

## (Oxalato- $\kappa^2 O,O'$ )(propane-1,3-diamine- $\kappa^2 N,N'$ )-palladium(II)

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The title compound,  $[Pd^{II}(C_2O_4)(C_3H_{10}N_2)]$ , crystallizes with two unique molecules in the asymmetric unit. The  $Pd^{II}$  atom adopts distorted *cis*-square-planar geometry. The oxalate ligand lies in the coordination plane and the six-membered chelate ring formed by the  $Pd^{II}$  atom and the propane-1,3-diamine ligand adopts a chair conformation. The crystal packing is stabilized by a complex three-dimensional N—H···O hydrogen-bond network.

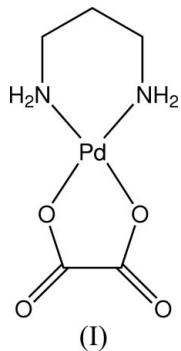
### Comment

#### Key indicators

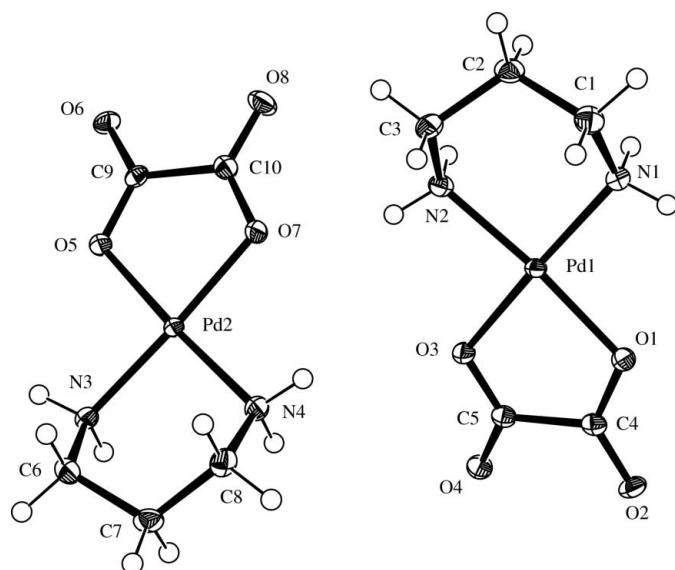
Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 123\text{ K}$   
Mean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.004\text{ \AA}$   
 $R$  factor = 0.018  
 $wR$  factor = 0.038  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.2

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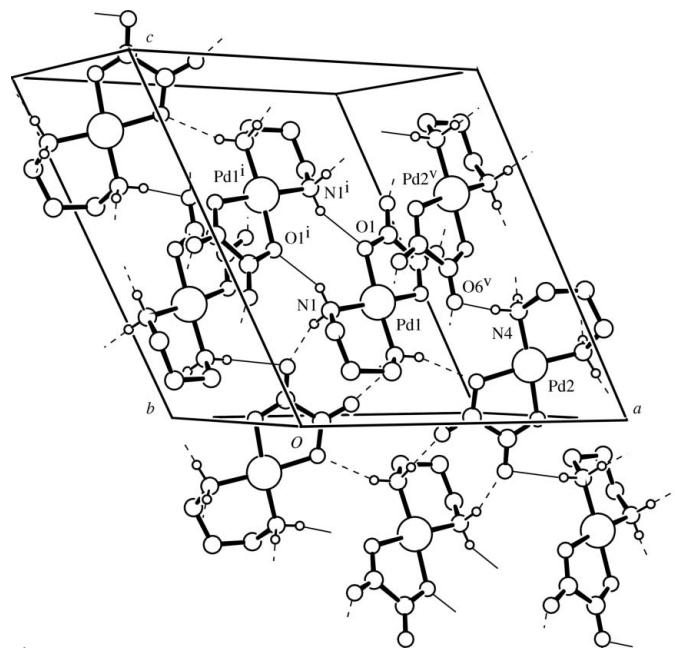
The *cis*-square-planar  $Pt^{II}$  complex cisplatin,  $Cl_2Pt(NH_3)_2$ , is known as an anticancer agent (Momekov & Momekova, 2006) but some toxic side effects and natural resistance still remain. It is important, therefore, to prepare new  $Pt^{II}$  compounds with improved pharmacological properties and with wide-ranging anticancer activities.  $Pd^{II}$  compounds have been used as model anticancer drugs because of the coordination analogy with  $Pt^{II}$  compounds (Akdi *et al.*, 2005). Previous studies have examined  $Pd^{II}$  complexes with *N,N'*-diamino *cis*-chelating ligands as anticancer drugs (Mohamed & Shoukry, 2001; González *et al.*, 1997; Matilla *et al.*, 1994; Navarro-Ranninger *et al.*, 1992), also  $Pt^{II}$  and  $Pd^{II}$  complexes with propane-1,3-diamine (tn) for their action on DNA (Akdi *et al.*, 2005; Alvarez-Valdes *et al.*, 2002; Marzilli *et al.*, 1980). We have recently reported the structures of  $[M^{II}Cl_2(tn)]$  ( $M = Pt$  or  $Pd$ ) and  $[Pt_2^{II}Cl_4(spn)]$  ( $spn$  = spermine) (Odoko & Okabe, 2006) and report here the structure of  $[Pd^{II}(oxa)(tn)]$  ( $ox$  = oxalate), (I) (Fig. 1).



The title compound crystallizes with two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit. Each complex comprises a  $Pd^{II}$  centre coordinated by two N atoms from the tn ligand and two O atoms from ox in a slightly distorted *cis*-square-planar environment. The  $Pd^{II}$  atoms and ox form five-membered chelate rings, which lie in the coordination planes (r.m.s. deviations are 0.114 Å for Pd1 and 0.040 Å for Pd2). The  $Pd^{II}$  atoms and tn form six-membered chelate rings which adopt

**Figure 1**

The asymmetric unit of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radius.

**Figure 2**

The crystal packing of (I), showing the N–H···O hydrogen-bond network. Thin solid lines indicate the hydrogen bonds between two Pd1 complexes related by the inversion centre, and those between Pd2 complexes forming infinite twisted sheet along the *c* axis. Dashed lines indicate the other hydrogen bonds. [Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$ ; (v)  $x, -y + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$ .]

chair conformations. In the Pd1 complex, the dihedral angles of the Pd1/N1/N2 and C1/C2/C3 planes with respect to the N1/C1/C3/N2 plane are 38.5 (2) and 61.0 (2)°, respectively. The corresponding values for the Pd2 complex are 43.4 (1) and 58.9 (2)°. These rings are therefore less flattened than those in  $[M^{II}Cl_2(tn)]$ , where the corresponding values are 24.3 (2) and 62.1 (5)° in  $[Pt^{II}Cl_2(tn)]$ , and 22.2 (1) and 62.1 (3)° in  $[Pd^{II}Cl_2(tn)]$  (Odoko & Okabe, 2006).

The crystal structure is stabilized by N–H···O hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2 and Table 1). Two Pd1 complexes related by an inversion centre are connected between N1 and O1<sup>i</sup> [symmetry code (i)  $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$ ]. Pd2 complexes are linked between N4 and O6<sup>v</sup> [symmetry code: (v)  $x, -y + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$ ], forming an infinite twisted sheet along the *c* axis. Additional intermolecular N–H···O hydrogen bonds between the Pd1 and Pd2 complexes further stabilize the crystal packing.

## Experimental

$[Pd^{II}Cl_2(tn)]$  (10 mg, 0.04 mol), prepared as described previously (Odoko & Okabe, 2006), was dissolved in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) (0.1 ml) at room temperature and MeOH–water (40% *v/v*, 5 ml) was added. To this was added potassium oxalate monohydrate (7.5 mg, 0.04 mol) dissolved in water (0.1 ml) and, after slow evaporation for one month, brown prismatic crystals appeared.

### Crystal data

$[Pd(C_2O_4)(C_3H_{10}N_2)]$   
 $M_r = 268.57$   
Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 12.88$  (1) Å  
 $b = 10.49$  (1) Å  
 $c = 13.59$  (1) Å  
 $\beta = 116.91$  (3)°  
 $V = 1637$  (2) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 8$   
 $D_x = 2.180$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 2.25$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 123$  K  
Prism, brown  
0.10 × 0.10 × 0.10 mm

### Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*ABSCOR*; Higashi, 1995)  
 $R_{int} = 0.033$   
 $T_{min} = 0.685$ ,  $T_{max} = 0.799$

15689 measured reflections  
3755 independent reflections  
2832 reflections with  $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$   
 $R_{int} = 0.033$   
 $\theta_{max} = 27.5$ °

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.018$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.038$   
 $S = 0.91$   
3755 reflections  
218 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[c_o^2(F_o^2) + (0.0178P)^2]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.002$   
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.46$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.45$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D$ –H··· $A$	$D$ –H	$H$ ··· $A$	$D$ ··· $A$	$D$ –H··· $A$
N1–H1A···O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.90	2.21	3.040 (3)	154
N1–H1B···O6 <sup>ii</sup>	0.90	2.16	3.030 (3)	164
N2–H2A···O8 <sup>ii</sup>	0.90	2.00	2.899 (4)	176
N2–H2B···O7	0.90	2.24	3.061 (3)	152
N3–H3A···O4 <sup>iii</sup>	0.90	2.10	2.997 (3)	172
N3–H3B···O2 <sup>iv</sup>	0.90	2.22	3.071 (4)	158
N4–H4A···O4 <sup>iv</sup>	0.90	2.13	2.968 (3)	155
N4–H4B···O6 <sup>v</sup>	0.90	2.19	3.030 (3)	155

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

All H atoms were located in difference Fourier maps, and placed at idealized positions and treated as riding, with C–H = 0.97, N–H = 0.90 Å and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}$ (carrier atom)

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MSC, 2005) and *CRYSTALS* (Betteridge *et al.*, 2003); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR97* (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *CrystalStructure*.

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