| $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O} 4$ | $1.386(5)$ | $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O} 5$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $1.471(6)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 8$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.360(5)$ | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $1.390(6)$ | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 4$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.399(6)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 6$ | $1.387(7)$ | $\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 7$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $1.484(7)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 9$ |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $91.0(1)$ | $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O} 2$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O} 2$ | $111.2(4)$ | $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O} 3$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 5-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O} 2$ | $108.0(3)$ | $\mathrm{O} 5-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O} 3$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 5-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O} 4$ | $107.9(3)$ | $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Cu}$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Cu}$ | $129.5(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{Cu}$ |
| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $110.7(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $119.6(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 1$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $118.8(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 2$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $117.1(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 3$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $122.6(5)$ | $\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 4$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $118.5(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 5$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $120.4(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{O} 1$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $119.0(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 2$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{N} 2$ | $112.0(4)$ |  |

1.453 (4)
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1.371 (8)
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The structure was solved and refined using SHELX76 (Sheldrick, 1976). The metal-atom position was deduced from a Patterson synthesis and remaining non-H atoms were located by successive $\Delta F$ syntheses. Refinement was by full-matrix least squares. H atoms (except the methyl H atoms) were located from the difference Fourier map and refined isotropically. Molecular geometry calculations were performed using PARST (Nardelli, 1982).

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# Tetrapotassium $\mu$-Carbonato- $\mu$-0x0bis[nitrilotriacetatoiron(III)] Dimethanol Dihydrate 

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## Abstract

The structure of a $\mu$-carbonato- $\mu$-oxo-diiron(III) complex with the tetradentate tripodal ligand nitrilotriacetate (nta), $\left[\mathrm{Fe}_{2}(\mathrm{nta})_{2}\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right) \mathrm{O}\right]^{4-}$, has been determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction for the potassium salt, $\mathrm{K}_{4}\left[\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{NO}_{6}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right) \mathrm{O}\right] .2 \mathrm{CH}_{3}-$ $\mathrm{OH} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The binuclear complex has crystallographic twofold symmetry and the coordination geometry around the Fe atoms is distorted octahedral. The $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Fe}$ bridge angle is 121.1 (2) ${ }^{\circ}$ and the $\mathrm{Fe} \cdots \mathrm{Fe}$ interatomic distance is 3.188 (1) $\AA$. The $\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right) \mathrm{O}$ core is not planar; the dihedral angle between the $\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{3}$ planes is $33.8(5)^{\circ}$.

## Comment

The $\mathrm{Fe}^{\text {III }}$-nta solution, prepared by mixing an iron(III) solution and nitrilotriacetic acid, $\mathrm{H}_{3}$ nta, exhibits unique reactivity. The repeated intraperitoneal injection of the $\mathrm{Fe}^{\mathrm{III}}$-nta solution to rats and rabbits induces an iron overload similar to human hemochromatosis (Awai, Narasaki, Yamanoi \& Seno, 1979). The $\mathrm{Fe}^{\mathrm{III}}$-nta solution is nephrotoxic and renal carcinoma is also induced (Okada \& Midorikawa, 1982). In animals treated with the above solution, the products of lipid peroxidation increase (Goddard, Basford \& Sweeney, 1986). Nishida, Yoshizawa \& Akamatsu (1991) succeeded in isolating the $\mathrm{Fe}^{\mathrm{III}}$ complex with the nta ligand, $\left[\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O} \text { (acetato)(nta) }\right]^{3-}$, and concluded that the unique reactivity of the $\mathrm{Fe}^{\mathrm{II}}$-nta solution described
above is due to its dimeric structure with a $\mu$-oxo bridge (Nishida, 1991). In this study the $\mu$-oxo- $\mathrm{Fe}^{\mathrm{III}}$ nta complex with a carbonato bridge, (I), was isolated.

(I)

The dimensions of the $\mu$-carbonato- $\mu$-oxo-diiron(III) core are similar to those of the tris(2-pyridylmethyl)amine (TPA) adduct in crystals of $\left[\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\right.$ $\left.\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right)(\mathrm{TPA})_{2}\right]\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{4}\right)_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$ (Norman, Holz, Ménage, O'Connor, Zhang \& Que, 1990). The structures and magnetic properties of $\mu$-car-boxylato- $\mu$-oxo-diiron(III) complexes with TPA have been reported also (Norman, Yan, Que, Backes, Ling, Sanders-Loehr, Zhang \& O'Connor, 1990). The $\mu$-oxo-diiron(III) complexes show strong intramolecular antiferromagnetic coupling via a superexchange mechanism of two high-spin ferric ions (Drüeke, Wieghardt, Nuber, Weiss, Fleischhauer, Gehring \& Haase, 1989). The $-J$ value (Hamiltonian, $\mathscr{H}=-2 J s_{1} . s_{2}$ ) of the title compound after efflorescence was determined to be $83 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ by measuring magnetic susceptibilities in the temperature range $80-300 \mathrm{~K}$ using the Faraday method.


Fig. 1. ORTEP drawing (Johnson, 1965) of $\left[\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right)(\mathrm{nta})_{2}\right]^{4-}$ with the displacement ellipsoids at the $25 \%$ probability level.

## Experimental

By adding methanol to a solution ( pH 7.2 ) of ferric chloride, $\mathrm{N}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{COOH}\right)_{3}$ and $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$, the crude samples were obtained as brown powder, and were recrystallized from a methanol/water
(8/2) solution. Analysis found: C $21.77, \mathrm{H} 2.90, \mathrm{~N} 3.43 \%$. Analysis calculated for $\mathrm{K}_{4}\left[\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{NO}_{6}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right)(\mathrm{O})\right] .2 \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$.$2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}: \mathrm{C} 21.96, \mathrm{H} 2.95, \mathrm{~N} 3.41 \%$. The specimen was sealed in a capillary to prevent efflorescence.

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{K}_{4}\left[\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{NO}_{6}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right)-\right.$
O]. $2 \mathrm{CH}_{4} \mathrm{O} .2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=820.45$
Monoclinic
C2/c
$a=15.628$ (2) $\AA$
$b=12.915$ (2) $\AA$
$c=14.533$ (2) $\AA$
$\beta=102.90(1)^{\circ}$
$V=2859.4(6) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$
$D_{x}=1.91 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
$\lambda=0.71073 \AA$
Cell parameters from 29 reflections
$\theta=10-15^{\circ}$
$\mu=1.68 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=298$ (2) K
Prism
$0.80 \times 0.40 \times 0.20 \mathrm{~mm}$
Dark green

## Data collection

Rigaku AFC-5 diffractometer
$\theta-2 \theta$ scans
Absorption correction:
by integration from crystal shape
$T_{\text {min }}=0.469, T_{\text {max }}=$
0.755

3415 measured reflections
3287 independent reflections
2207 observed reflections
$\left[\left|F_{o}\right|>3 \sigma\left(\left|F_{o}\right|\right)\right]$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.022$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=27.5^{\circ}$
$h=-20 \rightarrow 20$
$k=0 \rightarrow 16$
$l=0 \rightarrow 18$
5 standard reflections monitored every 100 reflections
intensity variation: $2.0 \%$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F$
$R=0.045$
$w R=0.057$
$S=2.32$
2207 reflections
194 parameters
H -atom parameters not refined
$w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(\left|F_{o}\right|\right)+\left(0.015\left|F_{o}\right|\right)^{2}\right]$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}=0.18$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.68$ e $\AA^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.57 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
Extinction correction: none Atomic scattering factors from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\AA^{2}$ )

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $B_{\text {eq }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fe | -0.09580 (4) | 0.32474 (5) | -0.22888 (4) | 2.4 (1) |
| K1 | -0.10859 (7) | -0.06221 (8) | 0.05169 (8) | 3.8 (1) |
| K2 | 0.09596 (7) | 0.38284 (9) | -0.00760 (9) | 4.2 (1) |
| O3 | 0 | 0.3944 (3) | -1/4 | 3.0 (1) |
| O4 | -0.0725 (2) | 0.1864 (2) | -0.2809 (2) | 3.3 (1) |
| O5 | 0 | 0.0399 (4) | -1/4 | 6.2 (2) |
| 06 | -0.1421 (2) | 0.4439 (2) | -0.1636 (2) | 3.5 (1) |
| 07 | -0.2380 (2) | 0.4944 (3) | -0.0808 (3) | 4.5 (1) |
| 08 | -0.1885 (2) | 0.3484 (2) | -0.3482 (2) | 3.5 (1) |
| 09 | -0.3135 (3) | 0.2906 (3) | -0.4381 (3) | 5.5 (1) |
| 010 | -0.0480 (2) | 0.2618 (2) | -0.0954 (2) | 3.1 (1) |
| 011 | -0.0593 (2) | 0.1276 (3) | -0.0039 (2) | 4.5 (1) |
| N | -0.2142 (3) | 0.2491 (3) | -0.1944 (2) | 2.4 (1) |
| C12 | 0 | 0.1359 (5) | $-1 / 4$ | 3.5 (2) |
| C13 | -0.2575 (3) | 0.3282 (4) | -0.1478 (3) | 3.5 (1) |
| C14 | -0.2092 (3) | 0.4297 (4) | -0.1284 (3) | 2.9 (1) |
| C15 | -0.2686 (3) | 0.2169 (4) | -0.2865 (3) | 3.0 (1) |


| C16 | $-0.2568(3)$ | $0.2913(4)$ | $-0.3635(3)$ | $3.4(1)$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| C17 | $-0.1801(3)$ | $0.1617(4)$ | $-0.1310(3)$ | $3.2(1)$ |
| C18 | $-0.0892(3)$ | $0.1858(4)$ | $-0.0710(3)$ | $3.0(1)$ |
| O19 | $0.0178(3)$ | $0.4393(3)$ | $0.3928(3)$ | $5.4(1)$ |
| C20 | $0.0857(4)$ | $0.3845(6)$ | $0.3666(5)$ | $6.7(2)$ |
| O21 | $0.0854(6)$ | $0.0863(7)$ | $0.1578(6)$ | $10.2(2)$ |
| O22 | $-0.032(1)$ | $0.157(2)$ | $0.308(1)$ | $9.0(5)$ |

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters $\left(\AA,^{\circ}\right)$

| $\mathrm{Fe} \cdots \mathrm{Fe}^{\text {i }}$ | 3.188 (1) | $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 10$ | 2.082 (3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 3$ | 1.830 (2) | $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{N}$ | 2.246 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 4$ | 2.005 (3) | O4-C12 | 1.298 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 6$ | 2.025 (3) | O5-C12 | 1.240 (8) |
| $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O8}$ | 2.020 (3) | O11.. 021 | 2.924 (9) |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 4$ | 98.7 (1) | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 3$ | 175.4 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 6$ | 95.5 (1) | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 4$ | 85.6 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Fe}-08$ | 103.8 (1) | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 6$ | 80.1 (1) |
| O3-Fe-O10 | 102.5 (1) | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 8$ | 77.8 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 6$ | 165.5 (1) | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{Ol} 0$ | 76.4 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 8$ | 88.1 (1) | $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Fe}^{\text {i }}$ | 121.1 (2) |
| O4-Fe-O10 | 86.9 (1) | $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{Cl} 2$ | 122.4 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 6-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 8$ | 91.4 (1) | O4-C12-O5 | 120.2 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 6-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O} 10$ | 87.2 (1) | O4-C12-O4 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 119.7 (5) |
| $\mathrm{O} 8-\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{O10}$ |  |  |  |
| Symmetry code: (i) $-x, y,-z-\frac{1}{2}$. |  |  |  |

Laue group $2 / m$ and systematic absences, $h k l$ for $h+k \neq 2 n$ and $h 0 l$ for $l \neq 2 n$, indicated the space group $C c$ (No. 9) or $C 2 / c$ (No. 15). Assuming the space group to be $C 2 / c$, the position of the Fe atom was obtained by direct methods and the other non-H atoms were located from Fourier syntheses. All the H atoms of the complex ion were located from difference syntheses, as were the methanol and water molecules of crystallization, but their H atoms were not included in the refinement. The water molecule is disordered and the site occupation ratio of two possible positions, O 20 and O21, was estimated at $7: 3$ from the isotropic displacement parameters. Calculations were carried out using CRYSTAN-GM software (MAC Science, 1992) on a SUN SPARC2 workstation at Keio University.

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## Structural Characterization of MixedValence $1^{\prime}, 2^{\prime}, 1^{\prime \prime \prime}, 2^{\prime \prime \prime}$-Tetraethylbiferrocenium Triiodide

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## Abstract

The structure determination of the title compound $\left\{\mu-1\left(\eta^{5}\right): 2\left(\eta^{5}\right)\right.$-1,1'-bicyclopentadienyldiyl-bis[1,2( $\eta^{5}$ )-1,2-diethylcyclopentadienyl]diiron(II,III) triiodide chlorobenzene solvate, $\left[\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{13}\right)_{2^{-}}\right.$ $\left.\left.\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{8}\right)\right]\left(\mathrm{I}_{3}\right) \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{Cl}(10)\right\}$ indicates that this mixedvalence cation has a valence-trapped electronic state.

## Comment

Studies of electron transfer in mixed-valence biferrocenium complexes [(1)-(8)] have revealed that the environment around a given mixed-valence molecule is the most important factor in determining the rate of intramolecular electron transfer (Hammack, Drickamer, Lowery \& Hendrickson, 1988; Sinha, Lowery, Ley, Drickamer \& Hendrickson, 1988; Webb, Geib, Staley, Rheingold \& Hendrickson, 1990; Dong, Kambara \& Hendrickson, 1986; Dong, Hendrickson, Iwai, Cohn, Geib, Rheingold, Motoyama \& Nakashima, 1985). A recent finding of interest is that there is a correlation between the dihedral angle of the Cp rings for a given ferrocenyl moiety and the rate of electron transfer, i.e. the larger the dihedral angle, the faster the electron transfer (Dong \& Chou, 1990; Dong, Chang, Huang, Wen, Lee, Chen, Yeh \& Yeh, 1992; Dong, Lee \& Lin, 1992). In a previous communication (Dong et al., 1992), we reported that there is a dramatic difference in electron-transfer rates between complexes (9) and (10), which were prepared by

