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Polymeric bis[bis(2,2'-bipyridine)nickel(II)] hexavanadate(V)

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The structure of the title compound, μ -hexavanadato(V)bis[bis(2,2'-bipyridine)nickel(II)], [{Ni(C₁₀H₈N₂)₂}₂{V₆O₁₇}], is composed of vanadium oxide layers intercalated by complex [Ni(bipy)₂]²⁺ cations (bipy is 2,2'-bipyridine). The structure is isomorphous with that reported recently for [Zn(bipy)₂]₂[V₆O₁₇] [Zhang, DeBord, O'Connor, Haushalter, Clearfield & Zubieta (1996). Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl. **35**, 989– 991]. The vanadium oxide layers are built up solely from VO₄ tetrahedra by corner sharing and clearly exhibit a sinusoidal ruffling. Two O atoms from a single vanadium oxide layer are coordinated to each Ni atom of the complex cations in a *cis* fashion, with Ni–O distances of 2.027 (3) and 2.087 (3) Å, thus maintaining the two-dimensional structure.

Comment

Recently, it has been demonstrated that the hydrothermal technique is an effective approach to the synthesis of vanadium oxides incorporating complex cations, such as [Zn(bipy)₂]₂[V₄O₁₂] and [Zn(bipy)₃]₂[V₄O₁₂]·11H₂O (bipy is 2,2'bipyridine; Zhang *et al.*, 1997), [Ni(bipy)₃]₂[V₄O₁₂]·11H₂O (Yang *et al.*, 1998), [Cu(en)][V₂O₆] and [Cu(bipy)₂]₂[V₂O₆] (en is ethylenediamine; DeBord *et al.*, 1996), [Ni(en)₃][V₂O₆] (Liu *et al.*, 2000), [$M(en)_2$][V₆O₁₄] (M is Cu or Zn), [Zn(bipy)₂]₂[V₆O₁₇] and [Cu(en)₂]₂[V₁₀O₂₅] (Zhang *et al.*, 1996), [N(CH₃)₄]₂[Co(H₂O)₄V₁₂O₂₈] (Wang *et al.*, 1999), and [Cd(1,2-pn)₂][V₈O₂₀] (1,2-pn is 1,2-diamopropane; Zhang *et al.*, 1999). The present work reports the crystal structure of a new compound, [Ni(bipy)₂]₂[V₆O₁₇], (I), built from sinusoidal vanadium oxide layers, [V₆O₁₇]⁴⁻, and complex nickel(II) cations, [Ni(bipy)₂]²⁺.

Compound (I) is isomorphous with the recently reported compound $[Zn(bipy)_2]_2[V_6O_{17}]$ (Zhang *et al.*, 1996). The crystal structure of (I) is depicted in Fig. 1. The vanadium oxide layers are constructed solely from VO₄ tetrahedra by sharing corners and clearly display a sinusoidal ruffling, with an amplitude of about 6.5 Å and a period of about 14.8 Å. The $[Ni(bipy)_2]^{2+}$ complex cations occupy the interlamellar space and attach to the vanadium oxide layers through Ni–O covalent interactions, with distances of 2.027 (3) and 2.087 (3) Å.

A view perpendicular to the vanadium oxide layers is shown in Fig. 2. Along with one unshared terminal O atom, the other three O atoms of each tetrahedron around V2 and two O atoms of each V1 and V3 unit are shared between neighbouring tetrahedra, forming an extended two-dimensional pore network. These pores, consisting of 14-membered polyhedral rings, lie alternately in planes approximately parallel to (110) and ($\overline{1}10$), with a transannular V···V distance of about 10 Å.

Atoms O1 from the V1 tetrahedron and O7 from the V3 tetrahedron are coordinated to Ni atoms (Fig. 3). The octahedral geometry of each Ni^{II} atom is defined by four N atoms from two 2,2'-bipyridine ligands and two *cis*-oxo groups from a vanadium oxide layer. Two {Ni(bipy)₂O₂} motifs are bonded to each V₁₄ ring, on either side of the $\overline{1}$ site in the centre of the ring. The organic ligands protrude above and below the mean plane of the V₁₄ rings and fill the troughs of the ruffled vanadium oxide layers (Fig. 1).

The vanadium oxide layer structure in $[M(\text{bipy})_2]_2[V_6O_{17}]$ (*M* is Ni or Zn) has a very rare topology, where the pore size in the Ni compound, defined by the transannular V···V distance along the *c* axis, is slightly smaller than that in the Zn compound. It is interesting that the coordination of the O atoms from the vanadium oxide layers to the *M* atoms in these two compounds is different from that in other layered vanadium oxides incorporating six-coordinated interlamellar



Figure 1

A view of the structure of (I) along the c axis, showing the vanadium oxide layers with a sinusoidal ruffle and the nickel complexes, which occupy the troughs and are covalently bonded to the layers. Large hatched circles denote Ni, small hatched circles denote C and dotted circles denote N atoms.





A view perpendicular to one of the vanadium oxide layers in (I), showing the VO₄ tetrahedra linked through corner sharing to form an extended two-dimensional pore network.

cations, namely $[M(en)_2][V_6O_{14}]$ (M is Cu or Zn) and [Cu(en)₂][V₁₀O₂₅] (Zhang et al., 1996), and [Ni(en)₂][V₆O₁₄] (Lin & Liu, 2000). In the structures of the latter compounds, the two oxo groups come from the two neighbouring layers and are covalently connected to each M atom in a trans fashion, forming a three-dimensional framework. In contrast, in (I), the two cis-oxo groups around each Ni atom come from a single vanadium oxide layer, maintaining the two-dimensional network structure.



Figure 3

The asymmetric unit in the structure of (I) with 50% displacement ellipsoids, showing the coordination environment around the metal atoms [symmetry code: (i) $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$].

Experimental

The hydrothermal synthesis of (I) was carried out in a 17 ml Teflon-lined stainless steel vessel with a ca 40% fill factor. A mixture of V₂O₅ (0.092 g), NiO (0.081 g), 2,2'-bipyridine (0.083 g) and H₂O, in the molar ratio 1:1.2:1:778, was heated at 448 K for 72 h. Green plateshaped crystals of (I) were formed in 25% yield based on V, contaminated by a small amount of unreacted NiO. The pH of the synthesis increased from 6.7 before heating to 7.5 at the end of reaction. Attempts to prepare (I) as a monophasic material were unsuccessful. Besides a series of characteristic bands for 2,2'-bipyridine in the region 1100-1600 cm⁻¹, the IR spectrum of (I) exhibits a strong band at 925 cm⁻¹, which was attributed to ν (V–O).

Crystal data

$[Ni_2V_6O_{17}(C_{10}H_8N_2)_4]$	$D_x = 1.825 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 1319.80$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Cell parameters from 25
a = 15.529 (3) Å	reflections
b = 14.770(3) Å	$\theta = 10 - 15^{\circ}$
c = 10.477 (2) Å	$\mu = 1.960 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 92.02 \ (3)^{\circ}$	T = 294 (2) K
V = 2401.5 (8) Å ³	Plate, green
Z = 2	$0.60\times0.40\times0.15$ mm

Data collection

Rigaku AFC-5R diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: ψ scan (North et al., 1968) $T_{\rm min}=0.320,\ T_{\rm max}=0.745$ 4798 measured reflections 4718 independent reflections 3558 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.034$ $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.99^{\circ}$ $h = -19 \rightarrow 19$ $k = -18 \rightarrow 0$ $l = 0 \rightarrow 12$ 3 standard reflections every 150 reflections intensity decay: 0.5%

Table 1 Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Ni1-01 2.027(3)V1-04 1.814(3)Ni1-N4 2.057 (3) V2-05 1.584 (4) 2.060 (3) Ni1-N1 1.738 (3) $V_{2}-06$ Ni1-N3 2.085 (3) V2 - O21.740 (3) 2.087 (3) 1.752 (3) Ni1-07 $V2-O4^{i}$ Ni1-N2 2.125 (4) V3-09 1.612 (3) V1-O3 1.612 (3) V3-07 1.654(3)1.7833 (7) V1 - O11.630(3) V3-08 V1-O2 1.808 (3) V3-O6 1.822 (3) O1-Ni1-N4 109.8 (2) 93.77 (12) O1-V1-O2 O1-Ni1-N1 90.42 (13) O3-V1-O4 110.0 (2) 108.9 (2) N4-Ni1-N1 170.52 (13) 01 - V1 - 04O2-V1-O4 110.6 (2) O1-Ni1-N3 172.68 (13) N4-Ni1-N3 78.90 (13) 05 - V2 - 06110.1 (2) O5-V2-O2 N1-Ni1-N3 96.81 (13) 109.2 (2) O1-Ni1-O7 87.59 (13) O6-V2-O2 108.5 (2) N4-Ni1-O7 96.49 (13) O5-V2-O4i 108.9 (2) N1-Ni1-07 92.18 (12) 06 - V2 - 04111.0(2) $02 - V2 - 04^{i}$ N3-Ni1-07 93.24 (12) 109.1(2)O1-Ni1-N2 92.52 (14) 09-V3-07 109.0(2)N4 - Ni1 - N292.76 (13) O9-V3-O8 109.95 (14) N1-Ni1-N2 78.55 (13) 07 - V3 - 08110.95 (11) 87.83 (14) 107.2 (2) N3-Ni1-N2 O9-V3-O6 07-Ni1-N2 07 - V3 - 06170.72 (13) 111.8(2)O3-V1-O1 110.0 (2) O8-V3-O6 107.90 (11) O3-V1-O2 107.4(2)

Symmetry code: (i) $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$.

Refinement

All H atoms were fixed geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent C atoms, with C–H distances of 0.93 Å and common isotropic displacement parameters ($U_{iso} = 0.08 \text{ Å}^2$).

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1987); cell refinement: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*; data reduction: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1987); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS86* (Sheldrick, 1990*a*); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*93 (Sheldrick, 1993); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL/PC* (Sheldrick, 1990*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL*93.

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