

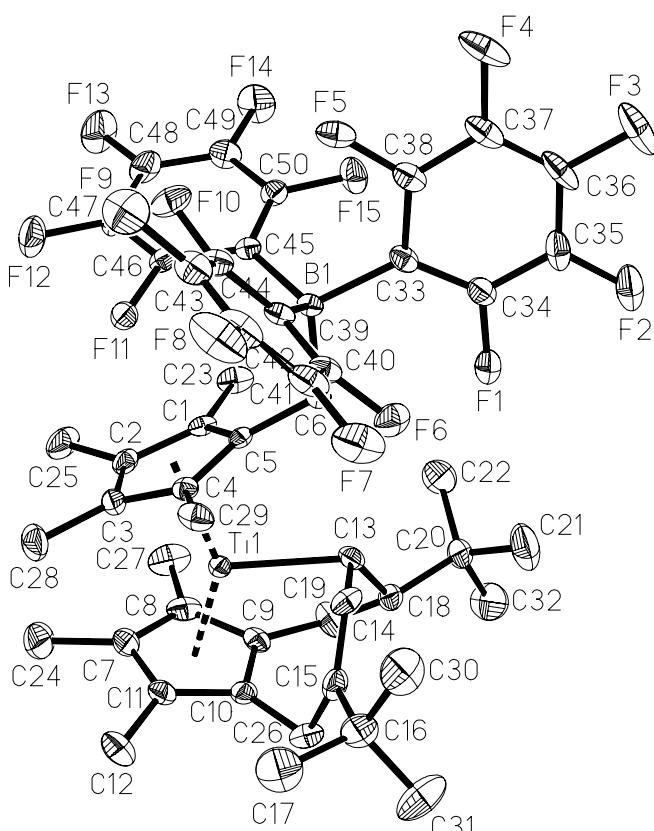
# Crystal structure of $\eta^5\text{-}1\text{-(tris(pentafluorophenyl)boranyl)methyl}\text{-}2,3,4,5\text{-tetramethylcyclopentadienyl}\text{-}\eta^5,\eta^1\text{-}3,6\text{-di-}tert\text{-butyl}\text{-}9,10,11\text{-trimethylbicyclo(6.3.0)undeca-3-en-8,10-dienyl)titanium(IV)}$ , $\text{Ti}(\text{C}_{50}\text{H}_{48}\text{BF}_{15})$

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## Abstract

$\text{C}_{50}\text{H}_{48}\text{BF}_{15}\text{Ti}$ , monoclinic,  $P12_1/c1$  (no. 14),  $a = 12.007(2)$  Å,  $b = 19.511(4)$  Å,  $c = 20.010(4)$  Å,  $\beta = 98.90(3)$ °,  $V = 4631.3$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 4$ ,  $R_{\text{gt}}(F) = 0.052$ ,  $wR_{\text{ref}}(F^2) = 0.120$ ,  $T = 200$  K.

## Source of material

An amount of  $\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3$  (321 mg, 0.63 mmol) was dissolved in 10 ml of warm *n*-hexane under Ar. The obtained solution was filtered and added to a yellow-greenish filtrate of pentamethylcyclopentadienyl-trimethylcyclopentadienyl-cyclooctyne titanium(II) [1] (289 mg, 0.60 mmol) in 15 ml of warm *n*-hexane. The resulting mixture was allowed to stand in argon atmosphere at room temperature. In 3 days in the yellow solution the red-brown fine crystals were formed on the bottom and the walls of the vessel.

The crystals were separated from the mother liquor by decanting, washed with *n*-hexane, and dried in vacuum to give 373 mg of the title complex. After repeated recrystallization from 20 ml of a mixture THF/*n*-hexane (1:1, *v/v*) a small amount of crystals well suited for X-ray structure analysis was obtained (m.p. 257–260 °C, dec. under argon).

## Experimental details

The hydrogen atoms (except those attached to C13, C14 and C18) were included at calculated positions and refined by using the riding model. The remaining H atoms were refined isotropically.

## Discussion

Ion pairs  $[\text{Cp}'_2\text{ZrR}]^+[\text{RB}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3]^-$  which are formed by the abstraction of methyl anions from group 4 dimethyl complexes  $\text{Cp}'_2\text{MMe}_2$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Ti}, \text{Zr}$ ;  $\text{Cp}' = \text{substituted or unsubstituted } \eta^5\text{-cyclopentadienyl}$ ) with the strong Lewis acid  $\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3$  are highly active catalysts for the polymerization of  $\alpha$ -olefins [2]. Metallocene olefin, alkyne and butadiene complexes undergo also a similar activation for the catalytic polymerization [3].

In the title crystal structure, the titanium(IV) is coordinated by the  $[\text{Me}_4\text{C}_5\text{-CH}_2\text{-B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3]$  ligand and shows the typical environment [4]. The most interesting feature is the formed trimethylcyclopentadienylcyclooctenyl ligand interacting unsymmetrically with the metal ( $d(\text{Ti1-C13}) = 2.222(3)$  Å,  $d(\text{Ti1-C14}) = 2.410(3)$  Å). From the Ti—C and the corresponding C—C bond distances ( $d(\text{C13-C14}) = 1.439(5)$  Å and  $d(\text{C14-C15}) = 1.379(5)$  Å) one can describe the interaction of this ligand by a  $\sigma$ -Ti—C13 bond. The type of the structure is unprecedented. During the reaction the hydrogen is shifted to the trimethylcyclopentadienylcyclooctyne ligand giving a trimethylcyclopentadienylcyclooctenyl ligand. The remaining double bond does not coordinate to the metal.

**Table 1.** Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	brown prism, size $0.2 \times 0.3 \times 0.4$ mm
Wavelength:	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation (0.71073 Å)
$\mu$ :	$2.80 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
Diffractometer, scan mode:	Stoe IPDS I, $\varphi$
$2\theta_{\text{max}}$ :	52.32°
$N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}, N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$ :	16687, 9055
Criterion for $I_{\text{obs}}, N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$ :	$I_{\text{obs}} > 2\sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$ , 4504
$N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$ :	616
Programs:	SHELXS-86 [5], SHELXL-93 [6]

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**Table 2.** Atomic coordinates and displacement parameters (in Å<sup>2</sup>).

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> <sub>iso</sub>
H(6A)	4e	0.3472	0.1302	0.2794	0.033
H(6B)	4e	0.3290	0.0809	0.3404	0.033
H(12A)	4e	0.2943	-0.2342	0.2428	0.106
H(12B)	4e	0.2349	-0.2592	0.1697	0.106
H(12C)	4e	0.1728	-0.2052	0.2115	0.106
H(17A)	4e	0.2929	-0.1725	0.3702	0.124
H(17B)	4e	0.3706	-0.2175	0.4259	0.124
H(17C)	4e	0.3711	-0.2317	0.3472	0.124
H(19A)	4e	0.5313	-0.0080	0.1122	0.072
H(19B)	4e	0.6048	-0.0745	0.1372	0.072
H(21A)	4e	0.7248	0.0220	0.3191	0.129
H(21B)	4e	0.6312	0.0808	0.3154	0.129
H(21C)	4e	0.7537	0.0983	0.2980	0.129
H(22A)	4e	0.5826	0.0968	0.1362	0.106
H(22B)	4e	0.6673	0.1438	0.1862	0.106
H(22C)	4e	0.5448	0.1266	0.2038	0.106
H(23A)	4e	0.3118	0.1480	0.1725	0.065
H(23B)	4e	0.1985	0.1487	0.1185	0.065
H(23C)	4e	0.3005	0.0993	0.1075	0.065
H(24A)	4e	0.1375	-0.1213	0.0228	0.107
H(24B)	4e	0.0872	-0.1507	0.0866	0.107
H(24C)	4e	0.1628	-0.1988	0.0468	0.107
H(25A)	4e	0.0212	-0.0245	0.0723	0.093
H(25B)	4e	0.1234	0.0166	0.0484	0.093

**Table 2.** Continued.

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> <sub>iso</sub>
H(25C)	4e	0.0234	0.0574	0.0751	0.093
H(26A)	4e	0.4687	-0.2050	0.2665	0.055
H(26B)	4e	0.5641	-0.1521	0.2517	0.055
H(27A)	4e	0.3938	-0.0091	0.0298	0.100
H(27B)	4e	0.2596	-0.0094	0.0253	0.100
H(27C)	4e	0.3207	-0.0687	-0.0107	0.100
H(28A)	4e	0.0222	-0.1063	0.2448	0.088
H(28B)	4e	0.0375	-0.1197	0.1678	0.088
H(28C)	4e	-0.0537	-0.0653	0.1850	0.088
H(29A)	4e	0.2030	-0.0040	0.3702	0.060
H(29B)	4e	0.1750	-0.0786	0.3389	0.060
H(29C)	4e	0.0754	-0.0248	0.3423	0.060
H(30A)	4e	0.3749	-0.0705	0.4278	0.118
H(30B)	4e	0.5082	-0.0579	0.4399	0.118
H(30C)	4e	0.4552	-0.1166	0.4812	0.118
H(31A)	4e	0.6339	-0.1438	0.3984	0.138
H(31B)	4e	0.5823	-0.2135	0.3646	0.138
H(31C)	4e	0.5809	-0.1993	0.4432	0.138
H(32A)	4e	0.7898	-0.0201	0.2141	0.129
H(32B)	4e	0.8158	0.0573	0.1948	0.129
H(32C)	4e	0.7348	0.0105	0.1424	0.129
H(13)	4e	0.455(2)	0.049(2)	0.258(1)	0.019(7)
H(14)	4e	0.407(3)	-0.016(2)	0.335(2)	0.05(1)
H(18)	4e	0.611(2)	-0.051(2)	0.241(1)	0.027(8)

**Table 3.** Atomic coordinates and displacement parameters (in Å<sup>2</sup>).

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> <sub>11</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>22</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>33</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>12</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>13</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>23</sub>
Ti(1)	4e	0.30008(4)	-0.04486(3)	0.20049(3)	0.0274(3)	0.0236(3)	0.0260(3)	0.0018(3)	0.0016(2)	-0.0034(3)
B(1)	4e	0.2105(3)	0.1670(2)	0.3310(2)	0.030(2)	0.023(2)	0.027(2)	0.001(2)	0.007(2)	-0.001(2)
F(1)	4e	0.4718(2)	0.1754(1)	0.3746(1)	0.036(1)	0.055(1)	0.066(1)	-0.004(1)	-0.006(1)	-0.011(1)
F(2)	4e	0.5773(2)	0.2678(1)	0.4559(1)	0.065(2)	0.071(2)	0.053(1)	-0.033(1)	-0.015(1)	0.013(1)
F(3)	4e	0.4624(2)	0.3714(1)	0.5071(1)	0.132(2)	0.066(2)	0.045(1)	-0.052(2)	0.001(2)	-0.018(1)
F(4)	4e	0.2345(2)	0.3812(1)	0.4684(1)	0.131(2)	0.038(1)	0.063(2)	-0.006(1)	0.032(2)	-0.023(1)
F(5)	4e	0.1256(2)	0.2883(1)	0.3871(1)	0.064(2)	0.037(1)	0.057(1)	0.011(1)	0.017(1)	-0.010(1)
F(6)	4e	0.3009(2)	0.0856(1)	0.44942(9)	0.056(1)	0.054(1)	0.028(1)	0.013(1)	-0.002(1)	0.0030(9)
F(7)	4e	0.1945(2)	0.0400(1)	0.5469(1)	0.121(2)	0.054(1)	0.031(1)	0.007(1)	0.013(1)	0.011(1)
F(8)	4e	-0.0285(2)	0.0675(1)	0.5462(1)	0.126(2)	0.056(2)	0.050(1)	-0.031(1)	0.054(2)	-0.005(1)
F(9)	4e	-0.1415(2)	0.1445(1)	0.4437(1)	0.061(2)	0.077(2)	0.078(2)	-0.005(1)	0.048(1)	-0.008(1)
F(10)	4e	-0.0399(2)	0.1902(1)	0.3461(1)	0.040(1)	0.056(1)	0.057(1)	0.018(1)	0.023(1)	0.012(1)
F(11)	4e	0.0042(1)	0.11025(9)	0.24903(9)	0.031(1)	0.032(1)	0.043(1)	-0.0032(8)	0.0050(9)	0.0079(9)
F(12)	4e	-0.1089(2)	0.1608(1)	0.1352(1)	0.046(1)	0.073(2)	0.064(1)	-0.013(1)	-0.018(1)	0.020(1)
F(13)	4e	-0.0474(2)	0.2816(1)	0.0844(1)	0.076(2)	0.083(2)	0.062(2)	-0.003(1)	-0.020(1)	0.041(1)
F(14)	4e	0.1352(2)	0.3508(1)	0.1508(1)	0.086(2)	0.051(1)	0.063(1)	-0.015(1)	0.002(1)	0.035(1)
F(15)	4e	0.2517(2)	0.3012(1)	0.2619(1)	0.051(1)	0.045(1)	0.048(1)	-0.022(1)	0.001(1)	0.012(1)
C(1)	4e	0.2115(3)	0.0641(2)	0.1803(2)	0.033(2)	0.028(2)	0.023(2)	0.012(1)	0.007(2)	0.003(1)
C(2)	4e	0.1337(3)	0.0131(2)	0.1519(2)	0.033(2)	0.042(2)	0.030(2)	0.012(2)	-0.006(2)	-0.010(2)
C(3)	4e	0.1083(3)	-0.0293(2)	0.2053(2)	0.028(2)	0.032(2)	0.046(2)	-0.001(2)	0.002(2)	-0.009(2)
C(4)	4e	0.1675(2)	-0.0034(2)	0.2662(2)	0.024(2)	0.027(2)	0.032(2)	0.004(1)	0.011(2)	0.000(1)
C(5)	4e	0.2294(2)	0.0565(2)	0.2521(1)	0.020(2)	0.026(2)	0.023(2)	0.006(1)	0.005(1)	0.000(1)
C(6)	4e	0.2891(2)	0.1068(2)	0.3013(2)	0.029(2)	0.027(2)	0.027(2)	0.000(1)	0.006(2)	0.001(1)
C(7)	4e	0.2571(3)	-0.1284(2)	0.1087(2)	0.046(2)	0.039(2)	0.046(2)	0.003(2)	-0.002(2)	-0.021(2)
C(8)	4e	0.3379(3)	-0.0807(2)	0.0929(2)	0.066(3)	0.037(2)	0.025(2)	0.017(2)	0.013(2)	-0.004(2)
C(9)	4e	0.4360(3)	-0.0866(2)	0.1427(2)	0.038(2)	0.029(2)	0.035(2)	-0.001(2)	0.016(2)	-0.013(2)
C(10)	4e	0.4122(3)	-0.1374(2)	0.1891(2)	0.037(2)	0.029(2)	0.034(2)	0.007(2)	0.002(2)	-0.006(2)
C(11)	4e	0.3018(3)	-0.1614(2)	0.1682(2)	0.042(2)	0.027(2)	0.049(2)	0.000(2)	0.007(2)	-0.011(2)
C(12)	4e	0.2459(4)	-0.2203(2)	0.2010(2)	0.068(3)	0.042(3)	0.101(4)	-0.021(2)	0.008(3)	0.002(2)
C(13)	4e	0.4633(3)	0.0004(2)	0.2476(2)	0.032(2)	0.024(2)	0.052(2)	-0.002(2)	0.010(2)	-0.009(2)
C(14)	4e	0.4376(3)	-0.0422(2)	0.3018(2)	0.037(2)	0.048(2)	0.029(2)	0.015(2)	0.005(2)	0.005(2)
C(15)	4e	0.4566(3)	-0.1114(2)	0.3115(2)	0.035(2)	0.050(2)	0.031(2)	-0.002(2)	-0.006(2)	0.006(2)
C(16)	4e	0.4618(4)	-0.1445(2)	0.3815(2)	0.075(3)	0.051(3)	0.042(2)	0.000(2)	-0.004(2)	0.020(2)
C(17)	4e	0.3654(4)	-0.1963(3)	0.3812(2)	0.103(4)	0.084(4)	0.060(3)	-0.010(3)	0.011(3)	0.028(3)
C(18)	4e	0.5701(3)	-0.0140(2)	0.2168(2)	0.028(2)	0.035(2)	0.046(2)	-0.004(2)	0.005(2)	0.005(2)
C(19)	4e	0.5420(3)	-0.0450(2)	0.1466(2)	0.056(3)	0.057(3)	0.073(3)	-0.017(2)	0.027(2)	-0.024(2)
C(20)	4e	0.6548(3)	0.0461(2)	0.2217(2)	0.035(2)	0.040(2)	0.056(2)	-0.011(2)	0.005(2)	0.002(2)
C(21)	4e	0.6946(4)	0.0633(3)	0.2950(2)	0.081(3)	0.087(4)	0.083(3)	-0.043(3)	-0.012(3)	0.001(3)

**Table 3.** Continued.

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> <sub>11</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>22</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>33</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>12</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>13</sub>	<i>U</i> <sub>23</sub>
C(22)	4e	0.6084(4)	0.1088(2)	0.1837(2)	0.062(3)	0.050(3)	0.100(3)	-0.018(2)	0.011(3)	0.017(3)
C(23)	4e	0.2598(3)	0.1199(2)	0.1413(2)	0.062(2)	0.045(2)	0.026(2)	0.015(2)	0.015(2)	0.010(2)
C(24)	4e	0.1518(3)	-0.1519(2)	0.0621(2)	0.066(3)	0.069(3)	0.071(3)	0.000(2)	-0.014(3)	-0.028(3)
C(25)	4e	0.0698(3)	0.0159(2)	0.0807(2)	0.061(3)	0.072(3)	0.043(2)	0.025(2)	-0.021(2)	-0.017(2)
C(26)	4e	0.4832(3)	-0.1566(2)	0.2557(2)	0.049(2)	0.039(2)	0.051(2)	0.013(2)	0.009(2)	0.010(2)
C(27)	4e	0.3270(4)	-0.0382(2)	0.0286(2)	0.092(3)	0.071(3)	0.040(2)	0.027(3)	0.019(2)	0.006(2)
C(28)	4e	0.0210(3)	-0.0850(2)	0.2003(2)	0.030(2)	0.057(3)	0.089(3)	-0.011(2)	0.013(2)	-0.023(2)
C(29)	4e	0.1540(3)	-0.0301(2)	0.3355(2)	0.048(2)	0.030(2)	0.047(2)	-0.004(2)	0.025(2)	0.005(2)
C(30)	4e	0.4489(4)	-0.0927(3)	0.4377(2)	0.104(4)	0.094(4)	0.033(2)	-0.002(3)	-0.003(2)	0.014(2)
C(31)	4e	0.5744(4)	-0.1782(3)	0.3984(2)	0.085(4)	0.127(5)	0.059(3)	0.042(3)	0.000(3)	0.032(3)
C(32)	4e	0.7584(3)	0.0212(3)	0.1904(3)	0.045(2)	0.077(3)	0.142(5)	-0.008(2)	0.032(3)	0.003(3)
C(33)	4e	0.2907(3)	0.2250(2)	0.3765(2)	0.046(2)	0.027(2)	0.021(2)	-0.003(2)	0.005(2)	-0.002(1)
C(34)	4e	0.4062(3)	0.2247(2)	0.3964(2)	0.046(2)	0.030(2)	0.035(2)	-0.004(2)	0.003(2)	-0.001(2)
C(35)	4e	0.4644(3)	0.2728(2)	0.4390(2)	0.051(2)	0.050(2)	0.033(2)	-0.027(2)	-0.009(2)	0.015(2)
C(36)	4e	0.4059(4)	0.3248(2)	0.4641(2)	0.103(4)	0.033(2)	0.025(2)	-0.027(2)	0.008(2)	-0.008(2)
C(37)	4e	0.2921(4)	0.3290(2)	0.4458(2)	0.083(3)	0.030(2)	0.034(2)	-0.009(2)	0.015(2)	-0.006(2)
C(38)	4e	0.2386(3)	0.2802(2)	0.4032(2)	0.056(3)	0.029(2)	0.032(2)	-0.004(2)	0.010(2)	-0.001(2)
C(39)	4e	0.1355(3)	0.1369(2)	0.3887(2)	0.041(2)	0.020(2)	0.028(2)	0.002(2)	0.011(2)	-0.003(1)
C(40)	4e	0.1884(3)	0.1005(2)	0.4441(2)	0.049(2)	0.027(2)	0.026(2)	0.002(2)	0.009(2)	-0.006(2)
C(41)	4e	0.1364(4)	0.0766(2)	0.4962(2)	0.083(3)	0.027(2)	0.020(2)	-0.005(2)	0.007(2)	0.005(2)
C(42)	4e	0.0250(4)	0.0908(2)	0.4960(2)	0.081(3)	0.036(2)	0.035(2)	-0.016(2)	0.034(2)	-0.007(2)
C(43)	4e	-0.0321(3)	0.1280(2)	0.4442(2)	0.047(2)	0.042(2)	0.048(2)	-0.004(2)	0.026(2)	-0.006(2)
C(44)	4e	0.0232(3)	0.1508(2)	0.3927(2)	0.045(2)	0.028(2)	0.036(2)	0.003(2)	0.015(2)	0.002(2)
C(45)	4e	0.1346(2)	0.2028(2)	0.2641(1)	0.027(2)	0.024(2)	0.028(2)	0.003(1)	0.008(2)	0.003(1)
C(46)	4e	0.0410(3)	0.1709(2)	0.2273(2)	0.026(2)	0.030(2)	0.038(2)	0.004(2)	0.008(2)	0.009(2)
C(47)	4e	-0.0199(3)	0.1961(2)	0.1683(2)	0.028(2)	0.042(2)	0.042(2)	-0.004(2)	-0.006(2)	0.008(2)
C(48)	4e	0.0109(3)	0.2570(2)	0.1422(2)	0.048(2)	0.053(3)	0.039(2)	0.007(2)	-0.003(2)	0.022(2)
C(49)	4e	0.1027(3)	0.2904(2)	0.1756(2)	0.052(2)	0.033(2)	0.042(2)	-0.003(2)	0.009(2)	0.016(2)
C(50)	4e	0.1612(3)	0.2636(2)	0.2343(2)	0.031(2)	0.032(2)	0.036(2)	0.001(2)	0.007(2)	0.006(2)

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