Stereochemistry of Low-Spin Cobalt Porphyrins. II. The Bis(piperidine)- $\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta$ -tetraphenylporphinatocobalt(III) Cation in a Crystalline Solvated Salt¹

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Abstract: Abbreviating the dianion of $\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta$ -tetraphenylporphine as TPP²⁻ and piperidine as Pip, the content of the triclinic unit cell of the solvated salt for which structure determination is reported may be written as [Pip₂-CoTPP]+[NO₃,HCO₃]-2Pip. Pertinent crystal data are: space group $P\overline{1}$; a = 12.049, b = 12.911, and c = 12.04910.405 Å; $\alpha = 102.73$, $\beta = 92.04$, and $\gamma = 65.24^{\circ}$; Z = 1; $\rho_{calcd} = 1.247$ and $\rho_{exptl} = 1.241$ g/cm³ at $20 \pm 1^{\circ}$. Intensity data for 8415 independent reflections having $(\sin \theta)/\lambda < 0.743 \text{ Å}^{-1}$, recorded with Zr-filtered Mo K α radiation on a Picker FACS-I diffractometer, were employed for the determination and least-squares refinement of the 367 variable parameters of the structure. All bond parameters in the Pip2CoTPP+ ion are sharply defined and, excepting the metal-nitrogen bond distances, are very similar to those reported for the isoelectronic Pip₂FeTPP molecule. Averaged equatorial bond lengths of Co(III)-N = 1.978 Å and Fe(II)-N = 2.004 Å, along with axial bond lengths of Co(III)-N = 2.060 Å and Fe(II)-N = 2.127 Å, reflect the difference in nuclear charge of the metal atoms. Statistical half-occupancy of the positions assigned to the trigonal anions gives rise to a loose disordered packing with the piperidine solvate molecules and, consequently, to bond parameters for both species that are only semiquantitative. Neither the X-ray data nor the elemental analyses afford a convincing basis for a definite choice between NO_3^- and HCO_3^- as the counterion.

Interesting crystals containing the bis(piperidine)- $\mathbf{I}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta}$ -tetraphenylporphinatocobalt(III)cation(written hereinafter as Pip₂CoTPP⁺) for which we report an X-ray structural analysis are preparable by the chemically mysterious procedure set forth in the Experimental Section. The contents of the triclinic unit cell are a single centrosymmetric Pip₂CoTPP+ ion, two additional uncomplexed molecules of piperidine (NC₅ H_{11}), and just one trigonal or quasi-trigonal anion, nitrate or bicarbonate. Because this single anion may occupy either of two equivalent positions in the unit cell, the resulting crystalline arrangement is characterized by statistical disorder in association with very loose packing of the anions and the piperidine solvate molecules. Inasmuch as neither the X-ray data nor the chemical analyses lead to the unambiguous identification of the anionic species, the formulation, [Pip₂CoTPP]+[NO₃,- NCO_3]- $\cdot 2NC_5H_{11}$, allows for the maximum variation in the composition of the crystalline salt. This regrettable ambiguity notwithstanding, all stereochemical parameters of the Pip₂CoTPP+ ion are quite precisely defined in the crystalline arrangement. Comparison of these parameters with those in the analogous iron(II) and cobalt(II) species, Pip₂FeTPP³ and Pip₂CoTPP,⁴ are particularly illuminating (see Discussion).

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(4) W. R. Scheidt, *ibid.*, in press.

Experimental Section

A few dark blue crystals of the new compound were first observed in the tar-like residue from the slow isothermal evaporation of a chloroform-piperidine solution (1:1 by volume) of nitrosyl- $\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta$ tetraphenylporphinatocobalt(II)5 (ONCoTPP) which had been used in a pmr experiment. Following their mechanical separation from the residue, these crystals were washed with a small amount of cold methanol. One excellent specimen having the approximate dimensions, $0.22 \times 0.27 \times 0.29$ mm, was immediately subjected to preliminary X-ray study by photographic methods and was subsequently employed for the measurement of diffracted intensities on a Picker FACS-I diffractometer. Structure determination had progressed to an advanced stage before we succeeded in preparing the compound in sufficient quantity for elemental analyses, for the determination of its essentially diamagnetic character, and for the recording of its infrared spectrum-which displayed no absorption band attributable to a nitrosyl stretching frequency. The desired compound was obtained by duplicating in essence the conditions in which the first crystals appeared; extending the period of isothermal evaporation over a period of 3 or more weeks was the key to success. X-Ray single-crystal photographic techniques were employed to verify isomorphism of the successful preparations.

Preliminary X-ray study of the crystal by photographic methods together with the experimentally measured density, 1.241 (6) g/cm³ by flotation at $20 \pm 1^{\circ}$, led to a triclinic unit of structure with a cell content consistent with any of the formulations listed in Table I. Lattice constants (λ 0.70926 Å) of a = 12.049 (3), b = 12.911 (3), and c = 10.405 (5) Å; cos $\alpha = -0.2203$ (4), cos $\beta = -0.0356$ (4), and cos $\gamma = 0.4188$ (1); or $\alpha = 102.73$, $\beta = 92.04$, and $\gamma = 65.24^{\circ}$ came from a least-squares refinement⁶ which utilized the setting angles of 38 reflections in the range, $40^{\circ} < |2\theta| < 52^{\circ}$, as given by the automatic centering routine supplied with the FACS-I diffractometer. The noncentrosymmetric space group $P1^7$ was seen to be required for an ordered structure based upon any one of the formulations listed in Table I.

Intensity data were measured on the Picker FACS-I diffractometer using the θ -2 θ scanning technique with Zr-filtered Mo K α radiation at a takeoff angle of $\sim 2^{\circ}$. The range of each scan, taken

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⁽⁵⁾ W. R. Scheidt and J. L. Hoard, ibid., 95, 8281 (1973).

⁽⁶⁾ The program PICK II, a modification of W. C. Hamilton's MODE 1 program was used.

^{(7) &}quot;International Tables for X-Ray Crystallography," Vol. I, The Kynoch Press, Birmingham, England, 1965, p 74.

 Table I.
 Formulations Considered for the Content of the Unit Cell

Formulation ^a	Density (calcd), g/cm ³
I ONCo(Pip)TPP · CHCl ₃ · 2Pip	1.249
II ONCo(Pip)TPP · 2CHCl ₃ · Pip	1.289
III [Pip ₂ CoTPP] ⁺ [HCO ₃] ⁻ · 2Pip	1.246
IV [Pip ₂ CoTPP] ⁺ [NO ₃] ⁻ · 2Pip	1.247
V Pip ₂ CoTPP · CHCl ₃ · 2Pip	1.266

^a Abbreviated notations used: TPP²⁻ for the dianion of $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ -tetraphenylporphine, Pip for piperidine.

at 1°/min, consisted of the base width of 1.7° at $2\theta = 0^{\circ}$ and an increment,⁸ $\Delta(2\theta) = (0.692 \tan \theta)^{\circ}$, to allow for spectral dispersion; background counts, each of 40-sec duration, were taken at the limits of the scan. The intensities of three standard reflections, monitored every 50 reflections, displayed no trend with time. All independent data (~9840) having (sin θ)/ $\lambda < 0.743 \text{ Å}^{-1}$ ($2\theta = 63.7^{\circ}$) were thus measured.

The intensities of the independent data were reduced directly to a set of relative squared amplitudes, $|F_o|^2$, by the application of the standard Lorentz and polarization factor (Lp). Standard deviations were calculated from $\sigma^2(F_o) = (Ct + k^2B)/4|F_o|^2(Lp)^2$, where Ct is the accumulated decacount of the scan, k is the ratio of scanning time to background counting time, and B is the total background decacounts. All data for which $|F_o| < 0.67\sigma(F_o)$ were taken as observed. This rejection level was chosen to ensure the retention of all reflections objectively observed as recognizable peaks on a strip chart record of the scan. Thus, 8415 unique reflections were retained for the determination and refinement of the structure. With the cited dimensions of the crystal and a linear absorption coefficient not greater than 0.62 mm^{-1} (that for formulation II in Table I), the maximum error in any measured intensity resulting from the neglect of absorption corrections was seen to be < 3%.

A three-dimensional Patterson synthesis of the $|F_{\circ}|^2$ data having $(\sin \theta)/\lambda < 0.515 \text{ Å}^{-1}$ clearly displayed the orientations of the porphinato core and of the attached phenyl groups. Rational positions for the nitrogen and carbon atoms in the porphinato core were obtained from the necessarily centrosymmetric Fourier synthesis9 phased by the contribution from the cobalt atom at the origin. In further stages of successive approximation by Fourier synthesis, it became evident that the cobalt atom carries two piperidine ligandsthus eliminating the initially plausible formulations I and II-and, furthermore, that the porphyrin entity deviates little, if at all, from C_{i} - $\overline{1}$ symmetry in the crystal. Approximate positions for two piperidine molecules of crystallization and for a four-atom grouping tentatively identified as a chloroform molecule also were forthcom-This noncentrosymmetric structural model, which conforms ing. to formulation V in Table I, was then subjected to isotropic blockdiagonal least-squares refinement¹⁰ using all of the amplitude data. The resulting transformation of the four-atom grouping into a virtually planar quasi-trigonal entity having neither the geometry nor the large scattering power of a chloroform molecule eliminated formulation V from further consideration.

At this point, the results of the auxiliary physical measurements mentioned above became available. The absence of any absorption band attributable to nitrosyl in the infrared spectrum of the crystals was in full agreement with the structural data and, furthermore, it suggested that the diamagnetism of the crystals must be ascribed to the presence of the d⁶ cobalt(III) atom in the porphyrin to give the Pip₂CoTPP⁺ ion.¹¹ This meant that the quasi-trigonal four-atom entity must then be the required counterion. The two chemically rational candidates for this role were the nitrate ion, derived by

Table II. Atomic Coordinates in the Unit Cell^a

Atom		Coordinates	
type ^b	10 ⁴ x	10 ⁴ y	10 ⁴ z
N	1206 (2)	1508 (2)	85 (2)
INI N	1200(2) 1260(2)	- 1398 (2)	03(3)
	1200(2)	222(2)	-922(2)
	-03(3)	-2210(3)	1200(3)
C _{m2}	3039 (3)	-1032(3)	- 890 (3)
	2430 (3)	-2125(3)	-309(3)
C a2	1014(3) 1117(2)	-2390(3)	040 (3)
C _{a3}	1117 (3)	1175 (3)	-1427(3)
C_{a4}	2480 (3)	-550(3)	-1217(3)
Cbi	3009 (3)	- 3265 (3)	- 25 (4)
C_{b2}	2123 (3)	-3438(3)	542 (4)
Сьз	2238 (3)	965 (3)	-2101(4)
C_{b4}	3080 (3)	-95 (3)	- 1965 (4)
$\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{n}}$	-82(3)	-3140(3)	1908 (3)
C ₁₂	-183(5)	-4802 (4)	3152 (6)
C_{13}	- 738 (4)	- 3789 (4)	1375 (5)
C_{14}	-784 (5)	-4622 (4)	2014 (6)
C_{15}	542 (4)	- 3344 (3)	3041 (4)
C_{16}	491 (5)	-4183 (4)	3660 (5)
C17	4416 (3)	- 2275 (3)	-1154 (3)
C_{18}	6959 (3)	- 3468 (4)	-1544(5)
C19	5162 (3)	-1786 (3)	-484 (4)
C20	6441 (4)	-2388 (4)	-678 (5)
C_{21}	4949 (3)	- 3359 (3)	- 2038 (4)
C_{22}	6224 (4)	- 3947 (4)	- 2231 (4)
N_3	- 388 (2)	-721 (2)	-1834 (3)
Cpl	-1149 (4)	-1390 (4)	-1825 (4)
C_{p2}	-1008(5)	- 535 (4)	-4139 (4)
C_{p3}	-1782(5)	- 1210 (4)	-4127 (5)
C_{p4}	-1231(5)	-2047(4)	-3211(4)
C ^{b2}	-928(4)	104 (4)	-2725(4)
C_{s1}	4602 (13)	3605 (9)	7372 (12)
C_{s2}	5506 (13)	2397 (11)	7223 (14)
C_{s3}	4904 (15)	1650 (11)	6338 (23)
C.14	4639 (12)	1956 (13)	5106 (13)
$C_{\epsilon 5}$	4351 (16)	3817 (13)	5975 (17)
C ₈₆	3694 (13)	3134 (15)	5354 (13)
O ₁	3235 (13)	6064 (10)	5148 (9)
O ₂	1996 (9)	7834 (10)	6066 (10)
O ₃	1903 (7)	6659 (11)	6783 (9)
\mathbf{N}_4	2277 (10)	6907 (11)	6022 (10)

^a The number in parentheses following each datum is the estimated standard deviation in the last significant figure. ^b Atoms are identified in agreement with Figures 1-4.

oxidation of the initially coordinated nitrosyl group, and the bicarbonate ion, derived by the reaction of slowly absorbed water and carbon dioxide (from the surroundings) with the strongly basic medium during the period of 3 or more weeks required for the appearance of the crystals.

The least-squares refinement was then continued with the fouratom grouping taken to be the nitrate ion and, simultaneously, with the assignment of anisotropic thermal parameters to the atoms in the complex cation. It was then noted that (1) the two piperidine solvate molecules were positioned in a nearly centrosymmetric relation to one another; (2) the estimated standard deviations in the coordinates of the atoms in the Pip2CoTPP+ ion were unexpectedly large; (3) the departures from $\overline{1}$ symmetry in this complex, both in respect to chemically analogous bond lengths and thermal parameters, followed a structurally rather implausible pattern; and (4) the apparent thermal parameters of the atoms in the nitrate ion were extraordinarily large. A difference Fourier synthesis, computed with the complex phases of this noncentrosymmetric model and with all of the observed data included, then revealed four residual peaks with densities of $\sim 2 \text{ e/Å}$ which were positioned in approximate centrosymmetric relation to the four atoms of the nitrate group. In view of these considerations, further least-squares refinement was based upon the centrosymmetric space group $P\overline{1}$ with the nitrate ion distributed equally between two equivalent positions relative to the cobalt atom at the origin. Two cycles of refinement led to markedly smaller estimated standard deviations for the coordinates and decreased spread, to <0.01 Å, in the values of chemically analogous bond lengths in the complex cation.

Fully anisotropic least-squares refinement of structure was then

⁽⁸⁾ T. C. Furnas, Jr., "Single Crystal Orienter Instruction Manual," General Electric Co., Milwaukee, Wis., 1966, p 79.

⁽⁹⁾ Use was made of A. Zalkin's Fourier program, FORDAP. Atomic form factors were from D. T. Cromer and J. L. Mann, *Acta Crystallogr.*, *Sect. A*, 24, 321 (1968), with corrections for anomalous dispersion in the form factor of the cobalt atom from D. T. Cromer, *ibid.*, 18, 17 (1965).

⁽¹⁰⁾ The block-diagonal least-squares program, REFINE, written by J. J. Park, Cornell University, was used. The function minimized was $\Sigma w(F_{\circ}| - |F_{\circ}|^2)$.

⁽¹¹⁾ An even more cogent basis for this conclusion was subsequently provided by the determination of structure for the uncharged Pip₂CoTPP species.⁴ The axial Co(II)-N bond distances in this molecule are ~ 0.37 Å longer than the corresponding Co(III)-N linkages in the Pip₂-CoTPP⁺ ion (see Discussion).

	Anisotropic parameters, ^e Å ²					
Atom type ^b	B ₁₁	B_{22}	B33	B ₁₂	B_{13}	B_{23}
Со	1.79 (2)	1.71 (2)	2.50(2)	-0.58(1)	-0.05(1)	0.75 (2)
N_1	2.0(1)	2.0(1)	2.8(1)	-0.6(1)	0.0(1)	0.9(1)
N_2	2.0(1)	1.9(1)	2.8(1)	-0.6(1)	0.1(1)	0.8(1)
C_{ml}	2.6(1)	2.1 (1)	2.9(1)	-0.9(1)	-0.1(1)	1.0(1)
C_{m2}	2.0(1)	2.2(1)	3.1(1)	-0.6(1)	-0.0(1)	0.7(1)
C_{a1}	2.0(1)	2.2(1)	3,3(1)	-0.6(1)	0.1(1)	0.9(1)
C_{a2}	2.2(1)	2.0(1)	3.2(1)	-0.6(1)	-0.1(1)	1.1(1)
C_{a3}	2.3(1)	2.1(1)	2.9(1)	-0.8(1)	0.0(1)	0.9(1)
C_{a4}	2.0(1)	2.2(1)	2.9(1)	-0.7(1)	0.1(1)	0.6(1)
C_{b1}	2.6(1)	2.4(1)	4.1 (2)	-0.4(1)	0.1(1)	1.4(1)
C_{b2}	2.7(1)	2.2(1)	4.3(2)	-0.4(1)	0.0(1)	1.4(1)
C _{b3}	2.7(1)	2.8(1)	3.5(1)	-1.0(1)	0.4(1)	1.1(1)
C_{b4}	2.6(1)	2.7(1)	3.8(2)	-0.9(1)	0.5(1)	1.0(1)
C_{11}	2.7(1)	2.2(1)	3.4(1)	-0.7(1)	0.3(1)	1.2(1)
C12	6.1 (3)	3.1(2)	6.7 (3)	-0.4(2)	2.8(2)	2.4(2)
C_{13}	3.9(2)	3.3(1)	5.9(2)	-1.8(1)	0.0(2)	1.5(2)
C_{14}	5.2(2)	3.5(2)	7.7(3)	-2.2(2)	1.2(2)	1.8(2)
C_{15}	4.2(2)	3.1(1)	3.5(2)	-0.6(1)	0.3(1)	1.4(1)
C_{16}	6.1(2)	3.7(2)	4.3(2)	-0.2(2)	1.6(2)	2.0(2)
C ₁₇	2.0(1)	2.4(1)	3.4(1)	-0.6(1)	0.1(1)	0.8(1)
C ₁₈	2.3(1)	4.5(2)	5.4(2)	-0.6(1)	0.2(1)	1.4(1)
C_{19}	2,6(1)	3.4(1)	4.5(2)	-1.0(1)	-0.1(1)	0.5(1)
C_{20}	2.6(1)	4.8(2)	5.8(2)	-1.4(1)	-0.4(1)	0.9(2)
C ₂₁	2.6(1)	3.0(1)	4.0(2)	-0.6(1)	0.1(1)	0.4(1)
C_{22}	2.7(1)	3.6(2)	4.4(2)	-0.1(1)	0.5(1)	0.4(1)
\mathbf{N}_3	2.6(1)	2.3(1)	2.9(1)	-1.1(1)	-0.3(1)	0.9(1)
C_{p1}	5.0(2)	4.5(2)	3.2(1)	-3.4(2)	-0.8(1)	1.1(1)
C_{p2}	7.2(3)	5.2(2)	3.4(2)	-3.9(2)	-2.0(2)	1.9(2)
C_{p3}	5.5(2)	5.0(2)	4.0 (2)	-3.0(2)	-1.6(2)	1.3(2)
C_{p4}	6.4 (2)	4.5(2)	3.5(2)	-3.5(2)	-1.3(2)	1.1(1)
C_{p5}	5.9(2)	3.5(2)	3.3(2)	-2.5(2)	-1.8(1)	1.7(1)
C_{s1}	18.6(11)	8.1 (6)	11.4(7)	-2.2(6)	-5.8(7)	-2.2(5)
C_{s2}	15.4 (10)	12.9 (8)	14.8 (9)	-6.5(8)	-7.7(8)	6.7(7)
C _{\$3}	18.7 (12)	9.8(7)	42.1 (25)	-9.5(8)	-16.2(15)	12.6(11)
C_{a4}	13.0 (8)	18.8(11)	13.0 (8)	-4.4(8)	0.5(7)	-8.9(8)
C _{s5}	27.7 (15)	14.7 (9)	27.0(16)	-16.6(11)	-20.3(14)	15.4 (10)
C_{s6}	16.4 (11)	23.8 (15)	13.5 (8)	-13.3(11)	-9.4 (8)	8.6(9)
O_1	15.0 (9)	8.8(6)	5.1 (4)	-6.4(7)	-1.5(5)	-0.5(4)
O_2	7.2(5)	8.3(6)	8.0(5)	-1.2(4)	-3.1(4)	-0.7(5)
O3	4.9 (4)	12.2(8)	5.8(4)	-3.2(4)	-1.4(4)	-1.4(5)
N ₄	5.0(5)	6.8 (6)	4.3 (4)	-1.1(4)	-2.1 (3)	-1.5 (5)

^a The number in parentheses following each datum is the estimated standard deviation in the last significant figure. ^b Atoms are identified in agreement with Figures 1–4. ^c The B_{ij} are related to the dimensionless β_{ij} employed during refinement as $B_{ij} = 4\beta_{ij}/a^*_{ij}a^*_{jj}$.

carried to convergence using all of the 8415 F_o data with empirical weights, $w = 1/\sigma^2$, calculated from

$$\sigma = \sum_{0}^{3} a_{n} |F_{o}|^{n}$$

the a_n being coefficients from the least-squares fitting of the curve

$$||F_{o}| - |F_{c}|| = \sum_{0}^{3} a_{n}|F_{o}|^{n}$$

With 367 parameters and a data/parameter ratio of 8415/367 = 23, values of the conventional R_1 of 0.102 and the weighted R_2 of 0.118 were obtained; the goodness of fit parameter was 0.922. A final difference Fourier synthesis had no peak above 0.80 e/Å³. Several peaks with heights in the range from 0.40 to 0.65 e/Å³ were apparently associated with the somewhat disordered "half-anions" and piperidine solvate molecules, while others were positioned to be convincingly interpreted as C–H bond densities within the Pip₂-CoTPP cation. Hydrogen contributions were not included in the refinement of structure owing to the excessive cost of all of the least-squares computations.¹²

The atomic coordinates and the associated thermal parameters in the asymmetric unit of structure are listed in Tables II and III, respectively; bond parameters¹³ are listed in Tables IV–VII. The

Table IV. Bond Lengths in the Coordination Group, Porphinato Skeleton and Piperidine Ligand^a

Type ^b	Length (Å)	Type ^e	Length (Å)	Type ^b	Length (Å)
Co-N ₁	1.983 (3)	C _{m1} -C ₁₁	1.494 (5)	Cb1-Cb2	1.365 (5)
Co−N₂	1.974 (3)	$C_{m2}-C_{a1}$	1.395 (5)	$C_{b3} - C_{b4}$	1.355 (5)
Co-N ₃	2.060(3)	$C_{m2}-C_{a4}$	1.386 (5)	$N_{3}-C_{p5}$	1.492 (5)
$N_1 - C_{a1}$	1.380(4)	$C_{m2} - C_{17}$	1.493 (5)	$N_3 - C_{p1}$	1.501 (5)
$N_1 - C_{a2}$	1,385 (4)	$C_{al} - C_{bl}$	1.433 (5)	$C_{p1} - C_{p4}$	1.527 (6)
$N_2 - C_{a3}$	1.386(4)	$C_{a2}-C_{b2}$	1.432 (5)	$C_{p2} - C_{p3}$	1.522(7)
$N_2 - C_{a4}$	1.385(4)	$C_{a3}-C_{b3}$	1.437 (5)	$C_{p2}-C_{p5}$	1.542 (6)
$C_{m1}-C_{a2}$	1.386 (5)	$C_{a4}-C_{b4}$	1.439 (5)	$C_{p3} - C_{p4}$	1.524 (7)
$C_{m1}-C_{a3}'$	1.388 (5)				

^a The number in parentheses following each datum is the estimated standard deviation in the last significant figure. ^b Atoms are identified in agreement with Figures 1 and 2.

numbering scheme employed for the atoms is displayed in Figures 1–4. Primed and unprimed symbols, *e.g.*, C_i and C_i' , denote a pair of atoms related by the center of inversion wherein the cobalt atom is positioned.

Elemental Analyses. Analyses performed by a commercial

⁽¹²⁾ See paragraph at end of paper regarding supplementary material. (13) Estimated standard deviations in bond lengths and angles were calculated following W. R. Busing, K. O. Martin, and H. A. Levy,

[&]quot;ORFFE, a Fortran Crystallographic Function and Error Program," ORNL-TM-306, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tenn., 1964.



Figure 1. Computer-drawn model in perspective of the centrosymmetric Pip_2CoTPP^+ cation as it exists in the triclinic crystal. Each atom is represented by an ellipsoid having the orientation and relative size concomitant with the thermal parameters listed in Table III. Also shown is the numbering scheme used for all atoms in the ion.

Table V. Bond Angles in the Coordination Group, Porphinato Skeleton and Piperidine Ligands^{*a*}

Angle ^b	Value (deg)	Angle ^b	Value (deg)
Angle ^b N ₃ CoN ₁ N ₃ CoN ₂ N ₃ CoN ₁ Ca ₁ N ₁ Ca ₂ Ca ₃ N ₂ Ca ₄ Ca ₂ Cm ₁ Ca ₃ ' Ca ₂ Cm ₁ C ₁₁ Ca ₃ 'Cm ₁ C ₁₁ Ca ₄ Cm ₂ Ca ₁ Ca ₄ Cm ₂ Ca ₁ Ca ₄ Cm ₂ C ₁₇ N ₁ Ca ₁ Cm ₂ N ₁ Ca ₁ Cb ₁ N ₁ Ca ₂ Cm ₁ N ₁ Ca ₂ Cb ₂	Value (deg) 90.0 (1) 86.9 (1) 87.7 (1) 104.9 (3) 104.9 (3) 123.0 (3) 118.9 (3) 118.1 (3) 122.9 (3) 118.1 (3) 125.6 (3) 110.7 (3) 126.1 (3) 110.4 (3)	$\begin{tabular}{lllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$	Value (deg) 126.2 (3) 110.4 (3) 123.4 (3) 106.8 (3) 107.1 (3) 107.0 (3) 107.1 (3) 108.6 (3) 111.8 (3) 110.4 (3) 108.4 (4) 111.1 (3) 112.2 (3) 127.6 (2) 127.3 (2) 127.7 (2)
$\begin{array}{c} C_{ml}C_{a2}C_{b2}\\ N_{2}C_{a3}C_{ml}'\\ N_{2}C_{a3}C_{b3}\\ C_{ml}'C_{a3}C_{b3}\end{array}$	123.4 (3) 125.8 (3) 110.5 (3) 123.7 (3)	$\begin{array}{c} CoN_2C_{a3}\\ CoN_2C_{a4}\\ CoN_3C_{p1}\\ CoN_3C_{p5} \end{array}$	127.4 (2) 115.2 (2) 115.5 (2)

^a The number in parentheses following each datum is the estimated standard deviation in the last significant figure. ^b Atoms are identified in agreement with Figures 1 and 2.

microanalysis firm gave results with unsatisfactorily low values for the carbon content. Additional elemental analyses (C, H, N) were kindly performed by Dr. Alan Adler, New England Institute, and were used in an attempt to assess the content of the unit cell. *Anal.* Calcd for $C_{63}H_{73}N_8O_3Co$ (formulation III): C, 72.74; H, 6.86; N, 10.44. Calcd for $C_{64}H_{72}N_9O_3Co$ (formulation IV): C, 71.56; H, 6.76; N, 11.73. Found: C, 74.29 \pm 0.52; H, 7.12 \pm 1.33 (four determinations); N, 9.38 \pm 0.3 (two determinations). These data are suggestive of residual contamination of the crystalline salt from the tar-like matrix in which the crystals were embedded. We note that the disagreements with the analytical results are consistently smaller for the formulation III, with HCO₃⁻ as the counterion, than for the alternative choice IV (see Discussion).

Table VI. Bond Lengths in the Phenyl Groups^{*a*,*b*}

Type I ^c	Length (Å)	Type II ^d	Length (Å)	Type III ^e	Length (Å)
$\begin{array}{c} C_{11}-C_{13} \\ C_{11}-C_{15} \\ C_{17}-C_{19} \\ C_{17}-C_{21} \\ AV^b \end{array}$	1.397 (6) 1.389 (6) 1.389 (6) 1.393 (5) 1.392 (3)	$\begin{array}{c} C_{13}-C_{14} \\ C_{15}-C_{16} \\ C_{19}-C_{20} \\ C_{21}-C_{22} \\ Av^{b} \end{array}$	1.404 (6) 1.399 (6) 1.404 (6) 1.398 (6) 1.401 (3)	$\begin{array}{c} C_{12}-C_{14} \\ C_{12}-C_{16} \\ C_{18}-C_{20} \\ C_{18}-C_{22} \\ Av^{b} \end{array}$	1.378 (9) 1.379 (9) 1.377 (7) 1.380 (7) 1.379 (2)

^a The figure in parentheses following the length of a specified bond is the estimated standard deviation. ^b The figure in parentheses following the averaged length for a bond type is the mean deviation from the average. ^c Bond set lying nearest to the molecular center. ^d Bond set lying approximately parallel to the porphinato core. ^e Bond set lying farthest from the porphinato core.

Table VII. Bond Lengths and Angles of the Piperidine of Solvation and the Anion^{a,b}

Тура	(A) Bond	l Lengths	Length (Å)
$O_1 - N_4$	1.39 (2)	$C_{s2}-C_{s3}$	1.57 (2)
$O_2 - N_4$	1.09 (2)	$C_{s4} - C_{s3}$	1.41 (3)
O_3-N_4	1.09(2)	$C_{s4} - C_{s6}$	1.44 (2)
$C_{s1}-C_{s2}$	1.46 (2)	Cs5-Cs6	1.46 (2)
$C_{s1}-C_{s5}$	1.53 (2)		
	(B) Bon	d Angles	
Angle	Value (deg)	Ängle	Value (deg)
$O_1N_4O_2$	120.5(15)	$C_{s4}C_{s3}C_{s2}$	111.3 (12)
$O_1N_4O_3$	120.2 (14)	$C_{s3}C_{s4}C_{s6}$	107.1(11)
$O_2N_4O_3$	118.5(14)	$C_{a4}C_{a6}C_{s5}$	102.2(12)
$C_{s2}C_{s1}C_{s5}$	106.7(11)	$C_{a6}C_{a5}C_{a1}$	107.4 (11)
$C_{s1}C_{s2}C_{s3}$	104.5 (10)		

^a The figure in parentheses following each datum is the estimated standard deviation. ^b Atoms are identified in agreement with Figures 3 and 4.



Figure 2. Diagram of the porphinato core displaying, on the upper half, the structurally independent bond lengths and the numbering scheme employed for the atoms. On the lower half of the centro-symmetric diagram, the special symbol identifying each atom is replaced by the perpendicular displacement of the atom, in units of 0.01 Å, from the mean plane of the porphinato core.

Discussion

Figure 1 is a computer-drawn model of the centrosymmetric ($\overline{1}$) Pip₂CoTPP⁺ ion as it exists in the triclinic crystal. Each atom is represented by an ellipsoid¹⁴ with the relative size and orientation required by the thermal parameters given in Table III.

The upper half of the diagram of the porphinato core in Figure 2 gives the values (with estimated standard deviations) of all structurally independent C-C and C-N bond distances in the core. Also displayed are the values of some structurally important radii of the core, of which $Ct \cdots N \equiv Co-N$ in this case. In the lower half of the centrosymmetric diagram, the special symbol identifying each atom is replaced by the perpendicular displacement (in units of 0.01 Å) of this atom from the mean plane of the porphinato core. The centrosymmetrically related atoms in the upper half of the diagram have displacements of the same magnitude but with opposite sign. Departures from planarity of the porphinato core in this crystal are small relative to those in a number of other porphyrins. As is usual, local flatness is preserved at all trigonal carbon atoms of the inner great ring of the porphine skeleton and, of course, in the pyrrole rings.

Evidence that bond lengths in the porphinato core depart insignificantly from $D_{4\hbar}$ geometry is provided by the data listed in Table IV and displayed in Figure 2. Using C_a and C_b to denote the respective α and β carbon atoms in a pyrrole ring, C_m for methine carbon, and C_p for a phenyl carbon atom that is bonded to the core, averaged bond lengths for the chemically analogous types of bonds are Co-N (=Ct···N) = 1.978 (5, 3), N-C_a = 1.384 (2, 4), C_a-C_b = 1.435 (3, 5), C_b-C_b = 1.356 (1, 5), C_a-C_m = 1.389 (4, 5), and C_m-C_p = 1.494 (1, 5) Å, wherein the first figure in parentheses following each averaged value is the mean deviation and the second is the estimated standard deviation of an individually determined length of the type.¹⁵ Similarly





Figure 3. Computer-drawn model in perspective of the six-atom ring in a piperidine molecule of solvation. All six atoms were taken to be carbon during structure refinement; C_{ss} was subsequently identified as the nitrogen atom (see text).



Figure 4. Computer-drawn model in perspective of the anion, taken to be NO_3^{-1} ; see text for evidence that this ion may be HCO_3^{-1} .

trivial departures from dimensional equivalence are observed for bond angles of a given chemical type: $NCoN = 90.0 (0, 1), CoNC_a = 127.5 (2, 2), C_aNC_a$ $= 104.9 (0, 3), C_aC_mC_a = 123.0 (1, 3), NC_aC_b = 110.5$ $(1, 3), NC_aC_m = 125.9 (2, 3), C_aC_bC_b = 107.0 (1, 3),$ and $C_aC_mC_p = 118.5^{\circ} (4, 3).$

The dihedral angles between the mean plane of the porphinato core and the planes of the two structural classes of phenyl groups in Pip₂CoTPP+ are 69.7 and 64.9°; angles smaller than $\sim 60^{\circ}$ are generally precluded by steric interactions between the pyrrole hydrogen and phenyl hydrogen atoms. The averaged length of the bond connecting the phenyl carbon atom to the methine carbon atom, 1.494(1, 5) Å, is consistent with σ bonding between two trigonally hybridized carbon atoms. The averaged value of the internal angles in the phenyl rings is 120.0 (4, 4)°. The sum of the angles subtended at a carbon atom C_p is 360.0 (0, 4)°, corresponding to planar trigonal carbon atoms. The experimentally determined C-C bond distances in the two structurally independent phenyl rings (Table VI) follow a systematic pattern of foreshortening from the standard 1.397 Å separation owing to the thermal motions of these peripheral groups.

The piperidine ligand is in the chair form, with a CNC angle of $108.6 (3)^\circ$; the CCC angle opposite the

(15) This pattern of reporting averaged values for both angles and bond lengths is followed throughout the discussion.

nitrogen atom is 108.4 (4)°. The two NCC angles average to 112.0° (2, 3); the remaining two CCC angles average to 110.8° (4, 3). The agreement between structurally independent, chemically analogous bond lengths previously noted is maintained in the piperidine ligand with $(N-C)_{av} = 1.496$ (5, 5) and $(C-C)_{av} = 1.529$ (7, 7) Å.

The cobalt and the four porphinato nitrogen atoms of the octahedral ($\overline{1}$) coordination group constitute a necessarily planar, very nearly square, equatorial entity with (Co-N)_{av} = 1.978 (5, 3) Å, and (\angle NCoN)_{av} = 90.0° (0, 1). The collinear Co-N₃ bonds to the piperidine ligands (Figure 1) are tipped 3.85° from the normal to the equatorial porphinato plane roughly within a vertical plane that bisects the N₁CoN₂ angle. Because this plane serves as an approximate mirror for all of the complex excepting the peripheral phenyl groups, the cation otherwise observes the approximate symmetry of C_{2n}-2/m; the quasi-twofold axis lies in the equatorial girdle and bisects the opposite angles, N₁CoN₂' and N₁'CoN₂ (Figure 2).

Indeed, the isoelectronic Pip₂CoTPP⁺ and Pip₂FeTPP species are essentially isostructural as they occur in their distinctive crystalline environments; apart from the orientations of the phenyl groups, each species is allowed to approximate closely to the maximum symmetry $(C_{2\hbar})$ theoretically attainable in the absence of external constraints. The few significant differences in stereochemical parameters are those which are the direct consequence of the differing nuclear charges carried by the metal atoms. Thus for the equatorial complexing bonds, Co(III)-N = 1.978 (5, 3) and Fe-(II)-N = 2.004 (4, 3) Å, as compared with \sim 1.96 and 1.98 Å for the respective lengths of dative bonds to monodentate ligands, and with a Ct. N radius of \sim 2.01 Å for minimizing radial strain in the porphinato core.¹⁶ The substantially larger stretching of the axial bonds, Co(III)-N = 2.060 (3) and Fe(II)-N = 2.127(3) Å, is a necessary consequence of steric interactions between piperidine hydrogen and-most seriously but not exclusively-porphinato nitrogen atoms. Inasmuch as the detailed analysis of these interactions in the Pip₂CoTPP⁺ ion is quite analogous to that given for the Pip₂FeTPP molecule³ (see Figure 3 therein), it suffices to point out that the cobalt(III) species can tolerate intramolecular $H \cdots N$ and $H \cdots C$ contacts (ranging upward from ~ 2.53 Å) which are 0.05–0.10 Å shorter than those observed in the iron(II) species.

We remark also that the foregoing steric interactions lose all importance in the neutral Pip₂CoTPP molecule,⁴ even though this cobalt(II) species crystallizes in the same structural type as does Pip₂FeTPP. The equatorial Co–N distance of 1.987 (2) Å differs little from that in the Pip₂CoTPP⁺ ion, but the gross stretching of the axial Co–N distance to 2.436 (2) Å is required by the presence of the odd electron in the $3d_{z^2}$ orbital of the d⁷ cobalt(II) atom.⁴

In marked contrast with the precisely defined stereochemistry of the complex cation, the bond parameters listed in Table VII for the anion and the piperidine solvate molecules are, at best, of a semiquantitative

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nature. Half-occupancy of the positions assigned to the anions is conducive to a loose disordered packing with the solvate molecules; such packing gives rise to the extraordinarily large and extremely anisotropic values of the apparent thermal parameters for both species which are listed in Table III and shown graphically in Figures 3 and 4. A piperidine solvate molecule (Figure 3 and Table VII) is in the chair form, but difference Fourier syntheses are suggestive of, or at least consistent with, some orientational disorder. We note that structure refinement was carried out with a ring of six carbon atoms because the unique nitrogen atom could not be identified.

The identification of the anion (Figure 4 and Table VII) remains uncertain, although structure refinement was carried out assuming the central atom to be nitrogen. A bond length of 1.09 (2) Å, as listed for both O_2-N_4 and O_3-N_4 , is nearly 0.15 Å below rational expectation for either a nitrate or a carbonate ion, whereas a bond length of 1.39 (2) Å, as listed for O_1-N_4 , is larger by only three or four standard deviations than expectation for the C-OH bond in the bicarbonate ion. Both these data and the chemical analyses fit somewhat better with the bicarbonate ion. A nitrate ion, on the other hand, might plausibly originate from the nitrosyl ligand in the ONCoTPP molecule (see Experimental Section). The intermediate oxidation of coordinated nitrosyl to a coordinated nitrite ion has been reported;¹⁷ the further oxidation and displacement of this ligand (in either order) have not.

Only three types of intermolecular contacts are short enough to be suggestive of hydrogen bonding. The observed separation, $O_1 \cdots C_{s5} = 2.95$ Å, which corresponds in length to a fairly strong O · · · HN hydrogen bond, allows us to identify the unique nitrogen atom in a piperidine solvate molecule with the pseudo-carbon atom C_{s5} of Figure 3. Separations of $N_3 \cdots O_2 = 3.27$ $(N_3H\cdots O_2 = 2.37)$ Å and $N_3\cdots O_3 = 3.38$ $(N_3H\cdots O_3)$ = 2.50) Å are perhaps more indicative of stabilizing electrostatic interactions than of a definite pattern of hydrogen bonding. Of the 33 other intermolecular contacts which lie somewhat below 4.0 Å, roughly half are between carbon atoms of partially overlapping aromatic groupings; none of these approach closely to the 3.35–3.40 Å characteristic of the parallel stacking of planar aromatic species.

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