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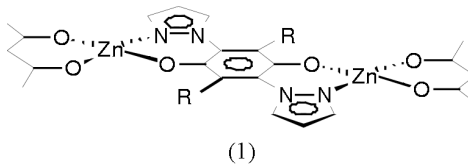
Bis(acetylacetonato)dimethanolzinc(II)

The title compound, $[\text{Zn}(\text{C}_5\text{H}_7\text{O}_2)_2(\text{CH}_4\text{O})_2]$, crystallizes with the octahedrally coordinated Zn atom on a centre of inversion and one bidentate acetylacetonate anion and one methanol molecule in the asymmetric unit.

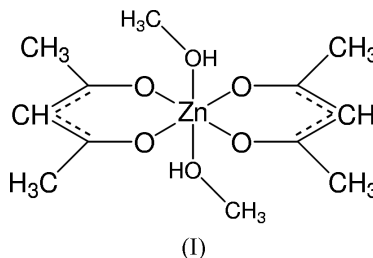
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Comment

Transition metal complexes with redox-active ligands are of great current interest. Owing to their electrochemical reversibility, quinone derivatives are candidates as redox-active π -conjugated ligands (Dinnebier *et al.*, 2002). To that end, we are investigating the physical and chemical properties of the dinuclear transition metal complex (1). As part of these studies, we have prepared diacetylacetonatozinc, $\text{Zn}(\text{C}_5\text{H}_7\text{O}_2)_2$ and we have reported the X-ray crystal structure analysis of diacetylacetonatozinc, $[\text{Zn}(\text{C}_5\text{H}_7\text{O}_2)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$ (Harbach *et al.*, 2003).



Now we have prepared the acetylacetonatozinc methanol adduct, $[\text{Zn}(\text{C}_5\text{H}_7\text{O}_2)_2(\text{CH}_3\text{OH})_2]$, (I). The methanol complex has been obtained from $\text{Zn}(\text{C}_5\text{H}_7\text{O}_2)_2$, which has been synthesized by a literature procedure (Rudolph & Henry, 1967) from zinc sulfate and acetylacetonone (2,4-pentadione) in the presence of NaOH.



In (I), the Zn atom is located on a centre of inversion and the asymmetric unit contains one acetylacetonate anion and one methanol molecule. The bond lengths and angles in (I) (Table 1) are normal (Allen, 2002). The acetylacetonate species is almost planar (for the non-H atoms, root-mean-square deviation from the least-squares plane = 0.033 Å). The Zn atom is displaced from this plane by 0.214 (1) Å. The bond

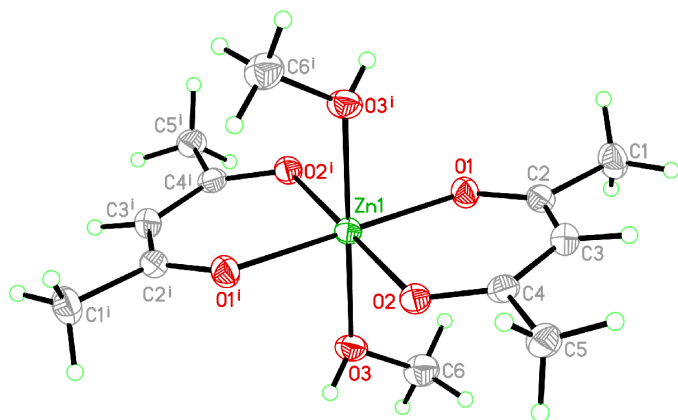


Figure 1
Perspective view of (I), with the atom numbering; displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres. Symmetry code as in Table 1.

from Zn to the methanol O atom is significantly longer than the bonds to the acetylacetonate O atoms. The crystal packing is stabilized by hydrogen bonds from the methanol molecule to an acetylacetonate O atom of an adjacent complex (Table 2).

Experimental

A slurry of ZnSO₄ (14.4 g), 2,4-pentadione (10 g), NaOH (4 g), and water (50 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, resulting in the quantitative precipitation of [Zn(C₅H₇O₂)₂(H₂O)₂], which was filtrated off from the solution. After removing all volatile compounds *in vacuo*, the remaining residue was dissolved in 45 ml of methanol and (I) was crystallized from this solution.

Crystal data

[Zn(C ₅ H ₇ O ₂) ₂ (CH ₄ O) ₂]	Z = 1
<i>M_r</i> = 327.67	<i>D_x</i> = 1.454 Mg m ⁻³
Triclinic, <i>P</i> $\bar{1}$	Mo <i>K</i> α radiation
<i>a</i> = 5.2986 (7) Å	Cell parameters from 23971 reflections
<i>b</i> = 7.4809 (10) Å	θ = 3.9–28.6°
<i>c</i> = 10.4575 (15) Å	μ = 1.66 mm ⁻¹
α = 69.184 (10)°	<i>T</i> = 100 (2) K
β = 81.385 (11)°	Block, colourless
γ = 75.485 (11)°	0.43 × 0.23 × 0.22 mm
<i>V</i> = 374.25 (9) Å ³	

Data collection

Stoe IPDSII two-circle diffractometer	2077 independent reflections
ω scans	2017 reflections with <i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)
Absorption correction: multi-scan (MULABS; Spek, 2003; Blessing, 1995)	<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.045
<i>T</i> _{min} = 0.525, <i>T</i> _{max} = 0.698	θ _{max} = 29.5°
8019 measured reflections	<i>h</i> = -7 → 7
	<i>k</i> = -10 → 10
	<i>l</i> = -14 → 14

Refinement

Refinement on <i>F</i> ²	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0393P)^2 + 0.0996P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.069$	(Δ/σ) _{max} < 0.001
<i>S</i> = 1.09	$\Delta\rho$ _{max} = 0.48 e Å ⁻³
2077 reflections	$\Delta\rho$ _{min} = -0.73 e Å ⁻³
96 parameters	Extinction correction: SHELXL
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement	Extinction coefficient: 0.028 (6)

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Zn1—O1	2.0355 (10)	Zn1—O3	2.1621 (10)
Zn1—O2	2.0678 (10)		
O1 ⁱ —Zn1—O2	89.96 (4)	O1 ⁱ —Zn1—O3	87.83 (4)
O1—Zn1—O2	90.04 (4)	O1—Zn1—O3	92.17 (4)
O2—Zn1—O3 ⁱ	90.47 (4)	O2—Zn1—O3	89.53 (4)

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

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>
O3—H3...O2 ⁱⁱ	0.826 (10)	1.918 (10)	2.7401 (14)	173 (2)

Symmetry code: (ii) -*x*, 1 - *y*, -*z*.

The H atom bonded to O was located in a difference map and refined isotropically, with the O—H distance restrained to 0.84 (1) Å. H atoms bonded to C were placed in idealized positions [C—H = 0.95 for *Csp*² and 0.98 Å, for *C*_{methyl}] and refined as riding on their carrier atoms with the constraints *U*_{iso}(H) = 1.2 *U*_{eq}(C) or *U*_{iso}(H) = 1.5 *U*_{eq}(*C*_{methyl}). In addition, the methyl group was allowed to rotate but not to tip.

Data collection: X-AREA (Stoe & Cie, 2001); cell refinement: X-AREA; data reduction: X-AREA; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: XP in SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1991); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97 and PLATON (Spek, 2003).

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