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***trans*-Dichloridobis[tris(2-methoxyphenyl)phosphine]palladium(II)**

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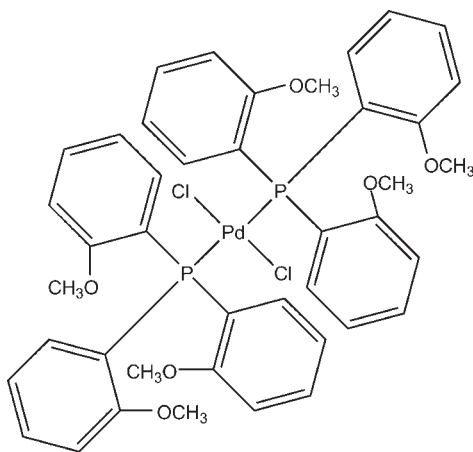
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 294$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005$ Å; R factor = 0.037; wR factor = 0.094; data-to-parameter ratio = 20.1.

The structure of the title compound, $[\text{PdCl}_2(\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_3\text{P})_2]$, shows a nearly square-planar geometry for the Pd^{II} atom within the $\text{Cl}_2\text{Pd}[\text{P}(\text{PhOMe})_3]_2$ ligand set. The Pd^{II} atom sits on a centre of inversion and therefore the asymmetric unit contains one half-molecule, *i.e.* half of one Pd^{II} atom, one Cl atom and one tris(2-methoxyphenyl)phosphine ligand.

Related literature

For related structures and literature on similar palladium complexes, see: Robertson & Cole-Hamilton (2002); Van Leeuwen *et al.* (2003); Williams *et al.* (2008).



Experimental

Crystal data

 $[\text{PdCl}_2(\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_3\text{P})_2]$
 $M_r = 882.00$

 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 9.1415$ (2) Å

 $b = 10.8985$ (3) Å
 $c = 12.0287$ (3) Å
 $\alpha = 103.691$ (2)°
 $\beta = 109.275$ (3)°
 $\gamma = 108.438$ (2)°
 $V = 992.26$ (5) Å³
 $Z = 1$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.73$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 294$ K
 $0.30 \times 0.16 \times 0.10$ mm

Data collection

 Bruker SMART CCD
 diffractometer
 Absorption correction: multi-scan
 (APEX2 AXScale; Bruker, 2008)
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.811$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.931$

 11296 measured reflections
 4894 independent reflections
 3672 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.039$

Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.094$
 $S = 0.97$
 4894 reflections

 244 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.35$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.43$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Pd1—Cl1	2.3120 (7)	Pd1—P1	2.3417 (7)
Cl1—Pd1—P1 ⁱ	94.27 (3)	Cl1—Pd1—P1	85.73 (3)

Symmetry code: (i) $-x, -y, -z + 1$.

Data collection: SMART-NT (Bruker, 1999); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2008); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: X-SEED (Barbour, 2001) and Mercury (Macrae *et al.*, 2006); software used to prepare material for publication: publCIF (Westrip, 2009).

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Comment

The palladium-catalysed methoxycarbonylation (Robertson and Cole-Hamilton, 2002) of 1-alkenes is an active area of research. The preferred (pre)-catalysts of general structure $(\text{Ar}_3\text{P})_2\text{PdX}_2$ ($X = \text{Cl}$, DMS, OTf *etc.*) are either preformed or generated *in situ*. The *x*-ray structures (Van Leeuwen *et al.*, 2003 and Williams *et al.*, 2008) of several of this class of palladium(II) complexes have been determined. Only some of these have found application in the catalysis of the methoxycarbonylation reaction, but their use results mainly in the formation of linear esters (Robertson and Cole-Hamilton, 2002). However, we have identified some palladium(II) complexes which catalyse the regioselective formation of branched esters. We report here the structure of one of these.

The structure of the title compound, $[\text{PdCl}_2(\text{C}_{42}\text{H}_{42}\text{P}_2\text{O}_6)]$, (I), shows a nearly square planar geometry (Table 1.) for the Pd^{II} atom within the $\text{Cl}_2(\text{P}(\text{PhOMe})_3)$ ligand set. The palladium atom sits on a centre of inversion and therefore the asymmetric unit contains the half of the molecule, i.e. half of the palladium atom, one chlorine atom and one tris-(2-methoxyphenyl)phosphine ligand (Figure 1.)

Experimental

Starting ligand material, tris-(2-methoxyphenyl)phosphine (1.408 g, 4 mmol) was added to a solution of palladium(II) chloride (1.288 g, 2 mmol) and anhydrous lithium chloride (168 mg, 4 mmol) in 15 ml methanol. The mixture was stirred under reflux in an atmosphere of nitrogen until all the phosphine reagent had reacted and a yellow product had formed (*ca* 1 hr). The reaction mixture was cooled and the product collected by filtration; washed with fresh methanol and dried under vacuum. The crude product (1.41 g) was dissolved in dichloromethane and crystallization of the title compound was carried out by diethyl ether vapor diffusion into the dichloromethane. The crystals of the title compound were bright yellow prisms (m. p. > 222° C, decomp.) and a suitable crystal was selected for the single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.

Refinement

H atoms were geometrically positioned and refined in the riding-model approximation, with C—H = 0.93–0.96 Å, and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ or $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}$ for Me). For (I), the highest peak in the final difference map is 1.01 Å from Pd1 and the deepest hole is 0.01 Å from Pd1.

Figures

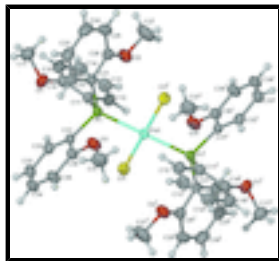


Fig. 1. : Molecular structure of (I) with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry code: (i) $-x, -y, -z+1$].

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$\gamma = 108.438$ (2)°

$V = 992.26$ (5) Å³

$Z = 1$

$F_{000} = 452$

$D_x = 1.476$ Mg m⁻³

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

Cell parameters from 3513 reflections

$\theta = 2.3$ – 25.9 °

$\mu = 0.73$ mm⁻¹

$T = 294$ K

Plate, yellow

$0.30 \times 0.16 \times 0.10$ mm

Data collection

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4894 independent reflections

3672 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.039$

$\theta_{\max} = 28.3$ °

$\theta_{\min} = 1.9$ °

$h = -12 \rightarrow 11$

$k = -14 \rightarrow 13$

$l = -15 \rightarrow 16$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$

$wR(F^2) = 0.094$

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.051P)^2]$

$S = 0.97$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
4894 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
244 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.35 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.43 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
	Extinction correction: none

Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted R -factor wR and goodness of fit S are based on F^2 , conventional R -factors R are based on F , with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating R -factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. R -factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on F , and R -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Pd1	0.0000	0.0000	0.5000	0.02713 (10)
Cl1	0.15837 (9)	-0.10437 (8)	0.59870 (7)	0.04185 (18)
P1	-0.08161 (8)	-0.18084 (7)	0.30980 (7)	0.02821 (16)
O1	-0.0797 (3)	-0.3741 (2)	0.0829 (2)	0.0456 (5)
O2	-0.0304 (3)	0.0196 (2)	0.1933 (2)	0.0514 (6)
O3	-0.3775 (3)	-0.2921 (2)	0.3590 (2)	0.0499 (6)
C11	0.0985 (3)	-0.1701 (3)	0.2718 (3)	0.0330 (6)
C12	0.2580 (4)	-0.0560 (3)	0.3521 (3)	0.0389 (7)
H12	0.2748	0.0032	0.4295	0.047*
C13	0.3914 (4)	-0.0308 (3)	0.3165 (3)	0.0460 (8)
H13	0.4969	0.0453	0.3702	0.055*
C14	0.3682 (4)	-0.1176 (4)	0.2026 (3)	0.0477 (8)
H14	0.4581	-0.1002	0.1796	0.057*
C15	0.2113 (4)	-0.2308 (3)	0.1219 (3)	0.0449 (8)
H15	0.1958	-0.2890	0.0446	0.054*
C16	0.0765 (4)	-0.2577 (3)	0.1565 (3)	0.0367 (7)
C17	-0.1525 (5)	-0.4108 (4)	-0.0510 (3)	0.0573 (9)
H17A	-0.1702	-0.3344	-0.0698	0.086*
H17B	-0.2605	-0.4919	-0.0906	0.086*
H17C	-0.0761	-0.4309	-0.0832	0.086*
C21	-0.2402 (3)	-0.1916 (3)	0.1633 (3)	0.0321 (6)
C22	-0.4005 (4)	-0.3027 (3)	0.0900 (3)	0.0374 (7)
H22	-0.4308	-0.3776	0.1153	0.045*
C23	-0.5172 (4)	-0.3056 (4)	-0.0200 (3)	0.0471 (8)
H23	-0.6235	-0.3822	-0.0693	0.056*
C24	-0.4724 (5)	-0.1919 (4)	-0.0553 (3)	0.0572 (9)

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H24	-0.5514	-0.1908	-0.1270	0.069*
C25	-0.3139 (5)	-0.0814 (4)	0.0140 (3)	0.0540 (9)
H25	-0.2853	-0.0065	-0.0115	0.065*
C26	-0.1954 (4)	-0.0806 (3)	0.1223 (3)	0.0388 (7)
C27	0.0186 (6)	0.1455 (4)	0.1722 (5)	0.0838 (14)
H27A	-0.0617	0.1842	0.1745	0.126*
H27B	0.0196	0.1268	0.0904	0.126*
H27C	0.1313	0.2110	0.2374	0.126*
C31	-0.1653 (3)	-0.3488 (3)	0.3249 (3)	0.0311 (6)
C32	-0.0820 (4)	-0.4361 (3)	0.3219 (3)	0.0397 (7)
H32	0.0107	-0.4142	0.3021	0.048*
C33	-0.1362 (5)	-0.5554 (3)	0.3482 (3)	0.0507 (9)
H33	-0.0805	-0.6135	0.3454	0.061*
C34	-0.2717 (5)	-0.5873 (3)	0.3784 (3)	0.0574 (9)
H34	-0.3069	-0.6668	0.3969	0.069*
C35	-0.3573 (5)	-0.5032 (3)	0.3817 (3)	0.0522 (9)
H35	-0.4505	-0.5267	0.4009	0.063*
C36	-0.3034 (4)	-0.3833 (3)	0.3561 (3)	0.0403 (7)
C37	-0.5075 (5)	-0.3122 (4)	0.4017 (4)	0.0604 (10)
H37A	-0.4612	-0.3054	0.4882	0.091*
H37B	-0.6007	-0.4031	0.3488	0.091*
H37C	-0.5486	-0.2418	0.3968	0.091*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Pd1	0.02580 (16)	0.02587 (16)	0.02807 (18)	0.01139 (13)	0.01105 (13)	0.00837 (13)
Cl1	0.0434 (4)	0.0428 (4)	0.0399 (4)	0.0256 (4)	0.0126 (4)	0.0151 (4)
P1	0.0270 (4)	0.0260 (4)	0.0292 (4)	0.0104 (3)	0.0123 (3)	0.0080 (3)
O1	0.0460 (13)	0.0431 (12)	0.0391 (13)	0.0129 (11)	0.0218 (11)	0.0058 (11)
O2	0.0507 (14)	0.0417 (12)	0.0597 (16)	0.0118 (11)	0.0254 (12)	0.0255 (12)
O3	0.0570 (14)	0.0500 (13)	0.0703 (17)	0.0293 (12)	0.0437 (13)	0.0363 (13)
C11	0.0313 (14)	0.0336 (15)	0.0346 (16)	0.0148 (12)	0.0158 (13)	0.0107 (13)
C12	0.0347 (16)	0.0396 (16)	0.0374 (17)	0.0140 (14)	0.0153 (14)	0.0104 (14)
C13	0.0309 (16)	0.0493 (19)	0.056 (2)	0.0150 (15)	0.0182 (16)	0.0205 (17)
C14	0.0445 (18)	0.060 (2)	0.060 (2)	0.0299 (17)	0.0343 (18)	0.0301 (19)
C15	0.0510 (19)	0.0494 (19)	0.045 (2)	0.0264 (17)	0.0296 (17)	0.0175 (17)
C16	0.0381 (16)	0.0345 (15)	0.0401 (18)	0.0169 (13)	0.0199 (14)	0.0128 (14)
C17	0.062 (2)	0.055 (2)	0.040 (2)	0.0152 (19)	0.0176 (18)	0.0142 (18)
C21	0.0349 (15)	0.0357 (15)	0.0280 (15)	0.0174 (13)	0.0150 (13)	0.0111 (13)
C22	0.0354 (16)	0.0389 (16)	0.0338 (16)	0.0168 (14)	0.0134 (14)	0.0089 (14)
C23	0.0415 (18)	0.053 (2)	0.0350 (18)	0.0240 (16)	0.0079 (15)	0.0063 (16)
C24	0.061 (2)	0.073 (3)	0.0312 (18)	0.039 (2)	0.0069 (17)	0.0153 (18)
C25	0.076 (3)	0.054 (2)	0.044 (2)	0.035 (2)	0.026 (2)	0.0282 (18)
C26	0.0434 (17)	0.0390 (16)	0.0357 (17)	0.0185 (14)	0.0191 (15)	0.0135 (14)
C27	0.092 (3)	0.052 (2)	0.102 (4)	0.013 (2)	0.041 (3)	0.047 (3)
C31	0.0337 (14)	0.0236 (13)	0.0253 (14)	0.0084 (12)	0.0070 (12)	0.0056 (12)
C32	0.0413 (17)	0.0349 (16)	0.0309 (16)	0.0145 (14)	0.0073 (14)	0.0079 (13)

C33	0.067 (2)	0.0354 (17)	0.042 (2)	0.0262 (17)	0.0112 (18)	0.0138 (16)
C34	0.082 (3)	0.0341 (18)	0.047 (2)	0.0177 (18)	0.021 (2)	0.0208 (17)
C35	0.064 (2)	0.0405 (18)	0.056 (2)	0.0166 (17)	0.0304 (19)	0.0270 (18)
C36	0.0459 (17)	0.0335 (15)	0.0386 (18)	0.0135 (14)	0.0178 (15)	0.0153 (14)
C37	0.064 (2)	0.067 (2)	0.073 (3)	0.030 (2)	0.048 (2)	0.036 (2)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Pd1—C11 ⁱ	2.3120 (7)	C21—C22	1.382 (4)
Pd1—C11	2.3120 (7)	C21—C26	1.406 (4)
Pd1—P1 ⁱ	2.3417 (7)	C22—C23	1.385 (4)
Pd1—P1	2.3417 (7)	C22—H22	0.9300
P1—C11	1.826 (3)	C23—C24	1.388 (5)
P1—C31	1.825 (3)	C23—H23	0.9300
P1—C21	1.824 (3)	C24—C25	1.367 (5)
O1—C16	1.386 (3)	C24—H24	0.9300
O1—C17	1.420 (4)	C25—C26	1.389 (4)
O2—C26	1.365 (4)	C25—H25	0.9300
O2—C27	1.415 (4)	C27—H27A	0.9600
O3—C36	1.370 (4)	C27—H27B	0.9600
O3—C37	1.419 (4)	C27—H27C	0.9600
C11—C16	1.394 (4)	C31—C32	1.395 (4)
C11—C12	1.400 (4)	C31—C36	1.398 (4)
C12—C13	1.391 (4)	C32—C33	1.388 (4)
C12—H12	0.9300	C32—H32	0.9300
C13—C14	1.373 (5)	C33—C34	1.368 (5)
C13—H13	0.9300	C33—H33	0.9300
C14—C15	1.384 (5)	C34—C35	1.383 (5)
C14—H14	0.9300	C34—H34	0.9300
C15—C16	1.395 (4)	C35—C36	1.388 (4)
C15—H15	0.9300	C35—H35	0.9300
C17—H17A	0.9600	C37—H37A	0.9600
C17—H17B	0.9600	C37—H37B	0.9600
C17—H17C	0.9600	C37—H37C	0.9600
C11 ⁱ —Pd1—C11	180.00 (4)	C21—C22—H22	119.1
C11 ⁱ —Pd1—P1 ⁱ	85.73 (3)	C22—C23—C24	118.7 (3)
C11—Pd1—P1 ⁱ	94.27 (3)	C22—C23—H23	120.7
C11 ⁱ —Pd1—P1	94.27 (3)	C24—C23—H23	120.7
C11—Pd1—P1	85.73 (3)	C25—C24—C23	120.9 (3)
P1 ⁱ —Pd1—P1	180.0	C25—C24—H24	119.5
C11—P1—C31	107.32 (13)	C23—C24—H24	119.5
C11—P1—C21	102.23 (13)	C24—C25—C26	120.2 (3)
C31—P1—C21	107.11 (13)	C24—C25—H25	119.9
C11—P1—Pd1	112.29 (9)	C26—C25—H25	119.9
C31—P1—Pd1	109.33 (9)	O2—C26—C25	124.9 (3)
C21—P1—Pd1	117.89 (9)	O2—C26—C21	115.1 (3)
C16—O1—C17	117.7 (2)	C25—C26—C21	120.0 (3)

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C26—O2—C27	119.1 (3)	O2—C27—H27A	109.5
C36—O3—C37	119.0 (2)	O2—C27—H27B	109.5
C16—C11—C12	118.9 (2)	H27A—C27—H27B	109.5
C16—C11—P1	122.1 (2)	O2—C27—H27C	109.5
C12—C11—P1	118.1 (2)	H27A—C27—H27C	109.5
C13—C12—C11	120.2 (3)	H27B—C27—H27C	109.5
C13—C12—H12	119.9	C32—C31—C36	118.6 (3)
C11—C12—H12	119.9	C32—C31—P1	121.6 (2)
C14—C13—C12	120.4 (3)	C36—C31—P1	119.3 (2)
C14—C13—H13	119.8	C33—C32—C31	120.7 (3)
C12—C13—H13	119.8	C33—C32—H32	119.7
C13—C14—C15	120.2 (3)	C31—C32—H32	119.7
C13—C14—H14	119.9	C34—C33—C32	119.8 (3)
C15—C14—H14	119.9	C34—C33—H33	120.1
C14—C15—C16	120.1 (3)	C32—C33—H33	120.1
C14—C15—H15	120.0	C33—C34—C35	120.9 (3)
C16—C15—H15	120.0	C33—C34—H34	119.5
O1—C16—C11	117.3 (2)	C35—C34—H34	119.5
O1—C16—C15	122.4 (3)	C34—C35—C36	119.6 (3)
C11—C16—C15	120.2 (3)	C34—C35—H35	120.2
O1—C17—H17A	109.5	C36—C35—H35	120.2
O1—C17—H17B	109.5	O3—C36—C35	124.1 (3)
H17A—C17—H17B	109.5	O3—C36—C31	115.5 (2)
O1—C17—H17C	109.5	C35—C36—C31	120.4 (3)
H17A—C17—H17C	109.5	O3—C37—H37A	109.5
H17B—C17—H17C	109.5	O3—C37—H37B	109.5
C22—C21—C26	118.3 (3)	H37A—C37—H37B	109.5
C22—C21—P1	123.9 (2)	O3—C37—H37C	109.5
C26—C21—P1	117.8 (2)	H37A—C37—H37C	109.5
C23—C22—C21	121.8 (3)	H37B—C37—H37C	109.5
C23—C22—H22	119.1		

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x, -y, -z+1$.

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