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The title compound,  $[CoCl(tren)(dmso)](ClO_4)_2$  [tren is tris- $(2-aminoethyl)amine, C_6H_{18}N_4$ ; dmso is dimethyl sulfoxide, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>OS], is the first crystal structure reported with dmso coordinated to Co<sup>III</sup>. It crystallizes with two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit. A localized non-crystallographic inversion centre is observed between the two cations.

#### Comment

The title compound was obtained during the hydrolysis study of alanine methyl ester catalyzed by [Co(tren)Cl<sub>2</sub>]Cl (Kimura et al., 1970). Although crystal structures of several Co<sup>II</sup>-dmso complexes have been determined (Kinoshita & Ouchi, 1988; Amari et al., 1994; Lu et al., 1998; Baidina et al., 1991; Ciccarese et al., 1993; Tkachev et al., 1994), the title compound, (I), represents the first crystal structure with dmso coordinated



to Co<sup>III</sup>. It is noteworthy that in all of these Co<sup>II</sup>-dmso complexes, the dmso ligands always lie trans to each other. However, in the title complex, the dmso ligand is trans to an N atom of the tren ligand. There are two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit. The coordination geometries of these two molecules are very similar. Cobalt(III) is six-coordinate with four N atoms from tren, one chloro, and one O atom from dmso. Chloro is in a trans position to the tertiary N atom of tren, with Co-Cl = 2.2500 (9) Å for Co1 and 2.2422 (9) Å for

Co2. The distances between Co and the O atom of dmso are 1.952 (2) and 1.949 (2) Å in the two molecules. Both cations possess the same, and only, intramolecular hydrogen-bonding interaction between the amine proton and sulfur, N2-H2D···S1 and N7-H7D···S2. All the other amine protons are involved in extensive intermolecular hydrogen-bonding interactions with perchlorate O atoms.

#### **Experimental**

[Co(tren)Cl<sub>2</sub>]Cl (0.5 g, 1.60 mmol) in water was mixed with alanine methyl ester in DMSO (15 ml). Diethylamine (0.8 ml) was added to the resulting solution and kept at 333 K for 30 min. The precipitate was collected and redissolved in water to which extra NaClO<sub>4</sub> had been added. Suitable crystals were obtained after a few days.

#### Crystal data

$CoCl(C_6H_{18}N_4)(C_2H_6OS)](ClO_4)_2$	$D_x = 1.739 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 517.65$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Cell parameters from 8192
a = 20.0177 (10)  Å	reflections
p = 15.7193 (8) Å	$\theta = 1.66-27.02^{\circ}$
x = 12.9074 (7)  Å	$\mu = 1.427 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 103.235 (1)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2)  K
$V = 3953.6 (4) \text{ Å}^3$	Column, red
Z = 8	$0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer	8616 independent reflections 6484 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

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diffractometer	6484 reflection
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.025$
Absorption correction: empirical	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.02^{\circ}$
(Blessing, 1995)	$h = -25 \rightarrow 25$
$T_{\min} = 0.674, \ T_{\max} = 0.814$	$k = -15 \rightarrow 20$
23 159 measured reflections	$l = -16 \rightarrow 15$

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0977P)^2]$
R(F) = 0.044	+ 1.2289P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.130$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.036	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.002$
8616 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.99 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
466 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.84 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	

#### Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N2-H2C\cdotsO10^{i}$	0.90	2.13	3.009 (5)	167
$N2-H2D\cdots O5^{ii}$	0.90	2.24	3.021 (4)	145
$N2-H2D\cdots S1$	0.90	2.85	3.379 (3)	119
$N3-H3C\cdots O9^{iii}$	0.90	2.65	3.201 (5)	121
$N3-H3D\cdots Cl1^{iv}$	0.90	2.51	3.399 (3)	169
N4-H4C···O3	0.90	2.65	3.314 (5)	131
$N4-H4C\cdots Cl1^{iv}$	0.90	2.70	3.462 (3)	143
$N4 - H4D \cdots O9^{i}$	0.90	2.18	3.051 (5)	162
$N6-H6C\cdots Cl2^{v}$	0.90	2.53	3.421 (3)	168
N6-H6 $D$ ···O17 $A$ <sup>vi</sup>	0.90	2.44	3.040 (9)	124
$N7 - H7D \cdots O6$	0.90	2.21	3.052 (5)	156
$N7 - H7D \cdot \cdot \cdot S2$	0.90	2.87	3.402 (3)	120
$N7 - H7E \cdots O18A^{iii}$	0.90	2.07	2.932 (10)	161
$N8-H8D\cdots O17B^{iii}$	0.90	2.17	2.940 (7)	144
N8-H8 $D$ ···O17 $B$ <sup>iii</sup>	0.90	2.17	2.940 (7)	144
$N8-H8D\cdots O17A^{iii}$	0.90	2.31	3.178 (9)	163
$N8-H8D\cdots O18A^{iii}$	0.90	2.61	3.334 (10)	139
$N8-H8E\cdotsO11^{vii}$	0.90	2.47	3.181 (5)	136
$N8 - H8E \cdots Cl2^{v}$	0.90	2.73	3.472 (3)	141

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ; (ii)  $1 - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} - z$ ; (iii)  $1 - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{3}{2} - z$ ; (iv) 1 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z; (v) 2 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z; (vi)  $1 + x, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ; (vii) 1 + x, y, z.

All H atoms were placed in idealized positions and refined as riding atoms with relative isotropic displacement parameters. The O atoms of the two perchlorate anions are disordered.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); data reduction: *SAINT-Plus* (Bruker, 1999); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 1998).

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