

New organic–inorganic frameworks incorporating iso- and heteropoly-molybdate units and a 3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bi-1*H*-pyrazole-2,2'-dium multiple hydrogen-bond donor

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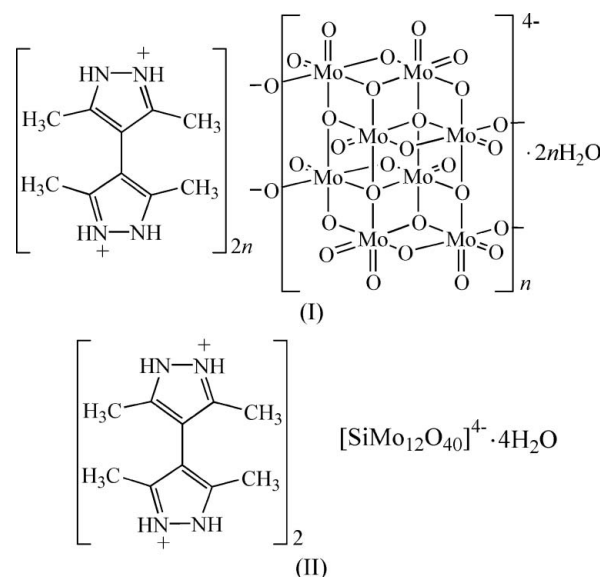
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Poly[bis(3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bi-1*H*-pyrazole-2,2'-dium) γ -octamolybdate(VI) dihydrate], $\{(C_{10}H_{16}N_4)_2[Mo_8O_{26}] \cdot 2H_2O\}_n$, (I), and bis(3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bi-1*H*-pyrazole-2,2'-dium) α -dodecamolybdo(VI)silicate tetrahydrate, $(C_{10}H_{16}N_4)_2[SiMo_{12}O_{40}] \cdot 4H_2O$, (II), display intense hydrogen bonding between the cationic pyrazolium species and the metal oxide anions. In (I), the asymmetric unit contains half a centrosymmetric γ -type $[Mo_8O_{26}]^{4-}$ anion, which produces a one-dimensional polymeric chain by corner-sharing, one cation and one water molecule. Three-centre bonding with 3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bi-1*H*-pyrazole-2,2'-dium, denoted $[H_2Me_4bpz]^{2+}$ [$N \cdots O = 2.770(4)–3.146(4) \text{ \AA}$], generates two-dimensional layers that are further linked by hydrogen bonds involving water molecules [$O \cdots O = 2.902(4)$ and $3.010(4) \text{ \AA}$]. In (II), each of the four independent $[H_2Me_4bpz]^{2+}$ cations lies across a twofold axis. They link layers of $[SiMo_{12}O_{40}]^{4-}$ anions into a three-dimensional framework, and the preferred sites for pyrazolium/anion hydrogen bonding are the terminal oxide atoms [$N \cdots O = 2.866(6)–2.999(6) \text{ \AA}$], while anion/aqua interactions occur preferentially *via* μ_2 -O sites [$O \cdots O = 2.910(6)–3.151(6) \text{ \AA}$].

Comment

Pyrazole species attract general interest as versatile multi-purpose tectons for the development of solid-state architecture (Halcrow, 2009). In this respect, bifunctional 3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bipyrazole (Me_4bpz) offers special potential as a symmetric neutral or anionic linker for discrete polynuclear complexes (Yu *et al.*, 2005), open metal–organic polymers for adsorption applications (Zhang & Kitagawa, 2008; Rusanov *et al.*, 2003), acentric hydrogen-bonded

frameworks (Boldog *et al.*, 2001) and binary cocrystals (Boldog *et al.*, 2004). Even wider applications for the development of hydrogen-bonded structures could be anticipated for the 3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bi-1*H*-pyrazole-2,2'-dium dication, $[H_2Me_4bpz]^{2+}$. The cation may be viewed as a symmetric donor of four hydrogen bonds, while a particular benefit of the tecton structure arises from the spatial proximity of two NH groups supported by each of the pyrazolium rings. The latter favours multiple and multicentre interactions with the anionic substrate, which could be especially relevant for polynuclear and polymeric oxo- and halometallate anions, providing a number of closely separated hydrogen-bond acceptor sites. Therefore, bipyrazolium tectons may be applied as very specific cationic templates for metal–oxide materials, such as layered molybdenum(VI) and vanadium(V) oxides and low-dimensional isopolymolybdates(VI) (Hubbard *et al.*, 2008; Hagrman *et al.*, 1999). In this context, we have prepared two new salts, poly[bis(3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bi-1*H*-pyrazole-2,2'-dium) γ -octamolybdate(VI) dihydrate], (I), and bis(3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bi-1*H*-pyrazole-2,2'-dium) α -dodecamolybdo(VI)silicate tetrahydrate, (II), based on the $[H_2Me_4bpz]^{2+}$ cation and iso- and heteropolymolybdate anionic species, and report their structures here. Only a few previous works have considered the special supramolecular significance of hydrogen-bonded pyrazolium cations (Boldog *et al.*, 2009; Singh *et al.*, 2011).



The structure of (I) consists of one-dimensional polymolybdate anions running along the crystallographic *a* direction, $[H_2Me_4bpz]^{2+}$ dications and solvent water molecules. The inorganic polyanion is built up of repeating centrosymmetric $[Mo_8O_{26}]^{4-}$ units sharing two pairs of opposite vertices and the corresponding oxide bridge is actually linear: $Mo4–O12–Mo2^ii = 174.18(14)^\circ$ [symmetry code: (ii) $-x, -y + 1, -z + 1$] (Fig. 1). The molecular shape and functionality of the $[H_2Me_4bpz]^{2+}$ template is important for the structure of the infinite metal–oxide anion. The present connection mode is characteristic of polymeric octamolybdates crystallized as salts of the organic bases 4-aminopyridine (Nelson *et al.*, 2006),

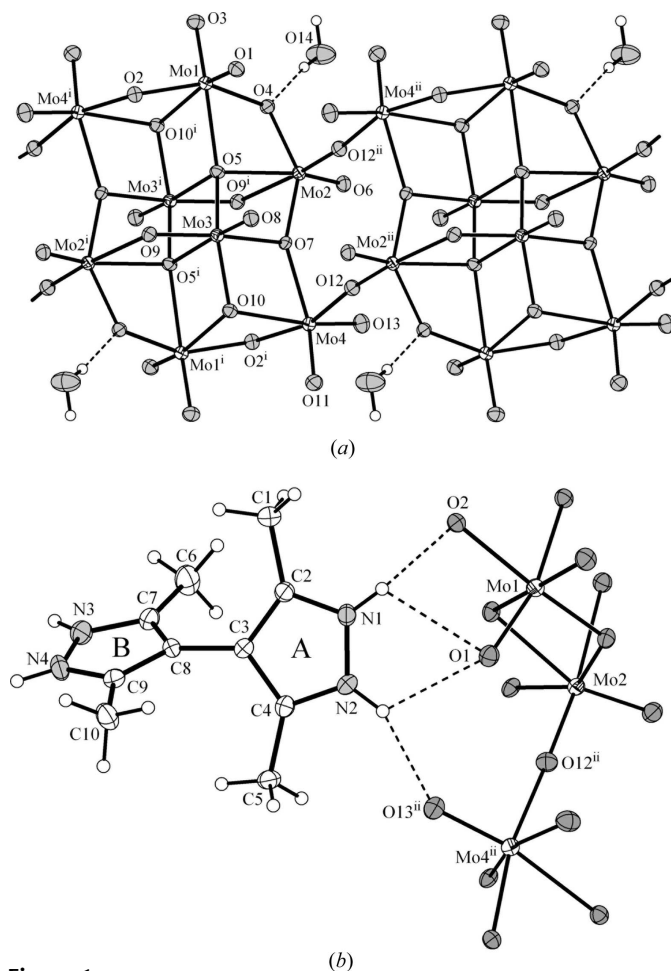


Figure 1

(a) The inorganic anion in the environment of the solvent water molecules and (b) the organic dication in the structure of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 40% probability level. The dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonding. [Symmetry codes: (i) $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$; (ii) $-x, -y + 1, -z + 1$.]

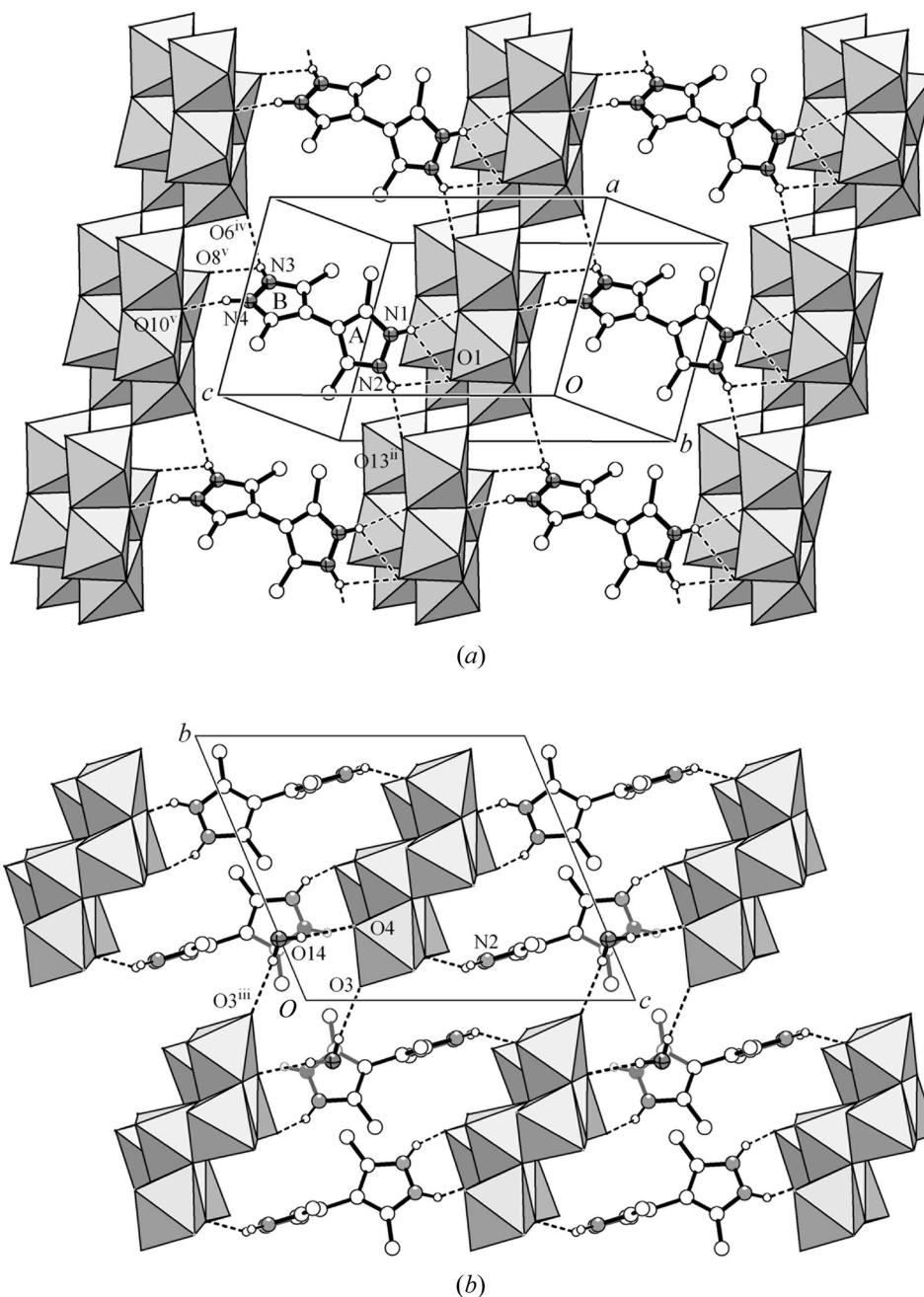
N,N-dimethylethylenediamine (Thorn *et al.*, 2005) and 1,4-diazabicyclo[2.2.2]octane (Fang *et al.*, 2004), while the long cationic templates hexane-1,6-diamine (Xu *et al.*, 1996) and 1,1'-(biphenyl-4,4'-diyl)dimethylene)diimidazole (Liu *et al.*, 2010) produce an isomeric one-dimensional polyoctamolybdate array. The $[\text{Mo}_8\text{O}_{26}]^{4-}$ units themselves adopt the γ -isomeric form of octamolybdate (Hagman *et al.*, 1999), with the typical octahedral environment of each metal ion involving three types of Mo–O bonds (2+2+2 coordination), *viz.* short molybdenyl bonds with terminal oxide ligands [1.693 (2)–1.717 (2) Å], Mo– μ_2 -O [1.901 (2)–1.977 (2) Å] and longer Mo–O bonds [2.173 (2)–2.438 (2) Å], with four μ_3 -oxide and two μ_4 -oxide ligands.

Interaction of the bipyrazolium dications and one-dimensional oxoanions occurs by means of extensive N–H \cdots O hydrogen bonding, utilizing most of the terminal O atoms (O1, O6, O8 and O13), as well as the μ -oxide O2 and O10 centres (Table 1). This is responsible for the connection of the components into hydrogen-bonded layers parallel to the *ac* plane (Fig. 2). Within these layers, successive oxide chains are situated at a distance of 12.9231 (13) Å (parameter *c* of the

unit cell). Each pyrazolium ring is involved in bonding with two adjacent $[\text{Mo}_8\text{O}_{26}]^{4-}$ units along the chain. The high number of closely situated O-atom acceptor sites effects bifurcation of the hydrogen-bond interactions. This is a salient feature of such a system and it could be considered as a design tool. In this way, pyrazole ring A (N1/N2/C2–C4; Fig. 1b) adopts four hydrogen bonds with three acceptor atoms (N–H \cdots O = 112–152°), which is important for the densest accommodation of the cation on the metal oxide matrix (Fig. 2). The bonding mode of ring B (N3/N4/C7–C9; Fig. 1b) is slightly different, with one three-centre bond of the N3–H donor and one directional N4–H4 \cdots O10($-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 2$) interaction with a single acceptor site, which provides the shortest N \cdots O contact [2.724 (4) Å]. Other N \cdots O separations [2.770 (4)–3.146 (4) Å] (Table 1) are also typical for N–H \cdots O hydrogen bonds. However, they are slightly longer than the parameters derived from a statistical evaluation of pyrazolium salts (2.62–2.94 Å, distribution median = 2.74 Å; Boldog *et al.*, 2009) due to bifurcation of the bonds. The present three-centre hydrogen bonding may be especially relevant for pyrazolium salts involving a high number of convenient acceptors, as provided by polyoxometallate species. This situation may also be related to the hydrogen-bonding patterns of 4,4'-bipyrazolium fluorometallate salts based on $[\text{TaF}_6]^-$, $[\text{Zr}_2\text{F}_{12}]^{4-}$ and $[\text{BeF}_3]^-$ anions (Boldog *et al.*, 2009). Hydrogen bonds with water molecules extends this structure in the third dimension, with the formation of centrosymmetric anion–aqua fragments $\text{MoO}_6(\text{HOH})_2\text{O}_6\text{Mo}$ involving two terminal and two μ_2 -O-atom acceptors (Fig. 2b). The O \cdots O separations in the latter cases are slightly shorter, *viz.* 2.902 (4) versus 3.010 (4) Å for O \cdots O(terminal) (Table 1).

The asymmetric unit of (II) includes an $[\text{SiMo}_{12}\text{O}_{40}]^{4-}$ anion, four half $[\text{H}_2\text{Me}_4\text{bpz}]^{2+}$ dications and four water molecules (Fig. 3). The complete organic molecules are generated by crystallographic twofold symmetry. The $[\text{SiMo}_{12}\text{O}_{40}]^{4-}$ anions adopt the most common α -form, with the typical distorted octahedral coordination of 12 Mo atoms, which involve short bonds with terminal oxide ligands [Mo–O = 1.684 (4)–1.711 (4) Å] and elongated bonds with a μ_4 -O atom in a *trans* position [Mo–O = 2.315 (3)–2.385 (5) Å]. Four equatorial Mo–O bonds with μ_2 -O ligands are in the range 1.824 (3)–2.043 (4) Å.

The anions, water molecules and 3,5-dimethylpyrazolium halves of the $[\text{H}_2\text{Me}_4\text{bpz}]^{2+}$ tectons form clearly distinguishable hydrogen-bonded layers parallel to the *bc* plane (inter-layer separation = $0.5a = 11.27$ Å) (Fig. 4). This array is dominated by the packing of the very bulky anions and thus the pyrazolium and water hydrogen-bond donors appear intercalated in the voids of these layers. Hydrogen bonding between the $[\text{H}_2\text{Me}_4\text{bpz}]^{2+}$ and $[\text{SiMo}_{12}\text{O}_{40}]^{4-}$ counterparts is itself weaker and less characteristic than in the case of (I). Firstly, for all four independent cations, only half of the NH donors interact directly with the metal oxide matrix, while the other interactions are expanded by inclusion of a water molecule: NH \cdots OH \cdots OMo (Fig. 4). This parallels the binding mode of $[\text{H}_2\text{Me}_4\text{bpz}]^{2+}$ and the much smaller low nucleophilic


Figure 2

(a) The hydrogen-bonded layer in the structure of (I), showing a set of three-centre interactions between the one-dimensional oxometallate chains (in a polyhedral representation) and bipirazolium connectors. (b) A projection onto the bc plane, showing the mode of connection of the $\{(H_2Me_4bpz)_2[Mo_8O_{26}]\}_n$ layers by water molecules. Note the centrosymmetric aqua-molybdate motif. C-bound H atoms have been omitted for clarity. [Symmetry codes: (ii) $-x, -y + 1, -z + 1$; (iii) $-x, -y, -z$; (iv) $x + 1, y, z + 1$; (v) $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 2$.]

anion $S_2O_6^{2-}$ (Boldog *et al.*, 2009). Secondly, the present N—H \cdots O(Mo) hydrogen bonds [2.866 (6)–3.285 (6) Å] are appreciably longer than the N—H \cdots OH $_2$ hydrogen bonds [2.693 (6)–2.864 (7) Å] (Table 3) and also longer than the N—H \cdots O(Mo) hydrogen bonds in the case of (I). This reflects the weakness of the hydrogen bonding and such an observation may be related to only a very weak hydrogen-bond interaction in the $(PyH)_4[SiMo_{12}O_{40}] \cdot 0.5H_2O$ salt [$N \cdots O = 3.05$ (1)–3.29 (1) Å; PyH is pyridinium] (Dang & Jin, 2007).

Similar to (I), the preferred anion sites for establishing hydrogen bonds with the pyrazolium cation are the terminal

oxide ligands (Fig. 3). For (II), weak interactions with μ_2 -O atoms [$N \cdots O = 3.041$ (6) and 3.285 (6) Å] exist only as longer branches of three-centre bonds (Table 3). The present discrimination of the acceptor sites is likely predetermined by the relative negative charge located at the O atoms. Thus, the bond-valence sum calculations for (I) and (II) (Tables 2 and 4) suggest that the terminal oxide ligands are the most underbonded and highly nucleophilic (Tytko *et al.*, 1999). The same situation is reflected in the N—H \cdots O hydrogen bonding with the μ_2 -O and μ_3 -O acceptors in (I), which occurs *via* the most nucleophilic sites O2 and O10 (Table 2). Steric accessibility of

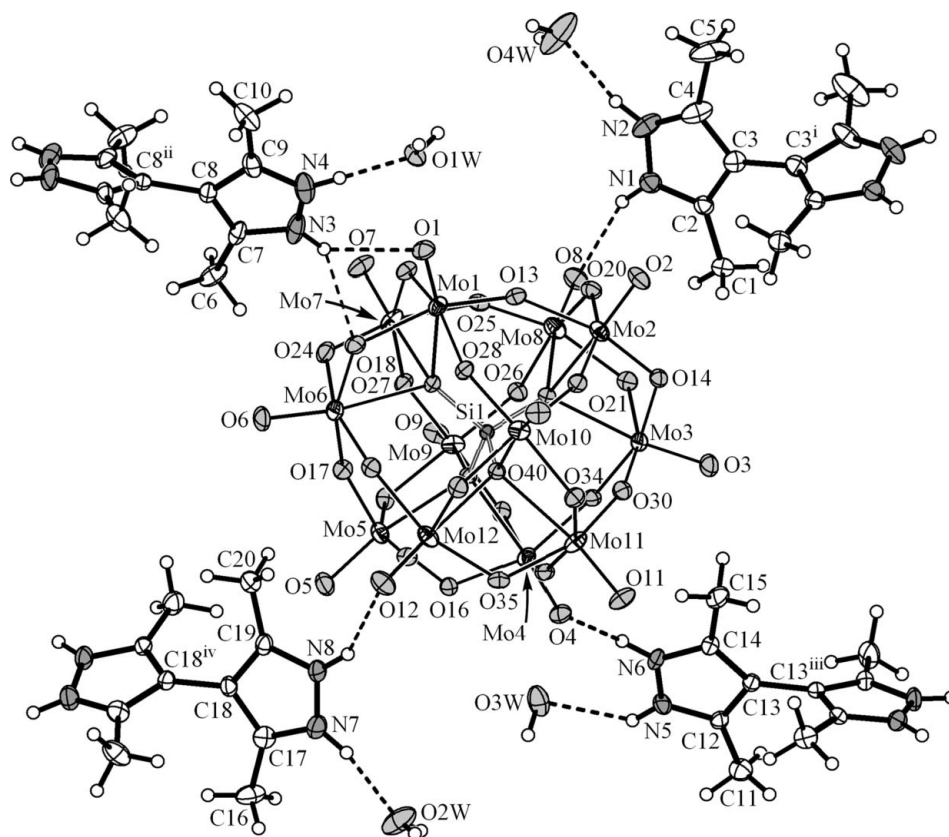


Figure 3

The structure of (II), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 40% probability level. N and O atoms are shaded grey and dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonding. [Symmetry codes: (i) $-x, y, -z + 1$; (ii) $-x + 1, y, -z + 3$; (iii) $-x, y, -z$; (iv) $-x + 1, y, -z + 2$.]

the terminal O atoms is the second important factor when considering the bulk volume of the dimethylpyrazolium substrate. It is notable that the hydrogen bonding of small water molecules in (II) occurs preferentially with μ_2 -O atoms (Table 4).

In both structures, the organic tectons exhibit a typical twisted conformation [for (I), the C2–C3–C8–C7 torsion angle is $62.7(5)^\circ$; for (II), the corresponding angles are in the range $64.1(8)$ – $75.0(8)^\circ$]. The equivalence of the pyrazolium NH sites is best indicated by the angles at the N atoms (Domasevitch, 2008). They are actually uniform in all cases [$108.9(3)$ and $109.0(3)^\circ$ in (I), and in the range $108.6(5)$ – $110.7(5)^\circ$ in (II)], while a neutral Me₄bpz molecule (α -polymorph) displays a differentiation of these parameters according to the types C–N–N(H) = $104.1(2)^\circ$ and C–N(H)–N = $113.0(2)^\circ$ (Boldog *et al.*, 2001).

In brief, the specific hydrogen-bond donor functionality of the pyrazolium group is well suited to the formation of multiple interactions with the polyoxometallate matrix, and bifunctional pyrazoles may be viewed as a new type of organic template for the synthesis of molybdate materials.

Experimental

The title compounds were synthesized by a hydrothermal technique starting with 3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-4,4'-bipyrazole (Me₄bpz; Boldog *et al.*, 2001). Compound (I) was obtained in the presence of cad-

mium(II) ions. For the preparation of (I), Me₄bpz (9.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), (NH₄)₆Mo₇O₂₄·4H₂O (37.1 mg, 0.03 mmol), CdCl₂·2.5H₂O (6.0 mg, 0.026 mmol) and water (4 ml) were placed in a Teflon vessel which was in turn placed in a steel bomb and heated at 443 K for 48 h. Cooling of the mixture to room temperature over a period of 72 h yielded colourless prisms of (H₂Me₄bpz)₂[Mo₈O₂₆]·2H₂O, (I) (yield 32 mg, 80%, based on the pyrazole base). For the preparation of (II), Me₄bpz (9.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), H₄[SiMo₁₂O₄₀]·13H₂O (61.7 mg, 0.03 mmol) and water (5 ml) were sealed in a Pyrex tube, heated at 423 K for 24 h and then cooled to room temperature over a period of 48 h. Large yellow crystals of (II) were obtained in a yield of 38 mg (65%).

Compound (I)

Crystal data

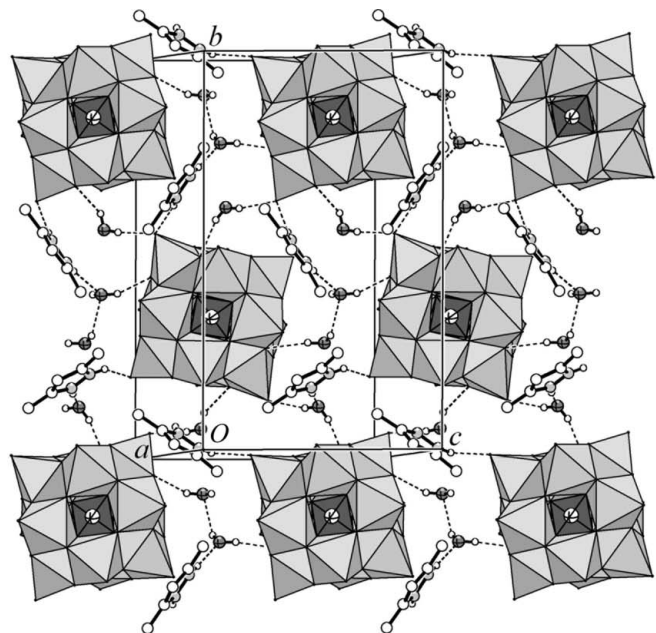
(C₁₀H₁₆N₄)₂[Mo₈O₂₆]·2H₂O
M_r = 1604.09
 Triclinic, *P* $\bar{1}$
a = 8.0821 (8) Å
b = 11.2521 (11) Å
c = 12.9231 (13) Å
 α = 106.242 (8)°
 β = 106.063 (9)°

γ = 106.102 (8)°
V = 1000.9 (2) Å³
Z = 1
 Mo *K* α radiation
 μ = 2.53 mm⁻¹
T = 173 K
 0.14 × 0.12 × 0.08 mm

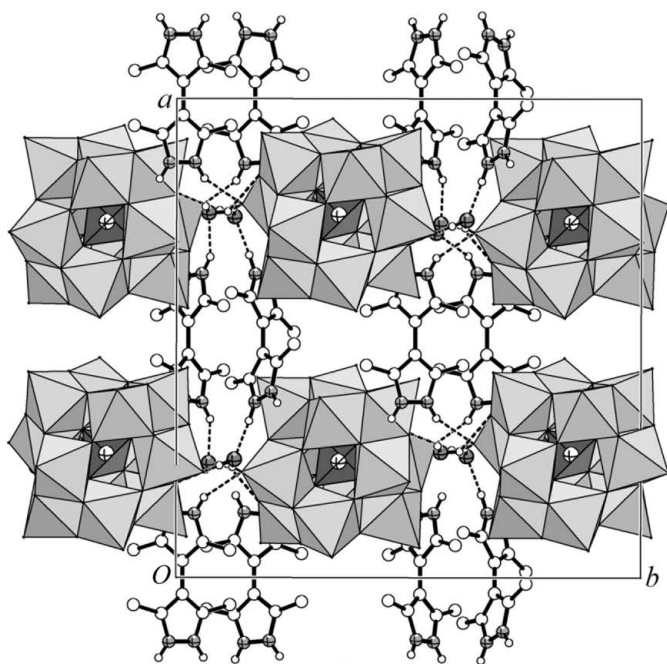
Data collection

Stoe IPDS diffractometer
 Absorption correction: numerical
 [X-RED (Stoe & Cie, 2001) and
 X-SHAPE (Stoe & Cie, 1999)]
*T*_{min} = 0.718, *T*_{max} = 0.823

9228 measured reflections
 4505 independent reflections
 3837 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)
*R*_{int} = 0.032



(a)



(b)

Figure 4

(a) The hydrogen-bonded layer in the structure of (II), showing how the pyrazolium and aqua hydrogen-bond donors are situated between the bulky $[\text{SiMo}_{12}\text{O}_{40}]^{4-}$ anions (depicted in a polyhedral representation). (b) A projection onto the ab plane, showing the $[\text{H}_2\text{Me}_4\text{bpz}]^{2+}$ tectons as links between successive hydrogen-bonded layers. N and O atoms are shaded grey and dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonding. C-bound H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.024$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.060$
 $S = 0.98$
 4505 reflections

293 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.74 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.74 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$) for (I).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{O14}-\text{H1W}\cdots\text{O3}^{\text{iii}}$	0.85	2.16	3.010 (4)	173
$\text{O14}-\text{H2W}\cdots\text{O4}$	0.85	2.06	2.902 (4)	173
$\text{N1}-\text{H1}\cdots\text{O2}$	0.88	1.96	2.770 (4)	152
$\text{N1}-\text{H1}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.88	2.44	2.882 (4)	112
$\text{N2}-\text{H2}\cdots\text{O13}^{\text{ii}}$	0.88	2.18	2.940 (4)	144
$\text{N2}-\text{H2}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.88	2.33	2.830 (4)	116
$\text{N3}-\text{H3}\cdots\text{O6}^{\text{iv}}$	0.88	2.13	2.838 (4)	137
$\text{N3}-\text{H3}\cdots\text{O8}^{\text{v}}$	0.88	2.48	3.146 (4)	133
$\text{N4}-\text{H4}\cdots\text{O10}^{\text{v}}$	0.88	1.95	2.724 (4)	147

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

Table 2

Bond-valence sums for $[\text{Mo}_8\text{O}_{26}]^{4-}$ and hydrogen-bond functionality of the oxide ligands in (I).

The valence sums are calculated with the formula $S_i = \exp[(R_0 - R_i)/B]$, where S_i is the bond valence of bond i , R_0 is a constant dependant on the bonded elements [$R_0(\text{Mo}-\text{O}) = 1.907$], R_i is the bond length of bond i and $B = 0.370$. ΣS_i is the bond-valence sum for the O atom and V is the predicted valence for a site. The bond-valence sums for the Mo atoms are $\Sigma S_i = 5.871\text{--}5.940$.

O atom	Type	Mo—O distance(s) (\AA)	ΣS_i	$V - \Sigma S_i$	Hydrogen-bond acceptor function
O1	Terminal	1.717 (2)	1.671	-0.329	N—H \cdots O
O3	Terminal	1.709 (2)	1.708	-0.292	O—H \cdots O
O6	Terminal	1.704 (2)	1.731	-0.269	N—H \cdots O
O8	Terminal	1.693 (2)	1.783	-0.217	N—H \cdots O
O11	Terminal	1.702 (2)	1.740	-0.260	None
O13	Terminal	1.701 (2)	1.745	-0.255	N—H \cdots O
O2	μ_2	1.917 (2), 1.977 (2)	1.801	-0.199	N—H \cdots O
O4	μ_2	1.901 (2), 1.960 (2)	1.883	-0.117	O—H \cdots O
O9	μ_2	1.755 (2), 2.276 (2)	1.877	-0.123	None
O12	μ_2	1.767 (2), 2.137 (2)	1.997	-0.003	None
O7	μ_3	1.920 (2)—2.173 (2)	2.028	0.028	None
O10	μ_3	1.914 (2)—2.317 (2)	1.733	-0.267	N—H \cdots O
O5	μ_4	1.930 (2)—2.438 (2)	1.952	-0.048	

Compound (II)

Crystal data

$(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_4)_2[\text{SiMo}_{12}\text{O}_{40}] \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $M_r = 2275.97$
 Monoclinic, $C2$
 $a = 22.5418 (14) \text{\AA}$
 $b = 20.4965 (10) \text{\AA}$
 $c = 12.5203 (8) \text{\AA}$
 $\beta = 110.270 (8)^\circ$

$V = 5426.5 (6) \text{\AA}^3$
 $Z = 4$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 2.81 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 173 \text{ K}$
 $0.16 \times 0.12 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Stoe IPDS diffractometer
 Absorption correction: numerical
 $[X\text{-RED (Stoe \& Cie, 2001) and X-SHAPE (Stoe \& Cie, 1999)]$
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.662, T_{\text{max}} = 0.766$
 23905 measured reflections
 12670 independent reflections
 11002 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.028$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.027$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.056$
 $S = 0.91$
 12670 reflections
 775 parameters
 1 restraint

H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.59 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -1.45 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983),
 with 5860 Friedel pairs
 Flack parameter: 0.29 (2)

Table 3

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °) for (II).

<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>
O1W—H1W...O32 ⁱ	0.85	2.15	2.974 (5)	164
O1W—H2W...O8 ⁱⁱ	0.85	2.02	2.814 (6)	156
O2W—H3W...O26 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.85	2.21	3.048 (6)	171
O2W—H4W...O4W ^{iv}	0.85	2.31	3.012 (6)	139
O3W—H5W...O12 ^v	0.85	1.98	2.802 (6)	163
O3W—H6W...O20 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.85	2.33	2.991 (5)	134
O3W—H6W...O25 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.85	2.43	3.151 (6)	143
O4W—H7W...O36 ⁱ	0.85	2.12	2.910 (6)	154
O4W—H7W...O28 ⁱ	0.85	2.58	3.206 (6)	131
O4W—H8W...O22 ^{vi}	0.85	2.59	3.076 (7)	117
O4W—H8W...O2W ^{vii}	0.85	2.64	3.012 (6)	108
N1—H1...O8	0.88	2.17	2.999 (6)	156
N2—H2...O4W	0.88	2.03	2.864 (7)	157
N3—H3...O1	0.88	2.23	2.966 (6)	141
N3—H3...O18	0.88	2.50	3.285 (6)	148
N4—H4...O1W	0.88	1.82	2.693 (6)	172
N5—H5...O3W	0.88	2.15	2.776 (6)	128
N5—H5...O19 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.88	2.55	3.041 (6)	116
N6—H6...O4	0.88	2.07	2.866 (6)	150
N7—H7...O2W	0.88	1.93	2.789 (7)	165
N8—H8...O12	0.88	2.10	2.896 (6)	150
N8—H8...O1 ^{viii}	0.88	2.58	3.107 (6)	120

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

Table 4Bond-valence sums for [SiMo₁₂O₄₀]⁴⁻ anions and hydrogen-bond functionality of the oxide ligands in (II).

The details are as given in Table 2. The bond-valence sums for the Mo atoms are $\Sigma S_i = 5.877$ –5.970.

O-atom type	Mo—O bond range (Å)	ΣS_i range	$V - \Sigma S_i$ mean	No. of O atoms	O—H...O	N—H...O
Terminal	1.677 (4)–1.711 (4)	1.698–1.862	–0.211	12	2	5
μ_2	1.824 (4)–2.043 (4)	1.771–2.019	–0.083	24	7	2
μ_4	2.311 (3)–2.385 (3)	1.905–1.943	–0.076	4		

All methyl H atoms were added geometrically, while N- and O-bound H atoms were located from difference maps and then geometrically optimized and refined as riding on their parent atom. O—H distances were constrained to 0.85 Å, N—H distances to 0.88 Å and C—H distances to 0.98 Å, with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C,N,O})$.

For both compounds, data collection: *IPDS Software* (Stoe & Cie, 2000); cell refinement: *IPDS Software*; data reduction: *IPDS Soft-*

ware; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *DIAMOND* (Brandenburg, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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