

**Data collection**

Rigaku AFC-5R diffractometer	1231 reflections with $I > 3\sigma(I)$
$\omega$ - $2\theta$ scans	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.023$
Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan (North <i>et al.</i> , 1968)	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.723$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 0.897$	$h = 0 \rightarrow 9$
1919 measured reflections	$k = 0 \rightarrow 12$
1786 independent reflections	$l = -14 \rightarrow 14$
	3 standard reflections every 150 reflections
	intensity decay: 0.85%

**Refinement**

Refinement on $F$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.42 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$R = 0.043$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.62 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$wR = 0.045$	Extinction correction: Zachariasen (1967) type 2, Gaussian isotropic
$S = 1.674$	Extinction coefficient: 0.0335
1231 reflections	Scattering factors from <i>International Tables for X-ray Crystallography</i> (Vol. IV)
111 parameters	
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement	
$w = 1/\sigma^2(F_o)$	
$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.002$	

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ) for (II)

Ni—N1	1.911 (3)	N2—C6	1.326 (5)
Ni—N2	1.862 (3)	N2—C7	1.468 (5)
N1—Ni—N1 <sup>1</sup>	98.7 (2)	N1—Ni—N2 <sup>1</sup>	168.0 (1)
N1—Ni—N2	83.9 (1)	N2—Ni—N2 <sup>1</sup>	96.0 (2)

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

The positions of the H atoms were idealized (C—H 0.95  $\text{\AA}$ ), assigned isotropic displacement parameters  $B(\text{H}) = 1.2B_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ , and allowed to ride on their parent C atoms. The water H atoms were refined isotropically.

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: *TEXSAN*; program(s) used to refine structures: *TEXSAN*; molecular graphics: *TEXSAN*; software used to prepare material for publication: *TEXSAN*.

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## Dichloro(2,6-diisopropylaniline-*N*)( $\eta^5$ -pentamethylcyclopentadienyl)rhodium(III)

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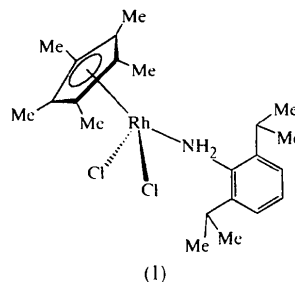
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**Abstract**

The title compound,  $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{C}_6\text{H}_3-2,6\text{-}^i\text{Pr}_2)]$  (where  $\text{Cp}^*$  is pentamethylcyclopentadienyl) or  $[\text{RhCl}_2(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15})(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{19}\text{N})]$ , was prepared from the reaction of di- $\mu$ -chloro-dichlorobis(pentamethylcyclopentadienyl)dirhodium(III),  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$  [White, Yates & Maitlis (1992). *Inorg. Synth.* **29**, 228–234], with 2,6-diisopropylaniline in acetonitrile. This compound has a three-legged piano-stool structure. The ring is almost parallel to the phenyl ring of the 2,6-diisopropylaniline ligand.

**Comment**

The iridium analogue of the title compound,  $[\text{IrCp}^*\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{C}_6\text{H}_3-2,6\text{-}^i\text{Pr}_2)]$ , was prepared by Bergman's group (Glueck *et al.*, 1991). Using the same methodology, we isolated the title compound, (I), which is stable both in the solid state and in solution.



The unit-cell parameters and systematic absences indicated two possible space groups:  $Pna2_1$  (non-centrosymmetric) and  $Pnma$  (centrosymmetric). A statistical analysis of the intensities suggested a non-centrosymmetric space group and the structure analysis converged only in  $Pna2_1$ . There is a local pseudo-mirror running through the C1, C6, Rh, N1, C11 and C14 atoms. This mirror is parallel to the  $xy$  plane at  $z = 0.846(1)$ . There are two intramolecular hydrogen bonds in which N1 acts as a donor to C11 and C12 [N1...C11 = 3.007(9), H1A...C11 = 2.56 Å and N1—H1A...C11 = 112°; N1...C12 = 3.018(9), H1B...C12 = 2.58 Å and N1—H1B...C12 = 111°].

The coordination sphere of the Rh atom can be described as a distorted octahedron, assuming that the pentamethylcyclopentadienyl (Cp\*) ligand occupies three out of the six octahedral sites. This complex can also be referred to as a three-legged piano-stool compound. The Cp\* ring (C1–C5) is almost parallel to the phenyl ring of the 2,6-diisopropylaniline ligand (C11–C16), with a dihedral angle of 2.12(3)°. The plane defined by Rh, C11, and C12 is at a dihedral angle of 56.71(9)° with respect to the Cp\* ring and 57.51(8)° with respect to the phenyl ring.

The Rh—N1 bond distance of 2.214(2) Å indicates an Rh—N single bond (expected range 1.95–2.15 Å; Davis *et al.*, 1969). The two chemically equivalent Rh—Cl bonds [2.419(3) and 2.420(3) Å] are slightly longer than the terminal Rh—Cl bonds in the starting compound [2.397(1) Å; Churchill *et al.*, 1977].

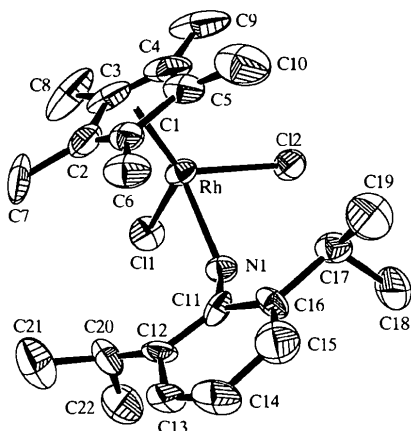


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of (I) with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

## Experimental

2,6-Diisopropylaniline (0.11 ml, 0.6 mmol) was added to a solution of [Cp\*RhCl<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (0.062 g, 0.1 mmol) in acetonitrile (20 ml) and the resulting solution stirred for 5 h. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue washed with hexane (2 × 20 ml) to give a mixture that contained the starting and title compounds. Recrystallization was from dichloro-

methane-hexane. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 7.122 (2H, *d*, *J* = 7.5 Hz, Ph), 6.998 (1H, *t*, *J* = 7.5 Hz, Ph), 4.617 (2H, *br*, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.162 (2H, *br*, CH), 1.381 (15H, *s*, Cp\*), 1.285 (12H, *d*, *J* = 6.5 Hz, CMe<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 137.973 (Ph), 137.127 (Ph), 123.730 (Ph), 122.959 (Ph), 94.556 (C<sub>5</sub> in C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>5</sub>), 28.338 (CH in CHMe<sub>2</sub>), 23.535 (Me<sub>2</sub> in CHMe<sub>2</sub>), 9.264 (Me<sub>5</sub> in C<sub>5</sub>Me<sub>5</sub>); IR (KBr): 3304 (N—H), 3253 (N—H), 1459 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Cp\*).

## Crystal data

[RhCl<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>)(C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N)]  
*M<sub>r</sub>* = 486.31  
 Orthorhombic  
 $Pna2_1$   
*a* = 13.556(1) Å  
*b* = 9.8241(9) Å  
*c* = 17.604(2) Å  
*V* = 2344.4(4) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 4  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.378 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
*D<sub>m</sub>* not measured

Mo *K*α radiation  
 λ = 0.71073 Å  
 Cell parameters from 58 reflections  
 θ = 2.34–25.70°  
 μ = 0.962 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 295(2) K  
 Prism  
 0.58 × 0.42 × 0.24 mm  
 Orange-red

## Data collection

Siemens *P4* diffractometer  
 ω scans  
 Absorption correction:  
 ψ scan (North *et al.*, 1968)  
*T<sub>min</sub>* = 0.671, *T<sub>max</sub>* = 0.794  
 3063 measured reflections  
 2783 independent reflections  
 2277 reflections with  
*F* > 4σ(*F*)

*R<sub>int</sub>* = 0.019  
 θ<sub>max</sub> = 25°  
*h* = -1 → 16  
*k* = -1 → 11  
*l* = -20 → 1  
 3 standard reflections every 97 reflections  
 intensity decay: none

## Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
*R*(*F*) = 0.023  
*wR*(*F*<sup>2</sup>) = 0.061  
*S* = 1.083  
 2265 reflections  
 244 parameters  
 H atoms: see below  
*w* = 1/[σ<sup>2</sup>(*F<sub>o</sub>*<sup>2</sup>) + (0.0364*P*)<sup>2</sup> + 0.2111*P*]  
 where *P* = (*F<sub>o</sub>*<sup>2</sup> + 2*F<sub>c</sub>*<sup>2</sup>)/3

(Δ/σ)<sub>max</sub> = 0.001  
 Δρ<sub>max</sub> = 0.205 e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 Δρ<sub>min</sub> = -0.455 e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 Extinction correction: none  
 Scattering factors from  
*International Tables for Crystallography* (Vol. C)

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Rh—C2	2.144(11)	Rh—N1	2.214(2)
Rh—C4	2.142(10)	Rh—C12	2.419(3)
Rh—C5	2.141(11)	Rh—C11	2.420(3)
Rh—C1	2.152(3)	N1—C11	1.451(4)
Rh—C3	2.149(9)		
N1—Rh—C12	81.2(3)	C12—Rh—C11	92.74(3)
N1—Rh—C11	80.8(3)	C11—N1—Rh	131.5(2)

All non-H atoms were refined anisotropically. All the H atoms were generated in ideal positions and refined using a riding model.

Data collection: *XSCANS* (Siemens, 1995). Cell refinement: *XSCANS*. Data reduction: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 1997). Program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL*. Program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*. Molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*. Software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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## *cis*-(Nitrato-*O,O'*)[(1*RS*,4*SR*,5*SR*,8*RS*,11*SR*,12*SR*)-*C-rac*-1,5,8,12-tetramethyl-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane- $\kappa^4$ N]nickel(II) nitrate

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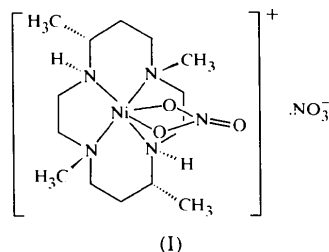
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## Abstract

The crystal structure of the title compound, [Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)-(C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>4</sub>)]NO<sub>3</sub>, was determined by X-ray diffraction. The Ni<sup>II</sup> ion is six-coordinate in a distorted octahedral arrangement, with the tetradentate macrocyclic ligand in a folded conformation. The two five-membered rings of the macrocyclic ligand have skew conformations, while the two six-membered rings adopt chair conformations. The four chiral N-atom centers are 1*RS*, 4*SR*, 8*RS* and 11*SR*, and the chiral C-atom centers are 5*SR* and 12*SR*.

## Comment

The macrocyclic ligand 1,5,8,12-tetramethyl-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane exists as two isomers, *i.e.* *C-meso* and *C-rac* (Miyamura *et al.*, 1987). The crystal structure of the nickel(II) complex of the *C-meso* isomer has been reported previously (Miyamura *et al.*, 1987). This paper reports the crystal structure of the nickel(II) complex, (I), of the *C-rac* isomer.



The title complex cation has a distorted octahedral geometry, with the coordination formed by the tetradentate macrocyclic ligand in a folded conformation and the two O atoms of the bidentate nitrato group. The Ni1, N3 and O2 atoms lie on a crystallographic twofold axis. The four Ni—N bonds can be classified into two groups, *i.e.* the Ni1—N2 secondary amine bonds and the Ni1—N1 tertiary amine bonds. The Ni—N bond lengths are similar to those of the six-coordinate Ni<sup>II</sup> complexes in related macrocyclic ligands (Lu *et al.*, 1991). The Ni—O bond is 2.154 (2) Å, which is longer than those found in *cis*-diaqua(1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane)nickel(II) (2.140 and 2.130 Å; Barefield *et al.*, 1986), but shorter

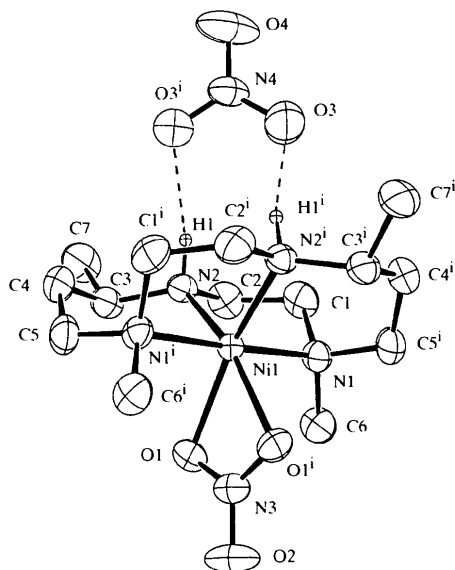


Fig. 1. The structure of the title compound showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms have been excluded, except for that on N2. The dotted lines represent N—H...O hydrogen bonds [symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, y, 1/2 - z].