High Pressure Study of the Two Dimensional Molecular Conductors, $Pd(dmit)_2$ Salts.

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A series of two dimensional organic conductors, $\text{Et}_x \text{Me}_{4-x} Z[\text{Pd}(\text{dmit})_2]_2$ salts (x = 0, 1, 2, Z = N, P, As, Sb), are Mott insulators with anisotropic triangular lattice structure of the Pd(dmit)₂ dimers at ambient pressure. These compounds exhibit various physical properties depending on temperature and pressure (including uni-axial compression). It has been reported that the temperature dependence of the magnetic susceptibilities of some Pd(dmit)₂ salts was well explaned by the model of the spin-1/2 Heisenberg triangular antiferromagnet[1]. We have measured magnetic susceptibility and resistivity of this series of Pd(dmit)₂ salts under hydrostatic pressure. For EtMe₃P salt, which exhibits a spin-Peierls transition at $T_{\text{SP}} = 25$ K under ambient pressure, T_{SP} slightly decreases with increasing pressure. Superconductivity is detected as a large diamagnetic signal below $T_{\text{C}} = 5$ K (0.20 GPa), corresponding to resistivity drop to zero. It is the first time that a bulk superconductivity is observed in a Pd(dmit)₂ salt.

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