## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Reactions of PtCl<sub>4</sub> and Na<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>6</sub> with 18-Crown-6 and Dibenzo-18-crown-6 in Various Solvents

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In this work, we studied the reactions of  $PtCl_4$  and  $Na_2PtCl_6$  with 18-crown-6 ( $L_1$ ) and dibenzo-18-crown-6 ( $L_2$ ) in acetonitrile, nitromethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane.

Preliminary manipulations and syntheses were carried out using Schlenk technique in dry argon or in a vacuum [1]. Compounds  $\mathbf{I}$ - $\mathbf{IV}$  were obtained by the reaction of  $PtCl_4$  and  $L_1$  in nitromethane and acetonitrile, and compound  $\mathbf{V}$ , by the reaction of  $PtCl_4$  and  $L_2$  in nitromethane. The reactions of  $Na_2PtCl_6$  with  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  in acetonitrile yielded complexes  $\mathbf{VI}$  and  $\mathbf{VII}$ .

The formation of the complexes was proved by comparison of the IR spectra of the starting compounds (PtCl<sub>4</sub>, Na<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>6</sub>, L<sub>1</sub>, and L<sub>2</sub>) and products I-VII [2–4]. The cleavage of crown rings in I and III could be inferred from the absorption bands v(PtO)~448 and 436 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and also from the absorption band v(CH<sub>2</sub>), which is shifted upon ring opening to  $\sim 1462$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. In the case of **V**, we found that the v(CH<sub>2</sub>) absorption bands are split: ~1452 and ~1462 cm<sup>-1</sup> for closed and open methylene chains, respectively, which is caused by the presence of both molecules of the initial crown ether L<sub>2</sub> and its various fragments in the complex. It is also confirmed by the appearance of the absorption band v(PtO)~457 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Furthermore, the absorption band at ~620 cm<sup>-1</sup> corresponding to  $\nu$ (CCl) was found in **V**. It can be assigned to the chloroethyl substituent at the benzene ring (L<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl), also arising from cleavage of the macrocycle. In VI and VII,  $v_s(COC)$ decreases by 20 and 14 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, compared to the same vibrations of free  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  [5]. The frequency  $v(CH_2)$  in VI decreases by 40 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and in **VII** it increases by 35 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The coordination of the sodium cation by the macrocycle is confirmed by the appearance of the absorption bands  $v(NaO) \sim 280$  and

467 cm<sup>-1</sup> for **VI** and **VII**, respectively, and also by the shift of the  $v_{as}(COC)$  band by  $\sim 4-8$  cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Depending on a medium used for the reaction, compounds I-VII incorporate both organic and inorganic cations. In particular, the bands characteristic of  $v(OH_3^+)$  (~1664, 1576 and 1700, 1508 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively) are found in the IR spectra of **II** and **IV**, whereas the stretching vibrations of coordinated  $(H_2Cl)^+$  (~2312 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are observed in the case of **II**. The IR spectrum of compound I prepared in nitromethane contains the  $\delta(NH_2)$  band at ~1568 cm<sup>-1</sup> originating from the reduction of CH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> to CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> and its coordination through the nitrogen atom [ $\nu(PtN) \sim 424 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ]. For **V**, we found the absorption bands  $\delta(NH_3^+)$  ~1560 and 1304 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and also  $v(NH_3^+)$  ~3000 cm<sup>-1</sup> and one  $\delta(CH_2)$  band at ~1420 cm<sup>-1</sup>, characteristic of the methylene group connected to the electrophilic nitrogen atom  $\equiv N^+$ . This may be due to the fact that the CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> cation enters the macrocycle cavity. We also found that acetonitrile molecules enter the composition of III, VI, and VII, which is proved by the presence of the absorption bands  $v(CN) \sim 2150$ , 2248, and 2264 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, and δ(CH<sub>3</sub>-CN) ~382 cm<sup>-1</sup> in their IR spectra.

The bands ~339, 304 (in **III** and **IV**), ~332, 304 (in **I** and **V**), and ~324 cm<sup>-1</sup> (in **II**, **VI**, and **VII**) can be assigned to v(PtCl) stretching vibrations. The bridging Pt–Cl–Pt bonds were found in compounds **I**–**VI** (absorption bands ~248 and 269 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively). Complexes **I** and **III** also contain molecules of water of crystallization and of coordinated water:  $\delta(HOH)$  ~1632 and 1648 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Water of crystallization was also found in **V** [ $\delta(HOH)$  ~1630 cm<sup>-1</sup>] in addition to a fragment with a Pt–OH bond, v ~476 cm<sup>-1</sup>. In the range 3500–3200 cm<sup>-1</sup>, there are sharp and smoothed peaks, which confirms the presence of water molecules and hydroxyl in **V**.

On the basis of the elemental, X-ray fluorescence, and derivatographic analyses, we can assign the following compositions to **I-VII**.

[2(PtCl<sub>3</sub>·CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>·C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>·(Pt<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub>)<sup>2-</sup>]·H<sub>2</sub>O (**I**), mp 134°C. Found, %: C 10.72; H 1.98; Cl 26.98; N 0.89; Pt 37.00.  $C_{14}H_{31}Cl_{12}NO_5Pt_3$ . Calculated, %: C 10.62; H 1.96; Cl 26.93; N 0.88; Pt 36.97. Total weight loss and solid residue (found, calculated): 37.8, 37.28% and 62.2, 62.72%, respectively.

[2{( $H_2C1$ )<sup>+</sup>·L<sub>1</sub>}<sup>+</sup>·{ $Pt_2C1_{10}$ }<sup>2-</sup>]·2( $OH_3C1$ ) (**II**), mp 128°C. Found, %: C 19.77; H 3.98; Cl 34.11; Pt 26.77.  $C_{24}H_{58}Cl_{14}O_8Pt_2$ . Calculated, %: C 19.77; H 3.98; Cl 34.11; Pt 26.77. Total weight loss and solid residue (found, calculated): 72.95, 72.87% and 27.05, 29.13%, respectively.

 $\begin{array}{l} [(\text{PtCl}_2 \cdot \text{CH}_3 \text{CN} \cdot \text{H}_2 \text{O} \cdot \text{C}_{10} \text{H}_{20} \text{O}_6)^{2^+} \cdot (\text{Pt}_2 \text{Cl}_{10})]^{2^-} \\ 3(\text{CH}_3 \text{CN}) \text{ (III)}, \text{ mp } 132^{\circ} \text{C. Found, } \% \colon \text{C } 15.12 ; \text{ H} \\ 2.38 ; \text{Cl } 29.81 ; \text{N } 3.92 ; \text{Pt } 40.94 . \text{C}_{18} \text{H}_{34} \text{Cl}_{12} \text{N}_4 \text{O}_7 \text{Pt}_3. \\ \text{Calculated, } \% \colon \text{C } 15.12 ; \text{ H } 2.38 ; \text{Cl } 29.81 ; \text{N } 3.92 ; \text{Pt } \\ 40.94 . \text{ Total weight loss and solid residue (found, calculated): } 49.18 , 49.1\% \text{ and } 50.82 , 50.9\% , \\ \text{respectively.} \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} [3\{(OH_3)^+\cdot L_1\}^+\cdot \{Pt_2Cl_{10}\}^{2-}\cdot \{PtCl_5\cdot CH_3CN\}] \\ 5(CH_3CN) \ (\textbf{IV}), \ mp \ 127^\circ C. \ Found, \ \%: \ C \ 26.03; \ H \\ 4.47; \ Cl \ 24.66; \ N \ 3.83; \ Pt \ 26.44. \ C_{48}H_{99}Cl_{15}N_6O_{21}Pt_3. \\ Calculated, \ \%: \ C \ 26.03; \ H \ 4.47; \ Cl \ 24.56; \ N \ 3.80; \ Pt \\ 26.44. \ Total \ weight \ loss \ and \ solid \ residue \ (found, calculated): \ 73.58, \ 73.50\% \ and \ 26.42, \ 26.50\%, respectively. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \left[4\left\{(\text{CH}_{3}\text{NH}_{3})^{+}\cdot(\text{L}_{2}\text{-CH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CI})\right\}\right]^{+}\cdot\left[\left\{Pt\text{CI}_{3}\cdot(\text{OH}^{-})\right\}^{2-}\cdot(\text{Pt}_{2}\text{CI}_{10})^{2-}\right]\cdot\text{H}_{2}\text{O}~(\textbf{V}),~\text{mp}~198^{\circ}\text{C}.~\text{Found},\\ \%:~\text{C}~38.04;~\text{H}~4.25;~\text{Cl}~20.47;~\text{N}~1.9;~\text{Pt}~20.18.\\ \text{C}_{92}\text{H}_{123}\text{CI}_{17}\text{N}_{4}\text{O}_{26}\text{Pt}_{3}.~\text{Calculated},~\%:~\text{C}~38.08;~\text{H}~4.24;~\text{Cl}~20.81;~\text{N}~1.93;~\text{Pt}~20.18.~\text{Total weight loss}\\ \text{and}~\text{solid}~\text{residue}~(\text{found, calculated}):~74.43,~74.89\%\\ \text{and}~25.57,~25.11\%,~\text{respectively}. \end{array}$ 

 $[2(Na^+)\cdot(L_1)\cdot(CH_3CN)\cdot(H_2O)]^+\cdot[Pt_2Cl_{10}]^{2-}$  (**VI**), mp 149°C. Found, %: C 15.12; H 2.62; Cl 31.91; N 1.28; Na 4.14; Pt 35.01.  $C_{14}H_{29}Cl_{10}NNa_2O_7Pt_2$ . Calculated, %: C 15.10; H 2.60; Cl 31.88; N 1.26; Na 4.13; Pt 35.01. Total weight loss and solid residue

(found, calculated): 54.8, 54.52% and 45.2, 45.48%, respectively.

 $\begin{array}{l} [2(Na^+\cdot L_2)\cdot 3(CH_3CN)\cdot (H_2O)]^+\cdot [PtCl_6]^{2^-} \ \ (\textbf{VII}), \\ \text{mp 175°C. Found, } \%: C 41.98; H 4.49; Cl 16.23; N \\ 3.21; Na 3.52; Pt 14.83. C_{46}H_{59}Cl_6N_3Na_2O_{13}Pt. \\ \text{Calculated, } \%: C 41.98; H 4.49; Cl 16.20; N 3.19; \\ \text{Na 3.50; Pt 14.83. Total weight loss and solid residue} \\ \text{(found, calculated): 73.6, 73.57% and 26.4, 26.43%, } \\ \text{respectively.} \end{array}$ 

The IR spectra of the substances in the range 4000–400 cm<sup>-1</sup> were taken in Nujol on a Perkin–Elmer IR-16PC-FF spectrophotometer and in the range 500–200 cm<sup>-1</sup> on a Specord M-80 spectrophotometer. Elemental analysis was carried out on a Carlo Erba analyzer. The metal content was determined by the X-ray fluorescence method on a VRA-20L device. The chlorine content was determined according to [6]. The thermograms of the compounds were recorded on a Paulik–Paulik–Erdey Q-1500D derivatograph (sample weight 50–60 mg, heating rate 10 deg/min).

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