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# Disodium hexaaquacobalt(II) bis[dihydrogen 1,2,4,5-benzenetetracarboxyl-ate(2-)] tetrahydrate 

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## Abstract

The title structure, $\mathrm{Na}_{2}\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{8}\right)_{2} \cdot 4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, consists of $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$cations, dihydrogen 1,2,4,5-benzenetetracarboxylate $(2-)\left(\mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$ btc) anions and water of crystallization. The $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc ions, as well as the water molecules, are linked together by a three-dimensional network of hydrogen bonds. A short symmetrical intramolecular hydrogen bond between the $\mathrm{COO}^{-}$and COOH groups is found to exist in the $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc ions.

## Comment

Anions of 1,2,4,5-benzenetetracarboxylic or pyromellitic acid $\left(\mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{btc}\right)$ have eight (btc) or four $\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{btc}\right)$ potential donor O atoms and its complexes could be of practical interest (Ward \& Luehrs, 1983). However, only a few first-row transition metal (Usubaliev et al., 1982; Ward \& Luehrs, 1983; Robl, 1987; Poleti et al., 1988; Poleti \& Karanović, 1989; Chen et al., 1996; Zou et al., 1998) and actinoid (Nectoux et al., 1984; Cousson, 1985; Cousson et al., 1986) complexes have been structurally characterized so far.

As part of our interest in benzenepolycarboxylate complexes, we tried to prepare a mixed-ligand $\mathrm{Co}^{\text {II }}$ complex containing $2,2^{\prime}$-bipyridine and btc ions. Instead, single crystals of the title compound, (I), were obtained. IR spectra indicated the absence of $2,2^{\prime}$-bipyridine and the presence of COOH groups, but comparison with powder-diffraction data showed that the complex is not isostructural with the previously described $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]-$ ( $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{btc}$ ) (Ward \& Luehrs, 1983).

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The structure consists of $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]^{2+}, \mathrm{Na}^{+}$and $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc ions, and water of crystallization (Fig. 1). The $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc ions, as well as the water molecules, are linked together by a three-dimensional network of hydrogen bonds. A short intramolecular hydrogen bond also exists in the $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{btc}$ ion.


Fig. 1. Part of the structure of (I) viewed approximately along the $a$ axis ( $40 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids). H atoms are shown as circles of arbitrary radii.

The $\mathrm{Co}^{\text {II }}$ ions are situated at the inversion center (000); one pair of water O atoms, related to each other by an inversion center, is on the twofold axis and two other pairs are in the mirror plane. The octahedron around $\mathrm{Co}^{11}$ is not very distorted [with Co O distances in the range $2.055(2)-2.117(2) \AA$ and O -$\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{O}$ angles between 85.13 (11) and $94.87(11)^{\circ}$ ]. The $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{O}$ distances are comparable with those found in $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{btc}\right)$ (Ward \& Luehrs, 1983).

The $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc anions are in special positions too, with two non-substituted ring C atoms ( C 1 and C 4 ) on the twofold axis, and the $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ bond bisected by the glide plane. As a consequence, the benzene ring is perfectly planar. Two carboxylate C atoms, C 5 and C6, are out of the plane of the benzene ring by 0.009 (2) and 0.024 (2) $\AA$, respectively. The whole anion does not deviate appreciably from planarity. The angles between
the benzene ring and the carboxylate groups are $1.5(2)^{\circ}$ for C5/O4/O5 and $2.8(2)^{\circ}$ for C6/06/O7, while the O5/C5/C2/C3/C6/O7 six-membered ring (the ring closed by the intramolecular hydrogen bond) is tilted only $0.29(7)^{\circ}$ with respect to the plane of the benzene ring. The geometry of the intramolecular hydrogen bond found in $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc is given in Table 2. Since both $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}$ distances are equal, the H atom is disorderly distributed into two positions symmetric with respect to the midpoint of the $\mathrm{O} 5 \cdots \mathrm{O} 7$ contact, and the $\mathrm{COO}^{-}$ and COOH groups are indistinguishable.
To the best of our knowledge, only three $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc compounds, $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$ btc) (Ward \& Luehrs, 1983), $\mathrm{Li}_{2}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{btc}\right) \cdot 4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (Jessen \& Küppers, 1990) and $\mathrm{UO}_{2}-$ ( $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{btc}$ ) $\cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (Cousson et al., 1986), are described so far in the literature. Only in $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{btc}\right)$ is the short intramolecular hydrogen bond found [ $\mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ distance $2.381(2) \AA$ ] and the H atom is also equidistant from the two O atoms. On the other hand, similar intramolecular hydrogen bonds are usual for hydrogen 1,2benzenedicarboxylate ( $1-$ ) ions ( Hbdc ) (Biagini Cingi et al., 1969; Gonschorek \& Küppers, 1975; Adiwidjaja \& Küppers, 1978; Küppers, 1978; Bartl \& Küppers, 1980). The O $\cdot$ O distances in these compounds are in the range 2.351 (9) -2.400 (2) $\AA$. This means that in the present case, the reported bond is slightly longer than the mean value.

The $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$cations lie on the mirror plane. They are surrounded by six O atoms, i.e. two O atoms of $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc anions with shorter, and four O atoms of $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ molecules with longer $\mathrm{Na} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ contacts. The $\mathrm{Na} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ distances are between 2.269 (2) and 2.575 (3) $\AA$, and angles are between $68.55(9)$ and $109.87(12)^{\circ}$. The polyhedron around Na can be described as a flattened (along the O6 $\cdots \mathrm{Na} \cdots$ O6 direction) and strongly distorted octahedron.

Except for the O 6 atom, all O atoms of the $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc ion and all $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ molecules are included in the threedimensional network of hydrogen bonds (Table 2). Three $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ molecules ( $\mathrm{O} 1, \mathrm{O} 2$ and O 3 ) around Co and the $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ molecule ( O 8 ) from the Na polyhedron act as hydrogen-bond donors. The lattice $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ molecule (O9) is both hydrogen-bond donor and acceptor connecting the Co coordination polyhedron with neighboring $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ btc ions.

Finally, it could be worth noting that an $\mathrm{Ni}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and Hbdc complex with similar formula, $\mathrm{K}_{2}\left[\mathrm{Ni}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right](\mathrm{Hbdc})_{4}--$ $4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, and packing has been reported (Biagini Cingi et al., 1984). However, there is no intramolecular hydrogen bonding in this complex.

## Experimental

The single crystals used for analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of a dilute aqueous solution containing $\mathrm{Co}^{2+}$. btc $^{4-}$ and 2,2'-bipyridine.

Crystal data
$\mathrm{Na}_{2}\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{8}\right)_{2} \cdot-$ $4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=789.33$
Monoclinic
C2/m
$a=7.320$ (4) $\AA$
$b=20.150(5) \AA$
$c=10.448(3) \AA$
$\beta=103.33(4)^{\circ}$
$V=1499.5(10) \AA^{3}$
$Z=2$
$D_{\mathrm{s}}=1.748 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
$D_{m}$ not measured

## Data collection

Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
$\lambda=0.71069 \AA$
Cell parameters from 25 reflections
$\theta=13.18-16.62^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.711 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=299$ (3) K
Needle
$0.25 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \mathrm{~mm}$
Pink

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4
diffractometer
$\omega / 2 \theta$ scans
Absorption correction:
by integration (DeTitta, 1985)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.817, T_{\text {max }}=0.838$
1901 measured reflections
1807 independent reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.045$
$u^{\prime} R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.116$
$S=0.987$
1807 reflections
145 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

1549 reflections with
$I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.038$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=27.96^{\circ}$
$h=-9 \rightarrow 9$
$k=0 \rightarrow 26$
$l=0 \rightarrow 12$
2 standard reflections frequency: 120 min intensity decay: none

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\begin{gathered}
w^{\prime}=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)+(0.0744 P)^{2}\right. \\
\quad+1.4558 P] \\
\text { where } P=\left(F_{o}^{2}+2 F_{c}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001 \\
\Delta \rho_{\max }=0.898 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
\Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.237 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
\text { Extinction correction: none } \\
\text { Scattering factors from } \\
\text { International Tables for } \\
\text { Crystallography (Vol. } \mathrm{C})
\end{gathered}
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Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\AA^{2}$ )

|  | $x$ | $\underline{r}$ | こ | $U_{\text {eq }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Co | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0276 (2) |
| Na | $-0.3168(2)$ | 0 | -0.32640(13) | 0.0410 (3) |
| O 1 | 0 | 0.10198 (11) | 0 | 0.0410 (6) |
| O2 | -0.2917 (3) | 0 | -0.08.33 (2) | 0.0343 (5) |
| O3 | -0.0282 (4) | 0 | 0.1972 (2) | 0.0367 (5) |
| 04 | 0.3107 (2) | 0.39593 (8) | 0.3010 (2) | 0.0407 (4) |
| 05 | 0.2016 (3) | 0.31233 (9) | 0.1738 (2) | 0.0553 (5) |
| O6 | 0.3064 (3) | 0.11200 (8) | 0.3033 (2) | 0.0528 (5) |
| 07 | 0.1999 (3) | 0.19404 (9) | 0.1733 (2) | 0.0556 (6) |
| O8 | 0.6680 (5) | 0 | 0.4359 (3) | 0.0549 (7) |
| O9 | 1/2 | 0.09615 (11) | 0 | 0.0369 (5) |
| Cl | 1/2 | 0.3208 .3 (13) | 1/2 | 0.0278 (6) |
| C2 | 0.3974 (3) | 0.28895 (9) | 0.3886 (2) | 0.0271 (4) |
| C3 | 0.3975 (3) | 0.21888 (9) | 0.3887 (2) | 0.0277 (4) |
| C4 | 1/2 | 0.18714 (14) | 1/2 | 0.0279 (6) |
| C5 | 0.2968 (3) | 0.33584 (11) | 0.2808 (2) | 0.0323 (4) |
| C6 | 0.2962 (3) | 0.17102 (10) | 0.2827 (2) | 0.0342 (5) |

Table 2. Hydrogen-bonding geometry $\left(\AA{ }^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}\right)$

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots \cdot \mathrm{A}$ | D-H | H. . $A$ | D..A | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| O5-H5 . O 7 | 1.20 (4) | 1.19 (4) | 2.384 (3) | 171 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Ol}-\mathrm{HI} \cdots \mathrm{O} 7$ | 0.80 (3) | 1.96 (3) | 2.764 (2) | 178 (4) |
| O2-H2...O9 ${ }^{1}$ | 0.75 (3) | 1.99 (3) | 2.729 (3) | 170 (2) |
| O3-H3.. $\mathrm{O}^{\prime \prime}$ | 0.77 (3) | 2.00 (3) | 2.748 (3) | 166 (3) |
| O8-H8 . . $\mathrm{O}^{\text {" }}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 0.82 (4) | 2.08 (5) | 2.856 (3) | 158 (4) |
| O9-H7 . $\mathrm{OS}^{\prime \prime}$ | 0.87 (3) | 1.90 (3) | 2.764 (2) | 178 (2) |
| Symmetry codes: <br> (i) $-x,-y,-z$; <br> (ii) $x-\frac{1}{2}, y-\frac{1}{2}, z$; <br> (iii) $\frac{1}{2}+x, y-\frac{1}{2}, z$; <br> (iv) $\frac{1}{2}-x, \frac{1}{2}-y,-z$. |  |  |  |  |

The structure was solved by heavy-atom and differenceFourier methods, and refined by the full-matrix least-squares method. All H atoms were found in $\Delta F$ maps, but those connected to C atoms were placed at calculated positions using a riding model $\left[\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93 \AA\right.$ and $\left.U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})\right] . \mathrm{H}$ atoms from the $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ molecules and COOH groups were refined isotropically. The intensities were corrected for absorption with the program ABSORB (DeTitta, 1985).
Data collection and cell refinement: CAD-4 Software (Enraf-Nonius, 1989). Data reduction: a local modification of MolEN (Fair, 1990). Program used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990). Program used to refine structure: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: ORTEX5f (McArdle, 1994). Software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL93. Weighted least-squares planes: PARST (Nardelli, 1983, 1995).

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# The red form of $\left[\operatorname{Re}(p h e n)\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathbf{2}} \mathrm{O}\right)\right]\right.$ $\mathrm{CF}_{3} \mathrm{SO}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ 

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#### Abstract

The coordination geometry of the cations in the red form of aquatricarbonyl( 1,10 -phenanthroline- $N, N^{\prime}$ )rhenium(I) trifluoromethanesulfonate hydrate, $\left[\operatorname{Re}\left(\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)(\mathrm{CO})_{3}\right.$ $\left.\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)\right] \mathrm{CF}_{3} \mathrm{SO}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, is approximately octahedral, with a facial arrangement of the linearly coordinated carbonyl ligands. The phenanthroline (phen) ligands interleave to form a columnar $\pi$-stacked structure.


## Comment

The water-soluble $\left[\operatorname{Re}(\text { phen })(\mathrm{CO})_{3}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)\right]^{+}$trifluoromethanesulfonate salt is a useful reagent for coupling $\left[\operatorname{Re}(\mathrm{phen})(\mathrm{CO})_{3}\right]^{+}$to an imidazole group of a protein histidine (Connick et al., 1995). We have found that the aqua complex forms both yellow and red crystalline solids, and that both materials dissolve to give spectroscopically indistinguishable yellow solutions. However, the room-temperature emission spectrum of the red crystals exhibits maxima near 550 and 670 nm . The high-energy yellow-green emission is characteristic of rhenium diimine tricarbonyl complexes and evidently arises from a film of yellow material formed on the surface of the red crystals. However, the red color and low-energy emission are less common for these complexes (Schanze et al., 1993; Wrighton \& Morse, 1974). In order to elucidate the origins of these spectroscopic properties, we have undertaken a structural study of the red form of this salt, (I).


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