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trans-Bromo(*o*-tolyl)bis(triphenylphosphine)palladium(II) Crystals With and Without Stacking Faults

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Abstract

In *trans*-[PdBr(C₇H₇)(C₁₈H₁₅P)₂] the Pd atom has almost regular square-planar coordination geometry; the length of the Pd—Br bond [2.517 (2) Å] indicates that the σ -tolyl group exerts a strong *trans* influence. The molecular structure obtained from an ordered crystal is indistinguishable from that derived from a crystal with a stacking fault.

Comment

trans- $[PdBr(o-CH_3C_6H_4)(PPh_3)_2]$ (1) was prepared as a precursor in the course of a study of complexes containing coordinated solvent. Colourless crystals were obtained from CH₂Cl₂/Et₂O solutions of the products of the reactions between either $[Pd(PPh_3)_4]$ and o-bromotoluene or between trans-[PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂] and Li(o-tolyl) in the presence of LiBr. X-ray analysis of (1), using material derived from the first of these reactions, was undertaken for comparison with the structure of the chelate complex $[PdBr{(Cy_2PCH_2)_2C_6H_3}]$ (2) [Cy = cyclohexyl (Cross, Kennedy & Muir, 1994)], inwhich the σ -aryl ring is held nearly coplanar with the Pd coordination plane. No Pd^{II}-tolyl complexes have been structurally characterized, although the structures of several Pt^{II}(o-tolyl) complexes have been reported (Rieger, Carpenter & Rieger, 1993; Terheijden, van Koten, Vinke & Spek, 1985; Hutton, Pringle & Shaw, 1985).



The molecular structure of (1), based on an ordered crystal (specimen *B*, see below), comprises a Pd atom with square-planar coordination geometry distorted only slightly by out-of-plane displacement of Br(1) and C(1) so that the Br(1)—Pd(1)—C(1) angle is $170.9 (3)^{\circ}$ (see

© 1995 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved Fig. 1 and Tables 1 and 2). The two Pd-P distances agree well with each other and their mean [2.321 (2) Å] differs little from 2.308 Å, the mean length of 51 Pd-PPh₃ bonds in the compilation of Orpen, Brammer, Allen, Kennard, Watson & Taylor (1989) (OB89). The Pd—Br bond length [2.517(2)Å] appears long compared with the value of 2.424 Å given by OB89, but is typical for such bonds *trans* to σ -C_{sp²}, a donor atom of high trans influence: reported lengths for Pd-Br(trans to σ -C_{sp²}) bonds range from 2.490 (4) to 2.563 (3) Å (Roe, Bailey, Moseley & Maitlis, 1972; Isobe, Kai, Nakamura, Nishimoto, Miwa, Kawaguchi, Kinoshita & Nakatsu, 1980); the value in (2) of 2.514(2) Å is virtually identical to that found here. The Pd(1)— C(1) distance of 1.991 (8) Å is also typical of values for other σ -Pd—C_{sp²} distances [e.g. 2.009 (8) Å in (2); see also Hursthouse, Sloan, Thornton & Walker (1986) and de Graaf, van Wegen, Boersma, Spek & van Koten (1989)]. The tolyl ring is almost normal to the metal coordination plane [P(2)-Pd(1)-C(1)-C(2)] $= -85.4(8)^{\circ}$, whereas these planes almost coincide in (2) $[P-Pd-C-C = 6.6(5) \text{ and } 0.9(5)^{\circ}]$. The similarity of the Pd-C and Pd-Br bond lengths in (1) and (2) suggests that neither the Pd-C bonding nor the *trans* influence of the σ -aryl group is strongly influenced by the relative orientations of the σ -aryl and metal coordination planes. There is slight asymmetry in the Pd(1)—C(1)—C(2) and Pd(1)—C(1)—C(6) angles so that the methyl group is held clear of the Pd atom $[Pd(1) \cdots C(7) = 3.28(1), Pd(1) \cdots H(methyl) \ge$ 2.99 Å]. The molecule as a whole has approximate $C_{\rm s}(m)$ symmetry and the PPh₃ ligands almost eclipse each other when viewed along the P-Pd-P axis. The tolyl group is thus sandwiched between phenyl groups 2 and 5 [C(1)-Pd-P(1)-C(21) = -33.4(4), C(1)- $Pd-P(2)-C(51) = 24.8 (4)^{\circ}].$



Fig. 1. Molecular structure of (1) with non-H atoms shown as 50% probability ellipsoids and H atoms represented as spheres of arbitrary radii. Triphenylphosphine phenyl rings are numbered cyclically as C(n1)-C(n6), n = 1-6, starting at the *ipso*-C atom. Only the labels of the C(n2) ring atoms are shown.

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The analysis of (1) was initially undertaken with a crystal (specimen A) which came from a sample prepared and recrystallized separately, although in the same manner, as specimen B. Crystal A was also found to be triclinic, but with a = 12.178(1), b = 18.428(1), c = 25.461(2) Å, $\alpha = 93.125(4)$, $\beta = 101.518(6)$, $\gamma = 95.019(5)^\circ$, $V = 5561.9(6) \text{ Å}^3$, Z = 6. Of 19684 reflections measured to $\theta(Mo \ K\alpha) = 24.6^{\circ}$, only 5231 were observed $[I > 3\sigma(I)]$ and the presence of pseudoorigin peaks in P(uvw) at $\pm(1/3, -1/3, 1/3)$ led to the identification of a reduced sub-cell, also triclinic, with Z = 2 and dimensions substantially the same as those reported for crystal B. 4624 observed reflections could be re-indexed in this sub-cell [h' = -1/3(h - k + l), k' =h, l' = -1/3(h + 2k + l)]. Subsequent averaging ($R_{int} =$ 0.015) gave 4392 unique intensities. Structure solution and refinement in the same manner as for crystal Bfinally gave R = 0.060, wR = 0.095, S = 3.6. The results of this refinement, which have been deposited, are essentially the same as those reported for crystal B. However, the model fails to account for 607 observed reflections with $-h+k-l \neq 3n$ in the original indexing. Their existence implies that the true periodicity is three times the *a* axis of the sub-cell. An alternative description of the structure is that it appears to have a displacive commensurate modulation, such that the observed reciprocal lattice vectors, expressed in terms of the sub-cell, are $S = h\mathbf{a}^* + k\mathbf{b}^* + l\mathbf{c}^* + m(\mathbf{a}^* + \mathbf{c}^*)/3$, where m = 0 for the 4392 reflections used to refine the structure and m = 1 or 2 for the 607 reflections not accounted for by the ordered structural model.

In order to verify that crystal *B* was not subject to a similar modulation, its cell was transformed to correspond with the super-cell of crystal *A* at the conclusion of the main data collection. A hemisphere of intensities out to $\theta(Mo \ K\alpha) = 15^{\circ}$ was then collected. None of the 5293 reflections with m = 1 or 2 had $l > 3\sigma(l)$, confirming that crystal *B* did not display the modulation present in crystal *A*.

Experimental

Compound (1)

Crystal data

$[PdBr(C_7H_7)(C_{18}H_{15}P)_2]$
$M_r = 802.04$
Triclinic
PĪ
<i>a</i> = 11.061 (1) Å
b = 12.171(1) Å
c = 14.334 (2) Å
$\alpha = 95.200 \ (8)^{\circ}$
$\beta = 92.094 \ (9)^{\circ}$
$\gamma = 105.191 \ (8)^{\circ}$
V = 1851.0 (4) Å ³
Z = 2
$D_x = 1.439 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å Cell parameters from 25 reflections $\theta = 11.7-22.5^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.68 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298 KNeedle $0.30 \times 0.10 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$ Colourless

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4	$R_{\rm int} = 0.029$
diffractometer	$\theta_{\rm max} = 28.5^{\circ}$
ω –2 θ scans	$h = -14 \rightarrow 14$
Absorption correction:	$k = 0 \rightarrow 16$
empirical	$l = -19 \rightarrow 19$
$T_{\min} = 0.91, \ T_{\max} = 1.00$	3 standard reflections
9777 measured reflections	frequency: 120 min
9347 independent reflections	intensity decay: -0.8%
4093 observed reflections	
$[I > 3.0\sigma(I)]$	

Refinement

Refinement on F	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.02$
R = 0.051	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.64 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
wR = 0.054	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -1.08 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
S = 1.7	Extinction correction: none
4093 reflections	Atomic scattering factors
424 parameters	from International Tables
H-atom parameters not	for X-ray Crystallography
refined	(1974, Vol. IV, Tables
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F)]$	2.2B and 2.3.1)
$+ 0.00023F^{2}$]	

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$ for (1)

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

	x	y	z	Uea
Pd(1)	-0.18522 (6)	0.04221 (5)	0.22486 (5)	0.033
Br(1)	0.04025 (10)	0.06242 (9)	0.18914 (9)	0.084
P(1)	-0.21766 (18)	-0.14797 (16)	0.25299 (14)	0.036
P(2)	-0.15958 (18)	0.23427 (16)	0.20676 (14)	0.036
C(1)	-0.3696 (7)	0.0188 (6)	0.2313 (6)	0.047
C(2)	-0.4289(8)	0.0379 (7)	0.3111 (8)	0.058
C(3)	-0.5628 (10)	0.0231 (8)	0.3081 (9)	0.076
C(4)	-0.6267 (11)	-0.0115(11)	0.2231 (12)	0.099
C(5)	-0.5717 (13)	-0.0353(10)	0.1434 (10)	0.103
C(6)	-0.4433 (8)	-0.0183 (7)	0.1461 (8)	0.068
C(7)	-0.3594 (9)	0.0752 (8)	0.3996 (7)	0.070
C(11)	-0.0832(7)	-0.1794 (6)	0.3108 (5)	0.039
C(12)	-0.0028(9)	-0.0962(7)	0.3719 (6)	0.061
C(13)	0.0948 (9)	-0.1211 (10)	0.4205 (7)	0.076
C(14)	0.1151 (9)	-0.2243 (11)	0.4097 (7)	0.076
C(15)	0.0377 (10)	-0.3070 (9)	0.3506(7)	0.073
C(16)	-0.0622 (8)	-0.2871 (7)	0.3003 (6)	0.054
C(21)	-0.3431 (7)	-0.2093 (6)	0.3286 (5)	0.041
C(22)	-0.3164 (8)	-0.2211 (7)	0.4207 (6)	0.056
C(23)	-0.4123 (11)	-0.2619 (8)	0.4798 (6)	0.076
C(24)	-0.5330(11)	-0.2888 (8)	0.4457 (8)	0.075
C(25)	-0.5627 (8)	-0.2781(7)	0.3546 (8)	0.069
C(26)	-0.4661 (8)	-0.2365 (7)	0.2952 (6)	0.055
C(31)	-0.2534 (6)	-0.2406 (6)	0.1438 (5)	0.037
C(32)	-0.3214 (7)	-0.3556 (6)	0.1399 (6)	0.046
C(33)	-0.3477 (8)	-0.4217 (7)	0.0549 (7)	0.059
C(34)	-0.3115 (9)	-0.3759 (8)	-0.0261 (6)	0.062
C(35)	-0.2449 (9)	-0.2642 (8)	-0.0237 (6)	0.065
C(36)	-0.2160 (7)	-0.1963 (7)	0.0611 (6)	0.047
C(41)	-0.0116 (7)	0.3166 (6)	0.2688 (5)	0.039
C(42)	0.0822 (8)	0.3902 (6)	0.2274 (6)	0.048
C(43)	0.1919 (8)	0.4461 (7)	0.2783 (7)	0.057
C(44)	0.2088 (8)	0.4347 (8)	0.3708(7)	0.063
C(45)	0.1152 (9)	0.3607 (9)	0.4133 (6)	0.069
C(46)	0.0059 (8)	0.3005 (7)	0.3618 (6)	0.057
C(51)	-0.2734 (7)	0.3096 (6)	0.2498 (5)	0.038
C(52)	-0.2425 (8)	0.4007 (7)	0.3207 (6)	0.052
C(53)	-0.3321 (10)	0.4546 (8)	0.3489 (6)	0.069
C(54)	-0.4509 (9)	0.4197 (9)	0.3100 (7)	0.072
C(55)	-0.4836 (8)	0.3318 (8)	0.2404 (7)	0.068
C(56)	-0.3955 (8)	0.2766 (7)	0.2100 (6)	0.055

$\begin{array}{lll} C(61) & -0.1465\ (7) \\ C(62) & -0.1637\ (9) \\ C(63) & -0.1502\ (11) \\ C(64) & -0.1239\ (10) \\ C(65) & -0.1056\ (8) \\ C(66) & -0.1173\ (7) \end{array}$	0.2684 (6) 0.3702 (7) 0.3965 (9) 0.3191 (10) 0.2195 (8) 0.1939 (7)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0860 (5) \\ 0.0603 (6) \\ -0.0323 (7) \\ -0.0987 (6) \\ -0.0740 (6) \\ 0.0189 (6) \end{array}$	0.040 0.071 0.097 0.083 0.064 0.050
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Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (1)

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$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Pd(1)P(1)C(31)	110.5 (3)	Pd(1)-C(1)-C(6)	116.6 (7)
$\begin{array}{cccc} C(11) & -P(1) & -C(31) & 106.4 (4) \\ C(1) & -Pd(1) & -P(1) & -C(11) & -152.6 (4) & C(1) & -Pd(1) & -P(2) & -C(41) & 144.1 (4) \\ C(1) & -Pd(1) & -P(1) & -C(21) & -33.4 (4) & C(1) & -Pd(1) & -P(2) & -C(51) & 24.8 (4) \\ C(1) & -Pd(1) & -P(1) & -C(31) & 87.6 (4) & C(1) & -Pd(1) & -P(2) & -C(51) & 98.9 (4) \\ \end{array}$	C(11) - P(1) - C(21)	101.3 (4)	C(2) - C(1) - C(6)	118.4 (9)
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	C(11)-P(1)-C(31)	106.4 (4)		
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The orientation of the methyl group was determined from a difference synthesis. All H atoms rode on their parent C atoms with C—H = 0.96 Å and $U(H) \simeq 1.2 U(C)$.

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Abstract

The title structure {alternative name: bis[2,3-butanedial dioximato(1 –)-N,N'](phenylethynyl)(triphenylphosphine-P)rhodium(III) dichloromethane solvate} consists of discrete complexes [Rh(dmgH)₂(PPh₃)R] ($R = C \equiv CPh$ and dmgH = dimethylglyoximato, $C_4H_7N_2O_2^-$) in which the Rh atom displays distorted octahedral coordination with the two dimethylglyoximato ligands in the equatorial plane and the phenylacetylide and triphenylphosphine groups in axial positions. The Rh atom is displaced by 0.073 (1) Å from the mean plane through the four oxime N-atom donors. The average Rh—N distance is 1.971 (2) Å, while the axial Rh—P and Rh—C distances are 2.409 (1) and 1.991 (3) Å, respectively.