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Treatment of the bimetallic complexes $[(\eta^5 - C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2]_2(ER_2)_n$, $Fp(ER_2)_nFp$ (1), $(ER_2)_n$ = Si_2Me_4 (1a), Si_5Me_{10} (1b), $GeMe_2$ (1c), and $SnMe_2$ (1d), with 1 equiv of lithium diisopropylamide, LDA, followed by quenching with MeI produced single-migration products $\operatorname{Fp}(\operatorname{EMe}_2)_n(\eta^5-\operatorname{C}_5\operatorname{H}_4)\operatorname{Fe}(\operatorname{CO})_2\operatorname{Me}_1$, (2a,c,d from 1a,c,d, respectively), and a mixture of single-, **2b**, and double-, $[Me(CO)_2Fe(\eta^5-C_5H_4)]_2(ER_2)_n$ (**3b**), migration products from **1b**. Treatment of 1d with of LDA, added slowly, also produced a novel dimeric complex [(η^5 -C₅H₄)Fe(CO)₂- $SnMe_2]_2$ (4) containing both Fe-Sn and $(\eta^5-C_5H_4)$ -Sn bonds. A single-crystal structure of this latter complex was determined. Treatment of the starting materials (1a-d) with 2 equiv of LDA followed by quenching with MeI yielded double-migration products, 3a-d, in moderate yields, 30%-60%. Quenching the reaction between 1a and either 1 or 2 equiv of LDA with Me₃SnCl yielded the analogous tin single- and double-migrated derivatives, 5 and 6. Treatment of the analogous Mo and W tin complexes $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)M(CO)_3]_2SnMe_2$, M = Mo, W, with LDA resulted in double-migration products, 7a,b. However, similar treatment of the related tungsten germanium derivative resulted in cleavage of the W-Ge bond. After the reaction was quenched with MeI, $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)W(CO)_3Me$ was obtained.

Introduction

Since the report by Dean and Graham illustrating base-induced migrations of Ph₃Ge from Mo and W to the cyclopentadienyl ring in the system $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)M(CO)_3$ - $GePh_3$ (M = Mo, W), 1 many other examples of this type of migration reaction have been reported. Thus silyl,2 oligosilyl,3 germyl,4 stannyl,4 and plumbyl4 groups have all been shown to undergo such reactions. Certain carbon ligands have also been reported to migrate under similar conditions.5

We have observed that the reaction between $(\eta^5$ - $C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2SiMe_2SiMe_2Fe(CO)_2(\eta^5-C_5H_5)$ and lithium diisopropylamide, LDA, followed by treatment with MeI, resulted in the double-migration product [MeFe(CO)₂- $(\eta^5-C_5H_4)]_2SiMe_2SiMe_2.6$ We now report an extension

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of this study to a variety of group 14 bridged bimetallic complexes, $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)M(CO)_m]_2(ER_2)_n$ (M = Fe, Mo, W; $ER_2 = Si_2Me_4$, Si_5Me_{10} , $GeMe_2$, $SnMe_2$), in which both single and double migrations are possible and were observed under appropriate conditions. Together with the migration chemistry, a complex rearrangement resulted from the treatment of FpSnMe₂Fp with LDA.

Experimental Section

All reactions were performed under inert atmospheres, N2 or Ar, using dry oxygen-free solvents and reagents. Starting complexes $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)M(CO)_m]_2(ER_2)_n$ were synthesized using published procedures;6-9 LDA was used freshly prepared from n-BuLi and diisopropylamine; alumina for column chromatography was Fisher 70-200 mesh. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker NR 200 MHz multinuclear spectrometer.

Representative synthetic procedures are described below, and the melting points, elemental analyses (performed by Galbraith Laboratories Inc.), and spectral data of the new complexes are recorded in Table 1.

Synthesis of $Si_2Me_4[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2SnMe_3]_2$, 6. In a 100-mL round-bottomed Schlenk flask was placed 0.32 g (0.68 mmol) of $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2]_2SiMe_2SiMe_2$ in 30 mL of THF. To this solution at 0 °C was added 3 mL (1.68 mmol) of freshly

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Table 1. Spectral Properties for New Complexes^a

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(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2SiMe_2SiMe_2(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2Me, 2a
                                                                   40%; 55 °C; C, 47.14 (46.98); H, 4.99 (5.07)
yield; mp; anal. C, H, calcd (found)
                                                                   0.3~(SiMe),\,0.1~(FeMe),\,4.2~(C_5H_5),\,4.8,\,5.1~(C_5H_4)
ľΗ
13C
                                                                    -22.4 (FeMe), -2.3 (SiMe), 3.3 (SiFe), 83.1 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 88, 93 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>),
                                                                      216, 218 (CO)
<sup>29</sup>Si
                                                                   15.9, -16.3
                                                                   2010, 1999, 1956, 1948
\nu(CO)
                                             (\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2(SiMe_2)_5(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2Me,\ {\bf 2b}
                                                                   23.1 (Fe-Si), -18.4, -31.3, -38.8, -42.4
<sup>29</sup>Si
                                              (\eta^5-C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2GeMe_2(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2Me, 2c
                                                                   66%; 65 °C; C, 43.38 (43.24); H, 3.85 (3.91)
yield; mp; anal. C, H, calcd (found)
                                                                   0.45 (FeMe), 0.75 (GeMe), 3.91 (C_5H_5), 4.27, 4.44 (C_5H_4)
                                                                    -22.4\ (\text{FeMe}),\ 5.56\ (\text{GeMe}),\ 71.9\ (C_5H_5),\ 83.7,\ 91.1,\ 97.9\ (C_5H_4),
^{13}C
                                                                      215.5, 218.6 (CO)
                                                                    2002, 1954
\nu(CO)
                                               (\eta^5-C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2SnMe_2(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2Me, 2d
yield; mp; anal. C, H, calcd (found)
                                                                    50%; 42 °C; C, 39.52 (38.97); H, 3.51 (3.44)
                                                                   0.49 (FeMe), 0.70 (SnMe), 4.08 (C_5H_5), 4.35, 4.41 (C_5H_4)
                                                                    -22.6\ (FeMe),\ -4.2\ (SnMe),\ 81.6\ (C_5H_5),\ 82.2,\ 87.9,\ 93.6\ (C_5H_4),
13C
                                                                      214.8, 216.6 (CO)
^{119}\mathrm{Sn}
                                                                    120.0
                                                                    2008, 1996, 1951 (bd)
\nu(CO)
                                                       (SiMe_2)_5[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2Me]_2, 3b
                                                                    34%; C, 46.45 (46.12); H, 6.55 (7.01)
yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    0.08,\,0.10,\,0.33,\,0.41,\,(Me),\,4.28(C_5H_4)
1H
^{29}Si
                                                                    -18.6, -40.3, -42.9
                                                                    1987, 1978, 1941, 1933
\nu(CO)
                                                        GeMe_2[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2Me]_2, 3c
                                                                    29%; yellow-orange oil; C, 44.64 (44.55); H, 4.16 (4.24)
yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    0.42 (GeMe), 0.6 (FeMe), 4.3, 4.4 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)
 ^{1}H
                                                                    -1.82 (GeMe), -22.7 (FeMe), 87.5, 92.2 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 217.8(CO)
13C
                                                                    2010, 1957
 \nu(CO)
                                                        SnMe_2[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2Me]_2, 3d
                                                                    60%; brown-orange oil; C, 40.74 (40.23); H, 3.79 (4.08)
 yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    0.1~(SnMe),~0.25~(FeMe),~4.5,~4.7~(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_4)
                                                                    -22.7 (FeMe), -8.8(SnMe), 88.3, 94.3 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 217.9 (CO)
 ^{13}C
^{119}\mathrm{Sn}
                                                                    -26.6
                                                                    2010, 1956
 \nu(CO)
                                                           [(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2SnMe_2]_2, 4
                                                                    25%; 158-160 °C; C, 33.29 (33.70); H, 3.10 (3.04)
 yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    0.50 \text{ (Me)}, 4.28, 4.66 \text{ (C}_5\text{H}_4\text{)}
 ^{1}H
 ^{13}C
                                                                    -4.46 (Me), 83.6, 86.8, 91.5 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 215.5 (CO)
 ^{119}\mathrm{Sn}
                                                                    124.2
                                                                    1987, 1942
 \nu(CO)
                                          (\eta^5-C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2SiMe_2SiMe_2(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2SnMe_3, 5
                                                                    30%; 75 °C; C, 39.85 (39.47); H, 4.77 (5.08)
 yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    0.28~(SiMe),~0.48~(SnFe),~4.12~(C_5H_5),~4.15,~4.17~(C_5H_4)\\
                                                                     -4.8 \text{ (SiFe)}, -3.4 \text{ (SiMe)}, -2.07 \text{ (SnMe)}, 82.7 \text{ (C}_5H_5), 83.06, 86.8 \text{ (C}_5H_4),
 ^{13}\mathrm{C}
                                                                       215.3, 215.6 (CO)
 ^{29}Si
                                                                    16, -16.1
                                                                    2010, 1990, 1956, 1940
 \nu(CO)
                                                       Si_2Me_4[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2SnMe_3]_2, 6
                                                                    65%; 178 °C; C, 36.22 (36.32); H, 4.81 (4.65)
 yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    0.28 \text{ (SiMe)}, 0.48 \text{ (SnMe)}, 4.2, 4.22 \text{ (}C_5H_4)
 ĺΗ
                                                                    -2.94 (SnMe), -4.5 (SiMe), 87.4, 89.04 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 215.8 (CO)
 ^{13}C
 ^{29}\mathrm{Si}
                                                                    -23.2
                                                                    1990, 1940
 \nu(CO)
                                                        SnMe_2[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Mo(CO)_3Me]_2, 7a
 yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    29%; 84-86 °C; C, 36.02 (36.05); H, 3.02 (3.13)
                                                                    0.47 (SnMe), 0.52 (MoMe), 4.6, 4.9 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)
 ^{1}H
                                                                     -21.7 (MoMe), -8.2 (SnMe), 92.4, 97.7, 98.7 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 227.3 (CO)
 13C
                                                                    2020, 1941, 1934
 \nu(CO)
                                                         SnMe_{2}[(\eta^{5}-C_{5}H_{4})W(CO)_{3}Me]_{2}, 7b
                                                                    41%; 98-100 °C; C, 28.50 (28.57); H, 2.39 (2.30)
 yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    0.58 (SnMe), 0.7 (WMe), 4.7, 5.0 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)
 ^{1}H
                                                                     -34.4 \text{ (WMe)}, -7.9 \text{ (SnMe)}, 90.9, 96.9, 97 \text{ (C}_5H_4), 216.7(CO)
 ^{13}C
                                                                    2016, 1933, 1922
 \nu(CO)
                                                         SiMeH[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2Me]_2, 8
 yield; mp; anal. C, H calcd (found)
                                                                    29%; unstable oil, no analysis
                                                                    0.40 (FeMe), 1.44 (SiMe), 4.3, 4.4 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 4.8 (Si-H)
 ìΗ
                                                                     -4.8 (SiMe), -22.4 (FeMe), 81.1, 87.4, 93.6 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 217.8 (CO)
 13C
                                                                    2010, 1957, 2142 (SiH)
 \nu(CO)
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a NMR spectra were recorded in C₆D₆, and IR spectra were recorded in hexane. Chemical shifts are in δ, and ν(CO) are in cm⁻¹.

prepared LDA in the same solvent. The solution was stirred for 30 min, after which time infrared monitoring indicated the absence of the starting material and the concomitant formation of a species exhibiting $\nu(CO)$ stretching frequencies at 1882, 1867, 1812, and 1753 cm⁻¹. To this solution at 0 °C was added 0.35 g (1.75 mmol) of Me₃SnCl. The solution was stirred for 30 min and warmed to room temperature. Infrared analysis indicated new $\nu(CO)$ bands at 1978 and 1928 cm⁻¹. The solvent was removed in vacuo, and the residue was extracted with 50 mL of hexane, filtered, and concentrated to 3 mL, and placed upon a 1 × 15 cm alumina column. Development of the column with hexane produced a yellow band which was eluted with a 20:80 methylene chloride-hexane solvent mixture. Subsequent to removal of the solvent, recrystallization from hexane yielded complex 6a as a yellow crystalline solid (0.35 g, 0.44 mmol, 65%).

Synthesis of GeMe₂[$(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄)Fe(CO)₂Me]₂, 3c. To 30 mL of a THF solution of $[(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)Fe(CO)₂]₂GeMe₂ (0.3 g, 0.65 mmol) was added 3 mL (1.68 mmol) of a 0.56 M LDA solution at 0 °C. The solution turned deep orange, and after the solution had been stirred for 2 h IR spectroscopy indicated the presence of ν (CO) bands at 1882, 1867, 1812, and 1753 cm⁻¹. Addition of an excess of MeI resulted in the solution becoming green-brown and exhibiting ν (CO) bands at 2000 and 1946 cm⁻¹. The solvent was removed, and the residue was extracted into hexane, filtered, concentrated to 5 mL, and placed upon an alumina column, 1 × 15 cm. Elution with hexane developed a yellow band, which was collected and, after solvent removal, yielded 3c as a yellow orange oil (0.092 g, 0.19 mmol, 29%).

A similar procedure was used to obtain SiMeH[$(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄)-Fe(CO)₂Me]₂, **8** (29%), and SnMe₂[$(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄)Fe(CO)₂Me]₂, **3d** (0.24 g, 0.46 mmol, 60%).

Synthesis of SnMe₂[$(\eta^5$ -C₅H₄)W(CO)₃Me]₂, 7b. To 30 mL of a THF solution of $[(\eta^5$ -C₅H₅)W(CO)₃]₂SnMe₂ (0.3 g, 0.36 mmol) was added 3 mL (1.68 mmol) of a 0.56 M LDA solution at 0 °C. The solution turned deep orange, and after the solution had been stirred for 2 h an IR spectrum indicated the presence of ν (CO) bands at 1894, 1801, and 1712 cm⁻¹. An excess of MeI was added, and after 1 h infrared spectroscopic analysis showed the presence of ν (CO) bands at 2009, 1970, and 1913 cm⁻¹. The solvent was removed *in vacuo*, and the residue was extracted with 50 mL of hexane, filtered, and, after solvent removal, the residue was dissolved in 5 mL of CH₂Cl₂ and placed on a 1 × 15 cm alumina column. Elution with hexane developed a yellow band which was recovered and, subsequent to solvent removal and recrystallization from hexane, yielded 7b as a yellow solid (0.13 g, 0.15 mmol, 42%).

The same synthetic procedure was applied to obtain $SnMe_2[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Mo(CO)_3Me]_2$, **7a** (26%).

Treatment of FpSnMe₂Fp, 1d, with 1 Equiv of LDA. To a THF solution (60 mL) of 1d (1.0 g, 1.99 mmol) was added 4.4 mL of a 0.56 M solution of freshly prepared LDA in THF at 0 °C. There was an immediate color change from yellow to red-orange. The solution was stirred for 1 h, at which time infrared monitoring indicated the formation of new bands at 1980, 1930, 1884, 1868, 1781, and 1750 $\rm cm^{-1}$ showing the formation of a substituted [Fp] salt. This solution was then treated with an excess of MeI at 0 °C, and the resulting solution was warmed to room temperature. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was dissolved in hexane, 10 mL, and placed upon a 2.5 × 10 cm alumina chromatography column. The resulting yellow band was eluted with hexane and after collection a crude product mixture was obtained. Fractional crystallization from hexane yielded an initial crop of $[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2SnMe_2]_2$, **4**, as a yellow crystalline material (0.32 g, 0.49 mmol, 25%). A second crop of crystalline material yielded $FpSnMe_2(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2$ -Me (0.51 g, 0.99 mmol, 50%).

Synthesis of $(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_5)$ Fe(CO)₂SiMe₂SiMe₂[$(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_4)$ -Fe(CO)₂Me], 2a. To 30 mL of a THF solution of $[(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_5)$ Fe(CO)₂]₂SiMe₂SiMe₂ (0.25 g, 0.53 mmol) was added 1 mL (0.56 mmol) of a 0.56 M LDA solution at 0 °C. The solution turned deep orange, and after the solution had been stirred

Table 2. Structure Determination Summary for 4

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Crystal Data
empirical formula
                                 C_{18}H_{20}Fe_2O_4Sn_2
color; habit
                                 vellow fragment
                                 0.40\times0.28\times0.40
cryst size (mm<sup>3</sup>)
cryst syst
                                 triclinic
space group
                                 P1
                                a = 7.749(2) \,\text{Å}
unit cell dimens
                                 b = 9.161(3) \text{ A}
                                 c = 15.649(5) \text{ Å}
                                 \alpha = 91.35(3)^{\circ}
                                 \beta = 97.90(2)^{\circ}
                                 \gamma=103.67(3)^\circ
                                 1067.4(6) Å<sup>3</sup>
volume
Z
                                 649.4
fw
                                 2.021 Mg/m<sup>3</sup>
density (calcd)
                                 3.676 \ mm^{-1}
abs coeff
F(000)
                                 624
                            Data Collection
                                 Siemens R3m/V
diffractometer
                                 Mo K\alpha (\lambda = 0.710 73 \text{ Å})
radiation
temp (K)
monochromator
                                 highly oriented graphite crystal
                                 3.5 - 45.0^{\circ}
2\theta range
scan type
scan speed
                                 variable; 3.00-15.00 deg/min. in \omega
scan range (\omega)
                                 1.20^{\circ}
bkgd measmt
                                 stationary crystal and stationary
                                    counter at beginning and end
                                    of scan, each for 25.0% of total
                                    scan time
                                 3 measd every 97 reflns
std refins
index ranges
                                 0 \le h \le 8, -9 \le k \le 9, -16 \le l \le 16
no. of refins colled
                                 3056
no. of independent refins
                                 2811 (R_{\text{int}} = 1.06\%)
                                 2582 (F > 3.0\sigma(F))
no. of obsd reflns
abs cor
                                 semiempirical
min/max transmissn
                                 0.0516/0.0858
                       Solution and Refinement
                                 Siemens SHELXTL PLUS (VMS)
syst used
                                 direct methods
soln
refinement method
                                 full-matrix least-squares
quantity minimized
                                 \sum w(F_{\rm o}-F_{\rm c})^2
                                 N/A
abs structure
extinction cor
                                 \chi = 0.0102(3), where F^* =
                                    F[1 + 0.002\chi F^2/\sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}
hydrogen atoms
                                 riding model, fixed isotropic U
                                 w^{-1} = \sigma^2(F) + 0.0011F^2
wting scheme
no. of params refined
                                 236
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wting scheme $w^{-1} = \sigma^2(F) + 0.0011F^2$ no. of params refined final R indices (obsd data) R = 2.35%, wR = 3.91% R indices (all data) R = 2.68%, wR = 4.74%goodness-of-fit 1.04
largest and mean Δ/σ 1.598, 0.455
data-to-param ratio 10.9:1
largest difference peak largest difference hole 0.56 e Å^{-3}

for 30 min an IR spectrum exhibited six $\nu(CO)$ bands (1991, 1933, 1882, 1867, 1812, and 1753 cm $^{-1}$). Addition of an excess of methyl iodide resulted in the formation of a brown-green color and new $\nu(CO)$ bands at 2000, 1991, 1942, and 1937 cm $^{-1}$. Removal of the solvent in vacuo was followed by extraction into a 70:30 hexane—methylene chloride solvent mixture. This solution was filtered, concentrated to 5 mL, and placed upon an alumina column, 1 \times 15 cm. Elution with a hexane—methylene chloride solvent mixture (90:10) developed a yellow band which was collected. Recrystallization from the same solvent mixture yielded **2a** (0.15 g, 0.2 mmol, 38%).

The same procedure was applied to obtain the corresponding Me₃Sn derivative, $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)$ Fe(CO)₂SiMe₂SiMe₂ $(\eta^5-C_5H_4)$ Fe(CO)₂SpMe₂ 5

Structural Determination of 4. Crystallographic data were collected on a Siemens R3m/V single-crystal diffractometer, and the structure was solved using the SHELEXTL-PLUS software package. All the relevant data are provided in the accompanying Tables 2-5 and supporting information.

Table 3. Atomic Coordinates $(\times 10^4)$ and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Coefficients $(\mathring{A}^2\times 10^3)$

| | | (12 // 20 / | | |
|-------|----------|-------------|----------|--------------------|
| | x | у | z | $U(\mathrm{eq})^a$ |
| Sn(1) | -6324(1) | -2170(1) | 5485(1) | 44(1) |
| Fe(1) | -5012(1) | 119(1) | 6523(1) | 41(1) |
| O(1) | -5803(6) | -1865(4) | 7894(3) | 79(2) |
| O(2) | -1529(5) | -473(5) | 6534(3) | 86(2) |
| C(1) | -6692(6) | 1201(5) | 5759(3) | 50(2) |
| C(2) | -5102(6) | -1905(5) | 4316(3) | 47(2) |
| C(3) | -4074(7) | 2440(5) | 6554(3) | 53(2) |
| C(4) | -5360(8) | 2095(6) | 7117(3) | 59(2) |
| C(5) | -6956(7) | 1304(6) | 6624(3) | 61(2) |
| C(6) | -9165(7) | -2634(7) | 5025(4) | 78(2) |
| C(7) | -5806(9) | -4219(6) | 5980(4) | 77(3) |
| C(8) | -5513(7) | -1090(6) | 7347(3) | 53(2) |
| C(9) | -2919(6) | -254(5) | 6519(3) | 52(2) |
| Sn(2) | 571(1) | 5577(1) | 8687(1) | 44(1) |
| Fe(2) | 1070(1) | 7636(1) | 9876(1) | 40(1) |
| O(3) | 1733(6) | 9892(4) | 8619(3) | 75(2) |
| O(4) | -2758(5) | 7354(4) | 9542(3) | 72(2) |
| C(10) | 2787(7) | 8899(5) | 10925(3) | 61(2) |
| C(11) | 1349(7) | 7940(5) | 11214(3) | 52 (2) |
| C(12) | 1331(6) | 6413(5) | 10994(3) | 44(2) |
| C(13) | 2839(6) | 6498(5) | 10552(3) | 51(2) |
| C(14) | 3723(6) | 8030(6) | 10493(3) | 57(2) |
| C(15) | 2804(8) | 4675(7) | 8444(4) | 76(2) |
| C(16) | -652(9) | 6164(7) | 7456(3) | 84(3) |
| C(17) | 1465(6) | 8972(5) | 9106(3) | 49(2) |
| C(18) | -1239(6) | 7456(5) | 9668(3) | 49(2) |
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 a Equivalent isotropic U defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized \mathbf{U}_{ij} tensor.

Table 4. Selected Bond Lengths (Å) for 4

| Sn(1)-Fe(1) | 2.539(1) | Sn(2)-Fe(2) | 2.541(1) |
|-------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| Sn(1)-C(2) | 2.166(5) | Sn(2)-C(12) | 2.173(4) |
| Sn(1)-C(7) | 2.151(5) | Sn(2)-C(16) | 2.165(6) |
| Fe(1)-C(8) | 1.743(5) | Fe(2)-C(17) | 1.743(5) |

Table 5. Selected Bond Angles (deg) for 4

| C(2)-Sn(1)-Fe(1) | 110.2(1) | C(12a)-Sn(2)-Fe(2) | 109.5(1) |
|------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| C(6)-Sn(1)-C(7) | 106.7(1) | C(15)-Sn(2)-C(16) | 107.2(3) |
| C(8)-Fe(1)-C(9) | 92.7(2) | C(17)-Fe(2)-C(18) | 92.0(2) |

Results and Discussion

Treatment of the disilyl-, monogermyl-, and monostannyl-bridged bimetallic complexes $\mathbf{1a}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}$ with 1 equiv of LDA resulted in a single migration, such that quenching with MeI resulted in the formation of $\mathrm{Fp}(\mathrm{ER}_2)_n$ - $(\eta^5$ - $\mathrm{C}_5\mathrm{H}_4)\mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{CO})_2\mathrm{Me}$, $(\mathrm{ER}_2)_n = \mathrm{Si}_2\mathrm{Me}_4$, GeMe_2 , SnMe_2 , $\mathrm{2a}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d}$, eq 1. Quenching the reaction between $\mathrm{1a}$ and

LDA with Me₃SnCl resulted in the corresponding trimethyltin complex. NMR analysis of the crude reaction product provided no evidence for significant double migrations in these experiments.

Treatment of the same complexes **1a**,**c**,**d** with 2 equiv of lithium diisopropylamide in THF followed by quenching of the resulting metal carbonylate ions with either MeI (and in some cases Me₃SnCl) resulted in the isolation of the corresponding methyl (or stannyl) double-migration products in moderate to good yields, 30%-65%, eq 2.

In the case of the pentasilyl-bridged bimetallic complex, 1b, treatment with 1 equiv of LDA always resulted

in a mixture of single **and** double migration. Changing LDA addition rates and temperatures did not change this outcome. We have been able to characterize the single-migration products only by ²⁹Si NMR spectroscopy in these mixtures. Addition of excess LDA, >2 equiv, permitted isolation of the pure double-migration product.

Figure 1. ν (CO), ¹¹⁹Sn and ²⁹Si NMR data for starting materials and for single- and double-migrated products, **1a,d**, **2a,d**, and **3a,d**.

The above results suggest that when the two Fe centers are close, bridged by only 1 or 2 atoms, initial deprotonation of one cyclopentadienyl ring and migration of the group 14 element to the ring produces an anion that significantly reduces the ability of the second cyclopentadienyl group to deprotonate, i.e., step A (eq 3a) is significantly favored over step B (eq 3b). Only

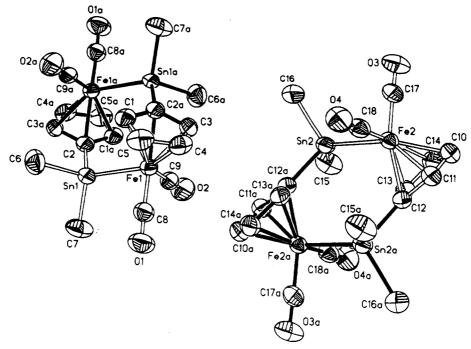


Figure 2. Structure of 4.

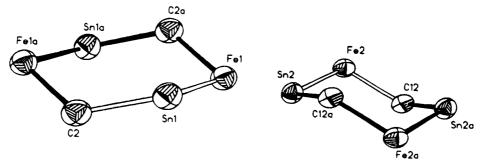


Figure 3. Conformations of the Sn-C-Fe-Sn-C-Fe ring in 4.

upon completion of the first process does the second process, **B**, commence. The inductive effect of negative charge at one end of the bridge may be expected to retard the deprotonation at the other end. A one- or two-atom bridging unit can transmit this effect, but with longer chains the effect is attenuated and the two ends of the complex act as independent and equivalent units.

The spectroscopic data for the new complexes are most informative with respect to detailing the changes in coordination at the transition metal center. Figure 1a illustrates the trends observed for the tranformations $1a \rightarrow 2a \rightarrow 3a$, and Figure 1b does the same from the transformation $1d \rightarrow 2d \rightarrow 3d$. Thus the infrared stretching frequencies for the CO groups in $[(\eta^5$ $C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2]_2SnMe_2$ at 1993 and 1944 cm⁻¹ changed to 2010 and 1956 cm⁻¹ upon transformation to the double-migration product SnMe₂[(C₅H₄)Fe(CO)₂Me]₂ that now contains Fe-C bonds. The 119Sn NMR signal for the two complexes changed from 329.7 to -26.7 ppm. Both these observations are in accord with previously reported data, and the spectra of the intermediate single-migration products exhibited bands associated with each "end" of the group 14 bridging ligand. 4,6 Similarly the IR and ²⁹Si NMR data for the series 1a, 2a, and 3a change in a systematic manner.

Analysis of the crude reaction mixtures using multinuclear NMR and GC/MS sometimes exhibited products from reactions involving the cleavage of the M-Sn and M–Ge bonds in the starting materials, especially when an excess of LDA was used. Such reactions have been observed previously,⁴ and in the present study the double-migration product was sometimes contaminated with such cleavage products. For example, treatment of $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2]_2SnMe_2$ with an excess of LDA followed by quenching with Me₃SnCl resulted in small amounts of FpSnMe₃, as determined by ¹¹⁹Sn NMR (+143.5 ppm) and GC/mass spectrometry via the intermediacy of Fp⁻Li⁺.

A greater amount of the cleavage reaction occurred when we studied the molybdenum complex $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)-Mo(CO)_3]_2SnMe_2$, and quenching with MeI produced $(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Mo(CO)_3Me$ together with the double-migration product, **7a**. Several purification steps were needed in order to obtain a pure analytical sample of **7a**, hence the relatively low recovered yield. Finally, the reaction of $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)W(CO)_3]_2GeMe_2$ with LDA resulted in cleavage of the W-Ge bond to yield $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)W(CO)_3Me]$ upon quenching with MeI.

Formation of $[(\eta^5-C_5H_4)Fe(CO)_2SnMe_2]_2$, 4. The reaction between FpSnMe₂Fp and LDA was a complex reaction. Rapid addition of the 2 equiv of base resulted in double migration; however, addition of 1 equivalent resulted in both a single-migration product and the distinctive reaction product 4. The mechanism for the formation of 4 is not clear. Clearly kinetic aspects of the chemistry are involved, including possible participation of intermediates from the Fe-Sn cleavage reactions

noted above; however, one of many speculative processes could be involved.

We obtained crystals of 4 suitable for a single-crystal X-ray analysis, and the structure of the complex is illustrated in Figure 2. It is similar to the analogous silicon complex recently reported by Sun and co-workers from the thermal rearrangement of $[(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_4)\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2]_2(\mu\text{-}\text{SiMe}_2\text{SiMe}_2)^{.10}$ The asymmetric unit consists of two molecular fragments, A and B. Fragment A contains atoms Fe1, Sn1, O1, O2, and C1–C9, and fragment B contains Fe2, Sn2, O3, O4, and C10–C18. Each fragment, through crystallographic symmetry, generates a dimeric molecule having a molecular center of symmetry coinciding with a crystallographic one at $-^{1}/_{2}$, 0, $^{1}/_{2}$ for A and at 0, $^{1}/_{2}$, 1 for B. The dimers have similar

conformations but different orientations in the unit cell. The Fe-Sn bond length of 2.539(1) Å is in the normal range for such bonds, and the six-membered ring Fe-C-Sn-Fe-C-Sn assumes a typical chair conformation when viewed in the absence of ancillary atoms for clarity, Figure 3.

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