Mo2014	1.871 (4)	Mo9-035	1.825 (4)
Mo2015	1.876 (3)	Mo9-036	1.890 (4)
Mo207	1.960 (3)	Mo9-013	1.969 (3)
Mo205	1.984 (3)	Mo9-031	2.020 (3)
Mo305	1.814 (3)	Mo10-018	1.887 (3)
Mo3012	1.832 (4)	Mo10-023	1.896 (3)
Mo3-021	2.016 (4)	Mo10-036	1.950 (4)
Mo3	2.074 (4)	Mo10-010	1.956 (4)
Mo4029	1.836 (4)	Mo11-019	1.837 (4)
Mo406	1.865 (4)	Mo11-010	1.857 (4)
Mo4019	1.985 (4)	Mo11-09	1.964 (4)
Mo4-035	2.001 (4)	Mo11-011	2.037 (4)
Mo5031	1.845 (3)	Mo12	1.841 (4)
Mo507	1.861 (3)	Mo12016	1.863 (4)
Mo5018	1.979 (4)	Mo12017	1.955 (4)
Mo5012	2.037 (3)	Mo12-026	2.017 (4)
Mo6011	1.796 (4)	P1O1A	1.467 (4)
Mo6017	1.879 (4)	P1N1A	1.595 (5)
Mo6023	1.947 (3)	P1—N2A	1.610 (5)
Mo6022	2.112 (3)	P1—N3A	1.806 (5)
Mo704	1.881 (4)	P201B	1.495 (5)
Mo7	1.910 (4)	P301 <i>C</i>	1.497 (5)
Mo7016	1.949 (4)	P4—O1D	1.501 (5)
Mo7014	1.995 (4)	P501E	1.524 (4)
C6A—N3A—C5A	108.7 (5)	C5A—N3A—P1	118.7 (4)
C6A—N3A—P1	109.5 (4)		

The Mo atoms were first located by direct methods and successive full-matrix least-squares refinements revealed the complete structure. 23 H atoms were located from successive difference Fourier maps and were refined isotropically. A further 69 H atoms were positioned geometrically and were then allowed to ride on their parent C atoms. One of the water molecules (O2W) is disordered and its H atoms were not located, and neither were the four attached to the molybdosilicate residue. The two highest peaks in the difference Fourier map lie close to Mo5 (0.731 Å) and Mo9 (0.738 Å).

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# 1,1,1,2,2,2,3,3,3-Nonacarbonyl-1,2-[μ-bis(diphenylphosphino)methane-P',P'']-3-(trimethylphosphite-P)triangulotriruthenium(0)†

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## Abstract

In  $[Ru_3(C_3H_9O_3P)(C_{25}H_{22}P_2)(CO)_9]$ , one Ru—Ru bond is slightly longer than the other two and axial Ru—CO bonds are longer than corresponding equatorial bonds. The bridging bis(diphenylphosphino)methane (dppm) forms longer P—Ru distances than the equatorial trimethylphosphite ligand.

#### Comment

Extensive synthetic studies have been performed on mixed-ligand triruthenium cluster carbonyls (Bruce, Liddel, Hughes *et al.*, 1988; Bruce, Kehoe *et al.*, 1982; Bruce, Nicholson *et al.*, 1983; Bruce, Matisons *et al.*, 1982; Bruce, Liddel, Shawkataly *et al.*, 1988). In particular, mixed-ligand cluster carbonyls with group 15

<sup>†</sup> Alternative name:  $\mu$ -bis(diphenylphosphino)methane-1 $\kappa P$ :2 $\kappa P$ -nonacarbonyl-1 $\kappa^3 C$ ,2 $\kappa^3 C$ -trimethylphosphite-3 $\kappa P$ -triangulo-triruthenium(0)(3 Ru—Ru).

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donor-atom ligands are of special interest because of their catalytic activity. Furthermore, the group 15 ligands allow a degree of tuning of the reactivity of the clusters (Bruce, Matisons et al., 1983). However, structural reports on complexes  $[Ru_3(CO)_9(dppm)(L)]$ (where dppm is  $Ph_2PCH_2PPh_2$  and L is  $PR_3$ ) are sparse (Adams et al., 1994). The crystal structure of  $[Ru_3(CO)_9(dppm){P(OCH_3)_3}], (I), is reported in this$ paper.



Two of the Ru-Ru distances are almost equal [2.8515(4) and 2.8473(4)Å], whereas the third bond is somewhat longer [2.8760(3)Å]. A similar variation is observed in the parent compound (Churchill et al., 1977). The axial Ru-CO bond lengths [1.910(3)-1.944(3)Å] are longer than the equatorial bonds [1.879(3)-1.890(4) Å], as observed in  $[Ru_3(CO)_{12}]$  and [Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(dppm)] (Churchill et al., 1977; Coleman et al., 1984). Ru-P bond distances involving the chelating dppm are similar [2.325(1) and 2.324(1) Å], but the equatorial Ru3—P3 bond distance [2.264(1)Å] is significantly shorter, being close to the value observed in  $[Ru_3(C))_{11} \{ P(OMe)_3 \} \}$  by Shawkataly *et al.* (1991). Other distances and angles in (I) are unexceptional.



Fig. 1. A view of (I) showing 30% probability ellipsoids. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

#### Experimental

A mixture of [Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>(dppm)] and P(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> in dry THF (1:1 ratio) under nitrogen was treated with diphenylketyl radical and the product separated by thin-layer chromatography and recrystallized from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>3</sub>OH.

Crystal data

 $[Ru_3(C_3H_9O_3P)(C_{25}H_{22}P_2)-$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ (CO)<sub>9</sub>]  $M_r = 1063.74$ Cell parameters from 51 Monoclinic reflections  $\theta = 2.00 - 12.52^{\circ}$  $P2_1/n$  $\mu = 1.260 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ a = 17.491(2) Å T = 293 (2) Kb = 12.428(1) Å c = 19.081 (2) ÅPrismatic  $0.96 \times 0.88 \times 0.72$  mm  $\beta = 96.18(1)^{\circ}$ Red brown  $V = 4123.7 (7) Å^3$ Z = 4 $D_x = 1.713 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$  $D_m$  not measured

#### Data collection

Siemens P4 diffractometer	$R_{\rm int} = 0.015$
$\theta/2\theta$ scans	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.50^{\circ}$
Absorption correction:	$h = -1 \rightarrow 22$
empirical $\psi$ scans	$k = -1 \rightarrow 16$
(XSCANS; Siemens, 1994)	$l = -24 \rightarrow 24$
$T_{\rm min} = 0.705, T_{\rm max} = 0.787$	3 standard reflections
11 264 measured reflections	every 97 reflections
9407 independent reflections	intensity decay: <3%
8100 reflections with	
$I > 2\sigma(I)$	

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0383P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.027$	+ 1.0529 <i>P</i> ]
$wR(F^2) = 0.075$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.029	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.004$
9407 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.407 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
496 parameters	$\Delta  ho_{\min} = -0.557 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H atoms riding on parent C	Extinction correction: none
atom	Scattering factors from
	International Tables for

Crystallography (Vol. C)

Table	1	Selected	geometric	narameters	(Å.	0)
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2.3251 (7)	P2-C29	1.833 (2)
2.8515 (4)	P2—C23	1.833 (2)
2.8760 (3)	P2-C10	1.853 (2)
2.3242 (7)	P3011	1.590 (2)
2.8473 (4)	P3010	1.591 (2)
2.2642 (8)	P3012	1.606 (2)
1.822 (3)	O10-C35	1.403 (5)
1.838 (2)	O11—C36	1.453 (4)
1.842 (2)	O12—C37	1.432 (5)
166.99 (9)	C5-Ru2-Ru1	162.28 (11)
80.50 (8)	C4—Ru2—Ru1	80.68 (9)
96.69 (9)	C6—Ru2—Ru1	97.22 (8)
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PlRulRu2	90.03 (2)	P2—Ru2—Ru1	94.28 (2)
C3—Ru1—Ru3	109.18 (10)	Ru3—Ru2—Ru1	60.618 (7)
C1—Ru1—Ru3	90.82 (8)	C8—Ru3—Ru2	88.70 (12)
C2—Ru1—Ru3	83.26 (9)	C7—Ru3—Ru2	94.86 (9)
PIRu1-Ru3	148.94 (2)	C9—Ru3—Ru2	86.35 (10)
Ru2—Ru1—Ru3	59.619 (9)	P3—Ru3—Ru2	170.91 (2)
C5-Ru2-P2	102.19 (11)	C8—Ru3—Ru1	148.07 (12)
C4-Ru2-P2	94.06 (9)	C7—Ru3—Ru1	82.59 (9)
C6—Ru2—P2	91.38 (8)	C9—Ru3—Ru1	92.52 (10)
C5—Ru2—Ru3	104.27 (11)	P3—Ru3—Ru1	111.76 (2)
C4—Ru2—Ru3	92.80 (9)	Ru2—Ru3—Ru1	59.762 (9)
C6—Ru2—Ru3	81.57 (8)	P1-C10-P2	115.25 (12)
P2—Ru2—Ru3	152.44 (2)		

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# A Novel Cyclotriphosphazene Complex with a Short Transannular $P \cdots P$ Contact

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### Abstract

The structure of dichloro [2, 2-di-tert-butylamino-4,4,6,6-tetrakis(3,5-dimethylpyrazolyl)cyclotriphosphazene]cobalt(II), [CoCl<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>48</sub>N<sub>13</sub>P<sub>3</sub>)], exhibits an unusual transannular P···P interaction.

#### Comment

Interest in heterocycles such as cyclotriphosphazenes results from their novel reactivity towards various organometallic reagents and transition metal ions, and their industrial applications (Allcock *et al.*, 1987; Chandrasekhar & Thomas, 1993). Pyrazolyl-substituted cyclotriphosphazenes have been shown to possess interesting coordination chemistry (Thomas *et al.*, 1993, 1994; Chandrasekaran *et al.*, 1994; Byun *et al.*, 1996). In an attempt to study the electronic and steric effect exerted by the substituents on the coordination behaviour of the cyclotriphosphazene moiety, we have synthesized the title compound, (I), which includes two bulky *tert*-butylamino groups.



In (I), the Co<sup>II</sup> atom assumes a distorted trigonalbipyramidal geometry comprising of two pyrazolyl N atoms, a cyclophosphazene N atom and two Cl<sup>-</sup> ions. The trigonal plane contains two Cl<sup>-</sup> ions and a cyclophosphazene N atom. The Co—Cl distances are simi-

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