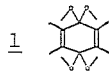


**09.1-05** THE ANTI, ANTI CONFORMATION OF TETRAMETHOXY-TETRAMETHYL-1,4-CYCLOHEXADIENE. AN OVERRIDING OF THE ANOMERIC EFFECT.

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The title compound **1** has been studied by X-ray diffraction analysis at 96 K.



The compound reveals some interesting conformational features. The methoxy groups adopt an anti,anti conformation which is quite unusual and opposed to the normal gauche,gauche form dictated by the anomeric effect. The molecular site symmetry is  $\bar{1}$  and the geometry of the acetal group is characterized by C(central)-O = 1.431(1) Å, O-Me = 1.425(1) Å, Me-O-C = 115.0(1)°, O-C-O = 99.0(1)° and Me-O-C-O = 180(1)°. The extraordinarily small O-C-O angle is in accord with ab initio calculations on dimethoxymethane (Gorenstein&Kar JACS 99(1977)672) but our central C-O bond lengths are significantly longer than those calculated by Jeffrey et al. (JACS 100(1978)373). In search of the origin of the anomeric effect force field calculations have been employed. Thus the reason for the very small O-C-O angle in the anti,anti conformation is elucidated by these calculations.

Another aspect of **1** is the presence of the sterically hindered methyl groups on the double bonds. The two groups are different in terms of their rotation with respect to the double bond. One has a hydrogen eclipsing the double bond, the other has one perpendicular to it.

**09.1-06** BONDING OF AMIDINE LIGANDS.

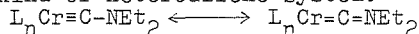
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Amidino groups  $-N(R')C(R):NR'$  are isoelectronic with both allyl and carboxylato groups; so, like them, they may be expected to exhibit a number of bonding modes when acting as ligands to metal atoms. There is the possibility of  $\pi$  attachment, with the plane of the ligand perpendicular to the ligand-metal bond. There is also the possibility of  $\sigma$  attachment in a unidentate manner, using one nitrogen atom, or in a bidentate or bridging manner, using both nitrogen atoms. Further possibilities are  $\sigma, \pi$  attachment involving  $\sigma$  bonding from one nitrogen and  $\pi$ -bonding from the C=N bond to the other nitrogen atom, or bidentate or bridging attachment involving one nitrogen together with some other atom of the ligand. For bidentate or bridging attachment, there is also the interesting question of the extent of electron delocalisation within the N=C=N system. A number of complexes containing amidino groups are therefore being examined crystallographically to establish the range of bonding modes encountered in practice and to examine the detailed geometry of those that do occur. The present paper describes two cases of  $\sigma, \sigma$  bidentate bonding to palladium, one involving the two nitrogen atoms and one involving one nitrogen atom and the ortho carbon atom of a phenyl ring attached to the other nitrogen atom.

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**09.1-07** AMINOCARBYNE COMPLEXES OF CHROMIUM: STRUCTURES AND BONDING. By U.Schubert, D.Neugebauer, K.Ackermann, Anorganisch-Chemisches Institut der Technischen Universität München, Garching; P.Hofmann and B.E.R.Schilling, Institut für Organische Chemie I, Universität Erlangen, W-Germany.

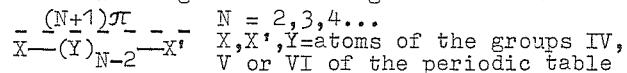
Structure determinations of the aminocarbene complexes  $[trans-L(CO)_4CrCNET_2]BF_4$  (L=PPh<sub>3</sub> and CO), mer-Br(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>3</sub>CrCNET<sub>2</sub> and trans-L(CO)<sub>4</sub>CrCNET<sub>2</sub> (L=Br) [Fischer, Huttner, Kleine and Frank, Angew.Chem.Int.Ed.(1975) 14,760], SnPh<sub>3</sub> and SePh) have been performed in order to obtain information about the influence of the varying metal complex moiety on the bonding parameters of the carbene ligand. Extended-Hückel-MO calculations at suitable models and the analysis of fragment orbital interactions serve the discussion of bonding. In each complex the amino group is conjugated with the Cr-C(carbyne) bond, forming a kind of heteroallene system.



The degree of conjugation can be influenced by the  $\sigma$ - and  $\pi$ -donor abilities of the ligand trans to the carbene group and can be followed by the Cr-C and C-N bond lengths. In Br(CO)<sub>4</sub>CrCNET<sub>2</sub> the highest Cr-C(carbyne) bond order is found (Cr-C 1.72(1), C-N 1.29(1) Å), in [(CO)<sub>5</sub>CrCNET<sub>2</sub>]BF<sub>4</sub> the lowest one (Cr-C 1.80(1), C-N 1.26<sup>4</sup>(1) Å). For cis ligands other influences have to be discussed, too.

**09.1-08** THE POLYMETHINIC STATE—A STRUCTURAL PRINCIPLE OF UNSATURATED ORGANIC COMPOUNDS. By S.Kulpe, Central Institute of Physical Chemistry, Academy of Sciences of the German Democratic Republic, DDR-1199 Berlin.

Most coloured organic compounds contain polymethinic fragments of the general formula



odd N from 3 upwards corresponds to polymethinic dyes, even N from 2 upwards corresponds to polymethinic radicals (Dähne; Kulpe: Abh. Akad.Wiss.DDR (1977) NS, 1-128). The ideal polymethinic state is characterized by: high resonance energy; maximum equalisation of  $\pi$ -bond orders; strongly alternating  $\pi$ -electron density distribution along the polymethinic chain in the ground state. Polymethines show e.g. deep colour, high optical polarisability, preferentially nucleophilic and electrophilic substitution reactions. The polymethinic state besides the aromatic and polyenic state is a basic structural element in unsaturated organic compounds. Many structures may be considered as being composed from polymethinic, aromatic and polyenic fragments (Dähne; Leupold: Angew.Chem.(1966) 78, 1029; Fabian; Tröger-Naake: J.prakt.Chem.(1976) 318, 801 and Dähne; Kulpe: J.prakt.Chem.(1978) 320, 395). Where the number of  $\pi$ -electrons in compounds of comparable size is identical, compounds in the polymethinic state will always be the deepest in colour, that is they combine a maximum transition probability with a relatively low transition energy. There exists a quantum chemical model for the ideal polymethinic state (Fabian; Hart-

mann: J.Signal-AM. (1974) 2, 457 and J.Molec. Structure (1975) 27, 67 and Theoret.Chim.Acta (1975) 36, 351 based on MO-theory. The polymethinic electron system corresponds to a defined spatial configuration of the molecules and a special intermolecular arrangement. Results of X-ray diffraction have contributed essentially to the general understanding and to the development of the theory. Significantly geometrical features of the polymethinic state are: equalisation of bond lengths and alternation of valence angles (Kulpe; Zedler; Dähne; Nolte: J.prakt.Chem. (1973) 315, 865); special intermolecular aggregation (Kulpe; Dähne; Ziemer; Schulz: Photogr.Sci.Eng. (1976) 20, 205); long bond lengths between  $Csp^2$  atoms in coupled polymethines (Kulpe; Dähne: Acta Cryst. (1978) B34, 3616). In the last case canonic structures with the same sign of charge at neighbouring atoms are preferred as opposed to Pauling's rule (Pauling: Proc.nat.Acad.Sci.USA (1932) 18, 498). Special behaviour of the carbonyl group can be explained on the basis of the polymethine concept (Kulpe; Z.Chem. (1980) 20, 377 and Angew. Chem. in press). In photochromic azomethine imine-1,3-dipoles heteroatom polymethinic fragments are present causing strong intermolecular C-H...O hydrogen bonds (Kulpe; Seidel: Z.phys.Chem. in press). Nearly ideal polymethinic compounds are e.g. open chained cyanines and oxonols and coupled polymethines like substituted hydroxybenzoquinones, aminobenzoquinones, oxalates and oxamates (Fabian: J.prakt.Chem. (1978) 320, 316). Typical polymethine radicals with branched polymethinic fragments are Wurster's coloured salts (cf. 1.ref.). NMR spectroscopy provides further experimental verification of the polymethinic electron system (Radeglia: J.prakt.Chem. (1974) 316, 344).

**09.2-01** THE CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF 3'-FLUOROBIPHENYL-4-CARBOXYLIC ACID. By A. Rawas and H.H. Sutherland, Physics Department, University of Hull, Hull, England.

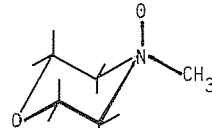
3'-Fluorobiphenyl-4-carboxylic acid,  $C_{13}H_9O_2F$ , is monoclinic, space group  $P2_1/c$ , with  $a = 3.92(1)$ ,  $b = 8.04(1)$ ,  $c = 32.50(2)\text{Å}$ ,  $\beta = 101.6(1)^\circ$ ,  $Z = 4$ ,  $D_m = 1.42$ ,  $D_c = 1.43 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ . The structure was solved by Patterson synthesis with  $CuK\alpha$  x-ray data measured by densitometer and visually from equi inclination Weissenberg photographs. It was refined anisotropically by block diagonal least squares to  $R = 0.08$  for 895 reflexions. The average C-C bond in the two phenyl rings is  $1.390\text{Å}$ . The molecule is non planar; the two phenyl rings are rotated about the phenyl-phenyl bond by  $36.3^\circ$  and the acid group is rotated about its C-C bond by  $3.6^\circ$ . There is also distortion in the bond angle around C(3) with the internal angle of  $124.5(1.2)^\circ$ ; the C-F bond is  $1.363(13)\text{Å}$  and makes an angle of  $2^\circ$  with the phenyl plane.

Dimers formed from the molecules by an O-H...O bond of  $2.623(15)\text{Å}$ , pack in a herring bone arrangement with the fluorine atoms lying in sheets parallel to (001).

**09.2-02** THE CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURES OF SOME TERTIARY AMINE OXIDES.

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Recent investigations came to focus on tertiary amine oxides which look most promising for their cellulose dissolving power. To elucidate some of their structural characteristics, along with their possible mode of interactions with cellulose chains, a crystallographic investigation has been undertaken. Most attention has been devoted to N-methylmorpholine N-oxide (MMNO) : ( $C_5H_{11}NO_2$ ).



- Anhydrous MMNO (MP=172°C) is monoclinic  $P2_1/m$ , ( $a = 9.886(5)$ ,  $b = 6.621(5)$ ,  $c = 5.112(4)$ ,  $\beta = 111.54(10)$ ,  $Z = 2$ ). The structure has been refined to  $R = 0.047$ . The molecule is found to be in a perfect chair conformation and the  $N \rightarrow O$  bond to be axially oriented with respect to the ring.

-MMNO,  $H_2O$  (MP=73°C) is monoclinic  $P2_1/c$  ( $a = 25.481(9)$ ,  $b = 6.040(5)$ ,  $c = 9.186(6)$ ,  $\beta = 99.88(10)^\circ$ ,  $Z = 8$ ). The structure has been refined to  $R = 0.042$ . Within the crystal, the water molecules are structured into a polymer-like fashion by the MMNO molecules through an extensive hydrogen bonding scheme. There exists a distinct segregation between the hydrophobic and the hydrophilic parts of the structure.

-MMNO, 2.5  $H_2O$  (MP=36°C) is monoclinic  $P2_1/c$ ,  $a = 12.803(6)$ ,  $b = 6.500(4)$ ,  $c = 21.913(8)$ ,  $\beta = 109.99(10)$  ( $Z = 8$ ). The structure has been refined to  $R = 0.042$ . An intricate network of 10 different hydrogen bonds holds the molecules in the crystal.

-MMNO : 1,2-trans-cyclohexanediol complex is monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$ , ( $a = 6.137(3)$ ,  $b = 10.153(4)$ ,  $c = 21.015(6)$ ,  $\beta = 94.33(10)^\circ$ ,  $Z = 4$ ). The structure has been refined to  $R = 0.042$ . The geometry and conformation of MMNO are the same as those found in the other structures. The 1,2-trans-cyclohexanediol molecule is in a chair conformation and the hydroxylic oxygen atoms are in a diequatorial arrangement. The  $N \rightarrow O$  structuring site of MMNO links through bifurcated hydrogen bonds contiguous 1,2-trans-cyclohexanediol molecules oriented into a polymer-like fashion.