

## X-Ray Structure of a Novel Bidentate Polypyrazolylborate Complex: Carbonyl[hydridotris(pyrazol-1-yl)borato]methylplatinum

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**Summary** The crystal structure of a bidentate hydridotris(pyrazol-1-yl)borate complex with platinum(II) is reported.

**SYNTHESES** of a wide variety of complexes with hydridotris(pyrazol-1-yl)boratomethylplatinum(II) have recently been reported.<sup>1,2</sup> The <sup>1</sup>H n.m.r. spectrum of the carbonyl complex indicates a stereochemically non-rigid, five-co-ordinate geometry about platinum.

Crystals of the carbonyl complex, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BN<sub>6</sub>OPt, kindly supplied by Clark and Manzer, were grown from hexane solution and are monoclinic, *P*2<sub>1</sub>/*c* with *a* = 14.416(1), *b* = 7.951(1), *c* = 12.990(1) Å, β = 104.35(1)° and *Z* = 4. A total of 2738 (2124 observed) independent reflections were measured on a Diano XRD-700 diffractometer using Cu-K<sub>α</sub> radiation with a balanced nickel-cobalt filter pair. The structure was solved by the heavy atom method and has been refined by full-matrix least-squares procedures to a final conventional *R* of 0.039 (0.033 for weighted *R*), including the 13 hydrogen atoms. A perspective drawing of the molecule is shown in the Figure from which the hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The co-ordination about platinum is a slightly distorted square-planar arrangement of C(1), C(2), N(2), and N(4). The six-membered PtN<sub>4</sub>B ring is in the boat conformation with Pt and B being 0.709 and 0.529 Å above the plane defined by the four nitrogen atoms. As one might expect, the non-bonded Pt-B distance (3.36 Å) observed in this molecule is significantly longer than the value (3.20 Å) found in the five-co-ordinate Pt<sup>II</sup> complex containing a tridentate hydridotris(pyrazol-1-yl)borate ligand.<sup>3</sup> Each pyrazolyl ring is planar.

The Pt-N(2), Pt-N(4), Pt-C(1), and Pt-C(2) distances are 2.038(7), 2.068(7), 1.814(13) and 2.028(13) Å, respectively.

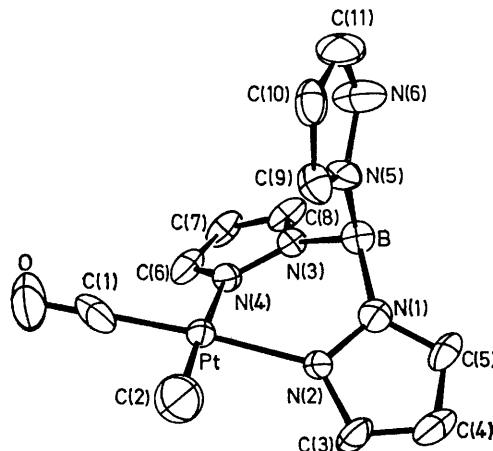
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The average values for the bond lengths in the pyrazolyl rings are: N-N 1.357(9), C-C 1.361(17), and C-N 1.355(15) Å. Pertinent bond angles are < N-Pt-N = 87.2(3)°,



FIGURE

C-Pt-C = 85.3(6)°, N-Pt-C(Me) = 90.6(5)°, N-Pt-C-(CO) = 96.9(4)°, N-B-N (average) = 109.7(9)°, and N-B-H (average) = 109(7)°. These values are representative of those observed in similar compounds.<sup>3,4</sup>

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