# Structure of a Copper(I) Complex of a Tripodal Schiff-Base Ligand, \{Tris-[4-(2-thienyl)-3-aza-3-butenyl]amine\}copper(I) Triiodide Chloroform Solvate 

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#### Abstract

SC}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{3}\right) \mathrm{CHNCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{NCu}\right]\left[\mathrm{I}_{3}\right] . \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\), $\left[\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{~S}_{3}\right) \mathrm{II}_{3} . \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}, M_{r}=992 \cdot 27\right.$, monoclinic, $C 2 / c, \quad a=31.869(11), \quad b=11.425(2), \quad c=$ $18 \cdot 215$ (4) $\AA, \beta=96 \cdot 56$ (2) ${ }^{\circ}, V=6589$ (5) $\AA^{3}, Z=8$, $D_{x}=2.00 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, \quad F(000)=3776, \quad \lambda($ Мо $K \alpha)=$ $0.71073 \AA, \quad \mu=39.0 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}, \quad R=0.027$ for 5020 observed reflections at 294 K . The copper(I) geometry is trigonal pyramidal, with coordination occurring from the apical tertiary amine N atom and the three azomethine N atoms of the tripodal Schiff-base ligand but not from the three thiophene moieties. Principal bond lengths and angles are $\mathrm{Cu}-$ N (ap.) $2 \cdot 275$ (3), $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}($ eq.) $2 \cdot 004$ (3) $\AA$ (av.) and $\mathrm{N}($ ap. $)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(\mathrm{eq}) \quad .82.5(1)^{\circ} \quad$ (av.), $\quad \mathrm{N}(\mathrm{eq})-$ $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ (eq.) 118.3 (1) ${ }^{\circ}$ (av.); the $\mathrm{Cu} \cdots \mathrm{S}$ contacts are $3 \cdot 162$ (1), $3 \cdot 268$ (1) and $3 \cdot 383$ (1) $\AA$.

Introduction. A previous molecular structure analysis of tris[4-(2-thienyl)-3-aza-3-butenyl]amine, ( $\mathrm{S}_{3}$ tren), revealed its potential as a heptadentate tripodal ligand (Alyea, Liu, Li, Xu \& You, 1989). As part of metal complexation studies of this new Schiff-base ligand derived from tris(2-aminoethyl)amine (tren), we have reacted $\mathrm{S}_{3}$ tren with copper(II) salts (Alyea, $\mathrm{Li}, \mathrm{Xu} \& \mathrm{You}, 1990$ ). When excess NaI is added to a solution containing copper(II) acetate and $\mathrm{S}_{3}$ tren, and the solution exposed to air for several days, reduction occurs to give the $\mathrm{Cu}^{1}$ title complex, whose X-ray structural analysis is now reported.


Experimental. A ruby coloured multifaceted crystal having approximate dimensions $0.26 \times 0.52 \times$ 0.59 mm was selected from several similar crystals grown from a chloroform solution. Accurate cell dimensions and crystal orientation matrix were determined on a CAD-4 diffractometer by a leastsquares treatment of the setting angles of 25 reflections in the range $12<\theta<14^{\circ}$. Intensities of reflections with indices $h 0$ to $40, k 0$ to $14, l-23$ to 23 , with $2<2 \theta<52^{\circ}$ measured; $\omega-2 \theta$ scans, $\omega$ scan width $(0.60+0.35 \tan \theta)^{\circ}$; graphite-monochromatized

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Mo $K \alpha$ radiation; intensities of three reflections measured every 2 h showed no evidence of crystal decay. 6570 reflections measured, 6454 unique ( $R_{\text {int }}$ $0.018)$ and the 5020 with $I>3 \sigma(I)$ labelled observed and used in structure solution and refinement. Data corrected for Lorentz, polarization and absorption effects (max. and min. transmission coefficients 0.41 , $0 \cdot 20$ ). Space group $C 2 / c$ or $C c$ determined from the systematic absences ( $h k l$ absent if $h+k=2 n+1 ; h 0 l$ absent if $l=2 n+1$ ) and $C 2 / c$ chosen and confirmed by successful refinement. The structure was solved by the Patterson heavy-atom method using SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1986) and subsequent difference syntheses. Refinement was by full-matrix least-squares calculations, initially with isotropic and then with anisotropic thermal parameters. At an intermediate stage in the refinement a difference map showed that there was chloroform of solvation trapped in the crystal lattice; there is one chloroform per molecule of the complex. In the final rounds of calculations H atoms were positioned on geometrical grounds (C-H $0.95 \AA$ ) and included in the structure factor calculations with an overall $B_{\text {iso }}$ of $5 \cdot 0 \AA^{2}$. The final cycle of refinement included 326 variable parameters, $R=0.027, w R=0.044$, goodness-of-fit $1.71, w=1 /$ $\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}\right)+0.025\left(F_{o}\right)^{2}\right]$. Max. shift/e.s.d. in final cycle 0.01 ; density in final difference map $\pm 0.65 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$ in the vicinity of the triiodide anion; there were no chemically significant features. Scattering factors and anomalous-dispersion corrections were taken from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV). All calculations were performed on a PDP1 1/73 computer using SDP-Plus (B. A. Frenz \& Associates, Inc., 1983). Atomic coordinates $\dagger$ and details of molecular geometry are given in Tables 1 and 2. Fig. 1 is a view of the molecule prepared using ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976).

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Table 1. Positional and thermal parameters and their

|  | e.s.d.'s |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $B\left(\AA^{2}\right)$ |
| Cu | 0.63429 (1) | 0.97382 (4) | 0.48258 (3) | $3 \cdot 190$ (9) |
| S(1) | 0.54986 (4) | $1 \cdot 1262$ (1) | 0.42317 (7) | $4 \cdot 50$ (2) |
| S(2) | 0.57597 (4) | 1.0297 (1) | 0.60743 (7) | 4.59 (2) |
| S(3) | $0 \cdot 55280$ (4) | 0.7988 (1) | 0.45719 (8) | $5 \cdot 72$ (3) |
| N(4) | 0.7048 (1) | 0.9647 (3) | 0.4735 (2) | $3 \cdot 38$ (7) |
| N(1) | 0.6458 (1) | $1 \cdot 1460$ (3) | 0.4888 (2) | $3 \cdot 26$ (6) |
| N(2) | 0.6502 (1) | 0.8707 (3) | 0.5707 (2) | $3 \cdot 39$ (7) |
| N(3) | 0.6309 (1) | 0.9004 (3) | 0.3823 (2) | 3.45 (7) |
| C(11) | $0 \cdot 7188$ (1) | 1.0873 (4) | 0.4777 (3) | 3.91 (9) |
| C(12) | 0.6904 (1) | $1 \cdot 1589$ (3) | 0.5209 (3) | 3.96 (9) |
| C(13) | 0.6266 (1) | 1.2375 (3) | 0.4652 (2) | 3.68 (8) |
| C(14) | 0.5839 (1) | 1.2430 (3) | 0.4301 (2) | 3.69 (8) |
| C(15) | 0.5652 (2) | 1.3386 (4) | 0.3962 (4) | $6 \cdot 1$ (1) |
| C(16) | 0.5230 (2) | 1.3177 (5) | 0.3656 (4) | 6.6 (1) |
| C(17) | 0.5117 (1) | 1-2085 (5) | 0.3763 (3) | $5 \cdot 5$ (1) |
| C(21) | 0.7213 (1) | 0.8929 (4) | 0.5373 (2) | 3.55 (8) |
| C(22) | 0.6879 (1) | 0.8065 (3) | 0.5558 (2) | 3.67 (8) |
| C(23) | 0.6373 (1) | 0.8579 (3) | 0.6335 (2) | $3 \cdot 73$ (8) |
| C(24) | 0.6032 (1) | 0.9221 (4) | 0.6591 (2) | $3 \cdot 59$ (8) |
| C(25) | 0.5883 (1) | 0.9091 (4) | 0.7277 (2) | $4 \cdot 25$ (9) |
| C(26) | 0.5558 (2) | 0.9907 (5) | 0.7368 (3) | $4 \cdot 8$ (1) |
| C(27) | 0.5460 (2) | 1.0593 (4) | 0.6761 (3) | $5 \cdot 1$ (1) |
| C(31) | 0.7072 (1) | 0.9087 (4) | 0.4009 (3) | 4.07 (9) |
| C(32) | 0.6682 (1) | 0.9356 (4) | 0.3486 (3) | 4.08 (9) |
| C(33) | 0.6067 (1) | 0.8236 (4) | 0.3475 (2) | 3.97 (9) |
| C(34) | 0.5702 (1) | 0.7721 (4) | 0.3733 (3) | 4.09 (9) |
| C(35) | 0.5446 (2) | 0.6899 (4) | 0.3348 (3) | $5 \cdot 4$ (1) |
| C(36) | 0.5113 (2) | 0.6501 (4) | 0.3747 (4) | $6 \cdot 1$ (1) |
| C(37) | 0.5119 (2) | 0.7016 (5) | 0.4404 (3) | $6 \cdot 1$ (1) |
| I(1) | $0 \cdot 24620$ (1) | 0.16719 (4) | 0.24032 (2) | 6.353 (8) |
| I(2) | 0.29255 (1) | 0.35207 (2) | $0 \cdot 18078$ (2) | 3.931 (6) |
| I(3) | 0.33820 (1) | $0 \cdot 54905$ (2) | $0 \cdot 11865$ (2) | 4.367 (6) |
| C | 0.6297 (2) | 0.4688 (4) | 0.6650 (3) | $5 \cdot 3$ (1) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | 0.61026 (5) | 0.3267 (1) | 0.65267 (9) | 6.73 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ | 0.65074 (7) | 0.5148 (2) | 0.5865 (1) | 10.52 (5) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(3)$ | $0 \cdot 59007$ (6) | 0.5628 (2) | 0.6903 (1) | 9.15 (5) |

Anisotropically refined atoms are given in the form of the isotropic equivalent thermal parameter defined as: $B_{\text {eq }}=(4 / 3)\left[a^{2} B(1,1)+b^{2} B(2,2)+\right.$ $\left.c^{2} B(3,3)+a b(\cos \gamma) B(1,2)+a c(\cos \beta) B(1,3)+b c(\cos \alpha) B(2,3)\right]$.


Fig. 1. A general view of the cation with our numbering scheme. Ellipsoids are at the $50 \%$ level.

Discussion. The $\mathrm{Cu}^{\mathrm{I}}$ geometry in the $\left[\left\{\left(\mathrm{SC}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{3}\right)\right.\right.$ $\left.\left.\mathrm{CHNCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{NCu}\right]^{+}$cation is distorted trigonal pyramidal, with coordination occurring from the four N donor atoms. The $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(\mathrm{eq}$.) distances to the N atoms N1, N2, N3 are 2.002 (3), $2 \cdot 009$ (3) and 2.002 (3) $\AA$, respectively, with the $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)$, $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(3)$ and $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(3)$ angles being $120.2(1), 117.8(1)$ and $117 \cdot 0(1)^{\circ}$, respectively. The Cu atom sits $0 \cdot 2620(5) \AA$ above the plane of the equatorial azomethine N atoms, while the apical tertiary amine atom (N4) lies $2 \cdot 014$ (3) $\AA$ below the

Table 2. Bond lengths $(\AA)$ and bond angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$

| Cu | N(4) |  | 2.275 (3) | C(13) | C(14) | 1.438 (5) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cu | N(1) |  | 2.002 (3) | C(14) | C(15) | $1.359(6)$ |  |
| Cu | $\mathrm{N}(2)$ |  | 2.009 (3) | C(15) | C(16) | 1.414 (7) |  |
| Cu | N(3) |  | 2.002 (3) | C(16) | C(17) | 1.319 (8) |  |
| S(1) | C(14) |  | 1.715 (4) | C(21) | C(22) | 1.520 (6) |  |
| S(1) | C(17) |  | 1.689 (5) | C(23) | C(24) | 1.433 (6) |  |
| S(2) | C(24) |  | 1.722 (4) | C(24) | C(25) | 1.393 (6) |  |
| S(2) | C(27) |  | 1.694 (6) | C(25) | C(26) | 1.419 (7) |  |
| S(3) | C(34) |  | 1.712 (5) | C(26) | C(27) | $1 \cdot 362$ (7) |  |
| S(3) | C(37) |  | 1.713 (5) | C(31) | C(32) | 1.510 (6) |  |
| N(4) | C(11) |  | 1.469 (5) | C(33) | C(34) | 1.431 (6) |  |
| N(4) | C(21) |  | 1.469 (5) | C(34) | C(35) | $1 \cdot 380$ (6) |  |
| N(4) | C(31) |  | 1.479 (6) | C(35) | C(36) | 1.426 (8) |  |
| N(1) | C(12) |  | 1.482 (5) | C(36) | C(37) | 1.331 (9) |  |
| N(1) | C(13) |  | 1.262 (5) | I(1) | I(2) | 2.8610 (5) |  |
| N(2) | C(22) |  | 1.459 (5) | I(2) | I(3) | 2.9729 (4) |  |
| N(2) | C(23) |  | $1 \cdot 266$ (6) | C | $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | 1.744 (5) |  |
| N(3) | C(32) |  | 1-455 (6) | C | $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ | 1.728 (6) |  |
| N(3) | C(33) |  | $1 \cdot 286$ (5) | C | $\mathrm{Cl}(3)$ | 1.759 (6) |  |
| C(11) | C(12) | $1 \cdot 506$ (6) |  |  |  |  |  |
| N(4) | Cu | N(1) | 82.7 (1) | S(1) | C(14) | C(15) | 110.5 (3) |
| N(4) | Cu | N(2) | 82.5 (1) | C(13) | C(14) | C(15) | $125 \cdot 6$ (4) |
| N(4) | Cu | N(3) | $82 \cdot 3$ (1) | C(14) | C(15) | C(16) | 113.0 (4) |
| N(1) | Cu | N(2) | 120.2 (1) | C(15) | C(16) | C(17) | 111.4 (5) |
| N(1) | Cu | N(3) | 117.0 (1) | S(1) | C(17) | C(16) | 114.0 (4) |
| N(2) | Cu | N(3) | 117.8 (1) | N(4) | C(21) | C(22) | 109.9 (3) |
| C(14) | S(1) | C(17) | 91.0 (2) | N(2) | C(22) | C(21) | $109 \cdot 2$ (3) |
| C(24) | S(2) | C(27) | 91.7 (2) | N(2) | C(23) | C(24) | 124.8 (4) |
| C(34) | S(3) | C(37) | 92.4 (3) | S(2) | C(24) | C(23) | 122.7 (3) |
| Cu | N(4) | C(11) | 104.4 (2) | S(2) | C(24) | C(25) | 111.4 (3) |
| Cu | N(4) | C(21) | $103 \cdot 7$ (2) | C(23) | C(24) | C(25) | 125.9 (4) |
| Cu | N(4) | $\mathrm{C}(31)$ | $103 \cdot 7$ (2) | C(24) | C(25) | C(26) | 111.3 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | N(4) | C(21) | 114.4 (3) | C(25) | C(26) | C(27) | 112.7 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | N(4) | C(31) | 114.3 (3) | S(2) | C(27) | C(26) | 112.8 (4) |
| C(21) | N(4) | C(31) | $114 \cdot 5$ (3) | N(4) | C(31) | C(32) | 110.7 (4) |
| Cu | N(1) | C(12) | 106.4 (2) | N(3) | C(32) | $\mathrm{C}(3 \mathrm{I}) \quad 109.4$ (4) |  |
| Cu | N(1) | C(13) | $135 \cdot 7$ (3) | N(3) | C(33) | C(34) 125.7 (4) |  |
| C(12) | N(1) | C(13) | 117.2 (3) | S(3) | C(34) | C(33) 125.3 (3) |  |
| Cu | N(2) | C(22) | 106.5 (3) | S(3) | C(34) | C(35) $\quad 110.0$ (4) |  |
| Cu | N(2) | C(23) | $135 \cdot 3$ (3) | C(33) | C(34) | C(35) 124.7 (5) |  |
| C(22) | N(2) | C(23) | 117.9 (3) | C(34) | C(35) | $\mathrm{C}(36) \quad 112.9$ (5) |  |
| Cu | N(3) | C(32) | 107.9 (2) | C(35) | C(36) | $\mathrm{C}(37) \quad 112.4$ (5) |  |
| Cu | N(3) | C(33) | 134.6 (3) | S(3) | C(37) | C(36) 112.3 (4) |  |
| C(32) | N(3) | C(33) | 116.9 (4) | I(1) | I(2) | I(3) 178.13 (1) |  |
| N(4) | C(11) | $\mathrm{C}(12)$ | $110 \cdot 3$ (3) | $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | C | $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$$\mathrm{Cl}(3)$ | $110 \cdot 0$ (3) |
| N(1) | C(12) | C(11) | 110.3 (3) | $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | C |  | $110 \cdot 3$ (3) |
| N(1) | C(13) | C(14) | 125.8 (4) | $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ | C | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Cl}(3) \\ & \mathrm{Cl}(3) \end{aligned}$ | 112.9 (3) |
| S(1) | C(14) | C(13) | 123.9 (3) |  |  |  |  |

plane. The $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N} 4$ distance is $2 \cdot 275$ (3) $\AA$ and the $\mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(1), \mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)$ and $\mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(3)$ angles are $82.7(1), 82 \cdot 5(1)$ and $82.3(1)^{\circ}$, respectively. These structural parameters are similar to those reported for the $[\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{pmas})]^{+}$cation, where pmas is the tripodal ligand $\mathrm{N}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{py}\right)\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{SR}\right)_{2}$ : $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}($ ap. $) \quad 2.158(8), \quad \mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}($ py. $)=2.035(10) \AA$, and Cu is $0.077 \AA$ from the equatorial plane (Zubieta, Karlin \& Hayes, 1983). The coordination geometry adheres closely, as expected, to that recently found for the $\mathrm{Cu}^{\mathrm{I}}$ complex of the related tripodal ligand, tris[4-phenyl-3-aza-3-butenyl]amine, ( $\mathrm{Ph}_{3}$ tren) (Alyea, Ferguson, Jennings \& Xu, 1990). Principle dimensions for $\left[\left\{\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right) \mathrm{CHNCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2}\right\}_{3}-\right.$ $\mathrm{NCu}{ }^{+}$were $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(\mathrm{ap}) \quad .2 \cdot 232(2) \AA, \mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ (eq.) 2.019 (2), 2.006 (2) and 2.004 (2) $\AA$, and $N($ ap. $)$ $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ (eq.) 83.7 (1) to 84.6 (1).

The thiophene moieties do not coordinate to the Cu atom and the $\mathrm{Cu} \cdots \mathrm{S}$ distances of $3 \cdot 283$ (1), $3 \cdot 162$ (1) and $3 \cdot 268$ (1) $\AA$ are close to the sum of the van der Waals radii ( $3 \cdot 2 \AA$ ) (Bondi, 1964). In the free $\mathrm{S}_{3}$ tren molecule (Alyea et al., 1989), the dihedral
angles between the plane of the three $S$ atoms and the plane of each thiophene ring are $91.4,88.7$ and $93.7^{\circ}$, respectively, as compared with $123.4,124.4$ and $119.7^{\circ}$ in the complex. Bond distances and angles within the thiophene group of the title species, e.g. C-S 1.689 (5)-1.722 (4) $\AA$, C-S—C 91.0 (2)$92.4(3)^{\circ}$, are similar to those in the free $S_{3}$ tren molecule.

The $I_{3}$ anion has $I$-I bond distances of $2 \cdot 8610$ (5) and 2.9729 (4) $\AA$; the mean I-I distance in six $I_{3}^{-}$ ions is 2.9717 (11) $\AA$ (Allen, Kennard, Watson, Brammer, Orpen \& Taylor, 1987). The I-I-I angle is $178 \cdot 13(1)^{\circ}$. The chloroform solvate possesses no unusual features.

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# Structure of trans-Dibromobis(5,7-dimethyl-8H-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine)palladium(II) Methanol Solvate 

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#### Abstract

PdBr}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{4}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH}, \quad M_{r}=594 \cdot 58\), triclinic, $\quad P \overline{1}, \quad a=9.153$ (4), $\quad b=8.858$ (5), $\quad c=$ 8.317 (3) $\AA, \quad \alpha=123.54$ (3),$\quad \beta=92.25$ (3),$\quad \gamma=$ $109.31(3)^{\circ}, V=508.9 \AA^{3}, Z=1, D_{x}=1.94, D_{m}=$ $1.93 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}, \quad \lambda(\mathrm{Mo} K \alpha)=0.71073 \AA, \quad \mu=$ $4.811 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}, \quad F(000)=288.0, \quad T=293 \mathrm{~K}, \quad R=0.035$ for 1474 unique reflections $[I>2 \sigma(I)$ ]. The two triazolopyrimidine ligands are coordinated to palladium via $\mathrm{N}(3)$ at a distance of 2.015 (4) $\AA$; the bromides are trans coordinated at a distance of 2.4196 (7) $\AA$, which is in the range expected for this type of complex.


Introduction. Square-planar palladium and platinum compounds are of interest in inorganic and organometallic chemistry. For example, the antitumour activity of cis- $\mathrm{Pt}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ and related compounds has been studied extensively. It is observed that the platinum ion binds preferentially via $\mathbf{N}(7)$ of the guanine base in DNA (Reedijk, FichtingerSchepman, van Oosterom \& van der Putte, 1987).

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Triazolopyrimidines are of interest because of their use as models for naturally occurring purines. Recently a systematic study concerning the coordination compounds of dimethyltriazolopyrimidine (dmtp) has been started in our laboratory (Favre, Haasnoot \& Reedijk, 1986; Biangini-Cingi, ManottiLanfredi, Tiripicchio, Haasnoot \& Reedijk, 1983; Dillen, Lenstra, Haasnoot \& Reedijk, 1983). Previous crystal structure determinations of metal compounds containing dmpt ligands have revealed that binding occurs only via $\mathrm{N}(3)$ of the ligand. We now investigate whether the same nitrogen atom coordinates to palladium, and compare this system with previously reported, related palladium compounds.

Experimental. Yellow crystals of $\left[\mathrm{PdBr}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{4}\right)_{2}\right]$.$\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$ were obtained after refluxing $\mathrm{PdBr}_{2}$ and dmtp ( $1: 4$ ) in methanol ( 60 mL ) for 3 h . A rodshaped single crystal was selected for the crystal structure determination. Experimental data for the compound are shown in Table 1. Analysis: Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{Br}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{8} \mathrm{OPd}$ : C $30 \cdot 30$, H 3.39, N 18.85 , O $2.69 \%$; found C $30 \cdot 56$, H $3 \cdot 34$, N $18 \cdot 80$, © 1990 International Union of Crystallography


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