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Hydride, Gold(I) and Related Derivatives of the Unsaturated Ditungsten Anion $[\text{W}_2\text{Cp}_2(\mu\text{-PCy}_2)(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^-$

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Structural characterization of compound **5**.

The structure of **5** was reported in our preliminary work (see ref. 12 in the main text) and is not very different from that of its Mo₂ analogue, therefore only a brief comment is needed here. First we note that the short intermetallic separation of 2.5794(3) Å is comparable to that measured for its Mo₂ analogue [2.5743(7) Å], and itself consistent with the presence of a somewhat elongated metal–metal triple bond. The carbonyl ligands display distinct bending over the M–M vector [C1–W2–W1 = 72.0(2)° and C2–W1–W2 = 91.3(2)°], indicative of a distortion departing from the ideal *trans* dicarbonyl structure of C₂ symmetry (*i.e.* the structure of **2B**), which is accompanied by a significant puckering of the PW₂Sn ring (*ca.* 160.1°) and incipient semibridging interaction of one of the carbonyls (W2···C1 = 2.699(5) Å). This distortion might be derived from the steric pressure induced by the bulky SnPh₃ bridging group, however we note that isomer **T** of hydride **2** displays a comparable distortion, which in this case is unlikely to be due to steric factors. Perhaps to balance the distinct binding of carbonyls, the SnPh₃ group binds more tightly to the W1 atom, this resulting in W–Sn distances differing by *ca.* 0.06 Å from each other, a difference much higher than that found in the Mo₂ analogue of **5** (*ca.* 0.01 Å).

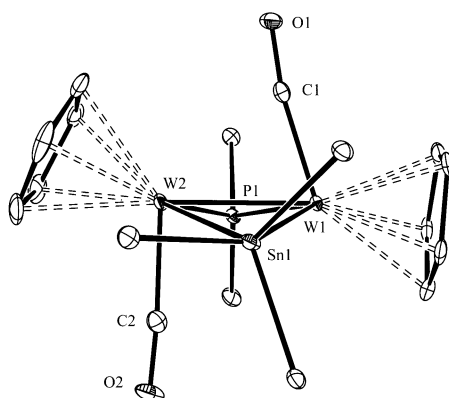
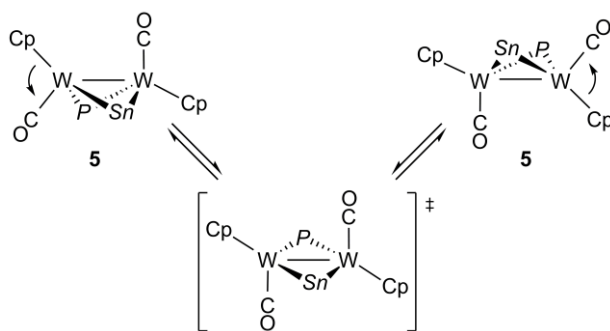


Figure 3: ORTEP diagram (30% probability) of compound **5** with H atoms and Cy groups (except their C¹ atoms) omitted for clarity.¹² Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg): W1–W2 = 2.5794(3), W1–Sn1 = 2.8843(4), W2–Sn1 = 2.9451(4), W1–P1 = 2.387(1), W2–P1 = 2.379(1), W1–C1 = 1.920(5), W2–C2 = 1.958(6), W2···C1 = 2.699(5); C1–W1–W2 = 72.0(2), C2–W2–W1 = 91.3(2).

The IR spectrum of **5** in solution displays two C–O stretching bands with relative intensities (medium and strong in order of decreasing frequencies) differing significantly from those observed for the hydride **2B** and the carboxylates **4**, but itself consistent with the structural distortion discussed above, characterized by relative angles between CO ligands well below 180° (163° in the crystal). Its ³¹P NMR spectrum displays a quite deshielded resonance (178.5 ppm) with relatively high one-bond P–W coupling (305 Hz), comparable to those measured for the H-bridged isomer **2B**, and consistent with the relatively low-coordination environments in these 30-electron complexes. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra, however, display a single resonance for each pair of inequivalent Cp and CO ligands down to 193 K, a circumstance also found for its Mo₂ analogue. To account for this, we propose the occurrence of a related fluxional rearrangement that would involve a concerted exchange of Cp and CO environments through a transition state having a C₂ structure analogous to that of the H-bridged isomer **2B** (see Scheme below; *P* = PCy₂; *Sn* = SnPh₃).



Scheme

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Table S1. Cartesian Coordinates for the Optimized Structure of **2B**.

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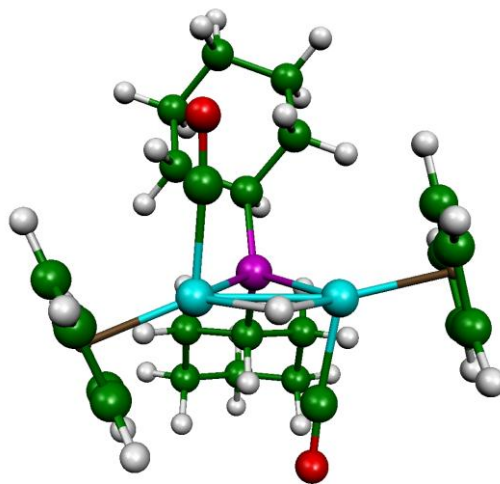


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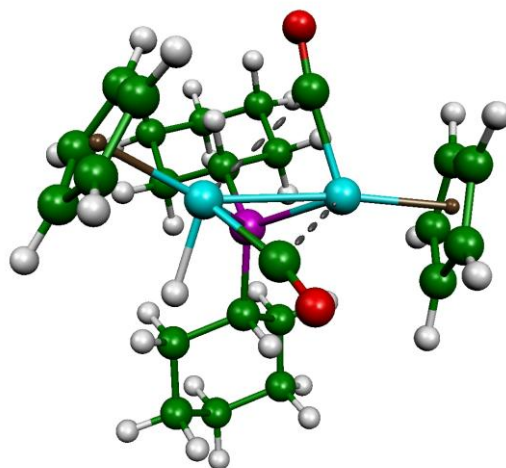


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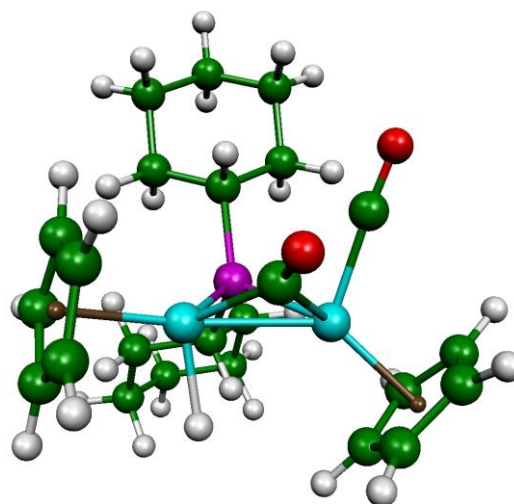


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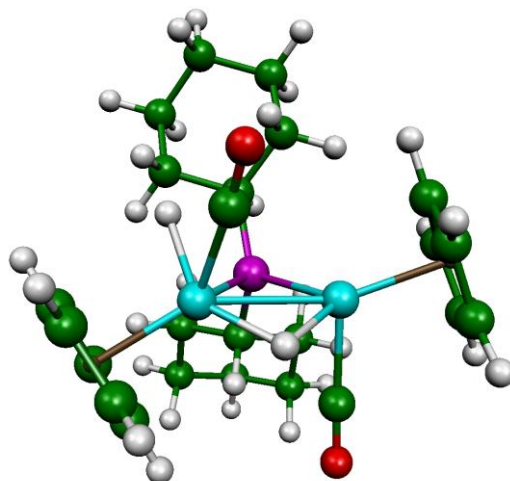


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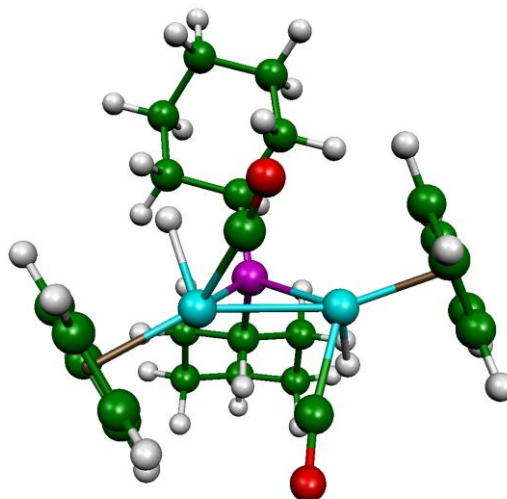
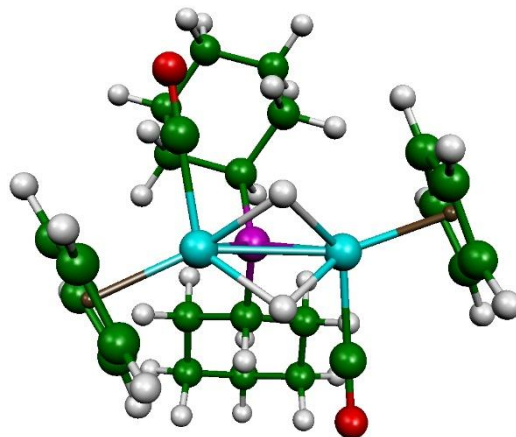


Table S6. Cartesian Coordinates for the Optimized Structure of **3HH**.

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C	9.6019640	13.1241710	6.7955860
C	12.3446600	11.3588420	3.4293630
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C	13.0334470	12.4202450	4.1137050
H	13.3440360	12.4102720	5.1496060
C	13.2806910	13.4615630	3.1762500
H	13.7933320	14.3925970	3.3723220
C	12.7367600	13.0613730	1.9267250
H	12.7834180	13.6309070	1.0072920
C	12.1542420	11.7547440	2.0748850
H	11.7081240	11.1625040	1.2877310
C	7.0281910	15.0517460	5.6172080
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H	6.7782830	15.1255940	3.3938360
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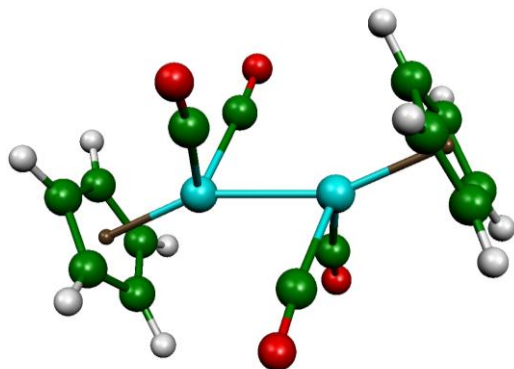
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H	9.0918480	12.6465020	3.3248740



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Table S7. Cartesian Coordinates for the Optimized Structure of $[\text{W}_2\text{Cp}_2(\text{CO})_4]$.

O	0.2129080	3.1349540	0.3928230
O	-2.5440150	-0.0493450	1.8790780
C	2.6816830	0.2648200	2.0467670
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C	1.2588980	-1.3969880	2.8101080
C	2.3297450	-1.1153310	1.9027140
H	3.4720720	0.7814490	1.5186340
H	1.8336090	1.8583580	3.3769980
H	0.1842880	-0.0676680	4.2608400
H	0.7836350	-2.3573870	2.9595800
C	0.2741550	1.9871990	0.6085050
C	-1.4306960	0.0179920	1.5275650
H	2.8122380	-1.8294260	1.2474820
O	-0.2373280	-3.1318250	-0.4473310
O	2.5195590	0.0525020	-1.9335950
C	-2.7061360	-0.2617140	-2.1012640
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C	-2.3542110	1.1184400	-1.9572110
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H	-1.8580500	-1.8552420	-3.4315010
H	-0.2087520	0.0708030	-4.3153450
H	-0.8081170	2.3605140	-3.0140800
C	-0.2985860	-1.9840710	-0.6630100
C	1.4062420	-0.0148460	-1.5820780
H	-2.8367100	1.8325300	-1.3019760
W	0.4942950	0.0989880	1.1212860
W	-0.5187470	-0.0958610	-1.1757900



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Table S8. Relative Gibbs free energies (kcal/mol) at 298K of different isomers of the hydride complex **2**.

	2B	2T	2C
ΔG_{gas}	0.0	3.4	16.1

Table S9. Relative Gibbs free energies (kcal/mol) at 298K of different isomers of the cation in complex **3**.

	3B	3T	3HH
ΔG_{gas}	0.0	0.9	6.1

Table S10. AIM analysis for the DFT-optimized structures of compounds **2**. Values of the electron density at the bond critical points (ρ) are given in $\text{e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$; values of the laplacian of ρ at these points ($\nabla^2\rho$) are given in $\text{e}\text{\AA}^{-5}$.^a

Bond	2B		Bond	2T		Bond	2C	
	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$		ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$		ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$
W–W	0.644	1.200	W–W	0.629	1.422	W–W	0.655	1.094
W1–H _{brid}	0.522	3.627	W1–H	0.782	1.723	W1–H	0.780	1.767
W2–H _{brid}	0.518	3.424	W1–C	0.919	7.571	W1–C	0.862	4.489
W1–C	0.961	10.088	W2···C	Not located		W2···C	0.562	5.688
W2–C	0.36	10.153	W2–C	0.969	9.591	W2–C	0.882	10.276

^a For comparison, the values computed for the W–W bcp in $[\text{W}_2\text{Cp}_2(\text{CO})_4]$ were $\rho = 0.652$ and $\nabla^2\rho = 1.667$; (W–W = 2.518 Å)

Table S11. AIM analysis for the DFT-optimized structures of compounds **3**. Values of the electron density at the bond critical points (ρ) are given in $\text{e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$; values of the laplacian of ρ at these points ($\nabla^2\rho$) are given in $\text{e}\text{\AA}^{-5}$.

Bond	3B		Bond	3T		Bond	3HH	
	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$		ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$		ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$
W–W	0.615	1.470	W–W	0.614	1.566	W–W	0.652	1.667
W1–H _{brid}	0.537	3.582	W1–H _{term}	0.795	1.533	W1–H1 _{brid}	0.516	2.889
W2–H _{brid}	0.522	3.031	W2–H _{term}	0.799	1.536	W2–H1 _{brid}	0.521	3.066
W2–H _{term}	0.766	1.664	W1–C	0.897	7.902	W1–H2 _{brid}	0.515	3.262
W1–C	0.879	11.945	W2–C	0.907	7.762	W2–H2 _{brid}	0.512	2.717
W2–C	0.928	14.061						