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Organometallic Selenolates. IX.† (18-Crown-6)potassium (η^5 -Cyclopentadienyl)bis(1,4-tetraselenido- Se^1 , Se^4)tungstate(IV)

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Abstract

The title compound, $[(18\text{-crown-6})K]^+[W(\eta^5\text{-}C_5H_5)(\eta^2\text{-}Se_4)_2]^-$ or $[K(C_{12}H_{24}O_6)][W(C_5H_5)(Se_4)_2]$, consists of the anion $[CpW(Se_4)_2]^-$ (where Cp is cyclopentadienyl), which is linked to the $[(18\text{-crown-6})K]^+$ cation *via* two potassium–selenium contacts of 3.457 (5) and 3.527 (5) Å. One of the WSe₄ rings adopts an envelope conformation, whereas the other WSe₄ ring lies between the standard envelope and half-chair conformations. The corresponding W—Se bond lengths lie in the range 2.441 (2)–2.570 (2) Å, indicating asymmetry in the chelation of both Se₄ ligands, which can also be seen from the Se—Se bond-length range of 2.300 (4)– 2.447 (3) Å.

Comment

Transition-metal-selenido complexes exhibit interesting structural features associated with a variety of binding modes of the Se_n^{2-} ligands. Numerous crystal structures of (oligoselenido)metallate complexes have been reported, of which $M(\text{Se}_4)_n^2$ complexes are the most common (Cambridge Structural Database, Version of October 1997; Allen & Kennard, 1993; Wardle, Bhaduri et al., 1988), because of the high stability of five-membered MSe₄ rings. However, examples of organometallic $RM(Se_4)_x$ systems are rare. During our studies on new syntheses of transition-metal-selenido complexes, we described the formation of the tetraselenido complex $[CpW(CO)_3]_2Se_4$ (where Cp is cyclopentadienyl) via insertion of elemental selenium into the alkali-metal-tungsten bond of [LiWCp(CO)₃] in an appropriate ratio and subsequent oxidation with oxygen on SiO₂ (Jones & Thöne, 1996). A crystal structure analysis revealed a $\mu_2 - \eta^1$ bonding pattern of the Se²⁻₄ ligand (Jones et al., 1998). We present here the crystal structure of $[(18 \text{-crown-6})K]^+[CpW(Se_4)_2]^-$, (1).



Compound (1) consists of a cation-anion pair. The K⁺ cation lies 0.694 (8) Å out of the best plane through the O atoms of the crown ether [K—O 2.774 (14)–2.939 (14) Å] and is involved in weak interionic K...Se contacts of 3.457 (5) (K...Se1) and 3.527 (5) Å (K...Se3). The [CpW(Se₄)₂]⁻ anion consists of two WSe₄ rings with a common W atom. The coordination geometry at the W atom is slightly distorted tetragonal pyramidal, with W 0.999 (1) Å out of the basal plane (atoms Se1, Se4, Se5 and Se8; r.m.s. deviation 0.42 Å). The Se...Se contacts in this plane range from 2.937 (3) to 3.519 (3) Å, with Se...Se angles between 82.73 (7) and 95.52 (7)°. The W—Cp(centre) vector makes an angle of $180 (1)^{\circ}$ with the normal to the base of the pyramid.

The chelation of the Se_4^{2-} ligands is asymmetric in both WSe₄ rings; as seen from the W—Se bond

[†] Part VIII: Jones et al. (1998).

lengths in each ring [ring A: W—Se1 2.570 (2) and W— Se4 2.441 (2) Å; ring B: W—Se5 2.529 (2) and W— Se8 2.444 (2) Å]. A comparable but less pronounced bonding asymmetry can be seen in the analogous [CpMo(Se₄)₂]⁻ anion, in which the shorter Mo—Se bonds are 2.463 (1) and 2.474 (1) Å, whereas the other Mo—Se bond lengths, 2.533 (1) and 2.542 (1) Å, are only slightly longer (Herath Banda *et al.*, 1989).

The W—Se bond lengths in (1) are comparable with those observed in other $W_n Se_m^{2-}$ anions [cf. 2.395 (3)–2.546 (3) Å in $(\eta^2-Se_2)WSe(\mu-Se)_2WSe(\eta^2-Se_3)$ and 2.401 (3)–2.556 (3) Å in $(\eta^2-Se_2)WSe(\mu-Se)_2-WSe(\eta^2-Se_4)$; Wardle *et al.*, 1987]. These anions also contain W—Se double bonds with lengths 2.242 (3)– 2.258 (3) Å.

The intra-chelate angles in (1) are 87.29(8) (Se1— W—Se4) and 90.09(8)° (Se8—W—Se5), and the inter-chelate angles are 71.67(8) (Se8—W—Se1) and 74.33(8)° (Se4—W—Se5). Closely similar values can be found in the [CpMo(Se₄)₂]⁻ anion. More symmetric chelation of the Se²₄⁻ ligand can be observed in the anions [MoO(Se₄)₂]²⁻ and [WS(Se₄)₂]²⁻, in which the *M*—Se bond lengths differ only slightly, *i.e.* [MoO(Se₄)₂]²⁻ 2.465(1)–2.512(1) Å and [WS(Se₄)₂]²⁻ 2.435(1)–2.487(1) Å (Wardle, Mahler *et al.*, 1988).

The Se—Se bond lengths lie in the range 2.300 (4) (Se6—Se7) to 2.447 (3) Å (Se3—Se4). The longest bonds in this range correspond to the shorter neighbouring W—Se bonds, whereas the shortest bonds are observed between the β -Se atoms. Similar bond lengths were observed in both [MoSe(Se₄)₂]^{2–} [Se—Se 2.291 (5)–2.461 (5) Å; O'Neal & Kolis, 1988] and [CpMo(Se₄)₂]^{2–} (2.310–2.419 Å). However, in the organometallic derivative [CpW(CO)₃]₂(μ_2 - η^1 -Se₄), a different situation was found. The W-bonded Se₂ moieties display shorter Se—Se bond lengths [2.321 (2) and 2.322 (2) Å] than the central Se—Se bond length of 2.367 (2) Å (Jones *et al.*, 1998).



Fig. 1. The structure of (1) in the crystal. H atoms have been omitted. Ellipsoids represent 50% probability.

The WSe₄ rings in (1) display two different conformations. Ring A (W, Se1–Se4) adopts an arrangement that lies between the standard envelope and half-chair conformations. Ring B (W, Se5–Se8) adopts an envelope conformation with the flap at Se6. Essentially the same situation can be observed in the corresponding molybdenum anion. An interesting case was described for the [Pt(Se₄)₃]²⁻ ion, in which all PtSe₄ rings adopt an envelope conformation with β -Se atoms as the flaps (Ansari & Ibers, 1989). This arrangement leads to a pseudo-octahedral geometry at platinum and therefore to chirality. For the [Pt(S₅)₃]²⁻ anion, the optical isomers were resolved (Gillard & Wimmer, 1978).

Experimental

 $[(18-crown-6)K]^*[CpW(Se_4)_2]^-$ was obtained from the reaction of K₂Se₈ with 18-crown-6 and CpW(CO)₃Cl according to Jones *et al.* (1998). Single crystals were obtained by layering a dichloromethane solution with diethyl ether.

Crystal data

$[K(C_{12}H_{24}O_6)][W(C_5H_5)-$	Mo K α radiation		
$(Se_4)_2$]	$\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$		
$M_r = 1184.03$	Cell parameters from 62		
Monoclinic	reflections		
$P2_{1}/n$	$\theta = 5.5 - 12.5^{\circ}$		
a = 13.488(5) Å	$\mu = 13.744 \text{ mm}^{-1}$		
b = 10.113 (3) Å	T = 173 (2) K		
c = 22.223(10) Å	Plate		
$\beta = 98.78(2)^{\circ}$	$0.42 \times 0.18 \times 0.02$ mm		
$V = 2996(2) \text{ Å}^3$	Dark green		
Z = 4			
$D_x = 2.625 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$			
D_m not measured			
Data collection			

Data collection

Siemens P4 diffractometer	2705 reflections with
ω scans	$I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction:	$R_{\rm int} = 0.089$
ψ scans (XEMP; Siemens,	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25.01^{\circ}$
1994a) assuming lamina	$h = -15 \rightarrow 16$
100	$k = -12 \rightarrow 4$
$T_{\rm min} = 0.113, T_{\rm max} = 0.760$	$l = -26 \rightarrow 4$
7747 measured reflections	3 standard reflections
5238 independent reflections	every 247 reflections
-	intensity decay: 1%

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 (Δ/σ) $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.065$ $\Delta\rho_{max}$ $wR(F^2) = 0.164$ $\Delta\rho_{min}$ S = 0.920Extinct5238 reflectionsScatte298 parametersInterH atoms constrainedCry $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0721P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 2.15 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{min} = -1.25 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$ Extinction correction: none Scattering factors from *International Tables for Crystallography* (Vol. C)

WSe4	2.441 (2)	Se2—Se3	2.325 (3)
WSe8	2.444 (2)	Se3—Se4	2.447 (3)
W—Se5	2.529 (2)	Se3—K	3.527 (5)
W—Sc1	2.570 (2)	Se5Se6	2.386 (4)
Se1—Se2	2.378 (3)	Se6—Se7	2.300 (4)
Se1—K	3.457 (5)	Se7—Se8	2.442 (3)
Se4—W—Se8	124.74 (8)	Se3—Se2—Se1	96.16 (10)
Se4WSe5	74.33 (8)	Se2—Se3—Se4	99.45 (11)
Se8—W—Se5	90.09 (8)	Se2—Se3—K	91.32 (10)
Se4-W-Se1	87.29 (8)	Se4—Se3—K	80.92 (11)
Se8—W—Se1	71.67 (8)	W-Se4-Se3	114.03 (9)
Se5—W—Se1	140.21 (8)	Sc6—Se5—W	103.89 (10)
Se2—Se1—W	101.82 (9)	Se7—Se6—Se5	96.95 (13)
Se2—Se1—K	92.16 (11)	Se6—Se7—Se8	97.73 (12)
W—Sel—K	103.66 (9)	Se7—Se8—W	114.46 (11)
Se4—W—Se1—Se2	-53.46 (10)	Se8—W—Se5—Se6	-43.48 (12)
W-Se1-Se2-Se3	65.60 (12)	W—Se5—Se6—Se7	63.12 (12)
Se1—Se2—Se3—Se4	-43.10 (13)	Se5—Se6—Se7—Se8	-48.51 (12)
Se1—W—Sc4—Se3	25.73 (11)	Sc6—Sc7—Se8—W	23.19 (15)
Se2—Sc3—Se4—W	9.73 (14)	Se5—W—Se8—Se7	12.28 (12)

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

H atoms were included using a riding model. The residual electron density of 2.15 e Å⁻³ is 1.0 Å from the W atom, and that of -1.25 e Å⁻³ is 1.45 Å from W. This may be attributed to residual absorption errors associated with an extremely thin plate.

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Bis(tetra-*n*-butylammonium) Bis[(methyllactato)dioxovanadate(V)] Dihydrate[†]

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Abstract

The crystal structure of $(Bu_4N)_2[VO_2(C_4H_6O_3)]_2.2H_2O$ consists of the dimeric $[\{VO_2(C_4H_6O_3)\}_2]^{2-}$ anion with C_i symmetry, two Bu_4N^+ cations and two water molecules. The V atom is pentacoordinated by O atoms in a tetragonal-pyramidal arrangement.

Comment

Knowledge of the properties of vanadate complexes is essential to vanadium biochemistry. Information about the interactions of vanadate with biogenic ligands will be needed so that the most potent and biologically significant interactions can be identified (Sigel & Sigel, 1995). In the course of our work on model oxygenvanadium compounds (Sabirov *et al.*, 1984; Angus-Dunne *et al.*, 1994), we isolated the title compound, (I).



† Systematic name: bis(tetra-*n*-butylammonium) bis[μ -2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanoato(2-)]-1 $\kappa^2 O^1$, O^2 :2 κO^2 ; 1 κO^2 :2 $\kappa^2 O^1$, O^2 -bis[dioxovanadate(V)] dihydrate.