# **Technetium-Phosphine Complexes. Diethylphenylphosphonite Complexes of Technetium(II1) and Mixed Ligand Complexes of Technetium(I) with Carbonyls and Diethylphenylphosphonite, and Crystal and Molecular Structure of cis-Dicarbonyltetrakis(diethylphenylphosphonite)technetium(I) Perchlorate**

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By reaction of trans- $[TcX_2(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]ClO_4$  (X *= Cl, Br, I) with carbon monoxide at room pressure, the cis- and trans-* $[TC(CO)_2(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]ClO_4$  *isomers were obtained. To this purpose the complexes trans-*   $[TcX_2(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]Y$  (*X = Br, I and Y = ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>, I-) were therefore synthesized. The formulation of all complexes is substantiated by elemental analysis, magnetic and conductivity measurements, i.r. and 'H n.m.r. spectra and for the cis-isomer also by X-ray analysis. In the latter complex the technetium atom presents an octahedral coordination with some degree of distortion. The four Tc-P distances are 2.38(l), 2.41 (I), 2.44(l), 2.44(l) 84 and the two Tc-CO distances are both 1.90(2) A* 

#### **Introduction**

Mixed carbonyl phosphine complexes of technetium are not yet reported in literature. Our only reference marks are the rhenium complexes. The synthesis of rhenium complexes follows essentially two methods: the substitution of carbonyl with phosphine in the carbonyl complexes<sup>1-6</sup>, or the substitution of phosphines with carbon monoxide in the phosphine com $p$ lexes<sup>7,8</sup>. In the first case the reactions are often performed under drastic conditions of temperature and pressure, only in one case<sup>6</sup> the reaction is carried out photochemically in mild conditions. In the second case the operative conditions are normal. We adopted the second method in order to study also the reactivity of the  $[TcX_2L_4]Y$   $(X = Cl, Br, I; Y = Cl^-, I^-, ClO_4^ BPh_4^-$  and  $L =$  diethylphenylphosphonite) complexes, in part already synthesized by  $us^9$ , to the substitution of phosphonite with carbon monoxide. Rhenium complexes having the same formulation to those here described are the  $[Re(CO)<sub>2</sub>(DFE)<sub>2</sub>]X$  (DFE = 1,2bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane, and  $X = \mathbb{C}\Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma$ ,  $\text{SnCl}_3$ and  $ClO<sub>4</sub>$ ) derivatives, synthesized from carbonyl complexes.

To study the change of reactivity as a function of halogen the complexes  $[TcX_2(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]Y (X =$ Br, I and  $Y = CIO_4^-$ , I<sup>-</sup>) were prepared and characterized. Crystal structure of the complex  $cis$ - $[Te(CO)_2]$  $(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4$ ClO<sub>4</sub> was also carried out to confirm the structural data obtained from spectroscopy studies and to achieve informations about the coordination geometry of technetium atom.

### **Experimental**

#### *Materials*

Solid samples of  $NH<sub>4</sub>$ TcO<sub>4</sub> were prepared by concentration and filtration of ammonia solutions obtained from "Radiochemical Centre" Ltd., Amersham (England). The  $(NH_4)_2TcCl_6$  was prepared by electrochemical reduction of  $NH_4TcO_4$  in HCl 6N on a platinum electrode<sup>10</sup>. The  $(NH_4)_2TcBr_6$  and the  $(NH_4)_2TcI_6$ were prepared by refluxing  $NH_4TcO_4$  in HBr or HI conc., respectively. The diethylphenylphosphonite was synthesized by the method of Rabinoviz and Pellon<sup>11</sup>. All the solvents used are purified and dried by standard methods.

# *Apparatus*

Magnetic susceptibilities of dichloromethane solutions were measured by the Evans method $^{12}$  and corrected for diamagnetism of the ligands from tables given by Figgis and Lewis<sup>13</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H n.m.r. spectra were recorded on a Bruker HFX-10 instrument with TMS as internal standard. Conductivities of  $10^{-3}$  molar solutions in nitroethane at 25" C have been measured with an 3 116B model L.K.B. conductivity bridge. Infrared spectra of nujol samples and  $CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>$  solutions with

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CsI windows were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 621 instrument in the  $4000-400$  cm<sup>-1</sup> range, and on a Beckman I.R.11 spectrophotometer in the far infrared region (400–50 cm<sup>-1</sup>).

# *Analytical Methods*

The elemental analyses for the radioactive technetium was carried out by a Intertechnique Liquid Scintillation spectrometer model SL20 with Insta-gel as scintillator. The efficienty for technetium was about 97%. The halides were analyzed by potentiometrical titration with standard  $AgNO<sub>3</sub>$  of oxidized solutions of the complexes with the Shöniger method. The perchlorate ion of carbonyl complexes was determined by conductometric titration in ethanol solutions with  $AsPh<sub>4</sub>Cl$ as titrant.

# *Syntheses of Complexes*

All the preparative work was carried out under nitrogen and with the normal health-precautions' used for radioactive technetium 99.

# *Dichlorotetrakis(diethylphenylphosphonite) technetium(III) perchlorate*

The complex was synthesized following our published method'.

# *Dibromotetrakis(diethylphenylphosphonite) technetium(III) perchlorate*

Diammonium hexabromotechnetate(IV) (0.5 g), diethylphenylphosphonite (6 ml) and anhydrous ethanol (40 ml) were placed in two necked roundbottomed flask equipped with condenser and inlet-outlet tube. The apparatus was fushed out with nitrogen and the reaction mixture was heated under reflux for two hours. During which time the solution became deep redviolet, but the starting solid was still present. By heating for a longer time the complex began to decompose. Then the solution was decanted and diethylphenylphosphonite (3 ml) and ethanol (20 ml) was again added to the residue. The mixture was refluxed for other two hours and the solid disappeared. A lithium perchlorate saturated solution was added to the joined together solutions to obtain a powder precipitate of  $[TcBr<sub>2</sub>]$  $(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]ClO_4$  which was recrystallized from ethanol (yield 75%).

## *Diiodotetrakis(diethylphenylphosphonite) technetium(III) iodide and perchlorate*

Diammonium hexaiodotechnetate(IV) (0.5 g), diethylphenylphosphonite (4 ml) and anhydrous ethanol (30 ml) were placed in two necked roundbottomed flask equipped with inlet-outlet tube. The starting mixture was stirred at room temperature for one hour. The solution became deep green but the starting solid did not completely disappear. The residual solid was filtered away, treated with diethylphenylphosphonite *(2* ml) and ethanol (20 ml) and the mixture stirred for one hour. Addition of pentane to the joined solutions caused precipitation of a blue-green powder of  $[TcI<sub>2</sub>(P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>4</sub>]$ I. The perchlorate salt was obtained by adding a concentrated ethanol solution of  $LiClO<sub>4</sub>$  to a concentrated ethanol solution of the iodine salt (yield 70%).

# *Tram- and cis-dicarbonyltetrakis(diethylphenylphosphonite)technetium(Z) perchlorate*

These two isomers were prepared treating the halides derivatives above described in ethanol solution and in the presence of the phosphonite  $(0.5M)$ , with carbon monoxide at room pressure. We describe two cases since the complex with iodine anion requires different reaction conditions:

a)  $[TCl_2(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]ClO_4$ ,  $[TeBr_2(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]$ ClO<sub>4</sub> or  $[TeI<sub>2</sub>(P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>4</sub>]ClO<sub>4</sub>$  (0.5 g) reacts with CO fluxed on, if it is stirred in ethanol (20 ml) and diethylphenylphosphonite (2 ml) at 50" C for 30 or 8 hours for the chloro- or the bromo-derivative respectively. For the iodo-derivative the reaction was carried out at room temperature for 5 hours. The reaction was stopped when the red or the red-violet color of the starting solutions disappears to give a clear solution. By cooling, white crystals of *trans-[Tc(CO),*   $(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]ClO_4$  precipitated (yield 45%).

The mother liquor, treated with pentane, separated a white powder of crude  $cis$ - $[Te(CO)<sub>2</sub>(P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph<sub>4</sub>]$  $ClO<sub>4</sub>$  impure with about the 2% of *trans*-isomer. This product was purified by dissolving it in a small amount of boiling ethanol and by adding pentane to the cooled and filtered solution. The impurities of *trans-isomer so* reduced to about 0.5%. The yield of crude product was about 36%, whilst the yield of final purified product was of 10%.

b)  $[TeI<sub>2</sub>(P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>4</sub>]I (0.5 g) reacts with CO$ fluxed on, stirred in ethanol (20 ml) and diethylphenylphosphonite (2 ml) at room temperature for 5 hours. The final clear solution, treated with pentane gave a white powder of mixed isomers. The separation of the two isomers was not possible, and the relative yield in the two isomers was determined by  ${}^{1}H$  n.m.r. measurements (yield: cis-, 30%; *trans-, 70%).* 

## *Crystal Data*

The  $cis$ - $[Te(CO)_2(P(OEt)_2Ph)_4]ClO_4$  complex was recrystallized from ethanol.

Triclinic, space group  $P\overline{1}$ ;  $a = 17.708(15)$ ,  $b =$ 13.977(12),  $c = 10.185(10)$  Å;  $\alpha = 93.22(8)$ ,  $\beta =$ 90.48(9),  $\gamma = 96.13(11)^\circ$ , U = 2502.2Å<sup>3</sup>; m.w. = 1047.3;  $D_m = 1.37$ ,  $D_c(Z = 2) = 1.39$  g cm<sup>-3</sup>,  $\lambda$ (Mo- $K\alpha$ ) = 0.7107Å;  $\mu$ (Mo-K $\alpha$ ) = 5.26 cm<sup>-1</sup>. 3570 Independent observed reflections, four-circle diffractometer.

Accurate unit cell and orientation parameters were obtained by least-squares fit<sup>14</sup> for 27 values of  $\Theta$ , $\chi$ , $\Phi$ accurately measured.

#### *X-ray Intensity Measurements*

Data were collected at room temperature for a crystal protected from the air (against the possible oxidation of Tc(1)) and mounted on the Siemens automatic single-crystal diffractometer, with the  $c$  axis nearly coincident with the  $\Phi$ -axis of the goniostat. Intensities were measured with a Na(Tl)I scintillation counter using Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation at a take-off angle of 4.5°. The  $\theta$ -2 $\theta$  scan technique was emploied, using a "fivevalue" measuring procedure<sup>15</sup>. A general reflection was remeasured every twenty reflections as a monitor of crystal stability and to normalize the intensities to a common basis. The monitor reflection was essentially constant with time. In the reciprocal space corresponding to  $2\Theta_{\text{max}}$  of 44° there were 3570 independent reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . Lorentz and polarisation corrections were applied but not absorption corrections. The data were put on an approximately absolute scale with a Wilson plot.

The atomic scattering factors were taken from ref. 16 and values of  $\Delta f'$  and  $\Delta f''$  used to correct for anomalous dispersion in the scattering factor of technetium, phosphorus and chlorine were taken from Cromer's tables<sup>17</sup>.

#### *Solution and Refinement of the Structure*

The structure was solved using conventional heavyatom technique in space group  $P\hat{1}$ . The position of the technetium, chlorine and phosphorus atoms were determined from a three-dimensional unsharpened Patterson function and confirmed by least-squares refinement to *R* 0.31. A difference Fourier synthesis phased on these atoms revealed the position for all 62 nonhydrogen atoms. Four cycles of block-diagonal leastsquares refinement of the positional parameters and their isotropic temperature factors lowered the index to  $R = 0.12$ . From this point all atoms were allowed to vibrate anisotropically except for the perchlorate ion since might be disordered.

Two cycles of block-diagonal least-squares refinement, using unit weight for all reflections, decreased the *R* index to 0.092. At this point the weighting scheme was  $\omega^{-1} = \sum_i a_i |F_o|^i$ . The number and value of the *ai* parameters were re-evaluated several time during the refinement so as to give approximately constant averages of  $\omega(K |F_o| - |F_c|)^2$  for equally populated ranges of  $|F_{o}|$ . Four final cycles of blockdiagonal least-squares refinement converged to a residual index  $R = 0.086$ . A difference-Fourier map computed at this stage showed some peaks up to a maximum of  $0.58$  e $\AA^{-3}$  in the vicinity of the technetium atom position, while the highest peaks (0.84-0.88  $eA^{-3}$ ) are in the vicinity of the perchlorate ion.

Positional and thermal parameters (only for perchlorate ion) are given in Table IV; anisotropic temperature factors for the cation are given in Table V. The atom numbering system used and the configura-





Figure 1. Three-dimensional view of the cation cis-[Tc(CO),  $(P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>4</sub>$ <sup>+</sup>.

tion of the molecule are illustrated in Figure 1, while bond lengths and bond angles with their estimated standard deviations are listed in Table VI and VII respectively.

Equations of the principal planes and the deviations of atoms therefrom are given in Table VIII; Table IX shows interligand (phosphine) contacts within the same molecule; the observed and calculated structure factors are given in Table X.

The solution and refinement of the structure were carried out by use of the Crystal Structure Calculations System  $'X-Ray'70^{18}$ . Calculations were done on the Consorzio Interuniversitario dell'Italia Nord-Orientale, Casalecchio (Bologna), CDC 6600 computer.

## **Result and Discussion**

## *Haloderivatives*

By reaction of  $(NH_4)_2TcX_6$   $(X = Cl, Br, and I)$ with an excess of diethylphenylphosphonite in ethanol, the complexes of technetium(III)  $[TcX_2(P(OEt)_2$  $Ph)_{4}$ ]Y (X = Cl, Br, I, and Y = Cl, I<sup>-</sup>, BPh<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>, ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>) were formed. The chloro complexes are reported elsewhere<sup>9</sup>; the bromo derivative was obtained as solid only with perchlorate anion. These complexes are air stable in the solid state, but in polar solvent solutions their stability might be hold by means of free ligand (about 0.5 *M). The* conductivity measurements (Table I) of  $10^{-3}M$  nitromethane solutions at  $25^{\circ}$ C indicate that these compounds are 1: 1 electrolytes. The magnetic moment data are in good agreement with two unpaired electrons in the technetium(II1) octahedral complexes. A lower value than the expected 3.2 B.M. can be explained with a deviation from the octahedral





 $^{\circ}$  L = P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph.  $^{\circ}$  Excluding perchlorate anion.  $^{\circ}$  X = ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> %.

geometry, expecially for the iodine derivatives. Far i.r. spectra data confirm the presence of two halogens in trans-position (Table II).

## *Carbonyl Complexes*

Ethanol solutions of the dihalogenotetrakis(diethylphenylphosphonite)technetium(III) complexes  $[TcX,$ L<sub>4</sub>]ClO<sub>4</sub> (X = Cl, Br, I and L = P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph) take up CO at 1 atm with the disappearence of deep colours to give clear solutions of the two isomers cis- and trans- $[Te(CO)<sub>2</sub>L<sub>4</sub>]ClO<sub>4</sub>$ . The starting solutions are  $0.5M$  in the diethylphenylphosphonite because of the decomposition of halogenocomplexes. The CO substitution reactivity of the halogenoderivatives increases in the series  $C < Br < I$ . The relative yield in the two isomers is ca. 40% for *cis-* and 60% for *trans-* and seems do not drastically change with the halogeno complexes.

The reaction rate and the yield in the two isomers change with the ligand free concentration and precisely, increasing the concentration, the reaction rate and the yield in the cis-isomer decrease.

These qualitative informations will be substantiated by further studies and will be the subject of another comunication. The two dicarbonyl complexes are air stable in the solid state and in solution of organic polar solvents such as acetone, 1,2-dichloroethane, dichloromethane, nitromethane et so on. Their are diamagnetic

TABLE II. 1.r. Spectral Data of the Complexes.

$\nu(Tc-X)$ Solid	$\nu$ (C-O)	
	Solid	$CH_2Cl_2$ Solution
346		
275		
237-222		
239-223		
	2028(w)	
	1937(vs)	1946(s)
	1933(s)	2009(s)
	1939(s)	1954(s)

and this is consistent with a  $d^6$  spin-paired configuration in octahedral environment and 1: 1 electrolytes in nitromethane solutions. The infrared and 'H n.m.r. spectra are in agreement with the formulation based on elemental analysis (Table I) and indicate the presence of the phosphine ligands,  $ClO<sub>4</sub>$  anion and two terminal carbonyl groups.

# *Infrared and 'H n.m.r. Spectra*

The structure of  $[TCl_2L_4]$  complex has been shown by single crystal X-ray analysis<sup>9</sup> to be lightly distorted octahedral with the two chlorine in trans-position, also the far i.r. measurements are in agreement with X-ray result. By analogy one can assume that the bromo and iodo derivatives has a trans-configuration. The i.r. spectra in the region of stretching (Tc-X) show only a band for  $[TcBr<sub>2</sub>L<sub>4</sub>]ClO<sub>4</sub>$  and two near bands for the iodo complexes (Table II). We can assume also for the  $[TcI<sub>2</sub>L<sub>4</sub>]Y (Y = I<sup>-</sup> or ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>) complexes a *trans*$ configuration but in more distorted octahedron.

The structure of carbonyl complexes are substantiated by i.r.,  ${}^{1}H$  n.m.r. and for the *cis*-isomer by X-ray analysis. The  $[Te(CO)<sub>2</sub>L<sub>4</sub>]ClO<sub>4</sub>$  complex, obtained by cooling the clear final solution, shows two bands in the i.r. spectra but the first one should not be fundamental and the explanation could be the same given by us<sup>19</sup> about cobalt carbonyl complexes. So, we can assume the trans-configuration for this isomer. Further support is given by the  ${}^{1}H$  n.m.r. spectra (Table III).

TABLE III. 'H n.m.r. Spectral Data for the Two Carbonyl Isomers".

Compound	Phenyl	Methylene	Methyl
	Protons	Protons	Protons
trans- $[Te(CO)2L4]ClO4$ $cis$ -[Tc(CO) <sub>2</sub> L <sub>4</sub> ]ClO <sub>4</sub>	7.4(m) 7.5(m)	3.6(q) 3.7(m)	1.22(t) 1.24(t) 1.26(t)

 $^{\circ}$  The spectra were measured in CDCl<sub>3</sub> unless otherwise stated.  $m =$  multiplet,  $q =$  quartet,  $t =$  triplet.

In fact this complex exhibits a  $1:2:1$  triplet  $(J = 7 Hz)$ , centered at 1.22  $\delta$ , due to the resonance of methyl protons of diethylphenylphosphonite split by methylene protons, and suggesting that the four phosphine ligands are magnetically and hence stereochemically equivalent. This indicates that the four phosphine ligands are in trans position, and that the "virtual" coupling between the four phosphorus nuclei is so small that it cannot be observed. The  $[Te(CO)<sub>2</sub>L<sub>4</sub>]ClO<sub>4</sub>$  complex, instead, obtained by adding pentane, shows in the i.r. spectra two strong bands with the same intensity in the carbony1 region (Table II). From the Reickziegel and Bigorgne<sup>20</sup> equation:

 $I_{antisym.}/I_{sym.} = 1 - \cos\delta/(1 + \cos\delta)$ 

the CO-Tc-CO bond angle  $(\delta)$  is found to be about  $90^\circ$ ; these results suggest a structure *cis*- for this complex.

Also the 'H n.m.r. spectra of this complex support this structure. The resonance lines of phosphonite methyl protons appear as two 1:2:1 triplet  $(J = 7 Hz)$ at 1.24 and 1.26  $\delta$  with the same intensity. This is in accordance with the phosphine ligands two to two equivalent.

# *X-ray Structural Analysis*

The main result of the structural analysis is to have demonstrated unequivocally that the nature of the isomerism is of the type *cis-trans,* thus allowing the use of much faster methods (like i.r. and n.m.r.) for predicting and extending the geometrical structure of technetium complexes.

The structure consists of discrete monomeric octahedral cations of cis- $[Te(CO)_{2}(P(OEt)_{2}Ph)_{4}]^{+}$ , the least Tc-Tc separation being 9.90A, and perchlorate anions. The technetium atom presents an octahedral coordination with some degree of distortion (Figure 1, Table VII, VIII); the angles between the planes (1)-(2)-(3) are not very different from  $90^{\circ}$  as required by ideal octahedron. The PII-Tc-PI11 angle is the trans-angle which differs more significantly from the appropriate rectilinear value;moreover, since the plane (3) is the only plane with significant deviations, practically the major part of the distortion can be ascribed

TABLE IV. Final Fractional Co-ordinates **(X** 104) with Standard Deviations in Parentheses and Isotropic Temperature Factor ( $\mathring{A}^2 \times 10^4$ ) for Perchlorate Ion.

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/c	U
Tc	2197(1)	2235(1)	$-1271(2)$	
PI*	3351(3)	3355(4)	$-980(5)$	
PII	1423(3)	3538(3)	$-861(5)$	
PIII	2781(3)	783(4)	$-1551(5)$	
PIV	2173(3)	2310(4)	$-3657(5)$	
C(1)	1282(12)	1384(14)	$-1348(19)$	

'TABLE IV. (Cont.)

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/c	U
O(1)	712(8)	890(10)	$-1381(15)$	
C(2)	2276(12)	2152(12)	583(21)	
O(2)	2323(8)	2087(11)	1740(13)	
O(1)I	3540(7)	3979(9)	-2189(13)	
C(1)I	4072(13)	4861(15)	$-2220(22)$	
C(2)I	4283(16)	5018(18)	$-3651(27)$	
O(2)I	3194(7)	4036(8)	308(13)	
C(3)I	3726(12)	4831(15)	890(22)	
C(4)I	3583(17)	4874(19)	2368(24)	
C(5)I	4266(11)	2955(14)	$-520(20)$	
C(6)I	4351(13)	2653(15)	780(22)	
C(7)I	5043(14)	2350(17)	1148(23)	
C(8)I	5628(14)	2290(18)	254(25)	
C(9)I	5539(12)	2583(16)	$-1092(25)$	
C(10)I	4848(11)	2902(15)	–1462(21)	
O(1)II	995(8)	3550(9)	519(14)	
$C(1)$ II	514(16)	2717(16)	955(27)	
C(2)II	$-103(17)$	3044(24)	1786(34)	
O(2)II	758(8)	3480(10)	–1965(13)	
C(3)II	171(13)	4145(16)	$-1946(24)$	
C(4)II	–347(19)	3886(31)	–3009(34)	
$C(5)$ II	1787(11)	4811(14)	$-785(22)$	
$C(6)$ II	2045(13)	5216(14)	$-1961(25)$	
$C(7)$ II	2322(13)	6173(15)	$-1918(26)$	
C(8)II	2336(13)	6758(15)	$-766(31)$	
$C(9)$ II	2086(15)	6320(17)	423(31)	
C(10)II	1792(12)	5351(13)	426(24)	
O(1)III	2357(8)	135(9)	$-2753(13)$	
C(1)III	2569(16)	-787(16)	$-3236(25)$	
C(2)III	1909(15)	–1325(20)	$-3916(30)$	
O(2)III	3676(8)	898(8)	$-1897(15)$	
$C(3)$ III	4234(15)	159(18)	$-1832(35)$	
C(4)III	4697(16)	208(21)	–2999(35)	
C(5)III	2687(12)	35(13)	$-185(19)$	
C(6)III	2005(14)	–551(15)	$-61(23)$	
C(7)III	1869(16)	–1073(16)	1045(28)	
$C(8)$ III	2426(16)	$-1064(17)$	2074(24)	
C(9)III	3108(16)	–493(17)	1899(25)	
<b>C(10)III</b>	3252(16)	115(15)	826(24)	
$O(1)$ IV	2844(9)	1927(11)	–4513(15)	
$C(1)$ IV	3623(13)	2265(19)	–4478(24)	
$C(2)$ IV	3967(15)	1765(25)	–5598(28)	
$O(2)$ IV	2153(8)	3391(9)	$-4094(13)$	
$C(3)$ IV	2117(17)	3615(19)	–5468(22)	
$C(4)$ IV	1751(21)	4501(28)	–5588(30)	
$C(5)$ IV	1389(12)	1643(16)	$-4605(21)$	
C(6)IV	668(13)	1855(17)	$-4300(24)$	
$C(7)$ IV	38(16)	1439(21)	$-5085(28)$	
$C(8)$ IV	164(16)	816(22)	$-6155(28)$	
C(9)IV	886(16)	618(19)	–6469(24)	
$C(10)$ IV	1515(14)	1011(17)	-5697(21)	
Cl	3709(3)	$-2591(4)$	4854(6)	739
O(3)	4347(10)	–3039(13)	4368(18)	1089
O(4)	3732(13)	–1679(16)	4350(22)	1400
O(5)	3064(16)	$-3082(20)$	4524(27)	1819
O(6)	3717(12)	$-2464(15)$	6214(20)	1269

\* In all the work roman numerals refer to the four phosphine ligands.

TABLE V. Anisotropic Temperature Factors ( $\AA^2 \times 10^4$ ) for<br>the Cation cis-[Tc(CO)<sub>2</sub>(P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>.

TABLE V. (Cont.)



TABLE VI. Bond Lengths (Å) for the Cation cis-[Tc(CO)<sub>2</sub>(P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, with Standard Deviations in Parentheses.



(b) Distances in the diethylphenylphosphonite ligands:







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(b) Angles about phosphorus atoms:



(c) Other angles in diethylphenylphosphonite ligands:



TABLE VIII. Learst-squares Planes with the Deviations (A) of Relevant Atoms in Square Brackets. The equation of a plane in direct space is given by  $Px + Qy + Rz = S$ , where x, y and z are in fractional unit cell coordinates.



# TABLE VIII. (Cont.)



TABLE IX. Interligand (Phosphine) Contacts within the Same Molecule.



to the displacement of PI and PI11 atoms away from PI atom, but remaining still contained in plane (1). At first this distortion appears to result only from nonbonded repulsions between the bulky ligands as suggested also by the average value of the P-Tc-P angles  $(93.2^{\circ})$ , while the six P-Tc-C angles have a mean value of 87.1°. Nevertheless, an examination of Table IX suggests that the larger number of contacts are between ligand III and IV and the angle PIII-Tc-PIV is the only P-Tc-P angle less than  $90^\circ$ . The distortion in the cation  $cis$ - $[Te(CO)<sub>2</sub>(P(OEt)<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>4</sub>]$ <sup>+</sup> is less pronounced than that of the trans- $[TCC]_2(P(OEt))_2$  $Ph)_{4}$ ] compound<sup>9</sup>, and this difference may be due to electronic effects; in fact the Tc(I1) compound has a  $d<sup>5</sup>$  configuration with one unpaired electron, while the compound of  $Tc(I)$  has a  $d^6$  spin-paired configuration. Altough the technetium atom is formally  $Tc(I)$ , two Tc-P (Tc-PI1 and Tc-PIII) distances parallel those of the just mentioned compound of  $Tc(II)$ , while the remaining  $Tc-P$  bonds (*trans-* to carbonyl groups) are little longer.

The difference indicates a *trans*-influence lightly greater for carbonyl group in respect to phosphine ligand, as is normal for ligands with  $\pi$ -acceptor properties (carbon monoxide) that have in *trans-position* a ligand like diethylphenylphosphonite capable of significant  $\pi$ -interaction with transition metals<sup>21</sup>. No Tc-P distances are known in literature, so it is difficult to discuss about and to have an indication of  $\pi$  backdonation and trans-influence. We wish to return on this subject when other technetium-phosphine structures are be completed.

The average P-C  $(1.82\text{Å})$ , P-O  $(1.60\text{Å})$  and C-O  $(1.47\text{ Å})$  distances in the diethylphenylphosphonite ligands are in accordance with the same distances found  $\frac{1}{2}$  [H, Fe(P(OEt), Ph),  $122$ , [TeCl,(P(OEt), Ph), 19, and  $\frac{1}{2}$ (CN),(P(OEt),Ph), $\frac{1}{2}$ 3; the same is true for the angles; the M-P-C ( $M = Fe$ , Tc, Ni) angles are always larger than regular tetrahedral values while a decrease is evident in the tetrahedral C-P-O or O-P-O angles about phosphorus atoms. The C-C distances in the ethoxy groups average 1.48A. A similar situation is observed in the iron (1.46A), nickel (1.44A) and technetium (1.48A) compounds before mentioned.

We have no intention to analyse in detail this situation because it is beyond our aims, but slight disordering of the ethoxy groups was invoked by the other authors.

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The bond distances in perchlorate anion are Cl-O(3)  $= 1.43$ Å, Cl-O(4) = 1.40Å, Cl-O(5) = 1.30Å and 1.39 Å, the mean dimension of O–Cl–O angle is  $109.5^{\circ}$ . Only one distance  $Cl-O(5)$  differs significantly from the expected Cl-O value  $(1.40\text{\AA})^{24}$ , but the O(5) atom possesses the highest thermal motion  $(U =$  $0.1819\text{\AA}^2$ ) in the perchlorate group and many peaks in the difference Fourier synthesis are near this atom, moreover the  $O(5)$  atom is not involved in the closest intramolecular contacts of  $ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>$  anion:  $O(3)-C(9)I$  $(1-x, -y, -z) = 3.43$ Å, O(3)–C(2)IV(1–x, -y, -z) = 3.49 Å,  $O(3)$ -C(10)I(1-x, -y, -z) = 3.30 Å, O(3)- $C(2)I(x, -1+y, 1+z) = 3.47 \text{ Å}, O(4) - C(1)III(x, y, 1+z)$  $= 3.48$ Å, O(4)–C(8)III(x, y, z) = 3.47Å, O(4)–C(9)  $III(x, y, z) = 3.32 \text{ Å}, O(6) - C(1)III(x, y, 1+z) = 3.29 \text{ Å},$  $O(6) - C(7)I(1-x, -y, 1-z) = 3.44 \text{ Å}$ . No cation-cation approaches exist below  $3.34$ Å, the closest intercation separation being  $O(2) - C(10)IV(x, y, 1+z) = 3.34 A$ ; moreover there exists some contacts of the order of 3.5 Å between the  $C(5)$ IV-C(10)IV benzene ring with its centrosymmetrically  $(0,0,-<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>)$  related benzene ring, moreover the benzene rings are not superimposed.

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