 2976 Hz, *J*<sub>Pt–P<sub>cis</sub></sub> = 2143 Hz; <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}, δ 25.4 (t) ppm, *J*<sub>Pt–P<sub>cis</sub></sub> = 2143 Hz, *J*<sub>P–P</sub> = 18.9 Hz, 23.8 (d) ppm, *J*<sub>Pt–P<sub>trans</sub></sub> = 2976 Hz, *J*<sub>P–P</sub> = 18.9 Hz; <sup>1</sup>H (excluding aromatic protons), δ −5.58 (dt) ppm, *J*<sub>P<sub>trans</sub>–H</sub> = 120 Hz, *J*<sub>P<sub>cis</sub>–H</sub> = 12.0 Hz, *J*<sub>Pt–H</sub> = 780 Hz). In DMSO, free TPPTS and Pt(Cl)(H)(TPPTS)<sub>2</sub><sup>9</sup> are present in solution. The TPPMS (TPPMS = PPh<sub>2</sub>(*m*-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>Na)) analogue [Pt(H)(TPPMS)<sub>3</sub>]Cl was reported nearly 25 years ago,<sup>10</sup> the <sup>31</sup>P NMR data are consistent with our data.

As the pH is increased in water, the color changes from light yellow to orange,<sup>11</sup> and at pH 12 the NMR characterization confirms the presence of Pt(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub> (<sup>195</sup>Pt, δ −4519 (quart) ppm, *J*<sub>Pt–P</sub> = 4460 Hz; <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}, δ 50.1 (s) ppm, *J*<sub>Pt–P</sub> = 4460 Hz; <sup>1</sup>H has only aromatic hydrogens). Platinum NMR spectra are shown in Figure 1. At intermediate pH (i.e. pH 10) both complexes are present and are not rapidly interconverting, as indicated by the sharp NMR signals observed. Lowering the pH to 6 completely converts the platinum complex to Pt(H)(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>. Reaction 1 can also be entered from Pt(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub>.<sup>13</sup> Dissolution of Pt(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub> into water creates a basic solution (0.0195 M is pH 10.5); addition of acid forms exclusively the platinum(II) complex Pt(H)(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>. Spectra (<sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR) recorded for Pt(H)(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> in H<sub>2</sub>O at pH 13 and pH 4 after 10 cycles

(7) Into a 25 mL Schlenk flask, equipped with a stir bar, was introduced 0.494 g (0.795 mmol) of TPPTS. The flask was then evacuated and back-filled with N<sub>2</sub> three times. Under N<sub>2</sub> purge 5.0 mL of deaerated DMSO was added via airtight syringe. The solution was stirred until all the complex was dissolved. Under N<sub>2</sub> purge a solution of 0.200 g (0.265 mmol) of Pt(Cl)(H)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>8</sup> in 5.0 mL of dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added. The resulting solution was heated with gentle reflux for 18 h under N<sub>2</sub> flow. During this time, the solution turned yellow. After cooling, dry dichloromethane was added to encourage precipitation. The cream-colored precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with 3 × 50 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and 3 × 50 mL of Et<sub>2</sub>O and dried in vacuo. The crude product was recrystallized from CH<sub>3</sub>OH/CH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>. Yield: 64% (based on starting platinum complex). Anal. Found: C, 33.34; H, 2.24; Cl, 1.68; Na, 10.42; P, 4.66. Calcd for C<sub>55</sub>H<sub>40</sub>ClNNa<sub>3</sub>O<sub>29</sub>P<sub>3</sub>PtS<sub>9</sub>, [Pt(H)(TPPTS)<sub>3</sub>]Cl·CH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 33.06; H, 2.02; Cl, 1.77; Na, 10.36; P, 4.65.

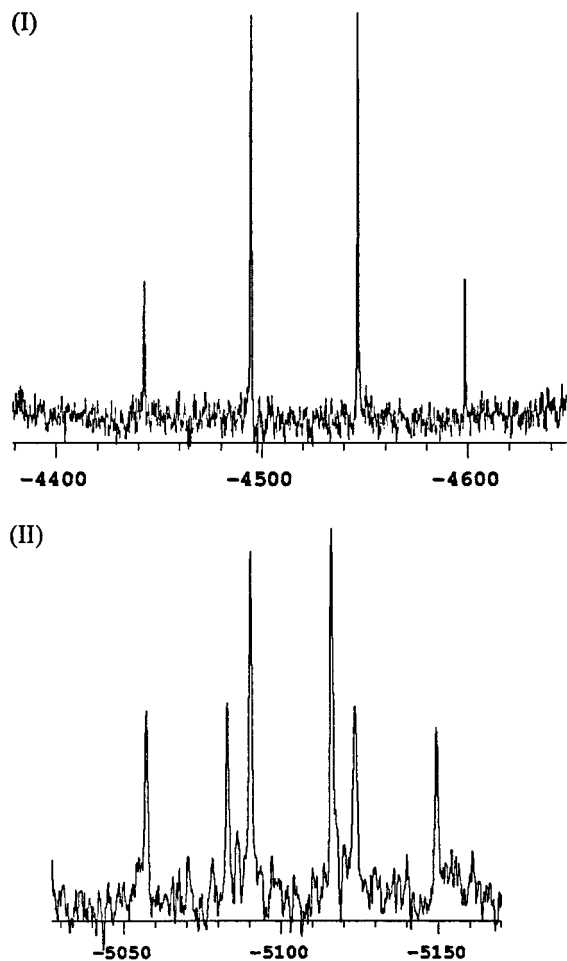
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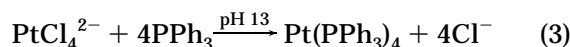
**Figure 1.**  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  NMR spectrum for  $\text{Pt}(\text{TPPTS})_3$  (I) and  $^{195}\text{Pt}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum for  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$  (II) in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

between pH 4 and 13 are shown in Figure 2. The oxide of TPPTS is present in 25% amount in both spectra (at 34.8 ppm). At pH 13,  $\text{Pt}(\text{TPPTS})_3$  (at 50 ppm) dominates; the only other product is a trace of  $\text{Pt}_2(\text{TPPTS})_4(\mu\text{-OH})_2^{2+}$  at 10 ppm.<sup>15</sup> At pH 4, only  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$  is observed.

By the oxidation number formalism, any protonation of a metal is an oxidation. However, reaction 1 is more than a semantic change. Protonation of a  $d^{10}$   $\text{PtL}_3$

complex would be expected to result in a tetrahedral geometry unless the platinum is oxidized, while  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$  is clearly square planar  $d^8$ . Similarly, a simple protonation–deprotonation would be expected to rapidly interconvert between  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})\text{L}_3^+$  and  $\text{PtL}_3$ , which is not observed. Furthermore, the hydride ligand of  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$  does not rapidly exchange with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  at pH 6.

While the interconversion between Pt(II) and Pt(0) with pH has not been previously reported, the role of pH in synthesis has been observed. For example, reaction of  $\text{PtCl}_4^{2-}$  with  $\text{PPh}_3$  depends on the base added:<sup>8,14a</sup>



These standard syntheses differ only in the amount of  $\text{PPh}_3$  (and the  $\text{EtOH}$  required to dissolve it) and the presence of  $\text{KOH}$  in an amount to give a pH of 13. For reaction 3 it is likely that the ethanol is deprotonated to  $\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5^-$ , which replaces a  $\text{Cl}^-$  on the platinum.  $\beta$ -Hydride elimination would produce, in the presence of  $\text{PPh}_3$ ,  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{PPh}_3)_3^+$ , which from our work is deprotonated at pH 13 to the Pt(0) complex.

To further demonstrate the relatively slow interconversion between the Pt(II) and Pt(0) complexes, we introduced 3-pentyn-1-ol to the mixture of  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$  and  $\text{Pt}(\text{TPPTS})_3$  at pH 10. The alkyne rapidly reacted with the Pt(0) complex, forming  $\text{Pt}(\text{3-pentyn-1-ol})(\text{TPPTS})_2$ ,<sup>16</sup> and had no interaction with  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$ . Independent reactions of 3-pentyn-1-ol with each complex confirm rapid complexation of 3-pentyn-1-ol with  $\text{Pt}(\text{TPPTS})_3$  and slow hydration of 3-pentyn-1-ol with  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$ . Similarly, reaction of  $\text{Pt}(\text{TPPTS})_3$  with  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  gives  $\text{Pt}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)(\text{TPPTS})_2$ ,<sup>17</sup> while  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  does not react with  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$ . The reactions with 3-pentyn-1-ol and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  confirm the slow interconversion between  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$  and  $\text{Pt}(\text{TPPTS})_3$ .

The slow interconversion between  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$  and  $\text{Pt}(\text{TPPTS})_3$  requires a significant activation barrier. The barrier could arise from the energy to interconvert from square planar to tetrahedral. This energy is not known for Pt(II) but would be expected to be much larger than the  $\sim 10$  kcal for such conversions for Ni(II).<sup>18</sup> Alternatively the mechanism could involve TPPTS loss and oxidative addition/reductive elimination of water. The latter seems less likely, since  $\text{PtL}_{3,4}^+$  complexes react with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  to form  $\text{PtHL}_{3,4}^+$  under similar conditions for the different ligands  $\text{L} = \text{PEt}_3, \text{P}(\text{CH}_2-$

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(13) Into a 25 mL Schlenk flask, equipped with a stir bar, was introduced 0.288 g (0.462 mmol) of TPPTS. The flask was then evacuated and back-filled with  $\text{N}_2$  three times. Under  $\text{N}_2$  purge 5.0 mL of deaerated DMSO was added via airtight syringe. The solution was stirred until all the complex was dissolved. Into the clear solution was added a solution of 0.151 g (0.154 mmol) of  $\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ <sup>14</sup> in 5.0 mL of dry  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . The resulting solution was heated with gentle reflux for 36 h under  $\text{N}_2$  flow. The resulting solution turned orange-yellow. After the solution was cooled, dry  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  was added to encourage precipitation. The orange precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with  $3 \times 50$  mL of  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and then  $3 \times 50$  mL of  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ , and dried in vacuo. The crude product was recrystallized from  $\text{DMSO}/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . Yield: 52% (based on starting platinum complex).

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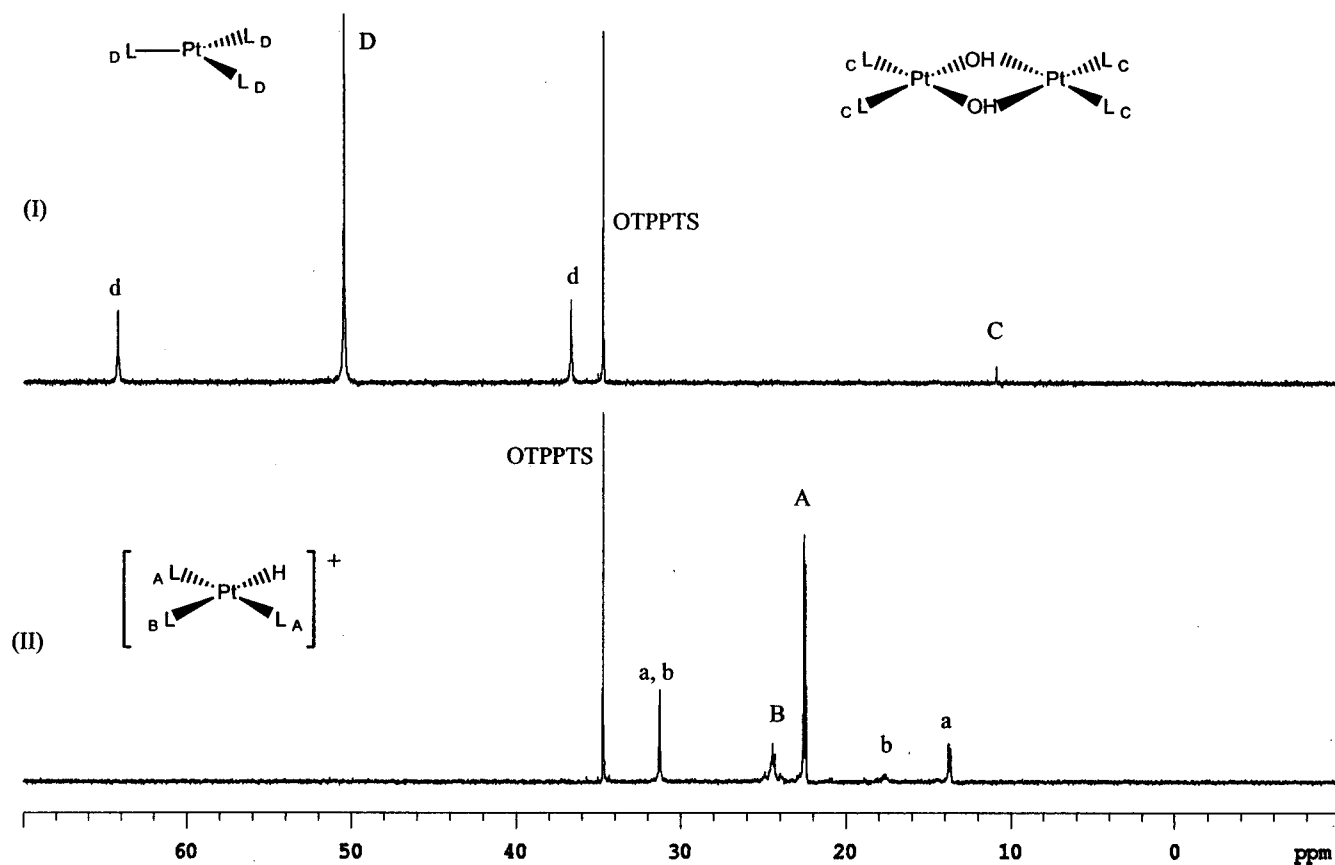
(16) Characterization data for  $\text{Pt}(\text{3-pentyn-1-ol})(\text{TPPTS})_2$  are as follows.  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (25 °C,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}/\text{NaOH}$ , pH 14):  $\delta$  30.5 (d) ppm,  $J_{\text{Pt-P}} = 3360$  Hz,  $J_{\text{P-P}} = 40$  Hz;  $\delta$  30.2 (d) ppm,  $J_{\text{Pt-P}} = 3360$  Hz,  $J_{\text{P-P}} = 40$  Hz.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (excluding aromatic protons):  $\delta$  3.10 (t, 2H) ppm;  $\delta$  2.15 (m, 2H) ppm;  $\delta$  1.68 (d, 3H) ppm,  $J_{\text{Pt-H}} = 50$  Hz.  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  NMR:  $\delta$  -4650 (t) ppm,  $J_{\text{Pt-P}} = 3360$  Hz.

(17)  $\text{Pt}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)(\text{TPPTS})_2$  was characterized by NMR.  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (pH 14,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 25 °C): 34.9(s) ppm,  $J_{\text{Pt-P}} = 3670$  Hz.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (pH 14,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 25 °C), 2.13 (s),  $J_{\text{Pt-H}} = 60$  Hz. These NMR spectra compare excellently with those reported for  $\text{Pt}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)(\text{PPh}_3)_2$  ( $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR,  $\delta$  32.5 (s),  $J_{\text{Pt-P}} = 3694$  Hz;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $\delta$  2.15 (s),  $J_{\text{Pt-H}} = 62$  Hz).<sup>19</sup>

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**Figure 2.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra recorded of the same solution after 10 cycles between pH 4 and 13: (I) recorded at pH 13, showing  $\text{Pt}(\text{TPPTS})_3$ ; (II) recorded at pH 4, showing  $\text{Pt}(\text{H})(\text{TPPTS})_3^+$ . The lower-case letters indicate the  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  satellites (L = TPPTS).

$\text{OH})_3$ , TPPTS that would be expected to exchange at different rates, but further mechanistic work is required.

The possible involvement of reactions similar to reaction 1 in water activation and other catalytic reactions in water should be examined.

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