

## Dichlorido(2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline- $\kappa^2N,N'$ )cobalt(II)

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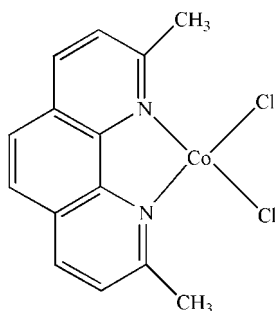
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 298$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.006$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.044;  $wR$  factor = 0.139; data-to-parameter ratio = 18.6.

In the title compound,  $[\text{CoCl}_2(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2)]$ , the  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  atom is four-coordinated in a distorted tetrahedral geometry by two N atoms from a 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline ligand and two Cl atoms. The Co atom and the phenanthroline unit are located on a mirror plane. The methyl H atoms are disordered about the mirror plane and are each half-occupied. In the crystal structure,  $\pi-\pi$  interactions between the pyridine and benzene rings and between the pyridine rings [centroid-centroid distances = 3.8821 (9) and 3.9502 (10) Å, respectively] stabilize the structure.

### Related literature

For related structures, see: Alizadeh *et al.* (2009); Buttery *et al.* (2006); Ding *et al.* (2006); Fanizzi *et al.* (1991); Lemoine *et al.* (2003); Preston & Kennard (1969); Robinson & Sinn (1975).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$[\text{CoCl}_2(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2)]$	$V = 1480.0$ (4) Å <sup>3</sup>
$M_r = 338.09$	$Z = 4$
Orthorhombic, $Pnma$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 11.2434$ (12) Å	$\mu = 1.51$ mm <sup>-1</sup>
$b = 7.441$ (1) Å	$T = 298$ K
$c = 17.690$ (3) Å	$0.50 \times 0.22 \times 0.20$ mm

#### Data collection

Stoe IPDS-2 diffractometer	9742 measured reflections
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$T_{\text{min}} = 0.681$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 0.749$	1871 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.067$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$	114 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.139$	H-atom parameters constrained
$S = 1.20$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.51$ e Å <sup>-3</sup>
2124 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.55$ e Å <sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Selected bond lengths (Å).

N1—Co1	2.046 (3)	Cl1—Co1	2.2030 (9)
N2—Co1	2.046 (3)		

Data collection:  $X$ -AREA (Stoe & Cie, 2002); cell refinement:  $X$ -AREA; data reduction:  $X$ -RED (Stoe & Cie, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure:  $SHELXS97$  (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure:  $SHELXL97$  (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics:  $ORTEP-3$  (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication:  $WinGX$  (Farrugia, 1999).

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**S1. Comment**

2,9-Dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline (dmphen) is a good bidentate ligand, and numerous complexes with dmphen have been prepared, such as those of mercury (Alizadeh *et al.*, 2009), zinc (Preston & Kennard, 1969), copper (Lemoine *et al.*, 2003), nickel (Ding *et al.*, 2006), gold (Robinson & Sinn, 1975), platinum (Fanizzi *et al.*, 1991) and lithium (Buttery *et al.*, 2006). Here, we report the synthesis and structure of the title compound.

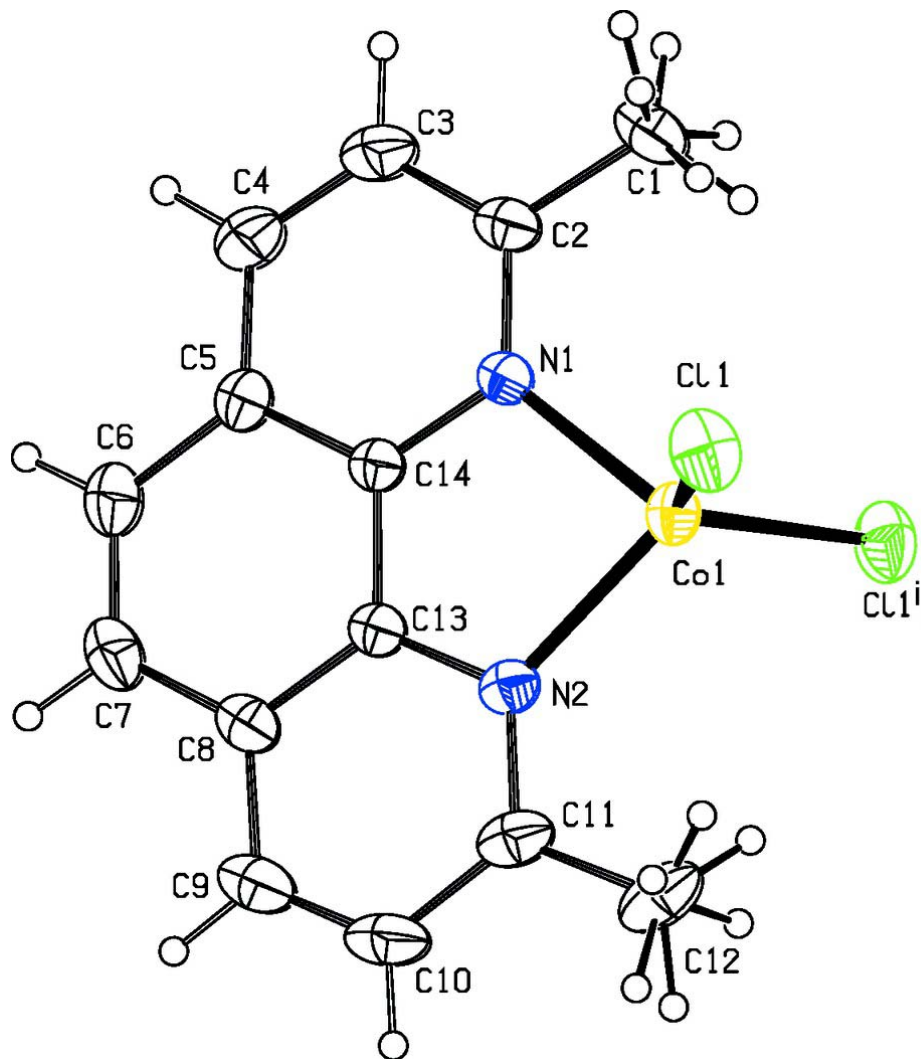
In the title compound (Fig. 1), the Co<sup>II</sup> atom is four-coordinated in a distorted tetrahedral configuration by two N atoms from one dmphen ligand and two Cl atoms (Table 1). In the crystal structure,  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions (Fig. 2) between the pyridyl and benzene rings, Cg3 $\cdots$ Cg4<sup>i</sup> and Cg3 $\cdots$ Cg3<sup>ii</sup> [symmetry codes: (i)  $-x, 1-y, 2-z$ ; (ii)  $-x, -1/2+y, 2-z$ ; where Cg3 and Cg4 are the centroids of the N2, C8–C11, C13 ring and C5–C8, C13–C14 ring], with centroid–centroid distances of 3.8821 (9) and 3.9502 (10) Å, stabilize the structure.

**S2. Experimental**

For the preparation of the title compound, a solution of dmphen (0.42 g, 2.00 mmol) in methanol (20 ml) was added to a solution of CoCl<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (0.48 g, 2.00 mmol) in methanol (20 ml) at room temperature. Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis were obtained by methanol diffusion into a blue solution of the title compound in DMSO after one week (yield: 0.50 g, 73.9%; m.p. > 573 K).

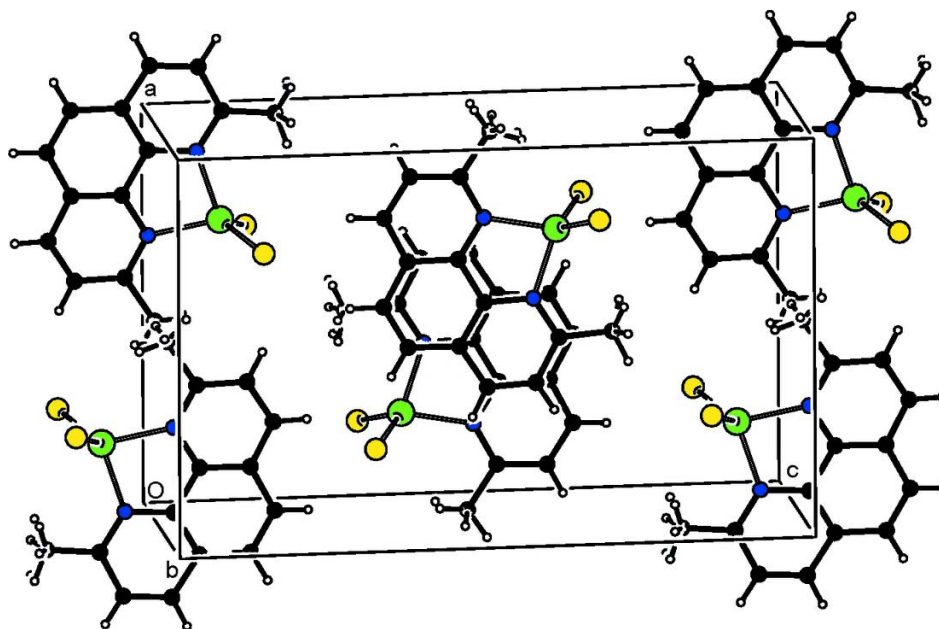
**S3. Refinement**

H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding atoms, with C—H = 0.93 (aromatic) and 0.96 (methyl) Å and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .



**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title compound. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.  
[Symmetry code: (i)  $x, 3/2-y, z$ .]

**Figure 2**

Crystal packing diagram for the title compound.

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Orthorhombic, *Pnma*

Hall symbol: -P 2ac 2n

$a = 11.2434$  (12) Å

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$V = 1480.0$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 684$

$D_x = 1.517$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

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

Cell parameters from 1670 reflections

$\theta = 2.2$ – $29.3^\circ$

$\mu = 1.51$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 298$  K

Block, blue

$0.50 \times 0.22 \times 0.20$  mm

#### Data collection

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Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

rotation method scans

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$R_{\text{int}} = 0.067$

$\theta_{\max} = 29.3^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 2.2^\circ$

$h = -14 \rightarrow 15$

$k = -10 \rightarrow 10$

$l = -15 \rightarrow 24$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$

$wR(F^2) = 0.139$

$S = 1.20$

2124 reflections

114 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0692P)^2 + 0.4334P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.51 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.55 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$	Occ. (<1)
C1	0.5096 (3)	0.7500	0.9952 (3)	0.0677 (12)	
H1A	0.4953	0.6880	0.9484	0.102*	0.50
H1B	0.5719	0.6904	1.0224	0.102*	0.50
H1C	0.5329	0.8716	0.9849	0.102*	0.50
C2	0.3980 (3)	0.7500	1.0417 (2)	0.0502 (8)	
C3	0.4022 (4)	0.7500	1.1208 (3)	0.0670 (12)	
H3	0.4754	0.7500	1.1454	0.080*	
C4	0.3002 (4)	0.7500	1.1619 (2)	0.0661 (11)	
H4	0.3038	0.7500	1.2145	0.079*	
C5	0.1893 (3)	0.7500	1.1254 (2)	0.0470 (7)	
C6	0.0776 (4)	0.7500	1.1635 (2)	0.0599 (10)	
H6	0.0763	0.7500	1.2161	0.072*	
C7	-0.0259 (4)	0.7500	1.1254 (3)	0.0602 (10)	
H7	-0.0974	0.7500	1.1518	0.072*	
C8	-0.0270 (3)	0.7500	1.0444 (2)	0.0486 (8)	
C9	-0.1318 (3)	0.7500	1.0008 (3)	0.0648 (11)	
H9	-0.2057	0.7500	1.0244	0.078*	
C10	-0.1246 (4)	0.7500	0.9245 (3)	0.0687 (12)	
H10	-0.1939	0.7500	0.8959	0.082*	
C11	-0.0128 (4)	0.7500	0.8877 (2)	0.0556 (9)	
C12	-0.0018 (5)	0.7500	0.8039 (3)	0.0775 (14)	
H12A	-0.0718	0.8026	0.7821	0.116*	0.50
H12B	0.0067	0.6287	0.7861	0.116*	0.50
H12C	0.0668	0.8187	0.7894	0.116*	0.50
C13	0.0806 (3)	0.7500	1.00504 (19)	0.0393 (6)	
C14	0.1911 (3)	0.7500	1.04563 (19)	0.0387 (6)	
N1	0.2938 (2)	0.7500	1.00521 (16)	0.0392 (5)	
N2	0.0873 (2)	0.7500	0.92773 (17)	0.0423 (6)	
Cl1	0.31373 (7)	0.49607 (9)	0.83732 (5)	0.0645 (2)	
Co1	0.26015 (4)	0.7500	0.89154 (3)	0.04234 (18)	

Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0351 (16)	0.082 (3)	0.086 (3)	0.000	0.0071 (19)	0.000
C2	0.0353 (14)	0.058 (2)	0.058 (2)	0.000	-0.0052 (14)	0.000
C3	0.050 (2)	0.093 (3)	0.058 (2)	0.000	-0.0196 (18)	0.000
C4	0.062 (2)	0.093 (3)	0.043 (2)	0.000	-0.0126 (18)	0.000
C5	0.0494 (18)	0.0531 (18)	0.0387 (16)	0.000	0.0011 (13)	0.000
C6	0.064 (2)	0.073 (2)	0.0425 (19)	0.000	0.0116 (17)	0.000
C7	0.0507 (19)	0.070 (2)	0.060 (2)	0.000	0.0188 (17)	0.000

C8	0.0363 (15)	0.0488 (17)	0.061 (2)	0.000	0.0026 (14)	0.000
C9	0.0357 (16)	0.070 (3)	0.088 (3)	0.000	-0.0046 (18)	0.000
C10	0.0415 (18)	0.075 (3)	0.089 (3)	0.000	-0.024 (2)	0.000
C11	0.056 (2)	0.0505 (19)	0.061 (2)	0.000	-0.0229 (17)	0.000
C12	0.096 (4)	0.087 (3)	0.049 (2)	0.000	-0.033 (2)	0.000
C13	0.0353 (13)	0.0386 (13)	0.0441 (16)	0.000	-0.0016 (12)	0.000
C14	0.0353 (13)	0.0421 (14)	0.0388 (14)	0.000	-0.0013 (11)	0.000
N1	0.0331 (11)	0.0438 (13)	0.0409 (14)	0.000	-0.0001 (10)	0.000
N2	0.0413 (13)	0.0436 (13)	0.0420 (14)	0.000	-0.0063 (11)	0.000
Cl1	0.0738 (5)	0.0488 (4)	0.0707 (5)	0.0020 (3)	0.0176 (4)	-0.0121 (3)
Co1	0.0470 (3)	0.0423 (3)	0.0378 (3)	0.000	0.00572 (17)	0.000

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

C1—C2	1.500 (5)	C8—C9	1.408 (5)
C1—H1A	0.9600	C9—C10	1.352 (8)
C1—H1B	0.9600	C9—H9	0.9300
C1—H1C	0.9600	C10—C11	1.416 (7)
C2—N1	1.337 (4)	C10—H10	0.9300
C2—C3	1.401 (6)	C11—N2	1.330 (4)
C3—C4	1.358 (7)	C11—C12	1.487 (6)
C3—H3	0.9300	C12—H12A	0.9600
C4—C5	1.405 (6)	C12—H12B	0.9600
C4—H4	0.9300	C12—H12C	0.9600
C5—C14	1.411 (5)	C13—N2	1.370 (4)
C5—C6	1.426 (5)	C13—C14	1.434 (4)
C6—C7	1.345 (6)	C14—N1	1.359 (4)
C6—H6	0.9300	N1—Co1	2.046 (3)
C7—C8	1.433 (6)	N2—Co1	2.046 (3)
C7—H7	0.9300	Cl1—Co1	2.2030 (9)
C8—C13	1.396 (5)	Co1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	2.2030 (9)
C2—C1—H1A	109.5	C9—C10—C11	120.9 (4)
C2—C1—H1B	109.5	C9—C10—H10	119.6
H1A—C1—H1B	109.5	C11—C10—H10	119.6
C2—C1—H1C	109.5	N2—C11—C10	120.4 (4)
H1A—C1—H1C	109.5	N2—C11—C12	117.4 (4)
H1B—C1—H1C	109.5	C10—C11—C12	122.2 (4)
N1—C2—C3	120.8 (4)	C11—C12—H12A	109.5
N1—C2—C1	117.9 (4)	C11—C12—H12B	109.5
C3—C2—C1	121.4 (4)	H12A—C12—H12B	109.5
C4—C3—C2	120.4 (4)	C11—C12—H12C	109.5
C4—C3—H3	119.8	H12A—C12—H12C	109.5
C2—C3—H3	119.8	H12B—C12—H12C	109.5
C3—C4—C5	120.2 (4)	N2—C13—C8	123.0 (3)
C3—C4—H4	119.9	N2—C13—C14	116.9 (3)
C5—C4—H4	119.9	C8—C13—C14	120.1 (3)
C4—C5—C14	116.6 (3)	N1—C14—C5	122.6 (3)

C4—C5—C6	124.3 (4)	N1—C14—C13	118.2 (3)
C14—C5—C6	119.1 (3)	C5—C14—C13	119.2 (3)
C7—C6—C5	121.6 (4)	C2—N1—C14	119.4 (3)
C7—C6—H6	119.2	C2—N1—Co1	129.5 (2)
C5—C6—H6	119.2	C14—N1—Co1	111.1 (2)
C6—C7—C8	120.6 (3)	C11—N2—C13	119.1 (3)
C6—C7—H7	119.7	C11—N2—Co1	129.6 (3)
C8—C7—H7	119.7	C13—N2—Co1	111.3 (2)
C13—C8—C9	116.9 (4)	N1—Co1—N2	82.44 (11)
C13—C8—C7	119.4 (3)	N1—Co1—Cl1	112.17 (4)
C9—C8—C7	123.7 (4)	N2—Co1—Cl1	113.31 (4)
C10—C9—C8	119.7 (4)	N1—Co1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	112.17 (4)
C10—C9—H9	120.1	N2—Co1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	113.34 (4)
C8—C9—H9	120.1	Cl1—Co1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	118.12 (5)
N1—C2—C3—C4	0.000 (3)	C1—C2—N1—C14	180.000 (1)
C1—C2—C3—C4	180.000 (2)	C3—C2—N1—Co1	180.000 (1)
C2—C3—C4—C5	0.000 (3)	C1—C2—N1—Co1	0.000 (2)
C3—C4—C5—C14	0.000 (2)	C5—C14—N1—C2	0.000 (2)
C3—C4—C5—C6	180.000 (2)	C13—C14—N1—C2	180.000 (1)
C4—C5—C6—C7	180.000 (2)	C5—C14—N1—Co1	180.000 (1)
C14—C5—C6—C7	0.000 (3)	C13—C14—N1—Co1	0.000 (1)
C5—C6—C7—C8	0.000 (3)	C10—C11—N2—C13	0.000 (2)
C6—C7—C8—C13	0.000 (2)	C12—C11—N2—C13	180.000 (2)
C6—C7—C8—C9	180.000 (2)	C10—C11—N2—Co1	180.000 (1)
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C9—C8—C13—N2	0.000 (2)	C2—N1—Co1—N2	180.000 (1)
C7—C8—C13—N2	180.000 (2)	C14—N1—Co1—N2	0.000 (1)
C9—C8—C13—C14	180.000 (1)	C2—N1—Co1—Cl1	67.86 (4)
C7—C8—C13—C14	0.000 (2)	C14—N1—Co1—Cl1	-112.14 (4)
C4—C5—C14—N1	0.000 (2)	C2—N1—Co1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	-67.82 (4)
C6—C5—C14—N1	180.000 (2)	C14—N1—Co1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	112.18 (4)
C4—C5—C14—C13	180.000 (2)	C11—N2—Co1—N1	180.000 (1)
C6—C5—C14—C13	0.000 (2)	C13—N2—Co1—N1	0.000 (1)
N2—C13—C14—N1	0.000 (2)	C11—N2—Co1—Cl1	-69.07 (5)
C8—C13—C14—N1	180.000 (1)	C13—N2—Co1—Cl1	110.93 (5)
N2—C13—C14—C5	180.000 (2)	C11—N2—Co1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	69.07 (5)
C8—C13—C14—C5	0.000 (2)	C13—N2—Co1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	-110.93 (5)
C3—C2—N1—C14	0.000 (2)		

Symmetry code: (i)  $x, -y+3/2, z$ .