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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 KMean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.007 \text{ Å}$ R factor = 0.047 wR factor = 0.099 Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.0

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(2,6-Diisopropylphenyl)isopropylideneammonium iodide

The title compound, $C_{14}H_{24}N^+\cdot I^-$, was formed by a Schiff base condensation of 2,6-diisopropylaniline and acetone, using GaI as a Lewis acid. A strong interaction from the iminium hydrogen N—H to the iodide counter-ion is observed. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR data are also reported.

Comment

We have been investigating the reactivity of GaI (Green *et al.*, 1990) in C–C coupling reactions (Baker & Jones, 2003) and in the preparation of Ga^{I} N-heterocyclic carbene analogues (Baker *et al.*, 2002).



In the course of our investigations, we have found that GaI can be used as a Lewis acid catalyst for the Schiff base condensation of a primary amine and a ketone. The Schiff base condensation reaction of an aldehyde or ketone with an amine is well known to be catalysed by Lewis acids (Armesto *et al.*, 1986). The addition of 2,6-diisopropylaniline to a suspension of GaI in toluene, followed by half an equivalent of acetone, gives rise to the expected condensation product. This presumably reacts further with HI to give the title product, (I), in good isolated yields.

The crystal structure of this salt displays a C1–N1 bond length in the expected range for compounds of this type (Scholz *et al.*, 1993). There is a close contact which may be regarded as an N–H···I hydrogen bond [N1-H1 =0.870 (19), H1···I1 2.57 (2), N1···I1 3.423 (4) Å and N1– H1···I1 167 (4)°].

Experimental

To a solution of GaI (2.07 mmol) in toluene (10 ml) was added a solution of 2,6-diisopropylaniline (0.37 ml, 1.96 mmol) in toluene (10 ml), followed by a solution of acetone (0.07 ml, 1.02 mmol) in toluene (10 ml). After stirring for 4 h under argon, the solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 ml). Concentration and cooling to 243 K afforded colourless blocks of the title compound (0.08 g, 23%, m.p. 414–417 K). IR (Nujol): v_{max} 2965, 2664, 1935, 1835, 1724, 1654, 1589, 1558, 1460, 1373, 1252, 1167, 1076, 1046, 971, 931, 825, 793, 722 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR [400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂]: δ 1.13 (*d*, 6H, *J* = 6.89 Hz, CH₃), 1.20 (*d*, 6H, *J* = 6.82 Hz, CH₃), 2.14 (*s*, 3H, NCCH₃), 2.71 (*sept*, 2H, *J* = 6.79 Hz, CH),

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Received 11 February 2003 Accepted 18 February 2003 Online 31 March 2003 3.04 (s, 3H, NCCH₃), 7.26 (d, 2H, J = 7.78, m-Ar), 7.42 (t, 1H, J = 11.18 Hz, *p*-Ar). ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CD₂Cl₂]: δ 22.6 (CH₃), 23.7 ((CH₃)₂CN), 24.7 (CH₃), 24.9 [(CH₃)₂CN], 29.1 [CH(Me)₂], 124.8 (m-Ar), 129.8 (o-Ar), 131.1 (p-Ar), 143.1 (i-Ar), 193.9 (C-N). MS (APCI): m/z 218.0 (M⁺, 100%), 201.9 (M⁺-NH₂), 175.8 (M⁺- $HC(Me)_2).$

 $D_x = 1.368 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Cell parameters from 8761

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

reflections

 $\theta = 2.9 - 25.0^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.89~\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$

T = 293 (2) K

Block, colourless

 $0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.10 \ \mathrm{mm}$

Crystal data

 $C_{15}H_{24}N^{+}\cdot I^{-}$ $M_r = 345.25$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ a = 13.426(3) Å b = 11.128(2) Å c = 12.211(2) Å $\beta = 113.28 \ (3)^{\circ}$ V = 1675.8 (6) Å³ Z = 4

Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer	2159 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
φ and ω scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.047$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25.1^{\circ}$
(SORTAV; Blessing, 1995)	$h = -15 \rightarrow 15$
$T_{\min} = 0.594, T_{\max} = 0.598$	$k = -13 \rightarrow 13$
8952 measured reflections	$l = -14 \rightarrow 13$
2944 independent reflections	

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0144P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.047$	+ 2.3024P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.099$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.07	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
2944 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.69 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
164 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.86 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H atoms treated by a mixture of	
independent and constrained	
refinement	

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

N1-C13	1.281 (5)	C6-C10	1.518 (6)
N1-C1	1.447 (5)	C13-C14	1.467 (7)
N1-H1	0.870 (19)	C13-C15	1.480 (6)
C2-C7	1.527 (6)		
C13-N1-C1	127.2 (4)	C6-C1-N1	118.0 (4)
C13-N1-H1	115 (3)	N1-C13-C14	121.1 (4)
C1-N1-H1	117 (3)	N1-C13-C15	119.8 (4)
C2-C1-N1	118.8 (4)		

Atom H1, attached to N1, was refined isotropically, with a restrained N-H bond length. All other H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined with riding-model constraints.



Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 25% probability level.

Data collection: COLLECT (Hooft, 2000); cell refinement: DENZO-SMN (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: DENZO-SMN; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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