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## Structure of (*R*)-1-[(*S*)-1',2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocenyl]ethyl Acetate

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### Abstract

In the ferrocene moiety of  $[\eta^{5}-1-(1-\operatorname{acetoxyethy})-2$ diphenylphosphinocyclopentadienyl] $(\eta^{5}-\operatorname{diphenyl}$ phosphinocyclopentadienyl)iron, the planar and parallel cyclopentadienyl rings are slightly staggered with torsion angles about the centroids ranging from 22.8 to 24.9°. The average Fe—C distance in this moiety is 2.042 (4) Å and the average C—C bond distance is 1.423 (12) Å. The P—C—C angles are asymmetric and C—C distances in the phenyl rings range from 1.32 (2) to 1.42 (2) Å.

### Comment

Although the acetate derivative of the (S)-N,N-dimethyl-1-[(R)-1',2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocenyl]-amine (BPPFA) ligand was prepared some time ago (Hayashi *et al.*, 1980), the crystal structure of this ligand has not been determined. The acetate derivative has been shown to be a useful intermediate as the dimethylamino group in BPPFA can be replaced by other amino groups, OMe, OH and PPh<sub>2</sub> groups (Hayashi *et al.*, 1980).

©1993 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved As part of our work on ferrocenyl phosphines, we undertook the X-ray structure determination of the title compound so as to provide useful comparative data with other ferrocenyl phosphines. The compound was prepared from BPPFA in neat acetic anhydride held at 373 K for 1 h in a degassed sealed glass tube as reported by Hayashi *et al.* (1980). Dark-orange crystals precipitated when the tube was cooled overnight. Crystals were washed with MeOH at 273 K.

The structural study indicates that the planar cyclopentadienyl rings of the ferrocene moiety are almost parallel with a Cp<sub>1</sub>(centroid)—Fe— Cp<sub>2</sub>(centroid) angle of 179.2°. The rings are also slightly staggered with the torsion angles about the centroids of two rings ranging from 22.8 to 24.9°. The Fe—C distances of 2.026 (7)–2.054 (9) Å for ring 1 and 2.014 (10)-2.042 (10) Å for ring 2 are comparable with those found for 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene (Casellato et al., 1988) and its derivatives (Einstein & Willis, 1980; Shawkataly et al., 1992). The average of the C-C distances in the ferrocene moiety is 1.423 (12) Å. In the diphenylphosphino groups, the C-P-C angles are less than the ideal tetrahedral angle of 109.5°. The angle C(11)-P(1)-C(17) of 99.1 (4)° is very much less than 109.5° because of the steric effect of the acetate group. The resultant crowding of the phenyl and cyclopentadienyl rings causes the P-C-C angles to be asymmetric. For the phenyl rings, the C-C distances range from 1.32 (2) to 1.42 (2) Å with a mean of 1.38 (2) Å; the internal C-C-C angles range from 117.3(12) to  $122.1(8)^{\circ}$ . The methyl carbon C(36) is *cis* to C(4).



Fig. 1. A view of the molecule showing the labelling of the non-H atoms. Thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability levels.

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Experimental		C(18)	0.3342 (10)	1.3730 (8)	0.2912 (8)	0.060 (4)
Crystal data		C(19)	0.4323(12) 0.5661(12)	1.2681 (12)	0.4357 (10)	0.000 (5)
	-3	C(20)	0.5628 (12)	1.1335 (11).	0.4366 (9)	0.075 (5)
$[Fe(C_{21}H_{20}O_2P)(C_{17}H_{14}P)]$	$D_x = 1.314 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	C(22)	0.4431 (10)	1.1161 (10)	0.3665 (9)	0.062 (4)
$M_r = 639.4$	$D_m = 1.302 \text{ Mg m}^2$	C(23)	-0.2050 (10)	0.6478 (8)	0.3067 (8)	0.051 (3)
Triclinic	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation	C(24)	-0.1169 (11)	0.5372 (9)	0.4103 (10)	0.070 (4)
<i>P</i> 1	$\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ A}$	C(25)	-0.1790 (16)	0.5008 (11)	0.5472 (11)	0.090 (0)
a = 8.684 (2) Å	Cell parameters from 50	C(20)	-0.3208(13) -0.4162(11)	0.6826 (9)	0.4712 (9)	0.069 (4)
b = 10.100 (2) Å	reflections	C(28)	-0.3575(10)	0.7192 (9)	0.3380 (9)	0.057 (4)
c = 10,109,(3) Å	$\theta = 7.5 - 17.5^{\circ}$	C(29)	-0.2871 (11)	0.6927 (11)	0.0287 (10)	0.063 (4)
$c = 71.55 (2)^{\circ}$	$\mu = 0.598 \text{ mm}^{-1}$	C(30)	-0.3450 (11)	0.5727 (10)	0.0626 (10)	0.080 (5)
$\alpha = 71.55(2)$	T = 298  K	C(31)	-0.4657 (14)	0.5651 (13)	-0.0143 (12)	0.099 (6)
$\beta = 85.42$ (2)	Needle	C(32)	-0.5260 (14)	0.6779 (16)	-0.1301 (13)	0.109 (8)
$\gamma = /3.9/(2)^{\circ}$	$0.44 \times 0.16 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$	C(33)	-0.4682(15)	0./958(15)	-0.1668(13) -0.0870(12)	0.114 (7)
V = 808.3 (3) A <sup>3</sup>	0.44 X 0.10 X 0.12 IIIII	C(34)	-0.3460 (13)	0.8032(12) 0.9771(7)	0 4458 (6)	0.055 (3)
Z = 1	Orange	C(36)	-0.0286(12)	0.8519 (9)	0.5454 (9)	0.085 (5)
		C(37)	0.0746 (12)	1.1007 (9)	0.6026 (8)	0.070 (4)
Data collection		C(38)	0.2037 (12)	1.1291 (12)	0.6714 (10)	0.109 (6)
Siemens P4 diffractometer	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$		Table 2	Geometric	narameters (Å	יי
$2\theta/\theta$ scans (5.33-	$h = 0 \rightarrow 11$		Table 2.	Geometric	purumeters (A,	)
29.3° min <sup>-1</sup> in $\omega$ )	$k = -12 \rightarrow 13$	Fe(1)-	-C(1)	2.054 (9)	Fe(1)-C(2)	2.052 (9)
Absorption correction:	$l = -13 \rightarrow 13$	Fe(1)-	-C(3)	2.026 (7)	Fe(1) - C(4)	2.040 (7)
empirical	2 standard reflections	Fe(1) - Fe(1)	-C(5)	2.034 (8)	Fe(1) = C(0) Fe(1) = C(0)	2.042 (10
T = 0.804 T =	monitored every 200	Fe(1) = Fe(1)	-C(7)	2.023 (9)	Fe(1) = C(10)	2.014 (10
$I_{\rm min} = 0.894, I_{\rm max} - 0.006$	reflections	P(1) = P(1) = 0	-C(9) C(1)	1.811 (9)	P(1) - C(11)	1.835 (8)
0.926	intensity variation:	P(1) -	C(17)	1.839 (10)	P(2) - C(6)	1.813 (8)
3978 measured reflections	inclusive cont	P(2)-	C(23)	1.821 (8)	P(2)—C(29)	1.843 (11
3978 independent reflections	insignificant	O(1)-	C(35)	1.475 (10)	O(1)—C(37)	1.367 (1
2493 observed reflections		O(2)-	C(37)	1.192 (12)	C(1) - C(2)	1.449 (1)
$[F > 2.0\sigma(F)]$		C(1)-	C(5)	1.428 (10)	C(2) - C(3)	1.410(1.
		C(3)	C(4)	1.414 (12)	C(4) = C(3) C(6) = C(7)	1 440 (1)
Refinement		C(55)-	-C(3)	1.430(11)	C(7) - C(8)	1.419 (1
Definition E	$w = 1.0/[\sigma^2(E) + 0.0003E^2]$	C(8)	·C(9)	1.404 (13)	C(9) - C(10)	1.399 (1
Rennement on F	w = 1.0/[0 (1) + 0.00051 ]	C(35)-	-C(36)	1.540 (11)	C(37)C(38)	1.501 (1
Final $R = 0.0483$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.424$	C(1)	P(1) - C(17)	103.8 (4)	Fe(1) - C(1) - C(2)	69.2 (5)
wR = 0.0384	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.29 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$	C(6)-	P(2) - C(23)	102.6 (4)	Fe(1) - C(1) - C(5)	68.8 (5
S = 0.87	$\Delta \rho = 0.28 \rho h^{-3}$	C(23)-	-P(2)-C(29)	100.6 (4)	C(2) - C(1) - C(5)	107.1 (7
2493 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.28 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm A}$	Fe(1)-	-C(1)-P(1)	122.2 (4)	Fe(1) - C(2) - C(3)	68.7 (5
420 parameters	Atomic scattering fac-	P(1)-	C(1) - C(2)	128.2 (6)	Fe(1) = C(3) = C(2)	100.0 /9
H atoms riding, only $U$ 's	tors from SHELXTL/PC	P(1)	C(1) = C(3)	124.4 (0)	C(2) = C(3) = C(4) $E_{0}(1) = C(4) = C(5)$	69.2 (4

# Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)

(Sheldrick, 1990)

refined

 $U_{eq}$  is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U_{ij}$  tensor.

	x	у	z	$U_{ m eq}$
Fe(1)	0.0362	0.9607	0.1420	0.048 (1)
P(1)	0.1555 (3)	1.2302 (2)	0.1994	0.047(1)
P(2)	-0.1197(3)	0.6884 (2)	0.1326 (2)	0.056 (1)
O(1)	0.1433 (6)	1.0073 (5)	0.5288 (4)	0.067 (2)
O(2)	-0.0671 (8)	1.1452 (6)	0.6103 (6)	0.097 (3)
$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{I})$	0.1924 (9)	1.0396 (8)	0.2181 (8)	0.048 (4)
$\tilde{C}(2)$	0.2726 (10)	0.9628 (9)	0.1221 (9)	0.061 (4)
C(3)	0.2571 (9)	0.8201 (9)	0.1734 (9)	0.064 (4)
C(4)	0.1729 (10)	0.8032 (8)	0.3007 (9)	0.054 (4)
C(5)	0.1301 (9)	0.9397 (8)	0.3279 (8)	0.047 (3)
C(6)	-0.1326(10)	0.8795 (8)	0.0891 (8)	0.048 (4)
C(7)	-0.2026(10)	0.9824 (8)	0.1629 (9)	0.058 (4)
C(8)	-0.1726 (10)	1.1169 (8)	0.0861 (9)	0.065 (4)
C(9)	-0.0843(12)	1.0982 (10)	-0.0323 (10)	0.076 (5)
C(10)	-0.0574 (11)	0.9547 (10)	-0.0313 (9)	0.068 (4)
C(11)	0.2161 (11)	1.3031 (8)	0.0187 (8)	0.053 (4)
C(12)	0.1051 (13)	1.4063 (9)	-0.0753 (9)	0.078 (5)
C(13)	0.1465 (21)	1.4638 (13)	-0.2127 (12)	0.120 (8)
C(14)	0.2945 (23)	1.4241 (16)	-0.2559 (13)	0.132 (11)
C(15)	0.4154 (16)	1.3182 (13)	-0.1636 (12)	0.103 (7)
C(16)	0.3724 (12)	1.2619 (10)	-0.0280 (10)	0.071 (5)
C(17)	0.3264 (9)	1.2382 (8)	0.2901 (8)	0.044 (3)

C(36)	-0.0286(12)	0.8519 (9)	0.5454 (9)	0.085 (5)				
C(37)	0.0746 (12)	1.1007 (9)	0.6026 (8)	0.070 (4)				
C(38)	0.2037 (12)	1.1291 (12)	0.6714 (10)	0.109 (6)				
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Table 2. Geometric parameters (A, °)								
Fe(1)-	C(1)	2.054 (9)	Fe(1) - C(2)	2.052 (9)				
Fe(1)-	C(3)	2.026 (7)	Fe(1) - C(4)	2.040 (7)				
Fe(1)-	C(5)	2.034 (8)	Fe(1)—C(6)	2.042 (10)				
Fe(1)-	C(7)	2.025 (9)	Fe(1) - C(8)	2.029 (7)				
Fe(1)-	C(9)	2.017 (8)	Fe(1) - C(10)	2.014 (10)				
P(1)-0		1.811 (9)	P(1) - C(11)	1.835 (8)				
P(1) = 0	C(17)	1.839 (10)	P(2) - C(6)	1.813 (8)				
P(2) - 0	7(23)	1.821 (8)	P(2) - C(29)	1.843 (11)				
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O(2) = 0	C(37)	1,192 (12)	C(1) - C(2)	1.449 (12)				
C(1) = 0	C(5)	1 428 (10)	C(2) - C(3)	1.410(12)				
C(3) = 0	C(4)	1.414 (12)	C(4) - C(5)	1.433 (12)				
$C(35)_{-}$	-C(5)	1 493 (10)	C(6) - C(7)	1.440 (12)				
C(6) = 0	C(10)	1430(11)	C(7) - C(8)	1.419 (11)				
C(8) = 0	C( <b>9</b> )	1.404(13)	C(9) - C(10)	1.399 (11)				
C(35) -	-C(36)	1.540 (11)	C(37) - C(38)	1.501 (17)				
C(1)	$\mathbf{C}(1)$	103.8 (4)	$F_{e}(1) = C(1) = C(2)$	69 2 (5)				
C(1) - C(4)	P(1) = C(17)	103.6(4)	Fe(1) = C(1) = C(5)	68 8 (5)				
C(0) - C(0) - C(0)	P(2) = C(23)	102.0(4)	C(2) = C(1) = C(5)	107.1(7)				
$C(23) = E_0(1)$	C(1) = P(1)	100.0(4)	$E_{(2)} = C_{(1)} = C_{(3)}$	687(5)				
P(1) = 0	C(1) - F(1)	122.2 (4)	Fe(1) = C(2) = C(3)	70.8 (4)				
P(1) = 0	C(1) = C(2)	120.2 (0)	C(2) = C(3) = C(4)	109.0 (8)				
F(1) = -	C(2) = C(3)	69.4(5)	E(2) = C(3) = C(4) E(1) = C(4) = C(5)	69 2 (4)				
C(1) =	C(2) = C(3)	1079(7)	Fe(1) = C(5) = C(1)	70.3 (5)				
$E_{e}(1) =$	C(2) = C(3)	70.2 (4)	C(1) = C(5) = C(4)	108.1 (7)				
Fe(1) =	-C(4) - C(3)	691(4)	C(1) = C(5) = C(35)	124.4 (7)				
C(3)	C(4) = C(5)	107 9 (7)	$E_{(1)} = C_{(0)} = E_{(2)}$	124 5 (4)				
$E_{\alpha}(1)$	C(4) = C(3)	69.6 (5)	P(2) = C(6) = C(7)	131 1 (6)				
Fe(1) =	-C(5) - C(35)	124.0 (5)	P(2) = C(6) = C(10)	122 5 (7)				
C(4)	C(5) = C(35)	127.4(7)	$F_{e(1)} = C(0) = C(10)$	69.9 (5)				
$E_{0}(1)$	C(5) = C(7)	68 6 (5)	C(6) = C(7) = C(8)	108 2 (7)				
Fe(1) =	-C(6) - C(10)	68 3 (6)	E(0) = C(0) = C(0) E(1) = C(0) = C(0)	69.2 (5)				
C(7) =	C(6) = C(10)	1064(7)	Fe(1) - C(9) - C(8)	70.2 (5)				
$E_{e(1)}$	-C(7) - C(8)	697(5)	C(8) - C(9) - C(10)	109.3 (8)				
Fe(1) =	-C(8) - C(7)	694(4)	Fe(1) = C(10) = C(9)	69.8 (6)				
C(7) =	C(8) = C(9)	1077(8)	P(1) = C(11) = C(12)	119.2 (7)				
$E_{0}(1)_{-}$	-C(0) - C(10)	69 5 (5)	P(1) = C(17) = C(18)	117.6 (5)				
$E_{0}(1)$	C(10) = C(6)	704(5)	P(2) = C(23) = C(24)	118 1 (6)				
$\Gamma C(f)$	C(10) = C(0)	108 4 (8)	P(2) = C(29) = C(24)	1236(10)				
D(1)	C(10) = C(16)	123 1 (6)	$\Gamma(2) = C(25) = C(34)$	106 1 (6)				
P(1) - P(1)	C(17) = C(10)	123.1 (0)	O(1) = C(37) = O(2)	122.4 (10)				
r(1) - r(2)	C(17) = C(22)	124.5 (6)	O(1) = C(37) = C(38)	128 4 (9)				
$\Gamma(2) - C(1)$	P(1) = C(11)	123.7(3) 1020(4)	P(2) = C(20) = C(30)	118.5 (7)				
C(1)	P(1) = C(11)	102.0 (4)	$\Gamma(2) = C(25) = C(50)$	105 2 (6)				
C(II)-	-r(1) - C(1)	77.1 (4) 101.3 (4)	C(5) = C(35) = C(36)	114.1 (6)				
C(0)-	r(2) = C(29)	101.3 (4)	C(3) - C(33) - C(30)	109.7 (8)				
C(33)-	-0(1)-0(3/)	113.9 (0)	U(1) = U(37) = U(38)	107.2 (0)				
The structure was solved by direct methods and refined by full-								
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Tl 11he matrix least squares. The preferred chirality was cho basis of the Rogers (1981) and Hamilton (1965) tests. The given chirality has  $\nu = 1.05$  (9) and the wR ratio of the two configurations is 1.006. The SHELXTL/PC (Sheldrick, 1990) program package was used for all calculations.

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## Tetrakis(tetramethylammonium) Octamolybdate Dihydrate

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#### Abstract

The synthesis and crystal structure of tetrakis(tetramethylammonium) octamolybdate dihydrate,  $[N(CH_3)_4]_4$ - $[Mo_8O_{26}].2H_2O$ , is reported. The Mo\_8O\_26 unit adopts the  $\beta$  configuration for that ion. Mo—O distances and angles are comparable with those found in previous studies of the same anion.

#### Comment

Acidifying a clear solution of  $(TMA)_2(MoO_4)$  [TMA = tetramethylammonium cation], prepared from appropriate quantities of TMAOH and MoO<sub>3</sub>, to a pH of about 7 gave a microcrystalline precipitate. On aging for several days at 373 K, crystals adequate for the structure determination were formed, of up to 1 mm in linear dimension.

The octamolybdate anion adopts the  $\beta$ -Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub> configuration (Fig. 1) in [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]<sub>4</sub>[Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub>].2H<sub>2</sub>O, as previously observed for the octamolybdate group in (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>4</sub>[Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub>].4H<sub>2</sub>O (Atovmyan & Krasochka, 1972), compared with the  $\alpha$ -Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub> form observed in [N(C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]<sub>4</sub>[Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub>] (Day, Fredrich, Klemperer & Shum, 1977). Mo—O distances and O—Mo—O angles agree with the previous study, and the center of the molecule is located at an inversion center; the approximate point symmetry is 2/m (C<sub>2ν</sub>). Since the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ conformers of the Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub> unit are highly flexible and interconvertable (Masters, Gheller, Brownlee, O'Connor & Wedd, 1980), it is apparent that subtle packing forces are significant in determining which Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub> isomer crystallizes in combination with a particular organic cation.



Fig. 1. View of the Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub> anion, showing the labeling of the asymmetric atoms. Thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability levels.

### Experimental

Crystal data

[(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>N]<sub>4</sub>[Mo<sub>8</sub>O<sub>26</sub>].2H<sub>2</sub>O  $D_x = 2.265 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $M_r = 1516.12$  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Triclinic Cell parameters from 25  $P\overline{1}$ a = 10.539 (2) Å reflections  $\theta = 5 - 9^{\circ}$ b = 11.902 (2) Å  $\mu = 2.22 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ c = 9.714 (2) Å  $\alpha = 96.301 \ (6)^{\circ}$ T = 298 K $\beta = 108.962 (5)^{\circ}$ Lump  $\gamma = 75.234 \ (4)^{\circ}$  $0.50 \times 0.40 \times 0.40$  mm  $V = 1114 (2) \text{ Å}^3$ Colorless Z = 1

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