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(cis-syn-cis-Dicyclohexano-18-crown-6)potassium chlorochromate

The title compound, (*cis-syn-cis*-icosahydrodibenzo-[*b*,*k*][1,4,7,10,13,16]hexaoxacyclooctadecin)potassium chlorochromate, [K(C₂₀H₃₆O₆)][CrClO₃], is the complex of a potassium cation with one crown ether molecule and a chlorochromate anion. The cation is situated in the macrocyclic cavity and bonded to the ether O atoms with K–O distances in the range 2.749 (4)–2.991 (3) Å. It also forms two bonds with O atoms of the anion [2.789 (5) and 3.315 (7) Å].

Comment

There are five known stereoisomers for dicyclohexano-18crown-6, which is widely used in host-guest chemistry (Hiraoka, 1982). Earlier, for the first time, we obtained individual cis-syn-cis (isomer A) and cis-anti-cis (isomer B) isomers of dicyclohexano-18-crown-6 from a mixture of dibenzo-18-crown-6 hydrogenation products using neutral organic guest molecules (Ganin et al., 1988). We have synthesized the corresponding stable crystalline complexes of those isomers with potassium chlorochromate and noticed the differences in their reactivity in complex formation. Isomer A easily forms a complex with this salt in the equilibrium acid aqueous solution, similar to previously reported complexes of cis-cyclohexano-12-crown-4 (Kotlyar et al., 2004a) and ciscyclohexano-18-crown-6 with KCrO₃Cl (Kotlyar et al., 2004b), or crystallizes during mixing of ethyl acetate solutions of salt and crown ether (CE). In contrast, the pure complex of isomer B was obtained only by the latter method.



We now report the crystal structure of the title complex, (I), of *cis-syn-cis*-dicyclohexano-18-crown-6 with potassium chlorochromate obtained in a 1:1 ratio according to the reaction scheme below.

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$$K_2Cr_2O_7 + 2 HCl \longrightarrow 2 KCrO_3Cl + H_2O \xrightarrow{2 CE} 2 (KCrO_3Cl \cdot CE)$$

The macrocycle of (I) adopts a considerably flattened crown-like conformation (Fig. 1). The r.m.s. deviation of the ether O atoms from their mean plane is only 0.13 Å. The potassium cation is displaced from this plane by 0.591 (2) Å towards the anion. The bond lengths between cation and the O atoms of CE are in the wide range 2.75-3.00 Å (Table 1). By comparison, the K-O bond lengths in cis-cyclohexano-18crown-6·KCrO₃Cl (Kotlyar et al., 2004b) are in the range 2.78-2.89 A. The shorter bonds in (I) are formed with atoms O4, O5 and O6 and the longer bonds with atoms O1, O2 and O3. We can assume that the variation of the K-O_{ether} distances is probably caused by the asymmetry of electrostatic field around the cation in the crystal structure. Thus, the potassium cation forms two non-equivalent bonds with the O atoms of the anion: a normal K1–O8 bond and a weak K1–O7 bond. The latter can be classified as an extra-coordination bond.

Experimental

To a stirred saturated solution of potassium dichromate (2.18 g, 7.5 mmol) in distilled water and 13 M hydrochloric acid (5 ml) at room temperature was added cis-syn-cis-dicyclohexano-18-crown-6 (2.79 g, 7.5 mmol) and an orange precipitate was obtained over a period of 2-3 min. This was filtered off, washed with cold water (2 ml) and diethyl ether (5 ml), dried at reduced pressure and heated at 323 K to constant weight (yield 86%, 3.36 g). Transparent paleorange crystals suitable for X-ray investigation [m.p. 381-385 K (decomposition)] were obtained by evaporation of a methylene chloride solution. Analysis calculated for C20H36ClCrKO9: C 43.91, H 6.63; Cl 6.48; Cr 9.50%; found: C 43.99, H 6.58; Cl 6.57; Cr 9.64%. The crystals are soluble in methylene chloride, dimethyl sulfoxide and dimethylformamide, weakly soluble in chloroform, acetone, and slightly soluble in ethyl acetate.



Figure 1 View of (I), with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

Crystal data

$K(C_{20}H_{36}O_6)][CrClO_3]$	$D_x = 1.426 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 547.04$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, P2 ₁	Cell parameters from 2
n = 8.8828 (17) Å	reflections
b = 10.271 (2) Å	$\theta = 12-15^{\circ}$
c = 14.408 (3) Å	$\mu = 0.76 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 104.306 \ (17)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2) K
$V = 1273.8 (4) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, pale orange
Z = 2	$0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$

from 24

Data collection

Siemens P3/PC diffractometer θ -2 θ scans Absorption correction: none 2518 measured reflections 2367 independent reflections 1729 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\rm int} = 0.046$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	H-atom parameters constrained		
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.038$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0528P)^2]$		
$wR(F^2) = 0.091$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$		
S = 0.93	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$		
2367 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.26 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$		
289 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.23 \text{ e} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$		

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.1^{\circ}$

 $h=0\rightarrow 10$

 $k=0\to 12$

 $l = -17 \rightarrow 16$

2 standard reflections

every 98 reflections

intensity decay: 5%

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

K1-01	2.922 (3)	K1-O5	2.808 (4)
K1-O2	2.814 (3)	K1-O6	2.806 (4)
K1-O3	2.991 (3)	K1-O7	3.315 (7)
K1-O4	2.749 (4)	K1-O8	2.789 (5)
01-C3-C4-O2	70.8 (7)	O3-C7-C8-O4	60.7 (5)
D6-C1-C2-O1	-60.5(6)	O4-C9-C10-O5	-63.2(9)
D2-C5-C6-O3	-71.5 (6)	O5-C11-C12-O6	64.3 (8)

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions and included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation; C-H = 0.97-0.98 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

Data collection: P3 (Siemens, 1989); cell refinement: P3; data reduction: XDISK (Siemens, 1991); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: XP (Siemens, 1991); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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