

O(3)—Si(1)—O(5)	116.38 (10)	Si(1)—O(3)—C(3)	116.26 (18)
O(4)—Si(1)—O(5)	97.41 (10)	Si(1)—O(4)—C(4)	113.35 (17)
O(1)—Na(1)—O(1 ¹)	87.62 (7)	Si(1)—O(5)—C(5)	127.05 (17)
O(1)—Na(1)—O(2 ¹¹)	109.58 (7)	O(1)—C(1)—C(2)	105.7 (2)
O(1)—Na(1)—O(3 ¹)	104.86 (8)	O(2)—C(2)—C(1)	106.3 (2)
O(1)—Na(1)—O(5)	60.15 (7)	O(3)—C(3)—C(4)	106.5 (3)
O(1)—Na(1)—O(6)	129.00 (8)	O(4)—C(4)—C(3)	105.9 (3)
O(1 ¹)—Na(1)—O(2 ¹¹)	145.82 (7)	O(5)—C(5)—C(6)	107.7 (2)
O(1 ¹)—Na(1)—O(3)	59.68 (6)	O(6)—C(6)—C(5)	109.9 (3)
O(1 ¹)—Na(1)—O(5)	108.27 (7)	N(1)—C(7)—C(8)	180.0
O(1 ¹)—Na(1)—O(6)	98.40 (7)		
O(1)—Si(1)—O(2)—C(2)	9.2 (1)		
O(4)—Si(1)—O(2)—C(2)	-176.8 (2)		
O(1)—Si(1)—O(3)—C(3)	171.5 (2)		
O(4)—Si(1)—O(3)—C(3)	-3.4 (2)		
O(1)—Si(1)—O(4)—C(4)	-70.7 (2)		
O(3)—Si(1)—O(4)—C(4)	-16.7 (1)		
Si(1)—O(1)—C(1)—C(2)	-30.9 (11)		
Si(1)—O(2)—C(2)—C(1)	-27.8 (11)		
Si(1)—O(3)—C(3)—C(4)	20.7 (1)		
Si(1)—O(4)—C(4)—C(3)	30.4 (2)		
Si(1)—O(5)—C(5)—C(6)	-176.7 (3)		
O(1)—C(1)—C(2)—O(2)	36.1 (1)		
O(3)—C(3)—C(4)—O(4)	-30.8 (1)		
O(5)—C(5)—C(6)—O(6)	57.4 (2)		
O(2)—Si(1)—O(1)—C(1)	13.8 (2)		
O(3)—Si(1)—O(1)—C(1)	-114.3 (2)		
O(4)—Si(1)—O(1)—C(1)	-60.3 (2)		
O(5)—Si(1)—O(1)—C(1)	129.2 (2)		
O(3)—Si(1)—O(2)—C(2)	96.2 (2)		
O(5)—Si(1)—O(2)—C(2)	-79.4 (2)		
O(2)—Si(1)—O(3)—C(3)	83.5 (2)		
O(5)—Si(1)—O(3)—C(3)	-101.0 (2)		
O(2)—Si(1)—O(4)—C(4)	-144.9 (2)		
O(5)—Si(1)—O(4)—C(4)	99.7 (2)		
O(1)—Si(1)—O(5)—C(5)	158.5 (2)		
O(2)—Si(1)—O(5)—C(5)	-112.3 (2)		
O(3)—Si(1)—O(5)—C(5)	71.6 (2)		
O(4)—Si(1)—O(5)—C(5)	-20.5 (1)		

Symmetry codes: (i) 2 - x, -y, -z; (ii) 1 + y, $\frac{1}{2}$ - x, z.

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Chlorotris(trimethylsilylcyclopentadienyl)-zirconium

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Abstract

The title compound, [ZrCl(C₈H₁₃Si)₃], is a bent metallocene with two η^5 -cyclopentadienyl ligands and one η^1 -cyclopentadienyl ligand, *i.e.* chloro(3-trimethylsilylcyclopentadienyl- κ C¹)bis(η^5 -trimethylsilylcyclopentadienyl)zirconium. The Zr—C bond length to the η^1 -cyclopentadienyl ligand is 2.396(5) Å and the Zr—Cl bond length is 2.442(1) Å.

Comment

The title compound (I) was synthesized as part of a study of zirconium compounds having several cyclopentadienyl rings. Zirconium compounds are known to possess up to three η^5 -cyclopentadienyl rings as seen in the crystal structures of tetrakis(cyclopentadienyl)zirconium (Rogers, Vann Bynum & Atwood, 1978) and tris(cyclopentadienyl)zirconium triethylaluminium hydride (Kopf, Vollmer & Kaminsky, 1980); tris(cyclopentadienyl)zirconium chloride is also reported to possess three η^5 -cyclopentadienyl rings (Strittmatter & Bursten, 1991). The *ansa*-bridged tris(cyclopentadienyl)zirconium and tris(cyclopentadienyl)hafnium chlorides also possess

The crystal selected was mounted rapidly under a cold nitrogen stream on the diffractometer. Data were collected with a fixed background time and a scan speed of 5.0° min⁻¹. The crystal decomposed by reaction with atmospheric moisture within minutes of its removal from the cold nitrogen stream.

The structure was solved by direct methods (Sheldrick, 1990) and successive difference Fourier syntheses. Refinement was by a full-matrix least-squares method (Gabe *et al.*, 1992). All H atoms were refined with isotropic displacement parameters. The H atoms on the acetonitrile solvate were not located. No features of significance were noted in the final difference map.

Figures were produced by the *NRCVAX* version (Gabe *et al.*, 1992) of *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1971).

Lists of structure factors, anisotropic displacement parameters, H-atom coordinates and mean-plane data have been deposited with the IUCr (Reference: OH1063). Copies may be obtained through The Managing Editor, International Union of Crystallography, 5 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU, England.

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C7	-0.0604 (4)	0.7978 (4)	0.1516 (1)	2.5 (1)
C8	0.0335 (5)	0.8270 (5)	0.1717 (1)	2.9 (1)
C9	0.0269 (5)	0.9347 (5)	0.1785 (1)	2.8 (1)
C10	-0.0729 (4)	0.9717 (4)	0.1628 (1)	2.2 (1)
C11	0.2714 (4)	1.0616 (4)	0.1833 (1)	2.6 (1)
C12	0.1888 (5)	1.1419 (4)	0.1765 (2)	2.8 (1)
C13	0.1465 (5)	1.1297 (4)	0.1422 (1)	2.6 (1)
C14	0.1975 (4)	1.0385 (4)	0.1260 (1)	2.2 (1)
C15	0.2770 (4)	1.0021 (5)	0.1524 (1)	2.6 (1)
C16	0.2944 (5)	0.8883 (5)	-0.0130 (2)	3.8 (1)
C17	0.2107 (6)	1.0863 (5)	0.0226 (2)	3.9 (2)
C18	0.4110 (5)	0.9657 (5)	0.0539 (2)	4.1 (1)
C19	-0.3281 (5)	1.0219 (5)	0.1257 (2)	3.9 (1)
C20	-0.3597 (6)	0.7999 (6)	0.1547 (2)	5.4 (2)
C21	-0.2728 (5)	0.8313 (5)	0.0792 (2)	4.0 (1)
C22	0.298 (1)	0.914 (1)	0.2453 (4)	6.1 (4)
C22'	0.425 (1)	1.140 (1)	0.2437 (4)	5.9 (4)
C23	0.310 (2)	1.147 (1)	0.2574 (4)	7.7 (5)
C23'	0.433 (2)	0.915 (1)	0.2218 (5)	9.2 (5)
C24	0.500 (1)	1.037 (3)	0.2175 (5)	15.4 (9)
C24'	0.230 (2)	0.998 (3)	0.2621 (5)	15.1 (9)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Cp1 and Cp2 are the centroids of the η⁵-cyclopentadienyl rings.

Zr—C1	2.442 (1)	Zr—C14	2.396 (5)
Zr—Cp1	2.227	Zr—Cp2	2.200
Zr—C1	2.591 (5)	Zr—C6	2.536 (5)
Zr—C2	2.519 (5)	Zr—C7	2.501 (5)
Zr—C3	2.488 (6)	Zr—C8	2.500 (5)
Zr—C4	2.491 (6)	Zr—C9	2.500 (5)
Zr—C5	2.553 (5)	Zr—C10	2.509 (5)
C11—C12	1.447 (8)	C11—C15	1.381 (8)
C12—C13	1.383 (8)	C13—C14	1.447 (8)
C14—C15	1.446 (8)		
Cp1—Zr—Cp2	127.8	Cl—Zr—C14	92.1 (1)

The structure was solved partially by direct methods (SHELXS86; Sheldrick, 1985), the remaining atoms being located by Fourier methods. C atoms of the trimethylsilyl group on the η¹-cyclopentadienyl ring (C22, C23 and C24) had large displacement parameters and excess electron density between them indicating disorder which was modeled by two sets of methyl C atoms (occupancy 0.5) related by a rotation of 180° about the Si3—C11 axis. Residual electron density in the final Fourier synthesis is associated with this trimethylsilyl group. All non-H atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. Each H atom was placed in a calculated position with a fixed displacement parameter of 1.3 times that of the C atom to which it is attached. The structure refinement used MolEN (Fair, 1990) and local unpublished programs.

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Oxobis(2,4-pentanedionato)vanadium(IV), a Redetermination

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Abstract

A redetermination of oxobis(2,4-pentanedionato)vanadium(IV), [VO(C₅H₇O₂)₂], has been undertaken using high-resolution Mo data. Geometrical parameters do not differ significantly from those reported earlier [Dodge, Templeton & Zalkin (1961). *J. Chem. Phys.* **35**, 55–67; Hon, Belford & Pfluger (1965). *J. Chem. Phys.* **43**, 3111–3115], but the standard deviations are improved by an order of magnitude. Important structural parameters: V—O(basal) 1.967(1)–1.970(1) Å and V=O(apical) 1.584(2) Å.

Comment

Current interest in orally active insulin mimics, particularly vanadium compounds (Shechter, 1990; Shechter *et al.*, 1990), has prompted a redetermination of the structure of oxobis(2,4-pentanedionato)vanadium(IV), (I). Since some of the promising vanadium-containing insulin mimics are structurally related to vanadyl bis(β-