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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.045 wR factor = 0.135 Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.5

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The title compound,  $C_{30}H_{32}N_2O_6$ , has a center of symmetry. There are two intramolecular  $O-H \cdots N$  hydrogen bonds, with an  $O \cdots N$  distance of 2.686 (2) Å.

benzyl)-2,5-diazahexane

1,6-Bis(2-furyl)-2,5-bis(3-formyl-2-hydroxy-5-methyl-

### Comment

The chemistry of polynuclear complexes has been stimulated by a desire to mimic the active sites of some metalloenzymes, to search appropriate systems for binding and activating small molecules, and so on (Coughlin & Lippard, 1984). The title compound, (I), was synthesized by the reported method of Shun *et al.* (2001). As there are two different coordination binding sites in the title compound, it should be a good ligand for polynuclear complexes. Similar compounds, such as 1,6bis(pyridyl)-2,5-bis(2-hydroxy-3-formyl-5-methylbenzyl)-2,5-diazahexane (Fraser *et al.*, 1992), have been reported, but all not of them have been determined crystallographically.



The title molecule has a center of symmetry at the midpoint of the C6–C6a bond (Fig. 1). Two benzene rings and two furan rings lie on different sides of the main chain C5····C5a. The C–N bond distances are 1.464 (2)–1.484 (2) Å, the C15=O3 and C9–O2 bond distances are 1.224 (3) and 1.352 (2) Å, respectively (Table 1). There are intramolecular O–H···N hydrogen bonds (Table 2). The molecules are stacked along the crystallographic *a* axis (Fig. 2).

## **Experimental**

All commercially available reagents were used as supplied. The title compound was synthesized by the reaction of 1,6-bis(2-furyl)-2,5-diazahexane and 2-hydroxy-3-(chloromethyl)-5-methylbenzaldehyde (molar ratio 1:2.2) in the presence of  $K_2CO_3$  in ethanol solution for 6 h at 313 K (Sun *et al.*, 2001). Colorless crystals suitable for X-ray



#### Figure 1

A view of the structure of (I) showing the atom-numbering scheme, with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

determination were obtained by slowly evaporating the ethanol solution at room temperature for about three weeks. Elemental analysis (%) for C30H32N2O6, found: C 69.59, H 6.45, N 5.44; calculated C 69.78, H 6.20, N 5.43. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ: 2.26 (s, 6H), 2.71 (s, 4H), 3.66 (s, 4H), 3.69 (s, 4H), 6.17 (d, 2H), 6.31 (s, 2H), 7.27 (d, 2H), 7.37 (s, 4H), 10.17 (s, 2H), 11.25 (br, 2H).

#### Crystal data

$\begin{array}{l} C_{30}H_{32}N_2O_6 \\ M_r = 516.58 \\ \text{Monoclinic, } P2_1/c \\ a = 5.306 \ (1) \text{ Å} \\ b = 16.625 \ (4) \text{ Å} \\ c = 15.020 \ (1) \text{ Å} \\ \beta = 92.06 \ (1)^\circ \\ V = 1324.1 \ (4) \text{ Å}^3 \\ Z = 2 \end{array}$	$D_x = 1.296 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K $\alpha$ radiation Cell parameters from 1184 reflections $\theta = 1.1-25.0^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2)  K Prismatic, colorless $0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Bruker CCD area-detector diffractometer $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Sheldrick, 1997) $T_{min} = 0.979, T_{max} = 0.982$ 3224 measured reflections	2336 independent reflections 1988 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.047$ $\theta_{max} = 25.0^{\circ}$ $h = -6 \rightarrow 6$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 19$ $l = 0 \rightarrow 17$
Refinement	
Refinement on $F^2$ $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$ $wR(F^2) = 0.135$ S = 1.07 2336 reflections 173 parameters H-atom parameters constrained	$\begin{split} w &= 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.06P)^2 \\ &+ 0.25P] \\ \text{where } P &= (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3 \\ (\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} &= 0.38 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} &= -0.56 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \end{split}$
Table 1   Selected geometric parameters (Å)	
Science geometric parameters (A).	

C5-N1	1.464 (2)	C7-N1	1.477 (2)
C6-N1	1.484 (2)	C9-O2	1.352 (2)
$C6-C6^{i}$	1.515 (4)	C15-O3	1.224 (3)

Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, -y, 2 - z.



### Figure 2 The crystal packing in the bc plane.

## Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$O2-H2A\cdots N1$	0.82	1.99	2.686 (2)	142

All H atoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions with C-H = 0.93–0.97 Å, and refined as riding atoms with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2$ –  $1.5U_{eq}$ (parent atom).

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: SMART and SAINT (Bruker, 1997); data reduction: XPREP (Bruker, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL (Bruker, 1997).

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