

## (Diethylenetriamine- $\kappa^3N$ )( $\eta^5$ -pentamethylcyclopentadienyl)iridium(III) bis(trifluoromethanesulfonate)

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### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
*T* = 292 K  
Mean  $\sigma(C-C)$  = 0.015 Å  
*R* factor = 0.027  
*wR* factor = 0.064  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 8.0

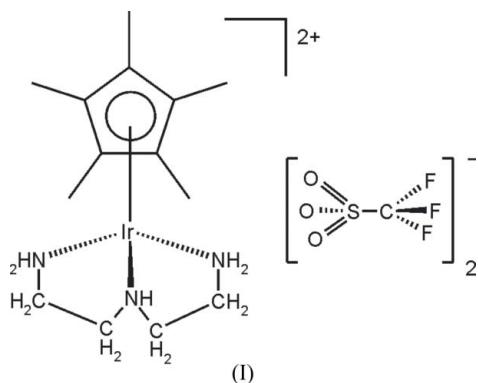
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The title compound,  $[\text{Ir}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\text{dien}-\kappa^3N)](\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)_2$  (*dien* is diethylenetriamine) or  $[\text{Ir}(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15})(\text{C}_4\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_3)]-(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)_2$ , contains a half-sandwich ( $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Ir}^{\text{III}}$ ) fragment coordinated in a facial manner by the N atoms of a *dien* ligand. N—H···O hydrogen bonds to the trifluoromethanesulfonate counter-anions link the organometallic cations into a chiral polymeric network.

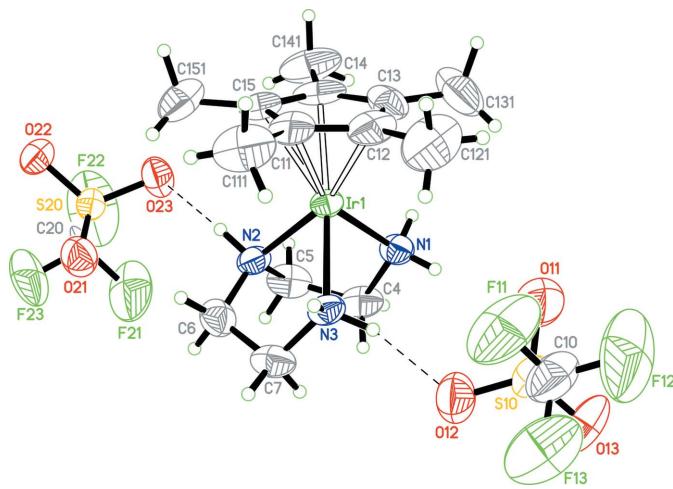
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### Comment

Many (*pentamethylcyclopentadienyl*)iridium(III) complexes with bidentate aromatic *N*-donor ligands have been structurally characterized, *e.g.*  $[(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)\text{IrCl}(\text{bpy})]X$  (*bpy* is bipyridine), with *X* = Cl (Youinou & Ziessel, 1989) and  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  (Dadci *et al.*, 1995). In contrast, perusal of the Cambridge Structural Database (Version 5.27, December 2006; Allen, 2002) indicates that in each case only one example has been reported for an ( $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Ir}^{\text{III}}$ ) complex containing a bidentate or tridentate ligand with exclusively amino *N*-donor atoms. The relevant compounds are  $[(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)\text{Ir}(\text{H}_2\text{O})(1,2\text{-diaminocyclohexane}-\kappa^2N,N')](\text{ClO}_4)_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (Poth *et al.*, 2001) and  $[(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)\text{Ir}(1,4,7\text{-triazacyclononane}-\kappa^3N,N',N'')]-(\text{PF}_6)_2\cdot\text{CH}_3\text{NO}_2$  (Grant *et al.*, 2005). During the course of our continuing studies on organometallic half-sandwich complexes (Frodl *et al.*, 2002; Gencaslan & Sheldrick, 2005; Herebian & Sheldrick, 2002; Scharwitz *et al.*, 2007a,b), we have recently prepared the title compound  $[\text{Ir}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)(\text{dien}-\kappa^3N)]-(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)_2$  (*dien* is diethylenetriamine), (I), and the lack of structural data on ( $\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5\text{Ir}^{\text{III}}$ ) complexes with tridentate amino ligands prompted us to determine the crystal structure.

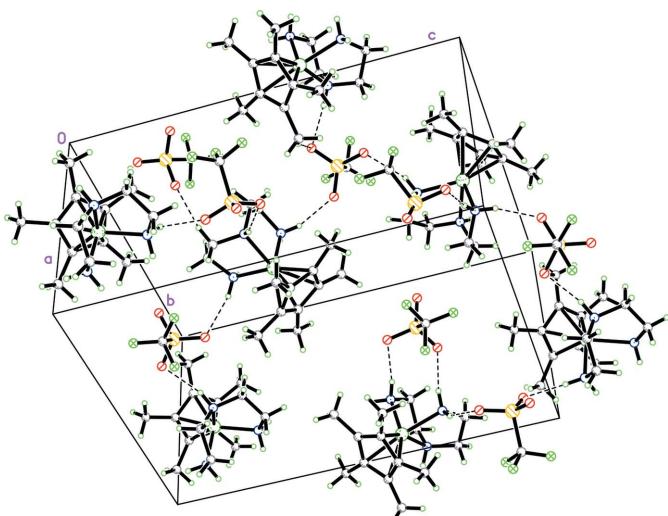


The molecular structure of the cation of (I) is depicted in Fig. 1. The Ir—C14 distance of 2.129 (8) Å is somewhat shorter than the other four Ir—C distances (Table 1), which lie in the range 2.162 (9)–2.176 (7) Å. Whereas a twist  $\lambda$  conformation is observed for the first chelate ring (N1 and N2 as



**Figure 1**

The asymmetric unit of compound (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.



**Figure 2**

A projection of the structure of (I), with hydrogen bonds shown as dashed lines.

donor atoms), an envelope conformation is adopted by the second ring (N2 and N3 as donor atoms). Atoms C4 and C5 are displaced by  $-0.288$  and  $0.327$  Å, respectively, from the plane through Ir1, N1 and N2 in the first case. A displacement of  $0.530$  (6) Å from the mean plane through Ir1, N2, C7 and N3 is observed for the flap atom C6 in the second case. The Ir1–N distances of  $2.140$  (6),  $2.137$  (7) and  $2.139$  (6) Å are identical within the precision of the analysis. All three N atoms participate in N–H···O hydrogen bonds to trifluoromethanesulfonate counter-anions, as depicted in Fig. 2 and listed in Table 2.

## Experimental

Ag(CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>) (51.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) were added to a solution of  $[(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)\text{IrCl}_2]_2$  (39.8 mg, 0.05 mmol) in acetone (10 ml) and stirred at room temperature for 30 min. After centrifugation of the resulting

AgCl and solvent removal, the residue was treated with  $10.8\ \mu\text{l}$  diethylenetriamine (0.1 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 ml, 1:1). The reaction solution was heated for 2 h at 348 K and the solvent subsequently removed to afford (I), which was dissolved in methanol (3 ml) and reprecipitated with diethyl ether prior to drying in vacuum. Elemental analysis found: C 26.4, H 3.9, N 6.2, S 8.9%; calculated for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>28</sub>F<sub>6</sub>IrN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>S<sub>2</sub>: C 26.4, H 3.9, N 5.8, S 8.8%. FAB-MS on a VG Autospec instrument (*m/z*): 580 (54%) [M – CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 430 (100%) [M – 2CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>.

## Crystal data

[Ir(C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>15</sub> )(C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>13</sub> N <sub>3</sub> )](CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Z = 4
<i>M</i> <sub>r</sub> = 728.73	<i>D</i> <sub>x</sub> = 1.926 Mg m <sup>-3</sup>
Orthorhombic, <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>	Mo <i>K</i> <sub>α</sub> radiation
<i>a</i> = 10.244 (2) Å	$\mu$ = 5.56 mm <sup>-1</sup>
<i>b</i> = 13.733 (3) Å	<i>T</i> = 292 (2) K
<i>c</i> = 17.869 (4) Å	Block, colourless
<i>V</i> = 2513.8 (9) Å <sup>3</sup>	0.55 × 0.47 × 0.37 mm

## Data collection

Siemens P4 4-circle diffractometer	2511 independent reflections
$\omega$ scans	2335 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan	$\theta_{\max} = 25.0^\circ$
(North <i>et al.</i> (1968))	3 standard reflections
$T_{\min} = 0.057$ , $T_{\max} = 0.130$	every 100 reflections
2511 measured reflections	intensity decay: none

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.027$	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.65\ \text{e}\ \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.064$	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.84\ \text{e}\ \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$S = 1.05$	Extinction correction: <i>SHELXL97</i>
2511 reflections	Extinction coefficient: 0.0028 (2)
314 parameters	Absolute structure: Flack (1983)
H-atom parameters constrained	Flack parameter: 0.006 (13)
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0389P)^2$	
$+ 0.5443P]$	
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	

**Table 1**  
Selected bond lengths (Å).

Ir1–C14	2.129 (8)	Ir1–C13	2.162 (9)
Ir1–N2	2.137 (7)	Ir1–C12	2.165 (9)
Ir1–N3	2.139 (6)	Ir1–C15	2.175 (9)
Ir1–N1	2.140 (6)	Ir1–C11	2.176 (7)

**Table 2**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

D–H···A	D–H	H···A	D···A	D–H···A
N1–H12···O11 <sup>i</sup>	0.90	2.17	3.062 (14)	171
N2–H2···O23 <sup>ii</sup>	0.91	2.24	3.080 (10)	154
N3–H31···O12 <sup>i</sup>	0.90	2.09	2.943 (11)	157
N3–H32···O21 <sup>iii</sup>	0.90	2.20	3.036 (10)	155
N1–H11···O22 <sup>iv</sup>	0.90	2.08	2.947 (9)	162

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

The H atoms of the cation were constrained to idealized positions and refined using a riding model, with C–H = 0.97 Å for the methylene C atoms and 0.96 Å for the methyl groups, and N–H = 0.91 Å for N2 and 0.90 Å for N1 and N3 [ $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for methylene C atoms,  $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}11\text{--C}15)$  and  $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{N})$ ].

Data collection: *R3m/V* (Siemens, 1989); cell refinement: *R3m/V*; data reduction: *XDISK* (Siemens, 1989); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* in *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1995); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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