

catena-Poly[mercury(II)-di- μ -bromo- μ -pyridazine- κ^2 N:N']**Peter Nockemann and
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Single-crystal X-ray study

 $T = 293\text{ K}$ Mean $\sigma(\text{N-N}) = 0.017\text{ \AA}$ R factor = 0.066 wR factor = 0.165

Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.8

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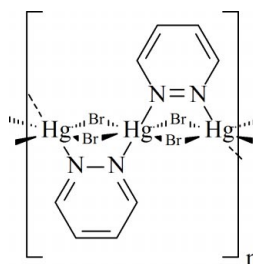
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Comment

N-Donor ligands exhibit a wide variety of coordination compounds with mercury (*e.g.* Grdenić, 1965; Bretinger & Brodersen, 1970). We have carried out a systematic study of the affinity of mercury towards *N*-donor ligands (Nockemann, 2002; Meyer & Nockemann, 2003).



(I)

The crystal structure of $[\text{HgBr}_2(\text{Pyo})]_n$ (Pyo = pyridazine) consists of strands of octahedrally coordinated mercuric centers asymmetrically bridged by bromide, with two short Hg—Br distances of 2.5962 (15) Å and two longer at 3.0280 (16) Å. Adjacent $[\text{HgN}_2\text{Br}_4]$ octahedra are linked by two neighboring N atoms of a pyridazine molecule, with Hg—N distances of 2.532 (11) Å. This is the shortest Hg—N bond observed in diazine adducts of mercuric bromide, and results from the high basicity of pyridazine (Meyer & Nockemann, 2003). The Br—Hg—Br angle in the Hg_2Br_2 rings in the strands in the [010] direction is 84.34 (5)°. The two different Hg—Br distances are concomitant with a reduction of the symmetry from space group *Imma* for $[\text{HgCl}_2(\text{Pyo})]_n$, with four symmetrical chloride bridges (Nockemann & Meyer, 2004), to *C2/c* for $[\text{HgBr}_2(\text{Pyo})]_n$.

Hg atoms lie on inversion centers; all other atoms are in general positions.

Experimental

Crystals of $[\text{HgBr}_2(\text{Pyo})]_n$ were obtained by adding a solution of 1 g (12.5 mmol) pyridazine (1,2-diazine) in 20 ml methanol dropwise and slowly to 10 ml of a 0.1 *N* aqueous solution of mercury(II) bromide without stirring. This solution was allowed to stand for 7 d, during which colorless prismatic crystals appeared.

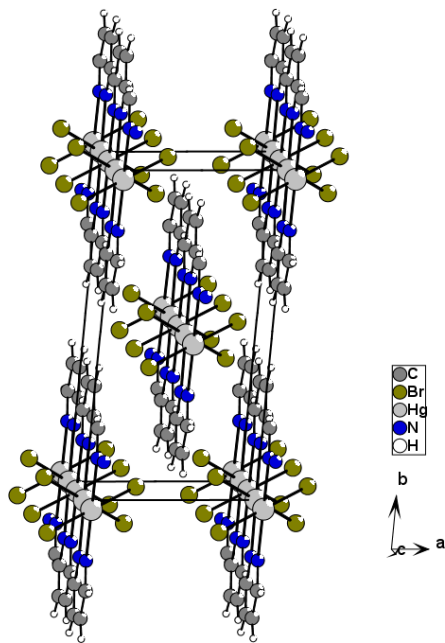


Figure 1
Packing diagram of $[\text{HgBr}_2(\text{Pyo})]_n$, viewed approximately down the c axis.

Crystal data

$[\text{HgBr}_2(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{N}_2)]$
 $M_r = 440.50$
 Monoclinic, $C2/c$
 $a = 10.178$ (3) Å
 $b = 13.653$ (3) Å
 $c = 7.438$ (2) Å
 $\beta = 131.061$ (18)°
 $V = 779.3$ (4) Å³
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 3.754$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 3625 reflections
 $\theta = 3.0\text{--}32.2^\circ$
 $\mu = 29.92$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 293$ (2) K
 Prism, colorless
 $0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.2$ mm

Data collection

Stoe IPDS-I diffractometer
 φ scans
 Absorption correction: numerical
 ($X\text{-SHAPE}$; Stoe & Cie, 1998)
 $T_{\min} = 0.004$, $T_{\max} = 0.068$
 3824 measured reflections
 771 independent reflections

637 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.270$
 $\theta_{\max} = 26.0^\circ$
 $h = -12 \rightarrow 12$
 $k = -16 \rightarrow 16$
 $l = -8 \rightarrow 9$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.066$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.165$
 $S = 0.98$
 771 reflections
 41 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0896P)^2]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 1.76$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -3.93$ e Å⁻³
 Extinction correction: $SHELXL$
 Extinction coefficient: 0.0013 (5)

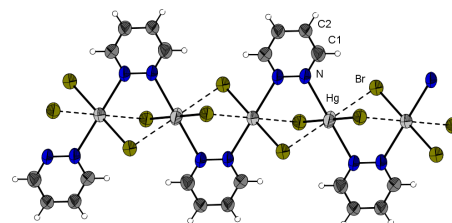


Figure 2
View of a part of the $[\text{HgBr}_2(\text{Pyo})]_n$ coordination polymer, showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Hg—N	2.532 (11)	N—N ⁱⁱⁱ	1.332 (18)
Hg—Br ⁱ	2.5962 (15)	N—C1	1.339 (14)
Hg—Br	3.0280 (16)	C1—C2	1.360 (19)
Hg—Br ⁱⁱ	3.0280 (16)		
N ⁱⁱ —Hg—N	180	Hg ⁱⁱⁱ —Br—Hg	82.41 (4)
N ⁱⁱ —Hg—Br ⁱⁱⁱ	88.8 (3)	N ⁱⁱⁱ —N—C1	118.0 (6)
N—Hg—Br ⁱⁱⁱ	91.2 (3)	N ⁱⁱⁱ —N—Hg	117.8 (2)
Br ⁱⁱⁱ —Hg—Br ⁱ	180	C1—N—Hg	123.7 (7)
N ⁱⁱ —Hg—Br	92.6 (2)	N—C1—C2	124.4 (6)
Br ⁱⁱⁱ —Hg—Br	84.34 (5)	C2 ⁱⁱⁱ —C2—C1	117.5 (6)
Br ⁱ —Hg—Br	95.66 (5)		

Symmetry codes: (i) $x, -y, z - \frac{1}{2}$; (ii) $-x, -y, 1 - z$; (iii) $-x, y, \frac{3}{2} - z$.

The highest peak and deepest hole were located 1.05 and 0.95 Å, respectively, from Hg1. H atoms were visible in a difference map and were treated as riding atoms, with a C—H distance of 0.93 Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

Data collection: $X\text{-AREA}$ (Stoe & Cie, 2001); cell refinement: $X\text{-STEP32}$ (Stoe & Cie, 2000); data reduction: $X\text{-RED32}$ (Stoe & Cie, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: $SHELXS97$ (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: $SHELXL97$ (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: $DIAMOND$ (Brandenburg, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: $SHELXL97$.

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