

## Synthesis and Crystal Structure of CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(μ-O)(μ<sub>3</sub>-CTol)

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In recent years organometallic oxo complexes have attracted much attention due to both models and potential catalysts for the oxygen transfer reactions.<sup>1</sup> The oxo ligand has also been proposed to be essential to the catalyst as a spectator ligand in olefin metathesis. The cluster Os<sub>4</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>(μ<sub>3</sub>-O)<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup> was the first oxo carbonyl cluster to be characterized, but the first monomeric oxo carbonyl complex with a terminal oxo group was WCl<sub>2</sub>(PMePh<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(CO)(O).<sup>3</sup> In previous work, we have reported the synthesis and solution dynamics of a tungsten-triosmium *p*-xylylidyne complex, CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>11</sub>(μ<sub>3</sub>-CTol) (**1**, Cp=η<sup>5</sup>-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, Tol=*p*-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Me),<sup>4a</sup> and the reactivity of **1** toward dihydrogen leading to formation of an unexpected hydrido-oxo-alkylidene complex, CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>9</sub>(μ-O)(μ-CHTol)(μ-H) (**2**).<sup>4b</sup> The μ-oxo ligand of **2** may be derived from a CO ligand by C-O bond scission or from other possible sources (O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, Me<sub>3</sub>NO and etc.). In order to elucidate the source of the μ-oxo ligand, the reactivity of **1** toward H<sub>2</sub>O is examined. Initial decarbonylation of **1** and subsequent reaction with H<sub>2</sub>O affords a μ-oxo complex, CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(μ-O)(μ<sub>3</sub>-CTol) (**3**), which suggests that the μ-oxo ligand of **2** is originated from water in the reaction solvent. We report herein details of the synthesis and crystal structure of compound **3**.

### Experiment Section

**General Comments.** All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen in oven-dried glasswares. Solvents were dried prior to use. CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>11</sub>(μ<sub>3</sub>-CTol) was prepared as described in the literature.<sup>4a</sup> The progress of reactions was monitored by analytical thin-layer chromatography (precoated TLC plates, Silica Gel 60F-254, E. Merck). Preparative TLC was carried out using glass-backed silica gel plates (20×20 cm) prepared from silica gel (Type 60, E. Merck). Infrared spectra were obtained on a Nicolet 5-MX FT-IR spectrophotometer. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz) spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-300 spectrometer. Mass spectra were recorded by the staff at the Mass Spectrometry Laboratory of University of Illinois by using a Varian MAT-MAT-731 (FD) mass spectrometer. All *m/z* values are referenced to <sup>184</sup>W and <sup>192</sup>Os. Microanalytical data were provided by the Daeduk R & D Center of Daelim Industrial Co., Ltd.

**Reaction of **1** with H<sub>2</sub>O.** Red compound **1** (17.9 mg, 0.0145 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of dichloromethane (15 mL) and acetonitrile (5 mL). An acetonitrile solution (1 mL) of anhydrous Me<sub>3</sub>NO (1.6 mg, 0.0218 mmol) was added

Table 1. Crystal Data for **3**

formula	C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>11</sub> WO <sub>3</sub>
fw	1218.79
cryst syst	monoclinic
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /a
a, Å	28.263(7)
b, Å	9.358(6)
c, Å	9.986(1)
β, deg	96.75(2)
V, Å <sup>3</sup>	2622.86(5)
Z	4
ρ(calcd), gcm <sup>-3</sup>	3.09
temp. K	297
λ (Mo Kα), Å	0.71069
μ, mm <sup>-1</sup>	18.997
R	0.0920
GOF	16.87
(Δ/ρ) <sub>max</sub>	2.601
Δρ <sub>max</sub> /Δρ <sub>min</sub> , eÅ <sup>-3</sup>	3.734/−6.556

dropwise at room temperature, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 25 min. After evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo*, the residue was dissolved in dichloromethane (15 mL), and a small quantity (0.2 mL) of water was added. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 10 h. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* and purification by preparative TLC (hexane : dichloromethane, 3 : 2) gave CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(μ-O)(μ<sub>3</sub>-CTol) (**3**, 9.6 mg, 0.0078 mmol, 54%, R<sub>f</sub>=0.28) as a dark red crystalline solid: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) δ 7.12-6.97 (AB pattern, 4H), 5.77 (s, 5H), 2.41 (s, 3H); IR (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>) ν (CO) 2098 (m), 2061 (vs), 2038 (vs), 2027 (s), 2014 (vs), 1998 (w), 1986 (m), 1969 (w), 1944 (w) cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (FD) *m/z* 1224 (M<sup>+</sup>); Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>11</sub>WO<sub>3</sub>: C, 22.67; H, 0.97; Found: C, 22.05; H, 1.50.

**Crystal Structure of **3**.** A blue-green crystal of approximate dimensions 0.5×0.24×0.6 mm was used for all X-ray intensity measurements on an Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer. The lattice parameters were determined by a least-squares fit to 25 automatically centered reflections in the range 11.45°<θ<12.65°. Three standard reflections were measured every 180 minutes of X-ray exposure and showed maximum variation of 3.29%. One orientation reflection was monitored every 200 reflections. 3845 independent reflections with 0<*h*<30, 0<*k*<10, −10<*l*<10 were collected using graphite-monochromated Mo Kα radiation and ω/2θ scan mode, ω-scan angle=(0.8+0.34 tanθ)°, θ<sub>max</sub>=23°. All data were converted to E<sub>o</sub> values following correction for L-P. The absorption correction was not applied to the data. Space group P2<sub>1</sub>/c was uniquely defined from the reflection conditions, h0l : l=2n, 0k0 : k=2n. The structure was solved by direct methods using SHELX86,<sup>5</sup> and SHELX76 program<sup>6</sup> was used for full-matrix least-squares refinement of the structure (use of F magnitude; *x*, *y*, *z*, U<sub>ij</sub> for W, Os, O and fifteen C atoms; *x*, *y*, *z*, U<sub>iso</sub> for the rest eight C atoms) with unit weight. Final reliability factor for 2911 reflections [F<sub>o</sub>>3σ(F<sub>o</sub>)] was R=0.0920. Crystallographic data and atomic coordinates of compound **3** are given in Tables 1 and 2, respectively.

**Table 2.** Final Atomic Coordinates ( $\text{\AA} \times 10^4$ ) and Equivalent Isotropic Thermal Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) with ESD's for **3**

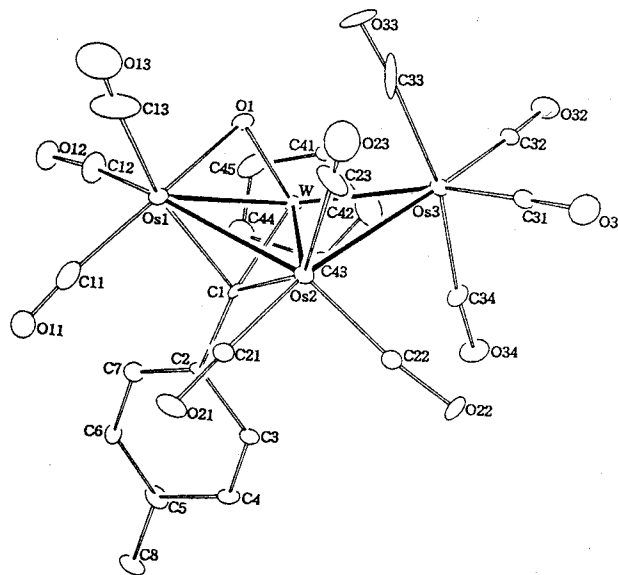
atom	x	y	z	$U_{eq}^b$
W	3836(1)	5125(2)	7116(2)	34(1)
Os(1)	4423(1)	6956(2)	8695(2)	36(1)
Os(2)	3437(1)	7477(2)	8440(2)	33(9)
Os(3)	2999(1)	4677(2)	8102(2)	35(1)
O(11)	4737(1)	10089(5)	8517(4)	73(3)
O(12)	5376(1)	6090(5)	7755(5)	87(3)
O(13)	4713(2)	7002(7)	11787(4)	149(5)
O(21)	3714(1)	10660(4)	8659(4)	62(2)
O(22)	2428(1)	8349(4)	7383(5)	72(3)
O(23)	3332(2)	7076(6)	11466(4)	96(3)
O(31)	2165(1)	5593(5)	9594(4)	75(3)
O(32)	2669(2)	1659(4)	7413(4)	69(3)
O(33)	3672(2)	3812(5)	10730(4)	89(3)
O(34)	2530(2)	5853(5)	5356(3)	74(3)
O(1)	4232(1)	4719(3)	8506(3)	46(2)
C(11) <sup>c</sup>	4651(2)	8982(9)	8603(7)	74(0)
C(12) <sup>c</sup>	4981(2)	6349(8)	8141(8)	90(0)
C(13)	4624(3)	6994(1)	10789(7)	144(7)
C(21) <sup>c</sup>	3610(2)	9438(5)	8602(4)	33(0)
C(22) <sup>c</sup>	2826(2)	8122(5)	7811(4)	33(0)
C(23)	3382(2)	6929(6)	10327(7)	97(4)
C(31) <sup>c</sup>	2492(2)	5234(5)	9046(4)	35(0)
C(32) <sup>c</sup>	2778(2)	2788(5)	7674(4)	35(0)
C(33)	3425(2)	4067(8)	9844(8)	95(4)
C(34)	2714(2)	5537(6)	6385(5)	53(3)
C(1)	3905(1)	7153(4)	6876(4)	27(2)
C(2)	3971(2)	8213(5)	5708(4)	33(2)
C(3)	3548(2)	8813(5)	5019(4)	36(2)
C(4)	3576(2)	9522(6)	3870(5)	51(3)
C(5)	4029(2)	9854(7)	3439(5)	60(3)
C(6)	4430(2)	9264(6)	4147(4)	44(3)
C(7)	4390(2)	8492(5)	5296(5)	40(3)
C(8)	4072(2)	10783(6)	2162(5)	68(4)
C(41) <sup>c</sup>	3925(2)	2909(5)	6040(5)	34(0)
C(42)	3536(4)	3381(7)	5311(5)	105(6)
C(43) <sup>c</sup>	3706(2)	4469(5)	4724(4)	34(0)
C(44)	4234(2)	4756(8)	5216(8)	88(5)
C(45)	4336(2)	3591(7)	5936(5)	80(4)

<sup>a</sup>The atomic temperature factor was fixed. <sup>b</sup> $U_{eq} = 1/3[U_{22} + 1/\sin^2\beta(U_{11} + U_{33} + 2U_{13} \cos\beta)]$ .

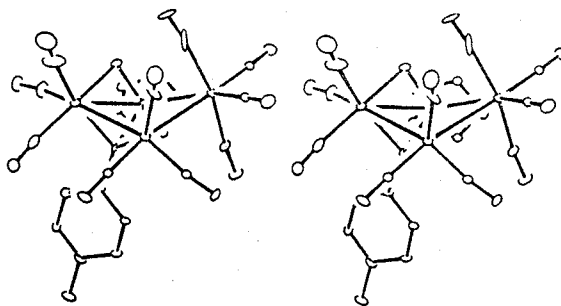
## Results and Discussion

Initial decarbonylation of **1** with the  $\text{Me}_3\text{NO}/\text{MeCN}$  reagent and subsequent reaction with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at room temperature provides a  $\mu$ -oxo alkylidyne complex,  $\text{CpWOs}_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-CTol})$  (**3**) in 54% yield. The formulation for compound **3** is established by mass spectroscopic and analytical data.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **3** exhibits resonances for the Cp ligand ( $\delta$  5.77) and the methyl group ( $\delta$  2.41) of the tolyl moiety.

A single crystal X-ray diffraction study of **3** confirmed its characterization as an oxo alkylidyne cluster. The crystal contains an ordered arrangement of discrete  $\text{CpWOs}_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\mu\text{-O})$



**Figure 1.** Molecular geometry and atomic labeling scheme for **3**.



**Figure 2.** Stereoscopic view of **3**.

( $\mu_3\text{-CTol}$ ) molecules, which are mutually separated by normal van der Waals distances; there are no abnormally short intermolecular contacts. The overall molecular geometry and atomic labelling scheme and stereoview of **3** are illustrated in Figures 1 and 2, respectively. Interatomic distances and angles are listed in Tables 3 and 4.

Complex **3** adopts a "butterfly" arrangement of four metal atoms with a dihedral angle of  $142.7(1)^\circ$  between  $\text{W-Os(1)-Os(2)}$  and  $\text{W-Os(2)-Os(3)}$  planes. This is the usual arrangement for a species associated with 62 valence electrons.<sup>7</sup> The osmium-osmium distances are  $\text{Os(1)-Os(2)} = 2.813(3) \text{ \AA}$  and  $\text{Os(2)-Os(3)} = 2.899(3) \text{ \AA}$  as compared to the average Os-Os bond distance of  $2.877(3) \text{ \AA}$  in the triangular cluster  $\text{Os}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$ .<sup>8</sup> The individual osmium-tungsten distances vary over a rather larger range,  $\text{W-Os(3)} = 2.698(3)$ ,  $\text{W-Os(1)} = 2.750(3)$  and  $\text{W-Os(2)} = 2.866(3) \text{ \AA}$ . The formal electron counts at the individual metal atoms are non-uniform, formally 17e- at W, 19e- at Os(1), 18e- at Os(2), and 18e- at Os(3). It seems probable that the differences in metal-metal distances are related, in part, to these variations.

The  $\mu$ -oxo ligand, defined as O(1), spans the  $\text{W-Os(1)}$  edge such that  $\text{W-O(1)} = 1.72(3)$ ,  $\text{Os(1)-O(1)} = 2.16(3) \text{ \AA}$  and  $\angle \text{W-O(1)-Os(1)} = 89(1)^\circ$ . If we define unbridged metal-metal bonds in the cluster as normal single bonds, we can calculate an

**Table 3.** Interatomic Distances (Å) and Esd's for 3

(A) Metal-Metal Distances				
W-Os(1)	2.750(3)	Os(1)-Os(2)	2.813(3)	
W-Os(2)	2.866(3)	Os(2)-Os(3)	2.899(3)	
W-Os(3)	2.698(3)			
(B) Metal-Alkylidyne Distances				
W-C(1)	1.93(4)	Os(1)-C(1)	2.20(4)	Os(2)-C(1) 2.18(4)
(C) Metal-Oxygen Distances				
W-O(1)	1.72(3)	Os(1)-O(1)	2.16(3)	
(D) Distances within the $\mu_3$ -CTol Ligand				
C(1)-C(2)	1.56(5)	C(2)-C(3)	1.42(6)	
C(2)-C(7)	1.32(6)	C(3)-C(4)	1.34(6)	
C(4)-C(5)	1.43(7)	C(5)-C(6)	1.38(7)	
C(5)-C(8)	1.56(6)	C(6)-C(7)	1.37(6)	
(E) Metal-Carbon (Carbonyl) Distances				
Os(1)-C(11)	2.01(8)	Os(2)-C(21)	1.90(5)	
Os(1)-C(12)	1.82(6)	Os(2)-C(22)	1.87(4)	
Os(1)-C(13)	2.11(7)	Os(2)-C(23)	1.98(6)	
Os(3)-C(31)	1.88(4)	Os(3)-C(32)	1.91(5)	
Os(3)-C(33)	2.08(8)	Os(3)-C(34)	1.98(5)	
(F) Carbon-Oxygen (Carbonyl) Distances				
C(11)-O(11)	1.07(8)	C(12)-O(12)	1.25(7)	
C(13)-O(13)	0.99(7)	C(21)-O(21)	1.18(5)	
C(22)-O(22)	1.18(5)	C(23)-O(23)	1.17(7)	
C(31)-O(31)	1.18(5)	C(32)-O(32)	1.12(6)	
C(33)-O(33)	1.09(7)	C(34)-O(34)	1.14(5)	
(G) Distances involving the Cp Ligand				
W-C(41)	2.36(4)	C(41)-C(42)	1.30(1)	
W-C(42)	2.51(6)	C(41)-C(45)	1.34(8)	
W-C(43)	2.45(4)	C(42)-C(43)	1.30(7)	
W-C(44)	2.34(6)	C(43)-C(44)	1.54(8)	
W-C(45)	2.42(6)	C(44)-C(45)	1.32(9)	

approximate covalent radius of  $\sim 1.449$  Å for the osmium atom from  $1/2[d(\text{Os}(2)-\text{Os}(3))]$  and  $\sim 1.249$  Å for the tungsten atom from  $d[\text{W}-\text{Os}(3)] - r[\text{Os} = 1.449$  Å]. The W-O(1) bond length of 1.72(3) Å is slightly longer than well-defined tungsten-oxygen double bonds in such discrete mononuclear species as  $\text{W}(\text{=O})(\text{=CHCMe}_3)(\text{PEt}_3)\text{Cl}_2$  [W=O, 1.661(11) Å]<sup>9</sup> and  $\text{W}(\text{=O})(\text{=CHCMe}_3)(\text{PMe}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$  [W=O, 1.697(15) Å].<sup>10</sup> It is substantially shorter than the predicted W-O single bond length of  $\sim 1.91$  Å [from  $r(\text{W})$  1.25 Å and  $r(\text{O})$  0.66 Å].<sup>11</sup> It compares with typical W-O single bonds as found in  $\text{W}(\text{C}_3\text{Et}_3)[\text{OCH}(\text{CF}_3)_2]_3$  [W-O, 1.932(10)–1.982(11) Å],<sup>12</sup>  $\text{W}(\text{C}_3\text{Et}_3)[\text{O}-2,6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{i-Pr})_2]_3$  [W-O, 1.885(6)–2.008(6) Å],<sup>13</sup>  $\text{W}[\text{C}(\text{t-Bu})\text{CHC}(\text{t-Bu})][\text{OCH}(\text{CF}_3)_2]_3$  [W-O, 1.954(7)–1.959(7) Å],<sup>14</sup>  $[\text{NH}_4]_5[\text{W}_3\text{O}_4\text{F}_9]$  [W-O-W, 1.91–1.99(2) Å]<sup>15</sup> and  $[\text{Me}_4\text{N}]_3[\text{W}(\text{CO})_3(\text{OEt})]_3$  [W-O-W, 2.11–2.14 Å].<sup>16</sup> All indications are that the W-O(1) linkage is a formal double bond. The Os(1)-O(1) distance of 2.16(3) Å is slightly longer than expected for a single bond [ $r(\text{Os}) + r(\text{O}) = 2.11$  Å] and is regarded as a "coordinate-covalent" or donor bond, *i.e.*,  $\text{O} : \rightarrow \text{Os}$ . The  $\mu$ -oxo ligand is thus a 4-electron donor (neutral atom counting scheme). The  $\text{W}(\mu\text{-O})\text{Os}$  system is best depicted as  $\text{W}=\text{O} : \rightarrow \text{Os}$ . Other examples of the edge-bridging  $\text{W}=\text{O} : \rightarrow \text{Os}$  system have been found previously in  $\mu$ -oxo tungsten complexes [W=O(av), 1.79 Å and Os-O(av), 2.16

**Table 4.** Interatomic Angles (deg) and Esd's for 3

(A) Intermetallic Angles			
Os(1)-W-Os(2)	60.1(1)	W-Os(1)-Os(2)	62.0(1)
Os(2)-W-Os(3)	62.7(1)	W-Os(2)-Os(3)	55.8(1)
Os(1)-W-Os(3)	112.6(1)	W-Os(3)-Os(2)	61.5(1)
Os(1)-Os(2)-Os(3)	105.0(1)	W-Os(2)-Os(1)	57.9(1)
(B) M-M-CO Angles			
W-Os(1)-C(11)	138(2)	Os(1)-Os(2)-C(21)	85(1)
W-Os(1)-C(12)	97(2)	Os(1)-Os(2)-C(22)	163(1)
W-Os(1)-C(13)	132(3)	Os(1)-Os(2)-C(23)	93(2)
W-Os(2)-C(21)	132(1)	Os(2)-Os(1)-C(11)	99(2)
W-Os(2)-C(22)	119(1)	Os(2)-Os(1)-C(12)	156(2)
W-Os(2)-C(23)	109(2)	Os(2)-Os(1)-C(13)	105(3)
W-Os(3)-C(31)	153(1)	Os(3)-Os(2)-C(21)	170(1)
W-Os(3)-C(32)	110(1)	Os(3)-Os(2)-C(22)	84(1)
W-Os(3)-C(33)	84(2)	Os(3)-Os(2)-C(23)	78(2)
W-Os(3)-C(34)	85(1)	Os(2)-Os(3)-C(31)	92(1)
Os(2)-Os(3)-C(33)	87(2)	Os(2)-Os(3)-C(32)	171(1)
Os(2)-Os(3)-C(34)	82(2)		
(C) OC-Os-CO Angles			
C(11)-Os(1)-C(12)	89(3)	C(11)-Os(1)-C(13)	88(3)
C(12)-Os(1)-C(13)	98(4)	C(21)-Os(2)-C(22)	86(2)
C(21)-Os(2)-C(23)	103(2)	C(22)-Os(2)-C(23)	103(2)
C(31)-Os(3)-C(32)	97(2)	C(31)-Os(3)-C(33)	93(2)
C(31)-Os(3)-C(34)	94(2)	C(32)-Os(3)-C(34)	95(2)
C(33)-Os(3)-C(34)	167(2)	C(32)-Os(3)-C(33)	94(2)
(D) Os-C-O Angles			
Os(1)-C(11)-O(11)	175(5)	Os(2)-C(21)-O(21)	178(4)
Os(1)-C(12)-O(12)	173(7)	Os(2)-C(22)-O(22)	172(4)
Os(1)-C(13)-O(13)	176(0)	Os(2)-C(23)-O(23)	158(6)
Os(3)-C(31)-O(31)	178(4)	Os(3)-C(32)-O(32)	177(5)
Os(3)-C(33)-O(33)	175(6)	Os(3)-C(34)-O(34)	171(5)
(E) Angles within the $\mu_3$ -CTol Ligand			
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	117(3)	C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	119(4)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	121(5)	C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	118(4)
C(2)-C(7)-C(6)	122(5)	C(1)-C(2)-C(7)	123(4)
C(3)-C(2)-C(7)	120(4)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120(5)
C(4)-C(5)-C(8)	122(5)	C(6)-C(5)-C(8)	120(5)
(F) Angles involving O(1) or C(1)			
Os(1)-W-O(1)	52(1)	Os(2)-W-O(1)	93(1)
Os(1)-W-C(1)	53(1)	Os(2)-W-C(1)	50(1)
O(1)-W-C(1)	105(2)	Os(3)-W-O(1)	101(1)
Os(3)-W-C(1)	108(1)	W-Os(1)-O(1)	39(8)
Os(2)-Os(1)-O(1)	86(8)	W-Os(1)-C(1)	44(1)
Os(2)-Os(1)-C(1)	50(1)	O(1)-Os(1)-C(1)	83(1)
W-Os(2)-C(1)	42(1)	Os(1)-Os(2)-C(1)	50(1)
Os(3)-Os(2)-C(1)	94(1)	W-O(1)-Os(1)	89(1)
W-C(1)-Os(2)	88(2)	W-C(1)-Os(1)	83(1)
(G) Angles within the Cp Ligand			
C(41)-C(42)-C(43)	101(8)	C(42)-C(43)-C(44)	113(6)
C(41)-C(45)-C(44)	108(6)	C(42)-C(41)-C(45)	118(5)
C(43)-C(44)-C(45)	100(6)		

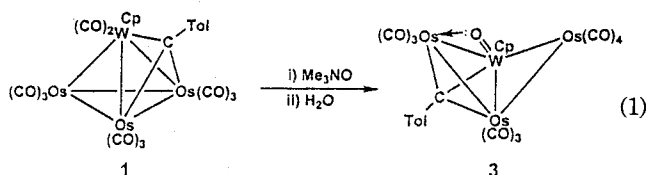
Å] such as  $\text{CpWOS}_3(\text{CO})_9(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-CCH}_2\text{Tol})$ ,<sup>17</sup>  $\text{CpWOS}_3(\text{CO})_{10}(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-CCH}_2\text{Tol})$ ,<sup>18</sup>  $\text{Cp}^*\text{WOS}_3(\text{CO})_9(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-CCH}_3)$  ( $\text{Cp}^* = \eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5$ ),<sup>19</sup>  $\text{CpWOS}_3(\text{CO})_8(\mu\text{-O})(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_2)(\mu\text{-H})$ ,<sup>20</sup> *anti*- $\text{CpWOS}_3$

(CO)<sub>9</sub>(μ-O)(μ-CHCH<sub>2</sub>Tol)(μ-H),<sup>21</sup> syn-CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>9</sub>(μ-O)(μ-CHTol)(μ-H),<sup>4b</sup> and CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>9</sub>(μ-O)(μ-C=CHTol)(μ-H).<sup>22</sup>

The μ<sub>3</sub>-alkylidyne ligand caps the outer face of the W-Os (1)-Os(2) "wing" triangle, with individual metal-carbon distances W-C(1)=1.93(4), Os(1)-C(1)=2.20(4) and Os(2)-C(1)=2.18(4) Å. The pattern of W-(μ<sub>3</sub>-C) bond lengths being shorter than Os-(μ<sub>3</sub>-C) bond lengths has also been observed in CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>9</sub>(μ<sub>3</sub>-CTol)<sub>2</sub>H<sup>23</sup> [W-C=1.98(2)~2.01(2) Å and Os-C=2.14(2)~2.25(2) Å] and CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(μ<sub>3</sub>-CTol)<sub>2</sub>(μ-H)<sup>24</sup> [W-C=2.01(1) Å and Os-C=2.19(2)~2.27(2) Å]; this presumably occurs to compensate for the electron-poor nature of tungsten in all these species.

All other structural features of complex **3** are within the expected range. Individual Os-CO range from 1.82(6) through 2.11(7) Å, C-O bond lengths range from 0.99(7) through 1.25(7) Å and Os-C-O angles are in the range 158(6)~178(4)°. Tungsten-Carbon(Cp) distances are between 2.34(6) and 2.51(6) Å. Distances within the CTol ligand are in the expected range with C(1)-C(2)=1.56(5) and C(5)-C(8)=1.56(6) Å, [ideal C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-C(sp<sup>3</sup>)=1.51 Å] and C-C(aromatic)=1.32(6)~1.43(7) Å [ideal C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-C(sp<sup>2</sup>)=1.39 Å]. The structure of **3** is essentially identical to that of its homologue (**3**+CH<sub>2</sub>), CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(μ-O)(μ<sub>3</sub>-CCH<sub>2</sub>Tol) (**4**),<sup>18</sup> which was structurally characterized. The μ-oxo ligand in **4**, however, is originated from the thermal acyl C-O bond scission of CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>11</sub>[μ<sub>3</sub>-η<sup>2</sup>-C(O)CH<sub>2</sub>Tol].

The reaction of **1** with H<sub>2</sub>O produces an oxo alkylidyne "butterfly" complex **3** as shown in eq. 1. This reaction un-



ambiguously proves that the μ-oxo ligand of **3** comes from water in the solvent. Complex **3** can be converted to compound **2** by thermolysis and reaction with dihydrogen.<sup>25</sup> A likely pathway for the formation of **3** may be loss of a carbonyl ligand from **1** followed by formation of "butterfly" hydrido hydroxo complex CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(μ-OH)(μ-H)(μ<sub>3</sub>-CTol) by O-H bond activation of water, further O-H bond activation to form an oxo dihydrido species, and subsequent loss of H<sub>2</sub>. A facile conversion of hydroxo complex Re(OH)(C<sub>2</sub>Et)<sub>3</sub> to oxo hydride complex Re(O)(H)(C<sub>2</sub>Et)<sub>2</sub> has been appeared in the literature.<sup>26</sup> It has been reported that the μ-oxo ligands in CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>9</sub>(μ-O)<sub>2</sub>(μ-H) clearly have not been originated from Me<sub>3</sub>NO used for decarbonylation and have not been formed in a carefully dried solvent.<sup>27</sup> Similarly, the oxo complexes CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>8</sub>(μ-O)(μ<sub>3</sub>-η<sup>2</sup>-C<sub>2</sub>R<sub>2</sub>)(μ-H) (R=H, Ph, Tol) were also reported to be produced by initial decarbonylation of the alkyne complexes CpWOS<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(μ-O)(μ<sub>3</sub>-η<sup>2</sup>-C<sub>2</sub>R<sub>2</sub>)(μ-H) with Me<sub>3</sub>NO/MeCN followed by thermolysis at 110 °C.<sup>28</sup> The μ-oxo ligand in these alkyne complexes seems to be derived also from water in the reaction solvent based on our observation.

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