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Three new Zn^{II} sulfate complexes

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The three zinc sulfate complexes presented herein display three completely different coordination modes, *viz* triaqua(1,10-phenanthroline-*N*,*N'*)(sulfato-*O*)zinc(II) hydrate, $[Zn(SO_4)(C_{12}H_8N_2)(H_2O)_3]\cdotH_2O$ (octahedral, monomeric), bis(μ -sulfato-*O*:*O'*)bis[(2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline-*N*,*N'*)zinc(II)], $[Zn_2(SO_4)_2(C_{14}H_{12}N_2)_2]$ (tetrahedral, dimeric), and *catena*-poly[[diaqua(2,2'-bipyridyl-*N*,*N'*)zinc(II)]- μ -(sulfato-*O*:*O'*)], $[Zn(SO_4)(C_{10}H_8N_2)(H_2O)_2]_n$ (octahedral, polymeric, twofold crystallographic symmetry). In the first, the sulfate is monodentate, while in the other two it acts as a bidentate bridge between two different Zn centers. There is a variety of sulfate S–O bond lengths, depending on the different coordination conditions and hydrogen-bonding interactions.

Comment

The results of structural studies of Zn^{II} complexes are particularly attractive since, like most d^{10} metal ions, zinc has the ability to adopt different modes of coordination determined by considerations of size, as well as electrostatic and covalent bonding forces. Furthermore, when complexed with N- and O-donor ligands, its derivatives have an additional importance since such systems are present in some biological molecules of outstanding interest, *viz* phospholipase C (Huogh *et al.*, 1989) and bovine lens leucine aminopeptidase (Burley *et al.*, 1992), *etc.*

The eventual presence of sulfate as a ligand is expected to introduce additional flexibility into the Zn^{II} coordination geometry, due to the versatility of the anion in acting either as a monodentate, bidentate or bridging ligand. A search in the Cambridge Structural Database (CSD; Allen & Kennard, 1993) confirmed this fact, revealing the existence of 23 reported structures, 14 of which are of an ionic nature and nine constitute real sulfato complexes presenting a variety of coordination modes. In five of these complexes, the anion acts

as a simple monodentate ligand in a diversity of Zn^{II} environments, viz tetrahedral (Andreetti et al., 1968; Greener et al., 1996), square pyramidal (Zhu et al., 1990) or octahedral (Hanggi et al., 1988; Dubler et al., 1990); in another two compounds it behaves as an O,O' bridge in linear polymeric chains of ZnO₆ octahedra (Labadi et al., 1993; Shorsheneva et al., 1994). Finally, in the remaining two, it presents a much more complex coordination, viz in (μ_4 -sulfido)hexakis(μ_3 sulfido)tris(μ_3 -sulfato)nonakis(pyridyl)-decazinc trihydrate (Ali et al., 1998), it binds to three different Zn centers as a triply monodentate ligand, fulfilling the role of a multiple link in an extremely intricate three-dimensional network, while in *catena*-[[(μ_2 -4,4'-bipyridyl)aqua(μ_2 -sulfato-O,O',O'')]zinc hemihydrate] (Songping et al., 1998), it links to two different Zn centers, monocoordinated to one and bicoordinated to the other, also giving rise to a complex structure. Recently, the structure of tetraaqua(1,10-phenanthroline)zinc(II) sulfate hydrate has been reported, in which the anion is not coordinated to the metal (Zhang et al., 1999)



As part of a general structural work on sulfur oxyanions, we report herein the synthesis and structural determination of three novel Zn^{II} sulfate complexes, namely triaqua(1,10-phenanthroline-N,N')(sulfato-O)zinc(II) hydrate, (I), bis(μ -sulfato-O:O')bis[(2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline)zinc(II)], (II), whose coordination is unprecedented in the literature,



Figure 1

Molecular diagram for (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Light broken lines depict intermolecular hydrogenbonding interactions; heavy broken lines, intramolecular ones [symmetry codes: (i) 2 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) 1 - x, 1 - y, -z; (iii) x, y, 1 + z].

and *catena*-poly[[diaqua(2,2'-bipyridyl-N,N')zinc(II)]- μ -(sulfato-O:O')], (III).

The structure of (I) is made up of monomers (Fig. 1) strongly interlinked by hydrogen bonding. The environment of the cation is octahedral, the bidentate bipy and two aqua molecules occupying the equatorial sites, with a third aqua and one of the sulfate O atoms (the only one involved in direct coordination to the cation) filling the apical sites. There is a strong intramolecular hydrogen bond between one of the coordinated water molecules (O2W) and a second oxygen from the sulfate anion (O4). The rest of the available H atoms take part in important hydrogen-bonding interactions (Table 1) which give rise to a rather complex three-dimensional structure. The O4 atom, in particular, is the acceptor of three interactions, a fact which seems to weaken the S–O4 bond (see below).

In the neocuproine sulfate, (II), the sulfate acts as an O-S-O bridge across two different Zn^{II} nuclei, determining the formation of a dimer (Fig. 2). The cation environment is tetrahedral, the coordination being completed by a bidentate neocuproine. The structure is doubly unique in that it is the first sulfato-bridged zinc(II) dimer reported, and it is the first



Figure 2

Molecular diagram for (II) showing the dimer formed around the symmetry center. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.





Molecular diagram for (III). Note the twofold axis across the coordination polyhedron through the cation. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Light broken lines depict intermolecular hydrogen-bonding interactions; heavy broken lines, intramolecular ones [symmetry codes: (i) -x, y, $\frac{1}{2} - z$; (ii) x, 1 - y, $\frac{1}{2} + z$; (iii) x, y, 1 + z].

 Zn^{II} complex with a tetrahedral ZnN_2O_2 environment which includes a bidentate N-Zn-N bite. No hydrogen bonding is present in the structure due to the absence of H-atom donors.

Finally, the bipyridine structure is a polymer made up of ZnN_2O_4 octahedra, with a twofold axis bisecting the coordination polyhedron through the cation and the central point of the bipy ligand. As a result, only half of the group is independent (Fig. 3). The equatorial plane is similarly defined as the one in (I), but the apical sites are provided by a single O atom from the sulfate group. The latter anion, in turn, is also bisected by a second twofold axis thus rendering only two O atoms independent, *i.e.* the one involved in coordination to Zn and a second one which takes part in two important hydrogen bonds; these are an intramolecular one, with one of the two aqua H atoms, H1WA, and an intermolecular one with the remaining hydrogen H1WB.

A systematic analysis of the three structures leads to the conclusion that the S–O bond lengths are quite sensible to the degree of compromise with which the O atoms are involved in any extra interaction, be it coordination or hydrogen bonding. Thus, when coordination is achieved through a mild interaction, *viz* through the occupation of an apical site in a Jahn–Teller distorted octahedron [cases (I) and (III)], the S–O distance hardly departs from average. Instead, when the coordination interaction is strong [case (II)] or the hydrogen bonds in which it takes part are strong and multiple [case of the triple acceptor O4 in (I)], the S–O weakens sensibly with appreciable lengthening of up to 4–5%.

Experimental

The three compounds were obtained by diffusion, following a similar setup: this consisted of two vessels, the first containing an aqueous solution of zinc sulfate [0.050 M in (I) and (II), and 0.025 M in (III)] and the second, a methanolic solution of the corresponding organic

Z = 1

ligand. The link between the two solutions was achieved through a connecting pipe full of water, and after a rather long time (one to two months), some crystals adequate for X-ray diffraction appeared, usually in the connecting media and far from the original solutions. It was not uncommon to have crystals growing in different sections of the setup, which proved to be the same compounds despite displaying quite different habits. The characteristics reported herein are those of the crystals actually measured.

Z = 2

 $D_x = 1.757 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Cell parameters from 25

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

reflections

 $\mu = 1.749 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

Prismatic, colorless

 $0.35 \times 0.25 \times 0.18 \ \mathrm{mm}$

T = 293 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.026$

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.47^{\circ}$

 $h = -8 \rightarrow 11$

 $k = -15 \rightarrow 15$

 $l = -10 \rightarrow 10$

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.01$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.69 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.58 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

(Sheldrick, 1997)

3 standard reflections

every 150 reflections

intensity decay: <3%

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.037P)^2 + 0.496P]$

Extinction correction: SHELXL97

Extinction coefficient: 0.106 (4)

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

 $\theta = 7.5 - 15.0^{\circ}$

Compound (I)

Crystal data

[Zn(SO₄)(C₁₂H₈N₂)(H₂O)₃]·H₂O $M_r = 413.70$ Triclinic, P1 a = 8.641 (3) Åb = 11.600(3) Å c = 8.0460 (10) Å $\alpha = 92.11^{\circ}$ $\beta = 103.77 (3)^{\circ}$ $\nu = 92.06^{\circ}$ $V = 782.0 (4) \text{ Å}^3$

Data collection

Rigaku AFC-7S diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: ψ scan (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988) $T_{\rm min} = 0.63, \ T_{\rm max} = 0.73$ 4231 measured reflections 3591 independent reflections 3355 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$ $wR(F^2) = 0.090$ S = 1.0343591 reflections 251 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å) for (I).

Zn-O2W	2.076 (2)	Zn-O1W	2.192 (2)
Zn-O3W	2.076 (2)	S-O1	1.461 (2)
Zn-N1	2.132 (2)	S-O2	1.473 (2)
Zn-N2	2.138 (2)	S-O3	1.479 (2)
Zn-O3	2.161 (2)	S-O4	1.504 (2)

Tal	ble	2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °) for (I).

$D-\mathrm{H}\cdots A$	$D-{\rm H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
	0.86 (4)	1.04(2)	2 792 (2)	167 (2)
O1W = H1WR = O4W	0.80(4)	1.94(3)	2.765(3)	107(3) 162(2)
$O_2W = H_2W_4 \dots O_4W$	0.70(3) 0.80(4)	2.07(3) 1.86(4)	2.612(3) 2.647(2)	105(3) 166(4)
$O2W = H2WB \cdots O2^{ii}$	0.80(4) 0.83(4)	1.00(4) 1.92(3)	2.047(2) 2.746(3)	174(3)
$O3W - H3WA \cdots O4^{ii}$	0.83 (3)	1.93 (3)	2.760 (2)	175 (3)
O3W−H3WB···O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.87 (4)	1.85 (4)	2.708 (2)	169 (3)
O4W−H4WA···O2 ⁱⁱ	0.78 (4)	2.00 (4)	2.740 (2)	159 (4)
$O4W-H4WB\cdots O4^{iii}$	0.80 (4)	1.98 (4)	2.775 (3)	175 (4)

Symmetry codes: (i) 2 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) 1 - x, 1 - y, -z; (iii) x, y, 1 + z.

Crvstal data [Zn₂(SO₄)₂(C₁₄H₁₂N₂)₂] $M_r = 739.37$ Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$ a = 8.8044 (15) Å b = 10.4281 (13) Åc = 8.7719(12) Å $\alpha = 103.738 (12)^{\circ}$

$V = 687.70 (17) \text{ Å}^3$ Data collection

 $\beta = 99.385 (14)^{\circ}$

 $\nu = 113.357 (11)^{\circ}$

Compound (II)

Rigaku AFC-7S diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: ψ scan (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988) $T_{\min} = 0.56, \ T_{\max} = 0.68$ 4198 measured reflections 3175 independent reflections 2966 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.033$ $wR(F^2) = 0.096$ S = 1.0773175 reflections 202 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

Table 3 Selected bond lengths (Å) for (II).

 $Zn - O2^{i}$ 1.437 (2) 1.923(2)S - O4Zn-O1 1.928 (2) 1.439 (2) S - O3Zn-N22.035 (2) S-O21.499 (2) Zn-N1 2.049 (2)

Symmetry code: (i) -x, -y, -z.

Compound (III)

Crystal data	
$[Zn(SO_4)(C_{10}H_8N_2)(H_2O)_2]$	$D_x = 1.833 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 353.65$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $C2/c$	Cell parameters from 25
a = 15.421 (3) Å	reflections
b = 12.701 (3) Å	$\theta = 7.5 - 15.0^{\circ}$
c = 6.6940 (10) Å	$\mu = 2.106 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 102.13 \ (3)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2) K
$V = 1281.8 (4) \text{ Å}^3$	Plate, colorless
Z = 4	$0.25 \times 0.22 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Rigaku AFC-7S diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: ψ scan (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988) $T_{\rm min}=0.60,\ T_{\rm max}=0.78$ 1524 measured reflections 1473 independent reflections 1099 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

 $D_x = 1.785 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation Cell parameters from 25 reflections $\theta = 7.5 - 15.0^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.957 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) KPrismatic, colorless 0.40 \times 0.28 \times 0.20 mm

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.031$ $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.48^{\circ}$ $h=-2\rightarrow 11$ $k = -13 \rightarrow 13$ $l = -11 \rightarrow 11$ 3 standard reflections every 150 reflections intensity decay: <3%

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.054P)^2 + 0.430P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.01$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.85 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.62 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ Extinction correction: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997) Extinction coefficient: 0.055 (4)

S-O11.513(2)

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.026$

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.50^\circ$

 $h = 0 \rightarrow 20$

 $k = 0 \rightarrow 16$

 $l = -8 \rightarrow 8$

3 standard reflections

every 150 reflections

intensity decay: <3%

metal-organic compounds

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2)]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.029$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.01$
$wR(F^2) = 0.085$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.37 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
S = 1.018	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.39 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
1473 reflections	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
102 parameters	(Sheldrick, 1997)
H atoms treated by a mixture of	Extinction coefficient: 0.0045 (4)
independent and constrained	
refinement	

Table 4

Selected bond lengths (Å) for (III).

Zn-O1W	2.063 (2)	S-01	1.472 (2)
Zn-N1	2.107 (2)	S-O2 ⁱ	1.478 (2)
Zn-O1	2.226 (2)	S-O2	1.478 (2)
S-O1 ⁱ	1.472 (2)		

Symmetry code: (i) -x, y, $-\frac{1}{2} - z$.

Table 5

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °) for (III).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$\begin{array}{c} O1W-H1WA\cdots O2^{i}\\ O1W-H1WB\cdots O2^{ii} \end{array}$	0.76 (2)	1.90 (3)	2.658 (3)	177 (3)
	0.76 (3)	1.98 (3)	2.714 (3)	165 (3)

Symmetry codes: (i) x, y, 1 + z; (ii) $x, 1 - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$.

H atoms attached to carbon were idealized and allowed to ride, except those pertaining to the methyl groups, which were also allowed to rotate around the C–C bond. Those attached to oxygen were found in the difference Fourier map and refined with individual isotropic displacement parameters.

For all compounds, data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988); cell refinement: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*; data reduction: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* in *SHELXTL/PC* (Sheldrick, 1994); software used to prepare material for publication: *PARST* (Nardelli, 1983) and *CSD* (Allen & Kennard, 1993).

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