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## Tricarbonyl( $\eta^6$ -trimethylphenylsilane)-molybdenum

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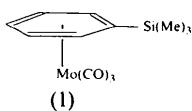
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### Abstract

The Mo atom in tricarbonyl( $\eta^6$ -trimethylphenylsilane)-molybdenum,  $[\text{Mo}(\text{C}_9\text{H}_{14}\text{Si})(\text{CO})_3]$  (1), is situated 1.908 (3) Å above the centre of the arene ring with Mo—C distances in the range 2.351 (5)–2.388 (5) Å. The carbonyl groups are staggered ( $26^\circ$  from a fully eclipsed conformation) with respect to the arene-ring C atoms.

### Comment

Tricarbonyl( $\pi$ -arene)molybdenum complexes have been studied quite extensively ever since the isolation of  $[\text{Mo}(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)(\text{CO})_3]$  (Fischer, Ofele, Essler, Frohlich, Mortensen & Semmlinger, 1958) and have been used as catalysts in a variety of Friedel–Crafts-type reactions (Davis & Kane-Maguire, 1982). In general, they show dynamic stereochemistry both in solution and in the solid state (Wagner & Hanson, 1987). Variation in the arene ring substituents leads to different conformations of the tricarbonyl moiety with respect to the arene ring (*i.e.* staggered or eclipsed) (Koshland, Myers & Chesick, 1977; Hossain & van der Helm, 1978; Iverson, Junter, Blount, Damewood & Mislow, 1981; Alyea, Ferguson & Somogyvari, 1983; Kerschner, Torres, Fanwick, Rothwell & Huffman, 1989; Braga & Grepioni, 1990; Bürgi, Raselli, Braga & Grepioni, 1992). As a preliminary to multinuclear NMR spectroscopic studies on such molybdenum–carbonyl complexes, we have investigated the structure of  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_3(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5\text{SiMe}_3)]$ , (1); the results are reported herein.



The isostructural chromium complex (van der Helm, Loghry, Hanlon & Hagen, 1979) is known, but the only tricarbonylmolybdenum–arene complex with a sil-

icon substituent whose structure has been reported is a disiladihydro-anthracene complex (Kirillova, Gu-sev, Frenkel, Afanasova & Magomedov, 1989). The only examples of tricarbonylmolybdenum–arene compounds with non-carbon-bonded aryl substituents are  $[\text{Mo}(\text{Mes}_3\text{Ga})(\text{CO})_3]$  (Mes = mesityl) (Beachley, Royster, Youngs, Zarate & Terrier-Youngs, 1989) and  $[\text{Mo}_2\{\text{P}(p\text{-tolyl})_3\}(\text{CO})_8]$  (Alyea, Ferguson & Somogyvari, 1983).

A view of the molecule  $[\text{Mo}(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5\text{SiMe}_3)(\text{CO})_3]$  together with the atomic numbering scheme is shown in Fig. 1. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 2. The Mo—C(carbonyl) [average 1.958 (6) Å] and C—O [average 1.148 (7) Å] distances are similar to those found for other  $[\text{Mo}(\eta^6\text{-arene})(\text{CO})_3]$  complexes (Koshland, Myers & Chesick, 1977; Iverson, Junter, Blount, Damewood & Mislow 1981; Braga & Grepioni 1990; Bürgi, Raselli, Braga & Grepioni, 1992). The Mo atom is situated 1.908 (3) Å above the centre of the planar arene ring, which compares with 1.908 Å in  $[\text{Mo}(\pi\text{-Mes})(\text{CO})_3]$ , 1.923 Å in  $[\text{Mo}(\text{hmb})(\text{CO})_3]$  (hmb = hexamethylbenzene) (Koshland, Myers & Chesick, 1977) and 1.897 (8) Å in  $[\text{Mo}_2\{\text{P}(p\text{-tolyl})_3\}(\text{CO})_8]$ . The Mo—C(arene) distances are in the range 2.351 (5)–2.388 (5) Å [average 2.373 (5) Å], in good agreement with values reported for similar complexes [*e.g.* 2.365 (3) Å for the toluene complex (Braga & Grepioni, 1990)].

The tricarbonyl moiety is only  $4^\circ$  from a fully staggered orientation (which corresponds to a  $26^\circ$  rotation from a fully eclipsed conformation); the corresponding values in the toluene complex are 2 and  $28^\circ$ , respectively. In the phenyl ring, the bond lengths fall into two types: those that intersect with the projection of the Mo—C—O bonds have an average value of 1.429 (9) Å, while the other three have an average value of 1.391 (8) Å. A similar situation was found for the isostructural chromium complex and also in other tricarbonylmolybdenum–arene complexes.

The Si atom is in a slightly distorted tetrahedral configuration with the mean C(arene)—Si—C(methyl) angle [108.4 (3)°] less than the mean C(methyl)—Si—C(methyl) angle of 110.5 (4)°. Unlike the chromium analogue (in which the Si atom is located 0.020 Å from the aromatic ring plane in the direction of the Cr atom), the Si atom is not displaced significantly from the aromatic ring plane in the present case [0.008 (8) Å]. The Si—C(ring) distance of 1.881 (5) Å is significantly longer than the Si—C(methyl) distances [average 1.848 (8) Å] found in all other trimethylsilicon–arene complexes. The angles around the arene atom C11 sum to 360.0 (4)° but the internal C12—C11—C16 angle [116.6 (5)°] is considerably smaller than the two exocyclic Si—C11—C(arene) angles [mean 121.7 (4)°]. The intermolecular distances correspond to normal van der Waals contacts.

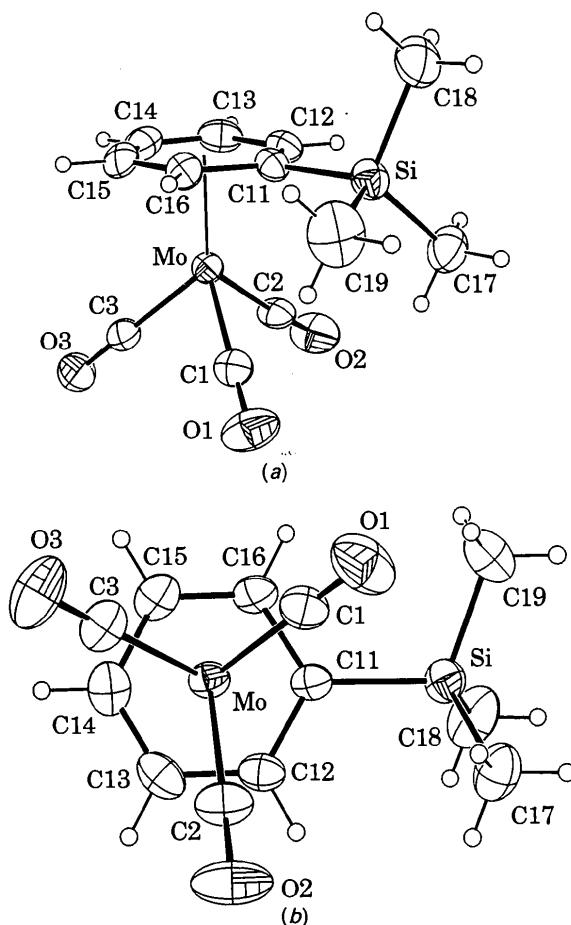


Fig. 1. ORTEP plots of (1) showing the crystallographic numbering scheme: (a) a general view and (b) a view normal to the aromatic ring plane. Displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms are drawn at the 30% probability level while, for clarity, H atoms are drawn as small spheres of arbitrary size.

## Experimental

The title compound was synthesized by the reaction of [Mo(py)<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>3</sub>] with Me<sub>3</sub>SiPh in the presence of 3 equivalents of BF<sub>3</sub>.Et<sub>2</sub>O in diethyl ether and was recrystallized from a diethylether-hexane (1:5 v/v) mixture at 273 K.

### Crystal data

[Mo(C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>14</sub> Si)(CO) <sub>3</sub> ]	$D_x = 1.542 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 330.26$	Mo K $\alpha$ radiation
Triclinic	$\lambda = 0.7107 \text{ \AA}$
$P\bar{1}$	Cell parameters from 25 reflections
$a = 6.5051 (11) \text{ \AA}$	$\theta = 20.50\text{--}27.00^\circ$
$b = 6.8828 (18) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.98 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 16.681 (3) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 293 \text{ K}$
$\alpha = 86.036 (16)^\circ$	Needle
$\beta = 79.892 (18)^\circ$	$0.15 \times 0.15 \times 0.50 \text{ mm}$
$\gamma = 75.458 (18)^\circ$	Yellow
$V = 711.5 (3) \text{ \AA}^3$	
$Z = 2$	

### Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer	2729 observed reflections [ $I_{\text{net}} > 3.0\sigma(I_{\text{net}})$ ]
$\theta/2\theta$ scans	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.00^\circ$
Absorption correction:	$h = -8 \rightarrow 8$
empirical	$k = 0 \rightarrow 8$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.588, T_{\text{max}} = 0.692$	$l = -21 \rightarrow 21$
3094 measured reflections	3 standard reflections
3094 independent reflections	frequency: 60 min
	intensity variation: 2.5%

### Refinement

Refinement on $F$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.63 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
$R = 0.053$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -1.38 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
$wR = 0.075$	( $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}}, \Delta\rho_{\text{max}}$ adjacent to the Mo atom)
$S = 1.92$	Atomic scattering factors
2729 reflections	from International Tables
154 parameters	for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV, Table
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F) + 0.0012F^2]$	2.2B)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

$$U_{\text{eq}} = (1/3)\sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j$$

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{eq}}$
Mo	0.25429 (5)	0.45886 (5)	0.165675 (23)	0.0435 (3)
Si	0.2732 (3)	0.69730 (24)	0.36376 (9)	0.0585 (8)
O1	-0.0303 (10)	0.2590 (9)	0.2983 (4)	0.104 (4)
O2	0.6127 (8)	0.0638 (7)	0.1683 (4)	0.107 (4)
O3	0.0545 (11)	0.2677 (8)	0.0448 (3)	0.098 (4)
C1	0.0738 (9)	0.3329 (8)	0.2489 (4)	0.060 (3)
C2	0.4750 (9)	0.2057 (8)	0.1681 (4)	0.064 (3)
C3	0.1288 (10)	0.3394 (8)	0.0892 (4)	0.062 (3)
C11	0.2892 (7)	0.7103 (7)	0.2499 (3)	0.0471 (23)
C12	0.4871 (8)	0.6417 (8)	0.1987 (4)	0.056 (3)
C13	0.5047 (10)	0.6525 (9)	0.1126 (4)	0.067 (3)
C14	0.3231 (12)	0.7271 (9)	0.0769 (4)	0.069 (4)
C15	0.1202 (10)	0.8013 (7)	0.1263 (4)	0.060 (3)
C16	0.1037 (8)	0.7926 (7)	0.2103 (3)	0.053 (3)
C17	0.4317 (13)	0.4468 (10)	0.3937 (4)	0.083 (4)
C18	0.3862 (17)	0.9008 (12)	0.3909 (6)	0.101 (6)
C19	-0.0099 (14)	0.7413 (18)	0.4123 (5)	0.111 (6)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}, ^\circ$ )

Mo—C1	1.957 (6)	O2—C2	1.148 (7)
Mo—C2	1.963 (5)	O3—C3	1.150 (7)
Mo—C3	1.954 (6)	C11—C12	1.405 (7)
Si—C11	1.881 (5)	C11—C16	1.448 (7)
Si—C17	1.859 (7)	C12—C13	1.419 (9)
Si—C18	1.851 (8)	C13—C14	1.383 (10)
Si—C19	1.835 (8)	C14—C15	1.421 (9)
O1—C1	1.147 (8)	C15—C16	1.386 (8)
C1—Mo—C2	86.21 (24)	Mo—C2—O2	176.1 (5)
C1—Mo—C3	84.27 (25)	Mo—C3—O3	179.3 (5)
C2—Mo—C3	88.62 (25)	Si—C11—C12	120.5 (4)
C11—Si—C17	108.7 (3)	Si—C11—C16	122.9 (4)
C11—Si—C18	107.1 (3)	C12—C11—C16	116.6 (5)
C11—Si—C19	109.3 (3)	C11—C12—C13	121.8 (5)
C17—Si—C18	111.2 (4)	C12—C13—C14	120.0 (5)
C17—Si—C19	111.3 (5)	C13—C14—C15	120.1 (5)
C18—Si—C19	109.1 (5)	C14—C15—C16	119.8 (5)
Mo—C1—O1	179.2 (6)	C11—C16—C15	121.7 (5)

Compound (1) crystallized in the triclinic system; space group  $P\bar{1}$  was assumed and this was confirmed by the successful refinement. All H atoms were clearly visible in difference maps; they

were positioned geometrically (C—H 0.95 Å) and included as riding atoms in the structure-factor calculations. Examination of the structure with *PLATON* (Spek, 1992) showed that there were no solvent-accessible voids in the crystal lattice. Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989). Cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*. Data reduction: *NRCVAX DATRD2* (Gabe, Le Page, Charland, Lee & White, 1989). Program(s) used to solve structure: *NRCVAX Patterson map*. Program(s) used to refine structure: *NRCVAX LSTSQ*. Molecular graphics: *NRCVAX; ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976). Software used to prepare material for publication: *NRCVAX TABLES* and *WP6.0*.

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## [Me<sub>3</sub>PhN]<sub>2</sub>[WCl<sub>6</sub>] und [PPh<sub>4</sub>]<sub>2</sub>[W<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-(μ-N)(μ-Cl<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>2</sub>)], ein μ-N-Nitrido-wolframat mit Dichlorophosphatbrücke

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## Abstract

Trimethylphenylammonium hexachlorotungstate(IV), [C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N]<sub>2</sub>[WCl<sub>6</sub>], consists of octahedral anions that alternate with the cations in layers parallel to (100). In bis(tetraphenylphosphonium) μ-dichlorophosphinato-O:O'-μ-nitrido-bis[trichloro(oxo)tungstate], [C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>20</sub>P]<sub>2</sub>[W<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>(μ-N)(μ-Cl<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>2</sub>)], the anion contains two W atoms linked symmetrically by an N atom, forming a slightly bent W=N=W group with short bonds; in addition, the W atoms are bridged by a dichlorophosphate group, resulting in a six-membered ring.

## Kommentar

Bei der Reaktion des Wolfram(VI)imidokomplexes [Cl<sub>4</sub>-WNC(Cl)=C(H)CN]<sub>2</sub> (Wollert, 1992) mit Trimethylphenylammonium-chlorid in Acetonitril haben wir das Hexachlorowolframat(IV) [Me<sub>3</sub>PhN]<sub>2</sub>[WCl<sub>6</sub>] (I) erhalten. Aus dem gleichen Imidokomplex entstand mit Tetraphenylphosphonium-chlorid im Beisein von POCl<sub>3</sub> und Spuren von Wasser das Ion [W<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>(μ-N)(μ-Cl<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>2</sub>)]<sup>2-</sup>.

Im IR-Spektrum zeigt das WCl<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup>-Ion die beiden Absorptionsbanden der Rasse F<sub>1u</sub>, die für ein oktaedrisches Ion zu erwarten sind, und zwar bei 285 cm<sup>-1</sup> ( $\nu_{as}$ ) und 158 cm<sup>-1</sup> ( $\delta$ ). Entsprechend der höheren negativen Ionenladung liegen diese Werte unter denen von WCl<sub>6</sub> ( $\nu_{as}$  367 cm<sup>-1</sup>) und WCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> (332 cm<sup>-1</sup>). Im Kristall finden wir WCl<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup>-Ionen, die kaum nennenswert von der Oktaedersymmetrie abweichen. Die W—Cl-Bindungen sind im Mittel 2,375(1) Å lang (Tabelle 2), so wie bei anderen WCl<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup>-Salzen (Roesky, Mainz, Noltemeyer & Sheldrick, 1988); sie sind damit länger als im WCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup>-Ion (2,25–2,33 Å; Eichler & Seifert 1977; El-Kholi & Müller, 1989; Uhl, Hey, Becker, Weller & Dehnische, 1983). Kationen und Anionen wechseln sich schichtweise in Richtung [100] ab (Fig. 1).