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Con

Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 293\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.008\text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.045
 wR factor = 0.110
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.4For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.Bis(1-acetophenone-1*H*-benzotriazole- κN^3)-
dichlorozinc(II)

In the title compound, $[\text{ZnCl}_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{N}_3\text{CH}_2\text{COPh})_2]$, the zinc ion is coordinated by two Cl^- anions and two N atoms of two triazole ligands, forming a distorted tetrahedral geometry. The molecular structure and packing are stabilized by van der Waals interactions.

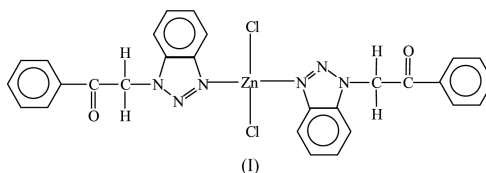
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Comment

Triazole nuclei appear frequently in the structures of various natural products and biologically active compounds, notably thiamine (vitamin B), penicillins and antibiotics such as micrococin (James & Watson, 1966). Triazole derivatives have also attracted considerable attention in industry and agriculture because of their significant biological activities (Zhang *et al.*, 2002). Triazole acts as a ligand in transition metal compounds, and such compounds are increasingly being studied in the context of modeling biological systems (Pujar *et al.*, 1988). In this paper, we report the crystal structure of the title compound.



In the title complex, the Zn and methylene C atoms are coplanar with both benzotriazole ring systems, the planes forming a dihedral angle of $76.2(2)^\circ$. The two independent acetophenone ligands are planar, forming with the benzotriazole planes a dihedral angle of $76.8(1)^\circ$ for Cl-acetophenone with N1-benzotriazole, and $88.5(1)^\circ$ for C23-acetophenone with N4-benzotriazole.

The average Zn—Cl distance of $2.209(1)\text{ \AA}$ is shorter than the average distances reported for related metal complexes with distorted ZnN_2Cl_2 tetrahedral environments (Salas *et al.*, 1994; Laity & Taylor, 1995; Bei *et al.*, 2001), but comparable to the value of $2.212(4)\text{ \AA}$ in $\text{ZnCl}_2(2,9\text{-dimethyl-}1,10\text{-phenanthroline})$ (Preston & Dennard, 1969) and $2.209(3)\text{ \AA}$ in $\text{ZnCl}_2(4\text{-vinylpyridine})_2$ (Steffen & Palenik, 1977). The average Zn—N bond distance of $2.063(4)\text{ \AA}$ is comparable to reported average values (Baenziger & Schultz, 1971), but longer than the average value of $2.039(3)\text{ \AA}$ in $\text{ZnCl}_2(5,7\text{-dimethyl-}1,2,4\text{-triazolo}[1,5\text{-}a]\text{pyrimidine})_2$ (Salas *et al.*, 1994) and $2.027(3)\text{ \AA}$ in $\text{ZnCl}_2[1\text{-}(5,6\text{-dimethylbenzimidazolyl})\text{-}3\text{-benzimidazolyl-}2\text{-thiapropane}]$ (Matthews *et al.*, 1998).

C—H \cdots Y (Y = O and Cl) interactions (Taylor & Kennard, 1982) are observed (Table 1), the intramolecular interactions co-operating to stabilize the conformation of the complex,

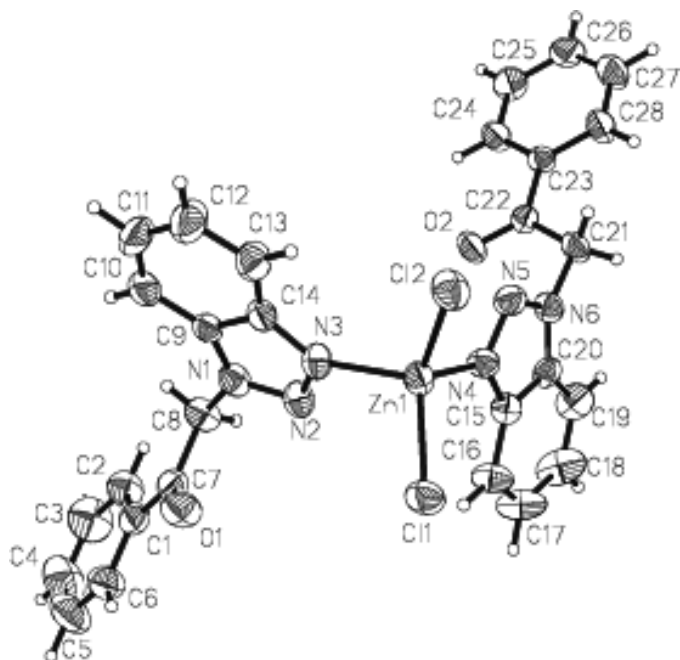


Figure 1
The structure of the title compound, showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

while the intermolecular interactions influence molecular packing.

Experimental

The title compound was prepared by the reaction of 1-acetophenone-1*H*-benzotriazole with ZnCl_2 in ethanol solution. Single crystals suitable for X-ray measurements were obtained by recrystallization from an ethanol solution at room temperature.

Crystal data

$[\text{ZnCl}_2(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{O})_2]$
 $M_r = 610.79$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 9.4490(19) \text{ \AA}$
 $b = 11.291(2) \text{ \AA}$
 $c = 13.637(3) \text{ \AA}$
 $\alpha = 111.70(3)^\circ$
 $\beta = 94.33(3)^\circ$
 $\gamma = 90.97(3)^\circ$
 $V = 1346.4(6) \text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 2$
 $D_x = 1.507 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 20 reflections
 $\theta = 2\text{--}11^\circ$
 $\mu = 1.15 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 293(2) \text{ K}$
 Pillar, colorless
 $0.35 \times 0.25 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
 $\theta/2\theta$ scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.714$, $T_{\max} = 0.842$
 5045 measured reflections
 4729 independent reflections
 2798 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.036$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.3^\circ$
 $h = 0 \rightarrow 11$
 $k = -13 \rightarrow 13$
 $l = -16 \rightarrow 16$
 3 standard reflections every 100 reflections
 intensity decay: none

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.110$
 $S = 1.05$
 4729 reflections
 352 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0342P)^2 + 0.4269P]$$

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.41 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.35 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1
Hydrogen-bonding geometry (\AA , $^\circ$).

$D\text{--}H\cdots A$	$D\text{--}H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D\text{--}H\cdots A$
$\text{C6--H6A}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.93	2.56	2.846 (8)	98
$\text{C13--H13A}\cdots\text{Cl2}$	0.93	2.92	3.661 (6)	138
$\text{C16--H16A}\cdots\text{Cl1}$	0.93	2.88	3.578 (6)	133
$\text{C24--H24A}\cdots\text{O2}$	0.93	2.51	2.803 (6)	98
$\text{C10--H10A}\cdots\text{O2}^{\text{i}}$	0.93	2.46	3.036 (7)	120
$\text{C21--H21A}\cdots\text{Cl2}^{\text{ii}}$	0.97	2.78	3.716 (5)	163
$\text{C28--H28A}\cdots\text{Cl1}^{\text{ii}}$	0.92	2.88	3.601 (6)	135

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

H atoms were positioned geometrically and were treated as riding on their parent C atoms, with C—H distances = 0.93–0.97 \AA and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ of the parent atom.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL-PC (Sheldrick, 1990); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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