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Structures of Metallocarboranes. 8. Crystal and Molecular Structure of the 11-Vertex Heterobimetalocarborane

1,8-Di- η -cyclopentadienyl-1-ferro-8-cobalto-2,3-dicarbaundecaborane(9), 1,8-(η -C₅H₅)₂-1-Fe-8-Co-2,3-C₂B₇H₉¹

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The crystal and molecular structure of 1,8-(η -C₅H₅)₂-1-Fe-8-Co-2,3-C₂B₇H₉ has been determined by three-dimensional x-ray diffraction techniques. The compound crystallizes in the monoclinic space group $P2_1/c$ with $a = 7.923$ (1) Å, $b = 13.474$ (3) Å, $c = 14.707$ (4) Å, $\beta = 107.10$ (3)°, and $Z = 4$. Observed and calculated densities are 1.58 (2) and 1.57 g cm⁻³, respectively. Diffraction data to $2\theta_{\max} = 45^\circ$ (Mo $K\alpha$ radiation) were collected on a Syntex $P\bar{1}$ automated diffractometer, and the structure was solved by conventional Patterson, Fourier, and full-matrix least-squares techniques to a final discrepancy index of $R = 0.04$ for the 1346 independent nonzero reflections. All atoms, including hydrogens, were located, and the iron and cobalt atoms were unambiguously differentiated. Although it is one electron short of the ideal $2n + 2$ electrons for closo polyhedral bonding, the molecule has the closo 11-vertex octadecahedral geometry with the iron atom in the six-coordinate vertex, the two carbon atoms located at the four-coordinate vertices, and the cobalt atom situated in a five-coordinate position, adjacent to a carbon atom and nonadjacent to the iron vertex. The molecule exhibits some unusual bond length asymmetries.

Introduction

Polyhedral metallocarboranes containing two different transition-metal vertices can be prepared by use of either polyhedral expansion² or polyhedral subrogation³ reactions on previously prepared metallocarboranes.⁴ When the 10-vertex compound 2-(η -C₅H₅)₂-2-Co-1,6-C₂B₇H₉⁵ was subjected to polyhedral expansion conditions with FeCl₂ and C₅H₅⁻, the 11-vertex complex (C₅H₅)₂CoFeC₂B₇H₉ was isolated.⁴ According to commonly accepted electron-counting rules,^{6,7} this complex has one electron less than required for idealized closo octadecahedral geometry. In (C₅H₅)₂Fe₂C₂B₆H₈, which is two electrons short of the required $2n + 2$ (where n is the number of vertices in the polyhedron), a large distortion from the usual 10-vertex bicapped square antiprism geometry was observed.⁸ To assess the effect of a one-electron deficiency, the x-ray structural determination of (C₅H₅)₂FeCoC₂B₇H₉ was undertaken.

Experimental Section

Crystals of the title compound were kindly provided by Dr. W. J. Evans, who prepared them by the polyhedral expansion of 2-(η -C₅H₅)₂-2-Co-1,6-C₂B₇H₉ with FeCl₂ and C₅H₅⁻.⁴ Spectroscopic studies (¹H and ¹¹B NMR) on this compound and on the reduced diamagnetic Fe(II) species were consistent with the proposed octadecahedral

geometry, but the precise locations of the two metal atoms could not be determined by these methods.

A single crystal of dimensions 0.1 × 0.2 × 0.3 mm was selected for crystallographic investigation and mounted on a glass fiber enclosed in a thin-walled glass capillary. Preliminary oscillation and Weissenberg photographs indicated that the compound crystallized in space group $P2_1/c$ with systematic absences of the type $h0l$, $l \neq 2n$, and $0k0$, $k \neq 2n$.

The crystal was transferred to a Syntex $P\bar{1}$ automated diffractometer, and 12 automatically centered reflections were used to accurately determine the unit cell parameters as $a = 7.923$ (1) Å, $b = 13.474$ (3) Å, $c = 14.707$ (4) Å, and $\beta = 107.10$ (3)°. A graphite crystal was used to provide monochromatic Mo $K\alpha$ radiation (0.71069 Å). The sample density was found to be 1.58 (2) g cm⁻³ by flotation, while the calculated density was 1.57 g cm⁻³ ($Z = 4$).

Intensity data were collected with a θ - 2θ scan technique to a limit of $2\theta = 45^\circ$ and with a takeoff angle of 4° . Reflections were scanned at a constant rate of 2.4°/min from 1.0° below the $K\alpha_1$ reflection to 1.0° above the $K\alpha_2$ reflection. Backgrounds were measured at each end of the scan. The total time spent counting background radiation was equal to the scan time for each reflection. The intensities of three standard reflections were measured every 97 reflections to monitor the tube efficiency and possible crystal deterioration. No significant deviations were observed.

The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects and for absorption ($T = 0.76$ -0.85).⁹ The intensity of a reflection, $I(hkl)$, and $\sigma[I(hkl)]$, its estimated standard deviation, were calculated according to the equations $I = CT - (t_c/t_b)(B_1 + B_2)/2$ and $\sigma(I) =$

Table I. Final Atomic Parameters^a

| Atom | x | y | z |
|-------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Fe1 | 0.25478 (11) | 0.36406 (7) | 0.33798 (6) |
| Co8 | 0.60558 (11) | 0.19897 (7) | 0.43194 (6) |
| Cp1 | 0.0005 (10) | 0.4130 (7) | 0.3300 (9) |
| Cp2 | 0.0646 (13) | 0.4646 (7) | 0.2682 (7) |
| Cp3 | 0.2142 (13) | 0.5153 (6) | 0.3185 (9) |
| Cp4 | 0.2402 (11) | 0.4926 (7) | 0.4135 (8) |
| Cp5 | 0.1088 (14) | 0.4292 (7) | 0.4200 (7) |
| Cp6 | 0.7433 (15) | 0.1899 (11) | 0.5744 (6) |
| Cp7 | 0.8497 (12) | 0.2257 (7) | 0.5261 (9) |
| Cp8 | 0.8648 (10) | 0.1583 (10) | 0.4607 (7) |
| Cp9 | 0.7634 (14) | 0.0761 (7) | 0.4677 (7) |
| Cp10 | 0.6892 (11) | 0.0990 (10) | 0.5408 (9) |
| C2 | 0.4500 (7) | 0.3069 (5) | 0.4389 (4) |
| C3 | 0.2335 (11) | 0.2983 (6) | 0.2173 (5) |
| B4 | 0.5429 (10) | 0.3411 (6) | 0.3640 (6) |
| B5 | 0.3272 (9) | 0.2145 (6) | 0.4090 (6) |
| B6 | 0.2013 (11) | 0.2115 (6) | 0.2826 (6) |
| B7 | 0.4224 (14) | 0.3360 (7) | 0.2409 (7) |
| B9 | 0.3577 (13) | 0.2047 (7) | 0.2114 (6) |
| B10 | 0.5613 (11) | 0.2362 (7) | 0.2900 (6) |
| B11 | 0.4157 (13) | 0.1426 (6) | 0.3187 (6) |
| CpH1 | -0.1074 | 0.3702 | 0.3123 |
| CpH2 | 0.0140 | 0.4692 | 0.1943 |
| CpH3 | 0.2956 | 0.5627 | 0.2916 |
| CpH4 | 0.3483 | 0.5215 | 0.4698 |
| CpH5 | 0.0992 | 0.4025 | 0.4831 |
| CpH6 | 0.7087 | 0.2245 | 0.6264 |
| CpH7 | 0.9152 | 0.2942 | 0.5337 |
| CpH8 | 0.9413 | 0.1616 | 0.4107 |
| CpH9 | 0.7511 | 0.0099 | 0.4274 |
| CpH10 | 0.6073 | 0.0487 | 0.5607 |
| C2H | 0.4678 | 0.3456 | 0.4870 |
| C3H | 0.1389 | 0.3229 | 0.1477 |
| B4H | 0.6420 | 0.4055 | 0.3770 |
| B5H | 0.2503 | 0.1755 | 0.4550 |
| B6H | 0.0664 | 0.1770 | 0.2591 |
| B7H | 0.4660 | 0.4004 | 0.1929 |
| B9H | 0.3255 | 0.1646 | 0.1354 |
| B10H | 0.6699 | 0.2233 | 0.2580 |
| B11H | 0.4113 | 0.0764 | 0.3139 |

^a Values in parentheses are estimated standard deviations and refer to the last digit of the preceding number.

$\{\sigma_s^2 + (0.04I)^2\}^{1/2}$, where I is the net integrated intensity, CT is the total integrated count, t_c and t_b are the times employed for counting the scan and background, respectively, B_1 and B_2 are the background counts on the low and high sides of the reflection, and σ_s is the standard deviation in the intensity due to counting statistics. Reflections having

Table II. Anisotropic Thermal Parameters ($\times 10^4$)^a

| Atom | B_{11} | B_{22} | B_{33} | B_{12} | B_{13} | B_{23} |
|------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Fe1 | 108.2 (17) | 37.2 (6) | 48.4 (6) | -9.7 (9) | 16.1 (7) | -1.4 (5) |
| Co8 | 138.9 (18) | 59.6 (7) | 40.9 (5) | 13.5 (9) | 35.7 (8) | 8.1 (5) |
| Cp1 | 141 (16) | 69 (6) | 147 (10) | 9 (8) | 67 (11) | -20 (7) |
| Cp2 | 240 (21) | 72 (7) | 97 (7) | 70 (10) | 12 (10) | 11 (6) |
| Cp3 | 289 (25) | 38 (5) | 163 (11) | 4 (9) | 108 (14) | 3 (7) |
| Cp4 | 167 (17) | 71 (7) | 115 (8) | 22 (9) | 1 (10) | -55 (6) |
| Cp5 | 273 (22) | 99 (8) | 92 (7) | 47 (12) | 84 (11) | -9 (6) |
| Cp6 | 322 (28) | 162 (12) | 37 (5) | 91 (16) | 9 (9) | -9 (7) |
| Cp7 | 205 (20) | 93 (8) | 98 (8) | -18 (10) | -37 (10) | 19 (7) |
| Cp8 | 146 (16) | 147 (11) | 77 (6) | 54 (11) | 48 (8) | 28 (7) |
| Cp9 | 272 (23) | 72 (7) | 89 (7) | 59 (11) | -25 (11) | -8 (6) |
| Cp10 | 144 (16) | 140 (11) | 98 (9) | 13 (11) | 14 (10) | 80 (8) |
| C2 | 118 (12) | 52 (4) | 38 (4) | -3 (6) | 25 (5) | -6 (4) |
| C3 | 320 (21) | 70 (6) | 54 (5) | 9 (10) | 25 (8) | -5 (5) |
| B4 | 161 (17) | 46 (6) | 61 (5) | -1 (7) | 42 (8) | -2 (4) |
| B5 | 135 (15) | 50 (6) | 53 (5) | -12 (8) | 22 (7) | 11 (4) |
| B6 | 175 (17) | 62 (6) | 50 (5) | -31 (9) | -3 (8) | 0 (5) |
| B7 | 310 (25) | 76 (8) | 53 (6) | 41 (11) | 43 (10) | 2 (5) |
| B9 | 309 (24) | 82 (8) | 39 (5) | 35 (11) | 1 (9) | -17 (6) |
| B10 | 227 (19) | 66 (7) | 49 (5) | 16 (9) | 62 (8) | 1 (5) |
| B11 | 327 (24) | 42 (5) | 51 (6) | 6 (10) | -42 (9) | 2 (5) |

^a See footnote a of Table I. The anisotropic temperature factor T is defined as $T = \exp[-(B_{11}h^2 + B_{22}k^2 + B_{33}l^2 + 2B_{12}hk + 2B_{13}hl + 2B_{23}kl)]$. Thermal ellipsoids are depicted in the figure.

intensities less than 3 times their standard deviations were defined as unobserved and not included in subsequent calculations.

Solution and Refinement of the Structure

The coordinates of the two metal atoms were determined by solution of a three-dimensional Patterson map, and a subsequent Fourier synthesis resulted in the location of all nonhydrogen atoms. After several cycles of full-matrix least-squares refinement, hydrogen atom positions were obtained from a Fourier difference map. Hydrogen atom positions were included but not refined in final least-squares cycles. Temperature factors of 6.0 and 7.0 Å² were assigned to the cage and cyclopentadienyl hydrogen atoms, respectively. The assignment of the iron atom to the high-coordinate site was conclusively established by least-squares calculations in which the positions of the two metals were deliberately interchanged. The elevated residual thereby obtained, $R_w = 0.048$ vs. 0.044, along with the alterations in the temperature factors, indicated that the iron atom was located at position 1. Similar evidence led to the location of the polyhedral carbon atoms at the low-coordinate positions 2 and 3. The final refinement of positional and anisotropic thermal parameters for all nonhydrogen atoms converged to $R = 0.040$ and $R_w = 0.044$. Scattering factors for neutral iron, cobalt, carbon, and boron were taken from Hanson et al.,¹⁰ hydrogen scattering factors were obtained from Stewart, Davidson, and Simpson,¹¹ and the real and imaginary corrections for anomalous scattering by iron and cobalt were taken from Cromer.¹² The function $\sum w||F_o| - |F_c||^2$ was minimized in the refinement. The standard deviation of an observation of unit weight was 1.43. Because of an unexpected asymmetry in the observed molecular structure, a second series of refinements was carried out in which the cage atoms were constrained to have C_s symmetry.¹³ In this refinement, all atoms were given isotropic temperature factors which were refined along with the positional parameters. This refinement converged to $R = 0.073$ and $R_w = 0.080$. The C_s constraint was then removed and the refinement converged to $R = 0.071$ and $R_w = 0.077$. In a final refinement anisotropic thermal parameters were refined for all nonhydrogen atoms. Structural parameters and R values obtained in this refinement did not differ significantly from those obtained originally.

The final observed and calculated structure factors are available.¹⁴ Atomic fractional coordinates are collected in Table I. Anisotropic thermal parameters of the nonhydrogen atoms are listed in Table II.

Molecular Structure

Intramolecular distances and their estimated deviations (esd's) are listed in Table III. Average bond distances, with their root-mean-square deviations, are collected in Table IV. The individual bond angles and their associated esd's are presented in Table V. The structure of 1,8-(η -C₅H₅)₂-1-

Table III. Interatomic Distances^a

| Atoms | Distance, Å | Atoms | Distance, Å |
|---|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Distances in the Cyclopentadienyl Rings | | | |
| Cp1-Cp2 | 1.357 (12) | Cp6-Cp7 | 1.342 (13) |
| Cp1-Cp5 | 1.366 (12) | Cp6-Cp10 | 1.342 (13) |
| Cp2-Cp3 | 1.379 (11) | Cp7-Cp8 | 1.352 (13) |
| Cp3-Cp4 | 1.385 (12) | Cp8-Cp9 | 1.389 (12) |
| Cp4-Cp5 | 1.372 (12) | Cp9-Cp10 | 1.404 (13) |
| Cp1-CpH1 | 1.000 (8) | Cp6-CpH6 | 1.000 (9) |
| Cp2-CpH2 | 1.044 (9) | Cp7-CpH7 | 1.049 (9) |
| Cp3-CpH3 | 1.064 (9) | Cp8-CpH8 | 1.083 (8) |
| Cp4-CpH4 | 1.074 (8) | Cp9-CpH9 | 1.059 (9) |
| Cp5-CpH5 | 1.020 (9) | Cp10-CpH10 | 1.038 (9) |
| Distances around Iron | | | |
| Fe-Cp1 | 2.091 (7) | Fe-C2 | 1.959 (6) |
| Fe-Cp2 | 2.062 (7) | Fe-C3 | 1.945 (8) |
| Fe-Cp3 | 2.070 (8) | Fe-B4 | 2.223 (7) |
| Fe-Cp4 | 2.078 (8) | Fe-B5 | 2.266 (8) |
| Fe-Cp5 | 2.093 (8) | Fe-B6 | 2.205 (9) |
| | | Fe-B7 | 2.249 (10) |
| Distances around Cobalt | | | |
| Co-Cp6 | 2.062 (8) | Co-C2 | 1.928 (6) |
| Co-Cp7 | 2.052 (8) | Co-B4 | 2.150 (8) |
| Co-Cp8 | 2.046 (7) | Co-B5 | 2.142 (7) |
| Co-Cp9 | 2.049 (8) | Co-B10 | 2.074 (8) |
| Co-Cp10 | 2.049 (8) | Co-B11 | 2.034 (8) |
| Boron-Boron Distances | | | |
| B4-B7 | 1.783 (12) | B7-B9 | 1.858 (14) |
| B4-B10 | 1.814 (11) | B7-B10 | 1.755 (12) |
| B5-B6 | 1.833 (11) | B9-B10 | 1.738 (12) |
| B5-B11 | 1.933 (13) | B9-B11 | 1.726 (12) |
| B6-B9 | 1.846 (13) | B10-B11 | 1.839 (13) |
| B6-B11 | 1.871 (12) | | |
| Carbon-Boron Distances | | | |
| C2-B4 | 1.564 (9) | C3-B7 | 1.521 (12) |
| C2-B5 | 1.561 (9) | C3-B9 | 1.618 (11) |
| C3-B6 | 1.581 (11) | | |
| Carbon-Hydrogen Distances | | | |
| C2-CH2 | 0.857 (6) | C3-CH3 | 1.127 (8) |
| Boron-Hydrogen Distances | | | |
| B4-B4H | 1.148 (8) | B9-B9H | 1.199 (9) |
| B5-B5H | 1.160 (7) | B10-B10H | 1.110 (8) |
| B6-B6H | 1.123 (8) | B11-B11H | 0.895 (9) |
| B7-B7H | 1.230 (10) | | |

^a See footnote *a* of Table I.Table IV. Average Bond Lengths^a

| Atoms | No. | Range, Å | Average, ^b Å |
|-------|-----|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Fe-C | 7 | 1.945 (8)-2.093 (8) | 2.04 (6) |
| Co-C | 6 | 1.928 (6)-2.062 (8) | 2.03 (5) |
| Fe-B | 4 | 2.205 (9)-2.249 (10) | 2.24 (3) |
| Co-B | 4 | 2.034 (8)-2.150 (8) | 2.10 (6) |
| C-C | 10 | 1.342 (13)-1.404 (13) | 1.37 (2) |
| B-B | 11 | 1.726 (12)-1.933 (13) | 1.82 (6) |
| C-B | 5 | 1.521 (12)-1.618 (11) | 1.57 (4) |
| B-H | 7 | 0.895 (9)-1.230 (10) | 1.12 (11) |
| C-H | 12 | 0.857 (6)-1.127 (8) | 1.03 (6) |

^a See footnote *a* of Table I. ^b Esd's for average bond lengths were calculated using the internal routine of an HP-45 calculator.

Fe-8-Co-2,3-C₂B₇H₉ is shown in Figure 1, which also illustrates the numbering system employed.¹⁵

The complex exhibits an overall geometry based on the octadecahedron, a closed 11-vertex polyhedron. In this geometry, one vertex is high coordinate (position 1), having six adjacent polyhedral vertices, while two positions (vertices 2 and 3) are adjacent to only four other polyhedral sites. The remaining eight vertices are coordinated to five atoms in the polyhedron. In (C₅H₅)₂CoFeC₂B₇H₉, the iron atom occupies the high-coordinate position, while the cobalt is located in a

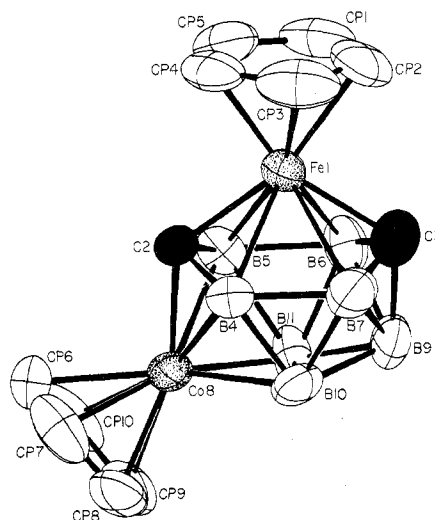


Figure 1.

five-coordinate position nonadjacent to the iron atom. The two low-coordinate positions are occupied by carbon atoms. A monometalloborane fragment with similar geometry was recently reported.¹⁶ In this structure, a cobalt atom occupied the high-coordinate position and two carbon atoms occupied the low-coordinate positions.

Both metal vertices in (C₅H₅)₂FeCoC₂B₇H₉ are coordinated to π -bonded cyclopentadienyl rings, with metal-carbon distances equal within three standard deviations. The iron-boron bonds, however, are significantly longer than the cobalt-boron bonds. This probably reflects the greater coordination number at the iron atom; such an effect has been noted previously.⁸

Neglecting the cyclopentadienyl rings attached to the metal vertices, the molecule has potential mirror symmetry, the mirror passing through atoms Fe(1), C(2), C(3), Co(8), and B(9). Significant deviations from this potential symmetry are observed, however. Two bonds, related by this "pseudomirror", differ by large amounts: B(4)-B(10) = 1.814 (11) vs. B(5)-B(11) = 1.933 (13) Å, $\Delta = 0.119$ Å, and B(6)-B(11) = 1.871 (12) vs. B(7)-B(10) = 1.755 (12) Å, $\Delta = 0.116$ Å. These discrepancies from mirror symmetry are reminiscent of similar distortions noted by Churchill and DeBoer¹⁷ in the structure of 2-(η -C₅H₅)-2-Co-1,6-C₂B₁₀H₁₂; the bond length differences noted by these authors were of the same magnitude as those observed in this work. Churchill and DeBoer suggested¹⁷ that the distortions they observed were due to strains in the "awkward" 13-vertex polyhedron. The observation of considerably less distortion in another 13-vertex metalloborane,¹⁸ and the results reported here, seems to discount this interpretation. Distortions of this type are often attributed to "crystal packing forces", but no particularly short intermolecular distances are observed.

Since the formal two-electron deficiency of (C₅H₅)₂Fe₂-C₂B₆H₈ is accompanied by a significant deviation from the usual 10-vertex geometry, but the one-electron-deficient (C₅H₅)₂CoFeC₂B₇H₉ has the usual 11-vertex octadecahedral geometry, it is clear that further structural data must be acquired before the effects of electron deficiency on the polyhedral geometries of metalloboranes can be safely generalized. Our results reaffirm the structural sensitivity of metalloboranes to the number of available bonding electrons but also indicate that these alterations are not necessarily related to the electron deficiency of the molecule. It appears that further work will be needed to clarify the electronic effects on the structures of metalloboranes and related compounds.

Table V. Interatomic Angles^a

| Atoms 1,2,3 | Angle, deg | Atoms 1,2,3 | Angle, deg | Atoms 1,2,3 | Angle, deg | Atoms 1,2,3 | Angle, deg |
|--|------------|-------------|------------|--|------------|--------------|------------|
| I. Angles around Iron | | | | | | | |
| A. C ₅ H ₅ -Fe-C ₅ H ₅ | | | | | | | |
| Cp1-Fe-Cp2 | 38.1 (3) | Cp1-Fe-Cp3 | 64.8 (3) | Cp6-Co-C2 | 98.5 (3) | Cp8-Co-B10 | 97.8 (3) |
| Cp1-Fe-Cp5 | 38.1 (3) | Cp1-Fe-Cp4 | 64.1 (3) | Cp6-Co-B4 | 120.5 (5) | Cp8-Co-B11 | 121.7 (5) |
| Cp2-Fe-Cp3 | 39.0 (3) | Cp2-Fe-Cp4 | 64.6 (3) | Cp6-Co-B5 | 112.3 (4) | Cp9-Co-C2 | 161.4 (4) |
| Cp3-Fe-Cp4 | 39.0 (4) | Cp2-Fe-Cp5 | 64.2 (4) | Cp6-Co-B10 | 156.9 (5) | Cp9-Co-B4 | 151.6 (4) |
| Cp4-Fe-Cp5 | 38.4 (3) | Cp3-Fe-Cp5 | 65.1 (4) | Cp6-Co-B11 | 148.5 (5) | Cp9-Co-B5 | 130.0 (4) |
| B. C ₂ B ₇ H ₉ -Fe-C ₂ B ₇ H ₉ | | | | | | | |
| C2-Fe-B4 | 43.3 (3) | C3-Fe-B7 | 41.7 (3) | Cp7-Co-C2 | 108.9 (4) | Cp9-Co-B10 | 111.4 (4) |
| C2-Fe-B5 | 42.6 (2) | B4-Fe-B5 | 71.8 (3) | Cp7-Co-B4 | 101.6 (3) | Cp9-Co-B11 | 99.1 (4) |
| C2-Fe-B6 | 86.3 (3) | B4-Fe-B6 | 90.6 (3) | Cp7-Co-B5 | 144.3 (5) | Cp10-Co-C2 | 121.3 (5) |
| C2-Fe-B7 | 86.2 (3) | B4-Fe-B7 | 47.0 (3) | Cp7-Co-B10 | 118.9 (4) | Cp10-Co-B4 | 158.0 (5) |
| C2-Fe-C3 | 110.4 (3) | B5-Fe-B6 | 48.4 (3) | Cp7-Co-B11 | 160.2 (5) | Cp10-Co-B5 | 105.6 (3) |
| C3-Fe-B4 | 84.4 (3) | B5-Fe-B7 | 91.6 (3) | Cp8-Co-C2 | 144.1 (4) | Cp10-Co-B10 | 150.0 (5) |
| C3-Fe-B5 | 87.6 (3) | B6-Fe-B7 | 72.3 (3) | Cp8-Co-B4 | 114.5 (4) | Cp10-Co-B11 | 112.7 (5) |
| C3-Fe-B6 | 44.3 (3) | | | Cp8-Co-B5 | 169.6 (4) | | |
| C. C ₅ H ₅ -Fe-C ₂ B ₇ H ₉ | | | | | | | |
| Cp1-Fe-C2 | 134.4 (4) | Cp3-Fe-B5 | 161.4 (4) | III. Cyclopentadienyl Ring Angles | | | |
| Cp1-Fe-C3 | 105.6 (4) | Cp3-Fe-B6 | 149.4 (4) | Cp1-Cp2-Cp3 | 109.1 (9) | Cp6-Cp7-Cp8 | 109.6 (9) |
| Cp1-Fe-B4 | 167.9 (3) | Cp3-Fe-B7 | 100.0 (4) | Cp2-Cp3-Cp4 | 106.3 (8) | Cp7-Cp8-Cp9 | 107.9 (8) |
| Cp1-Fe-B5 | 114.6 (3) | Cp4-Fe-C2 | 94.5 (3) | Cp3-Cp4-Cp5 | 108.5 (8) | Cp8-Cp9-Cp10 | 105.3 (8) |
| Cp1-Fe-B6 | 101.3 (3) | Cp4-Fe-C3 | 149.6 (4) | Cp4-Cp5-Cp1 | 107.7 (9) | Cp9-Cp10-Cp6 | 108.7 (9) |
| Cp1-Fe-B7 | 139.2 (4) | Cp4-Fe-B4 | 103.9 (3) | Cp5-Cp1-Cp2 | 108.4 (8) | Cp10-Cp6-Cp7 | 108.4 (10) |
| Cp2-Fe-C2 | 159.1 (3) | Cp4-Fe-B5 | 122.8 (4) | IV. C ₂ B ₇ H ₉ Cage Angles | | | |
| Cp2-Fe-C3 | 89.5 (3) | Cp4-Fe-B6 | 159.8 (4) | A. B-B-B Angles | | | |
| Cp2-Fe-B4 | 137.8 (4) | Cp4-Fe-B7 | 127.9 (4) | B7-B4-B10 | 58.4 (5) | B10-B9-B11 | 64.1 (5) |
| Cp2-Fe-B5 | 149.7 (4) | Cp5-Fe-C2 | 100.1 (3) | B6-B5-B11 | 59.5 (4) | B4-B10-B7 | 59.9 (5) |
| Cp2-Fe-B6 | 113.3 (4) | Cp5-Fe-C3 | 143.3 (4) | B5-B6-B9 | 108.7 (5) | B4-B10-B9 | 111.5 (6) |
| Cp2-Fe-B7 | 106.0 (4) | Cp5-Fe-B4 | 132.3 (4) | B5-B6-B11 | 62.9 (4) | B4-B10-B11 | 103.3 (5) |
| Cp3-Fe-C2 | 123.3 (4) | Cp5-Fe-B5 | 102.4 (3) | B9-B6-B11 | 55.3 (5) | B7-B10-B9 | 64.3 (5) |
| Cp3-Fe-C3 | 110.7 (4) | Cp5-Fe-B6 | 121.6 (4) | B4-B7-B9 | 107.5 (6) | B7-B10-B11 | 105.1 (6) |
| Cp3-Fe-B4 | 105.7 (3) | Cp5-Fe-B7 | 164.9 (4) | B4-B7-B10 | 61.7 (5) | B9-B10-B11 | 57.6 (5) |
| II. Angles around Cobalt | | | | | | | |
| A. C ₅ H ₅ -Co-C ₅ H ₅ | | | | | | | |
| Cp6-Co-Cp7 | 38.1 (4) | Cp6-Co-Cp8 | 64.8 (4) | B9-B7-B10 | 57.4 (5) | B5-B11-B6 | 57.6 (4) |
| Cp6-Co-Cp10 | 38.1 (4) | Cp6-Co-Cp9 | 65.8 (4) | B6-B9-B7 | 90.3 (6) | B5-B11-B9 | 109.4 (6) |
| Cp7-Co-Cp8 | 38.5 (4) | Cp7-Co-Cp9 | 65.5 (4) | B6-B9-B10 | 104.9 (5) | B5-B11-B10 | 101.1 (5) |
| Cp8-Co-Cp9 | 39.7 (3) | Cp7-Co-Cp10 | 64.1 (4) | B7-B9-B10 | 58.3 (5) | B6-B11-B10 | 100.0 (5) |
| Cp9-Co-Cp10 | 40.1 (4) | Cp8-Co-Cp10 | 65.7 (3) | B7-B9-B11 | 105.5 (6) | B9-B11-B10 | 58.2 (5) |
| B. C ₂ B ₇ H ₉ -Co-C ₂ B ₇ H ₉ | | | | | | | |
| C2-Co-B4 | 44.7 (3) | B4-Co-B10 | 50.8 (3) | B. C-B-B Angles | | | |
| C2-Co-B5 | 44.7 (3) | B4-Co-B11 | 86.4 (3) | C2-B4-B7 | 118.8 (6) | C3-B7-B4 | 116.1 (7) |
| C2-Co-B10 | 87.0 (3) | B5-Co-B10 | 87.5 (3) | C2-B4-B10 | 109.3 (5) | C3-B7-B9 | 56.2 (5) |
| C2-Co-B11 | 89.6 (3) | B5-Co-B11 | 55.1 (4) | C2-B5-B6 | 114.2 (6) | C3-B7-B10 | 107.1 (7) |
| B4-Co-B5 | 75.7 (3) | B10-Co-B11 | 53.2 (4) | C2-B5-B11 | 105.6 (5) | C3-B9-B6 | 53.8 (5) |
| C. B-C-B Angles | | | | | | | |
| B4-C2-B5 | 114.9 (5) | B6-C3-B9 | 70.5 (6) | C3-B6-B5 | 117.6 (6) | C3-B9-B7 | 51.3 (5) |
| B6-C3-B7 | 115.6 (7) | B7-C3-B9 | 72.5 (6) | C3-B6-B9 | 55.7 (5) | C3-B9-B10 | 103.6 (6) |
| | | | | C3-B6-B11 | 104.2 (6) | C3-B9-B11 | 109.3 (7) |

^a See footnote a of Table I.

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