

Homo- and heterodinuclear complexes of the tetrakis(pyrazolyl)borate ligand

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Table 1 ^1H , ^{13}C - $\{^1\text{H}\}$, ^{11}B and ^{31}P - $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopic data for rhodium and iridium homo- and hetero-dinuclear complexes.^a

Complex	^1H	^{13}C - $\{^1\text{H}\}$	^{11}B	^{31}P - $\{^1\text{H}\}$
1⁺ $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+$	7.68 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 1.6 Hz; 7.50 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.6 Hz; 6.62 (app. t, ^b 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 4.08 (s, 8H, <i>codCH</i>); 2.34-2.38 (br m, 8H, <i>codCH</i> ₂); 1.82-1.90 (br m, 8H, <i>codCH</i> ₂)	143.8 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 137.5 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 108.0 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 83.2 (d, <i>codCH</i>), <i>J</i> (Rh,C) = 12.7 Hz; 30.3 (s, <i>codCH</i> ₂)	-0.7	
2⁺ $[(\eta\text{-nbd})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-nbd})]^+$	7.37 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 7.07 (s, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>); 6.50 (app. t, ^b 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 4.11 (dd, 8H, <i>nbdCH</i>) ^c , <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 and 4.9 Hz; 3.89-3.95 (br m, 4H, <i>nbdCH</i>); 1.47 (t, 4H, <i>nbdCH</i> ₂), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 1.7 Hz;	144.6 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 138.4 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 109.4 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 64.5 (d, <i>nbdCH</i>) ^c , <i>J</i> (Rh,C) = 6.2 Hz; 60.3 (s, <i>nbdCH</i> ₂); 52.3 (s, <i>nbdCH</i>)	-0.5	
3⁺ $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Ir}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+$	7.76 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 7.45 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.5 Hz; 6.59 (app t, ^b 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 3.79 (br, 8H, <i>codCH</i>); 2.13-2.17 (br m, 8H, <i>codCH</i> ₂); 1.61-1.69 (br m, 8H, <i>codCH</i> ₂)	145.6 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 139.7 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 110.1 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 69.5 (<i>codCH</i>); 32.4 (<i>codCH</i> ₂)	-0.5	
4⁺ $[(\text{CO})_2\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+$	7.93 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 7.39 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 6.63 (app. t, ^b 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz	182.9 (d, CO), <i>J</i> (Rh,C) = 72 Hz; 149.2 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 138.1 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 109.3 (s, <i>pzCH</i>)	-0.6	
5⁺ $[(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)]^+$	8.01 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 7.65 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 7.49-7.27 (m, 30H, <i>PhH</i>); 7.00 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 6.72 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 6.51 (app. t, ^b 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.2 Hz; 5.94 (t, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>) <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.2 Hz	187.2 (dd, CO), <i>J</i> (Rh,C) = 73 Hz, <i>J</i> (C,P) = 24 Hz; 149.3 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 147.8 (s, <i>PzCH</i>); 139.2 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 138.5 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 134.0-129.3 {m, <i>P</i> (C ₆ H ₅) ₃ }; 110.7 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 109.5 (s, <i>pzCH</i>)	-0.6	43.9 {d, <i>J</i> (Rh,P) = 159 Hz}
6⁺ $[(\text{CO})_2\text{Ir}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\text{CO})_2]^+$	8.10 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 7.49 (d, 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 6.69 (app. t, ^b 4H, <i>PzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz	185.3 (s, CO); 184.7 (s, CO); 151.2 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 140.0 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 110.9 (s, <i>pzCH</i>)	-0.5	
7⁺ $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-nbd})]^+$			-0.7	
8⁺ $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+$			-0.7	
9⁺ $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+$			-0.6	
10 $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{CoCl}_2]$	40.77 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 29.72 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 11.84 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 10.10 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 8.95 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 6.47 (s, 4H, <i>codCH</i>); 3.47 (s, 4H, <i>codCH</i> ₂); 2.73 (s, 4H, <i>codCH</i> ₂); -25.40 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>)	206.4 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 148.2 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 115.1 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 86.7 (s, <i>codCH</i>); 32.4 (s, <i>codCH</i> ₂)	-0.9; 27.8	
11 $[(\eta\text{-nbd})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{CoCl}_2]$	42.44 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 28.59 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 14.32 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 9.88 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 8.99 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 6.23 (s, 4H, <i>nbdCH</i>) ^c ; 5.07 (s, 2H, <i>nbdCH</i>); 2.29 (s, 2H, <i>nbdCH</i> ₂); -24.00 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>)	148.5 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 116.3 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 65.2 (s, <i>nbdCH</i> ₂); 62.0 (s, <i>nbdCH</i>) ^c ; 52.1 (s, <i>nbdCH</i>)	-0.8; 21.4	
12 $[(\text{CO})_2\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{CoCl}_2]$	41.60 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 30.00 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 12.09 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 10.54 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 9.30 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); -25.00 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>)	167.6 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 132.5 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 130.9 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 128.8 (s, <i>pzCH</i>)	-0.8; 21.8	
13 $[(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{CoCl}_2]$	41.98 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 31.29 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 16.09 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 11.71 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 10.20 (s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>); 7.22-7.86 (br m, 15H, <i>PhH</i>); -23.54 (br s, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>)		-0.8; 31.4	45.9 {d, <i>J</i> (Rh,P) = 162 Hz}; 29.9 {d, <i>J</i> (Rh,P) = 128 Hz}
14 $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{ZnCl}_2]$	8.11 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4; 7.68 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 7.53 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 7.19 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 6.67 (app. t, ^b 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.2 Hz; 6.42 (app. t, ^b 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.2 Hz; 4.18 (s, 4H, <i>codCH</i>); 2.42-2.50 (br m, 4H, <i>codCH</i> ₂); 1.94 (m, 4H, <i>codCH</i> ₂)	146.8 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 144.9 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 143.2 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 141.7 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 137.8 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 107.5 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 83.2 (d, <i>codCH</i>), <i>J</i> (Rh,C) = 12.0 Hz; 30.4 (s, <i>codCH</i> ₂)	-0.8	
15 $[(\eta\text{-nbd})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{ZnCl}_2]$	8.07 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>) <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 7.50 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 7.24 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 7.07 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 6.62 (app. t, ^b 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.3 Hz; 6.38 (app. t, ^b 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.4 Hz; 4.11-4.13 (br m, 4H, <i>nbdCH</i>) ^c ; 3.93 (s, 2H, <i>nbdCH</i>); 1.47 (br m, 2H, <i>nbdCH</i> ₂)	145.3 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 144.4 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 142.7 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 137.8 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 137.3 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 107.6 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 62.9 (s, <i>nbdCH</i> ₂); 58.8 (d, <i>nbdCH</i>) ^c , <i>J</i> (Rh,C) = 11.0 Hz; 61.0 (s, <i>nbdCH</i> ₂); 50.7 (s, <i>nbdCH</i>)	-0.8	
16 $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{PdCl}_2]$	8.41 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.2 Hz; 7.61 (d, 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.2 Hz; 7.54 (s, 4H, <i>pzCH</i>); 6.57 (app. t, ^b 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.2 Hz; 6.51 (app. t, ^b 2H, <i>pzCH</i>), <i>J</i> (H,H) = 2.2 Hz; 4.19 (s, 4H, <i>codCH</i>); 2.40-2.46 (br m, 4H, <i>codCH</i> ₂); 1.91-1.97 (br m, 4H, <i>codCH</i> ₂)	147.1 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 145.3 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 143.8 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 137.5 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 136.2 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 107.7 (s, <i>pzCH</i>); 83.7 (s, <i>codCH</i>), <i>J</i> (Rh,C) = 12.2 Hz; 30.7 (s, <i>codCH</i> ₂)	-2.2	

^a Chemical shift (δ) in ppm, *J* values in Hz, spectra in CD₂Cl₂ at 20 °C unless otherwise stated. ^b Apparent triplet (coincident dd). ^c Alkenic proton or carbon of *nbd*.

Table 2 Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **1**⁺[PF₆]⁻·0.25CH₂Cl₂, **2**⁺[PF₆]⁻·CH₂Cl₂, **4**⁺[PF₆]⁻, **5**⁺[PF₆]⁻·3CH₂Cl₂, **10**, **11**·CH₂Cl₂, **14**·CH₂Cl₂ and **16**·CH₃CN.^a

	Complex							
	1 ⁺ [PF ₆] ⁻ ·0.25CH ₂ Cl ₂	2 ⁺ [PF ₆] ⁻ ·CH ₂ Cl ₂	4 ⁺ [PF ₆] ⁻	5 ⁺ [PF ₆] ⁻ ·3CH ₂ Cl ₂	10	11 ·CH ₂ Cl ₂	14 ·CH ₂ Cl ₂	16 ·CH ₃ CN
Rh(1)–N(1)	2.132(3)	2.075(7)	2.086(3)	2.103(3)	2.105(5)	2.083(3)	2.107(3)	2.114(3)
Rh(1)–N(3)	2.071(3)	2.056(8)	2.056(3)	2.087(3)	2.086(3)	2.065(3)	2.087(3)	2.068(3)
M–N(5) ^b	2.121(2)	2.073(8)	2.088(3)	2.103(3)	2.008(3)	1.997(3)	2.033(3)	2.043(3)
M–N(7) ^b	2.070(3)	2.055(7)	2.060(3)	2.084(3)	2.001(3)	1.985(3)	2.018(3)	2.017(3)
Rh(1)–X(1) ^c	2.022	2.027	-	-	2.019	1.992	2.024	2.027
Rh(1)–X(2) ^c	2.001	1.995	-	-	2.016	2.012	2.022	2.024
Rh(2)–X(3) ^c	2.033	2.011	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rh(2)–X(4) ^c	1.996	1.975	-	-	-	-	-	-
C(1)–C(2)	1.403(6)	1.399(14)	-	-	1.400(5)	1.386(5)	1.380(6)	1.406(6)
C(3)–C(4)	1.393(5)	1.371(15)	-	-	1.392(5)	1.377(5)	1.401(7)	1.398(6)
C(5)–C(6)	1.384(5)	1.396(13)	-	-	-	-	-	-
C(7)–C(8)	1.388(5)	1.412(13)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rh(1)–C(1)	-	-	1.874(4)	1.830(4)	-	-	-	-
Rh(1)–C(2)	-	-	1.861(4)	-	-	-	-	-
Rh(2)–C(3)	-	-	1.865(4)	1.829(4)	-	-	-	-
Rh(2)–C(4)	-	-	1.859(4)	-	-	-	-	-
C(1)–O(1)	-	-	1.133(4)	1.141(5)	-	-	-	-
C(2)–O(2)	-	-	1.130(3)	1.139(5)	-	-	-	-
C(3)–O(3)	-	-	1.128(4)	-	-	-	-	-
C(4)–O(4)	-	-	1.136(4)	-	-	-	-	-
Rh(1)–P(1)	-	-	-	2.263(1)	-	-	-	-
Rh(2)–P(2)	-	-	-	2.262(1)	-	-	-	-
M–Cl(1)	-	-	-	-	2.233(1)	2.233(1)	2.225(1)	2.286(1)
M–Cl(2)	-	-	-	-	2.216(1)	2.243(1)	2.218(1)	2.292(1)
N(1)–Rh(1)–N(3)	86.2(1)	88.4(3)	88.7(1)	86.7(1)	87.6(1)	90.0(1)	88.2(1)	88.1(1)
N(5)–M–N(7) ^b	86.2(1)	91.5(3)	89.4(1)	84.7(1)	93.9(1)	94.3(1)	93.1(1)	91.2(1)
X(1)–Rh(1)–X(2)	87.3	72.0	-	-	87.0	71.7	86.8	87.2
X(3)–Rh(2)–X(4)	87.0	72.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
N(1)–Rh(1)–X(2)	173.3	169.8	-	-	171.0	169.2	178.9	172.4
N(3)–Rh(1)–X(1)	176.7	171.0	-	-	173.7	172.0	174.3	178.6
N(5)–Rh(2)–X(4)	174.1	170.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
N(7)–Rh(2)–X(3)	178.1	169.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
N(3)–Rh(1)–C(1)	-	-	178.1(1)	175.4(1)	-	-	-	-
Rh(1)–C(1)–O(1)	-	-	177.1(3)	178.8(3)	-	-	-	-
N(1)–Rh(1)–P(1)	-	-	-	174.2(1)	-	-	-	-
Cl(1)–M–Cl(2) ^b	-	-	-	-	111.5(1)	115.9(1)	114.6(1)	89.0(1)
Mplna(1) ^d	147.5	155.6	158.1	152.7	153.6	168.7	155.6	153.1
Mplna(2) ^d	147.4	176.8	162.9	146.5	166.3	170.4	175.0	160.0
Mplnb(1) ^e	135.9	143.1	139.7	141.1	142.4	141.5	145.3	142.1
Mplnb(2) ^e	135.6	143.6	139.3	141.0	141.1	147.2	144.7	141.4

^a Non-bonded components and those involving centroids were not included in the refinement, and thus do not have an e.s.d. ^b M is Rh(2) for complexes **1**⁺, **2**⁺, **4**⁺ and **5**⁺, Co(1) for **10** and **11**, Zn(1) for **14** and Pd(1) for **16**. ^c X(1), X(2), X(3) and X(4) are the midpoints of the C(1)–C(2), C(3)–C(4), C(5)–C(6) and C(7)–C(8) bonds respectively. ^d Mplna(1) is the angle between the midpoints of N(2) and N(4), N(1) and N(3) and Rh(1); Mplna(2) is the angle between the midpoints of N(6) and N(8), N(5) and N(7) and M. ^e Mplnb(1) is the angle between the midpoints of N(1) and N(3), N(2) and N(4) and B; Mplnb(2) is the angle between the midpoints of N(5) and N(7), N(6) and N(8) and B.

Table 3 Crystal and refinement data for **1**⁺[PF₆]⁻·0.25CH₂Cl₂, **2**⁺[PF₆]⁻·CH₂Cl₂, **4**⁺[PF₆]⁻, **5**⁺[PF₆]⁻·3CH₂Cl₂, **10**, **11**·CH₂Cl₂, **14**·CH₂Cl₂ and **16**·CH₃CN.

Complex	1 ⁺ [PF ₆] ⁻ ·0.25CH ₂ Cl ₂	2 ⁺ [PF ₆] ⁻ ·CH ₂ Cl ₂	4 ⁺ [PF ₆] ⁻	5 ⁺ [PF ₆] ⁻ ·3CH ₂ Cl ₂	10	11 ·CH ₂ Cl ₂	14 ·CH ₂ Cl ₂	16 ·CH ₃ CN
Formula	C _{28.25} H _{36.50} BN ₈ Rh ₂ PF ₆ Cl _{0.50}	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ BCl ₂ F ₆ N ₈ PRh ₂	C ₁₆ H ₁₂ BF ₆ N ₈ O ₄ PRh ₂	C ₅₃ H ₄₈ BCl ₆ F ₆ N ₈ O ₂ P ₃ Rh ₂	C ₂₀ H ₂₄ BCl ₂ CoN ₈ Rh	C ₂₀ H ₂₂ BCl ₄ CoN ₈ Rh	C ₂₁ H ₂₆ BCl ₄ N ₈ RhZn	C ₂₂ H ₂₇ BCl ₂ N ₉ PdRh
Formula weight	867.47	899.09	741.94	1465.23	620.02	688.91	711.39	708.55
Temperature / K	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	C2	P2(1)/n	P2(1)/c	P1	P-1	P2(1)/c	P2(1)/c	P-1
<i>a</i> /Å	28.003(7)	14.410(3)	11.397(2)	13.281(3)	9.780(1)	12.218(2)	12.943(19)	9.584(1)
<i>b</i> /Å	13.173(3)	11.036(2)	12.453(2)	13.380(3)	9.860(1)	19.578(4)	19.987(3)	11.856(1)
<i>c</i> /Å	17.663(4)	21.209(5)	17.059(3)	17.393(3)	13.492(2)	12.041(2)	12.152(1)	12.616(1)
<i>α</i> /°	90	90	90	84.36(3)	94.068(2)	90	90	73.114(2)
<i>β</i> /°	99.48(2)	108.51(1)	103.042(3)	74.524(16)	103.562(2)	116.14(3)	117.538(11)	86.102(2)
<i>γ</i> /°	90	90	90	84.84(3)	104.509(2)	90	90	74.047(2)
<i>V</i> /Å ³	6416(3)	3198.3(12)	2358.6(6)	2957.6(11)	1212.7(3)	2585.6(9)	2745.7(7)	1318.8(3)
<i>Z</i>	2	4	4	2	2	4	4	2
<i>μ</i> /mm ⁻¹	1.191	1.319	1.558	0.977	1.610	1.720	1.891	1.541
Reflections collected	33881	16779	10391	34118	7977	29115	18789	10115
Independent reflections (<i>R</i> _{int})	14570 (0.0206)	5632 (0.1010)	3382 (0.0306)	13538 (0.0308)	5441 (0.0261)	5926 (0.0720)	5881 (0.0657)	5677 (0.0293)
Final <i>R</i> 1 [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)] : <i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂	0.0235, 0.0547	0.0605, 0.1246	0.0240, 0.0499	0.0487, 0.1163	0.0353, 0.0625	0.0394, 0.0718	0.0339, 0.0706	0.0301, 0.0632

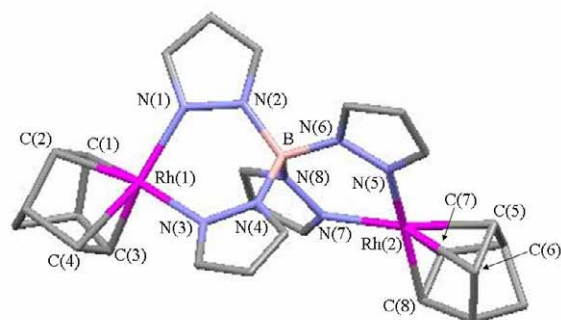


Fig. 1 The structure of $[(\eta\text{-nbd})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-nbd})]^+ 2^+$.

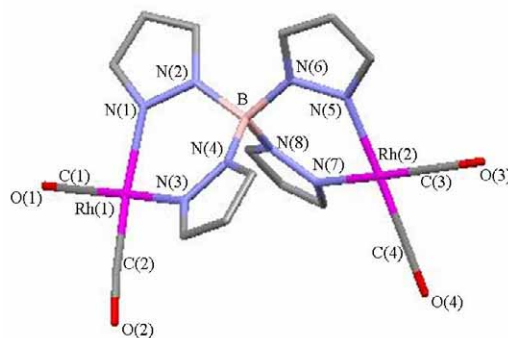


Fig. 2 The structure of $[(\text{CO})_2\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ 4^+$.

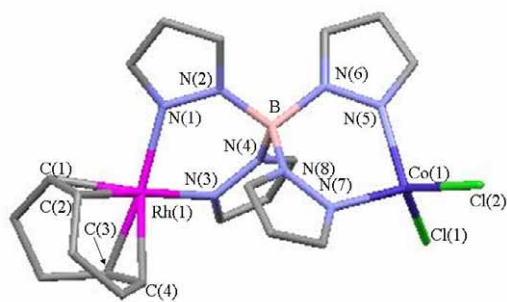


Fig. 3 The structure of $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{CoCl}_2] 10$.

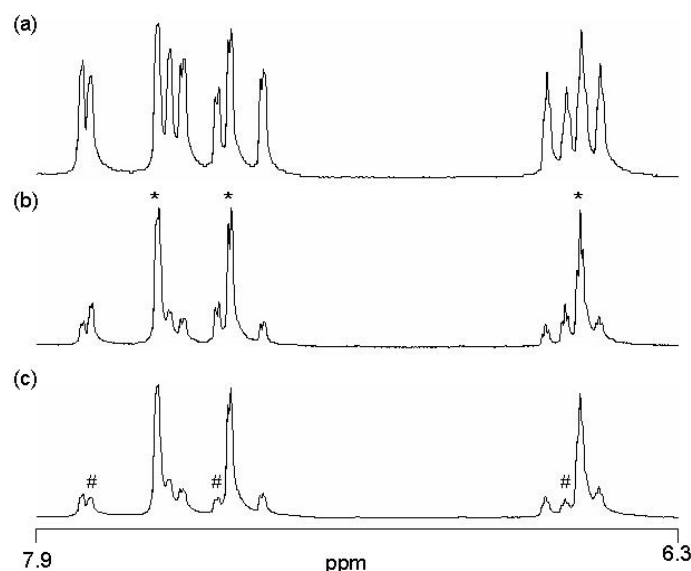


Fig. 4 ^1H NMR spectra of the pyrazolyl region of: (a) $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{8}^+$; (b) 1:1 mixture of $\mathbf{8}^+$ and $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{1}^+$; (c) 1:1:0.38 mixture of $\mathbf{8}^+$, $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{1}^+$ and $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Ir}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{3}^+$. [* = peaks due to $\mathbf{1}^+$. # = peaks due to $\mathbf{3}^+$].

Table 3 Data for the pyrazolyl region of the ^1H NMR spectra of samples including $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{8}^+$.^a

Sample	Chemical Shift (δ) (ppm)
Sample of $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{8}^+$	7.87 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.85 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 7.68 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.7$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.65 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.62 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.53 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 7.50 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.7$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.42 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 6.71 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.4$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 6.66 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 6.62 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.4$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 6.57 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.6$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }
1:1 mixture of $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{1}^+$ and $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{8}^+$	7.87 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.1$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.85 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.1$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 7.68 {d, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.7$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.65 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.7$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.62 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.53 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 7.50 {d, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.6$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.42 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 6.71 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 6.66 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 6.62 {t, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 6.57 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.6$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }
0.38:1:1 mixture of $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Ir}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{3}^+$, $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{1}^+$ and $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{8}^+$	7.87 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.85 {d, 2.14H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 7.68 {d, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.9$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.65 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.62 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 7.53 {d, 2.14H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.4$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 7.50 {d, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.42 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 6.71 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.4$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }, 6.66 {t, 2.14H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.4$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{3}^+$ }, 6.62 {t, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 6.57 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.6$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{8}^+$ }

^a Spectra in CD_2Cl_2 at 25 $^\circ\text{C}$. Integrations are relative to those of the spectrum of $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Ir}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{8}^+$.

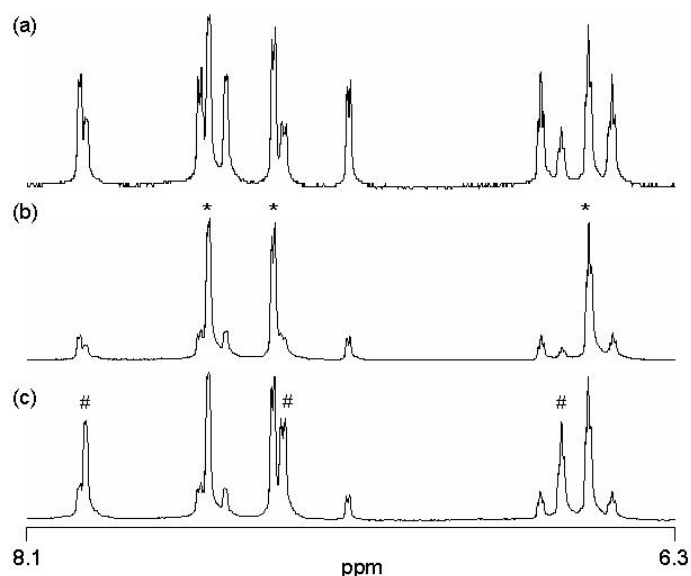


Fig. 5 ^1H NMR spectra of the pyrazolyl region of: (a) $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ \mathbf{9}^+$; (b) 1:1 mixture of $\mathbf{9}^+$ and $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{1}^+$; (c) 1:1:0.78 mixture of $\mathbf{9}^+$, $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta^4\text{cod})]^+ \mathbf{1}^+$ and $[(\text{CO})_2\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ \mathbf{4}^+$. [* = peaks due to $\mathbf{1}^+$. # = peaks due to $\mathbf{4}^+$].

Table 4 Data for the pyrazolyl region of the ^1H NMR spectra of samples including $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ \mathbf{9}^+$.^a

Sample	Chemical Shift (ppm)
$[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ \mathbf{9}^+$	8.04 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 8.02 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.1$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 7.70 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 7.68 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.63 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 7.50 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.6$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.47 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.7$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 7.29 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.6$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 6.76 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.4$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 6.70 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 6.62 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.3$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 6.56 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.3$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }
1:1 mixture of $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{1}^+$ and $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ \mathbf{9}^+$	8.04 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 8.02 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 7.70 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 7.68 {d, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.7$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.63 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.9$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 7.50 {d, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.47 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 7.29 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.6$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 6.76 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.3$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 6.70 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.3$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 6.62 {t, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 6.56 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.3$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }
0.78:1:1 mixture of $[(\text{CO})_2\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ \mathbf{4}^+$, $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\eta\text{-cod})]^+ \mathbf{1}^+$ and $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ \mathbf{9}^+$	8.04 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.0$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 8.02 {d, 3.34H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.1$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 7.70 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 7.68 {d, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.63 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 1.9$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 7.50 {d, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.5$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 7.47 {d, 3.34H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.8$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 7.29 {d, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.7$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 6.76 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.4$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }, 6.70 {t, 3.34H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.3$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{4}^+$ }, 6.62 {t, 4H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.2$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{1}^+$ }, 6.56 {t, 1H, $J(\text{H,H}) = 2.3$ Hz, pzCH $\mathbf{9}^+$ }

^a Spectra in CD_2Cl_2 at 25 °C. Integrations are relative to those of the spectrum of $[(\eta\text{-cod})\text{Rh}\{\mu\text{-B}(\text{pz})_4\}\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2]^+ \mathbf{9}^+$.