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# Structures of Chromium(III) Cyclam Complexes. 3. Structure of trans-Dichloro(1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane)chromium(III) Bromide 

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#### Abstract

CrCl}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{4}\right)\right] \mathrm{Br}, M_{r}=403.1\), triclinic, $A \overline{1}, a=6.440$ (3), $b=16.608$ (1), $c=7.641$ (2) $\AA, \alpha$ $=86.61$ (2), $\quad \beta=89.21(2), \quad \gamma=105.13$ (3) ${ }^{\circ}, \quad V=$ 787.4 (3) $\AA^{3}, Z=2, D_{x}=1.70 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, \lambda(\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha)=$ $1.54184 \AA, \quad \mu=122.3 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}, \quad F(000)=410$, room temperature, $R=0.032$ for 1461 observed reflections and 113 parameters. The X-ray analysis indicates that the cyclam moiety exists in a chair conformation located on a crystallographic centre of symmetry. The equatorial nitrogen ligands and the central Cr ion are coplanar.


Introduction. A number of salts of the complex ion trans $-\left[\mathrm{Cr}(\text { cyclam }) \mathrm{Cl}_{2}\right]^{+}, \quad$ where $\quad$ cyclam $=1,4,8,11-$ tetraazacyclotetradecane, have been prepared. The electronic spectra of these compounds should be similar especially in the region around $200-600 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ from the electronic origin where the intramolecular vibrational modes are expected. In practice, the electronic spectra that have been measured for different salts differ in detail and spectral resolution. The complexity of some of the spectra would seem to indicate the existence of multiple sites. We present the structure of trans $-\left[\mathrm{Cr}(\right.$ cyclam $\left.) \mathrm{Cl}_{2}\right] \mathrm{Br}$ as part of our investigation into the roles of exact site symmetry and the field due to neighbouring counterions in

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determining the form of the electronic spectra of these compounds. Structures bearing cis forms of the cations of the title compound have been reported by House \& McKee (1984) and Forsellini, Parasassi, Bombieri, Tobe \& Sosa (1986): (-)-cis-dichloro[ $(R, R, R, R)$-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane]chromium(III) perchlorate and cis-dichloro(1,4,8,11tetraazacyclotetradecane)chromium(III) chloride, respectively.

Experimental. Crystals from slowly cooled warm methanolic solution. Red rectangular prisms $0.42 \times$ $0.10 \times 0.21 \mathrm{~mm}$ used for data collection. Preliminary Weissenberg and precession photographs yielded approximate cell dimensions. Space group $A 1$ or $A \overline{1}$ indicated from systematic absences ( $h k l, k+l=2 n$ ), $A \overline{1}$ confirmed by structure analysis. Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer; 25 high-angle reflections ( 20 $<\theta<40^{\circ}$ ) used to obtain accurate cell dimensions by least-squares fit. $\omega-2 \theta$ scan width ( $0.85+$ $0.14 \tan \theta)^{\circ}$ in $\omega$, vertical aperture $4 \mathrm{~mm} ; 3250$ reflections measured $(-7 \leq h \leq 7,-20 \leq k \leq 20,0 \leq l \leq$ $9 ; 0<\theta<70^{\circ}$ ); three intensity standards ( 051,002 , $0 \overline{40}$ ) monitored at intervals of 100 reflections showed no significant variations during data collection; intensity data corrected for Lorentz-polarization factors. Merging equivalent reflections gave 1491 unique intensities, 1461 with $I>3 \sigma(I)$ with $R_{\text {int }}=0.024$. The

Table 1. Atomic positional parameters and equivalent isotropic temperature factors for the non-H atoms with e.s.d.'s in parentheses

|  | $U_{\text {eq }}=\left(U_{1} U_{2} U_{3}\right)^{1 / 3}$. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {eq }}\left(\AA^{2}\right)$ |
| Br(1) | 0.5 | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.020 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Cr}(1)^{*}$ | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.030 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | -0.2594 (1) | 0.0102 | -0.2039 (1) | 0.041 (3) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)$ | -0.2143 (3) | 0.0111 (1) | 0.1946 (2) | 0.028 (10) |
| C(2) | -0.1379 (5) | 0.0977 (2) | 0.2545 (3) | 0.039 (14) |
| C(3) | -0.0636 (5) | 0.1565 (2) | 0.0940 (4) | 0.039 (14) |
| $\mathrm{N}(4)$ | 0.1069 (3) | 0.1287 (1) | -0.0011 (3) | 0.027 (10) |
| C(5) | 0.1687 (5) | 0.1738 (2) | -0.1755 (4) | 0.035 (14) |
| C(6) | 0.3365 (5) | 0.1415 (2) | -0.2713 (4) | 0.037 (14) |
| C(7) | -0.2607 (5) | -0.0549 (2) | 0.3398 (3) | 0.039 (15) |

To complete the 14 atoms in the cyclam ring: I at ( 000 ) generates primed atoms via symmetry operation $1-x, 1-y, 1-z$.

* Atom fixed to define origin.

Table 2. Bond lengths $(\AA)$, bond angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ and torsion angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ with e.s.d.'s in parentheses

| $\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.493(3)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.523(4)$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.512(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{N}(4)$ | $1.485(3)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $1.495(3)$ | $\mathrm{Cr}(1)-\mathrm{N}(4)$ | $2.067(2)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.482(3)$ | $\mathrm{Cr}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $2.064(2)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.520(4)$ | $\mathrm{Cr}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $2.332(1)$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)-\mathrm{N}(4)$ | $85.0(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)$ | $116.7(2)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | $91.0(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{N}(4)$ | $111.6(2)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | $88.1(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $113.2(2)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $108.4(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)$ | $116.6(2)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $107.8(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)$ | $106.0(2)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $113.7(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)$ | $106.8(1)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | $111.4(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)$ | $116.0(2)$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(4)$ | $-57.1(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $70.7(4)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $171.1(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $-179.7(4)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $-177.8(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $171.1(5)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | $71.1(3)$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

structure was solved using the heavy-atom method with initial phases based on the position of the Cr atom and difference Fourier methods. The pyramidal nitrogen H atoms were positioned unambiguously by refinement of an isotropic thermal parameter for each of the geometrically positioned alternative tetrahedral sites, defined with respect to the CNC moiety, Cr being at too great a distance to be considered by the program for the purposes of this calculation. The incorrect alternative site acquires an unacceptably high value for this parameter. Correct assignment of the nitrogen H atoms was subsequently confirmed by graphics plots. Refinement by SHELX76 (Sheldrick, 1976), full-matrix least squares with anisotropic thermal factors for all the non- H atoms, isotropic for H atoms. H atoms except for those on N atoms were fixed geometrically and not refined. Atomic scattering factors from SHELX76 and International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV) (for $\mathrm{Cr}^{3+}$ ). Atomic absorption coefficient for Cr from Cromer \& Liberman (1970). Dispersion corrections $f^{\prime}$ and $f^{\prime \prime}$ for Cr from International Tables for $X$-ray

Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV). Function minimized was $\sum w\left(\left|F_{o}\right|-\left|F_{c}\right|\right)^{2}, \quad w=1.6395 /\left(\sigma^{2}|F|+\right.$ $0.000104\left|F_{o}\right|^{2}$ ), $R=0.032, w R=0.034, R$ (all data) $=0.035$, max. (shift $/ \sigma$ ) $=0.012$. Final difference electron density synthesis showed electron density +0.74 to $-0.74 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}$. Calculations carried out on Amdahl 470V/8 and VAX 11/750 computers.* Geometrical calculations performed with XANADU (Roberts \& Sheldrick, 1975). Molecular illustrations were drawn with PLUTO (Motherwell \& Clegg, 1978).

Discussion. The refined atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters of the non-H atoms are given in Table 1. Distances and angles are listed in Table 2. Fig. 1 is a minimumoverlap stereoview of the molecule showing the atom numbering. Fig. 2 shows the crystal packing viewed along a .

The cyclam moiety provides a tetradentate nitrogen ligand, giving with the two axial Cl ligands an octahedrally coordinated Cr atom. The mean $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N}$

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Fig. 1. Minimum-overlap view of the molecule.


Fig. 2. Crystal packing viewed along a.
ligand distance is 2.066 (2) $\AA$ which is normal, agreeing with many literature values, e.g. for trans-dibromo(1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane)chromium(III) bromide (Lisgarten, Palmer \& Gazi, 1990), di- $\mu$-methoxo-bis[7-amino-4-methyl-5-azahept-3-en-2-onato- $O, N, N$ ) aquachromium(III)] diperchlorate (Clegg, 1985) and trans-amminebis(ethylenediamine)fluorochromium(III) perchlorate (Beveridge, Bushnell \& Kirk, 1985). The $\mathbf{C l}(1)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)-\mathrm{Cl}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ and $\mathrm{N}(4)-\mathrm{Cr}(1)-\mathrm{N}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ angles are exactly linear due to symmetry requirements. The cyclam moiety has normal geometry and assumes a centrosymmetric chair conformation. The least-squares-planes equation for the $\mathrm{Cr}^{\mathrm{II}}$ ion and the four ligand N atoms is $4.643 x^{\prime}-3.810 y^{\prime}+5.33 z^{\prime}=0$, where $x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$ and $z^{\prime}$ are the coordinates in $\AA$ with respect to the orthonormal axes (Rollett, 1965). These equatorial ligand atoms and the central Cr ion are coplanar. The geometry of the cyclam ring is similar to that found in trans-dibromo(1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane)chromium(III) bromide (Lisgarten et al., 1990). Corre-
sponding bond lengths agree to within 0.035 (5) $\AA$, bond angles to within $1.9(3)^{\circ}$ and torsion angles to within $1.3(5)^{\circ}$.

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# Structures of Chromium(III) Cyclam Complexes. 4. Structure of trans-Bromochloro(1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane)chromium(III) Bromide Displaying Structural Enantiomorphism with the Dibromo Complex 

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CrBrCl}\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{4}\right)\right] \mathrm{Br}, \mathrm{M}_{r}=447.7\), tetragonal, $P 4_{2} / m, a=7.775(1), c=13.686$ (2) $\AA, V=$ 827.2 (3) $\AA^{3}, Z=2, D_{x}=1.81 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, \lambda($ Mo $K \alpha)=$ $0.71073 \AA, \quad \mu=7.7 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}, \quad F(000)=446.0, \quad$ room temperature, $R=0.030$ for 658 observed reflections and 63 parameters. The trans-bromochloro(cyclam)chromium(III) bromide complex is almost isostruc-


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tural with the trans-dibromo(cyclam)chromium(III) bromide complex with the cation again displaying $2 / m$ crystallographic symmetry. Consequently, the Br and Cl axial sites are statistically disordered, each with exactly $50 \%$ occupancy of Br and Cl . A further unusual feature of the two structures is that the cyclam moieties are structurally enantiomeric being related by an $a$-glide operator perpendicular to $b$ at [ $x \frac{1}{4} 0$ ].
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