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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.010 Å R factor = 0.060 wR factor = 0.153 Data-to-parameter ratio = 11.2

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# Aqua(4,4-bipyridine)phthalatonickel(II) trihydrate

The  $(H_2O)(C_{10}H_8N_2)Ni(C_8H_4O_4)$  portion of the title compound,  $[Ni(C_8H_4O_4)(C_{10}H_8N_2)(H_2O)]\cdot 3H_2O$ , adopts a layer architecture in which the dianionic entity chelates to the Ni atom [Ni-O = 2.053 (5) and 2.056 (4) Å, and  $O-Ni-O = 91.5 (2)^\circ]$ . The two chelating O atoms, a water molecule [Ni-O = 2.083 (5) Å], the carboxyl O atom from an adjacent dianion, and the N atoms of two 4,4'-bipyridine heterocycles comprise the octahedron around the Ni atom. Adjacent layers are linked into a network motif by hydrogen bonds.

# Comment

In our studies on complexes of transition metal benzenedicarboxylates, we have documented the 4,4'-bipyridine adduct of nickel(II) terephthalate (Yang et al., 2003). The use of phthalic anhydride as the reagent in place of terephthalic acid in the synthesis afforded the analogous nickel phthalate, but the compound crystallizes with four water molecules, one of which is coordinated to the Ni atom (Fig. 1 and Table 1). In the  $(H_2O)(C_{10}H_8N_2)Ni(C_8H_4O_4)$  unit, the phthalate dianion chelates to the Ni atom [Ni-O = 2.053 (5) and 2.056 (4) Å,and  $O-Ni-O = 91.5 (2)^{\circ}$ ]. The two chelating O atoms, a water molecule [Ni-O = 2.083 (5) Å], the carboxyl O atom from an adjacent dianion, and the N atoms of two 4,4'-bipyridine heterocycles comprise the octahedron around the Ni atom. The dianion links adjacent Ni atoms into a chain, and adjacent chains are held together through the heterocyclic spacer into layers (Fig. 2). Adjacent layers are linked into a network motif by hydrogen bonds (Table 2). The dianion is only monodentate in the 2,2'-bipyridine adduct of nickel phthalate, which exists as a triaqua monohydrate (Poleti et al., 1990).



## **Experimental**

The compound was synthesized hydrothermally from nickel nitrate hexahydrate (0.29 g, 1 mmol), phthalic anhydride (0.16 g, 1 mmol), 4,4'-bipyridine (0.16 g, 1 mmol) and sodium hydroxide (0.08 g, 2 mmol) in water (18 ml). The mixture was placed in a 20 ml Teflon-lined stainless-steel vessel, which was heated to 443 K for 120 h. The vessel was cooled to room temperature at 5 K h<sup>-1</sup>. The compound separated from the solution as fine crystals.

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# Figure 1

*ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976) plot of a fragment of the structure of the title compound, with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry codes: (i) x, 1 - y, z; (ii) x, y, 1 + z.]

 $D_x = 1.578 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

Cell parameters from 25

 $0.32 \times 0.29 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}$ 

Mo Ka radiation

reflections

 $\theta=12.0{-}14.0^\circ$ 

 $\mu = 1.07 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 298 (2) K

Plate, green

 $\begin{aligned} R_{\rm int} &= 0.059\\ \theta_{\rm max} &= 30.0^\circ \end{aligned}$ 

 $h = 0 \rightarrow 15$  $k = 0 \rightarrow 11$ 

 $l = -15 \rightarrow 14$ 

2 standard reflections

frequency: 60 min

intensity decay: none

Crystal data

$$\begin{split} & [\mathrm{Ni}(\mathrm{C_8H_4O_4})(\mathrm{C_{10}H_8N_2})-\\ & (\mathrm{H_2O})]\cdot 3\mathrm{H_2O} \\ & M_r = 451.07 \\ & \mathrm{Monoclinic}, \ P_1 \\ & a = 11.134 \ (2) \ \mathrm{\AA} \\ & b = 8.379 \ (2) \ \mathrm{\AA} \\ & c = 11.265 \ (2) \ \mathrm{\AA} \\ & \beta = 115.39 \ (3)^{\circ} \\ & V = 949.4 \ (3) \ \mathrm{\AA}^3 \\ & Z = 2 \end{split}$$

#### Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North *et al.*, 1968)  $T_{\min} = 0.455$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.939$ 3070 measured reflections 2936 independent reflections 2171 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0777P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.060$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.153$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.03$
S = 1.03	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.62 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
2936 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.64 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
262 parameters	Absolute structure: Flack &
H-atom parameters constrained	Schwarzenbach (1988)
-	Elack parameter $= 0.00(3)$

#### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Ni1-O1	2.053 (5)	Ni1-O1w	2.083 (5)
Ni1-O2 <sup>i</sup>	2.065 (4)	Ni1-N1	2.093 (4)
Ni1-O4	2.056 (4)	Ni1-N2 <sup>ii</sup>	2.112 (4)
$O1-Ni1-O2^i$	84.3 (2)	O2 <sup>i</sup> -Ni1-N2 <sup>ii</sup>	85.0 (2)
O1-Ni1-O4	91.5 (2)	O4-Ni1-O1w	88.4 (2)
O1-Ni1-O1w	178.9 (2)	O4-Ni1-N1	96.0 (2)
O1-Ni1-N1	91.7 (2)	O4-Ni1-N2 <sup>ii</sup>	85.5 (2)
O1-Ni1-N2 <sup>ii</sup>	88.5 (3)	O1w-Ni1-N1	87.2 (2)
O2 <sup>i</sup> -Ni1-O4	169.7 (2)	$O1w-Ni1-N2^{ii}$	92.6 (3)
$O2^{i}-Ni1-O1w$	96.1 (2)	N1-Ni1-N2 <sup>ii</sup>	178.5 (2)
O2 <sup>i</sup> -Ni1-N1	93.6 (2)		

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

### Figure 2

Layer structure of the title compound. The uncoordinated water molecules are not shown.

# Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$O1w - H1w2 \cdots O2w$	0.85	1.95	2.778 (9)	162
$O1w - H1w1 \cdots O2^{iii}$	0.86	2.01	2.807 (7)	154
$O2w - H2w2 \cdots O3^{iii}$	0.87	2.09	2.88(1)	151
$O3w - H3w1 \cdots O4w^{iv}$	0.88	1.80	2.64 (2)	158
$O4w - H4w1 \cdots O2w$	0.89	2.40	2.73 (2)	102
$O4w - H4w1 \cdots O3w$	0.89	2.38	3.14 (2)	142

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

H atoms were positioned geometrically (C-H = 0.93 Å) and were included in the subsequent refinement in the riding-model approximation with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ . The water H atoms were found by using the *HYDROGEN* (Nardelli, 1999) option in the *WinGX* suite (Farrugia, 1999). These were not refined; their displacement parameters were set at 0.05 Å<sup>2</sup>.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1988); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *XCAD4* (Harms, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP*II (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL*97.

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