

Bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)acyl and Bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methide Carbonyl Tungsten Derivatives

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Reaction of (isopropyl)diphenylstannylbis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methane [(*i*-Pr)Ph₂SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂] and tricyclohexylstannylbis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methane [Cy₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂] with W(CO)₅THF in refluxing THF yields heterobimetallic complexes (*i*-Pr)Ph₂SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ and Cy₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄, respectively. Treatment of these heterobimetallic complexes, R₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ (R₃ = (*i*-Pr)Ph₂, Cy₃, Et₃), with I₂ results in the formation of a novel η^1 -bis(pyrazol-1-yl)acyl complex CHC(O)(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃I, with the loss of the organotin group from the methine carbon. In addition, the reaction of R₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ with SnCl₄ in a 1:1 molar ratio gives heterotrimetallic complexes R₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(Cl)(CO)₃SnCl₃ (R = Cy, Et). It is unexpected that these heterotrimetallic complexes are also reactive in solution. They change to a novel four-membered heterometallacyclic complex CH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃Cl in dichloromethane solution at room temperature. Furthermore, this complex can also be obtained by the selective cleavage of the W–Sn bond in complexes CH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃SnAr₃ with SnCl₄.

Introduction

Bis(pyrazol-1-yl)methane, modified by organic functional groups on the bridging carbon atom to form heteroscorpionate ligands, is currently drawing extensive attention,^{1,2} and its application has also been increasingly exploited in recent years.^{3–5} Our recent investigations on bis(pyrazol-1-yl)methane indicate that the modification of this ligand with organometallic groups on the methine carbon atom can provide unusual reactivity.⁶ For example, the reaction of triarylstannylbis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methane with W(CO)₅THF results in the oxidative addition of the Sn–C_{sp3} bond to the tungsten(0) atom to give the novel four-membered metallacyclic complex, while the analogous reaction of di(*tert*-butyl)phenylstannylbis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methane results in the oxidative addition of the Sn–C_{sp2} bond to the tungsten(0) atom. Interestingly, the similar reaction of trialkylstannylbis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methane with W(CO)₅THF gives only heterobimetallic

complexes R₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ (R = alkyl).^{6b} These facts suggest that the electronic and steric effects of substitutions on the tin atom play a key role in these reactions. To gain further

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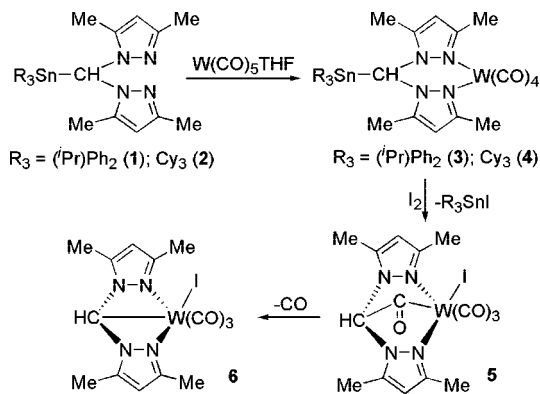
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Scheme 1. Synthesis of Bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)acyl Tungsten Derivative



understanding of the influence of the nature of substitutions on the tin atom on these reactions, in this paper we synthesize bis(3,5-methylpyrazol-1-yl)methanes modified with the bulky (isopropyl)diphenyltin and tricyclohexyltin groups on the methine carbon and study their related reactivities. Some novel bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)acyl and bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methide carbonyl tungsten derivatives are obtained by the reaction of heterobimetallic complexes $R_3\text{SnCH(3,5-Me}_2\text{Pz)}_2\text{W(CO)}_4$ with I_2 and SnCl_4 .

Results and Discussion

Synthesis of Bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)acyl Tungsten Derivative. Treatment of (isopropyl)diphenylstannylbis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methane (1) and tricyclohexylstannylbis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methane (2), prepared by the reactions of bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methyl lithium with the corresponding organotin halide, with $\text{W(CO)}_5\text{THF}$ in refluxing THF yields heterobimetallic complexes 3 and 4 (Scheme 1). No oxidative addition of the $\text{Sn}-\text{C}_{\text{sp}^3}$ or $\text{Sn}-\text{C}_{\text{sp}^2}$ bond to the tungsten(0) atom is observed. These two complexes have been characterized by spectroscopic methods. Their $^{119}\text{Sn}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR signals are very similar to those in free ligands 1 and 2, consistent with the reaction position away from the tin atom. In addition, their IR spectra also display a typical *cis*-tetracarbonyl arrangement around the tungsten atom.

The structure of complex 3, presented in Figure 1, has been further confirmed by X-ray crystallography. As shown in Figure 1, the organotin group is still connected to the methine carbon and lies in the axial position of the ligand. The fundamental molecular framework is similar to that in $(p\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4)_3\text{SnCH(3,5-Me}_2\text{Pz)}_2\text{W(CO)}_4$.^{6b} It is worth noting that two *cis*-carbonyl groups are markedly distorted with the $\text{O(4)}-\text{C(4)}-\text{W(1)}$ angle of $166.5(9)^\circ$ and $\text{O(2)}-\text{C(2)}-\text{W(1)}$ angle of $169.5(10)^\circ$, and some angles around the Sn(1) and C(41) atoms (such as the $\text{C(18)}-\text{Sn(1)}-\text{C(41)}$ angle of $93.3(3)^\circ$ and $\text{N(4)}-\text{C(41)}-\text{Sn(1)}$ angle of $123.9(6)^\circ$) significantly deviate from the tetrahedral geometry of the sp^3 -hybridized Sn(1) and C(41) . These geometric parameters suggest a large steric repulsion in this complex, as expected.

It is known that the reaction of tetraorganotin derivatives with halogen leads to the cleavage of the $\text{Sn}-\text{C}$ bond to give

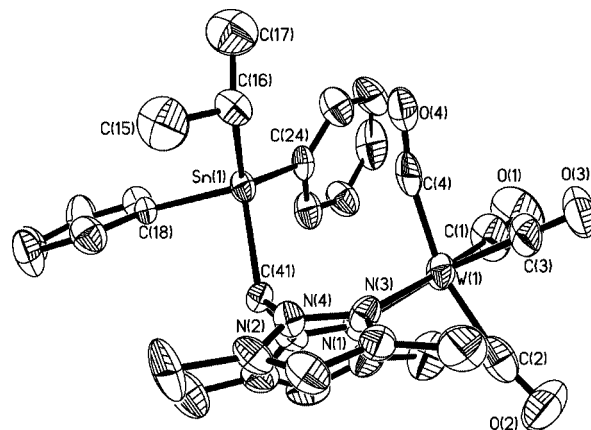


Figure 1. Molecular structure of 3. The thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg): $\text{Sn(1)}-\text{C(41)}$ 2.236(9), $\text{Sn(1)}-\text{C(18)}$ 2.151(9), $\text{N(4)}-\text{C(41)}$ 1.452(11), $\text{N(2)}-\text{C(41)}$ 1.441(11), $\text{W(1)}-\text{N(1)}$ 2.289(8), $\text{W(1)}-\text{N(3)}$ 2.260(8), $\text{C(24)}-\text{Sn(1)}-\text{C(16)}$ $119.6(4)^\circ$, $\text{C(18)}-\text{Sn(1)}-\text{C(41)}$ $93.3(3)^\circ$, $\text{N(4)}-\text{C(41)}-\text{Sn(1)}$ $123.9(6)^\circ$, $\text{O(4)}-\text{C(4)}-\text{W(1)}$ $166.5(9)^\circ$, $\text{O(2)}-\text{C(2)}-\text{W(1)}$ $169.5(10)^\circ$, $\text{N(3)}-\text{W(1)}-\text{N(1)}$ $80.3(3)^\circ$, $\text{N(2)}-\text{C(41)}-\text{N(4)}$ $110.8(7)^\circ$, $\text{C(4)}-\text{W(1)}-\text{C(2)}$ $163.4(4)^\circ$, $\text{C(1)}-\text{W(1)}-\text{N(3)}$ $174.0(4)^\circ$.

organotin halide.⁷ In addition, the oxidation of group 6 metal carbonyl derivatives of poly(pyrazol-1-yl)methane by halogen, forming six- and seven-coordinate group 6 metal (0–VI) halides of poly(pyrazol-1-yl)methane, has also been reported in the literature.⁸ Although no oxidative addition reaction of the $\text{Sn}-\text{C}_{\text{sp}^3}$ or $\text{Sn}-\text{C}_{\text{sp}^2}$ bond to the tungsten(0) atom takes place during the reaction of ligands 1 and 2 with $\text{W(CO)}_5\text{THF}$, the products 3 and 4 are fascinating owing to their having two reactive centers as described above. Thus these two complexes are expected to display some markedly different reactivities compared with the corresponding mononuclear complexes possibly owing to the cooperative effects of two different metal centers.⁹

It is interesting that treatment of complexes 3 and 4 with I_2 leads to the novel η^1 -bis(pyrazol-1-yl)acyl complex $\text{CHC(O)(3,5-Me}_2\text{Pz)}_2\text{W(CO)}_3\text{I}$ (5) (Scheme 1), with the loss of the organotin group from the methine carbon. To investigate if the bulky substituents on the tin atom are necessary for the novel reaction, $\text{Et}_3\text{SnCH(3,5-Me}_2\text{Pz)}_2\text{W(CO)}_4$ is also treated with I_2 under the same conditions, which yields the same complex 5. The IR spectrum of 5 clearly shows that this complex has a η^1 -acyl coordinate mode with the characteristic carbonyl absorption at 1676.6 cm^{-1} . The structure of 5 is further confirmed by X-ray single-crystal diffraction, as shown in Figure 2. The carbonyl group is bound to the tungsten in an η^1 -fashion, resulting in bis(pyrazol-1-yl)acyl acting as a novel tridentate $\kappa^3\text{-[N,C,N]}$ chelating ligand. The $\text{C(6)}-\text{C(9)}$ bond length of $1.608(10)\text{ Å}$ is somewhat longer than other η^1 -acyl complexes of tungsten,¹⁰ possibly owing to the large strain originating from the chelating

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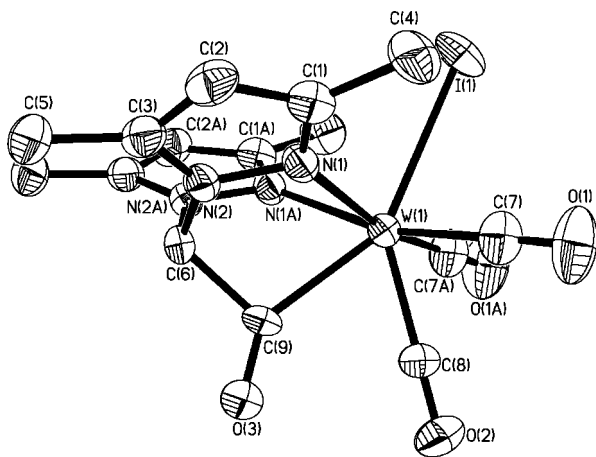


Figure 2. Molecular structure of **5**. The thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg): W(1)–C(9) 2.231(7), W(1)–I(1) 2.8732(7), W(1)–N(1) 2.253(4), O(3)–C(9) 1.169(9), C(6)–C(9) 1.608(10), N(2)–C(6) 1.430(5), C(6)–C(9)–W(1) 101.6(4), O(3)–C(9)–C(6) 117.6(7), N(1)–W(1)–N(1A) 84.7(2), N(2A)–C(6)–N(2) 112.9(6) (symmetric code A: $x, -y + 1/2, z$).

effect of the bis(pyrazol-1-yl)acyl ligand. In addition, the C(6)–C(9)–W(1) angle of 101.6(4)° significantly deviates from the trigonal and planar C(9) atom of the sp^2 hybridization, probably influenced by the same factor. The long C(6)–C(9) bond distance as well as the large strain makes this complex unstable, which slowly loses the acyl group to yield four-membered heterometallacyclic complex **6**.

The M–acyl complexes are key intermediates in many catalytic carbonylation reactions. Capturing these key species and obtaining their structural parameters play an important role in understanding the catalytic mechanism and improving the activity of the catalyst. Although there are some examples of η^1 -acyl tungsten complexes of scorpionate ligands in the literature,¹¹ the related acyl complexes of anionic heteroscorpionate ligands prior to our work are unknown. Herein we present a case of the novel acyl complex of the heteroscorpionate ligand.

Possible Pathways of the Formation of 5. The high reaction rate, even at -50°C , prevents us from obtaining any intermediate as the direct evidence for supporting the reaction pathways, though several possible pathways to form complex **5** are reasoned (Scheme 2). According to the known knowledge, the initial reaction possibly takes place on the tin atom to form intermediate **A**;⁷ subsequently the oxidative addition of the C–I bond to the tungsten(0) atom gives **6**.¹² In the alternative possible pathway, **6** is yielded via intermediate **B**,^{8b} formed from the initial reaction of $\text{R}_3\text{SnCH}(3,5\text{-Me}_2\text{Pz})_2\text{W}(\text{CO})_4$ with I_2 . The lone electron pair on the iodine atom in **B** attacks the tin atom to facilitate the cleavage of the Sn–C $_{sp^3}$ bond, and subsequently the resulting anion attacks the tungsten atom to result in the cleavage of this W–I bond, yielding **6**. Although **6** cannot be obtained from the reaction of $\text{R}_3\text{SnCH}(3,5\text{-Me}_2\text{Pz})_2\text{W}(\text{CO})_4$ with I_2 , fortunately it can be prepared by the selective cleavage of

the W–Sn bond in $\text{CH}(3,5\text{-Me}_2\text{Pz})_2\text{W}(\text{CO})_3\text{SnPh}_3$ with I_2 . However, no migratory insertion reaction is observed when the solution of **6** is treated with CO under similar experimental conditions in which **5** is formed. Thus an alternative mechanism is suggested to interpret the formation of the bridging carbonyl.

It is known that the carbonyl group in cationic carbonyl metal complexes is strongly activated toward nucleophilic attack owing to the positive charge on the metal.¹³ The nucleophilic attack at the carbonyl carbon in cationic carbonyl tungsten complexes has been observed.¹⁴ In addition, the oxidative addition of carbonyl tungsten derivatives of poly(pyrazol-1-yl)methane with I_2 yielding cationic carbonyl tungsten complexes is also known.¹⁵ Taking into consideration the above facts, the initial reaction to form complex **5** is more likely to take place on the tungsten(0) atom to yield cationic intermediate **C**. Subsequently the iodide anion attacks the tin atom to lead to the cleavage of the Sn–C $_{sp^3}$ bond, and the nucleophilic attack of the resulting anion on the carbonyl carbon atom gives complex **5**.

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Complexes **7** and **9** have been characterized by IR and ^1H NMR spectroscopy, and their structures have been further confirmed by X-ray structural analyses. The proton signal of the CH group in complex **9** (5.55 ppm) is markedly shifted to higher field, compared with those in **7** (6.08 ppm) and **4** (6.18), but similar to that in **6** (5.41 ppm). Furthermore, complexes **6** and **9** have very similar IR spectra, indicating that they possibly have analogous structures.

The crystal structure of complex **7** is presented in Figure 3. One chlorine-bridged W–Sn bond is observed in this complex, which is similar to other W(Mo)–Sn systems, such as $(\text{L}_2)\text{W}(\text{Cl})(\text{CO})_3(\text{SnCl}_3)$ ($\text{L} = \text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, PPh_3 , dppe , and bipy)¹⁸

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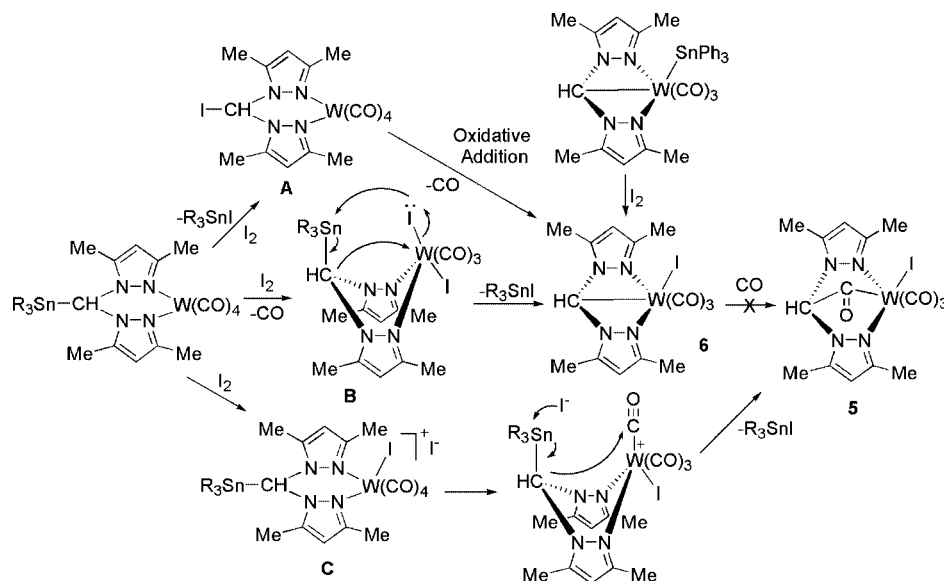
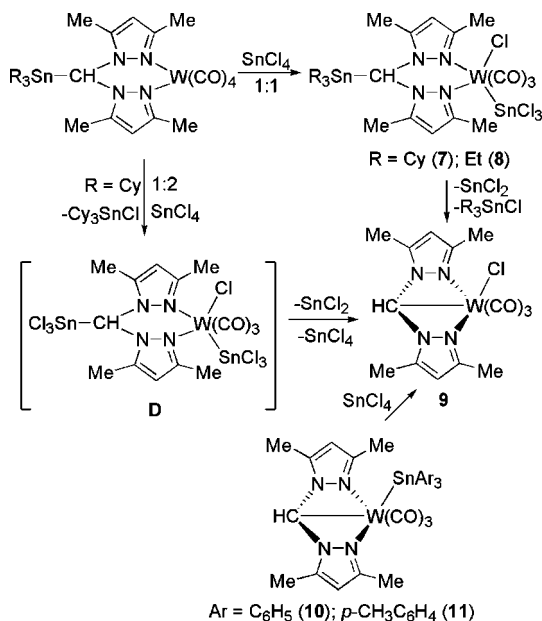
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Scheme 2. Possible Pathways of the Formation of 5

Scheme 3. Reaction of $R_3SnCH(3,5-Me_2Pz)_2W(CO)_4$ ($R = Cy, Et$) with $SnCl_4$ 

and $CH_2(4-BrPz)_2Mo(CO)_3Cl(SnCl_2Ph)$.^{17a} The $Sn(1)-Cl(1)$ distance (2.831(2) Å) is markedly longer than the terminal $Sn-Cl$ bond lengths (2.324(2)–2.336(2) Å), indicating that this bond is relatively weak and possibly dissociates in solution. It is also noted that the $Sn(2)-C(9)$ bond length is longer than those of the other three $Sn-C$ bonds. In addition, some angles around the $Sn(2)$ and $C(9)$ atoms (such as the $C(9)-Sn(2)-C(21)$ angle of 97.1(3)° and $N(2)-C(9)-Sn(2)$ angle of 125.8(5)°) significantly deviate from the tetrahedral geometry of the sp^3 -hybridized $Sn(2)$ and $C(9)$, suggesting a large steric repulsion in this complex. These structural parameters should be in favor of the intramolecular redistribution reaction of the tricyclohexyltin group with the $SnCl_3$ group to yield complex **9**.

The X-ray crystal structure of complex **9** consists of two crystallographically independent molecules with similar structural parameters. One of them is presented in Figure 4, which clearly shows that the bridging carbon of bis(pyrazol-1-yl)methide is integrated with the tungsten atom to form two four-membered heterometallacycles, as in complexes $CH(3,4,5-$

$Me_3Pz)_2W(CO)_3SnPh_3$ ^{6a} and $CH(3,5-^iPr_2Pz)_2W(CO)_3SnPh_3$.^{6b} The average $W-N$ distance is 2.2345 Å, similar to those in $CH(3,5-^iPr_2Pz)_2W(CO)_3SnPh_3$ (2.217 Å) and $CH(3,4,5-Me_3Pz)_2W(CO)_3SnPh_3$ (2.2325 Å). The $W-C_{sp^3}$ bond distance is 2.296(13) Å, comparable to the corresponding bonds in $CH(3,5-^iPr_2Pz)_2W(CO)_3SnPh_3$ (2.343(6) Å) and $CH(3,4,5-Me_3Pz)_2W(CO)_3SnPh_3$ (2.326(5) Å). In addition, the $W-Cl$ bond distance is 2.462(4) Å, slightly shorter than that in complex **7** (2.545(2) Å).

Although the chlorine bridge repels the $SnCl_3$ group away from the $SnCy_3$ group in the solid **7**, the approach of the chlorine atom on the $SnCl_3$ group to the tin atom of the $SnCy_3$ group should be possible in solution by the dissociation of this bridge owing to the weak $Sn(1) \cdots Cl(1)$ interactions. Furthermore, in the nonbridged $W-SnCl_3$ complexes with bis(pyrazol-1-yl)methane ligands,¹⁷ the $SnCl_3$ group close to the bridging carbon has been observed. Thus, the possible formation pathway of **9** from **7** and **8** may be similar to that of the formation of **6** from

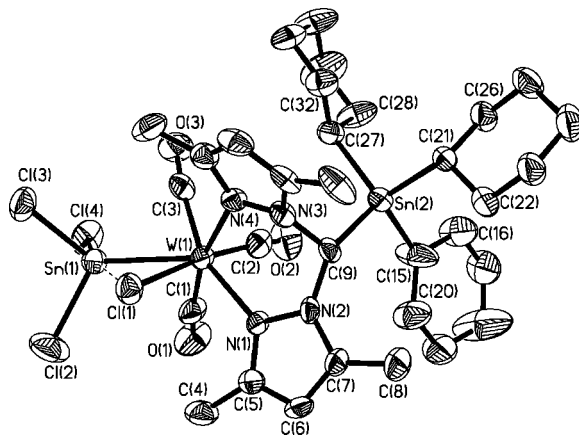


Figure 3. Molecular structure of **7**. The thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg): $W(1)-N(1)$ 2.241(5), $W(1)-N(4)$ 2.253(5), $W(1)-Cl(1)$ 2.545(2), $W(1)-Sn(1)$ 2.7187(7), $Sn(1) \cdots Cl(1)$ 2.831(2), $Sn(1)-Cl(2)$ 2.336(2), $Sn(1)-Cl(3)$ 2.324(2), $Sn(1)-Cl(4)$ 2.369(2), $Sn(2)-C(9)$ 2.264(7), $Sn(2)-C(15)$ 2.125(8), $N(2)-C(9)$ 1.447(8), $N(3)-C(9)$ 1.459(9); $N(1)-W(1)-N(4)$ 81.6(2), $Cl(1)-W(1)-Sn(1)$ 64.96(4), $N(2)-C(9)-N(3)$ 110.1(5), $N(2)-C(9)-Sn(2)$ 125.8(5), $C(15)-Sn(2)-C(27)$ 117.6(4), $C(9)-Sn(2)-C(21)$ 97.1(3), $C(21)-Sn(2)-C(27)$ 106.4(3), $Cl(2)-Sn(1)-Cl(4)$ 98.13(10), $Cl(3)-Sn(1)-W(1)$ 121.15(6), $Cl(3)-Sn(1)-Cl(2)$ 101.74(10).

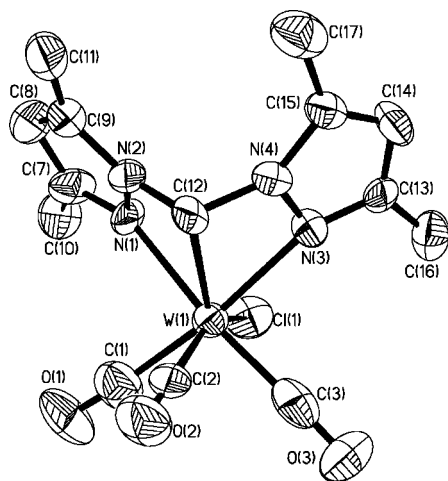


Figure 4. Molecular structure of **9**. The thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg): W(1)–C(12) 2.296(13), W(1)–Cl(1) 2.462(4), W(1)–N(1) 2.242(10), W(1)–N(3) 2.227(11), N(2)–C(12) 1.450(15), N(4)–C(12) 1.433(14); N(1)–W(1)–N(3) 87.9(4), N(1)–W(1)–C(12) 60.2(4), N(3)–W(1)–C(12) 60.2(4), N(2)–C(12)–N(4) 109.5(10), N(4)–C(12)–W(1) 92.4(8), N(2)–C(12)–W(1) 92.4(7).

the intermediate **B** in Scheme 2, with the attack by the chlorine atom on the SnCl₃ group instead of the iodine atom. Namely, the lone electron pair on one chlorine atom connected to the Sn(1) atom attacks the Sn(2) atom to lead to the cleavage of the Sn(2)–C(9) bond. Subsequently, the resulting anion attacks the tungsten atom to result in the cleavage of the W–Sn bond to complete the related reactions. Intermediate **D** is possibly formed when **4** reacts with SnCl₄ in a 1:2 molar ratio.¹⁹ The stronger Lewis acidity of the tin atom on the methine atom in intermediate **D**, compared with the corresponding tin atom in **4**, possibly favors the attack of the chlorine atom on W–SnCl₃, which leads to quick formation of complex **9**.

In conclusion, novel bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)acyl and bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methide carbonyl tungsten derivatives can be easily synthesized by treatment of heterobimetallic complexes R₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ with I₂ or SnCl₄. Although strains exist in four-membered metallacycles of complexes CH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃X (X = Cl or I), these complexes are easily obtained and stable. The strong W–C_{sp3} bond possibly plays the key role in the formation of these four-membered metallacycles.

Experimental Section

General Considerations. All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of argon. Solvents were dried and distilled prior to use according to standard procedures. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AV300 or Mercury 400BB spectrometer using CDCl₃ as solvent unless otherwise noted, and the chemical shifts are reported in ppm with respect to the reference (internal SiMe₄ for ¹H NMR and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra, external SnMe₄ for ¹¹⁹Sn{¹H} NMR). IR spectra were recorded as KBr pellets on a Bruker Equinox55 spectrometer. Elemental analyses were carried out on an Elementar Vairo EL analyzer. CH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃SnAr₃ (Ar = Ph (**10**) and *p*-CH₃C₆H₄ (**11**)),^{6b} Et₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄,^{6b} and (*i*-Pr)Ph₂SnI²⁰ were prepared according to the literature methods. Melting points were measured with an X-4 digital micro melting-point apparatus and are uncorrected.

Synthesis of (*i*-Pr)Ph₂SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂ (1**).** To a solution of bis(3,5-dimethylpyrazol-1-yl)methane (0.41 g, 2.0 mmol) in THF (30 mL) was added a hexane solution of *n*-BuLi (2.5 M, 0.80 mL) at –70 °C, and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at that temperature. To the mixture was added a solution of the (*i*-Pr)Ph₂SnI (0.89 g, 2.0 mmol) in THF (10 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at –70 °C for 1 h, allowed to slowly reach room temperature, and stirred overnight. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residual solid was recrystallized from hexane to yield white crystals of **1**. Yield: 0.65 g, 63%, mp 69–71 °C. ¹H NMR: δ 1.29 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 6H, (CH₃)₂CH), 1.91 (m, 1H, (CH₃)₂CH), 1.81, 2.11 (s, s, 6H, 6H, CH₃), 5.65 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring), 6.34 (s, 1H, CHN), 7.18–7.33 (m, 10H, C₆H₅). ¹³C{¹H} NMR: δ 11.0, 13.5 (3 and 5-CH₃), 20.8 ((CH₃)₂CH), 21.6 ((CH₃)₂CH), 70.2 (CHN), 106.9 (4-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 141.7, 147.0 (3- or 5-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 128.0, 128.3, 137.6, 139.7 (C₆H₅). ¹¹⁹Sn{¹H} NMR: δ –128.1. Anal. Found: C, 60.35; H, 6.04; N, 10.97. Calcd for C₂₆H₃₂N₄Sn: C, 60.14; H, 6.21; N, 10.79.

Synthesis of Cy₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂ (2**).** This ligand was similarly obtained as above-mentioned for **1**, but (*i*-Pr)Ph₂SnI was replaced by Cy₃SnCl. Yield: 53%, mp 73–75 °C. ¹H NMR: δ 1.36–1.78 (m, 33H, C₆H₁₁), 1.96, 2.09 (s, s, 6H, 6H, CH₃), 5.61 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring), 6.18 (s, 1H, CH). ¹³C{¹H} NMR: δ 11.1, 13.4 (3 and 5-CH₃), 27.3, 29.5, 30.3, 31.8 (C₆H₁₁), 67.9 (CHN), 106.4 (4-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 138.9, 146.1 (3- or 5-position carbon of pyrazole ring). ¹¹⁹Sn{¹H} NMR: δ –85.9. Anal. Found: C, 60.80; H, 8.68; N, 9.46. Calcd for C₂₉H₄₈N₄Sn: C, 60.95; H, 8.47; N, 9.80.

Reaction of **1 and **2** with W(CO)₅THF.** Ligand **1** or **2** (0.3 mmol) was added to a solution of W(CO)₅THF in THF, prepared in situ by the irradiation of a solution of W(CO)₆ (0.11 g, 0.30 mmol) in THF (20 mL) for 8 h, and the mixture was stirred and heated at reflux for 5 h. After the reaction was complete, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residual solid was purified by column chromatography on silica using CH₂Cl₂/hexane (1:1 v/v) as eluent. The eluate was concentrated to dryness again, and the residual solid was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexane to give yellow-green crystals.

Synthesis of (*i*-Pr)Ph₂SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ (3**).** This complex was obtained by the reaction of **1** with W(CO)₅THF. Yield: 55%. ¹H NMR: δ 1.21 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 6H, (CH₃)₂CH), 2.20 (m, 1H, (CH₃)₂CH), 2.15, 2.52 (s, s, 6H, 6H, CH₃), 6.02 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring), 6.56 (s, 1H, CHN), 7.12–7.36 (m, 10H, C₆H₅). ¹³C{¹H} NMR: δ 11.8, 17.1 (3 and 5-CH₃), 21.4 ((CH₃)₂CH), 24.3 ((CH₃)₂CH), 64.7 (CHN), 107.8 (4-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 140.1, 157.8 (3- or 5-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 128.6, 129.3, 136.6, 139.1 (C₆H₅), 206.8, 211.2 (CO). ¹¹⁹Sn{¹H} NMR: δ –124.2. IR (cm^{–1}): ν_{CO} = 1997.6 vs, 1886.1 vs, 1844.8 vs, 1829.7 vs. Anal. Found: C, 44.39; H, 3.75; N, 6.68. Calcd for C₃₀H₃₂N₄O₄SnW: C, 44.20; H, 3.96; N, 6.87.

Synthesis of Cy₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ (4**).** This complex was obtained by the reaction of **2** with W(CO)₅THF. Yield: 62%. ¹H NMR: δ 1.24–1.29, 1.52–1.61, 1.64–1.89 (m, m, m, 15H, 12H, 6H, C₆H₁₁), 1.97, 2.10 (s, s, 6H, 6H, CH₃), 5.69 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring), 6.18 (s, 1H, CHN). ¹³C{¹H} NMR: δ 11.2, 13.4 (3- and 5-CH₃), 27.3, 29.4, 30.4, 31.7 (C₆H₁₁), 67.9 (CHN), 106.3 (4-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 139.0, 146.0 (3- or 5-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 201.8, 206.1, 211.4 (CO). ¹¹⁹Sn{¹H} NMR: δ –86.0. IR (cm^{–1}): ν_{CO} = 1996.2, 1873.7, 1831.0 (br, vs). Anal. Found: C, 45.48; H, 5.74; N, 6.58. Calcd for C₃₃H₄₈N₄O₄SnW: C, 45.70; H, 5.58; N, 6.46.

Reaction of **3 and **4** as well as Et₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ with I₂.** To a stirred solution of **3**, **4**, or Et₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ (0.058 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) was added dropwise at room temperature a CH₂Cl₂ solution (15 mL) of I₂ (0.058 mmol). After addition was complete, the reaction mixture

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Table 1. Crystallographic Data for Complexes 3, 5, 7, and 9

	3	5	7	9
formula	C ₃₀ H ₃₂ N ₄ O ₄ SnW	C ₁₅ H ₁₅ IN ₄ O ₄ W	C ₃₂ H ₄₈ Cl ₄ N ₄ O ₃ Sn ₂ W	C ₁₄ H ₁₅ ClIN ₄ O ₃ W
fw	815.14	626.06	1099.77	506.60
cryst size, mm	0.30 × 0.10 × 0.10	0.20 × 0.18 × 0.14	0.18 × 0.16 × 0.14	0.14 × 0.10 × 0.08
cryst syst	triclinic	monoclinic	triclinic	triclinic
space group	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>m</i>	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$
cell params				
<i>a</i> , Å	8.607(6)	7.1875(13)	10.6878(16)	9.196(2)
<i>b</i> , Å	10.833(8)	14.160(3)	12.4245(18)	14.033(3)
<i>c</i> , Å	17.866(12)	9.0408(16)	17.410(3)	14.305(3)
α , deg	93.782(11)	90	74.486(3)	81.941(5)
β , deg	92.825(12)	97.959(3)	75.947(3)	81.338(4)
γ , deg	112.388(11)	90	65.769(2)	73.698(4)
<i>V</i> , Å ³	1531.9(18)	911.2(3)	2008.0(5)	1742.3(7)
<i>Z</i>	2	2	2	4
<i>T</i> , K	293(2)	294(2)	294(2)	294(2)
calcd density, Mg/m ⁻³	1.767	2.282	1.819	1.931
<i>F</i> (000)	792	584	1068	968
μ , mm ⁻¹	4.606	8.059	4.393	6.801
no. of rflns colld/unique	7526/5181	5927/2498	10 282/7037	9929/7025
(<i>R</i> _{int})	(0.0578)	(0.0336)	(0.0338)	(0.0708)
no. of rflns obsd with (<i>I</i> ≥ 2σ(<i>I</i>))	3179	2003	5005	3162
no. of params	367	126	419	423
<i>R</i> , <i>R</i> _w (<i>I</i> ≥ 2σ(<i>I</i>))	0.0516, 0.0806	0.0354, 0.0693	0.0398, 0.0787	0.0566, 0.0850
goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	0.925	1.025	0.984	0.891

was stirred for an additional 1 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residual solid was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexane at −18 °C to give yellow crystals of CH(CO)(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃I (**5**). Yield: 45% from **3**, 40% from **4**, and 50% from Et₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄. ¹H NMR: δ 2.44, 2.73 (s, s, 6H, 6H, CH₃), 5.82 (s, 1H, CH), 6.05 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring). IR (cm⁻¹): ν_{CO} = 2019.1 vs, 1919.2 vs; ν_{C=O} = 1676.6 s. Anal. Found: C, 28.96; H, 2.25; N, 9.11. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₅IN₄O₄W: C, 28.78; H, 2.42; N, 8.95. In addition, this reaction was also carried out at −50 °C; only complex **5** was obtained. During storage, this complex slowly lost the acyl group to yield CH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃I (**6**), which also can be obtained as follows.

Reaction of CH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃SnPh₃ (10**) with I₂ to Yield **6**.** To a stirred solution of **10** (110 mg, 0.134 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) at 10 °C was dropwise added a solution of I₂ (34.0 mg, 0.134 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). After addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred for an additional 2 h at room temperature. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residual solid was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexane to yield 52 mg (65%) of **6** as orange-red crystals. ¹H NMR: δ 2.20, 2.43 (s, s, 6H, 6H, CH₃), 5.67 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring), 5.41 (s, 1H, CH). ¹³C{¹H} NMR: δ 9.0, 13.0 (3- or 5-CH₃), 40.3 (CH), 106.3 (4-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 141.9, 152.4 (3- or 5-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 220.5, 240.0 (CO). IR (cm⁻¹): ν_{CO} = 2023.4 s, 1926.1 vs, 1898.8 vs. Anal. Found: C, 28.16; H, 2.52; N, 9.51. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₅IN₄O₃W: C, 28.12; H, 2.53; N, 9.37.

Attempted Reaction of **6 with CO.** In a Schlenk flask, the solution of **6** (20 mg, 0.033 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was degassed by multiple freeze–pump–thaw cycles. The flask was refilled with CO. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for additional 5 h under a CO atmosphere. After the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, the residue was analyzed by ¹H NMR spectroscopy, indicating that no reaction took place; only starting material **6** was observed.

Reaction of **4 with SnCl₄ in 1:1 Molar Ratio.** To a vigorously stirred solution of Cy₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ (43 mg, 0.050 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) at room temperature was added dropwise a solution of SnCl₄ (0.050 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL). The color of the solution changed from green-yellow to orange-red. After addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred for an additional 1 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residual solid was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexane at

−18 °C to give red crystals of Cy₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃–(Cl)SnCl₃ (**7**). Yield: 32 mg, 58%. ¹H NMR: δ 1.62–1.97 (m, 33H, C₆H₁₁), 2.35, 2.70 (s, s, 6H, 6H, 3- or 5-CH₃), 6.08 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring), 6.37 (s, 1H, CH). ¹³C{¹H} NMR: δ 12.2, 17.5 (3- or 5-CH₃), 26.9, 29.2, 32.3, 33.8 (C₆H₁₁), 59.3 (CH), 110.0 (4-position carbon of pyrazole ring), 140.3, 155.1 (3- or 5-position carbon of pyrazole ring). The carbonyl carbon signals are not observed possibly due to the lower signal intensity and the low solubility of complex **7**. IR (cm⁻¹): ν_{CO} = 2020.7 s, 1996.5 vs, 1899.6 vs. Anal. Found: C, 34.61; H, 4.55; N, 4.92. Calcd for C₃₂H₄₈Cl₄N₄O₃Sn₂W: C, 34.95; H, 4.40; N, 5.09. In addition, when stirring the CH₂Cl₂ solution of **7** for 24 h at room temperature, this complex slowly transformed to complex CH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃Cl (**9**). ¹H NMR: δ 2.29, 2.47 (s, s, 6H, 6H, 3- or 5-CH₃), 5.55 (s, 1H, CH), 5.76 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring). IR (cm⁻¹): ν_{CO} = 2028.0 s, 1929.0 vs, 1892.0 s. Anal. Found: C, 32.86; H, 2.60; N, 10.80. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₅ClIN₄O₃W: C, 33.19; H, 2.98; N, 11.06.

Reaction of Et₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ with SnCl₄. To a vigorously stirred solution of Et₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₄ (57 mg, 0.080 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) cooled to 0 °C was slowly added dropwise a solution of SnCl₄ (0.080 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL). After addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred for an additional 1 h to 0 °C. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was analyzed by ¹H NMR spectroscopy, indicating that no starting material was observed, and complexes Et₃SnCH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃(Cl)SnCl₃ (**8**) and **9** were formed. The ratio was estimated to be ca. 3:1 (**8**:**9**) according to the integration of the CH resonance. Unfortunately, we were unable to isolate complex **8** in pure form owing to its instability in solution. In fact, when the reaction mixture was stirred overnight, only complex **9** was observed by ¹H NMR spectroscopy, and it was isolated in ca. 21% yield by silica column chromatography. ¹H NMR data for **8**: δ 1.08–1.15 (m, 15H, C₂H₅), 2.29, 2.61 (s, s, 6H, 6H, 3- or 5-CH₃), 6.06 (s, 2H, 4-position hydrogen of pyrazole ring), 6.33 (s, 1H, CH).

Reaction of **4 with SnCl₄ in 1:2 Molar Ratio.** This reaction was carried out similarly to that described above for the reaction in 1:1 molar ratio, using SnCl₄ (0.10 mmol) instead. During the reaction, some white solids precipitated. After the reaction was complete, the solution was filtered off. With a similar workup, red crystals of **9** were obtained. Yield: 45%.

In addition, this complex can also be obtained by the reaction of CH(3,5-Me₂Pz)₂W(CO)₃SnAr₃ (Ar = C₆H₅ (**10**) or *p*-CH₃C₆H₄

(**11**)) with SnCl₄ as follows. To a stirred solution of **10** or **11** (0.05 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) at 10 °C was added dropwise a solution of SnCl₄ (0.05 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL). After addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred for an additional 2 h at room temperature. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residual solid was purified by short column chromatography on silica using CH₂Cl₂ as eluent. After removing the solvent, the residual solid was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexane to yield **9** as red crystals. Yield: 60% from **10** and 48% from **11**, respectively.

X-ray Crystallographic Determinations of 3, 5, 7, and 9. Green-yellow crystals of **3** as well as red crystals of **5**, **7**, and **9** suitable for X-ray analyses were grown by diffusion of hexane into their CH₂Cl₂ solutions at −18 °C. All intensity data were collected with a Bruker SMART CCD diffractometer, using graphite-monochromated Mo K α radiation (λ = 0.71073 Å). The structures

were resolved by the direct method and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F^2 . All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. A summary of the fundamental crystal data for these complexes is listed in Table 1.

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