

Figure 1. Perspective view of $(\eta^5\text{-CH}_3\text{C}_5\text{H}_4)\text{Mo}(\text{N}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{F})_2\text{Cl}$ showing the molecular geometry and our numbering scheme. The probability ellipsoids are at the 50% level for nonhydrogen atoms; the hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary size.

such that the Cl-Mo \cdots N(22)-C(21) system is trans. The remaining arenediazo ligand has an Mo-N(11)-N(12) angle ($167.4(2)^\circ$) which is significantly nonlinear and a N(11)-N(12)-C(11) angle of $117.4(3)^\circ$. The Cl-Mo \cdots N(12)-C(11) system is cis. Inspection of the molecular packing diagram (Figure 2) shows, however, that the nonlinearity of the Mo-N(11)-N(12) angle is probably a consequence of crystal packing rather than of electronic effects such as were found¹⁷ in $[\text{IrCl}(\text{N}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)[\text{PCH}_3(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2]_3]^+$ (where the highly distorted five-coordinate metal coordination could not be adequately described by any idealized geometry and the arenediazo ligand geometry is intermediate between singly and doubly bent with Ir-N-N = $155.2(7)^\circ$ and N-N-C = $118.8(8)^\circ$). In the crystal structure of II, the 12.6° bend in the Mo-N(11)-N(12) angle from linearity results in normal intermolecular contacts (Table I); presumably the slight expenditure of energy to produce this results in better crystal packing.

The Mo-N distances ($1.826(2)$ and $1.834(3)$ Å) are in excellent agreement with that reported⁹ ($1.825(4)$ Å) for the corresponding bond in $\text{Mo}[\text{HB}(\text{pz})_3](\text{CO})_2(\text{N}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)$ and are consistent with a significant contribution of the form III to the ground-state structure. The remaining dimensions of the arenediazo groups are in accord with expected values with N-N distances (1.218 and $1.229(4)$ Å) and the N-C distances (1.429 and $1.436(4)$ Å) being in the range of values previously reported⁹⁻¹³ (N-N = 1.14 - $1.23(1)$ Å, N-C = 1.40 - $1.46(1)$

Table I. Principal Interatomic Distances (Å) and Angles (Deg) for $(\eta^5\text{-CH}_3\text{C}_5\text{H}_4)\text{Mo}(\text{N}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{F})_2\text{Cl}$ with Standard Deviations in Parentheses

(a) Distances from Molybdenum			
Mo-Cl	2.387 (1)	Mo-C(4)	2.400 (3)
Mo-C(1)	2.357 (3)	Mo-C(5)	2.446 (3)
Mo-C(2)	2.283 (3)	Mo-N(11)	1.826 (2)
Mo-C(3)	2.354 (3)	Mo-N(21)	1.834 (3)
(b) Distances within the Arenediazo ligands			
N(11)-N(12)	1.229 (4)	N(21)-N(22)	1.218 (4)
N(12)-C(11)	1.436 (4)	N(22)-C(21)	1.429 (4)
C(11)-C(12)	1.391 (5)	C(21)-C(22)	1.374 (5)
C(12)-C(13)	1.368 (5)	C(22)-C(23)	1.372 (5)
C(13)-C(14)	1.383 (5)	C(23)-C(24)	1.347 (5)
C(14)-C(15)	1.371 (6)	C(24)-C(25)	1.355 (6)
C(15)-C(16)	1.376 (5)	C(25)-C(26)	1.404 (6)
C(16)-C(11)	1.384 (4)	C(26)-C(21)	1.356 (5)
C(14)-F(1)	1.345 (4)	C(24)-F(2)	1.360 (5)
(c) Distances within the Methylcyclopentadiene Ring			
C(1)-C(2)	1.447 (5)	C(2)-C(3)	1.403 (5)
C(3)-C(4)	1.360 (6)	C(4)-C(5)	1.408 (6)
C(1)-C(5)	1.393 (6)	C(5)-C(6)	1.489 (6)
(d) Other Contacts (<3.4 Å) Not Involving H Atoms ^a			
Cl \cdots C(5)	3.287	C(14) \cdots F(2) ^{III}	3.343
C(13) \cdots F(1) ^I	3.357	C(15) \cdots F(2) ^{III}	3.385
C(21) \cdots F(1) ^{II}	3.288	C(1) \cdots C(1) ^{IV}	3.213
C(22) \cdots F(1) ^{II}	3.352		
(e) Bond Angles			
Cl-Mo-N(11)	101.8 (1)	Cl-Mo-N(21)	101.4 (1)
N(11)-Mo-N(21)	93.2 (1)		
Mo-N(11)-N(12)	167.4 (2)	Mo-N(21)-N(22)	176.5 (2)
N(11)-N(12)-C(11)	117.4 (3)	N(21)-N(22)-C(21)	122.2 (3)
N(12)-C(11)-C(12)	123.3 (3)	N(22)-C(21)-C(22)	124.2 (3)
N(12)-C(11)-C(16)	116.6 (3)	N(22)-C(21)-C(26)	115.9 (3)
C(12)-C(11)-C(16)	120.2 (3)	C(22)-C(21)-C(26)	119.9 (3)
C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	120.1 (3)	C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	120.8 (3)
C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	118.7 (3)	C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	118.4 (3)
C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	122.0 (3)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	123.0 (4)
C(13)-C(14)-F(1)	118.6 (4)	C(23)-C(24)-F(2)	119.0 (4)
C(15)-C(14)-F(1)	119.4 (3)	C(25)-C(24)-F(2)	118.0 (4)
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	119.0 (3)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	118.2 (4)
C(11)-C(16)-C(15)	119.9 (3)	C(21)-C(26)-C(25)	119.6 (4)
C(2)-C(1)-C(5)	106.7 (3)	C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	107.0 (3)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	108.8 (3)	C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	109.3 (3)
C(1)-C(5)-C(4)	108.0 (3)	C(1)-C(5)-C(6)	130.6 (6)
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	121.2 (4)		
(f) Torsion Angles			
N(11)-N(12)-C(11)-C(12)	0.2		
N(21)-N(22)-C(21)-C(22)	-7.6		

^a The superscripts refer to the following equivalent positions: I, $2-x, 1-y, 1-z$; II, $1-x, 1-y, 1-z$; III, $1+x, -1+y, z$; IV, $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$.

Å). In both ligands the N-N bonds are close to being coplanar with the appropriate phenyl rings; the N(11)-N(12)-C-

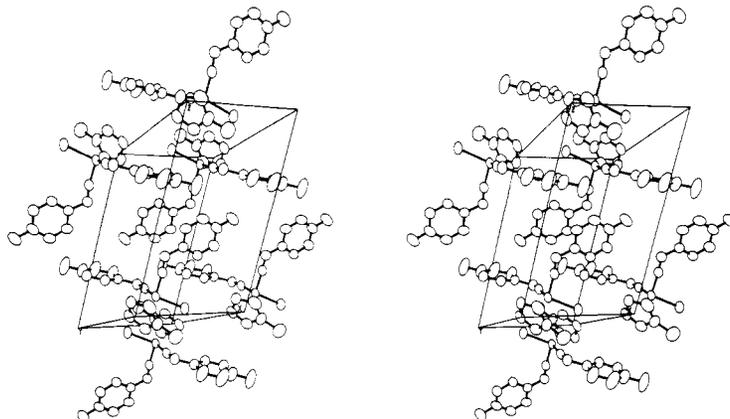


Figure 2. Stereoview of the molecular packing diagram of $(\eta^5\text{-CH}_3\text{C}_5\text{H}_4)\text{Mo}(\text{N}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{F})_2\text{Cl}$.

Table II. Mean Plane Data for η^5 -(CH₃C₅H₄)Mo(N₂C₆H₄F)₂Cl^a

(i) Plane through Cyclopentadiene Ring C(1)–C(5)

Equation: $5.0416x + 2.5102y + 7.3355z = 1.5535$

C(1), 3; C(2), 9; C(3), -19; C(4), 21; C(5), -14; C(6), -139; Mo, 2041; Cl, 3107
rmsd 0.015 Å

(ii) Plane through Aromatic Ring C(11)–C(16)

Equation: $-1.0502x + 8.0255y + 2.4990z = 2.9823$

C(11), 0; C(12), -4; C(13), 3; C(14), 3; C(15), -7; C(16), 6;
N(11), 9; N(12), 10; F(1), 8; Mo, -183
rmsd 0.004 Å

(iii) Plane through Aromatic Ring C(21)–C(26)

Equation: $1.1987x - 4.4383y + 13.9426z = 0.5059$

C(21), -10; C(22), -8; C(23), 9; C(24), 7; C(25), -24; C(26),
26; N(21), 31; N(22), -60; F(2), 6; Mo, 61
rmsd 0.016 Å^a Equations of mean planes are in the form $ax + by + cz = d$ where x , y , and z are the fractional coordinates given in Table III. Deviations (in Å, $\times 10^3$) of atoms from the planes and root-mean-square deviations (rmsd) of the atoms from the planes are given.

(11)–C(12) and N(21)–N(22)–C(21)–C(22) torsion angles are 0.2 and -7.6° , respectively. The Mo–Cl distance (2.387 (1) Å) is comparable with that found¹⁸ in Mo{HB[Me₂Cl(pz)]₃(NO)(OC₃H₇)Cl (2.380 (3) Å) and the terminal Mo–Cl bonds in (Mo₂Cl₉)³⁻ (2.384 (6) Å).¹⁹

The η^5 -cyclopentadiene ring geometry and bonding to molybdenum (Mo–C = 2.283–2.446 (3) Å, mean C–C = 1.402 (6) Å, mean C–C–C = 108.0 (3)°) are in the same range as reported²⁰ for η^5 -C₅H₅Mo(CF₃C₂CF₃)(SC₆H₅)L (where L = CO or O) with Mo–C values of 2.281–2.412 (6) and 2.349–2.408 (8) Å. In other (η^5 -C₅H₅)Mo complexes comparable molybdenum–carbon distances are also found: e.g., 2.303–2.415 (4) Å in η^5 -C₅H₅Mo(CO)₂SC(CH₃)NCH(CH₃)(C₆H₅),²¹ 2.275–2.410 (15) Å in η^5 -C₅H₅Mo(CO)₂(NC₅H₄CHNCH(CH₃)C₆H₅),²² and 2.270–2.411 (6) Å in η^5 -C₅H₅Mo[C=C(CN)₂][P(OCH₃)₃]₂Cl.²³ Although the atoms of the five-membered ring in II are close to being coplanar (Table II), the methyl carbon C(6) is 0.139 Å out of the ring plane away from the chlorine atom to relieve intramolecular overcrowding between the chlorine atom and the C(5)–C(6) region of the η^5 -C₅H₄CH₃ ligand (the Cl...C(5) and Cl...C(6) distances are 3.287 and 3.430 Å, respectively). The Mo–C(cyclopentadiene) distances also reflect the effect of the bulky chlorine on the five-membered ring coordination, being longest with C(5) (2.446 (3) Å) and the shortest at C(2) (2.283 (3) Å).

In the crystal structure (Figure 2), the closest contacts between molecules occur between cyclopentadiene rings related through the inversion center at the origin; this results in a C(1)···C(1)ⁱ contact of 3.21 Å and the planes of the two (necessarily parallel) cyclopentadienyl rings being separated by 3.1 Å, although the rings themselves only barely overlap in the C(1)···C(1ⁱ) region. Other intermolecular contacts correspond to normal van der Waals distances.

Further byproducts from the reaction of diazonium cations with [η^5 -C₅H₅Mo(CO)₃]⁻ are currently under investigation.

Experimental Section

Molybdenum hexacarbonyl was purchased from Pressure Chemical Co., Pittsburgh, PA 15201. *p*-Fluorobenzenediazonium tetrafluoroborate was prepared by standard procedures.²⁴ Infrared spectra were determined on a Perkin-Elmer 257 spectrometer, and NMR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer/Hitachi R20A instrument, operating at 60 MHz. Microanalyses were carried out by the staff of the microanalytical laboratory of the Chemistry Department of University College, Cork, Republic of Ireland.

Preparation of Complexes I and II. A THF solution of 6.40 g (22.7 mmol) of Na[η^5 -MeC₅H₄Mo(CO)₃] (prepared from MeC₅H₄Na and Mo(CO)₆) was cooled to -60°C (solid CO₂/acetone) under a nitrogen atmosphere, and solid (*p*-FC₆H₄N₂)(BF₄) (4.76 g, 22.7 mmol) was added portionwise with stirring over 30 min. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm spontaneously to room temperature, and the solvent was removed in vacuo on a rotary evaporator without further heating. The red oily residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂, and diethyl ether was added to precipitate NaBF₄ and other ionic materials. The filtered CH₂Cl₂ solution was concentrated to dryness in vacuo and the residue was extracted with hot pentane, yielding a soluble fraction (I) and sparingly soluble residue (II).

Concentration of the pentane extract and cooling yielded complex I as a bright red solid, 4.83 g (60%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₁FMoN₂O₂: C, 47.7; H, 3.11; N, 7.91. Found: C, 47.50; H, 3.15; N, 8.00. IR (thin film): 3050 (w), 2925 (m), 2850 (m), 1987 (vs, CO), 1910 (vs, CO), 1615 (s), 1594 (w), 1560 (s), 1490 (s), 1265 (m), 1230 (m), 1162 (m), 1090 (w), 1025 (w), 834 (m), 807 (w), 739 (s) cm⁻¹. The ¹H NMR spectrum (CD₂Cl₂) showed multiplets centered on τ 2.8 and 4.1 and a singlet at τ 7.8 in the ratio 4:4:3, assigned to the C₆H₄, C₅H₄, and CH₃ protons, respectively.

The sparingly soluble residue from the initial separation was extracted with boiling pentane in a Soxhlet apparatus under nitrogen for 24 h. Dark red crystals of complex II (1.5 g (14.5%)) separated from the hot pentane extracts. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₅ClF₃MoN₄: C, 47.4; H, 3.29; Cl, 7.77; F, 8.32; N, 12.27. Found: C, 46.86; H, 3.45; Cl, 8.43; F, 8.92; N, 11.78. IR (thin film): 1620 (m), 1608 (m), 1594 (m), 1570 (w), 1535 (m), 1481 (s), 1290 (w), 1228 (m), 1162 (m), 1140 (w), 1090 (w), 925 (w), 895 (w), 835 (m), 755 (w), 730 (w) cm⁻¹. The ¹H NMR spectrum (CD₂Cl₂) showed multiplets centered on τ 2.8 (C₆H₄) and 4.1 (C₅H₄) and a singlet at τ 7.8 (CH₃) in the ratio 8:4:3.

Collection and Reduction of the X-ray Intensity Data. The dark red crystals of (CH₃C₅H₄)Mo(N₂C₆H₄F)₂Cl, C₁₈H₁₅ClF₃MoN₄, $M_r = 456.7$, were examined by Weissenberg and precession photographs which showed that they belonged to the triclinic system; there were no systematic absences. Space group $P\bar{1}$ was assumed and confirmed by this analysis. Unit-cell dimensions $a = 7.564$ (1) Å, $b = 9.814$ (1) Å, $c = 13.964$ (2) Å, $\alpha = 114.82$ (1)°, $\beta = 78.83$ (1)°, and $\gamma = 103.07$ (1)° were obtained by a least-squares refinement of the setting angles of 12 general reflections on a Hilger and Watts Y290 four-circle computer-controlled diffractometer ($\lambda(\text{Mo K}\alpha)$ 0.71069 Å) equipped with a graphite monochromator. The unit-cell volume is 910.8 Å³, and for $Z = 2$ the calculated density is 1.67 g cm⁻³. $F(000) = 456$. The reduced cell has dimensions $a = 7.564$ (1) Å, $b = 9.814$ (1) Å, $c = 13.283$ (2) Å, $\alpha = 107.32$ (1)°, $\beta = 92.10$ (1)°, and $\gamma = 103.07$ (1)°.

Diffraction data were collected from a well-formed red needle with maximum dimensions 0.15 \times 0.23 \times 0.51 mm and mounted on a eucentric goniometer head with the a axis approximately parallel to the ϕ axis. Its six bounding faces were identified, and their distances from an arbitrary crystal center were measured with a calibrated gratule in a binocular microscope. The θ – 2θ scan technique and Mo K α radiation were used to record the intensities of a unique hemisphere of data within the limits $2 < \theta < 25^\circ$. A symmetric scan range of 0.6° in θ , centered on the calculated peak position ($\lambda(\text{Mo K}\alpha)$ 0.71069 Å), was composed of 60 steps of 1-s duration. Stationary-crystal, stationary-counter background counts were measured for 15 s at the beginning and end of the scan range. Reflections for which the intensity of the diffracted beam exceeded 10 000 counts/s were automatically remeasured with aluminum foil attenuators inserted in order to be within the linear response range of the scintillation counter. The intensities of three standard reflections, monitored at

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Table III. Positional Parameters for $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{Mo}(\text{N}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{F})_2\text{Cl}$ with Estimated Standard Deviations in Parentheses

atom	x	y	z
Mo	0.35538 (3)	0.35678 (2)	0.12364 (2)
Cl	0.6693 (1)	0.3562 (1)	0.0534 (1)
F(1)	0.8945 (4)	0.3256 (3)	0.5271 (2)
F(2)	-0.2944 (4)	0.9425 (3)	0.3622 (3)
N(11)	0.3555 (3)	0.3416 (3)	0.2495 (2)
N(12)	0.3237 (4)	0.3126 (3)	0.3293 (2)
N(21)	0.3471 (3)	0.5614 (3)	0.1874 (2)
N(22)	0.3395 (4)	0.6968 (3)	0.2246 (2)
C(1)	0.1763 (6)	0.1148 (4)	0.0518 (3)
C(2)	0.0663 (4)	0.2338 (4)	0.0875 (3)
C(3)	0.1218 (5)	0.3108 (5)	0.0191 (3)
C(4)	0.2628 (5)	0.2504 (5)	-0.0516 (3)
C(5)	0.2942 (5)	0.1259 (4)	-0.0355 (3)
C(6)	0.4266 (8)	0.0265 (5)	-0.1095 (4)
C(11)	0.4776 (4)	0.3167 (3)	0.3772 (2)
C(12)	0.6578 (5)	0.3520 (4)	0.3379 (2)
C(13)	0.7978 (5)	0.3556 (4)	0.3884 (3)
C(14)	0.7564 (6)	0.3222 (4)	0.4778 (3)
C(15)	0.5797 (6)	0.2856 (4)	0.5172 (3)
C(16)	0.4392 (5)	0.2843 (4)	0.4671 (2)
C(21)	0.1699 (4)	0.7533 (3)	0.2608 (2)
C(22)	0.0015 (5)	0.6629 (3)	0.2466 (3)
C(23)	-0.1554 (5)	0.7258 (4)	0.2814 (3)
C(24)	-0.1401 (6)	0.8785 (5)	0.3285 (4)
C(25)	0.0228 (7)	0.9723 (5)	0.3424 (5)
C(26)	0.1822 (6)	0.9066 (4)	0.3108 (4)
H(11) ^a	0.170	0.043	0.082
H(21)	-0.026	0.256	0.146
H(31)	0.070	0.392	0.022
H(41)	0.330	0.286	-0.104
H(121)	0.684	0.374	0.276
H(131)	0.921	0.380	0.362
H(151)	0.555	0.261	0.578
H(161)	0.316	0.261	0.494
H(221)	-0.007	0.556	0.212
H(231)	-0.272	0.663	0.272
H(251)	0.029	1.080	0.372
H(261)	0.298	0.969	0.325
H(61)	0.546	0.083	-0.111
H(62)	0.390	-0.023	-0.180
H(63)	0.427	-0.051	-0.086

^a Hydrogen atoms are labeled according to the carbon atoms to which they are bonded; e.g., H(61) is bonded to C(6), H(251) to C(25), etc.

100-reflection intervals, fluctuated by less than 2% during data collection.

Data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization factors as described previously²⁵ and for absorption²⁶ ($\mu(\text{Mo K}\alpha) = 8.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$).

Maximum and minimum values of transmission coefficients are 0.904 and 0.844. Of the 3209 unique reflections measured, 2950 with $I > 3\sigma(I)$ were used in the final refinement of the structure.

Solution and Refinement of the Structure. An estimate of the overall scale and thermal parameters was obtained with use of Wilson's method, and fractional coordinates for the molybdenum and chlorine atoms were derived from a sharpened three-dimensional Patterson map. A Fourier synthesis based on the molybdenum and chlorine phases revealed all the nonhydrogen atoms. With the anisotropic temperature factors, full-matrix least-squares refinement of this model gave $R = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o| = 0.056$. The scattering functions of Cromer and Mann²⁷ were used for all nonhydrogen atoms, and the curves for the molybdenum and chlorine atoms were corrected for anomalous dispersion.²⁸

The top peaks of a difference Fourier map established positions for all the hydrogen atoms; these were then allowed for in chemically expected positions (C-H = 0.95 Å) with isotropic U values and scattering factors from ref 29. In subsequent refinement cycles the hydrogen coordinates were not refined, but separate overall U_{iso} values were refined for the C-H and CH₃ hydrogen atoms. Refinement converged in three more cycles with $R_1 = 0.029$ and $R_2 = [\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / \sum w|F_o|^2]^{1/2} = 0.036$. The weighting scheme employed was $w^{1/2} = 1/(\sigma^2 F + pF^2)^{1/2}$ with $p = 0.0014$. In the final cycle of refinement all shifts were less than 0.3 esd, and a final difference synthesis had no significant features.

Final positional parameters for the atoms, along with their standard deviations as estimated from the inverse matrix, are listed in Table III. Molecular dimensions are in Tables I and II. Listings of observed and calculated structure factors and of thermal parameters are available.

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