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The Crystal Structure of the Polymerization Catalyst of Acetaldehyde and Its Derivatives. II.¹⁾ The Crystal and Molecular Structure of the Trimethylamine Oxide Adduct of Dimethylaluminum *N*-Phenylbenzimidate, $[(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5):\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5), \text{ON}(\text{CH}_3)_3]$

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The molecular structure of a stereospecific (*isotactic*) polymerization catalyst of the acetaldehyde-Lewis base adduct $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{CPh}:\text{NPh}, \text{ONMe}_3]$ has been determined from three-dimensional X-ray data collected on a single crystal diffractometer. The crystal belongs to the triclinic system (space group $P\bar{1}$), with two formula units in a cell with dimensions of; $a=8.517\pm0.004$, $b=10.096\pm0.005$, $c=12.256\pm0.005$ Å, $\alpha=104.67\pm0.04$, $\beta=106.97\pm0.04$, and $\gamma=98.10\pm0.04^\circ$. The structure was solved by the symbolic addition method and refined by the block-diagonal, least-squares procedure. The molecule is monomeric, and both amide and ONMe_3 groups are connected to the aluminum atom through oxygen atoms. The amide moiety has an imino-ether type structure and two adjacent benzene rings take *trans* configuration about the N-C bond. The co-ordinated ONMe_3 group has a structure similar to that of the free molecule.

This work is a part of a series of molecular-structural studies¹⁻⁵⁾ of the stereospecific polymerization catalysis of acetaldehyde. In recent years, Tani and his co-workers have found that, among the catalytic systems of the stereospecific polymerization reaction of aldehydes, the reaction products of trialkylaluminums and acid amides show excellent catalytic activities for the *isotactic* polymerization of acetaldehyde and methylmethacrylate.⁶⁻⁹⁾

This catalytic system has attractive features which facilitate stereochemical investigations. First, the catalytic system contains few side reactions and gives a very high yield of the stereospecific polymer. There-

fore, a rather simple reaction mechanism can be expected. Second, the polymerization reaction is mild, and many interesting complexes can be isolated in a pure crystalline form.

The series of complexes selected for molecular-structural studies in this catalytic system are:

- (I) $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{CPh}:\text{NPh}]_n$,¹⁰⁾
- (II) $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{CPh}:\text{NPh}, \text{MeCHO}]_2$,
- (III) $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{CPh}:\text{NPh}, \text{MeCHO}, \text{AlMe}_3]$, and
- (IV) $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{CPh}:\text{NPh}, \text{ONMe}_3]$.

The complex I is a highly stereospecific polymerization catalyst of acetaldehyde obtained from an equimolar reaction of trimethylaluminum and benzanilide; its molecular structure has been reported previously.^{1,2)} The polymerization catalyst-monomer complex II shows the same catalytic activities as I. The co-ordinated aldehyde can be replaced by a free aldehyde present in the solution, but it can not be replaced by other electron donors, such as pyridine or tetrahydrofuran. Using the complex III, a Lewis acid adduct of II, as a catalyst, an *atactic* polymer of acetaldehyde is obtained.

The complex IV is a strong Lewis base adduct of

1) Part I, Y. Kai, N. Yasuoka, N. Kasai, and M. Kakudo, *J. Organometal. Chem.*, **32**, 165 (1971).

2) Y. Kai, N. Yasuoka, N. Kasai, M. Kakudo, H. Yasuda, and H. Tani, *Chem. Commun.*, **1968**, 1332.

3) Y. Kai, N. Yasuoka, N. Kasai, M. Kakudo, H. Yasuda, and H. Tani, *ibid.*, **1969**, 575.

4) Y. Kai, N. Yasuoka, N. Kasai, M. Kakudo, H. Yasuda, and H. Tani, *ibid.*, **1970**, 1243.

5) Y. Kai, N. Yasuoka, N. Kasai, M. Kakudo, H. Yasuda, and H. Tani, *ibid.*, **1971**, 940.

6) H. Tani, T. Araki, and H. Yasuda, *J. Polym. Sci., Part B*, **4**, 727 (1966).

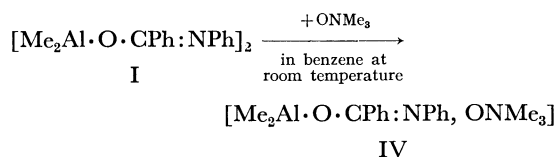
7) H. Tani, T. Araki, and H. Yasuda, *ibid.*, **6**, 389 (1968).

8) H. Tani and H. Yasuda, *ibid.*, **7**, 17 (1969).

9) H. Tani and H. Yasuda, Private communications.

10) Throughout the paper, methyl, ethyl, and phenyl groups will be expressed as Me, Et, and Ph respectively.

the polymerization catalyst; it is obtained from an equimolar mixture of I and ONMe_3 in benzene at room temperature:



This complex is the most stable one in argon among the four complexes mentioned above. However, it does not show any catalytic activities, and significant differences can be expected between the molecular structures of the polymerization catalyst, $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{CPh:NPh}]_2$ and this complex. The structure determination was undertaken by means of X-ray diffraction. The preliminary results were communicated earlier.⁵⁾

Experimental

The colorless, prismatic crystals were prepared and supplied by Tani and Yasuda of this University. As the crystals decompose immediately in the air, they were sealed in thin-walled glass capillary tubes in argon.

Nickel-filtered $\text{CuK}\alpha$ radiation was used for the preliminary X-ray experiments. Oscillation and Weissenberg photographs showed that the crystal has no crystallographic symmetry, and the space group is $P\bar{1}$ or $P1$.

Both the determination of the unit-cell dimensions and the collection of the intensity data were carried out on a Rigaku on-line controlled, four-circle, single crystal diffractometer. Zirconium-filtered $\text{MoK}\alpha$ radiation was used. The setting angles of each reflection were computed by the Busing-Levy method¹¹⁾ on an Aicom-C2 computer attached to the diffractometer. The method requires precise values of the centering angles, 2θ , ω , χ , and ϕ , of three linearly-independent reflections of known indices in order for us to determine the orientation of the crystal and the dimensions of the unit cell. The reflections chosen were 500, 030, 007, 030, and 007. During the intensity measurement of each quadrant of the reciprocal lattice, three of the five chosen reflections included in the quadrant were used. The crystal data are listed in Table 1. The accuracies of the cell parameters were estimated from the reproducibilities of the cell parameters as calculated from different sets of reflections. The crystal density was determined by the flotation method in a mixed solution of carbon tetrachloride and *n*-hexane. Intensity measurements were carried out at room temperature by using the ω - 2θ scan technique with a β -filter. The scan range, $\Delta(2\theta)$ of each reflection was computed by this equation:

TABLE 1. CRYSTAL DATA OF $[(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5):\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5), \text{ON}(\text{CH}_3)_3]$

Triclinic	$\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Al}$
$a = 8.517 \pm 0.004\text{\AA}$	$M = 328.4$
$b = 10.096 \pm 0.005\text{\AA}$	$Z = 2$
$c = 12.256 \pm 0.005\text{\AA}$	$d_m = 1.14 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$
$\alpha = 104.67 \pm 0.04^\circ$	$d_x = 1.149 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$
$\beta = 106.97 \pm 0.04^\circ$	Space group $P\bar{1}$
$\gamma = 98.10 \pm 0.04^\circ$	$\mu = 1.3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (for $\text{MoK}\alpha$)
$V = 948.5 \text{\AA}^3$	

11) W. R. Busing and H. A. Levy, *Acta Crystallogr.*, **22**, 457 (1967).

$$\Delta(2\theta) = 2.0^\circ + 0.7^\circ \tan \theta_c.$$

The starting angle of the scan is $(2\theta_c - 1.0^\circ)$, where θ_c is the calculated value of the Bragg angle using the $\lambda(\text{MoK}\alpha_1)$ ($=0.70926 \text{\AA}$), and the scanning speed of the scintillation counter was $4.0^\circ/\text{min}$. Sheets of nickel foil with graded thicknesses were used as intensity attenuators. Before scanning a reflection, a short, fixed-time (one second) intensity measurement was taken at the $2\theta_c$ position, and an appropriate attenuator was selected and was inserted in order to control the intensity in the optimum range (below 7000 cps in this experiment). The background scattering was measured for five seconds at both ends of the scan range by means of the stationary-crystal stationary-counter technique. The intensities were corrected for the background scattering and for the usual Lorentz and polarization effects. Each structure factor, along with its standard deviation, as estimated by the counting statistics, was calculated and printed out before the measurement of the next reflection. The absorption correction was ignored ($\mu = 1.3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for $\text{MoK}\alpha$). The intensity of the 300 reflection was chosen as the standard and was measured every 25 reflections. The crystal used had dimensions of about $0.5 \times 0.3 \times 0.3 \text{ mm}$. The collimator was 1.0 mm in diameter. During the intensity measurements, the intensity of the standard reflection gradually decreased. The structure factor magnitudes, therefore, decreased approximately linearly up to $(\sin \theta)/\lambda = 0.458$. After this, they showed a sudden decrease. Probably the crystal decomposed completely. Then another crystal of an approximately equal size was chosen and further intensity measurements were carried out up to $(\sin \theta)/\lambda = 0.539$. The intensities of about 200 reflections ($(\sin \theta)/\lambda = 0.235$) were also remeasured for the second crystal, and the structure factor magnitudes were compared with those obtained from the first crystal. No special anisotropy due to the absorption was found. Then the scalings of the two kinds of data, including the intra- and inter-crystal scaling, were undertaken linearly based on the observed changes in the structure factor magnitudes of the standard reflection. A total of 2399 independent reflections were obtained, among which 2048 were non-zero reflections.

Structure Determination and Refinement

The crystal structure was solved by obtaining phases directly from the structure factor magnitudes by means of the symbolic addition procedure.¹²⁾ The structure factors reduced previously were placed on an absolute scale by means of a three-dimensional Wilson plot, and the structure factor magnitudes, $|F|$, and the normalized structure factor magnitudes, $|E|$, were computed by means of SIGMA program¹³⁾ on a FACOM 230-60 computer at Kyoto University. The distribution of the normalized structure factor magnitudes, $|E|$, and their statistical averages are given in Table 2. On the basis of these statistics, the space group was determined to be $P\bar{1}$, which was confirmed at the later stage of the structure determination. The SIGMA program was also utilized to list the Σ_2 relationships for each reflection and to calculate the associated probabilities. The probabilities were determined by

12) J. Karle and I. L. Karle, *ibid.*, **21**, 849 (1966).

13) T. Ashida, SIGMA, The Universal Crystallographic Computing System (I), edited by T. Sakurai, p. 43, Japanese Crystallographic Association, 1967.

means of the equation:

$$P_+(E_h) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \tanh (\sigma_3 \sigma_2^{-3/2} |E_h| \sum |E_k E_{h-k}|),$$

and their lower limit was set at 0.97.

Positive signs were assigned to three linearly-independent reflections in order to define the origin of the unit cell. The signs of the five other reflections were then all determined to be + from the Σ_2 relationships among the origin-defining reflections. Four additional reflections were chosen, and their phases were designated by the letters *a*, *b*, *c*, and *d* in order to facilitate the symbolic addition procedure. Starting from the phases of these 12 reflections (Table 3), 99 signs out of 103 reflections whose $|E|$ values are greater than 2.0 were determined as functions of *a*, *b*, *c*, and *d* by using the SORT-SIGMA 2 program.¹⁴⁾ Through the application of the Σ_2 formula, it was found, from the relationships among the symbols, that $a=c=d$ and $b=+$.

As the + signs were assumed for the three origin-fixing reflections, the - sign was never introduced into these reflections in the course of the application of the Σ_2 formula for the space group $P\bar{1}$. It was then necessarily concluded that the signs of *a*, *c*, and *d* are all -; otherwise, a trivial solution would have resulted. On the basis of these 99 phases, the application of the Σ_2 relationship was extended over 303 reflections with $|E| \geq 1.50$ and the phases of 203 additional reflections were determined. At this stage, one of the 99 phases changed its sign to the correct one.

From the *E*-map (Fig. 1), the locations of all of the 23 nonhydrogen atoms were found easily. On the basis of these atomic locations, block-diagonal least-squares refinement was carried out by means of the HBLS IV program.¹⁵⁾ The atomic scattering factors used in the calculation were taken from those of Hanson and his co-workers.¹⁶⁾ After 5 cycles refinement using the isotropic temperature factors, the *R* index was found

TABLE 2. DISTRIBUTION OF THE NORMALIZED STRUCTURE FACTOR MAGNITUDE AND STATISTICAL AVERAGES

	Distribution of $ E $ %		Number of reflections
	Theoretical (Centrosymmetric)	Experimental	
$ E \geq 3.0$	0.3	0.38	9
$ E \geq 2.0$	5.0	4.3	103
$ E \geq 1.0$	32.0	33.0	792
			2399 (total)
	Theoretical		
	Experimental	Centrosymmetric	Noncentrosymmetric
$\langle E ^2 \rangle$	1.000	1.000	1.000
$\langle E \rangle$	0.790	0.798	0.886
$\langle E^2 - 1 \rangle$	0.946	0.968	0.739

14) N. Yasuoka, SORT-SIGMA2, unpublished program.

15) T. Ashida, HBLS IV, Ref. 13, p. 65.

16) H. P. Hanson, F. Herman, J. D. Lea, and S. S. Skillman, *Acta Crystallogr.*, **17**, 1040 (1964).

TABLE 3. STARTING SET OF APPLICATION OF Σ_2 FORMULA

<i>h</i>	<i>k</i>	<i>l</i>	$ E $	Phase
1	$\bar{1}$	2	3.39	+
5	$\bar{5}$	$\bar{5}$	3.48	+
7	2	$\bar{6}$	4.10	+
1	8	$\bar{3}$	2.13	+
2	7	$\bar{1}$	2.75	+
5	4	$\bar{10}$	2.19	+
6	3	$\bar{8}$	2.78	+
6	$\bar{6}$	$\bar{3}$	2.23	+
2	$\bar{1}$	6	2.75	<i>a</i>
8	2	$\bar{6}$	3.18	<i>b</i>
5	3	$\bar{9}$	3.21	<i>c</i>
1	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{1}$	2.33	<i>d</i>

} for origin definition

to be 0.17 for non-zero reflections. This rather large *R* value was considered to have resulted from the large differences between $|F_o|$ and $|F_c|$ values, especially for small $|F_o|$'s. Therefore, all the $|F_o|$'s smaller than $3\sigma(F_o)$ were excluded from the further refinement. Anisotropic temperature factors were then introduced for all the nonhydrogen atoms and the refinement was continued. After 4 cycles, the *R* value was reduced to 0.097 for 1359 non-zero reflections. From the difference Fourier map computed by means of SFFR program¹⁷⁾ and from the model examination, all of the hydrogen atoms were located. Considering these hydrogen atoms and using a weighting scheme to be described later, the final refinement was undertaken and the *R* index decreased to 0.068 for non-zero reflections. The weighting scheme applied was;

$$|F_o| < F_{\min}: w = F_{wt}$$

$$F_{\min} \leq |F_o| \leq F_{\max}: w = 1.0$$

$$F_{\max} < |F_o|: w = F_{\max}/|F_o|$$

where $F_{\max}=20.0$, $F_{\min}=0.0$, and $F_{wt}=0.0$. The weighted *R* index defined as $\{\sum w \cdot (|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / \sum w \cdot (F_o)^2\}^{1/2}$ is 0.082.

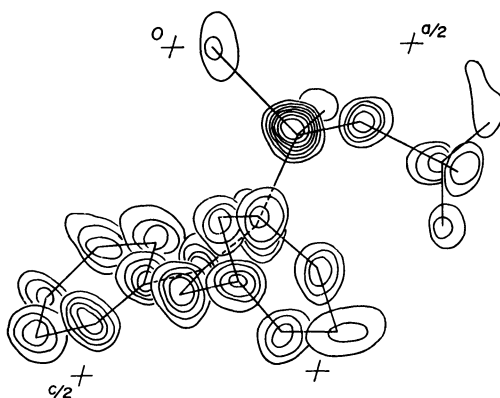


Fig. 1. *E*-map. Contours in an arbitrary scale.

The final atomic co-ordinates of the heavy atoms, along with their estimated standard deviations and the anisotropic temperature factors, are shown in Tables 4 and 5 respectively. The atomic co-ordinates and the

17) T. Ashida, SFFR, Ref. 13, p. 74.

TABLE 4. ATOMIC CO-ORDINATES OF THE HEAVY ATOMS
(IN FRACTION OF CELL EDGES) ALONG WITH THEIR
ESTIMATED STANDARD DEVIATIONS (IN 10^{-3}\AA)

Atom	x	$\sigma(x)$	y	$\sigma(y)$	z	$\sigma(z)$
Al	0.3060	3	-0.2250	3	0.1332	3
O(1)	0.2983	5	-0.1692	5	0.2802	5
O(2)	0.4574	5	-0.0861	6	0.1222	5
N(1)	0.1638	7	-0.0155	6	0.3675	7
N(2)	0.6329	6	-0.0455	7	0.1803	7
C(1)	0.3755	12	-0.4042	10	0.1077	12
C(2)	0.0934	9	-0.2192	11	0.0183	9
C(3)	0.1848	7	-0.1384	8	0.3316	7
C(4)	0.0786	7	-0.2588	7	0.3461	7
C(5)	-0.0156	8	-0.2337	8	0.4208	8
C(6)	-0.1160	9	-0.3460	9	0.4333	10
C(7)	-0.1207	10	-0.4819	9	0.3733	11
C(8)	-0.0236	11	-0.5068	10	0.2998	12
C(9)	0.0753	11	-0.3955	9	0.2867	10
C(10)	0.2654	8	0.1010	7	0.3564	9
C(11)	0.4180	8	0.1738	8	0.4468	9
C(12)	0.5030	8	0.2971	9	0.4403	9
C(13)	0.4441	8	0.3490	9	0.3461	10
C(14)	0.2939	9	0.2738	9	0.2563	10
C(15)	0.2073	8	0.1516	8	0.2613	9
C(16)	0.7134	10	-0.1264	12	0.1033	12
C(17)	0.6806	10	0.1069	10	0.1903	11
C(18)	0.6830	9	-0.0629	12	0.3010	10

TABLE 5. ANISOTROPIC TEMPERATURE FACTORS OF
THE HEAVY ATOMS EXPRESSED IN THE FORM OF
 $\exp\{-\beta_{11}h^2 + \beta_{22}k^2 + \beta_{33}l^2 + \beta_{12}hk + \beta_{13}hl + \beta_{23}kl\}$

Atom	β_{11}	β_{22}	β_{33}	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{23}
Al	0.0149	0.0122	0.0087	0.0058	0.0125	0.0063
O(1)	0.0147	0.0151	0.0082	0.0071	0.0127	0.0079
O(2)	0.0139	0.0183	0.0098	0.0066	0.0098	0.0137
N(1)	0.0212	0.0122	0.0127	0.0069	0.0195	0.0108
N(2)	0.0128	0.0172	0.0116	0.0049	0.0122	0.0124
C(1)	0.0387	0.0159	0.0185	0.0146	0.0327	0.0126
C(2)	0.0201	0.0255	0.0084	0.0012	0.0086	0.0075
C(3)	0.0132	0.0141	0.0065	0.0062	0.0068	0.0080
C(4)	0.0151	0.0107	0.0067	0.0029	0.0099	0.0045
C(5)	0.0192	0.0134	0.0086	0.0093	0.0154	0.0074
C(6)	0.0219	0.0158	0.0155	0.0085	0.0242	0.0153
C(7)	0.0234	0.0157	0.0180	0.0045	0.0249	0.0150
C(8)	0.0348	0.0133	0.0195	0.0023	0.0337	0.0071
C(9)	0.0346	0.0117	0.0142	0.0044	0.0319	0.0033
C(10)	0.0202	0.0090	0.0117	0.0083	0.0209	0.0083
C(11)	0.0160	0.0149	0.0103	0.0048	0.0093	0.0096
C(12)	0.0166	0.0156	0.0113	0.0001	0.0077	0.0045
C(13)	0.0168	0.0131	0.0163	0.0045	0.0139	0.0125
C(14)	0.0232	0.0138	0.0158	0.0083	0.0184	0.0171
C(15)	0.0174	0.0114	0.0114	0.0034	0.0085	0.0087
C(16)	0.0191	0.0272	0.0195	0.0098	0.0230	-0.0020
C(17)	0.0231	0.0189	0.0154	0.0028	0.0128	0.0130
C(18)	0.0187	0.0319	0.0130	0.0108	0.0062	0.0268

isotropic temperature factors of hydrogen atoms are listed in Table 6. The observed and calculated structure factors are given in Table 7.

TABLE 6. ATOMIC CO-ORDINATES (IN FRACTION OF CELL
EDGES) ALONG WITH THEIR ESTIMATED STANDARD
DEVIATIONS (IN 10^{-2}\AA) AND ISOTROPIC TEMP-
ERATURE FACTORS FOR THE HYDROGEN
ATOMS (IN \AA^2)

Atom	x	$\sigma(x)$	y	$\sigma(y)$	z	$\sigma(z)$	B
H(1)	0.460	8	-0.411	8	0.190	8	3.6
H(2)	0.440	8	-0.415	8	0.044	8	3.9
H(3)	0.263	8	-0.496	8	0.072	9	4.3
H(4)	0.001	8	-0.261	8	0.043	8	3.1
H(5)	0.076	8	-0.278	8	-0.072	8	3.9
H(6)	0.087	8	-0.114	8	0.019	8	3.9
H(7)	-0.009	8	-0.125	8	0.471	8	3.1
H(8)	-0.192	8	-0.326	7	0.491	8	3.0
H(9)	-0.199	8	-0.568	8	0.384	8	3.2
H(10)	-0.019	8	-0.614	8	0.255	8	3.9
H(11)	0.155	8	-0.417	8	0.231	8	3.4
H(12)	0.470	8	0.133	8	0.523	8	3.1
H(13)	0.621	8	0.356	8	0.512	8	3.5
H(14)	0.512	7	0.446	7	0.341	8	2.8
H(15)	0.244	8	0.314	8	0.182	8	3.5
H(16)	0.088	8	0.093	7	0.189	8	3.0
H(17)	0.681	8	-0.239	8	0.101	8	3.7
H(18)	0.858	8	-0.098	8	0.128	8	3.5
H(19)	0.658	8	-0.125	8	0.014	8	3.8
H(20)	0.664	8	0.128	8	0.100	8	3.5
H(21)	0.601	8	0.163	8	0.232	8	3.8
H(22)	0.809	8	0.151	8	0.249	8	3.9
H(23)	0.823	8	-0.036	8	0.332	8	3.5
H(24)	0.643	8	0.022	8	0.354	8	4.3
H(25)	0.659	8	-0.169	8	0.317	8	4.0

Results and Discussion

The molecular structure, with the numbering of atoms, as viewed along the b axis is shown in Fig. 2. The interatomic bond distances and angles calculated using the DAPH program¹⁸⁾ are listed in Tables 8 and 9 respectively.

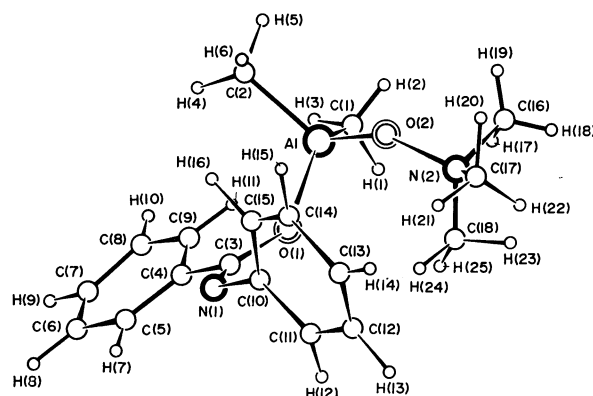


Fig. 2. Molecular structure.

Molecular Structure. The molecule is monomeric. The amide and ONMe_3 groups are both connected to the aluminum atom through oxygen atoms. The aluminum atom has a slightly distorted tetrahedral

18) T. Ashida, DAPH, Ref. 13, p. 76.

(each multiplied by the factor of 5.0)

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geometry. The C(1)–Al–C(2) bond angle ($117.3(0.5)^\circ$) is equal to that of the polymerization catalyst $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al} \cdot \text{O} \cdot \text{CPh} : \text{NPh}]_2$ ($117.6(0.5)^\circ$), but it shows a large deviation from the typical tetrahedral bond angle of

TABLE 9. INTERATOMIC ANGLES ALONG WITH THEIR ESTIMATED STANDARD DEVIATIONS

Atoms	Angle(°)	σ (°)	Atoms	Angle(°)	σ (°)
O (1)-Al-C (1)	109.0	0.4	Al-O (2)-N (2)	128.3	0.5
O (1)-Al-C (2)	109.2	0.4	O (2)-N (2)-C (16)	108.8	0.7
O (1)-Al-O (2)	106.7	0.3	O (2)-N (2)-C (17)	105.1	0.7
C (1)-Al-C (2)	117.3	0.5	O (2)-N (2)-C (18)	112.0	0.7
C (1)-Al-O (2)	111.8	0.4	C (16)-N (2)-C (17)	108.8	0.8
C (2)-Al-O (2)	102.2	0.4	C (16)-N (2)-C (18)	111.8	0.8
Al-O (1)-C (3)	137.7	0.5	C (17)-N (2)-C (18)	110.1	0.8
O (1)-C (3)-C (4)	116.3	0.7	C (3)-N (1)-C (10)	120.7	0.7
O (1)-C (3)-N (1)	123.9	0.7			
N (1)-C (3)-C (4)	119.8	0.7			
C (3)-C (4)-C (5)	119.9	0.7	N (1)-C (10)-C (11)	120.4	0.8
C (3)-C (4)-C (9)	120.4	0.7	N (1)-C (10)-C (15)	120.4	0.8
C (9)-C (4)-C (5)	119.7	0.8	C (11)-C (10)-C (15)	118.9	0.8
C (4)-C (5)-C (6)	119.9	0.8	C (10)-C (11)-C (12)	118.8	0.8
C (5)-C (6)-C (7)	120.4	0.9	C (11)-C (12)-C (13)	122.4	0.9
C (6)-C (7)-C (8)	119.5	1.0	C (12)-C (13)-C (14)	117.8	0.9
C (7)-C (8)-C (9)	120.1	1.1	C (13)-C (14)-C (15)	120.7	0.9
C (8)-C (9)-C (4)	120.4	1.0	C (14)-C (15)-C (10)	121.3	0.8
Al-C (1)-H (1)	111	4	Al-C (2)-H (4)	106	5
Al-C (1)-H (2)	111	5	Al-C (2)-H (5)	112	5
Al-C (1)-H (3)	111	4	Al-C (2)-H (6)	112	5
H (1)-C (1)-H (2)	107	6	H (4)-C (2)-H (5)	110	6
H (1)-C (1)-H (3)	108	6	H (4)-C (2)-H (6)	110	6
H (2)-C (1)-H (3)	108	6	H (5)-C (2)-H (6)	107	6
N (2)-C (16)-H (17)	107	4	N (2)-C (17)-H (20)	115	4
N (2)-C (16)-H (18)	120	4	N (2)-C (17)-H (21)	108	4
N (2)-C (16)-H (19)	109	5	N (2)-C (17)-H (22)	110	5
H (17)-C (16)-H (18)	106	6	H (20)-C (17)-H (21)	108	6
H (17)-C (16)-H (19)	106	6	H (20)-C (17)-H (22)	109	6
H (18)-C (16)-H (19)	108	6	H (21)-C (17)-H (22)	107	6
N (2)-C (18)-H (23)	104	4			
N (2)-C (18)-H (24)	104	5			
N (2)-C (18)-H (25)	123	4			
H (23)-C (18)-H (24)	108	6			
H (23)-C (18)-H (25)	100	6			
H (24)-C (18)-H (25)	117	6			
C (4)-C (5)-H (7)	120	4	C (10)-C (11)-H (12)	120	4
C (6)-C (5)-H (7)	120	4	C (12)-C (11)-H (12)	121	4
C (5)-C (6)-H (8)	120	4	C (11)-C (12)-H (13)	119	4
C (7)-C (6)-H (8)	120	4	C (13)-C (12)-H (13)	119	4
C (6)-C (7)-H (9)	120	4	C (12)-C (13)-H (14)	122	4
C (8)-C (7)-H (9)	121	4	C (14)-C (13)-H (14)	120	4
C (7)-C (8)-H (10)	121	5	C (13)-C (14)-H (15)	119	4
C (9)-C (8)-H (10)	119	5	C (15)-C (14)-H (15)	120	4
C (8)-C (9)-H (11)	119	4	C (14)-C (15)-H (16)	120	4
C (4)-C (9)-H (11)	120	4	C (10)-C (15)-H (16)	119	4

of the two benzene rings is 80.5° . The average values of the C-C and C-H distances in benzene rings are 1.381 and 1.09 Å respectively.

The ONMe₃ moiety is attached to the aluminum atom by the co-ordination of the oxygen atom. The Al-O(2) bond distance, 1.826(6) Å, takes a reasonable value compared with those found in the related organo-aluminum compounds.¹⁻⁴⁾ The crystal structure of

[Me₃NO, HCl] was determined by Rérat²⁶⁾ and had since been refined by Caron and his co-workers²⁷⁾ in the course of the crystal structure analysis of ONMe₃.²⁸⁾ The corresponding bond distances and angles in these complexes are compared with those in the ONMe₃ moiety of the present complex (Table 10). The O(2)-N(2) bond distance (1.402(9) Å) is intermediate between those in [Me₃N⁺-O⁻] and [Me₃N⁺OH·Cl⁻].

26) P. C. Rérat, *Acta Crystallogr.*, **13**, 63 (1960).

27) A. Caron and J. Donohue, *ibid.*, **15**, 1052 (1962).

28) A. Caron, G. J. Palenik, E. Goldish, and J. Donohue, *ibid.*, **17**, 102 (1964).

Caron and his co-workers considered that the opposite formal charge affects the O-N bond distance in the structure of ONMe_3 . According to this theory, the negative formal charge on the oxygen atom of the ONMe_3 moiety in the present complex may be weakened by the co-ordination to the electron-deficient aluminum atom. The aluminum atom is not so strong a Lewis acid as the proton; however, it may be that the co-ordination of oxygen does not completely cancel the charge on the oxygen atom, as in the case of the proton in $[\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+\text{OH}\cdot\text{Cl}^-]$. This can reasonably explain the fact that the O(2)-N(2) distance lies between the corresponding distances in $[\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+\text{O}^-]$ and $[\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+\text{OH}\cdot\text{Cl}^-]$. The average values of the two C-N bond distances are $1.478 \pm 0.011 \text{ \AA}$ in $[\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+\text{OH}\cdot\text{Cl}^-]$ and $1.477 \pm 0.006 \text{ \AA}$ in $[\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+\text{O}^-]$. The N(2)-C(16) and N(2)-C(18) bond distances have values equal to those found in the above two compounds. The N(2)-C(17) bond is slightly longer than the other N(2)-C bonds, though the difference is not very significant. The geometry around the N(2) atom is a little distorted tetrahedron. Such a geometry around the nitrogen atom is also found in $[\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+\text{O}^-]$.

TABLE 10. COMPARISON OF THE INTERATOMIC DISTANCES AND ANGLES IN THE ONMe_3 GROUPS

Atoms	$[\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+\text{OH}\cdot\text{Cl}^-]^{\text{a}}$ (Ref. 26)	$[\text{Me}_3\text{N}^+\text{O}^-]^{\text{a}}$ (Ref. 27)	Me_3NO moiety in the present complex
N-O	1.425 Å (11)	1.388 Å (5)	1.402 Å (9)
N-C(1)	1.475 (10)	1.470 (8)	1.474 (14) N(2)-C(16)
	1.480 (11)	1.484 (4)	1.499 (13) N(2)-C(17)
			1.477 (14) N(2)-C(18)
O-N-C(1)	103.9° (1.1)	110.4° (0.6)	108.8° (0.7) O(2)-N(2)-C(16)
O-N-C(2)	109.1 (1.3)	109.6 (0.4)	105.1 (0.7) O(2)-N(2)-C(17)
C(1)-N-C(2)	111.0 (1.5)	109.2 (0.7)	112.0 (0.7) O(2)-N(2)-C(18)
C(2)-N-C(2')	112.3 (1.4)	108.9 (0.4)	108.8 (0.8) C(16)-N(2)-C(17)
			111.8 (0.8) C(16)-N(2)-C(18)
			110.1 (0.8) C(17)-N(2)-C(18)

a) The crystal structure of these compounds has a mirror symmetry and only two carbon atoms of three methyl carbons are independent.

The molecular structures of the polymerization catalyst I and of the present complex IV are compared in Fig. 3 and Table 11. In Fig. 3 both molecules are projected onto the O-C-N plane of the amide moiety, which is present in both compounds. The amide moiety is connected to the electron-deficient aluminum atom by both oxygen and nitrogen atoms in I, but only by oxygen in IV. The nitrogen atom in IV is, therefore, liberated from bonding to the aluminum. The C(3)-N(1) bond distance in IV is a little shorter than that in I. The C(3)-O(1) distance in IV is,

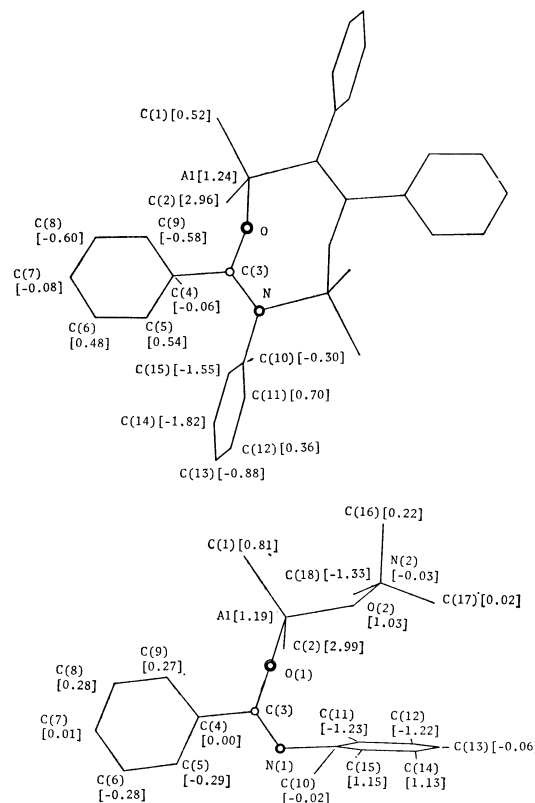


Fig. 3. Comparison of the molecular structure of $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{CPh:NPh}]_2$ (top) and $[\text{Me}_2\text{Al}\cdot\text{O}\cdot\text{CPh:NPh, ONMe}_3]$ (bottom). Both are projected onto the plane of the -O-C-N skeletons which are contained commonly in both molecules. Deviations from the plane (in Å) are given in brackets.

TABLE 11. COMPARISON OF THE SELECTED INTERATOMIC DISTANCES AND ANGLES AND DIHEDRAL ANGLES BETWEEN SOME PLANES^a IN THE AMIDE MOIETIES OF COMPLEXES (I) AND (IV)

	(I)	(IV)
Al-O(1)	1.805(6) Å	1.770(6) Å
O(1)-C(3)	1.277(10)	1.330(9)
C(3)-N(1)	1.305(11)	1.263(11)
C(3)-C(4)	1.501(12)	1.490(11)
N(1)-C(10)	1.447(12)	1.419(11)
Al-O(1)-C(3)	133.6(0.6)°	137.7(0.5)°
Plane 1-Plane 2	2.9°	0.03°
Plane 1-Plane 3	14.3	1.0
Plane 1-Plane 4	27.6	13.5
Plane 1-Plane 5	75.5	86.2
Plane 2-Plane 3	11.4	1.1
Plane 4-Plane 5	70.3	80.5

a) These planes are consisted of the atoms of;
Plane 1; O(1), C(3), N(1)
Plane 2; N(1), C(3), C(4)
Plane 3; C(3), N(1), C(10)
Plane 4; Least-squares plane of benzene ring (C(4)-C(9))
Plane 5; Least-squares plane of benzene ring (C(10)-C(15))

on the contrary, a little longer than that in I. Such differences in the C-N and C-O bond distances are probably due to the difference in C-N bond character: that is, there a delocalized double bond in I, but an

