C2	0.7386 (3)	0.0100 (2)	0.1980 (4)	0.0564 (8)
C3	0.8178 (2)	0.0189 (2)	0.3396 (3)	0.0550 (8)
C4	(0.9242(3))	0.2936 (2)	().4346 (3)	0.0550 (8)
C5	0.8170 (3)	(0.2995(2))	0.4017(3)	0.0539 (8)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Ni1—S1	2.6014 (8)	NI-CI	1.148 (3)
Nil—NI	2.055 (2)	N2—C2	1.473 (4)
Nil—N2	2.078 (2)	N3C3	1.486 (4)
Ni1N3	2.113 (2)	N4C4	1.471 (4)
NilN4	2.087 (2)	N5-C5	1.462 (4)
Nil—N5	2.115 (2)	C2-C3	1.503 (5)
S1—C1'	1.630 (2)	C4—C5	1.506 (5)
SI—NiI—NI	91.56 (7)	N3-Ni1N5	92.5 (1)
SI—NiI—N2	88.44 (8)	N4-Ni1-N5	82.4 (1)
\$1—Ni1—N3	86.50 (7)	Nil-SI-Cl	102.43 (9)
S1Ni1-N4	91.23 (7)	Nil-NI-CI	162.5 (2)
S1—Ni1—N5	173.47 (7)	Ni1-N2-C2	109.0 (2)
N1Ni1N2	92.5 (1)	Ni1-N3-C3	106.7 (2)
N1—Ni1—N3	174.9 (1)	Ni1N4C4	109.4 (2)
N1—Ni1—N4	89.4 (1)	Ni1-N5-C5	107.2 (2)
N1—N11—N5	89.97 (9)	S1'-C1-N1	179.1 (2)
N2—Ni1—N3	82.8 (1)	N2-C2-C3	108.5 (3)
N2—Ni1—N4	178.06 (9)	N3-C3-C2	108.7 (3)
N2—Ni1—N5	97.8 (1)	N4-C4-C5	109.3 (3)
N3-Ni1-N4	95.29 (9)	N5-C5-C4	109.4 (3)

Symmetry code: (i) $\frac{3}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} - y, -z$.

Table 3. Hydrogen-bonding distances (Å)

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
N2—H7· · · F5	2.45 (4)	N3—H2···F3 ^m	2.81 (4)
N2—H7· · ·F7	2.65 (3)	N3—H2···F4	2.58 (3)
N2	2.79 (4)	N4H10+++F6"	2.52 (3)
N2H8····F7'	2.62 (3)	N5—H15····F1`	2.93 (3)
N3—H1···F2"	2.70 (3)	N5—H16····F3 ^m	2.32 (3)
$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$\mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot \mathbf{A}$
HI···SI	2.97 (3)	H9+++S1**	2.83 (3)
Symmetry codes: (i) = r = v = v	-1 (ii) $x = y = z + 1$ (iii)	2 - r + 3 - 7

Symmetry codes: (i) 1 - x, -y, -z; (ii) $x, -y, z + \frac{1}{2};$ (iii) $2 - x, y, \frac{1}{2} - (iv) x - \frac{1}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, z;$ (v) $x + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - y, z + \frac{1}{2};$ (vi) $2 - x, y, \frac{1}{2} - z.$

The structure was solved by direct methods and developed by alternating cycles of difference Fourier syntheses and fullmatrix least-squares refinements. The positions of the atoms were determined unequivocally. The non-H atoms were refined anisotropically, while the H atoms were refined isotropically.

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Bis(dimethylammonium) Hexachlorotellurate(IV)

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Abstract

The title compound, $[(CH_3)_2NH_2]_2[TeCl_6]$, is isostructural with $[(CH_3)_2NH_2]_2[SnCl_6]$ and the high-density form of $[(CH_3)_2NH_2]_2[PtCl_6]$. It consists of a slightly distorted $[TeCl_6]^{2-}$ octahedron and $[(CH_3)_2NH_2]^+$ ions connected by a weak bifurcated hydrogen bond.

Comment

 $[(CH_3)_2NH_2]_2[TeCl_6]$, (I), was reported to be isomorphous with [(CH₃)₂NH₂]₂[SnCl₆] (Ben Ghozlen & Daoud, 1981; Knop et al., 1983) from X-ray powder diffraction data taken at room temperature (Ishida et al., 1984). The phase transitions and the molecular motions of the cation and anion were studied by ¹H NMR (Ishida et al., 1984), ³⁵Cl NOR (Horiuchi et al., 1985; Ishikawa et al., 1989) and ²H NMR (Ikeda et al., 1989) under the assumption that the Te salt has the same atomic arrangement as the Sn salt. The 180° flip motion of the cation about its pseudo- C_2 axis and the 90^o re-orientational jumps of the anion around the Te-Cl bond axis were found to occur at room temperature in the Te salt with smaller activation energies than those determined in the Sn salt. This implies that the ions in the Te salt are bound more loosely than in the Sn salt.



The present X-ray study showed that the Te salt is isostructural with both the Sn salt and the dense form of $[(CH_3)_2NH_2]_2[PtCl_6]$ (Ries, 1902; Khodadad *et al.*, 1984). It consists of parallel sheets of slightly distorted $[TeCl_6]^{2-}$ octahedra which are held together in a sheet by weak bifurcated hydrogen bonds formed between the $[(CH_3)_2NH_2]^*$ groups and the Cl atoms (Fig. 1). The shortest contact distances between the cation and the anion are $N \cdots Cl(2)$ [3.449 (8)Å] and $N \cdots Cl(2^i)$ [3.553 (8)Å] which are slightly longer than those reported for the Sn salt, being consistent with the NMR and NQR results: $N \cdots Cl(2)$ 3.449 (8), $H \cdots Cl(2)$ 2.69Å, $N - H \cdots Cl(2)$ 137°; $N \cdots Cl(2^i)$ 3.553 (8), $H \cdots Cl(2^i)$ 2.84Å, $N - H \cdots Cl(2^i)$ 133° [symmetry code: (i) -x, -y, z].



Fig. 1. An *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976) perspective view and atomic numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% proba bility level. The N—H···Cl-type hydrogen bonds are indicated by broken lines. [Symmetry code: (i) -x, -y, z.]

Experimental

Crystals of $[(CH_3)_2NH_2]_2[TeCl_6]$ were grown by slow evaporation from a concentrated HCl solution containing stoichiometric amounts of $(CH_3)_2NH_2Cl$ and TeO₂.

Crystal data

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$\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$
Cell parameters from 25
reflections
$\theta = 11.9 - 12.5^{\circ}$
$\mu = 2.883 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
T = 291 K
Prismatic
0.23 \times 0.23 \times 0.20 mm
Yellow

Data collection	
Rigaku AFC-5 <i>R</i> diffractom- eter ω -2 θ scans Absorption correction: ψ scan (North <i>et al.</i> , 1968) $T_{min} = 0.45, T_{max} = 0.56$ 1089 measured reflections 1089 independent reflections	605 reflections with $l > 3\sigma(l)$ $\theta_{max} = 27.5^{\circ}$ $h = 0 \rightarrow 9$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 18$ $l = 0 \rightarrow 9$ 3 standard reflections every 97 reflections intensity decay: 1%
Refinement	
Refinement on F R = 0.033 wR = 0.032 S = 2.65 605 reflections 39 parameters H atoms not refined w = $1/[\sigma^2(F_o) + 0.00002 F_o ^2]$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$	$\begin{split} &\Delta \rho_{\text{max}} = 0.62 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ &\Delta \rho_{\text{min}} = -0.41 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ &\text{Extinction correction:} \\ &\text{Zachariasen (1967)} \\ &\text{Extinction coefficient:} \\ &6.5 (8) \times 10^{-7} \\ &\text{Scattering factors from} \\ &\text{International Tables for} \\ &\text{Crystallography (Vol. C)} \end{split}$

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

$U_{\rm eq} = (1/3) \sum_i \sum_j U^{ij} a^i a^j \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$

	X	v	÷	U_{eq}
Te	0	0	0	0.0422 (1)
CI(1)	0.1841 (3)	0.1481(1)	0	0.0782 (6)
C(2)	0.1957(1)	-0.06638(8)	0.2486 (2)	0.0725 (4)
N	0,1906 (8)	0.1358 (4)	1/2	0.075(2)
C(1)	0.103(1)	0.2271 (4)	1/2	0.081 (2)
$\hat{C}(2)$	0.389(1)	0.1357 (5)	1/2	0.090(3)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Te—Cl(1)	2.531 (3)	N—C(1)	1.46 (1)
Te—Cl(2)	2.524 (2)	N—C(2)	1.47 (1)
Cl(1)—Te—Cl(2) Cl(1)—Te—Cl(2') Cl(2)—Te—Cl(2')	90.52 (7) 89.48 (7) 86.94 (9)	$Cl(2)$ —Te— $Cl(2^{n})$ C(1)—N— $C(2)$	93.06 (9) 116 (1)

Symmetry codes: (i) -x, -y, z; (ii) x, y, -z.

H atoms could not be located from a difference Fourier map. H atoms attached to N were placed in geometrically ideal positions with N-H = 0.95 Å, but were not refined. The methyl H atoms were not included because these may be disordered around the C-N bond.

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A 1,10-Phenanthroline-Ligated *closo*-Ruthenaundecaborane: $[(C_{12}H_8N_2)Ru-B_{10}H_8(OC_2H_5)_2]$

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Abstract

In the title compound, 2,3-diethoxy-1-(1,10-phenanthroline-N,N')-1-ruthena-closo-undecaborane, [Ru(C₄H₁₈-B₁₀O₂)(C₁₂H₈N₂)], the Ru atom is bound to two N atoms of the 1,10-phenanthroline (phen) ligand and six B atoms of the closo 11-vertex {RuB₁₀} cage. The Ru— N bond distances are 2.117 (2) and 2.128 (2) Å, and the N1—Ru1—N10 bite angle is 78.26 (8)°.

Comment

In metalloborane chemistry, ligand-exchange reactions at the metal centre of a compound present a reasonably viable way to form new metalloborane compounds (Siedle & Todd, 1976). An analysis of the literature shows that, in such processes, the leaving groups are often phosphine ligands (PPh₃ or PMe₂Ph), while the substituents could be such ligands as PMe₃ (Bown et al., 1987), PMe₂Ph (Kennedy, 1986), Ph₂PCH₂PPh₂ (Elrington *et al.*, 1984), $C_2S_2(CN)^{2-}$, CN^- (Siedle & Todd, 1976) and SCSNEt₂ (Beckett et al., 1985). Siedle & Todd (1976) published the synthesis of $[(phen)PdB_{10}H_{12}]$ via a ligand-displacement reaction, which was characterized by spectroscopic methods (Siedle & Todd, 1976). No ruthenium analogue has so far been reported. We report here the first phenligated *closo*-ruthenaborane compound, (I), the structure of which was established by X-ray diffraction.



Compound (I) (Fig. 1) contains an { $RuB_{10}H_{8}$ -($OC_{2}H_{5}$)₂} 11-vertex metalloborane cluster, with the Ru atom lying above the boat-type face of six B atoms. Such a cluster is very similar to [(PPh₃)₂RuB₁₀H₈-($OC_{2}H_{5}$)₂], (II) (Crook *et al.*, 1984, 1985), and [(PMe₃)-(PPh₃)RuB₁₀H₈($OC_{2}H_{5}$)₂], (III) (Bown *et al.*, 1987). However, the Ru—B bond lengths in (I) [2.014 (4)–2.326 (3) Å] are shorter than those reported for both (II) [2.041 (8)–2.402 (8) Å] and (III) [2.032 (5)–2.374 (5) Å]. This indicates that the coordination of the phen ligand strengthens slightly the metal–boron bonding within the present cluster compared with the phosphines.

The bidentate phen ligand coordinates to the Ru atom with Ru—N distances of 2.117 (2) and 2.128 (2) Å. These bonds are significantly longer than the corresponding Ru—N_{phen} bond lengths in the literature, for example, 2.056 (8) and 2.082 (9) Å for [Ru(bipy)₂-(phen)]²⁺ (Ye *et al.*, 1995), where bipy is 2,2'-bipyridine, 2.096 (5)–2.100 (5) Å for [Ru(phen)₂(py)₂]²⁺ (Bonneson *et al.*, 1983), where py is pyridine, and an average of 2.063 (4) Å for [Ru(phen)₃]²⁺ (Breu & Stoll, 1996). The relative elongation of the Ru—N bond lengths can be attributed to the influence of the {RuB₁₀} cage. In compound (1), both the N—Ru—N bite angle [78.26 (8)°]