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Single-crystal X-ray study T = 150 KMean σ (C–C) = 0.006 Å Disorder in solvent or counterion R factor = 0.045 wR factor = 0.105 Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.1

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The title ruthenium-carbonyl complex, $[Ru(C_{12}H_{20}N_4) (C_{18}H_{15}P)(CO)$]Cl₂·1.5CH₂Cl₂, crystallizes in the triclinic space group $P\overline{1}$ as a monomeric complex.

Carbonyl[1-(2-pyridylmethyl)-1,4,7-

triazacyclononane- $\kappa^4 N$](triphenyl-

dichloromethane sesquisolvate

phosphine)ruthenium(II) dichloride

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Comment

We have recently published the first studies of N-monofunctionalized 1,4,7-triazacyclononane complexes of ruthenium (Gott et al., 2002, 2003). We have also investigated the reaction of such ligands with compounds of the general type RuHClL₄ (Gott & McGowan, 2003). Here we report the crystal structure of the product of a reaction between 1-(2methylpyridyl)-1,4,7-triazacyclononane (McGowan et al., 2001) and the ruthenium hydride RuH₂(CO)(PPh₃)₃. Ruthenium-carbonyl compounds supported by a 1,4,7-triazacyclononane ligand system are known in the literature (Yang, Cheng, Peng et al., 1995; Ng et al., 1998), and indeed ruthenium organometallics in general (Schröder, 1988; Yang, Cheng, Cheung et al., 1995; Yang, Cheng, Peng et al., 1995; Yang et al., 1997, 1998; Lee et al., 2000). However, this is the first reported example of a complex supported by a pendant-arm ligand system. The product is formed by the reaction of 1-(2methylpyridyl)-1,4,7-triazacyclononane with RuH₂(CO)-(PPh₃)₃ in toluene, followed by extraction with dichloromethane.



The title compound, (I), crystallized in the triclinic space group $P\overline{1}$. In addition to the dicationic complex, the asymmetric unit of the structure contains two chloride anions and one-and-a-half dichloromethane molecules of crystallization. The half molecule is disordered over a centre of inversion. The C and H atoms of this half molecule were set at 50% occupancy. The structure of the cation is that of a slightly distorted octahedron, as expected for a central d^6 ruthenium ion. The N-Ru-N bond angles are distorted from the ideal octahedral angle of 90° due to the somewhat constrained nature of the macrocyclic ligand, in which the N-donor atoms are 'tied back' with ethylene spacer units. The average Ru-N-Ru

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bite angle in this case is 80.6° . The angle between the N atom of the macrocyclic ring and the N atom of the pendant pyridine arm donor $[N1-Ru1-N12 = 79.20 (12)^{\circ}]$ is slightly smaller due to the more strained nature of the interaction of the pendant arm with the ruthenium centre. The three Ru-N bond distances [Ru1-N1 = 2.136(3) Å, Ru1-N4 =2.167 (3) Å and Ru1-N7 = 2.113 (3) Å] are in agreement with expected values for general complexes of this type (Gott et al., 2002, 2003); however, in the quoted reference, the values are more similar than in this instance. The fourth Ru-N bond, Ru1–N12 in this particular structure, is 2.120 (3) Å. This is in contrast with the first reported structure of this type, in which the pyridyl Ru–N bond of the pendant arm ligand is shorter than the Ru-N bonds involving the macrocycle (Gott et al., 2002). As expected, the longest Ru–N bond (Ru1–N4) lies trans to the carbonyl ligand. The bond distance to the carbonyl C atom in this case (Ru1-C17) is 1.855 (4) Å, and the C17-O17 bond length is 1.146 (5) Å. Again, this bond length is in general agreement with other complexes published in the literature (Yang, Cheng, Peng et al., 1995). The final coordination site is occupied by a triphenylphosphine ligand, where the Ru1–P1 bond distance is 2.3743 (10) Å.

Experimental

To a suspension of $\text{RuH}_2(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ in toluene was added 1-(2methylpyridyl)-1,4,7-triazacyclononane. The grey suspension was refluxed for 18 h. After this time, the resulting pale-beige solid was isolated by filtration and extracted with dichloromethane. The resulting extracts were filtered, concentrated, and left to stand at room temperature, whereupon thin colourless plates formed after 1 week.

Crystal data

$[Ru(C_{12}H_{20}N_4)(C_{18}H_{15}P)-$	Z = 2
(CO)]Cl ₂ ·1.5CH ₂ Cl ₂	$D_x = 1.509 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 809.96$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Triclinic, P1	Cell parameters from 34198
a = 9.8492 (2) Å	reflections
b = 12.7740 (3) Å	$\theta = 3.2 - 26.0^{\circ}$
c = 16.0631 (3) Å	$\mu = 0.89 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 74.5472 \ (14)^{\circ}$	T = 150 (2) K
$\beta = 75.3838 \ (14)^{\circ}$	Plate, colourless
$\gamma = 68.2566 \ (9)^{\circ}$	$0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.04 \text{ mm}$
V = 1782.47 (7) Å ³	
Data collection	
Nonius KappaCCD area-detector	6960 independent reflections
diffractometer	5492 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
φ and ω scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.088$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 26.0^{\circ}$
(SORTAV; Blessing, 1995)	$h = -12 \rightarrow 12$
$T_{\rm min} = 0.916, T_{\rm max} = 0.965$	$k = -15 \rightarrow 15$
34198 measured reflections	$l = -19 \rightarrow 19$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$ $wR(F^2) = 0.105$ S = 1.086960 reflections 406 parameters H-atom parameters constrained
$$\begin{split} w &= 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0302P)^2 \\ &+ 2.9279P] \\ \text{where } P &= (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3 \\ (\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} &< 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} &= 0.65 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} &= -0.75 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \end{split}$$



Figure 1

The molecular structure of complex (I). Chloride counter-anions and solvent of crystallization have been omitted for clarity. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probablilty level. All H atoms have arbitrary radii.

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Ru1-C17	1.855 (4)	Ru1-N4	2.167 (3)
Ru1-N7	2.113 (3)	Ru1-P1	2.3743 (10)
Ru1-N12	2.120 (3)	O17-C17	1.146 (5)
Ru1-N1	2.136 (3)		
N7-Ru1-N1	81.26 (12)	N7-Ru1-P1	97.28 (9)
N7-Ru1-N4	80.64 (12)	N12-Ru1-P1	102.10 (9)
N1-Ru1-N4	79.84 (12)	O17-C17-Ru1	178.1 (4)
C17-Ru1-P1	85.55 (12)		
Ru1-N12 Ru1-N1 N7-Ru1-N1 N7-Ru1-N4 N1-Ru1-N4 C17-Ru1-P1	2.120 (3) 2.136 (3) 81.26 (12) 80.64 (12) 79.84 (12) 85.55 (12)	O17-C17 N7-Ru1-P1 N12-Ru1-P1 O17-C17-Ru1	1.146 (5) 97.28 (9 102.10 (9 178.1 (4)

One dichloromethane solvent molecule is disordered over a centre of inversion. The C atom was fixed at 50% occupancy and refined anisotropically. All H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined using a riding model. The fixed distances were: N-H = 0.93 Å, alkyl C-H = 0.99 Å and aryl C-H = 0.95 Å. For all H atoms, $U_{iso}(H)$ values were set at $1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 1999); 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: *XSeed* (Barbour, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: local program.

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