

## Hexaaquacobalt(II) benzene-1,4-dioxydiacetate

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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

T = 293 K

Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004 \text{ \AA}$ 

R factor = 0.044

wR factor = 0.127

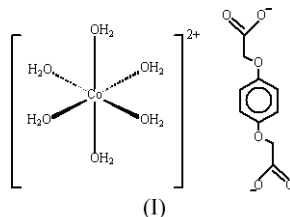
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.9

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The cation and anion of the title compound,  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6](\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{O}_6)$ , lie on different inversion sites. The  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  atom shows octahedral coordination. The cations and anions are linked by hydrogen bonds into a three-dimensional network structure.

## Comment

A number of metal derivatives of benzene-1,2-dioxyacetic acid have been structurally characterized (McCann *et al.*, 1994; Smith *et al.*, 1987; Smith *et al.*, 1991), but complexes of the related benzene-1,4-dioxyacetic acid are less well documented. The present study of the title hexaaquacobalt(II) complex, (I) (Fig. 1), follows a recent study of a bis(phenanthroline)-chelated manganese(II) salt, whose benzene-1,4-dioxyacetate anion interacts indirectly, through the uncoordinated and coordinated water molecules, with the metal center (Gao *et al.*, 2004).



The  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  atom is six-coordinate in an octahedral environment. The anion is almost planar (r.m.s. deviation = 0.008 Å); the planarity forces the ether linkage (C2–O3–C3) to open to 117.3 (2)° (idealized angle = 109.5°). The cation and anion both lie on inversion sites, and they are linked by hydrogen bonds into a three-dimensional network structure (Table 2 and Fig. 2).

## Experimental

Benzene-1,4-dioxyacetic acid was prepared by the nucleophilic reaction of chloroacetic acid and hydroquinone under basic conditions, following the method described for the synthesis of benzene-1,2-dioxyacetic acid by Mirci (1990). Cobalt diacetate trihydrate

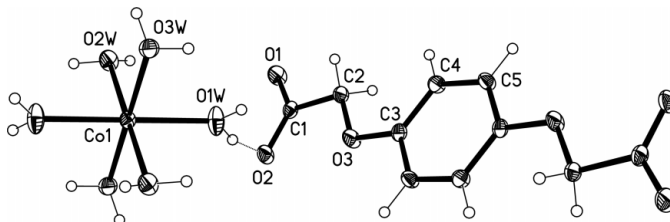


Figure 1

A view of  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6](\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{O}_6)$ , with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level.

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(4.76 g, 20 mmol) and benzene-1,4-dioxyacetic acid (9.04 g, 40 mmol) were dissolved in water and the pH was adjusted to 6 with 0.1M sodium hydroxide. Pink crystals separated from the filtered solution after several days. Analysis calculated for  $C_{10}H_{20}CoO_{12}$ : C 30.70, H 5.15%; found: C 30.48, H 5.28%.

Crystal data

$[Co(H_2O)_6](C_{10}H_8O_6)$   
 $M_r = 391.19$   
 Triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$   
 $a = 5.568 (2) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 6.366 (2) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 11.620 (3) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\alpha = 102.21 (2)^\circ$   
 $\beta = 95.59 (2)^\circ$   
 $\gamma = 106.68 (1)^\circ$   
 $V = 380.1 (2) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 1$   
 $D_x = 1.709 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 $Mo K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 1613 reflections  
 $\theta = 3.6\text{--}27.4^\circ$   
 $\mu = 1.19 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 293 (2) \text{ K}$   
 Prism, pink  
 $0.36 \times 0.28 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Rigaku R-Axis RAPID diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)  
 $T_{min} = 0.674, T_{max} = 0.814$   
 3456 measured reflections  
 1722 independent reflections  
 1625 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{int} = 0.018$   
 $\theta_{max} = 27.5^\circ$   
 $h = -7 \rightarrow 7$   
 $k = -7 \rightarrow 8$   
 $l = -14 \rightarrow 15$

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.127$   
 $S = 1.08$   
 1722 reflections  
 124 parameters  
 H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0883P)^2 + 0.2735P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 1.28 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.39 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}, ^\circ$ ).

Co1—O1W	2.067 (2)	Co1—O3W	2.149 (2)
Co1—O2W	2.090 (2)		
O1W—Co1—O1W <sup>i</sup>	180	O2W—Co1—O2W <sup>i</sup>	180
O1W—Co1—O2W	92.2 (1)	O2W—Co1—O3W	93.1 (1)
O1W—Co1—O2W <sup>i</sup>	87.8 (1)	O2W—Co1—O3W <sup>i</sup>	86.9 (1)
O1W—Co1—O3W	87.7 (1)	O3W—Co1—O3W <sup>i</sup>	180
O1W—Co1—O3W <sup>i</sup>	92.3 (1)		

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

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry ( $\text{\AA}, ^\circ$ ).

D—H...A	D—H	H...A	D...A	D—H...A
O1W—H1W1...O2	0.85 (3)	2.00 (3)	2.814 (3)	159 (4)
O1W—H1W2...O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.84 (3)	1.88 (3)	2.700 (3)	163 (3)
O2W—H2W1...O3W <sup>iii</sup>	0.85 (3)	2.12 (3)	2.957 (3)	168 (3)
O2W—H2W2...O2 <sup>iv</sup>	0.85 (3)	1.91 (3)	2.740 (3)	165 (3)
O3W—H3W1...O2 <sup>v</sup>	0.84 (3)	1.88 (3)	2.724 (3)	172 (3)
O3W—H3W2...O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.84 (3)	2.05 (3)	2.863 (3)	163 (3)

Symmetry codes: (ii)  $x - 1, y, z$ ; (iii)  $1 + x, y, z$ ; (iv)  $2 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$ ; (v)  $x - 1, y - 1, z$ .

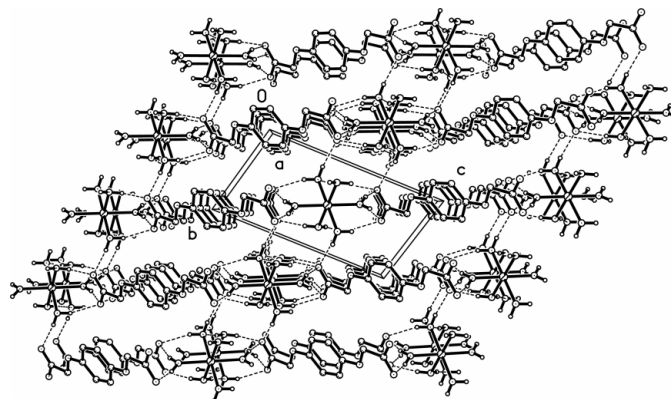


Figure 2

A packing diagram of  $[Co(H_2O)_6](C_{10}H_8O_6)$ . Hydrogen bonds are indicated by dashed lines.

C-bound H atoms were placed in calculated positions [ $C-H = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$  (aromatic) and  $0.97 \text{ \AA}$  (aliphatic), and  $U(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ ] in the riding-model approximation. The H atoms of water molecules were refined with  $O-H$  and  $H \cdots H$  distance restraints [ $0.85 (1)$  and  $1.39 (1) \text{ \AA}$ , respectively] and  $U(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(O)$ . The largest peak in the final difference Fourier map is  $1.12 \text{ \AA}$  from atom Co1.

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku Corporation, 1998); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MS, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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