Platinum Complexes of Aromatic Selenolates

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Abstract

Several synthetic methods are used to prepare naphthalene based aromatic 1,2-diselenoles. A new one-pot synthesis starting from naphthalene is used to produce the known compound naphtho[1,8-c,d]-1,2-diselenole (Se₂naph). Friedel Crafts alkylation is used on Se₂naph to substitute either one *tert*-butyl group to form 2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naph) or two *tert*-butyl groups to form 2,7-di-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (dt-Se₂naph). Bromination of mt-Se₂naph results in dibromination of the naphthalene ring, rather than reaction at selenium, to give 4,7-dibromo-2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naphBr₂).

Reduction of the Se-Se bond in Se₂naph, mt-Se₂naph, dibenzo[*ce*]-1,2-diselenine (dibenzSe₂), or diphenyl diselenide (Se₂Ph₂) with LiBEt₃H, followed by *in-situ* addition of $[PtCl_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ yields the four-coordinate mono- and di-nuclear platinum(II) bis-phosphite complexes $[Pt(Se_2naph)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (1), $[Pt(mt-Se_2naph)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (2), $[Pt_2(dibenzSe_2)_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (3), *cis*- $[Pt(SePh)_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (4), and *trans*- $[Pt_2(SePh)_4(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (5).

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Aryl selenolates apart from forming simple mononuclear complexes also form binuclear Pt complexes, in fact mononuclear and binuclear species may be in equilibrium.



Introduction

The first synthesis of naphtho[1,8-c,d]-1,2-diselenole (Se₂naph) was reported in 1977 by Meinwald *et al* (Figure 1).¹ In their work, Se₂naph was synthesized by adding two equivalents of selenium powder to dilithionaphthalene and then exposing the reaction mixture to air to obtain the desired product in 18-22% yield. Today this preparation is still the most referenced procedure for making this compound. In 1988, Yui *et al* reported a different synthetic route to Se₂naph, which involves the addition of sodium diselenide (Na₂Se₂) to 1,8-dichloronaphthalene, producing Se₂naph in a 69% yield.² Others have started with 1,8-dibromonaphthalene, synthesized 1,8-dilithionaphthalene, then added elemental selenium (as in Meinwald *et al.*'s procedure); however, low yields are reported (16%).³ These reported procedures are, in reality, quite lengthy and present a number of synthetic hurdles, i.e. lengthy synthesis of 1,8-dichloronaphthalene⁵.



Figure 1. Naphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*]-1,2-diselenole (Se₂naph).

In 1994, a synthetic procedure for the sulfur analog, naphtho[1,8-c,d]-1,2-dithiole (S₂naph) was published using unsubstituted naphthalene as a starting material.⁶ We have extended that synthesis to the selenium system and developed a facile, "one-pot" synthesis for Se₂naph. We have investigated substitution of this ring using Friedel Crafts alkylation and report the synthesis of 2,7-di-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (dt-Se₂naph) and 2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naph). Reaction of mt-Se₂naph with bromine gives 4,7-dibromo-2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (Br₂-mt-Se₂naph) (Figure 2).

The crystal structure of Se₂naph has previously been reported⁷, along with several other compounds having an Se-Se bond; such as dibenzo[*ce*]-1,2-diselenide (dibenzSe₂) and diphenyl diselenide (Se₂Ph₂) (Figure 3).^{8,9} Similar backbones in each of these compounds produce similar chemical environments for the selenium atoms. Although the compounds are structurally similar around the selenium atoms, there are major differences in the conformation that the backbone forces on the selenium substituents. As a result, the Se-Se bond distance varies as a function of the flexibility of the di-aryl backbone. Se₂naph has the longest Se-Se bond distance at 2.3639(5) Å, followed by dibenzo[*ce*]-1,2-diselenide (benzSe₂) (2.323(2) Å), and then diphenyl diselenide (Se₂Ph₂) (2.29(1) Å). The direct relationship that can be drawn is the more rigid the backbone, the longer the Se-Se bond.



Figure 2. 2,7-di-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (dt-Se₂naph), 2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naph), and 4,7-dibromo-2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (Br₂-mt-Se₂naph).



Figure 3. a) naphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*]-1,2-diselenide (Se₂naph), b) dibenzo[*ce*]-1,2-diselenide (dibenzSe₂), and c) diphenyl diselenide (Se₂Ph₂).

These compounds can be used as ligands, by reducing the Se-Se bond needs to forming dianionic Se_2naph or $dibenzSe_2$ or monoanionic SePh (the reduced, negatively charged ligands are indicated by italics). There are very few metal complexes reported that have Se_2naph (or any naphthalene derivative) or dibenzSe as a ligand. These are limited to the platinum(II) bisphosphine complexes, $[Pt(Se_2naph)(PPh_3)_2]$, $[Pt(Se_2naph)(PMe_3)_2]$, and $[Pt(dibenzSe_2)(PPh_3)_2]$.^{10,11} Furthermore, there are only a few reported mononuclear square planar complexes having two SePh ligands. These include cis- and trans- $[Pt(SePh)_2(PPh_3)_2]$, trans- $[Pt(SePh)_2(P(n-Bu)_3)_2]$, and trans- $[Pt(SePh)_2(PEt_3)_2]$. Not only does SePh form mononuclear complexes, but there are several examples of the formation of dinuclear complexes with SePh moieties bridging the two metal centers (Figure 4).¹¹⁻¹³



Figure 4. Known dinuclear complexes with bridging SePh ligands.

To date, there is only one reported 'series' of related complexes. This series contains platinum bistriphenylphosphine complexes with the general formula LPt(PPh₃)₂, where L is *Se*₂*naph*, *dibenzSe*₂, or two molecules of *SePh* (Figure 5). These complexes were not synthesized in a single laboratory, but have been reported independently by several groups. [Pt(PPh₃)₂(*Se*₂*naph*)], [Pt(PPh₃)₂(*dibenzSe*₂)], and *cis*-[Pt(PPh₃)₂(*SePh*)₂] were obtained via oxidative addition reactions with [Pt(PPh₃)₄] and the respective neutral diselenium compound.^{10,11,14} These complexes are very similar around the Pt(II) metal center despite the flexibility of the backbone.



Figure 5. a) $[Pt(PPh_3)_2(Se_2naph)]$, b) $[Pt(PPh_3)_2(dibenzSe_2)]$, and c) cis- $[Pt(PPh_3)_2(SePh)_2]$.

In order to expand the number of di-selenium containing complexes and to obtain a series of these types of platinum complexes from which to draw structural insights, we have synthesized and characterized a new group of complexes produced by reactions using cis-[PtCl₂(P(OPh)₃)₂] as a starting material. The resulting four-coordinate mono- and di-nuclear platinum(II) bis-phosphite complexes are [Pt(Se_2naph)(P(OPh)₃)₂] (1), [Pt(mt- Se_2naph)(P(OPh)₃)₂] (2), [Pt₂($dibenzSe_2$)₂(P(OPh)₃)₂] (3), cis-[Pt(SePh)₂(P(OPh)₃)₂] (4), and trans-[Pt₂(SePh)₄(P(OPh)₃)₂] (5) (Figure 6). The X-ray structures of these compounds are reported along with a detailed comparison of their structures focusing on the geometry around the Pt(II) metal center.



Figure 6. Complexes reported in this work: $[Pt(Se_2naph)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (1), $[Pt(mt-Se_2naph)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (2), $[Pt_2(dibenzSe_2)_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (3), cis- $[Pt(SePh)_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (4) and trans- $[Pt_2(SePh)_4(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (5).

Results and Discussion

Several useful ligands have been prepared by novel synthetic methods in the course of this research. Naphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*]-1,2-diselenole (Se₂naph) is synthesized using a one-pot reaction starting from naphthalene (26% yield). This synthesis was modelled after one reported by Ashe *et al.* for the sulfur analog naphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]dithiole.⁶ It was also found that substitution of the naphthalene ring in Se₂naph with either one *tert*-butyl group to form 2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naph) or two *tert*-butyl groups to form 2,7-di-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (dt-Se₂naph) was possible via a standard Friedel Crafts alkylation.^{7,15} The addition of dibromine to mt-Se₂naph gave no reaction between selenium and bromine. Instead, electrophilic aromatic substitution dominates to produce the doubly substituted compound 4,7-dibromo-2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naphBr₂) (Scheme 1). This is unusual, since reacting organoselenium compounds with dibromine generally results in oxidative addition with addition of the dibromine to the selenium atom and adopts a 'T-shaped' geometry.¹⁶⁻¹⁸



Scheme 1. The reaction scheme for the preparation of 4,7-dibromo-2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naphBr₂).

The bromine selectivity can be explained by the electronic directing influence of selenium and the steric bulk of the *t*-butyl group. Both selenium and *t*-butyl groups donate electrons into the π -system, activating the naphthalene ring and directing incoming electrophiles to the *ortho* or *para* positions. The first attack at the position *para* to selenium would be sterically more favorable, keeping the two large bromine and *t*-butyl groups further apart. However, the second substitution reaction is directed to the *ortho* position on the second ring to avoid the steric interaction with the first bromine atom.

A unique characteristic of these compounds is the selenium NMR. These compounds are made up of ⁷⁷SeSe, Se⁷⁷Se, and ⁷⁷Se⁷⁷Se isotopomers. Any selenium sample is a mixture of several stable isotopes, but only ⁷⁷Se, natural abundance of 7%, is NMR active. When the selenium atoms are in different chemical environments, the ⁷⁷Se NMR contains two major signals. For example, in mt-Se₂naph, the first two isotopomers give rise to singlets centered at 414 and 360 ppm, whilst the latter gives an AX spectrum with $J_{\text{Se-Se}} = 345$ Hz (Figure 7). The peak at 360 ppm corresponds to the selenium atom closest to the *tert*-butyl group, based on comparison to the ⁷⁷Se spectra of Se₂naph (420 ppm) and dt-Se₂naph (353 ppm).



Figure 7. The ⁷⁷Se NMR for mt-Se₂naph.

The ⁷⁷Se NMR spectrum of mt-Se₂naphBr₂, is similar, showing two shifts at 454 and 374 ppm, however, the peaks were broad and the $J_{\text{Se-Se}}$ couldn't be determined.

X-Ray structural characterization was conducted for $dt-Se_2naph$ and $mt-Se_2naphBr_2$ (Table 1, Figure 8), however, $mt-Se_2naph$ is a persistent oil and could not be crystallized.



Figure 8. Molecular representation of mt-Se₂naph (top) and mt-Se₂naphBr₂ (bottom).

The Se-Se bond lengths of dt-Se₂naph (2.3383(5) Å) and mt-Se₂naphBr₂ (2.3388(14) Å) are almost identical, but they are shorter than in Se₂naph, (2.3639(5) Å).⁷ In dt-Se₂naph the selenium atoms are forced out of the plane, but this doesn't occur in Se₂naph or mt-Se₂naphBr₂.. Despite the deviation

from planarity of dt-Se₂naph, a comparison of torsion angles around the bridgehead carbon atoms of the backbone reveals little variation between Se₂naph, dt-Se₂naph and mt-Se₂naphBr₂ (Figure 9).



Figure 9. Out-of-plane deflections of a) Se₂naph, b) dt-Se₂naph, and c) mt-Se₂naphBr₂.

The crystal packing in Se₂naph, dt-Se₂naph and mt-Se₂naphBr₂ shows significant differences. Se₂naph forms herringbone π -stacks that are linked by an Se...Se interaction, with a π - π distance between naphthalene rings on separate molecules of 3.81 Å.⁷ However, due to the bulky *t*-butyl arms, there are no inter-molecular interactions between Se atoms in the crystal packing of dt-Se₂naph. In mt-Se₂naphBr₂, there is no intermolecular Se...Se interaction, however, there is a close intermolecular Br(4)...Br(8)' contact (3.4790(13) Å). This interaction and the resulting packing, is illustrated in Figure 10.



Figure 10. View of crystal packing in mt-Se₂naphBr₂ along the *b*-axis.

Reduction of the Se-Se bond in Se₂naph, mt-Se₂naph, or dibenzo[*ce*]-1,2-diselenine (dibenzSe₂) forms the dianion of those species (the presence of which, is denoted by italics in a molecular formula, e.g. $[Pt(mt-Se_2naph)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$). The analogous reduction of diphenyl diselenide (Se₂Ph₂) gives monoanionic *SePh* (also indicated by italics). Formation of the anion is followed by *in situ* addition of $[PtCl_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$, which yield the four-coordinate mono- and di-nuclear platinum(II) bis-phosphite complexes $[Pt(Se_2naph)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (1), $[Pt(mt-Se_2naph)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (2), $[Pt_2(dibenzSe_2)_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (3), *cis*- $[Pt(SePh)_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (4), and *trans*- $[Pt_2(SePh)_4(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (5). Scheme 2 shows the reaction to form 1 and 2.



Scheme 2. Synthesis of 1 and 2.

Complexes **1** and **2** have been fully characterized by elemental analysis, MS, IR, Raman, and ¹H, ¹³C, ³¹P, ⁷⁷Se, and ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR. We were unable to isolate bulk samples of complexes **3-5** and these complexes have been characterized by X-ray crystallography and multinuclear NMR.

The ³¹P, ⁷⁷Se, and ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR spectral data for **1-5** are given in Table 2 In its ³¹P NMR spectrum, **1** displays a singlet at 87 ppm, and both platinum ($J_{P-Pt} = 4711$ Hz) and selenium ($J_{P-Se} = 28$ Hz) satellites are visible. The ⁷⁷Se NMR contains a peak at 140 ppm ($J_{Se-P} = 28$ Hz) ($J_{Se-Pt} = 205$ Hz). The ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR displays a triplet centered at -4711 ppm with selenium satellites visible ($J_{Pt-P} = 4711$ Hz) ($J_{Pt-Se} = 205$ Hz).

The ³¹P NMR spectrum for **2** displays a typical [ABX]-pattern (A = P^{III}, X = Pt) indicative of direct coordination of two inequivalent phosphorus atoms to the platinum center. Both signals have platinum and selenium satellites; $\delta = 89 (J_{P-P} = 68 \text{ Hz}) (J_{P-Pt} = 4686 \text{ Hz}) (J_{P-Se} = 19, 28); \delta = 86 (J_{P-P} = 68 \text{ Hz}) (J_{P-Pt} = 4669 \text{ Hz}) (J_{P-Se} = 35 \text{ Hz})$. The ⁷⁷Se NMR of **2** consists of two signals, each split by two inequivalent phosphorus atoms into a doublet of doublets with platinum satellites. The upfield peak at 138 ppm is assigned to the ⁷⁷Se furthest from the *tert*-butyl arm by comparison with **1**. The ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR displays an apparent triplet (doublet of doublets with similar coupling constants) centered at -4575 ppm (J_{P+P} ≈ 4680 Hz).

The NMR data for **3** indicates the mononuclear complex $[Pt(dibenzSe_2)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ is the predominant species in solution.¹⁹ The ³¹P NMR for **3** displays a typical [AX]-pattern relating to the

direct coordination of two equivalent phosphorus atoms to the platinum center and selenium satellites are also observed; $\delta = 85$ ($J_{P-Pt} = 4685$ Hz) ($J_{P-Se} = 21$). The ⁷⁷Se NMR displays a triplet with platinum satellites at $\delta = 225$ ($J_{Se-P} = 21$ Hz) ($J_{Se-Pt} = 183$ Hz). The ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR spectrum displays a triplet centered at -4570 ppm with selenium satellites visible ($J_{Pt-P} = 4685$ Hz) ($J_{Pt-Se} = 183$ Hz). We were unable to separate **4** and **5** and the ³¹P, ⁷⁷Se, and ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR spectra were measured using samples that contained crystalline material of at least some crystals of both complexes, as determined by X-ray studies. The NMR data, however, are indicative of the presence in solution of just compound **4**

The ³¹P NMR spectrum displays a typical [AAX]-pattern with a single signal at 85 ppm with platinum satellites ($J_{P-Pt} = 4724$ Hz). As in **3**, the ⁷⁷Se NMR spectrum of **4/5** exhibits a triplet with platinum satellites; $\delta = 222$ ($J_{Se-P} = 28$ Hz) ($J_{Se-Pt} = 188$ Hz). The ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR spectrum displays a triplet centered at -4075 ppm ($J_{Pt-P} = 4729$ Hz).

The X-ray crystal structures of **1**, **2**, and **4a** are shown in Figure 11, while Figure 12 shows **3** and **5**. The X-ray analyses show that in every complex, the platinum center lies in a distorted square-planar environment.



Figure 11. Molecular representations of the core atoms in 1 (top), 2 (middle), and one molecule of 4a (bottom),



Figure 12. Molecular representations of 3 (top) and 5 (bottom).

The differing molecular structures of **4** and **5** were quite unexpected. As described above, the ³¹P NMR clearly suggest that only one species is present in the solution after synthesis and purification of the reaction mixture. Crystallization using pentane diffusion into a dichloromethane solution produced orange 13

block crystals, which were characterized by X-ray crystallography, revealing the monomeric structure of **4**, however, this same solution also yielded crystals of binuclear **5**.

Complexes 1, 2, and 4 have strong similarities. Selected bond lengths and angles can be found in Table 3 Each of these complexes is monomeric, containing a four-coordinate Pt(II) center having two - $P(OPh)_3$ ligands and two selenium ions from one or more of the selenium containing ligands. A comparison of bond lengths within this series of mononuclear complexes shows that all of these complexes have very similar Pt-P bond lengths ranging from 2.2232(13) Å to 2.2390(16) Å, with complex 2 having the shortest Pt-P bond length. The Pt-Se bond lengths have a larger difference. The Pt-Se bond distances are longest in 4/4a ranging from 2.481(2) Å to 2.463(2) Å, slightly shorter in 1 at 2.4600(7) Å and 2.4527(7) Å, and yet shorter in 2 at 2.4356(5) Å and 2.4256(5) Å. The short Pt-Se distances in 2 are possibly an effect of the electron donating *tert*-butyl arm on the naphthalene ring. It is noticeable on going from 1 to 2 the six membered PtSe₂C₃ ring changes substantially. In 1 the ring is essentially a boat conformation with a hinge at the Se...Se vector whilst in 2 the ring is a twisted chair conformation this difference presumably arises as a consequence of the sterically demanding *tert*-butyl group in 2.

The Se(1)-Pt(1)-Se(2) bond angles increase from $85.55(2)^{\circ}$ in **1**, to $87.47(7)^{\circ}$ in **4** to $89.43(8)^{\circ}$ in **4a**, and finally to $89.885(17)^{\circ}$ in **2**. It is interesting that the only difference between **1** (the smallest angle) and **2** (the largest angle) is the substitution of the *tert*-butyl substituent on the naphthalene ring. The steric bulk of the *tert*-butyl group pushes the selenium atom nearest to it out of the plane of the naphthalene ring, rendering the Se-Pt-Se bond angle larger than in **1**, where the selenium atoms may be constrained by a need to stay in the plane of the rings to participate in π -resonance. However, the size of the Se(1)-Pt(1)-Se(2) bond angle in **4** falls in the middle of the series of complexes, despite not being restricted by the backbone, as in **1** and **2**. The similarity of the bond angle (only ~4° difference) amongst the complexes is likely not coincidental, even if the ligands have no strong geometric preferences, the geometry of the complex is still limited by the tendency of Pt(II) to be square planar.

Compared to **4** in the Se-Pt-Se angles, the *cis*- bond angles Se-Pt-P in the three complexes are universally similar. The Se(1)-Pt(1)-P(2) bond angle in **4** is $86.50(13)^{\circ}$ and the Se(2)-Pt(1)-P(1) bond angle is $93.73(13)^{\circ}$ with the Se(1)-Pt(1)-P(1) bond angle being $91.19(4)^{\circ}$ and the Se(2)-Pt(1)-P(2) bond angle being $88.80(4)^{\circ}$. The bond angle differences in **2** are similar to the other two complexes, with the Se(1)-Pt(1)-P(1) bond angle being $86.94(3)^{\circ}$ and the Se(2)-Pt(1)-P(2) bond angle being $88.02(4)^{\circ}$. The two *trans* Se-Pt-P bond angles of the three complexes likewise differ from each other by only a few degrees. The difference between the two angles is 7.5° in **1**, 4.2° in **4** and 1.8° in **2**.

The smallest of the *trans* Se-Pt-P bond angles occurs in **1**, with an angle of $169.82(5)^{\circ}$. Other than a bond angle of $173.40(14)^{\circ}$ in **4**, all the other *trans* bond angles in all three complexes are very close to 176° . Like all the other angles, the P(1)-Pt(1)-P(2) bond angles of **1**, **2**, and **4** are very similar, except in **4b**, where it is the largest by 4° at $99.3(2)^{\circ}$. Somewhat strangely, the steric strain presented by the *t*-butyl group in **2** and the greater degree of freedom allowed by the lack of a constraining background in **4** do not seem to cause much variation in the structure around the metal center. The metal center appears to be dictating the geometry and forcing the ligands to arrange themselves so that the complex has as close to a square planar motif it can.

Complexes **3** and **5** are different from the three just discussed, in that they each crystallize as a dinuclear complex with two four-coordinate Pt(II) metal centers in a diamond core motif. Each Pt(II) ion in both complexes is coordinated by three selenium ions and one $-P(OPh)_3$ ligand. A list of selected bond lengths and angles for **3** and **5** are shown in 4 and 5 The difference between the two coordination spheres is that **3** has dianionic bis-selenium ligands based on the biphenyl backbone, while the platinum centers in **5** are ligated by individual *SePh* ligands. One of the selenium atoms on the biphenyl in **3** is in a bridging position, which forces the ligand to twist and strain in order for the platinum to coordinate the other selenium atom. In **5**, the bridging and terminal positions are occupied by the *SePh* ligands instead.

Rather unsurprisingly, given their similar coordination spheres, the bond distances in **3** and **5** are very similar throughout the complexes. The Pt-P bond lengths are similar at ~2.20 Å in **3** and ~2.19 Å in **5**. The Pt-Se bonds in both complexes differ depending on whether they are coordinated in a terminal or bridging fashion, but are again markedly similar between the two complexes. In **3**, the terminal Pt-Se bond lengths are ~2.44 Å, whereas the bridging bond lengths are ~2.46 Å. In **5**, the terminal Pt-Se bond lengths are ~2.45 Å, and the bridging bond lengths are ~2.47 Å.

Like the bond distances, the bond angles in **3** and **5** are very similar. Complex **3** has two obtuse angles and two acute angles around the platinum centers, which form a flattened X with a platinum atom in the center. The Se-Pt-Se bond angle of the diamond core is $83.89(3)^\circ$, and the bond *trans* to this, across the platinum center, is $88.50(7)^\circ$. The other two angles around the platinum center are ~94°. The Pt-Se-Pt bond bridging the diamond core is $96.04(3)^\circ$.

The bond angles in **5** track very closely to those in **3**. The Se-Pt-Se bond angle of the diamond core is $83.89(3)^{\circ}$ and *trans* to this, the angle is $85.83(6)^{\circ}$. The other two angles around the platinum center are $94.71(3)^{\circ}$ and $95.66(6)^{\circ}$. The bridging Pt-Se-Pt angles are both almost exactly 96° . From this data, it seems as though the visibly twisted biphenyl-based diselenium ligand is not responsible for the distortion of the geometry around the metal center in **3**, since the *SePh* ligands in **5** end up giving the complex an extremely similar set of bond lengths and angles without the ligand imposing a geometric restriction.

Experimental

General

All synthetic procedures were performed under nitrogen using standard Schlenk techniques unless otherwise stated, reagents were obtained from commercial sources and used as received. Dry solvents were collected from an MBraun solvent system. ¹H, ¹³C, ³¹P, and ⁷⁷Se spectra were recorded on a Jeol DELTA GSX270 spectrometer. ¹⁹⁵Pt spectra were obtained on a Bruker AVII400. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm and coupling constants (*J*) are given in Hz. IR (KBr pellet) and Raman spectra (powder sample) were obtained on a Perkin-Elmer system 2000 Fourier Transform spectrometer. Elemental analysis was performed by the University of St. Andrews, School of Chemistry Service. Positive-ion FAB mass spectra were performed by the EPSRC National Mass Spectrometry Service, Swansea. Precious metals were provided by Ceimig Ltd.

Synthetic Remarks

The compound *cis*-[Pt(P(OPh)₃)₂Cl₂] was prepared by adding two equivalents of P(OPh)₃ to *cis*-[PtCl₂(cod)] (cod = 1,5-cyclooctadiene) in dichloromethane at room temperature instead of by the procedure reported by Sabounchei *et al*.²⁰

Synthesis of Naphtho[1,8-c,d]-1,2-diselenole (Se₂naph)

Crystalline naphthalene (6.10 g, 47.6 mmol) was added to a 500 mL round bottom Schlenk flask. The flask was evacuated and purged with nitrogen. Butyllithium (BuLi) (46.8 mL of 2.5 M in THF, 117 mmol) was added dropwise via syringe with stirring, followed by the slow addition of TMEDA (17.7 mL, 117 mmol). Upon addition, the flask became slightly warm and a white precipitate (pcc) formed. The pcc dissolved as the solution yellowed and then became increasingly darker until it was dark reddish in color. A reflux condenser was added to the flask, which was then warmed to ca. 70°C for two hours. The mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, at which time the reflux condenser was replaced by a septum. The mixture was then cooled to -70°C using a dry ice/acetone bath. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) (~150 mL) was added dropwise via syringe. Selenium powder (11.1 g, 141 mmol) was then added at once. The reaction mixture was allowed to slowly warm to room temperature and was stirred overnight under nitrogen. *Caution!* As the mixture warms to room temperature, the flask becomes slightly pressurized. Make sure the stopper is clipped and the flask is opened to nitrogen.

The next day, the flask was opened and the mixture was poured into a 2 separating funnel where ~500 mL of distilled water and ~300 mL of hexane was then added. It was difficult to see the separation line, but as the water layer was removed the line became more evident. The hexane layer, a clear purple solution, was collected. Silica gel was added to the organic layer and the solvent was evaporated. The silica gel/product was placed on top of a silica column and the product was eluted with hexane. The purple band was collected and the solvent evaporated. The purple solid was dissolved in a minimal amount of methylene chloride. The solution was then layered with hexane and placed in the freezer for recrystallization. Yield 3.544 g, 26%. ¹H and ⁷⁷Se NMR matched those of the previous reported samples.¹

Synthesis of 2,7-di-tert-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (dt-Se₂naph) *and 2-tert-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole* (mt-Se₂naph)

2,7-di-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (dt-Se₂naph) and 2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naph) were prepared by methods reported for the thiol analogues.^{15,16} Se₂naph (0.38 g, 1.3 mmol), *t*-butyl chloride (0.43 mL, 3.9 mmol), and CH₃NO₂ (~7 mL), were added to a 100 mL round bottom Schlenk flask. The reaction was heated with stirring to ~80°C and AlCl₃ (36 mg, 0.27 mmol) was added. The mixture continued to heat at ~80°C for one hour. After the reaction cooled to room temperature, distilled water was added, which then was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was removed, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and the solvent was evaporated. These compounds were purified by column chromatography on silica gel elution using hexane, with mt-Se₂naph eluting first, then dt-Se₂naph, followed by starting material. dt-Se₂naph was crystallized by slow evaporation of a pentane solution to give orange blocks (17 mg, 3 %). mt-Se₂naph is a dark red oil (104 mg, 23 %), and finally 81 mg (21 %) of the starting material was recovered.

mt-Se₂naph: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 7.52-7.17 (m, 5H), 1.53 (s, 9H); ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃) 414(s), 414 (d, $J_{\text{Se-Se}} = 345 \text{ Hz}$), 360 (s), 360 (d, $J_{\text{Se-Se}} = 345 \text{ Hz}$); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 144.3, 139.5, 138.8, 138.3, 136.5, 126.8, 125.8, 124.8, 123.3, 122.0, 36.5, 29.2; MS (TOF MS CI): m/z 339 [⁷⁸Se, ⁸⁰Se], 341 [⁸⁰Se].

dt-Se₂naph: ¹HNMR (CDCl₃) 7.52-7.44 (m, 4H, $J_{H-H} = 8$, 21 Hz), 1.56 (s, 18H); ⁷⁷SeNMR (CDCl₃) 353 (s); ¹³CNMR (CDCl₃) 144.05, 140.37, 136.99, 134.98, 125.82, 124.37, 36.66, 29.10. MS (TOF MS CI): m/z 396 [⁷⁸Se, ⁸⁰Se], 398 [⁸⁰Se].

Synthesis of 4,7-dibromo-2-tert-butylnaphtho[1,8-c,d][1,2]diselenole (Se₂naphBr₂)

A solution of 2-*tert*-butylnaphtho[1,8-*c*,*d*][1,2]diselenole (mt-Se₂naph) (0.11 g, 0.33 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and slowly treated with bromine (0.11 g, 0.034 mL, 0.66

mmol). An analytically pure sample was obtained by crystallisation from diffusion of pentane into a dichloromethane solution of the product (0.1 g, 74 %); ${}^{\nu}_{max}$ (KBr tablet)/cm⁻¹: 3424br s, 3069w, 2955s, 2854w, 1584w, 1568w, 1514w, 1482s, 1466vs, 1392s, 1361s, 1282s, 1218s, 1186w, 1147s, 1116vs, 996vs, 913s, 881s, 860w, 820s, 799s, 741s, 663w, 558w, 509w, 485w, 468w, 381w; ¹HNMR (CDCl₃) 7.77-7.64 (2 H, m, 3,5-H), 7.53-7.40 (1 H, m, 6-H), 1.52 (9 H, s, -C(CH₃)₃; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 134.5(s), 133.6(s), 132.9(s), 131.4(s), 131.2(s), 130.6(s), 130.2(s), 130.1(s), 124.9(s), 124.1(s), 29.8(s), 28.7(s); ⁷⁷SeNMR (CDCl₃) 454, 374; MS (TOF MS EI⁺): *m/z* 497.98 (M⁺, 100 %).

Synthesis for $[Pt(L)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$, $L = Se_2naph(1)$ and mt-Se_2naph(2)

In a Schlenk tube, ~10 mL of dry THF was added to 1 mol eq. of L, the resulting purple solution was stirred for 10 minutes and then, 2 mol eq. of a 1 M solution of LiBEt₃H in THF was added dropwise via syringe. Upon addition, the purple solution turned bright yellow and gas evolution was observed. This solution was stirred ~15 min and [Pt(P(OPh)_3)_2Cl_2] was added. The solution turned orange in color and was stirred 12 hours, after which ~1g of silica gel was added and the solvent was evaporated under vacuum. The flask containing the orange solid was opened to the air and the solid was placed on top of a short hexane-packed silica gel column. The column was eluted with hexane to remove any unreacted starting material and then washed with CH₂Cl₂. The CH₂Cl₂ band was collected and the solvent was removed under vacuum. Orange crystals were obtained for 1 (97 mg, 53%) and 2 (109mg, 50%) after recrystallization from CH₂Cl₂ by pentane diffusion.

[Pt(*Se*₂*naph*)(P(OPh)₃)₂] (1): Se₂naph (47 mg, 165 mmol), 0.33 mL 1 M soln of LiBEt₃H in THF, and [Pt(P(OPh)₃)₂Cl₂] (147 mg, 165 mmol). Yield: 97 mg (53%). Anal. Calc'd (%) for PtSe₂P₂O₆C₄₆H₃₆·CH₂Cl₂: C, 47.60; H, 3.23. Found (%): C, 47.79; H, 3.10. FAB⁺ MS: *m/z* 1100 [M⁺]. IR (KBr) : υ max, cm⁻¹ = 1587, 1486, 1182, 1159, 918, 778, 757, 687, 596, 496. Raman, cm⁻¹ = 30720, 1591, 1538, 1333, 1007, 851, 733, 530, 200. All NMR samples were prepared from crystalline samples in CDCl₃. ¹H NMR: 7.6 (d, *J*_{H-H} = 7 Hz), 7.5 (d, *J*_{H-H} = 7 Hz), 7.2-6.9 (m), 6.9 (t, *J*_{H-H} = 7 Hz). ¹³C NMR: 150.9, 136.3, 135.1, 129.8, 126.9, 125.2, 124.7, 120.9. ³¹P NMR: 87 ppm (*J*_{P-Pt} = 4711 Hz) (*J*_{P-Se} = 28 Hz). (*J*_{P-Se} = 28 Hz). (*J*_{Se-Pt} = 205 Hz). ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR: -4711 ppm (t, *J*_{Pt-P} = 4711 Hz) (*J*_{P-Se} = 205 Hz).

 $[Pt(mt-Se_2naph)(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (2): mt-Se_2naph (64 mg, 187 mmol), 0.37 mL 1 M soln of LiBEt₃H in THF, and $[Pt(P(OPh)_3)_2Cl_2]$ (166 mg, 187 mmol). Yield: 109 mg (50%). Anal. Calc'd (%) for $PtSe_2P_2O_6C_{50}H_{44}$ ·0.5CH₂Cl₂: C, 50.50; H, 3.78. Found (%): C, 50.51; H, 3.49. FAB⁺ MS: m/z 1156 [M⁺].

IR (KBr) : υ max, cm⁻¹ = 1588, 1488, 1186, 1160, 922, 776, 756, 686, 595, 497. Raman, cm⁻¹ = 3066, 1595, 1586, 1515, 1340, 1007, 857, 733, 185. All NMR samples were prepared from crystalline samples in CDCl₃. ¹H NMR: 7.4-7.0 (m), 6.9 (t, $J_{\text{H-H}} = 7$ Hz).), 1.7(s) ¹³C NMR: 151.0, 150.9, 147.0, 142.5, 132.9, 132.1, 131.9, 129.7, 129.6, 126.5, 125.5, 125.2, 125.0, 123.9, 123.2, 121.0, 120.9, 120.7, 120.6, 38.2, 31.6. ³¹P NMR: 89 ppm (d, $J_{\text{P-P}} = 68$ Hz), ($J_{\text{P-Pt}} = 4686$ Hz) ($J_{\text{P-Se}} = 19$, 28) 86 ppm (d, $J_{\text{P-P}} = 68$ Hz), ($J_{\text{P-Pt}} = 4669$ Hz) ($J_{\text{P-Se}} = 35$). ⁷⁷Se NMR: 258 ppm (dd, $J_{\text{Se-Pt}} = 19$, 35 Hz) ($J_{\text{Se-Pt}} = 329$ Hz), 138 ppm (dd, $J_{\text{Se-P}} = 7$, 28 Hz) ($J_{\text{Se-Pt}} = 212$ Hz). ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR: -4575 ppm (observed is apparent triplet $J_{\text{Pt-P}} \approx 4680$ Hz).

Synthesis of [Pt₂(*dibenzSe*₂)₂(P(OPh)₃)₂] (**3**)

In a schlenk tube, ~10 mL of dry THF was added to 1 mol eq. of dibenzSe₂, the resulting pale orange solution was stirred for 10 minutes and then 2 mol eq. of a 1 M solution of LiBEt₃H in THF was added dropwise via syringe. Upon addition, the solution turned very pale yellow, then clear with gas evolution. This solution was stirred ~15 min and [Pt(P(OPh)₃)₂Cl₂] was added. The solution turned bright yellow in color and was stirred 12 hours, after which time ~1g of silica gel was added and the solvent was evaporated under vacuum. The flask containing the yellow solid was opened to the air and the solid was placed on top of a short hexane-packed silica gel column. The column was eluted with hexane to remove any unreacted starting material and then washed with 2:1 CH₂Cl₂:hexane. The resulting bright yellow band was collected and the solvent was removed under vacuum. X-ray quality crystals were obtained for **3** after recrystallization from CH₂Cl₂ by pentane diffusion. FAB⁺ MS: *m*/z 1631 [M⁺] (matches theoretical isotope profile for **3**. IR (KBr) : υ max, cm⁻¹ = 1588, 1486, 1184, 1160, 1025, 922, 765, 687, 595, 491. Raman, cm⁻¹ = 3066, 1589, 1030, 1008. NMR samples were prepared from crystalline samples in CDCl₃. ³¹P NMR: 85 ppm (*J*_{P-Pt} = 4685 Hz) (*J*_{P-Se} = 183 Hz). ^{TP}Se NMR: 225 ppm (t, *J*_{P-Se} = 21) (*J*_{Pt-Se} = 183 Hz). ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR: -4570 ppm (t, *J*_{Pt-P} = 4685 Hz) (*J*_{Pt-Se} = 183 Hz). The NMR data seem to suggest that the predominant species in solution is [Pt(dibenzSe₂)(P(OPh)₃)₂].

Synthesis of cis- $[Pt(SePh)_2(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (4) and $[Pt_2(SePh)_4(P(OPh)_3)_2]$ (5)

In a Schlenk tube, ~10 mL of dry THF was added to 1 mol eq. of Se_2Ph_2 , the resulting yellow solution was stirred for 10 minutes and then 2 mol eq. of a 1 M solution of LiBEt₃H in THF was added dropwise via syringe. Upon addition, the solution turned pale yellow with gas evolution. This solution was stirred ~15 min and [Pt(P(OPh)_3)_2Cl_2] was added. The solution turned bright orange in color and was stirred 12 hours, after which time ~1g of silica gel was added and the solvent was evaporated. The flask containing the orange solid was opened to the air and the solid was placed on a small hexane silica gel column. The column was eluted with hexane to remove any unreacted starting material and then washed with 2:1 CH₂Cl₂: hexane. This orange band was collected and the solvent was removed under vacuum. Complexes **4** and **5** co-crystallized out of the same CH₂Cl₂ solution by pentane diffusion. Complex **4** is deep orange in color, almost red, whereas **5** is bright yellow. All data was obtained from crystalline solid that contained both **4** and **5**. Anal. Calc'd (%) for PtSe₂P₂O₆C₄₈H₄₀ (**4**): C, 51.12; H, 3.57 and for Pt₂Se₄P₂O₆C₆₀H₅₀ (**5**): C, 44.08; H, 3.08. Found (%): C, 44.62; H, 2.81. FAB⁺ MS: *m/z* 1635 [M⁺] (matches theoretical isotope profile for **5**, but there are higher molecular ion peaks in the sample). IR (KBr) : υ max, cm⁻¹ = 1587, 1485, 1183, 1156, 919, 784, 686, 601, 488. Raman, cm⁻¹ = 3063, 1597, 1576, 1220, 1169, 1071, 1001, 226, 178. NMR samples were prepared in CDCl₃. ³¹P NMR: 84 ppm (*J*_{P-Pt} = 4724 Hz) (*J*_{P-Se} = 28 Hz). ⁷⁷Se NMR: 222 ppm (t, *J*_{P-Se} = 28 Hz) (*J*_{Se-Pt} = 188 Hz). ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR: -4075 ppm (t, *J*_{P-FP} = 4729 Hz). NMR data seem to suggest that the mononuclear specie **4** exists in solution, rather than the dinuclear specie **5**.

X-ray Crystallography

Crystal structure data for **1**, **2**, **dt-Se₂naph and mt-Se₂naphBr₂ were collected using the St Andrews** Robotic Rigaku Saturn CCD diffractometer using Mo- K_{α} radiation (graphite monochromator optic, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å), **4** was determined using a Rigaku SCX-Mini whilst **3** and **5** were determined using a Rigaku MM007 rotating anode and Mercury CCD. All data were corrected for absorption. The structure was solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares methods on F^2 values of all data. Refinements were performed using SHELXTL (Version 6.1, Bruker-AXS, Madison WI, USA, 2001). The experimental details including the results of the refinement are given in Table 6 These data can be obtained free of charge via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html CCDC 759117-759123 or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data centre, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; Fax (+44) 1223-336-033; E-mail: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk.

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	dt-Se ₂ naph ^a	mt-Se ₂ naphBr ₂
Se(1)-Se	2.3383(5)	2.3388(14)
Se(1)-C(1)	1.934(3)	1.935(9)
Se(2)-C(9)		1.888(9)
Se(1)-Se(2)-C(9)		90.9(3)
Se(2)-Se(1)-C(1)	93.16(10)	93.9(2)
Se(1)-C(1)-C(2)	122.4(2)	122.0(7)
Se(1)-C(1)-C(10)	113.2(2)	114.4(6)
Se(2)-C(9)-C(8)		121.6(7)
Se(2)-C(9)-C(10)		119.1(7)
C(2)-C(1)-C(10)	124.3(3)	123.6(8)
C(10)-C(9)-C(8)		119.3(8)
C(1)-C(10)-C(9)	124.8(3)	121.7(8)
C(4)-C(5)-C(10)-C(1)	-0.9(2)	-1.0(5)
C(6)-C(5)-C(10)-C(9)	-0.9(2)	-1.0(5)
C(4)-C(5)-C(10)-C(9)	179.1(2)	180.0(10)
C(6)-C(5)-C(10)-C(1)	179.1(2)	180.0(10)
Mean Plane Deviations		
Se(1)	-0.1989(57)	-3.2451(39)
Se(2)		-3.3015(40)
$^{a}Se(2)$ is Se(1A), C(10) i	s C(6), C(9) is C(1	(1A) and C(6) is C(4A)'

Table 1 Selected interatomic distances [Å] and angles [°]for dt-Se2naph and mt-Se2naphBr2.

	1	2^{b}	2°	3	4/5
δ^{31} P (ppm)	87	89	86	85	84
$J_{P-P}(Hz)$		68	68		
J _{P-Pt} (Hz)	4711	4686	4669	4685	4724
J _{P-Se} (Hz)	28	19, 28	35	21	28
δ^{77} Se	140 (t)	258 (dd)	138 (dd)	225 (t)	222 (t)
J _{Se-P} (Hz)	28	19, 35	7,28	21	28
J _{Se-Pt} (Hz)	205	327	212	183	188
δ^{195} Pt	-4711 (t)	-4575 (dd)		-4570 (t)	-4075
J_{Pt-P} (Hz)	4711	4979		4685	4729
$J_{Pt-Se}(Hz)$	205			183	

Table 2 NMR^a data for complexes 1-5.

^aAll NMR samples were prepared from crystalline samples in CDCl₃. ^{b,c}In complex **2**, two signals result from the ⁷⁷Se atom present in one of two inequivalent positions, either the position closest to or furthest away from the substituted *tert*-butyl arm. At this time, based on comparisons to complex **1**, it is thought that the ⁷⁷Se peak at 138 ppm corresponds to the ⁷⁷Se atom furthest from the *tert*-butyl substituent.

	1	2	4	4
Pt(1)-Se(1)	2.4600(7)	2.4356(5)	2.474(2)	2.481(2)
Pt(1)-Se(2)	2.4527(7)	2.4256(5)	2.463(2)	2.481(2)
Pt(1)-P(1)	2.2390(16)	2.2232(13)	2.229(5)	2.235(5)
Pt(1)-P(2)	2.2324(14)	2.2385(14)	2.224(4)	2.235(5)
Se(1)-C(1)	1.921(6)	1.914(5)	1.85(2)	1.87(2)
Se(2)-C	1.924(6)	1.930(4)	1.94(2)	
Se(1)-Pt(1)-Se(2)	85.55(2)	89.885(17)	87.47(7)	89.43(8)
Se(1)-Pt(1)-P(1)	91.19(4)	86.94(3)	177.85(13)	171.09(14)
Se(2)-Pt(1)-P(2)	88.80(4)	88.02(4)	173.70(14)	171.09(14)
P(1)-Pt(1)-P(2)	94.67(6)	95.29(4)	92.35(18)	99.3(2)
Se(1)-Pt(1)-P(2)	169.82(5)	176.93(3)	86.50(13)	86.11(15)
Se(2)-Pt(1)-P(1)	176.33(4)	175.08(3)	93.73(13)	86.11(15)
Pt(1)-Se(1)-C(1)	100.17(17)	107.59(13)	110.3(6)	105.0(6)
Pt(1)-Se(2)-C	107.63(18)	116.77(15)	112.8(5)	105.0(6)

Table 3 Selected interatomic distances [Å] and angles [°] for 1, 2, and 4 (4^1 is the second independent molecule of 4).

 Table 4 Selected interatomic distances [Å] and angles [°] for complex 3.

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Pt(1)-P(1)	2.202(2)	Pt(31)-P(31)	2.200(2)
Pt(1)-Se(2)	2.4370(10)	Pt(31)-Se(32)	2.4449(11)
Pt(1)-Se(31)	2.4582(10)	Pt(31)-Se(31)	2.4544(10)
Pt(1)-Se(1)	2.4569(10)	Pt(31)-Se(1)	2.4628(10)
Se(1)-C(19)	1.928(9)		
Se(31)-C(49)	1.944(10)		
Se(32)-C(56)	1.960(9)		

Se(2)-C(26)	1.922(10)		
P(1)-Pt(1)-Se(2)	88.50(7)	P(31)-Pt(31)-Se(32)	88.72(7)
P(1)-Pt(1)-Se(31)	93.86(7)	P(31)-Pt(31)-Se(1)	94.00(7)
Se(2)-Pt(1)-Se(1)	93.64(3)	Se(32)-Pt(31)-Se(31)	93.44(4)
Se(31)-Pt(1)-Se(1)	83.89(3)	Se(31)-Pt(31)-Se(1)	83.85(3)
Se(2)-Pt(1)-Se(31)	173.11(4)	Se(32)-Pt(31)-Se(1)	172.28(4)
P(1)-Pt(1)-Se(1)	177.60(7)	P(31)-Pt(31)-Se(31)	177.84(7)
C(19)-Se(1)-Pt(1)	93.9(3)	C(49)-Se(31)-Pt(31)	93.2(3)
C(19)-Se(1)-Pt(31)	106.5(3)	C(49)-Se(31)-Pt(1)	107.1(3)
Pt(1)-Se(1)-Pt(31)	96.04(3)	Pt(31)-Se(31)-Pt(1)	96.22(3)
C(26)-Se(2)-Pt(1)	110.1(3)	C(56)-Se(32)-Pt(31)	110.6(3)

 Table 5 Selected interatomic distances [Å] and angles [°] for 5.

2.186(2)	Pt(31)-P(31)	2.193(2)
2.4493(9)	Pt(31)-Se(32)	2.4445(8)
2.4697(9)	Pt(31)-Se(3A)	2.4632(8)
2.4771(8)	Pt(31)-Se(31)	2.4763(8)
2.4697(9)	Se(31)-Pt(3A)	2.4632(8)
1.927(7)	Se(31)-C(49)	1.931(7)
1.932(8)	Se(32)-C(55)	1.925(8)
85.83(6)	P(31)-Pt(31)-Se(32)	84.01(5)
95.66(6)	P(31)-Pt(31)-Se(3A)	96.90(5)
94.71(3)	Se(3A)-Pt(31)-Se(31)	84.07(3)
83.89(3)	Se(32)-Pt(31)-Se(31)	94.99(3)
175.74(3)	Se(32)-Pt(31)-Se(3A)	176.46(3)
178.57(5)	P(31)-Pt(31)-Se(31)	178.86(6)
98.9(2)	C(49)-Se(31)-Pt(3A)	100.5(2)
104.2(2)	C(49)-Se(31)-Pt(31)	103.7(2)
96.11(3)	Pt(3A)-Se(31)-Pt(31)	95.93(3)
106.6(2)	C(55)-Se(32)-Pt(31)	106.3(2)
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Compound	dt-Se ₂ naph	mt-Se ₂ naphBr ₂	1	2	3	4	5
Empirical Formula	$C_{18}H_{22}Se_2$	$C_{14}H_{14}Br_2Se_2$	$C_{46}H_{36}O_6Se_2P_2Pt$	$PtC_{51}H_{46}O_6P_2Se_2Cl_2$	$C_{62}H_{50}Cl_4O_6P_2Pt_2Se_4$	C146H124O18P6Pt3Se6Cl4	$C_{60}H_{50}O_6P_2Pt_2Se_4$
Formula Weight	396.29	499.99	1099.74	1240.78	1800.78	3553.26	1634.96
Temperature (°C)	-148(1)	-148(1)	-148(1)	-148(1)	-180(1)	-148(1)	-180(1)
Crystal Colour, Habit	orange, block	red, prism	orange, block	yellow, platelet	yellow, prism	orange, block	yellow, prism
Crystal Dimensions (mm ³)	0.55 x 0.40 x 0.30	0.09 X 0.06 X 0.06	0.22 X 0.15 X 0.07	0.41 X 0.14 X 0.10	0.20 x 0.20 x 0.20	0.52 X 0.10 X 0.06	0.10 x 0.03 x 0.03
Crystal System	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Lattice Parameters	a = 11.333(11) Å	a = 9.638(7) Å	a = 13.3431(5) Å	a = 17.1347(5) Å	a = 12.0039(15) Å	a = 61.179(3) Å	a = 10.1847(12) Å
	b = 12.079(11) Å	b = 7.112(5) Å	b = 13.5580(5) Å	b = 26.5360(8) Å	b = 20.430(2) Å	b = 11.9162(4) Å	b = 13.7001(16) Å
	c = 12.029(11) Å	c = 10.499(8) Å	c = 22.8535(8) Å	c = 11.0032(3) Å	c = 25.009(3) Å	c = 18.9059(9) Å	c = 20.338(2) Å
	-	-	-	-	-	-	$\alpha = 83.840(7)^{\circ}$
	$\beta = 90^{\circ}$	$\beta = 94.263(15)^{\circ}$	$\beta = 90^{\circ}$	$\beta = 102.4922(8)^{\circ}$	$\beta = 99.836(3)^{\circ}$	$\beta = 98.6466(18)^{\circ}$	$\beta = 82.868(7)^{\circ}$
	-	-	-	-	-	-	$\gamma = 85.896(8)^{\circ}$
Volume (Å ³)	V = 1647(3)	V = 717.6(8)	V = 4134.3(3)	V = 4884.6(2)	V = 6043.1(13)	V = 13626.1(11)	V = 2794.7(6)
Space Group	Pcca	$P2_1/m$	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$	Cc	Cc	C2/c	<i>P</i> -1
Z value	4	2	4	4	4	4	2
Dcalc (g/cm ³)	1.598	2.314	1.767	1.687	1.979	1.732	1.943
F000	792	472	2144	2440	3440	6960	1560
m(MoKa) (cm ⁻¹)	44.807	107.166	52.68	45.75	73.15	48.776	77.13
No. of Reflections Measured	13383	4132	43187	25442	19245	52775	18111
Rint	0.032	0.039	0.095	0.041	0.0453	0.329	0.047
Min and Max Transmissions	0.130-0.261	0.373 - 0.526	0.398 - 0.692	0.304 - 0.633	0.7102-1.0000	0.383 - 0.746	0.6118 - 1.0000
Independent Reflections	1508	1362	9468	11089	8754	11981	9897
Observed Reflection (No. Variables)	1314 (94)	1267 (115)	8094 (515)	9956 (578)	7937 (722)	7175 (826)	7534 (688)
Reflection/Parameter Ratio	16.04	11.84	18.38	19.19	12.12	14.5	14.39
Residuals: R ₁ (I>2.00s(I))	0.0385	0.0452	0.048	0.0345	0.0362	0.125	0.0453
Residuals: R (All reflections)	0.0444	0.0499	0.0629	0.042	0.0414	0.1953	0.067
Residuals: wR ₂ (All reflections)	0.1011	0.1072	0.061	0.0543	0.0705	0.3989	0.0726
Goodness of Fit Indicator	1.093	1.181	1.051	0.987	0.874	1.145	0.975
Flack Parameter	-	-	-0.006(5)	0.001(3)	-0.005(7)	-	-
Max. peak in Final Diff. Map	$0.83 \text{ e}/\text{\AA}^3$	0.66 e /Å ³	2.59 e /Å ³	$1.54 \text{ e}/\text{\AA}^3$	$1.744 \text{ e}/\text{\AA}^3$	$6.56 \text{ e}/\text{\AA}^3$	$1.807 \text{ e}/\text{\AA}^3$
Min. peak in Final Diff. Map	-0.55 e /Å ³	-0.99 e /Å ³	-1.02 e /Å ³	-0.70 e /Å ³	-1.424 e /Å ³	-10.18 e /Å ³	-1.542 e /Å ³

Table 6Crystallographic data for compounds dt-Se₂naph, mt-Se₂naphBr₂ and 1-5.