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[Mo{P(Ph)₂OC₆H₃(Ph)(η⁶-Ph)}(CO)₂]

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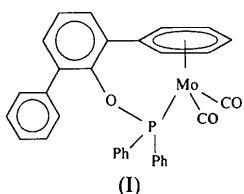
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Abstract

Dicarbonyl[(2-η⁶-phenyl-6-phenylphenoxy)diphenylphosphine-*P*]molybdenum contains a new phosphine ligand bound to Mo through the O atom and *via* an η⁶-arene interaction. A ‘three-legged-piano-stool’ geometry is present with Mo—P = 2.354 (1) Å, Mo—C(carbonyl) = 1.942 (4) and 1.944 (5) Å and Mo—C(aryl) = 2.295 (4)–2.339 (4) Å.

Comment

Previous work by our group has shown that the molecule 2,6-diphenylphenol can react with Mo(CO)₆ to produce the complex [Mo(HOC₆H₃Ph-η⁶-Ph)(CO)₃] (Kerschner, Torres, Fanwick & Rothwell, 1989) in which the metal is π bonded to one of the substituent arene rings of the aryl alcohol. The phenolic group remains unreacted. As an extension of this work we have synthesized the new phosphine ligand (2,6-diphenylphenoxy)diphenylphosphine, [P(Ph)₂OC₆H₃(Ph)₂]. In this case the initial coordination of the P atom to the metal should allow chelation *via* an η⁶ interaction with either the central phenoxy ring or with one of the substituent aryl rings. We report here the structure of the product (I) obtained on reacting this ligand with [Mo(CO)₆] in which chelation occurs to one of the substituent rings.



A view of the molecule is given in Fig. 1. The molecule can be seen to adopt a ‘three-legged-piano-stool’ geometry about the metal center. The presence of the chelate ring between the donor P atom and the η⁶-bonded arene ring does not appear to distort the geometry from that typical for the ubiquitous [(η⁶-arene)M(L)₂] (M = Cr, Mo, W) class of compounds. The Mo—C(arene) distances fall in the narrow range of 2.295 (4) Å to the *ipso* C atom to 2.339 (4) Å to C(123). These distances are typical of molybdenum η⁶-arene complexes of this type (Kerschner, Torres, Fanwick & Rothwell, 1989).

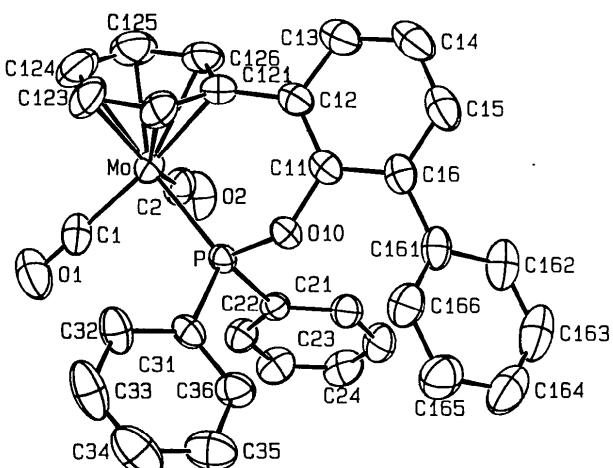


Fig. 1. A view of the molecule emphasizing the central coordination sphere. Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 50% probability level and H atoms are omitted for clarity.

Experimental

[Mo(CO)₂{P(Ph)₂OC₆H₃(Ph)₂} was obtained in low yield by refluxing a mixture of [Mo(CO)₆] (0.61 g, 2.3 mmol) and [P(Ph)₂OC₆H₃(Ph)₂] (1.00 g, 2.33 mmol) in octane for 9 h. The resulting crude product was recrystallized from a chloroform solution layered with hexane.

Crystal data

[Mo(C ₃₀ H ₂₃ OP)(CO) ₂]	Mo Kα radiation
<i>M_r</i> = 581.45	λ = 0.71073 Å
Orthorhombic	Cell parameters from 25 reflections
<i>Pbca</i>	θ = 19–23°
<i>a</i> = 8.942 (2) Å	μ = 0.583 mm ⁻¹
<i>b</i> = 20.445 (2) Å	<i>T</i> = 293 K
<i>c</i> = 28.448 (4) Å	Needle
<i>V</i> = 5200 (2) Å ³	0.46 × 0.38 × 0.22 mm
<i>Z</i> = 8	Yellow
<i>D_x</i> = 1.488 Mg m ⁻³	

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer
 2629 observed reflections
 [*F* > 3σ(*F*)]

ω - 2θ scans
 Absorption correction:
 empirical (*DIFABS*:
 Walker & Stuart, 1983)
 $T_{\min} = 0.81$, $T_{\max} = 1.00$
 3854 measured reflections
 3854 independent reflections

$\theta_{\max} = 22.5^\circ$
 $h = 0 \rightarrow 9$
 $k = 0 \rightarrow 21$
 $l = 0 \rightarrow 30$
 3 standard reflections
 frequency: 83 min
 intensity variation: <5%

P—Mo—C(1) 91.6 (1) Mo—C(1)—O(1) 178.8 (4)
 P—Mo—C(2) 91.9 (1) Mo—C(2)—O(2) 178.5 (4)
 C(1)—Mo—C(2) 85.2 (2) Mo—P—O(10) 115.39 (9)
 P—O(10)—C(11) 130.1 (2)

Refinement

Refinement on F
 $R = 0.028$
 $wR = 0.036$
 $S = 0.992$
 2629 reflections
 334 parameters
 H-atom parameters not refined

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F) + (0.02F)^2 + 1-F]$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.01$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.22 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.18 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 Atomic scattering factors from Cromer & Waber (1974)

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

$$B_{\text{eq}} = (4/3)\sum_i \sum_j \beta_{ij} \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$$

	x	y	z	B_{eq}
Mo	0.17105 (4)	0.06072 (2)	0.10051 (1)	3.009 (6)
P	-0.0037 (1)	0.14584 (4)	0.10987 (3)	2.33 (2)
O(1)	-0.0685 (4)	-0.0296 (2)	0.0553 (1)	6.09 (8)
O(2)	0.0770 (4)	-0.0049 (1)	0.1943 (1)	5.59 (7)
O(10)	0.0682 (2)	0.2211 (1)	0.11141 (7)	2.65 (5)
C(1)	0.0215 (5)	0.0046 (2)	0.0718 (1)	3.82 (9)
C(2)	0.1103 (5)	0.0200 (5)	0.1592 (1)	3.85 (9)
C(11)	0.2011 (4)	0.2432 (2)	0.1305 (1)	2.66 (7)
C(12)	0.3323 (4)	0.2074 (2)	0.1287 (1)	3.05 (8)
C(13)	0.4605 (4)	0.2334 (2)	0.1499 (1)	4.05 (9)
C(14)	0.4582 (5)	0.2953 (2)	0.1698 (2)	4.8 (1)
C(15)	0.3283 (5)	0.3307 (2)	0.1695 (1)	4.29 (9)
C(16)	0.1962 (4)	0.3058 (2)	0.1510 (1)	2.98 (7)
C(21)	-0.1228 (4)	0.1468 (2)	0.1621 (1)	2.46 (7)
C(22)	-0.2083 (4)	0.0918 (2)	0.1713 (1)	3.29 (8)
C(23)	-0.2939 (5)	0.0877 (2)	0.2115 (1)	4.25 (9)
C(24)	-0.2948 (5)	0.1390 (2)	0.2428 (1)	4.29 (9)
C(25)	-0.2144 (5)	0.1947 (2)	0.2334 (1)	4.22 (9)
C(26)	-0.1278 (4)	0.1988 (2)	0.1934 (1)	3.24 (8)
C(31)	-0.1358 (4)	0.1673 (2)	0.0633 (1)	2.74 (7)
C(32)	-0.1265 (5)	0.1379 (2)	0.0196 (1)	4.02 (9)
C(33)	-0.2261 (6)	0.1576 (2)	-0.0157 (1)	5.6 (1)
C(34)	-0.3316 (5)	0.2047 (2)	-0.0070 (1)	5.6 (1)
C(35)	-0.3398 (5)	0.2337 (2)	0.0363 (2)	5.0 (1)
C(36)	-0.2423 (4)	0.2152 (2)	0.0714 (1)	3.67 (8)
C(121)	0.3458 (4)	0.1426 (2)	0.1052 (1)	3.38 (8)
C(122)	0.3076 (4)	0.1350 (2)	0.0564 (1)	3.91 (9)
C(123)	0.3259 (5)	0.0741 (2)	0.0349 (2)	5.0 (1)
C(124)	0.3780 (5)	0.0200 (2)	0.0611 (2)	5.8 (1)
C(125)	0.4179 (5)	0.0267 (2)	0.1078 (2)	5.7 (1)
C(126)	0.4040 (4)	0.0888 (2)	0.1296 (2)	4.5 (1)
C(161)	0.0558 (4)	0.3436 (2)	0.1553 (1)	3.19 (8)
C(162)	0.0185 (5)	0.3717 (2)	0.1987 (1)	4.5 (1)
C(163)	-0.1135 (6)	0.4054 (2)	0.2043 (2)	5.6 (1)
C(164)	-0.2113 (5)	0.4128 (2)	0.1679 (2)	5.4 (1)
C(165)	-0.1768 (5)	0.3859 (2)	0.1245 (2)	4.8 (1)
C(166)	-0.0440 (5)	0.3524 (2)	0.1184 (1)	3.86 (9)

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

Mo—P	2.354 (1)	Mo—C(124)	2.318 (5)
Mo—C(1)	1.942 (4)	Mo—C(125)	2.324 (5)
Mo—C(2)	1.944 (5)	Mo—C(126)	2.313 (4)
Mo—C(121)	2.295 (4)	C(1)—O(1)	1.165 (5)
Mo—C(122)	2.318 (4)	C(2)—O(2)	1.158 (5)
Mo—C(123)	2.339 (4)		

The structure was solved using the Patterson heavy-atom method, which revealed the position of the Mo atom. The remaining atoms were located using *DIRDIF* (Beurskens *et al.*, 1984) and in succeeding difference Fourier syntheses. H atoms were located and included in the structure-factor calculations, but their positions were not refined. The structure was refined by full-matrix least squares where the function minimized was $\Sigma w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2$ and the weight, w , was defined according to the method of Killean & Lawrence (1969) with terms of 0.20 and 1.0. Scattering factors were taken from Cromer & Waber (1974). Anomalous-dispersion effects were included in F_c (Ibers & Hamilton, 1964); the values for f' and f'' were those of Cromer (1974). There were three correlation coefficients greater than 0.50. The highest peak in the final difference Fourier map had a height of 0.22 $\text{e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ with an estimated error based on ΔF (Cruickshank, 1949) of 0.05. Plots of $\Sigma w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2$ versus $|F_o|$, reflection order in data collection, $\sin\theta/\lambda$, and various classes of indices showed no unusual trends. All calculations were performed on a VAX computer using *SDP* (Frenz, 1978).

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