

# Synthesis and Structural Characterization of *trans*-Bis[1,3-bis(methoxyethyl)-4,5-bis(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)imidazolidin-2-ylidene]dichloropalladium(II)

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A Pd(II) complex of a new *N*-heterocyclic carbene (NHC) ligand with bulky substituents and functionalized methoxy-donor side arms has been synthesized and characterized by elemental analyses, <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR, and IR spectroscopy. Molecular and crystal structures of the title complex have been determined by single crystal X-ray diffraction. The compound crystallizes in the monoclinic space group *P*2<sub>1</sub>/*c*, with *a* = 15.927(2), *b* = 8.489(2), *c* = 20.309(5) Å, *β* = 99.213(2)°, *Z* = 2, *D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.253 g cm<sup>-3</sup>. The palladium atom is situated on an inversion center. There are several weak intramolecular C–H···N/O interactions.

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