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Pentaethylenehexaminemanganese(II) pentaborate

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The title compound, (pentaethylenehexamine- $\kappa^6 N$)manganese(II) 4,4',6,6'-tetrahydroxy-2,2'-spirobi(cyclotriboroxane)-(1–), [Mn(C₁₀H₂₈N₆)][B₅O₆(OH)₄]₂, was synthesized under mild solvothermal conditions. The B₅O₆(OH)₄⁻ units are connected to one another *via* hydrogen bonds, forming a three-dimensional framework with large channels along the *a* and *c* axes, in which the templating [Mn(C₁₀H₂₈N₆)]²⁺ cations are located. The Mn^{II} complex cation has a twofold axis and the coordination geometry of the MnN₆ group is that of a distorted trigonal prism.

Comment

From a structural point of view, B atoms are easy to condense into clusters, example being $B_4O_5(OH)_4$ (Touboul *et al.*, 1999), B_5O_8 (Penin *et al.*, 2001), B_8O_{18} (Li *et al.*, 2003), $B_{12}O_{24}$ (Menchetti & Sabelli, 1979; Choudhury *et al.*, 2002), $B_{16}O_{24}(OH)_8$ (Behm, 1985), *etc.* As a result of the flexible threefold (BO₃, triangular) or fourfold (BO₄, tetrahedral) coordination of the B atom, borates are the most complex compounds containing oxide polyanions. Many inorganic frameworks constructed from BO polyhedra exhibiting onedimensional chains (Grice *et al.*, 1999; Yu *et al.*, 2002; Schubert *et al.*, 2003), two-dimensional layers (Bubnova *et al.*, 2002; Penin, Seguin *et al.*, 2002; Penin, Touboul & Nowogrock, 2002, 2003) and three-dimensional open structures (Harrison *et al.*,







Figure 1

The cation and anion in (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 30% probability level. [Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, y, $\frac{1}{2} - z$.]

2003) have been reported in the past few decades, and these borate crystals were usually grown under the templating effect of inorganic cations. Recently, the templating effects of metal-organic complexes have been demonstrated for many inorganic systems (Bruce *et al.*, 1995, 1996; Gray *et al.*, 1997; Yu *et al.*, 2001). However, the formation of metallo-organically templated borates is less well explored, and only one such material, namely $[Cu(en)_2](B_7O_{13}H_3)$ (en is ethylenediamine; Sung *et al.*, 2000), has been reported to date. The aim of our work is to construct new borate structures by using common BO clusters as fundamental building blocks (FBBs) in the presence of transition metal coordination complexes. A novel borate, *viz.* the title compound, (I), has been isolated successfully.

Compound (I) is composed of $B_5O_6(OH)_4^-$ anions and $\left[Mn(C_{10}H_{28}N_6)\right]^{2+}$ cations (Fig. 1 and Table 1). The



Figure 2

The crystal packing of (I), projected along the c axis. The broken lines indicate hydrogen-bonding interactions. H atoms of the Mn complex cations have been omitted for clarity.

 $B_5O_6(OH)_4^-$ polyanion consists of two B_3O_3 rings, each containing one tetrahedral and two trigonal B atoms. The B-O distances for the trigonal B atoms (B1, B2, B4 and B5) range between 1.347 (7) and 1.382 (6) Å, and the B-Odistances for the tetrahedral B atom (B3) range from 1.454 (7) to 1.477 (7) Å. The O-B-O angles involving trigonal B atoms are in the range 115.6 (5)–123.1 (5) $^{\circ}$ and the O–B–O angles involving atom B3 are in the range $108.3 (5)-112.0 (4)^{\circ}$. The two B₃O₃ rings are connected via their shared tetrahedral B atom. The $B_5O_6(OH)_4^-$ clusters are further connected by hydrogen-bonding interactions into a three-dimensional structure, with large channels along the *a* (as shown in Fig. 2) and c axes $[O \cdots O = 2.717 (6) - 3.060 (5) Å]$. The Mn atom lies on a twofold axis and is bonded to the six N atoms of the ligand. The MnN₆ coordination geometry is that of a distorted trigonal prism. The Mn-N distances range from 2.256 (5) to 2.332 (5) Å and the N-Mn-N angles are between 75.1 (3) and 144.1 (2)°. The $[Mn(C_{10}H_{28}N_6)]^{2+}$ cations are located in the inorganic channel and interact with the framework both electrostatically and via hydrogen bonds, with N···O distances in the range 3.059 (6)–3.362 (6) Å (Table 2).

Experimental

Compound (I) was prepared from a mixture of NH₄B₅O₈·4H₂O $(0.816 \text{ g}), [Mn(C_{10}N_6H_{28})](CH_3COO)_2 (0.398 \text{ g}), pyridine (3.2 \text{ ml}),$ distilled water (1.1 ml) and hydrofluoric acid (40%, 0.1 ml) in the molar ratio 3.0:1.0:4.0:4.8:2.0. The mixture was stirred mechanically at room temperature (the final pH was 9.0) and then placed in an autoclave at 443 K for 7 d. Yellow block-shaped crystals of (I) were obtained. The powder X-ray diffraction pattern of the bulk product is in good agreement with the pattern calculated on the basis of the present crystal structure determination, indicating the phase purity of the sample. Analysis calculated for $C_{10}H_{36}B_{10}MnN_6O_{20}$: C 15.13, H 7.11, N 10.59%; found: C 15.27, H 7.23, N 10.53%. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed in a dry N₂ atmosphere (303–1673 K), with heating rates of 30 K min⁻¹ between 303 and 1273 K, and 15 K min⁻¹ between 1273 and 1673 K. TGA showed that there were two steps of weight loss. The initial weight loss (about 10%; 553-593 K) corresponds to the total removal of hydroxy groups (calculated 9.7%). The weight loss from 593 to 743 K is attributed to the partial release of organic molecules. When heated further, the organic molecules were lost fully at about 1283 K, and finally the volatile boron oxide phases were partially released. The IR spectrum of (I) contains the characteristic bands of the BO₃ and BO₄ groups, corresponding to strong bands at \sim 1390 and 1040 cm⁻¹, respectively (Yu *et al.*, 2002). A peak at 1602 cm^{-1} corresponds to the bending of NH₂. The stretching bands of the OH and NH₂ groups are observed at \sim 3435 cm⁻¹ (Yang *et al.*, 2001).

Crystal data

$[Mn(C_{10}H_{28}N_6)][B_5O_6(OH)_4]_2$
$M_r = 723.49$
Monoclinic, $C2/c$
a = 11.9060 (1) Å
b = 14.7950 (6) Å
c = 18.6611 (7) Å
$\beta = 97.057 \ (2)^{\circ}$
$V = 3262.24 (18) \text{ Å}^3$
Z = 4
$D_x = 1.473 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo K α radiation Cell parameters from 36 reflections $\theta = 2.2-25.1^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.49 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) K Block, yellow $0.28 \times 0.28 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Siemems SMART CCD	1738 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
diffractometer	$R_{\rm int} = 0.045$
φ and ω scans	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25.1^{\circ}$
Absorption correction: empirical	$h = -8 \rightarrow 14$
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$k = -17 \rightarrow 10$
$T_{\min} = 0.714, T_{\max} = 0.907$	$l = -21 \rightarrow 22$
5263 measured reflections	
2906 independent reflections	

Refinement

 Refinement on F^2 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0247P)^2]$
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.076$ + 10.2326P]

 $wR(F^2) = 0.150$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

 S = 1.19 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$

 2890 reflections
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.32$ e Å⁻³

 213 parameters
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.27$ e Å⁻³

 Table 1

 Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Mn-N1	2.256 (5)	O5-B3	1.477 (7)
Mn-N3	2.277 (5)	O6-B4	1.345 (6)
Mn-N2	2.332 (5)	O7-B5	1.372 (7)
O1-B1	1.349 (8)	O7-B4	1.382 (6)
O2-B1	1.365 (8)	O8-B5	1.352 (6)
O2-B2	1.377 (8)	O9-B5	1.349 (6)
O3-B2	1.353 (8)	O9-B3	1.471 (6)
O4-B2	1.347 (7)	O10-B1	1.350(7)
O4-B3	1.454 (7)	O10-B3	1.466 (7)
O5-B4	1.348 (6)		
N1 ⁱ -Mn-N1	139.5 (2)	O3 - B2 - O2	120.9 (5)
N1 ¹ -Mn-N3	97.53 (17)	O4-B3-O10	112.0 (4)
N1-Mn-N3	114.71 (17)	O4-B3-O9	109.1 (5)
N3 ⁱ -Mn-N3	75.1 (3)	O10-B3-O9	108.7 (5)
N1 ⁱ -Mn-N2	89.83 (17)	O4-B3-O5	108.3 (5)
N1-Mn-N2	75.81 (19)	O10-B3-O5	108.7 (5)
N3 ⁱ -Mn-N2	144.1 (2)	O9-B3-O5	109.9 (4)
N3-Mn-N2	76.0 (2)	O6-B4-O5	123.1 (5)
N2-Mn-N2 ⁱ	138.0 (3)	O6-B4-O7	116.1 (5)
O1-B1-O10	122.8 (7)	O5-B4-O7	120.7 (5)
O1-B1-O2	115.6 (5)	O9-B5-O8	122.3 (5)
O10-B1-O2	121.6 (6)	O9-B5-O7	121.2 (5)
O4-B2-O3	117.8 (6)	O8-B5-O7	116.5 (5)
O4-B2-O2	121.2 (6)		

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

Table 2	
Hydrogen-bonding geometry	(Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$O1-H1\cdots O10^{ii}$	0.82	1.90	2.717 (6)	173
O3−H2···O2 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.82	2.19	2.995 (5)	166
O3−H2···O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.82	2.43	3.060 (5)	134
O6−H3···O5 ^{iv}	0.82	1.93	2.751 (5)	179
$O8-H4\cdots O9^{i}$	0.82	1.92	2.736 (4)	174
$N1 - H1D \cdot \cdot \cdot O3^{i}$	0.90	2.17	3.059 (6)	168
$N1 - H1E \cdot \cdot \cdot O8^{v}$	0.90	2.29	3.150 (6)	160
$N1 - H1E \cdot \cdot \cdot O7^{v}$	0.90	2.62	3.362 (6)	141
$N2-H2C\cdots O4$	0.91	2.18	3.092 (6)	177
$N3-H3D\cdots O7^{vi}$	0.91	2.29	3.181 (5)	165
$N3-H3D\cdots O6^{vi}$	0.91	2.59	3.321 (6)	138

Symmetry codes: (i) $1 - x, y, \frac{1}{2} - z$; (ii) 1 - x, -y, -z; (iii) $\frac{3}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} - y, -z$; (iv) $\frac{1}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} - y, -z$; (v) $\frac{1}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{1}{2} - z$; (vi) $\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{1}{2} + y, z$.

H atoms bonded to O atoms were located from difference density maps, and H atoms bonded to C and N atoms were positioned geometrically; all H atoms were then allowed to ride on their parent atoms (C–H = 0.97 Å, N–H = 0.91 Å and O–H = 0.82 Å). In (I), the [B₅O₆(OH)₄]⁻ anions are connected *via* strong hydrogen-bonding interactions into an open-framework structure, which may give rise to voids of 57 Å³. Such voids in the crystal structure are familiar in microporous materials. For example, the 24-MR zinc phosphate (ND-1; Yang *et al.*, 1999) possesses voids of 285 Å³, resulting from the exceptionally porous structure.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1999); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1999); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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