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Characterisation, electrochemical and oxidative addition data of organophosphorus-containing rhodium(I) complexes



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ABSTRACT

This data article contains the ¹H Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR), ultraviolet and visible (UV–vis) and Attenuated Total Reflectance Fourier Transformed Infra-red (ATR FTIR) characterization of a series of organophosphorus-containing rhodium (I) complexes. The electrochemical data acquired by means of cyclic voltammetry of the three organophosphorus-containing ligands (with the structure C₆H₅XPPh₂, where X = O, S and NH) and their acetylacetonato (monocarbonyl) organophosphorus rhodium(I) compounds, [Rh(acac)CO(C₆H₅XPPh₂)] are reported. Additionally, the kinetic data of the oxidative addition of methyl iodide to the rhodium(I) complexes, are also presented.

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How data were acquired	NMR were recorded on a Bruker Avance DPX 300 NMR spectrometer, ATR FTIR were recorded on a Nicolet IS50 FTIR Tri-detector gold spectrometer, with a build-in diamond ATR module as well as in a KCl liquid cell connected to a water bath for temperature control, Cyclic voltammo- grams were recorded on a Princeton Applied Research PARSTAT 2273 voltammograph, running PowerSuite
Data format	Analyzed
Experimental factors	All electrochemical data are reported, using the potential of the ferro- cene/ferricinium redox couple [FcH/FcH ⁺] (E° = 0.00 V) as an internal reference.
	The kinetic measurements were recorded at four temperatures ranges between 15 and 45 °C.
Experimental features	Electrochemical measurements were conducted on <i>ca</i> . 0.2 mmol dm ⁻³ solutions of the analyte in acetonitrile, containing 0.10 mmol dm ⁻³ tetra- <i>n</i> -butylammonium hexafluorophosphate as supporting electrolyte.
	conditions with a 500–2000 times molar excess of CH ₃ I over the concentration of the rhodium complex
Data source location	Department of Chemistry, University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, 9300, Republic of South Africa
Data accessibility	Data are presented in this article
Related research article	Erasmus E, Synthesis and unexpected electrochemical reaction of p- substituted phenyl diphenylphosphinites, J. Electroanal. Chem. 2014 727:1-7
	Cheung W-M, Lai C-T, Zhang Q-F, Wong W-Y, Williams ID, Leung W-H, Iridium and rhodium complexes containing dichalcogenoimidodipho- sphinato ligands, Inorg. Chim. Acta, 2006 359:2712-2720

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Value of the data

- The data can be used for comparison with related compounds; here, it is demonstrated that when changing the X in the ligand structure $C_6H_5XPPh_2$ with O, S and NH, the electrochemical response of both the ligand and the Rh(I) complex.
- The data can be used during catalyst design to compare how variation of X in the ligand structure $C_6H_5XPPh_2$ with O, S and NH, influences the oxidative addition of methyl iodide to the rhodium (I) complexes.
- The data can be used for comparison with related compounds; here, we present the ¹H NMR, ³¹P NMR, UV–vis and ATR FTIR spectroscopy which provides characterisation data for research community on organophosphorus ligands and their Rh(I) complexes.

1. Data

The characterisation by means of Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (¹H NMR see Figs. 1–6 and ³¹P NMR see Figs. 7–12), ultraviolet and visible (see Fig. 13 and Table 1 for the UV–vis spectra, the Beer–Lambert law is shown in Fig. 14) and Attenuated Total Reflectance Fourier Transformed Infra-red (see Table 1, for the summary of the ATR FTIR data) of three organophosphorus ligands with the structure $C_6H_5XPPh_2$, where, X = O (1), S (2) and NH (3) and their acetylacetonato (monocarbonyl) organophosphorus rhodium(I) compounds, [Rh(acac)CO($C_6H_5XPPh_2$)] where X = O (4), S (5) and NH (6) are presented.













The electrochemical behavior is presented as comparative graphs of the cyclic voltammograms of ligands **1–3** (see Fig. 15 and Fig. 16 with the data reported in Table 2), while the acetylacetonato (monocarbonyl) organophosphorus rhodium(I) compounds, **4–6**, are given in Fig. 16 and the data are summarized in Table 3 (Fig. 17).



Time-based UV/vis spectra for the oxidative addition of CH_3I onto the Rh(I) metal centre are shown in Fig. 18, while the temperature dependence and Eyring plots are given in Fig. 19 and Fig. 20, respectively, with the kinetic data obtained from the plots summarised in Table 4.

The oxidative addition reaction was also followed by FTIR; Fig. 21 represents the time-based FTIR, while Fig. 22 depicts the absorbance/time graph and concentration dependence graph, as monitored by FTIR. The data obtained the kinetic measurement from the FTIR are given in Table 5, while Table 6 gives a comparative summary of the kinetic data as measured by UV–vis and FTIR.

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2. Experimental design, materials and methods

2.1. Synthesis

The heteroatomic organophosphorus ligands of the type $C_6H_5XPPh_2$, where X = O(1), S(2) and NH (3), were prepared according to published procedures [1].

2.2. Electrochemistry

Electrochemical measurements were conducted on ca. 0.2 mmol dm⁻³ solutions of the four rhodium(I) complexes in acetonitrile, containing 0.10 mmol dm⁻³ tetra-*n*-butylammonium hexa-fluorophosphate (Fluka, electrochemical grade) as supporting electrolyte, under a blanket of purified argon, at 25 °C, utilizing a Princeton Applied Research PARSTAT 2273 voltammograph, running PowerSuite (Version 2.58). A three-electrode cell, utilizing a Pt auxiliary electrode, a glassy carbon



working electrode, and an Ag reference electrode, was employed. Temperature was kept constant within 0.5 °C. All electrode peak potentials were reported, using the potential of the ferrocene/ferricinium redox couple [FcH/FcH⁺] ($E^{\circ} = 0.00 \text{ V}$) as an internal reference [2]. Successive experiments under the same experimental conditions showed that all formal reduction and oxidation peak potentials were reproducible within 5 mV.



Fig. 13. UV/vis spectra of the rhodium(1) complexes $Rh(H_3CCOCHCOCH_3)CO(C_6H_5XPPh_2)$, where X = O (**4**), S (**5**) and NH (**6**) at 25 °C in chloroform.

Carbonyl stretching frequencies and molecular extinction coefficients (ϵ) of the rhodium(1) complexes [Rh(H₃CCOCHCOCH₃)CO (C₆H₅XPPh₂) where X = O (**4**), S (**5**) and NH (**6**) at 25 °C in chloroform ($\lambda_{exp} = \lambda_{maks}$).

	No.	$\upsilon(\text{CO})\text{cm}^{-1}$	λ_{exp}/nm	$\epsilon/dm^3 mol^{-1}$ cm ⁻¹
Rh(H ₃ CCOCHCOCH ₃)CO ($C_6H_5OPPh_2$)	4	1982	330	3591
$Rh(H_3CCOCHCOCH_3)CO$ ($C_6H_5SPPh_2$)	5	1979	330	5390
Rh(H ₃ CCOCHCOCH ₃)CO (C ₆ H ₅ NHPPh ₂)	6	1981	330	2202



Fig. 14. Graph of absorbance vs concentration of **4**, **5** and **6** at 25 °C in chloroform taken at $\lambda_{exp} = 330$ nm (left) and $\lambda_{exp} = 380$ nm (right) as indicated use to validate the Beer–Lambert law.



Fig. 15. Left: a comparative graph of the cyclic voltammograms of 0.2 mmol dm⁻³ of the organophosphorus ligands (**1-3**) in CH₃CN/0.1 mol dm⁻³ [NBu₄][PF₆], on a glassy carbon working-electrode, at 25 °C, and a scan rate of 100 mV s⁻¹. Right: cyclic voltammogram of **2**, in acetonitrile on a glassy carbon working electrode at 25 °C and at scan rates of 100–500 mV s⁻¹ (100 mV increments).

2.3. Kinetic measurements

The methyl iodide oxidative addition onto the various rhodium complexes was studied by means of FTIR, at 25 °C in a KCl liquid cell connected to a water bath for temperature control, while monitoring the disappearance of the Rh(I) and formation of the Rh(III) carbonyl peaks. This reaction was also followed using the UV–vis of the dilute rhodium complexes in quartz cuvettes on the



Fig. 16. Graph illustrating the linear relationship between the anodic and cathodic peak currents and (scan rate)^{1/2} for ligand **2** as an example.

The data obtained for a 0.2 mM solution of the organophosphorus ligands (**1-3**) in CH₃CN/0.1 mol dm⁻³ [NBu₄][PF₆] at 25 °C, at different scan rates and reference against FcH/FcH⁺ as the internal standard. The diffusion coefficient, D, E_{pa} (anodic peak potential) as well as i_{pa} (anodic peak current and, E_{pc} (cathodic peak potential) peak for each compound is shown.

No.	D for i_{pa} and $i_{pc}(cm^2\;s^{-1})$	υ/mVs^{-1}	$E_{\rm pa}/mV$	$i_{pa}/\mu A$	$E_{\rm pc}/mV$
1	6.07×10^{-5}	100	1166	16.9	- 1257
		200	1179	22.0	-1570
	2.8×10^{-11}	300	1192	24.1	- 1737
		400	1205	24.6	- 1765
		500	1216	26.2	- 1778
2	5.01×10^{-5}	100	1030	12.2	- 1199
		200	1043	17.2	- 1237
	1.52×10^{-7}	300	1056	20.8	- 1275
		400	1069	23.9	- 1313
		500	1083	26.2	- 1350
3	3.24×10^{-5}	100	652	10.4	- 1272
		200	657	14.6	-1304
	1.3×10^{-11}	300	662	17.9	- 1307
		400	667	21.0	- 1315
		500	674	23.2	- 1323
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Table 3

The data obtained for a 0.2 mM solution of the rhodium complexes (**4–6**) in $CH_3CN/0.1 \text{ mol } dm^{-3} [NBu_4][PF_6]$ at 25 °C, reference against FcH/FcH⁺ as the internal standard at a scan rate of 200 mV s⁻¹.

No.	E_{pa} (O1)/mV	$i_{pa}/\mu A$	E _{pa} (O2)/mV	$i_{pa}/\mu A$	E_{pc} (R1)/mV	E _{pc} (R2)/mV
4	461	11.8	1034	5.1	431	- 1224
5	527	13.2	1148	9.4	555	- 891
6	375 (676)	1.2 (1.1)	1179	10.1	676	- 1318



Fig. 17. A comparative graph of the cyclic voltammograms of 0.2 mmol dm⁻³ of the rhodium (1) complexes (**4–6**) in CH₃CN/0.1 mol dm⁻³ [NBu₄][PF₆], on a glassy carbon working-electrode, at 25 °C, and a scan rate of 100 mV s⁻¹. The linear square wave of **4** is also shown just above the CV of **4**.



Fig. 18. Time-based Uv/vis spectra for the first step in the oxidative addition of CH_3I onto the Rh(I) metal centre, using the time trace of Rh(H₃COCHCOCH₃)CO(C₆H₅OPPh₂)(**4**) as an example. The insert shows the absorbance vs time graph measured at 330 nm.



Fig. 19. The temperature and methyl iodide concentration dependence of the oxidative addition reaction between CH_3I and Rh ($H_3COCOHCOCH_3)CO(C_6H_5XPPh_2)$, where X = O (**4**), S (**5**) and NH (**6**) as monitored by UV/vis.



Fig. 20. Eyring plots of $ln(k_1/T)$ vs 1/T for $Rh(H_3CCOCHCOCH_3)CO(C_6H_5XPPh_2)$, X = O (4), S (5) and NH (6) measured at temperatures ranging from 15 to 45 °C.

Kinetic rate constants, activation parameters and Pauling electronegativity (χ_R) for the UV/vis-monitored reaction between CH₃I and **4**, **5** and **6**.

No.	χx	Temperature (°C)	$k_1 (dm^3 mol^{-1} s^{-1})$	ΔH^* (J mol ⁻¹)	ΔS^* (J mol ⁻¹ K ⁻¹)	$\Delta G^* (J mol^{-1})^a$
4	3.44	25	0.0064	67 (3)	-60 (9)	17.9
		35	0.0171			
		45	0.0378			
5	2.58	15	0.6892	37 (2)	-118 (6)	35.2
		25	1.2517			
		35	2.018			
6	3.04	15	0.0245	48 (5)	-108 (15)	32.2
		25	0.0417			
		35	0.0798			
		45	0.1850			

^a at 25 °C



Fig. 21. Oxidative addition of CH₃I to the rhodium complex, Rh(H₃CCOCHCOCH₃)CO(C₆H₅OPPh₂), **4**, (shown as an example) monitored by infrared in chloroform at 25 °C. The change in vibration height (at 1995 and 2085 cm⁻¹) vs time was used to determine k_{obs} .

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Fig. 22. Left: the absorbance vs time graph measuring the decrease in vibration height (2085 cm^{-1}) vs time was used to determine k_{obs} . Right: the methyl iodide concentration dependence of the oxidative addition reaction between CH₃I and Rh (H₃CCOCHCOCH₃)CO(C₆H₅OPPh₂), (**4**), as monitored by FTIR.

Kinetic rate constants and Pauling electronegativity (χx) for the FTIR-monitored reaction between CH₃I and 4, 5 and 6.

No.	Х	Xx	$k_1 (dm^3 mol^{-1} s^{-1})$
4	O	3.44	0.0061
5	S	2.58	1.22
6	NH	3.04	0.0444

Table 6

The kinetic ate constants of the oxidative addition of methyl iodide onto $Rh(H_3COCHCOCH_3)CO(C_6H_5XPPh_2)$, where X = O(4), S (5) and NH (6) as obtained by UV/vis and FTIR spectroscopy.

No.	Method	k_1 (dm ³ mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹)
4	UV/vis	0.0064
	FTIR	0.0061
5	UV/vis	1.2517
	FTIR	-
6	UV/vis	0.0417
	FTIR	0.0444

Shimadzu UV/Vis spectrometer. At least four temperatures ranges between 15 and 45 °C was monitored, from which the activation parameters ΔH^* and ΔS^* were obtained. Chloroform was used as solvent and passed through basic alumina just before use to make it acid free. All kinetic measurements were monitored under pseudo first-order conditions with a 500–2000 times molar excess of CH₃I over the concentration of the rhodium complex. Pseudo first-order rate constants, k₁, were calculated using MicroMath Scientist 2.0 program.

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