

The H positions calculated for  $\text{MnSO}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  deviate on the average by as much as 0.2 Å from the corresponding neutron-diffraction values given by Bauer (1964) for  $\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , which is isostructural with  $\text{MnSO}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . The n.m.r. vectors given for  $\text{MgS}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  appear to disagree with the hydrogen-bonding scheme suggested by the X-ray investigators (Nardelli, Fava & Giraldi, 1962). Both these compounds have been reexamined in this laboratory. The resonance component lines for  $\text{MnSO}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  appear to be rather wide providing no room for improvement over the measurements made by Rao. However, the n.m.r. results for  $\text{MgS}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  appear to be in excellent agreement with the predictions of Nardelli *et al.* (1962).

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**Refinement of the structure of diaquobisglycinatonickel(II),  $\text{Ni}(\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COO})_2(\text{OH}_2)_2$ .** By H. C. FREEMAN and J. M. GUSS, School of Chemistry, University of Sydney, Sydney 2006, Australia

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The structure of diaquobisglycinatonickel(II), determined by Stosick (*J. Amer. Chem. Soc.* (1945) **67**, 365) from three projections, has been refined with use of three-dimensional data. The metal-donor bond-lengths are Ni-N(amino) 2.08 Å, Ni-O(carboxyl) 2.06 Å, Ni-O(water) 2.10 Å, and the angle N(amino)-Ni-O(carboxyl) is 81.1°.

The structure of diaquobisglycinatonickel(II) was determined by Stosick (1945) from three incompletely resolved projections. In order to obtain accurate values of bond lengths and angles for subsequent comparison with the dimensions of nickel-peptide complexes, the structure has been reinvestigated with three-dimensional data.

The cell data are shown in Table 1. The unit-cell dimensions were determined from 104 values of  $\theta$  between 58° and 81°, measured on  $h0l$  and  $hk0$  Weissenberg photographs calibrated with aluminum powder lines. The cell parameters

were refined in ten cycles of non-linear least-squares as functions of  $\sin^2 \theta$ . The density was determined by flotation.

Table 1. Crystal data

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6\text{N}_2\text{Ni}$	F.W. 242.7
Monoclinic, $a = 7.625(5)$ , $b = 6.596(5)$ , $c = 9.670(5)$ Å, $\beta = 116.57(1)$ °, $U = 435.0$ Å <sup>3</sup> , $D_m = 1.86$ , $D_x = 1.85$ g.cm <sup>-3</sup> , $Z = 2$ , $\lambda(\text{Cu } K\alpha_1) = 1.5405$ Å, $\lambda(\text{Cu } K\alpha_2) = 1.5443$ Å, $a(\text{Al}) = 4.04925$ Å, $\mu = 34$ cm <sup>-1</sup> . Space group $P2_1/c$ from systematic absences (0 $k$ absent for $k = 2n + 1$ , $h0l$ absent for $l = 2n + 1$ ).	

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Two overlapping sets of data,  $h0l$  through  $h5l$  and  $hk0$  through  $hk8$ , were recorded with the same crystal specimen. Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation was used. The intensities were measured visually on Weissenberg photographs, by comparison with a series of calibrated spots. The number of independent reflexions was 967, of which 74 were unobservably weak. The data were correlated by the least-squares method of Rae (1965). Lorentz, polarization and Tunell factors, but not absorption corrections, were applied.

A modified version of the program ORFLS (Busing, Martin & Levy, 1962) was used for the full-matrix least-squares refinement. The function minimized was  $\Sigma w||F_o - |F_c||^2$ . The weights  $w$  were given by the function  $w = 0.632/[1 + ((F_o - 15)/12)^2]$ , derived from a plot of  $||F_o - |F_c||$

$|F_o||$  versus  $|F_c|$ . The atomic scattering factors of Cromer & Waber (1965) for C, N, O and  $Ni^{2+}$  were used. The values for  $Ni^{2+}$  were corrected for the real part of the anomalous scattering by subtracting 3.1 electrons over the entire  $\sin \theta$  range (International Tables for X-ray Crystallography, 1962). In the fifth cycle of refinement with anisotropic temperature factors for all atoms, no parameter shifted by more than 0.02 e.s.d. The final residual was  $R = 0.095$ . The positions of the hydrogen atoms could not be inferred with certainty from a difference Fourier synthesis computed after the refinement converged.

The final positional and thermal parameters are shown in Table 2, the observed and calculated structure amplitudes in Table 3, and the interatomic distances and bond angles

Table 2. Final positional parameters ( $\times 10^4$ ), and coefficients  $B_{ij}$  ( $\times 10^4$ ) in the expression  $\exp\{-\{B_{11}h^2 + B_{22}k^2 + B_{33}l^2 + 2B_{23}kl + 2B_{13}hl + 2B_{12}hk\}\}$ , (all with their standard deviations in parentheses)

	$x/a$	$y/b$	$z/c$	$B_{11}$	$B_{22}$	$B_{33}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{13}$	$B_{23}$
Ni	0	0	0	44 (2)	54 (3)	33 (2)	1 (2)	26 (2)	-3 (2)
N	2766 (7)	0413 (7)	0123 (6)	74 (10)	57 (11)	60 (6)	3 (7)	43 (7)	-10 (6)
C(1)	3249 (9)	2575 (10)	0378 (8)	64 (11)	85 (13)	76 (9)	-19 (10)	47 (8)	-26 (9)
C(2)	2278 (8)	3553 (9)	1280 (6)	65 (11)	73 (12)	33 (7)	0 (10)	21 (7)	-8 (8)
O(1)	0698 (6)	2736 (7)	1158 (5)	92 (9)	83 (9)	67 (6)	-17 (8)	55 (6)	-26 (6)
O(2)	3065 (7)	5096 (7)	2078 (6)	123 (10)	123 (11)	87 (7)	-26 (9)	37 (7)	-42 (8)
O(3)	1305 (6)	-1438 (7)	2166 (5)	83 (9)	96 (10)	54 (6)	17 (7)	38 (6)	15 (6)

Table 3. Observed and calculated structure amplitudes ( $\times 10^4$ )

$H$	$K$	$L$	$F_O$	$F_C$	$H$	$K$	$L$	$F_O$	$F_C$	$H$	$K$	$L$	$F_O$	$F_C$	$H$	$K$	$L$	$F_O$	$F_C$	$H$	$K$	$L$	$F_O$	$F_C$																				
0	0	0	319	324	1	6	1	40	-70	1	0	1	221	220	2	3	4	94	83	3	6	145	144	-3	8	77	-72	4	172	116	3	2	4	70	60	3	3	88	79	-7	0	6	321	320
0	0	0	479	500	1	6	1	79	-83	1	0	1	71	70	2	3	4	45	42	2	5	176	125	-4	8	93	44	-4	3	3	44	34	-4	6	4	142	140	-4	2	4	129	128		
0	0	0	209	214	1	7	1	157	161	1	2	2	137	127	2	3	4	75	70	3	2	116	114	-4	8	92	14	-4	3	3	44	44	-4	6	4	143	140	-4	2	4	124	121		
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0	0	0	501	530	1	0	2	317	-291	1	3	2	121	220	2	3	4	120	120	3	2	152	150	-4	8	114	114	-4	3	3	37	36	-4	6	4	163	162	-4	2	4	227	226		
0	0	0	137	141	1	0	2	317	-291	1	3	2	121	220	2	3	4	120	120	3	2	152	150	-4	8	114	114	-4	3	3	37	36	-4	6	4	163	162	-4	2	4	227	226		
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0	0	0	277	281	1	1	3	252	121	1	4	5	117	120	2	3	4	203	224	2	3	249	269	-4	8	114																		

Table 4. Distances and angles in diaquobisglycinatnickel(II)

Code for superscripts:

	Atom at		Atom at
(none)	$x, y, z$	v	$1-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$
'	$-x, -y, -z$	vi	$-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$
"	$x, \frac{1}{2}-y, \frac{1}{2}+z$	vii	$x, -1+y, z$
'''	$-x, -\frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$	viii	$1-x, -\frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$
iv	$x, 1+y, z$	ix	$x, \frac{1}{2}-y, -\frac{1}{2}+z$
<i>(a) Bond-lengths (E.s.d.'s=0.01 Å)</i>		<i>(b) Bond angles (E.s.d.'s in parentheses)</i>	
Ni—N	2.08 Å	N—Ni—O(1)	81.1 (5)°
Ni—O(1)	2.06	N—Ni—O(3)	89.2 (5)
Ni—O(3)	2.10	O(1)—Ni—O(3)	87.8 (5)
N—C(1)	1.47	Ni—N—C(1)	108.1 (5)
C(1)—C(2)	1.52	N—C(1)—C(2)	111.1 (6)
C(2)—O(1)	1.28	C(1)—C(2)—O(1)	116.8 (7)
C(2)—O(2)	1.26	C(1)—C(2)—O(2)	118.4 (7)
		O(1)—C(2)—O(2)	124.8 (9)
		C(2)—O(1)—Ni	115.0 (6)
<i>(c) Hydrogen-bonds and closest non-bonded contact (E.s.d.'s=0.01 Å)</i>			
O(1)···H—O(3 <sup>vi</sup> )	O(3)···H···O(1'')	2.73 Å	
O(2)···H—O(3 <sup>iv</sup> )	O(3)···H···O(2 <sup>vii</sup> )	2.67	
O(2)···H—N''	N—H···O(2 <sup>ix</sup> )	3.07	
O(2)···N <sup>v</sup>	N ··· O(2 <sup>viii</sup> )	3.31	
<i>(d) Bond angles at hydrogen-bonded atoms</i>			
Ni—N···O(2 <sup>ix</sup> )	116.1°	C(2) — O(2) ··· O(3 <sup>iv</sup> )	127.2°
C(1)—N···O(2 <sup>ix</sup> )	98.4	N''···O(2) ··· O(3 <sup>iv</sup> )	79.0
Ni—O(1) ··· O(3 <sup>vi</sup> )	114.8	Ni—O(3) ··· O(1 <sup>iii</sup> )	122.7
C(2)—O(1) ··· O(3 <sup>vi</sup> )	128.0	Ni—O(3) ··· O(2 <sup>vii</sup> )	112.0
C(2)—O(2) ··· N''	106.3	O(1'') ··· O(3) ··· O(2 <sup>vii</sup> )	105.7

in Table 4. The oxygen atom of the water molecule is represented by O(3). Both single and stereoscopic views of the structure have already been published elsewhere (Freeman, Guss & Sinclair, 1968; Freeman, 1967b).

### Discussion

Comparisons of this structure with those of glycine (Marsh, 1958) and bisglycinatocopper(II) hydrate (Freeman, Snow, Nitta & Tomita, 1964) show that the dimensions of the amino acid are not significantly changed by chelation. Because the metal-ligand bond-lengths in the Ni(II) complex are 0.08 Å longer, the N(amino)-metal-O(carboxyl) angles in the chelate rings are 4° smaller than in the Cu(II) complex. The degree of 'puckering' of the glycinatnickel(II) chelate rings is among the highest recorded for  $\alpha$ -amino acid complexes (Freeman, 1967a). The Ni and N(amino) atoms lie at 0.26 and 0.61 Å from the plane of the carboxyl group, respectively [compared with deviations of 0.006, -0.103 Å and 0.126, 0.162 Å in the crystallographically independent chelate rings in bisglycinatocopper(II) hydrate]. The only respect in which our description of the structure differs from Stosick's is that we do not identify the vector from the N(amino) atom to O(2<sup>viii</sup>) as a potential hydrogen bond. The atoms are 3.13 Å apart and the interatomic

vector makes unacceptable angles with the bonds at the N(amino) atom.

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