# 半夹心结构含 1,2-二硫碳硼烷的铑配合物的合成以及结构表征

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摘要:室温下,18-电子体系的半夹心铑配合物  $Cp*Rh(L)S_2C_2(B_{10}H_{10})(L=4-ClCH_2-C_6H_4N$  (**2a**),4- $CH_3SCH_2-C_6H_4N$  (**2b**))可以通过 16-电子体系的半夹心铑配合物[ $Cp*Rh[S_2C_2(B_{10}H_{10})]$ 与吡啶衍生物合成。化合物通过 IR、 $^{1}H$  NMR 和元素分析进行了表征,并用 X-射线单晶衍射测定了配合物 **2a** 和 **2b** 的单晶结构。

关键词:碳硼烷;硫;半夹心铑配合物

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## Synthesis and Characterization of Half-sandwich Rhodium Complexes Containing 1,2-dithiolato Carborane Ligands

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**Abstract:** The 18-electron dithiolato carborane complexes Cp\*Rh(L)S<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>(B<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>) (L=4-(chloromethyl)pyridine (**2a**), 4-(methylthiomethyl)pyridine (**2b**)) were synthesized from the 16e half-sandwich rhodium complexe [Cp\*Rh[S<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>(B<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>)] and pyridine derivatives (L) at room temperature. The complexes have been fully characterized by their IR and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy, as well as elemental analysis. The molecular structures of **2a** and **2b** were established through X-ray crystal structure analysis. CCDC: 679789, **2a**; 679790, **2b**.

Key words: carborane; sulfur; half-sandwich rhodium

Since the discovery of 1,2-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane, the chemistry of this exceptionally stable carborane and its 1,7- and 1,12-isomers has aroused considerable interest <sup>[1]</sup>. The 1,2-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane-1,2-dichalcogenolates can serve as the voluminous and chemically robust chelate ligands and react with half-sandwich metal dichloride  $Cp'_2M_2Cl_2(\mu\text{-}Cl)_2$  to form 16-electron complexes  $[Cp'M \ \{E_2C_2 \ (B_{10}H_{10})\}] \ (Cp'=\eta^5-C_5M_5, \ \eta^5-C_5H_5; \ M=Co, \ Rh, \ Ir; \ E=S, \ Se)^{[2]}$ , which can be stored conveniently and used for further transformations in a controlled way under various conditions. These 16-

electron Cp and Cp\* half-sandwich metal complexes, containing a bidentate 1,2-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane-1,2-dichalcogenolato ligand and a "pseudo-aromatic" metalladichalcogenolene five-membered ring, themselves, possess very special features. Bulky orthocarborane and cyclopentadienyl units can potentially stabilize the 16-electron metal center<sup>[3]</sup>. And they can be used as models to study the insertion of alkynes into one of the metal-sulfur bonds<sup>[4]</sup>, this may lead to the formation of a metal-to-boron bond or substitution of the carborane cage in the positions of B(3)/B(6)<sup>[5]</sup>, and they

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can also serve as promising precursors for the synthesis of mixed-metal clusters<sup>[6]</sup>. During the past decade, considerable attention has been devoted to this kind of complexes.

Aiming at the development of versatile and rational methods for the coordinative saturated 18-electron derivatives, we have extended our study to include the o-carborane-1,2-dithiolate rhodium complex [Cp\*RhS<sub>2</sub> C<sub>2</sub>(B<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>)]. Herein, we report the addition reactions of Cp\*Rh[S<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>(B<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>)] with pyridyl derivatives forms the 18-electron dithiolato carborane complexes Cp\*Rh(L) S<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>(B<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>) (L=4-(chloromethyl)pyridine (**2a**), 4-(methylthiomethyl) pyridine (**2b**)).

## 1 Experimental

#### 1.1 Materials and methods

All manipulations were performed under an atmosphere of argon using standard Schlenk techniques. Solvents were dried and deoxygenated by M. Braun Solvent Purification System (4464) and collected just before use. Elemental analyses were carried out by Elementar III Vario EI Analyzer. IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet AVATAR-360IR spectrometer, and <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz) spectra were obtained on a Bruker DMX-500 spectromete in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

 $[Cp*RhCl_2]_2^{[7]}$  and  $Cp*Rh[S_2C_2(B_{10}H_{10})]^{[2]}$  were prepared according to the reported procedures, while other chemicals were obtained commercially and used without further purification.

#### 1.2 Synthesis of the complexes

Synthesis of **2a**: A solution of **1** (89 mg, 0.2 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (30 mL) was added to 4-(chloromethyl)pyridine (25 mg, 0.2 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (30 mL). The greencolored mixture was stirred for 24 h, where upon it gradually became dark red. The solvent was then evaporated under vacuum. The residue was washed with toluene to give a red solid of **2a** (93 mg, 82%). Elemental analysis. Calc. for  $C_{18}H_{31}B_{10}CINRhS_2$  (%): C, 37.79; H, 5.46; N, 2.45. Found (%): C, 37.52; H, 5.54; N, 2.68. IR (KBr):  $\nu$ =2 555 ( $\nu$ <sub>B-H</sub>) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm):  $\delta$ =8.73 (d, 2H), 7.32 (d, 2H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 1.66(s, 15H,  $Cp^*$ ).

Synthesis of **2b**: A solution of **1** (89 mg, 0.2 mmol)

in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (30 mL) was added to 4-(methylthiomethyl) pyridine (28 mg, 0.2 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (30 mL). The green-colored mixture was stirred for 24 h, where upon it gradually became dark red. The solvent was then evaporated under vacuum. The residue was washed with toluene to give a red solid of **2b** (102 mg, 87%). Elemental analysis. Calc. for  $C_{19}H_{34}B_{10}NRhS_3$  (%): C, 39.10; H, 5.87; N, 2.40. Found (%): C, 39.52; H, 5.72; N, 2.38. IR (KBr):  $\nu$ =2 553 ( $\nu$ <sub>B-H</sub>) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm):  $\delta$ =8.71 (d, 2H), 7.37 (d, 2H), 4.60 (s, 2H), 2.23(s, 3H) 1.67(s, 30H, Cp\*).

#### 1.3 Crystal structure determination

Diffraction data of crystal 2a with dimensions of  $0.30 \text{ mm} \times 0.20 \text{ mm} \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$  and crystal **2b** with dimensions of 0.10 mm  $\times$  0.08 mm  $\times$  0.06 mm were collected on a Bruker Smart APEX CCD diffractometer with graphite monochromatized Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda$  = 0.071 073 nm) at 293 (2) K. Cell parameters were retrieved using SMART software and refined using SAINT on all observed reflections. A total of 12622 reflections for **2a** were collected in the range of  $1.38^{\circ} < \theta <$ 25.01° by using an  $\omega$  scan mode, of which 9 850 were unique with  $R_{\rm int}$ =0.032 5. A total of 13 552 reflections for **2b** were collected in the range of  $1.71^{\circ} < \theta < 27.13^{\circ}$  by using an  $\omega$  scan mode, of which 6 040 were unique with  $R_{\text{int}}$ =0.0900. The intensities were corrected for Lorentzpolarization effects and empirical absorption with the SADABS program<sup>[8]</sup>. The structures were solved by direct methods. All non-hydrogen atoms were found from the difference Fourier syntheses. The H atoms were included in calculated positions with isotropic thermal parameters related to those of the supporting carbon atoms but were not included in the refinement. All calculations were performed using the SHELX-97 program<sup>[9]</sup>. Some solvents molecules were unordered, therefore, new data sets corresponding to omission of the unordered solvents molecules were generated with the SQUEEZE algorithm<sup>[10]</sup> and the structures were refined to convergence. Crystal data, data collection parameters, and the results of the analyses of compounds 2a and 2b are listed in Table 1 and the selected bond distances and angles in Table 2.

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Table 1 Crystallographic data for complexes 2a and 2b

Complex	2a	2b	
Formula	$C_{18}H_{31}B_{10}ClRhNS_2\boldsymbol{\cdot} 0.5CH_2Cl_2$	$Cl_{2}C_{19}H_{34}B_{10}NRhS_{3}$	
M	614.48	583.66	
Crystal system	Triclinic	Monoclinic	
Space group	$P\overline{1}$	C2/c	
a / nm	1.122 2(3)	2.959 1(7)	
<i>b</i> / nm	1.526 2(4)	1.236 0(3)	
c / nm	1.878 6(5)	1.874 5(5)	
α / (°)	76.546(4)		
β / (°)	76.618(4)	126.462(3)	
γ / (°)	82.429(4)		
V / nm <sup>3</sup>	3.033 9(14)	5.514(2)	
Z	4	8	
$D_{\rm c}$ / (g·cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.345	1.406	
μ (Μο Κα)	0.887	0.858	
F(000)	1244	2384	
Crystal size / mm	$0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.10$	$0.10 \times 0.08 \times 0.06$	
Reflections collected / unique $(R_{ m int})$	12 622 / 9 850 (0.032 5)	13 552 / 6 040 (0.090 0)	
$\theta$ range / (°)	1.38 to 25.01	1.71 to 27.13	
Data / restraints / parameters	9 850 / 0 / 653	6 040 / 0 / 323	
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	0.853	0.747	
final $R$ indices $[I>2\sigma(I)]^a$	$R_1$ =0.052 0, $wR_2$ =0.104 4 $R_1$ =0.048 9, $wR_2$ =0.08.		
R indices (all data)	$R_1$ =0.088 0, $wR_2$ =0.112 6	$R_1$ =0.131 4, $wR_2$ =0.097 2	
Larg. diff. peak and hole / (e·nm <sup>-3</sup> )	1 211 and -1 138	655 and -665	

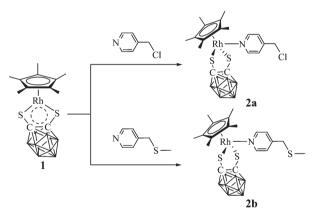
 ${}^{s}[I>2\sigma(I)],\ R_{1}=\sum||F_{o}|-|F_{c}||/\sum|F_{o}|;\ wR_{2}=[\sum w(|F_{o}^{2}|-|F_{c}^{2}|)^{2}/\sum w|F_{o}^{2}|^{2}]^{1/2}.$ 

Table 2 Selected bond distances (nm) and angles (°) for 2a and 2b

		2a			
Rh(1)-N(1)	0.214 7(5)	Rh(1)-S(2)	0.235 82(17)	Rh(1)-S(1)	0.236 83(17)
S(1)-C(2)	0.177 8(6)	S(2)-C(1)	0.179 3(6)	Cl(1)-C(8)	0.168 8(9)
N(1)-C(7)	0.133 6(7)	N(1)-C(3)	0.133 8(8)	C(1)-C(2)	0.167 9(8)
B(3)-C(1)	0.172 7(10)				
N(1)-Rh(1)-S(2)	91.17(15)	N(1)-Rh(1)-S(1)	91.80(15)	S(1)-Rh(1)-S(2)	90.38(6)
S(2)-Rh(1)-S(1)	90.38(6)	C(1)- $S(1)$ - $Rh(1)$	106.5(2)	C(2)- $S(2)$ - $Rh(1)$	106.7(2)
C(7)-N(1)-Rh(1)	121.6(5)	C(3)-N(1)-Rh(1)	121.6(5)		
		2b	)		
Rh(1)-N(1)	0.214 2(4)	Rh(1)-S(2)	0.235 22(15)	Rh(1)-S(1)	0.235 87(14)
S(1)-C(1)	0.179 0(5)	S(2)-C(2)	0.178 6(5)	S(3)-C(8)	0.175 4(6)
S(3)-C(9)	0.185 7(13)	C(1)-C(2)	0.166 5(6)		
N(1)-Rh(1)-S(2)	90.77(11)	N(1)-Rh(1)-S(1)	90.50(11)	S(2)-Rh(1)-S(1)	90.69(5)
C(1)- $S(1)$ - $Rh(1)$	106.29(16)	C(1)- $S(1)$ - $Rh(1)$	106.29(16)	C(2)- $S(2)$ - $Rh(1)$	106.75(15)
C(8)-S(3)-C(9)	102.6(3)	C(3)-N(1)-C(7)	117.3(5)	C(3)-N(1)-Rh(1)	121.5(4)
C(7)-N(1)-Rh(1)	120.6(3)				

## 2 Results and discussion

The synthesis route of complexes 2a and 2b are shown in Scheme 1. According to the former work<sup>[2]</sup>, the dilithium carborane dichalcogenolates Li<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub> (B<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>) react with the half-sandwich rhodium chloro-bridged dimmer [Cp\*RhCl<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> to give the 16-electron complex Cp\*RhS<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub> (B<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>) 1. The corresponding 18-electron complexes  $Cp*Rh(L)S_2C_2(B_{10}H_{10})_2$  (L=4-(chloromethyl) pyridine (2a), 4-(methylthiomethyl)pyridine (2b)) have been prepared by addition of two-electron ligands L (L= 4-(chloromethyl)pyridine, 4-(methylthiomethyl)pyridine), respectively. The IR spectra of 2a and 2b both show a strong band for B-H vibration at approximately 2 555 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The <sup>1</sup>H spectra for **2a** showed two singlet at  $\delta$ =1.66, 4.59 ppm due to Cp\* and methylene protons and two double resonance at  $\delta$ =7.32, 8.73 ppm due to pyridine ligand protons, that for 2b had three singlet at  $\delta$ =1.67, 2.23, 4.59 ppm due to Cp\*, methyl and methylene protons and two double resonance at  $\delta$ =7.37, 8.71 ppm due to pyridine ligand protons, respectively.



Scheme 1 Synthesis of 2a, 2b

The molecular structures of the 18-electron complexes 2a and 2b in the crystal were determined by X-ray crystal structure analyses and the molecular structures of 2a and 2b with the atom-numbering scheme are shown in Fig.1 and 2, respectively. In our pervious report, the molecule of 1 corresponds to point group symmetry  $C_{2x}$  with two perpendicular mirror planes. Addition of ligand pyridyl derivatives (4-(chloromethyl)pyridine, 4-(methylthiomethyl)pyridine) into the rhodium of 1 to form the 18-electron complexes 2a and 2b lead to  $C_s$  symmetry with only one mirror plane left. The rhoda-

dithiolene heterocycle in **1** (which is coplanar with centers of both the Cp\* ring and the ortho-dicarbadodecaborane cluster) is bent in **2a** and **2b** with a dihedral angle at S···S vector of 172.6°, 179.5°, respectively. Apparently, the ligand pyridyl derivatives destroy the pseudo-aromatic RhS<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub> system in **1** slightly. This is particularly evident from the fact that on going from **1** to **2a** and **2b**, the C(1)-C(2) bond lengths are 0.168 0 (**2a**), 0.166 5(6) nm (**2b**) and the Rh-S bond lengths are 0.236 32(67) (**2a**), 0.235 54(65) nm (**2b**) (av.), while the S-Rh-S angles are 90.38(6) (**2a**), 90.69(5) (**2b**).

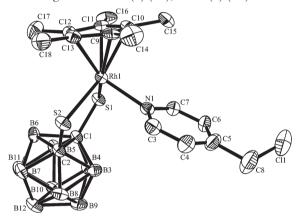


Fig.1 Molecular structure of 2a

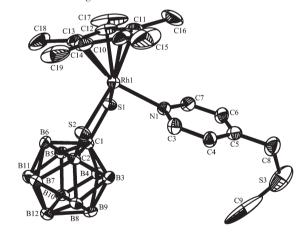


Fig.2 Molecular structure of **2b** 

#### 3 Conclusions

In this context work, we carried out the reactions of the mononuclear 16-electron rhodium complex with pyridyl derivatives. Two 18-electron dithiolato carborane complexes were prepared and fully characterized by IR, NMR, and X-ray crystallographic analysis. We anticipate this is a noteworthy approach for the design of a variety of more complex coordination motifs with

novel patterns.

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