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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 130 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.006 Å R factor = 0.038 wR factor = 0.084 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.6

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# Diaqua(2,2'-bipyridyl)tris(nitrato- $\kappa^2 O, O'$ )praseodymium(III) 2,2'-bipyridyl sesquisolvate

The Pr atom in the title complex,  $[Pr(NO_3)_3(C_{10}H_8N_8)-(H_2O)_2]\cdot 1.5C_{10}H_8N_2$ , is ten-coordinate and the relative arrangement of the ligands in the first coordination sphere is affected by the hydrogen bonds between the coordinated water molecules and the uncoordinated 2,2'-bipyridyl (bipy) solvent molecules, one of which lies on a cystallographic inversion centre.

## Comment

The Pr atom in the title compound, (I), is ten-coordinate, as shown in Fig. 1. The arrangement in the coordination sphere is similar to that in  $[La(NO_3)_3(bipy)(H_2O)_2]\cdot C_{14}H_{20}O_5$ , (II) (Wen-Xiang Xu*et al.*, 1990), but the ligand orientations are different. The nitrate anions in (I) form dihedral angles of 50.45 (8)°, 69.66 (14)° and 72.61 (9)° with bipy, whereas in (II), the dihedral angles are  $30.3^\circ$ ,  $37.5^\circ$  and  $46.8^\circ$ . The difference in the relative orientation of the ligands in (I) and (II) certainly results from the effect of the hydrogen bonds between the coordinated water molecules and the uncoordinated solvent molecules. The occurrence of  $O-H\cdots N(bipy)$  and  $O-H\cdots O(nitrate)$  hydrogen bonds (Table 2) leads to an intricate two-dimensional hydrogen-bonding network parallel to the *bc* plane (Fig. 2).



## **Experimental**

The crystals were obtained by slow evaporation at 293 K of 1 ml of a benzene solution containing 25 mg  $Pr(NO_3)_3$ ·6H<sub>2</sub>O and 4.5 mg 2,2'-bipyridyl ( $Pr^{3+}$ :bipy molar ratio of 1:0.5).

Crystal data	
$[Pr(NO_3)_3(C_{10}H_8N_8)(H_2O]$	<i>Z</i> = 2
$1.5C_{10}H_8N_2$	$D_x = 1.721 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 753.43$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$	Cell parameters from 13 117
a = 10.4160 (5)  Å	reflections
b = 11.4284 (6) Å	$\theta = 2-27.5^{\circ}$
c = 14.0585 (10)  Å	$\mu = 1.75 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 75.322 \ (4)^{\circ}$	T = 130 (2)  K
$\beta = 81.118 \ (4)^{\circ}$	Prism, green
$\gamma = 64.060 \ (4)^{\circ}$	$0.27 \times 0.27 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$
$V = 1453.96 (15) \text{ Å}^3$	

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## Figure 1

*ORTEPIII* (Burnett & Johnson; Farrugia, 1997) view of (I), showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme. [Symmetry code: (i) -x, -y, -z.] H atoms have been omitted except on water molecules. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

#### Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer	6042 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.045$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$
(MULABS; Blessing, 1995)	$h = -13 \rightarrow 13$
$T_{\min} = 0.659, T_{\max} = 0.732$	$k = -13 \rightarrow 14$
13117 measured reflections	$l = -16 \rightarrow 18$
6527 independent reflections	

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	H atoms treated by a mixture of
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.038$	independent and constrained
$wR(F^2) = 0.085$	refinement
S = 1.08	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + 3.9292P]$
6527 reflections	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
418 parameters	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.003$
	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 1.14 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -1.89 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

#### Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

Pr-O2W	2.461 (2)	Pr-O41	2.618 (2)
Pr-O1W	2.468 (2)	Pr-N1	2.668 (3)
Pr-O32	2.544 (3)	Pr-N2	2.676 (3)
Pr-O42	2.554 (2)	$Pr \cdot \cdot \cdot N3$	2.997 (3)
Pr-O51	2.568 (2)	$Pr \cdot \cdot \cdot N4$	3.014 (3)
Pr-O52	2.582 (3)	$Pr \cdot \cdot \cdot N5$	3.000 (3)
Pr-O31	2.601(3)		

## Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$ \begin{array}{c} O1W - H11 \cdots O41^{ii} \\ O1W - H12 \cdots N6 \\ O2W - H21 \cdots N8 \\ O2W - H22 \cdots N7^{iii} \end{array} $	0.85 (2)	2.00 (3)	2.797 (4)	156 (4)
	0.85 (4)	1.88 (2)	2.707 (4)	166 (5)
	0.86 (2)	1.90 (2)	2.751 (4)	170 (4)
	0.84 (3)	2.01 (3)	2.791 (4)	157 (4)

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



### Figure 2

*CAMERON* (Watkin *et al.*, 1993) view of the packing, showing the O– $H \cdots N(bipy)$  and O– $H \cdots O(nitrate)$  hydrogen-bonding interactions as dashed lines.

All C-bound H atoms were positioned geometrically (C–H = 0.93 Å) and refined using a riding model  $[U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)]$ . H atoms of water molecules were located in difference Fourier maps and refined with restrained O–H and H···H distances [0.85 (5) and 1.39 (5) Å, respectively] and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(O)$ . The highest peak and deepest hole are 0.73 and 0.86 Å from the Pr atom, respectively.

Data collection: *KappaCCD Software* (Nonius, 1997); cell refinement: *HKL* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *HKL*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*86 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*93 (Sheldrick, 1993); molecular graphics: *ORTEP*III (Burnett & Johnson, 1996); *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997) and *CAMERON* (Watkin *et al.*, 1993); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997).

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