## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

Thermodynamic and Kinetic Behaviour of [Pt(2-methylthiomethylpyridine)(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>2+</sup>

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Fig. SI 1 Calculated absorbance traces for the species 1 - 3 for the **Pt(mtp)** complex as a function of pH.



**Fig. SI 2** Calculated energy (B3LYP/LANL2DZp) profile for intramolecular proton transfer of the mono-deprotonated **Pt(mtp)** complex with the transition state (ts).



**Fig. SI 3** UV-vis spectra recorded for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with 5 mM dmtu at pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid) and 25 °C.



**Fig. SI 4** UV-vis spectra recorded for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with 5 mM tmtu at pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid) and 25 °C.



**Fig. SI 5** Isotopic pattern and simulation of the peak around m/z = 861 (M = 860.95 g mol<sup>-1</sup>), which belongs to the **Pt(mtp)** complex that includes three thiourea ligands (at pH 2).



**Fig. SI 6** UV-vis spectra recorded for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with 5 mM dmtu at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer solution) and 25 °C.



**Fig. SI 7** UV-vis spectra recorded for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with 5 mM tmtu at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer solution) and 25 °C.



**Fig. SI 8** Changes in absorbance during the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with 5 mM tu (black) and 15 mM tu (red).



**Fig. SI 9** UV-vis spectra recorded for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with 5 mM tu at pH 7.4 (I = 0.1 M TRIS buffer) and 25 °C.



**Fig. SI 10** Plots of  $k_{obs2}$  vs [tu]<sup>2</sup> for different temperatures at pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).



**Fig. SI 11** Plots of  $k_{obs2}$  vs [dmtu]<sup>2</sup> for different temperatures at pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).



**Fig. SI 12** Plots of  $k_{obs2}$  vs [tmtu]<sup>2</sup> for different temperatures at pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).



Fig. SI 13 Plots of  $k_{obs4}$  vs tu concentration for different temperatures at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).



**Fig. SI 14** Plots of  $k_{obs4}$  vs dmtu concentration for different temperatures at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).



**Fig. SI 15** Plots of  $k_{obs4}$  vs tmtu concentration for different temperatures at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).



**Fig. SI 16** Plots of  $k_{obs4}$  vs tu concentration for different pressures at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer) and 25 °C.



**Fig. SI 17** Plots of  $k_{obs4}$  vs dmtu concentration for different pressures at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer) and 25 °C.



**Fig. SI 18** Plots of  $k_{obs4}$  vs tmtu concentration for different pressures at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer) and 25 °C.

	рН	tu	dmtu	tmtu
1 <sup>st</sup> step	2	310 nm	310 nm	310 nm
	4.75	310 nm	310 nm	320 nm
2 <sup>nd</sup> step	2	290 nm	290 nm	320 nm
	4.75	310 nm	310 nm	320 nm

**Table SI 1** Selected wavelengths for the successive substitution reactions of all three nucleophiles and different pH values.

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
[Nu] in mM		$k_{\rm obs1}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
 1.25	$0.764 \pm 0.008$	$0.613\pm0.006$	$0.184\pm0.006$
2.50	$1.62 \pm 0.03$	$1.246\pm0.008$	$0.405\pm0.004$
3.75	$2.47\pm0.03$	$1.93\pm0.05$	$0.63\pm0.02$
5.00	$3.20\pm0.02$	$2.56\pm0.04$	$0.80\pm0.02$
6.25	$3.92\pm0.02$	$3.13\pm0.02$	$1.03\pm0.03$

**Table SI 2** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs1}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles at pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid) and 25 °C.

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
 [Nu] in mM		$10^2 k_{\rm obs2}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
 5.00	$0.18\pm0.03$	$0.064 \pm 0.006$	$0.013\pm0.007$
10.00	$0.802\pm0.009$	$0.230\pm0.002$	$0.041\pm0.004$
15.00	$1.724 \pm 0.005$	$0.516 \pm 0.003$	$0.086\pm0.006$
20.00	$2.919\pm0.003$	$0.886\pm0.005$	$0.16\pm0.01$
25.00	$4.608 \pm 0.005$	$1.385 \pm 0.002$	$0.240\pm0.005$

**Table SI 3** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs2}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles at pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid) and 25 °C.

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
[Nu] in mM		$k_{\rm obs4}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
1.25	$0.231 \pm 0.003$	$0.18\pm0.02$	$0.089\pm0.006$
2.50	$0.359\pm0.003$	$0.263\pm0.002$	$0.102\pm0.008$
3.75	$0.495 \pm 0.001$	$0.353\pm0.005$	$0.122 \pm 0.002$
5.00	$0.636\pm0.007$	$0.442\pm0.005$	$0.140\pm0.002$
6.25	$0.755 \pm 0.002$	$0.53\pm0.01$	$0.16 \pm 0.01$

**Table SI 4** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs4}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer) and 25 °C.

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
[Nu] in mM	1	$0^2 k_{\rm obs5}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
1.25	$0.231 \pm 0.002$	$0.141 \pm 0.006$	$0.011 \pm 0.002$
2.50	$0.461 \pm 0.003$	$0.293\pm0.002$	$0.023\pm0.008$
3.75	$0.73\pm0.03$	$0.436\pm0.003$	$0.036\pm0.002$
5.00	$0.961 \pm 0.002$	$0.586\pm0.009$	$0.050\pm0.001$
6.25	$1.191 \pm 0.001$	$0.747\pm0.001$	$0.061\pm0.003$

**Table SI 5** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs5}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles at pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer) and 25 °C.

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
T in K		$k_{\rm obs1}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
288.15	$1.39\pm0.01$	$1.197\pm0.006$	$0.32 \pm 0.01$
298.15	$2.468\pm0.007$	$1.928 \pm 0.004$	$0.63\pm0.04$
308.15	$3.607 \pm 0.006$	$2.96\pm0.03$	$1.023\pm0.006$
318.15	$5.79\pm0.02$	$4.81\pm0.05$	$1.679\pm0.009$

**Table SI 6** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs1}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles (3.75 mM) at different temperatures and pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).

T in K	288.15	298.15	308.15	318.15
[tu] in mM		$10^2 k_{\rm ob}$	<sub>s2</sub> in s <sup>-1</sup>	
5.00	$0.146 \pm 0.005$	$0.18\pm0.03$	$0.237\pm0.008$	$0.290\pm0.006$
10.00	$0.636\pm0.007$	$0.802\pm0.009$	$0.92\pm0.04$	$1.124\pm0.009$
15.00	$1.408 \pm 0.008$	$1.724\pm0.005$	$2.07\pm0.03$	$2.45\pm0.02$
20.00	$2.40\pm0.01$	$2.919\pm0.003$	$3.71\pm0.07$	$4.37\pm0.02$
25.00	$3.82\pm0.05$	$4.608\pm0.005$	$5.71\pm0.03$	$6.84\pm0.01$

**Table SI 7** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs2}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different **tu** concentrations at different temperatures and pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).

T in K	288.15	298.15	308.15	318.15
[dmtu] in mM		$10^2 k_{\rm ob}$	$_{s2}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
5.00	$0.053 \pm 0.005$	$0.064\pm0.006$	$0.079\pm0.008$	$0.092 \pm 0.006$
10.00	$0.193 \pm 0.007$	$0.230\pm0.002$	$0.293\pm0.04$	$0.361 \pm 0.005$
15.00	$0.42\pm0.04$	$0.516\pm0.003$	$0.641\pm0.03$	$0.81\pm0.01$
20.00	$0.718 \pm 0.006$	$0.886\pm0.005$	$1.140\pm0.07$	$1.41\pm0.02$
25.00	$1.385 \pm 0.009$	$1.385\pm0.002$	$1.769\pm0.03$	$2.161 \pm 0.009$

**Table SI 8** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs2}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different **dmtu** concentrations at different temperatures and pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).

T in K	288.15	298.15	308.15	318.15
[tmtu] in mM		$10^2 k_{\rm ob}$	<sub>s2</sub> in s <sup>-1</sup>	
5.00	$0.006 \pm 0.0001$	$0.013\pm0.007$	$0.015\pm0.008$	$0.022\pm0.006$
10.00	$0.027\pm0.007$	$0.041\pm0.004$	$0.056\pm0.004$	$0.077\pm0.005$
15.00	$0.063 \pm 0.004$	$0.086\pm0.006$	$0.12\pm0.01$	$0.168\pm0.006$
20.00	$0.106 \pm 0.006$	$0.16\pm0.01$	$0.225\pm0.007$	$0.301\pm0.008$
25.00	$0.167 \pm 0.009$	$0.240\pm0.005$	$0.35\pm0.01$	$0.47\pm0.01$

**Table SI 9** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs2}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different **tmtu** concentrations at different temperatures and pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
T in K		$k_3K_2$ in M <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	
288.15	$60.9 \pm 0.1$	$17.6 \pm 0.1$	$2.87\pm0.08$
298.15	$73.3 \pm 0.4$	$22.1 \pm 0.4$	$3.82\pm0.04$
308.15	$91.5 \pm 0.2$	$28.2\pm0.3$	$4.84\pm0.06$
318.15	$109.1 \pm 0.1$	$34.6 \pm 0.1$	$6.2 \pm 0.1$

**Table SI 10** Summary of the third-order rate constants,  $k_3K_2$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles at different temperatures and pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).

T in K	288.15	298.15	308.15	318.15
[tu] in mM		$k_{ m obs4}$	in s <sup>-1</sup>	
1.25	$0.151 \pm 0.01$	$0.249\pm0.003$	$0.43\pm0.01$	$0.739\pm0.006$
2.50	$0.232 \pm 0.007$	$0.36\pm0.01$	$0.633\pm0.004$	$1.01\pm0.02$
3.75	$0.296 \pm 0.004$	$0.495\pm0.004$	$0.84\pm0.01$	$1.29\pm0.01$
5.00	$0.383 \pm 0.006$	$0.636\pm0.007$	$1.051\pm0.007$	$1.60\pm0.008$
6.25	$0.469\pm0.009$	$0.755\pm0.002$	$1.28\pm0.01$	$1.92\pm0.03$

**Table SI 11** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs4}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different **tu** concentrations at different temperatures and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).

T in K	288.15	298.15	308.15	318.15
[dmtu] in mM		$k_{ m obs4}$	in s <sup>-1</sup>	
1.25	$0.092 \pm 0.005$	$0.18\pm0.02$	$0.308\pm0.008$	$0.555 \pm 0.003$
2.50	$0.151 \pm 0.002$	$0.263\pm0.002$	$0.44\pm0.01$	$0.748\pm0.009$
3.75	$0.21 \pm 0.01$	$0.353\pm0.005$	$0.572\pm0.009$	$0.974\pm0.002$
5.00	$0.274\pm0.002$	$0.442\pm0.005$	$0.72\pm0.02$	$1.15\pm0.01$
6.25	$0.331 \pm 0.006$	$0.53\pm0.01$	$0.83\pm0.01$	$1.41 \pm 0.01$

**Table SI 12** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs4}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different **dmtu** concentrations at different temperatures and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).

T in K	288.15	298.15	308.15	318.15
[tmtu] in mM		$k_{ m obs4}$	in s <sup>-1</sup>	
1.25	$0.036 \pm 0.003$	$0.089\pm0.006$	$0.165 \pm 0.004$	$0.30\pm0.03$
2.50	$0.049\pm0.002$	$0.102\pm0.008$	$0.194\pm0.004$	$0.35\pm0.01$
3.75	$0.060 \pm 0.008$	$0.122\pm0.002$	$0.227\pm0.08$	$0.41\pm0.01$
5.00	$0.070 \pm 0.003$	$0.140\pm0.002$	$0.26\pm0.001$	$0.455\pm0.008$
6.25	$0.081 \pm 0.003$	$0.16\pm0.01$	$0.283\pm0.009$	$0.505\pm0.005$

**Table SI 13** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs4}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different **tmtu** concentrations at different temperatures and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).

**Table SI 14** Summary of the second-order rate constants,  $k_4$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles at different temperatures and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
T in K		$k_4$ in M <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	
288.15	$69.7\pm0.6$	$48.0\pm0.4$	$8.8\pm0.2$
298.15	$106 \pm 2$	$70 \pm 1$	$14.1 \pm 0.5$
308.15	$164 \pm 5$	$107 \pm 2$	$23.9\pm0.5$
318.15	$260 \pm 7$	$169 \pm 5$	41 ± 1

**Table SI 15** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs5}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles (3.75 mM) at different temperatures and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
T in K		$10^2 k_{\rm obs5}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
288.15	$0.38\pm0.01$	$0.23\pm0.02$	$0.155\pm0.005$
298.15	$0.70 \pm 0.01$	$0.41\pm0.01$	$0.262 \pm 0.004$
308.15	$1.13 \pm 0.03$	$0.72\pm0.02$	$0.55\pm0.01$
318.15	$1.79\pm0.02$	$1.15 \pm 0.05$	$0.102 \pm 0.002$

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
p in MPa		$k_{\rm obs1}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
10	$2.78\pm0.01$	$2.42\pm0.02$	$0.789\pm0.009$
50	$3.056\pm0.008$	$2.753\pm0.009$	$1.004\pm0.006$
90	$3.32 \pm 0.01$	$3.08\pm0.01$	$1.25\pm0.02$
130	$3.58 \pm 0.02$	$3.48\pm0.02$	$1.556\pm0.007$

**Table SI 16** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs1}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles (5 mM) at different pressures, 25°C and pH 2 (I = 0.01 M triflic acid).

**Table SI 17** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs4}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles (2.5 mM) at different pressures, 25°C and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
p in MPa		$k_{\rm obs4}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
10	$0.35 \pm 0.01$	$0.23 \pm 0.01$	$0.094\pm0.007$
50	$0.41 \pm 0.01$	$0.298\pm0.009$	$0.11\pm0.02$
90	$0.45\pm0.02$	$0.37\pm0.01$	$0.14\pm0.01$
130	$0.49\pm0.01$	$0.42 \pm 0.01$	$0.17\pm0.02$

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
p in MPa		$k_{\rm obs4}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
10	$0.67\pm0.01$	$0.42\pm0.01$	$0.14\pm0.01$
50	$0.798\pm0.008$	$0.57\pm0.02$	$0.18\pm0.02$
90	$0.95\pm0.01$	$0.65\pm0.04$	$0.22\pm0.01$
130	$1.05 \pm 0.02$	$0.77\pm0.02$	$0.275\pm0.006$

**Table SI 18** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs4}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles (5 mM) at different pressures, 25°C and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).

**Table SI 19** Average observed rate constants,  $k_{obs4}$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles (7.5 mM) at different pressures, 25°C and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
p in MPa		$k_{\rm obs4}$ in s <sup>-1</sup>	
10	$0.943 \pm 0.007$	$0.659\pm0.006$	$0.192\pm0.006$
50	$1.14 \pm 0.01$	$0.811 \pm 0.009$	$0.24\pm0.01$
90	$1.33 \pm 0.01$	$0.97\pm0.01$	$0.298\pm0.004$
130	$1.547 \pm 0.009$	$1.13 \pm 0.02$	$0.37\pm0.01$

Nucleophile	tu	dmtu	tmtu
p in MPa		$k_4$ in M <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	
10	$121 \pm 3$	$86 \pm 2$	$20 \pm 1$
50	$146 \pm 6$	$103 \pm 4$	$25.2 \pm 0.4$
90	$175 \pm 5$	$121 \pm 4$	$32.1 \pm 0.3$
130	$208 \pm 6$	$142 \pm 1$	$41 \pm 1$

**Table SI 20** Summary of the second-order rate constants,  $k_4$ , for the reaction of 0.125 mM **Pt(mtp)** with different nucleophiles at different pressures and pH 4.75 (I = 0.1 M acetate buffer).