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#### Key indicators

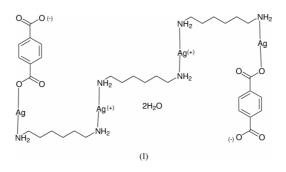
Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.006 Å R factor = 0.037 wR factor = 0.093 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.6

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The title compound,  $[Ag_4(C_8H_4O_4)_2[H_2N(CH_2)_6]_3]\cdot 2H_2O$ , is an Ag<sup>I</sup> tetranuclear complex. Four Ag<sup>I</sup> atoms, three hexamethylenediamine molecules, and two terephthalate dianions constitute a chain-like tetranuclear silver(I) complex. The complex lies on a center of symmetry, located at the mid-point of the central C-C bond. The two different kinds of Ag<sup>I</sup> atoms are both in a linear environment. One kind of Ag atom is coordinated by two N atoms from different amine ligands, and the other is coordinated by an O atom from a carboxylate group and by a N atom from an amine ligand. Adjacent complexes are joined together by weak Ag···Ag interactions to form ladder-like ribbons, which are further linked by hydrogen bonds to form a three-dimensional structure.

### Comment

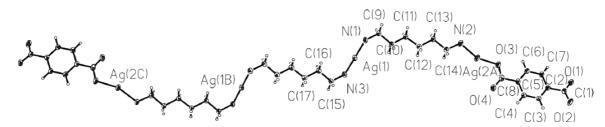
The title complex, (I), is a silver(I) tetranuclear complex with two uncoordinated molecules of water of crystallization. Four  $Ag^{I}$  atoms, three hexamethylenediamine molecules, and two terephthalate dianions constitute a chain-like tetranuclear silver(I) complex extended along the *b* axis, as shown in Fig. 1. The complex lies on a center of symmetry, located at the midpoint of the central C-C bond.



There are two different kinds of  $Ag^{I}$  atoms in the complex, both of which have approximately linear coordination. Atom Ag1 is coordinated by two N atoms from different amine ligands, with average Ag-N distances of 2.129 (4) Å. Atom Ag2 is coordinated by an O atom from a carboxylate group and by an N atom from an amine ligand. The Ag2-O and Ag2-N bond lengths are 2.090 (3) and 2.157 (5) Å, respectively. The angles around the metal atoms are 177.74 (14)° for atom Ag1 and 157.5 (2)° for atom Ag2, indicating that the coordination environment around Ag1 is much closer to linear than that around Ag1. All the amines adopt a 1,6-bridging mode and are fully extended. The terephthalate ligands act as monodentate ligands and are located at the ends of the tetranuclear chains. The length of a chain is about 50 Å. Weak Received 3 September 2003 Accepted 15 September 2003

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### Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme. Atom Ag(2A) is related by symmetry to atom Ag(2), which is in the adjacent molecule, weakly linked to atom Ag(1). Atoms Ag(1B) and Ag(2C) are related to atoms Ag(1) and Ag(2A) by inversion symmetry.

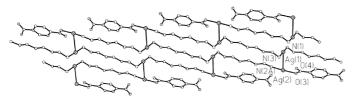


Figure 2 The ribbon structure of (I). H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Ag···Ag interactions [3.0646 (14) Å] link adjacent chains to give 38-membered macrocycles that share edges in a ladderlike ribbon with a width of *ca* 10 Å. All the N and O atoms, except atom O3, which is bonded to the metal, contribute to the formation of hydrogen bonds, *viz*. N1–H1A···O4<sup>i</sup>, N1– H1B···O1<sup>i</sup>, N1–H1B···O2<sup>i</sup>, N3–H3B···O1 $W^{ii}$ , N3– H3C···O2<sup>iii</sup>, N2–H2B···O1<sup>iv</sup>, O1W–H1WA···O2 and O1W–H1WB···O4<sup>ii</sup> (see Table 1 for symmetry codes).

### **Experimental**

All reagents and solvents were used as obtained without further purification. Ag<sub>2</sub>O (0.5 mmol, 116 mg), terephthalic acid (0.5 mmol, 83 mg) and 1,6-diaminohexane (1 mmol, 116 mg) were dissolved in ammonia (10 ml). The mixture was stirred for *ca* 10 min to obtain a clear solution. On keeping the solution in air overnight, with release of ammonium gas, large colorless crystals were formed. These were isolated, washed three times with water, and dried in a vacuum desiccator using CaCl<sub>2</sub> (yield 85%).

### Crystal data

$ \begin{bmatrix} Ag_4(C_8H_4O_4)_2(C_6H_{14}N_2)_3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot 2H_2O \\ M_r = 572.18 \\ \text{Triclinic, } PI \\ a = 7.220 (1) \text{ Å} \\ b = 10.928 (2) \text{ Å} \\ c = 13.919 (3) \text{ Å} \\ \alpha = 110.08 (3)^{\circ} \\ \beta = 98.73 (3)^{\circ} \\ \gamma = 96.31 (3)^{\circ} \\ V = 1003.9 (3) \text{ Å}^3 \\ \end{bmatrix} $	Z = 2 $D_x = 1.893 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K $\alpha$ radiation Cell parameters from 4208 reflections $\theta = 2.8-25.9^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.98 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) K Rod, colorless $0.38 \times 0.38 \times 0.30 \text{ mm}$
Siemens SMART CCD area- detector diffractometer $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Sheldrick, 1996) $T_{min} = 0.490, T_{max} = 0.552$ 4537 measured reflections	3814 independent reflections 3353 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.015$ $\theta_{max} = 26.0^{\circ}$ $h = -8 \rightarrow 6$ $k = -12 \rightarrow 13$ $l = -17 \rightarrow 17$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$   $wR(F^2) = 0.093$  S = 1.073814 reflections 245 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

$$\begin{split} &w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^{-2}) + (0.0429P)^2 \\ &+ 1.1362P] \\ &\text{where } P = (F_o^{-2} + 2F_c^{-2})/3 \\ (\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.93 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.95 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ &\text{Extinction correction: } SHELXL97 \\ &\text{Extinction coefficient: } 0.0038 (6) \end{split}$$

# Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-{\rm H}$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots \mathbf{A}$
$N1-H1A\cdots O4^{i}$	0.90	2.47	3.283 (5)	151
$N1-H1B\cdotsO1^{ii}$	0.90	2.13	3.023 (5)	172
$N1-H1B\cdots O2^{ii}$	0.90	2.55	3.090 (5)	119
$N3-H3B\cdotsO1W^{iii}$	0.90	2.15	2.998 (5)	157
$N3-H3C\cdots O2^{iv}$	0.90	2.13	2.997 (5)	163
$N2-H2B\cdotsO1^{v}$	0.90	2.18	2.924 (6)	140
$O1W-H1WA\cdots O2$	0.99	1.76	2.749 (5)	177
$O1W-H1WB\cdots O4^{iii}$	0.89	1.92	2.751 (5)	155

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

All H atoms were placed in idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with N-H and C-H distances of 0.90 and 0.96 Å, respectively. The  $U_{\rm eq}$  values for H atoms were fixed at 0.08 Å<sup>2</sup>.

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Siemens, 1996); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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