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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=298 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.005 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.034$
$w R$ factor $=0.090$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=11.0$
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# 4,4'-Bipyridinium hexaaquacobalt(II) disulfate 

The title compound, $\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{10} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)_{2}$, consists of 4,4'-bipyridinium dications, hexaaquacobalt(II) cations and sulfate anions that are linked by hydrogen bonds into a network structure. Six water molecules are coordinated to the Co atom and the geometry is octahedral. The bipyridinium cation has site symmetry 2 and the Co atom lies on a position of site symmetry $2 / m$.

## Comment

4,4 - Bipyridine acts as a bridging ligand in metal complexes (Tong et al., 2000), as a host molecule in inclusion compounds (Lu et al., 2001), and as a proton acceptor in charge-transfer complexes (Zhu, 2003). The heterocycle is, however, not involved in such interactions but is protonated in the title compound, (I), which consists of the diprotonated 4,4'-bipyridinium cation (which has site symmetry 2 ), $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]^{2+}$ cations and sulfate anions. The Co atom lies on a position of site symmetry $2 / m$ and its geometry is octahedral, arising from coordination by six water molecules (Fig. 1). The dications and anions interact through hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2) to generate a three-dimensional network.

(I)

## Experimental

Cobalt sulfate heptahydrate $(0.06 \mathrm{~g}, 0.2 \mathrm{mmol})$ was dissolved in water $(10 \mathrm{ml})$ and the solution was mixed with a dimethylformamide solution $(10 \mathrm{ml})$ of sodium 5 -sulfoisophthalate $(0.11 \mathrm{~g}, 0.4 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $4,4^{\prime}$ bipyridine ( $0.03 \mathrm{~g}, 0.2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ). The reaction mixture was filtered; pink plate-shaped crystals separated from the solution after about three months.

## Crystal data

| $\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{10} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ | $D_{x}=1.787 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $M_{r}=517.35$ | Mo K 2 radiation |
| Monoclinic, $C 2 / m$ | Cell parameters from 937 |
| $a=11.9210(11) \AA$ | reflections |
| $b=6.6042(6) \AA$ | $\theta=2.6-21.4^{\circ}$ |
| $c=12.9122(12) \AA$ | $\mu=1.19 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |
| $\beta=108.951(1)^{\circ}$ | $T=298(2) \mathrm{K}$ |
| $V=961.46(15) \AA^{3}$ | Plate, pink |
| $Z=2$ | $0.26 \times 0.22 \times 0.05 \mathrm{~mm}$ |

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## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.74, T_{\text {max }}=0.94$
2551 measured reflections
937 independent reflections

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905 \text { reflections with } I>2 \sigma(I)
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$R_{\text {int }}=0.018$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.1^{\circ}$
$h=-14 \rightarrow 14$
$k=-7 \rightarrow 7$
$l=-15 \rightarrow 12$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.034$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.090$
$S=1.19$
937 reflections
85 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

Table 1
Selected geometric parameters $\left(\AA,{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $2.0695(18)$ | $\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 2$ | $2.078(2)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O1}^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 1^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | 180 | $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 2$ | $86.80(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{O1}^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $91.99(12)$ | $\mathrm{O1}^{\mathrm{ii}}-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 2$ | $93.20(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{O1}^{\mathrm{ii}}-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $88.01(12)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 2^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | 180 |

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

Table 2
Hydrogen-bonding geometry $\left(\AA,{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N1-H1N $\cdots$ O4 | 0.86 | 1.79 | $2.634(3)$ | 166 |
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| O2-H2A $\cdots$ O3 $^{\text {iv }}$ | 0.82 | 1.98 | $2.759(2)$ | 158 |
| ${\text { O1-H1A } \cdots 5^{v}}^{\text {O1 }}$ | 0.82 | 1.97 | $2.750(2)$ | 159 |
| O1-H1B $\cdots$ O3 | 0.82 | 1.95 | $2.741(2)$ | 161 |
| N1-H1N $\cdots$ O4 | 0.86 | 1.79 | $2.634(3)$ | 166 |

Symmetry codes: (iv) $\frac{1}{2}-x, y-\frac{1}{2}, 1-z$; (v) $\frac{1}{2}+x, \frac{1}{2}+y, z$.
The water H atoms were refined subject to the restraint $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}=$ 0.82 (1) $\AA$. The other H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent atoms at distances of $0.86(\mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{H})$ and $0.93 \AA(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$, with $U_{\text {iso }}=1.2 U_{\mathrm{eq}}(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{N})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: SAINT; 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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Figure 1
The structure of (I), with the atom numbering, showing displacement ellipsoids at the $50 \%$ probability level.


Figure 2
The three-dimensional network formed by hydrogen-bonding interactions in (I), which are shown as dashed lines.

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