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Bis(acetato)amminedichloro(cyclohexylamine)platinum(IV), an Orally Active Anticancer Drug

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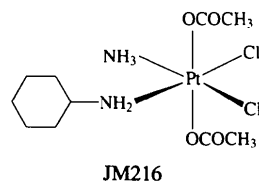
Abstract

The structure of the anticancer drug bis(acetato)-amminedichloro(cyclohexylamine)platinum(IV), [PtCl₂(C₂H₃O₂)₂(C₆H₁₃N)(NH₃)], is reported. The acetato groups are axial to the square plane composed of the chlorine and amine substituents. The cyclohexane ring may sterically hinder one of the acetato groups for metabolic attack. The amine groups are hydrogen bonded to the carbonyl O atoms of the acetato groups.

Comment

The platinum(II) complex cisplatin (*cis*-diamminedichloroplatinum) is an established and effective drug in the treatment of certain cancers, especially testicular and ovarian cancer (Horwich, 1989). However, because of its severe nephrotoxicity, relatively narrow spectrum of activity and lack of activity in tumours with acquired resistance, there has been a continuing search for new platinum compounds that circumvent these problems

(Kelland, 1993). It has been found that platinum(IV) alkylamines with axial carboxylate groups show selective cytotoxicity to cisplatin-resistant human tumour cell lines (Kelland *et al.*, 1992). This biological response is due mainly to the lipophilicity of the axial groups combined with activation of the complex *via* reduction to the platinum(II) species. The title compound, JM216, an outstandingly active member of the series (Kelland *et al.*, 1993), is currently being evaluated in clinical trials. Its crystal structure has been determined as part of a study relating structural features to possible patterns of metabolism.



The title complex has standard octahedral coordination around the Pt^{IV} atom. The two Cl atoms, the ammine group and the cyclohexylamine group are in a square-planar arrangement around the Pt atom. The two acetato groups are axial to this plane (Fig. 1) and the cyclohexane ring adopts a chair conformation. The angle N1—Pt—N2 is significantly greater than 90°.

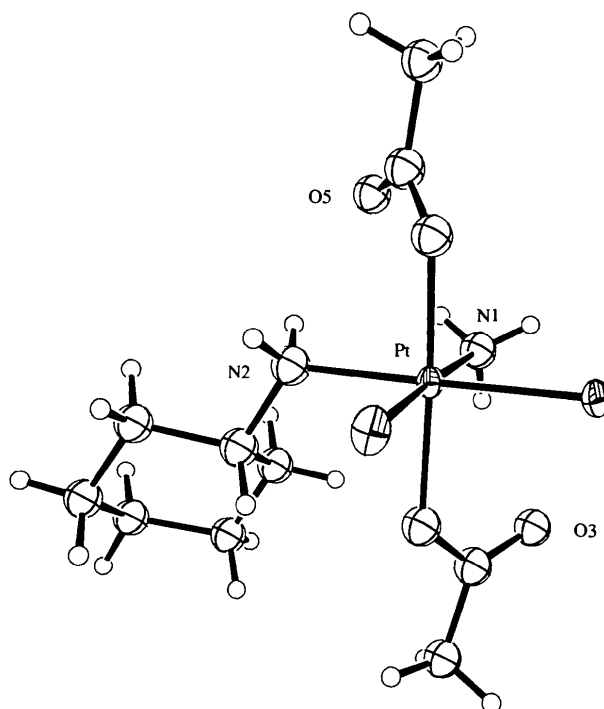


Fig. 1. View of the title molecule (ORTEX; McArdle, 1993) showing 50% displacement ellipsoids for the Pt and Cl atoms and the numbering scheme for selected non-H atoms. H atoms are plotted as spheres of arbitrary size.

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Tetrachloropentakis(dimethyl sulfoxide)-diruthenium(II)

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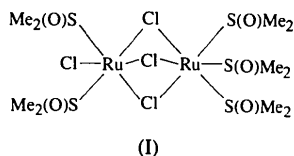
Abstract

Tri- μ -chloro-chloropentakis(dimethyl sulfoxide)diruthenium(II), [Ru₂Cl{(CH₃)₂SO}₅(μ -Cl)₃] has a face-sharing biotetrahedral structure with the common face constructed by three bridging Cl atoms. The metal atoms are separated by 3.245 (2) Å.

Comment

The chemistry of halogen–dimethyl sulfoxide–ruthenium(II) complexes is of considerable current interest because of their antitumour activities (Allesio *et al.*, 1988, 1991). A number of such complexes of Ru^{II} and Ru^{III}, including the title complex, have been reported, but all the structurally characterized species are limited to mononuclear complexes only (Allesio *et al.*, 1991; Davies, Einstein, Farrell, James & McMillan, 1978).

Herein we report the first crystal structure of a binuclear complex of this category, namely [Ru₂Cl(Me₂SO)₅(μ -Cl)₃], (I), whose ¹H NMR and IR spectra are known (Heath, Lindsay & Stephenson, 1982; Hudali, Kingston & Tayim, 1979).



All the Me₂SO ligands are bonded terminally to the metal through sulfur. The two metal atoms are bridged by three Cl atoms, leading to a face-sharing biotetrahedral structure. The bridging atoms have a staggered conformation with respect to the terminal donor atoms, which in turn are mutually eclipsed when viewed down the Ru(1)–Ru(2) axis. The average Ru–Cl(bridging) bond length [2.461 (3) Å] is longer than the Ru–Cl(terminal) bond length [2.394 (4) Å]. The average Ru(1)–S bond length [2.233 (3) Å] is shorter than the average Ru(2)–S bond length [2.275 (3) Å], indicating greater π back bonding in the former which possibly arises from greater σ donation from the terminal Cl atom.

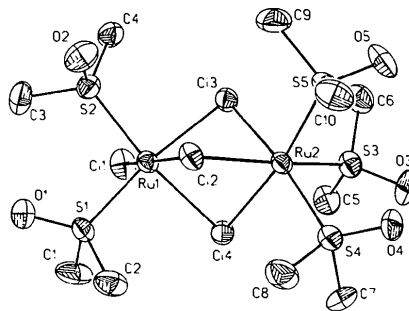


Fig. 1. Molecular structure showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms are omitted for clarity.

Experimental

Synthesis was performed by literature method (Heath, Lindsay & Stephenson, 1982). Single crystals were grown by diffusion of a dichloromethane solution of the complex into *n*-hexane.

Crystal data

[Ru₂Cl₄(C₂H₆OS)₅]

$M_r = 734.6$

Monoclinic

$P2_1/n$

$a = 11.095$ (7) Å

$b = 15.692$ (8) Å

$c = 15.173$ (7) Å

$\beta = 109.83$ (4)^o

$V = 2485$ (2) Å³

$Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.963$ Mg m⁻³

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

$\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

Cell parameters from 35 reflections

$\theta = 8\text{--}16^{\circ}$

$\mu = 2.084$ mm⁻¹

$T = 295$ K

Parallelepiped

0.33 × 0.24 × 0.18 mm

Red

Data collection

Siemens R3m/V diffractometer

ω scans

Absorption correction: empirical

$T_{\min} = 0.89$, $T_{\max} = 1.00$

5045 measured reflections

4278 independent reflections

3016 observed reflections

$[F > 6\sigma(F)]$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.0430$

$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25^{\circ}$

$h = -13 \rightarrow 12$

$k = 0 \rightarrow 18$

$l = 0 \rightarrow 18$

2 standard reflections

monitored every 98

reflections

intensity decay: 3%