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#### Key indicators

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# Hexaaquabis(µ-pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylato-*O*,*N*,*O*':*O*)-dicadmium(II)-pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid (1/2)

In the structure of the title compound,  $[Cd_2(C_7H_3NO_4)_2-(H_2O)_6]\cdot 2C_7H_5NO_4$ , a centrosymmetric dinuclear Cd<sup>II</sup> complex and free pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid are present in a 1:2 ratio. Within the dinuclear complex, two Cd<sup>2+</sup> ions are bridged by two carboxylate O atoms. Each Cd<sup>2+</sup> ion is coordinated by one N and three O atoms of the pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylato ligands and three water O atoms, resulting in a distorted pentagonal bipyramidal coordination. The crystal structure is stabilized by hydrogen bonds involving all the H atoms of the water ligands.

#### Comment

Pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid (dipicolinic acid) is present in large amounts in bacterial spores (Powell, 1953; Church & Halvorson, 1959). It has been considered that it contributes to the high heat resistance of bacterial spores, in which it forms a metal complex with divalent metal ions, especially with the  $Ca^{2+}$  ion. Many crystal structures of chelate compounds of pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid with divalent ions, such as  $Ca^{2+}$ (Strahs & Dickerson, 1968),  $Ag^{2+}$  (Drew *et al.*, 1970),  $Ti^{2+}$ (Schwarzenbach, 1970),  $Sr^{2+}$  (Palmer *et al.*, 1972),  $Ni^{2+}$ (Quaglieri *et al.*, 1972),  $Fe^{2+}$  (Lainé *et al.*, 1995; Lainé *et al.*, 1995),  $Cu^{2+}$ ,  $Zn^{2+}$  (Okabe & Oya, 2000*a*) and  $Mn^{2+}$  (Okabe & Oya, 2000*b*) have been determined. In order to clarify the coordination mode of chelate compounds of pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid with divalent metal ions, we have analysed the crystal structure of the title compound, (I).



Crystals of (I) were obtained as a 1:2 mixture of the dinuclear metal complex and free pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid. The  $Cd^{2+}$  ions are related by a center of symmetry to each other. Each  $Cd^{2+}$  ion is coordinated by two O atoms and one N atom of one ligand molecule, by one carboxylate O atom of the second ligand molecule and by three water O

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#### Figure 1

ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) drawing of the title compound with the atomic numbering scheme. Ellipsoids for non-H atoms correspond to 50% probability.

atoms. In the dinuclear complex, the carboxylate group and the N atom form a five-membered chelate ring with the Cd<sup>2+</sup> ion (N2/C12/C14/O8/Cd and N2/C8/C13/O6/Cd), and the two Cd<sup>2+</sup> ions are bridged by two bifurcated coordination bonds of two carboxylate O atoms [O6 and O6<sup>i</sup>; symmetry code: (i) -x, -y, 1-z]. Each Cd<sup>2+</sup> ion is seven-coordinate, forming a distorted pentagonal bipyramid, in which the atoms N2, O6,  $O6^{i}$ , O10 and O8 form the distorted pentagonal plane. The pentagonal bipyramidal coordination of the  $d^3sp^3$ -hybridized  $Cd^{2+}$  ion seems to be rare; it usually forms an octahedral  $d^2sp^3$ hybridization with six coordination bonds. The planar conformation of the free ligand molecules co-crystallized with the chelate complex in (I) resembles the crystal structure of pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid itself (Takusagawa et al., 1973).

Until now, many crystal structure of chelate compounds of pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid with various metal ions have been determined. In the crystal structures of Ag<sup>2+</sup> (Drew et al., 1970), Sr<sup>2+</sup> (Palmer et al., 1972), Ni<sup>2+</sup> (Quaglieri et al., 1972),  $Cu^{2+}$  and  $Zn^{2+}$  ions (Okabe & Oya, 2000*a*), the pyridine-2,6dicarboxylic acid ligand is coordinated to a mononuclear metal ion and acts as a terdentate ligand, with the central metal ion bonded to two N and four O atoms of two ligand molecules. But the Ti<sup>2+</sup>, Fe<sup>2+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Mn<sup>2+</sup> complexes are dinuclear, and the  $Sr^{2+}$  complex is polynuclear. Among these, the structures of the Fe<sup>2+</sup> (Lainé et al., 1995) and Mn<sup>2+</sup> (Okabe & Oya, 2000b) complexes are isomorphous with the  $Cd^{2+}$ complex, which are composed of the dinuclear metal complex

and free ligand molecules in a 1:2 ratio. Not only do these structures have the same geometry, but they also have the same space group and similar cell constants. Each metal has three bonds to one ligand molecule, one to the second ligand molecule and three to water molecules. In the crystal structure of the title compound, the complex molecules and free ligand molecules are connected by hydrogen bonds involving all the H atoms of the water ligands.

# **Experimental**

Colorless plate-shaped crystals of (I) were obtained by slow evaporation from a 70% methanol-water solution of pyridine-2,6dicarboxylic acid and cadmium chloride in a 1:4 molar ratio at room temperature.

Crystal data	
[Cd <sub>2</sub> (C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>3</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>6</sub> ]	$D_x = 2.005 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$2C_7H_5NO_4$	Mo K $\alpha$ radiation
$M_r = 997.36$	Cell parameters from 25
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	reflections
a = 9.222 (3) Å	$\theta = 14.6 - 15.0^{\circ}$
b = 14.768 (3) Å	$\mu = 1.39 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 12.239 (3) Å	T = 296.2  K
$\beta = 97.70 \ (2)^{\circ}$	Plate, colorless
$V = 1651.8 (7) \text{ Å}^3$	$0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$
Z = 2	

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.026$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$ 

 $h = 0 \rightarrow 11$ 

 $k = 0 \rightarrow 19$ 

 $l = -15 \rightarrow 15$ 

3 standard reflections

every 150 reflections

intensity decay: 1.4%

Data collection

Rigaku AFC-5R diffractometer  $\omega$ –2 $\theta$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North et al., 1968)  $T_{\min} = 0.784, \ T_{\max} = 0.933$ 

4175 measured reflections 3788 independent reflections

2684 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	H-atom parameters not refined
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2 (F_o^2) + (0.07P)^2]$
$wR(F^2) = 0.124$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.08	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
2684 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.84 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
253 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -1.39  {\rm e}  {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

# Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cd-O6	2.396 (4)	Cd-O10	2.271 (4)
Cd-O6 <sup>i</sup>	2.376 (3)	Cd-O11	2.434 (3)
Cd-O8	2.478 (4)	Cd-N2	2.315 (4)
Cd-O9	2.310 (4)		
O6-Cd-O6 <sup>i</sup>	69.7 (1)	O8-Cd-O11	100.8 (1)
O6-Cd-O8	135.7 (1)	O8-Cd-N2	67.0 (1)
O6-Cd-O9	91.3 (1)	O9-Cd-O10	90.2 (1)
O6-Cd-O10	151.1 (1)	O9-Cd-O11	165.9 (1)
O6-Cd-O11	87.7 (1)	O9-Cd-N2	98.5 (1)
O6-Cd-N2	69.1 (1)	O10-Cd-O11	84.0 (1)
O8-Cd-O9	89.7 (1)	O10-Cd-N2	139.1 (1)
O8-Cd-O10	73.2 (1)	O11-Cd-N2	94.2 (1)

Symmetry codes: (i) -x, -y, 2 - z.

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

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$O2-H4\cdots O8^{i}$	0.99	1.54	2.515 (6)	165
$O4-H5\cdots O11^{ii}$	1.05	1.88	2.821 (5)	166
O9−H9···O3 <sup>iii</sup>	0.78	1.98	2.752 (6)	172
$O9-H10\cdots O7^{iv}$	0.70	2.02	2.713 (5)	177
$O10-H11\cdots O5^{v}$	0.96	1.94	2.638 (5)	128
O10-H12···O4	1.10	2.42	3.117 (5)	133
O11−H13···O4	0.81	2.57	2.956 (5)	127
$\underbrace{O11{-}H14{\cdots}O7^i}$	1.01	1.95	2.956 (6)	179

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

H atoms were located from difference Fourier maps and not refined.

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1992); cell refinement: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*; data reduction: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 2000); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR*97 (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *TEXSAN*.

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