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group at the two temperatures was shown to be *Pnam*, not  $Pna2_1$  as reported previously. Large anisotropic structural distortion was observed on cooling, but the space group and the general structural pattern remain the same.

### Comment

A comparative study of the structure of the title compound at 290 K and 150 K was part of a project studying the anisotropy of structural distortion of cobalt(III) nitroammine complexes induced by various means: cooling, increasing pressure, isomorphous substitution or homogeneous linkage isomerization. This paper reports the structural data for the title compound at 290 K and 150 K, and the details of the data collection and data



refinement procedures. A detailed comparison of the structures, the analysis of the anisotropy of structural distortion on cooling and its comparison with structural strain resulting from an increase in hydrostatic pressure or linkage isomerization is reported elsewhere (Boldyreva, Kivikoski & Howard, 1997).

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## Pentaamminenitrocobalt(III) Chloride Nitrate at 290 K and 150 K

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## Abstract

The structure of the title compound,  $[Co(NO_2)(NH_3)_5]$ -Cl(NO<sub>3</sub>), was determined at 290 K and 150 K using the same crystal. The general structural pattern was shown to be similar to that previously reported by Podberezskaya, Virovets & Boldyreva [*Russ. J. Struct. Chem.* (1991), **32**, 89–95] for 290 K, but the space





Fig. 1. A view of the  $[Co(NO_2)(NH_3)_5]^{2+}$  cation and the  $(NO_3)^$ anion at 150 K showing the labelling of the non-H atoms. Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 50% probability level for the non-H atoms; H atoms are drawn as small circles of arbitrary radii.

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## **Experimental**

The crystals of the title compound were grown at ambient temperature from an aqueous solution containing equimolar quantities of  $[Co(NO_2)(NH_3)_5]Cl_2$  and  $[Co(NO_2)(NH_3)_5](NO_3)_2$ , as described in Gmelin (1964).  $[Co(NO_2)(NH_3)_5]Cl_2$  and  $[Co(NO_2)(NH_3)_5](NO_3)_2$  were synthesized from  $[Co(CO_3)-(NH_3)_5](NO_3)$  as described by Mäueler (1981).

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

Cell parameters from 25

 $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ 

reflections

 $\mu = 1.92 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

Elongated prism

T = 290 K

Ruby

 $\theta = 16.955 - 23.615^{\circ}$ 

 $0.5 \times 0.3 \times 0.2$  mm

1050 reflections with

3 standard reflections

every 150 reflections

intensity decay: none

U<sub>eq</sub> 0.02056 (12)

0.0308 (2)

0.0277 (5) 0.0296 (4)

0.0261 (5)

0.0309 (4)

0.0447 (6)

0.0445 (6)

0.0300 (5)

0.0569(7)

0.0463 (4)

 $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 28.01^{\circ}$ 

 $h = 0 \rightarrow 20$ 

 $k = 0 \rightarrow 13$ 

 $l = -10 \rightarrow 10$ 

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.02$ 

### [Co(NO<sub>2</sub>)(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>5</sub>]Cl(NO<sub>3</sub>) at 290 K

### Crystal data

 $[Co(NO_2)(NH_3)_5]Cl(NO_3)$   $M_r = 287.57$ Orthorhombic *Pnam*  a = 14.814 (3) Å b = 9.623 (2) Å c = 7.309 (2) Å V = 1041.9 (6) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 4  $D_x = 1.833$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  $D_m$  not measured

## Data collection

Rigaku AFC-6S four-circle diffractometer  $\omega/2\theta$  scans Absorption correction:  $36 \psi$  scans of 6 reflections (North, Phillips & Mathews, 1968)  $T_{min} = 0.553, T_{max} = 0.681$ 2762 measured reflections 1353 independent reflections

x

0.13299 (2)

0.15198 (5)

0.12397 (15)

0.22559 (10)

0.14679 (15)

0.03941 (11)

0.22340(15)

0.0802 (2)

0.4111 (2)

0.4122 (2)

0.41064 (11)

Col

C11

NI

N2

N4

N3

02

01

N5

04

03

### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.058$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.024$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.339 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.067$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.290 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
S = 0.993	Extinction correction:
1353 reflections	SHELXL93 (Sheldrick,
83 parameters	1993)
All H-atom parameters	Extinction coefficient:
refined	0.0061 (8)
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0342P)^2]$	Scattering factors from
+ 0.3911 <i>P</i> ]	International Tables for
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	Crystallography (Vol. C)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$  at 290 K

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

-1/4

-1/4

-1/4-0.0622 (3)

-1/4

-1/4

-1/4

-1/4

1/4

-0.0576 (2)

-0.1024(2)

0.20415 (4)

-0.01892 (8)

0.4104 (2)

0.2183 (2)

0.0016 (3)

0.1861 (2)

-0.0705 (2)

-0.0456 (2)

-0.0010 (3)

-0.1289 (3)

0.0644 (2)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) at 290 K

Co1—N3	1.959 (2)	N4—02	1.206 (3)
Co1—N4	1.960 (3)	N4—01	1.222 (3)
Co1—N2	1.969 (2)	N5—04	1.231 (3)
Co1—N1	1.989 (3)	N5—03	1.249 (2)
O2N4O1 O1N4Co1 Symmetry code: (i) x, y,	123.1 (3) 117.8 (2) $, -\frac{1}{2} - z.$	04—N5—O3 O3—N5—O3 <sup>i</sup>	120.24 (13) 119.5 (3)

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

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 $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ 

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 $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.99^{\circ}$ 

 $h = 0 \rightarrow 19$ 

 $k = 0 \rightarrow 13$ 

 $l = -10 \rightarrow 10$ 

 $R_{\rm int}=0.02$ 

T = 150 K

Ruby

 $\theta = 20.42 - 23.945^{\circ}$ 

### [Co(NO<sub>2</sub>)(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>5</sub>]Cl(NO<sub>3</sub>) at 150 K

Crystal data

 $[Co(NO_2)(NH_3)_5]Cl(NO_3)$   $M_r = 287.57$ Orthorhombic *Pnam*  a = 14.726 (5) Å b = 9.646 (7) Å c = 7.219 (3) Å V = 1025.4 (8) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 4  $D_x = 1.863$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  $D_m$  not measured

#### Data collection

Rigaku AFC-6S four-circle
diffractometer
$\omega/2\theta$ scans
Absorption correction:
36 $\psi$ scans of 6 reflec-
tions (North, Phillips &
Mathews, 1968)
$T_{\rm min} = 0.544, \ T_{\rm max} = 0.677$
2723 measured reflections
1335 independent reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.007$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.023$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.425 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.062$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.350 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
S = 1.042	Extinction correction:
1333 reflections	SHELXL93 (Sheldrick,
83 parameters	1993)
All H-atom parameters	Extinction coefficient:
refined	0.0060 (7)
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0260P)^2]$	Scattering factors from
+ 0.5638P]	International Tables for
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	Crystallography (Vol. C)

Table 3. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$  at 150 K

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

	x	у	z	Uea
Col	0.13352 (2)	0.20341 (3)	-1/4	0.01327 (11)
Cll	0.15142 (4)	-0.02121 (6)	1/4	0.0195 (2)
NI	0.12440 (14)	0.4092 (2)	-1/4	0.0184 (4)
N4	0.14829 (14)	0.0015 (2)	-1 <b>/4</b>	0.0163 (4)
N2	0.22605 (10)	0.21811 (15)	-0.0541 (2)	0.0192 (3)
01	0.22563 (13)	-0.0450 (2)	-1/4	0.0276 (5)
N3	0.03976 (10)	0.1849 (2)	-0.0592 (2)	0.0203 (3)
02	0.08081 (13)	-0.0713(2)	-1/4	0.0284 (5)
N5	0.41219 (14)	0.0025 (2)	-1/4	0.0193 (5)
04	0.4150 (2)	-0.1255 (2)	- 1/4	0.0365 (5)
O3	0.41137 (9)	0.06827 (15)	-0.0999 (2)	0.0276 (3)

Table 4. Selected geometric parameters (Å,  $^{\circ}$ ) at 150 K

Co1—N3	1.958 (2)	N4-02	1.217 (3)
Co1—N4	1.960 (2)	N4-01	1.224 (3)
Co1—N2	1.9691 (15)	N5-04	1.235 (3)
Co1—N1	1.989 (2)	N5-03	1.256 (2)
O2—N4—O1 O2—N4—Co1 Symmetry code: (i) x, y	123.3 (2) 118.9 (2) $z_1 - \frac{1}{2} - z_2$	O4—N5—O3 O3—N5—O3 <sup>i</sup>	120.35 (11) 119.3 (2)

Since lattice parameters of cobalt(III) nitroammine complexes are known to vary slightly from crystal to crystal of the same compound, comparative studies at the two temperatures were carried out using the same crystal without removing the crystal from the diffractometer. All experiments were carried out in the dark to prevent possible photochemical linkage isomerization. The temperature was maintained and controlled using a Cryosystem (Oxford Cryosystems) openflow gas cryostat (Cosier & Glazer, 1986).

In order to improve the statistics, the reflections were deliberately collected in a reciprocal volume double the minimum required by crystal symmetry, and equivalent reflections were merged.

For both compounds, data collection: MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988); cell refinement: MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software; data reduction: TEXSAN (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1989); program(s) used to solve structures: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structures: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993); molecular graphics: SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1989); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL93.

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# **Electrochemically Lithiated Vanadium** Oxide, $Li_2V_6O_{13}$

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## Abstract

Single crystals of  $V_6O_{13}$  were grown by chemical vapour transport and then electrochemically lithiated. The title compound, dilithium hexavanadium tridecaoxide, was the first phase formed during electrochemical lithiation at 2.65 V versus Li/Li<sup>+</sup>. The Li<sub>2</sub>V<sub>6</sub>O<sub>13</sub> structure can be described as layers of VO<sub>6</sub> octahedra stacked perpendicular to the c direction. Lithiation causes a 7.6% expansion along the c axis. The lithium ions occupy positions with fivefold square-pyramidal oxygen coordination between the layers.

### Comment

The title compound is the first lithiated phase obtained during discharge of a lithium battery containing the well known lithium intercalation host compound  $V_6O_{13}$ . An essential basis for understanding the relationship between structure and electrochemical properties in modern lithium-battery electrodes is a precise knowledge of the crystal structures of the various lithiated phases formed during cycling. Earlier work on lithiated  $V_6O_{13}$  has used X-ray and neutron diffraction techniques on powder samples: phases  $Li_x V_6 O_{13}$  for x between 0.5 and 1.0 (Lampe-Önnerud, Nordblad & Thomas, 1996; West, Zachau-Christiansen, Jacobsen & Atlung, 1985) have been reported as the first lithiated phase. Powder diffraction techniques seem inadequate in revealing the subtleties of the lithiation process. In this single-crystal X-ray study on an electrochemically lithiated sample we are able to determine the detailed lithiated structure.

The structure of  $V_6O_{13}$  can be described as layers of  $VO_6$  octahedra parallel to the *ab* plane. There are two types of layers in the structure: one containing V1 centred around z = 0 and one containing V2 and V3