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# Barium bis[6-amino-3-methyl-5-nitrosopyrimidine-2,4(1H,3H) dionate] trihydrate: coordination polymer chains linked by hydrogen bonds

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The title complex, *catena*-poly[[triaquabarium(II)]-di- $\mu$ -6-amino-3-methyl-5-nitrosopyrimidine-2,4(1H,3H)-dionato], [Ba-  $(C_5H_5N_4O_3)_2(H_2O)_3$ <sub>n</sub>, forms a coordination polymer chain in which the two distinct anions use different ligating atoms to bridge pairs of cations. Adjacent pairs of cations are also linked by pairs of bridging water molecules. The chains are linked into a single three-dimensional framework by an extensive series of hydrogen bonds.

## Comment

We have reported recently the molecular and supramolecular structures of the hydrated sodium and strontium salts that are derived from 6-amino-3-methyl-5-nitrosopyrimidine-2,4(1*H*,3*H*)-dione, (1). The cations and the  $C_5H_5N_4O_3^-$  anions [denoted  $L$  and shown as (2) in the *Scheme*] in the sodium salt,  $Na(L)$ -2H<sub>2</sub>O, constitute a one-dimensional coordination polymer in the form of a molecular ladder, and the ladders are linked into a continuous three-dimensional framework by a combination of  $O-H\cdots O$  and  $O-H\cdots N$  hydrogen bonds (Cuesta et al., 2001). Within the ladder, the anion uses one amide O atom and the nitroso N atom to coordinate to a single Na atom, while the other amide O atom bridges a pair of cations, thus forming a centrosymmetric  $Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>$  ring. By contrast, the Sr salt, of composition  $Sr(L)_{2} \cdot 3H_{2}O$ , forms a centrosymmetric dimer in which the two L ligands adopt entirely different coordination modes; one water ligand bridges two Sr centres, and one of the anionic ligands is bidentate and bonded to just one Sr atom, while the other is tridentate and bridges the two Sr-atom centres in the dimer. The dimeric units are linked by an extensive series of  $O$  –  $H \cdots O$ ,  $O-H \cdots N$  and  $N-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds to form a complex three-dimensional framework (Low et al., 2003).



Continuing this study, we report here the structure of the hydrated barium salt, (I), of L, whose composition,  $Ba(L)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O$ , is analogous to that of the Sr salt. While the structure of (I) (Fig. 1) is different from the structures of both the Na and the Sr complexes of  $L$ , it shares certain features with both of them. Complex (I) resembles  $\text{Na}(L) \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in that both form one-dimensional coordination polymers, but differs from it in containing two distinct anions exhibiting different coordination behaviour and in forming a chain of spiro-fused rings rather than edge-fused rings. Complex (I) resembles  $Sr(L)_{2}$ .3H<sub>2</sub>O in forming centrosymmetric  $M_{2}(\text{anion})_{2}$  and  $M_2(H_2O)$ <sub>2</sub> rings, but differs from it in forming a coordination polymer containing ten-coordinate  $M$  (Fig. 2) rather than a finite centrosymmetric dimer containing nine-coordinate M.

The structures of the two independent anions are similar but not identical; each adopts the usual planar conformation, with the nitroso group *trans* to the amide On4 atoms  $(n = 1)$  or 2), and each forms an intramolecular  $N-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bond with the nitroso  $On5$  atom as acceptor (Fig. 1). The anions show a number of the geometric characteristics of 5-nitrosopyrimidines (Low et al., 2000; Low, Arranz, Cobo,



## Figure 1

The asymmetric unit of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

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Fontecha, Godino, López, Cannon et al., 2001; Low, Arranz, Cobo, Fontecha, Godino, López & Glidewell, 2001; Low, Cannon et al., 2001; Low, Moreno et al., 2001). In particular, the  $C4-C5$  and  $C5-C6$  distances are very similar, the difference between the  $C5-N5$  and  $N5-O5$  distances is less than 0.065  $\AA$ , and the C6–N6 bond is very short for a single  $C-N$  bond between three-connected atoms (Allen *et al.*, 1987). While the similar  $C2-O2$  and  $C4-O4$  distances are both typical of those in neutral amides (Allen et al., 1987), the  $N1-C6$  bond is somewhat shorter than the  $N1-C2$  bond. These observations taken together indicate polarization of the electronic structure, so that  $(2a)$  is a significantly better representation than (2) (see Scheme).

In forming the polymer chain in (I), the type 1 anion (containing N11, N13 etc.) uses two O atoms (O12 and O14) to coordinate to two different Ba atoms, reinforced by weak coordination of nitroso atom N15, while the type 2 anion (containing N21, N23 etc.) uses atoms O22 and N21 to coordinate to a pair of Ba atoms different from those coordinated by the type 1 anion (Table 1). Thus, in the type 1 anion at  $(x, y, z)$ z), atoms O12 and O14 are bonded to Ba atoms at  $(x, y, z)$  and  $(1 - x, 1 - y, -z)$ , respectively, while in the type 1 anion at  $(1 - x, 1 - y, -z)$ , atoms O12 and O14 are bonded to Ba atoms at  $(1 - x, 1 - y, -z)$  and  $(x, y, z)$ , respectively. In this manner, a centrosymmetric  $R_4^2(12)$  ring (Starbuck *et al.*, 1999)



## Figure 2

The ten-coordination of barium in  $(I)$ . Atoms marked with suffices  $A$  and B are at the symmetry positions  $(1 - x, 1 - y, -z)$  and  $(1 - x, 1 - y,$  $1 - z$ ), respectively.



## Figure 3

Stereoview of part of the crystal structure of (I), showing the formation of the coordination polymer chain along  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, z)$ .

is formed, centred at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ . In the type 2 anion at  $(x, y, z)$ , atoms N21 and O22 are bonded to Ba atoms at  $(x, y, z)$  and  $(1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z)$ , respectively, forming a centrosymmetric  $R_4^2(8)$  ring centred at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ . Propagation by inversion of these two ring motifs thus generates a chain of spiro-fused rings running parallel to the [001] direction (Fig. 3), with  $R_4^2(8)$  rings centred at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + n)$  (*n* = zero or integer) and  $R_4^2(12)$  rings centred at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, n)$  (*n* = zero or integer). The chain is reinforced by two hydrogen bonds; atoms N26 and O2 at  $(x, y, z)$ act as hydrogen-bond donors, via atoms H26A and H2B, to atoms O14 and O15, respectively, both at  $(1 - x, 1 - y, -z)$ .

Almost orthogonal to the  $R_4^2(8)$  rings are centrosymmetric  $Ba<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>$  rings containing water atom O1, where atom O1 at  $(x,$ y, z) is coordinated to Ba atoms at  $(x, y, z)$  and  $(1 - x, 1 - y,$  $1 - z$ ). This feature thus resembles the Sr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> rings formed in the  $Sr(L)_{2}$ -3H<sub>2</sub>O complex (Low *et al.*, 2003). The coordination of the Ba atom at  $(x, y, z)$  is completed by the two water molecules containing atoms O2 and O3, both of which are bonded to a single cation, and by weak interactions with atom O22 in the type 2 cation at  $(x, y, z)$  and atom N15 in the type 1 cation at  $(1 - x, 1 - y, -z)$ , so giving a tenfold coordination (Fig. 2). This may be contrasted with the near-octahedral sixcoordination in  $Na(L)$ -2H<sub>2</sub>O and the nine-coordination in  $Sr(L), 3H, O.$ 

There is just one coordination polymer chain running through each unit cell, and adjacent chains are linked by an extensive series of  $O-H\cdots O$ ,  $O-H\cdots N$  and  $N-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds (Table 2) to form a single three-dimensional framework. The formation of this framework is readily analyzed in terms of several one-dimensional substructures.

Water atom O1 at  $(x, y, z)$  lies in a Ba<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> ring centred at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  and acts as a hydrogen-bond donor to both water atom O2 and water atom O3 at  $(-x, 1 - y, 1 - z)$ . These water molecules are directly coordinated to the Ba atom at  $(-x,$  $(1 - y, 1 - z)$ , which itself lies in the Ba<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> ring centred at  $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$ . Propagation of these hydrogen bonds by translation and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ). Propagation of these hydrogen bonds by translation and inversion leads to the formation of a chain of rings running parallel to the [100] direction (Fig. 4). This chain contains Ba<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> rings centred at  $(\frac{1}{2} + n, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  (*n* = zero or integer), and rectangular prismatic cages built from two Ba atoms and six water molecules centred at  $(n, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$   $(n = \text{zero or integer})$ . This [100] chain is reinforced by the single  $O-H\cdots N$  hydrogen



Figure 4 Stereoview of part of the crystal structure of (I), showing the formation of the hydrogen-bonded chain along  $(x, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ .

bond in the structure, in which water atom O3 at  $(x, y, z)$  acts as a hydrogen-bond donor, via atom H3B, to pyrimidine atom N11 in the type 1 anion at  $(-1 + x, y, z)$  (Fig. 4).

Water atom O3 at  $(x, y, z)$  is directly coordinated to the Ba atom at  $(x, y, z)$ . This water molecule acts as a donor, *via* atom H3A, to both atom O24 and atom N25 in the type 2 anion at  $(1 - x, 2 - y, 1 - z)$  in an effectively planar three-centre O  $H \cdots (N,O)$  hydrogen bond. This type 2 anion is directly coordinated to the Ba atom at  $(1 - x, 2 - y, 1 - z)$ , which forms part of a Ba<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> ring centred at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ . Propagation of this three-centre hydrogen bond thus generates a chain of rings running parallel to [010], containing  $Ba<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>$  rings centred at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + n, \frac{1}{2})$  (*n* = zero or integer) and  $R_6^4(14)$  rings (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995; Starbuck *et al.*, 1999) centred at  $(\frac{1}{2}, n, \frac{1}{2})$  (*n* = zero or integer) (Fig. 5).

The chains along  $[100]$ ,  $[010]$  and  $[001]$  (Figs. 3–5) are sufficient to generate a single three-dimensional framework. However, the formation of these chains does not fully utilize all of the intermolecular hydrogen bonds, and the final two bonds serve to reinforce the framework by forming a chain running parallel to the [110] direction. Amino atom N16 in the type 1 anion at  $(x, y, z)$  acts as a hydrogen-bond donor to atom



## Figure 5

Stereoview of part of the crystal structure of (I), showing the formation of the chain of rings along  $(\frac{1}{2}, y, \frac{1}{2})$ .



## Figure 6

Stereoview of part of the crystal structure of (I), showing the formation of the chain of rings parallel to [110].

O24 in the type 2 anion at  $(2 - x, 2 - y, 1 - z)$ , so generating a chain containing Ba<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> rings centred at  $(\frac{1}{2} + n, \frac{1}{2} + n, \frac{1}{2})$  $(n = 2$  are or integer) and  $R_6^4(24)$  rings centred at  $(n, n, \frac{1}{2})$  $(n = zero \text{ or integer})$  (Fig. 6). This [110] chain is itself reinforced by an  $O-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bond in which water atom O2 at  $(x, y, z)$  acts as a donor, *via* atom H2A, to atom O25 in the type 2 anion at  $(-1 + x, -1 + y, z)$ .

## **Experimental**

The title compound was obtained by adding barium chloride trihydrate (3 mmol) to a solution of the corresponding potassium uracilate,  $K(L)$  (1 mmol), in methanol/water (40 ml, 9:1  $v/v$ ). Slow evaporation of this solution gave crystals, which were dried over  $CaCl<sub>2</sub>$  for two weeks. Crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction were selected directly from the prepared sample. Analysis found: C 21.7, H 2.8, N 20.9%;  $C_{10}H_{16}BaN_8O_9$  requires: C 22.7, H 3.0, N 21.2%.

 $K$ 

3946 independent reflections 3892 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.059$  $\theta_{\rm max}=27.5^\circ$  $h = -8 \rightarrow 8$  $k = -14 \to 14$  $l = -16 \rightarrow 15$ 

## Crystal data



#### Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer  $\varphi$  scans, and  $\varphi$  scans with  $\kappa$  offsets Absorption correction: multi-scan ( $DENZO-SMN$ ; Otwinowski & Minor, 1997)  $T_{\text{min}} = 0.519, T_{\text{max}} = 0.699$ 11 514 measured reflections

## Refinement

 $W$ 

 $S$ 



# Table 1

Selected bond lengths  $(A)$ .



Symmetry codes: (i)  $1 - x$ ,  $1 - y$ ,  $-z$ ; (ii)  $1 - x$ ,  $1 - y$ ,  $1 - z$ .

## Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry  $(A, \circ)$ .



Symmetry codes: (i)  $1 - x$ ,  $1 - y$ ,  $-z$ ; (iii)  $-x$ ,  $1 - y$ ,  $1 - z$ ; (iv)  $x - 1$ ,  $y - 1$ , z; (v)  $1 - x$ ,  $2 - y$ ,  $1 - z$ ; (vi)  $x - 1$ ,  $y$ ,  $z$ ; (vii)  $2 - x$ ,  $2 - y$ ,  $1 - z$ .

Crystals of (I) are triclinic, and the space group  $\overline{P1}$  was chosen and confirmed by subsequent analysis. H atoms bonded to  $C$  or  $N$  atoms were treated as riding atoms, with C $-H$  distances of 0.98 Å and N $-$ H distances of  $0.88 \text{ Å}$ . H atoms bonded to O atoms were located from difference maps and refined initially using DFIX constraints (SHELXL97; Sheldrick, 1997), with O–H distances of 0.90 (2)  $\AA$  for atom O1 and  $0.82$  (2) Å for atoms O2 and O3, and finally as riding atoms with these distances. Although there are voids in the structure of  $\sim$ 73 Å<sup>3</sup> per unit cell, there is no evidence that any solvent molecules are present within the voids. Firstly, the only significant peaks in the difference map are clustered around the Ba atoms. In addition, the SQUEEZE option in PLATON (Spek, 2003) did not suggest that there was any significant electron density within the voids. Finally, when a supernumerary O atom was included in the void and refined with a fixed  $U_{\text{iso}}$  value, its site-occupancy factor refined to a value of  $0.036$  (6), which is consistent with the absence of significant additional solvent in the void.

Data collection: KappaCCD Server Software (Nonius, 1997); cell refinement: DENZO-SMN (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: DENZO-SMN; program(s) used to solve structure:  $SHELX$ S97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: PLATON (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97 and PRPKAPPA (Ferguson, 1999).

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