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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=296 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.004 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.055$
$w R$ factor $=0.177$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=14.9$
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## Hexaaquamagnesium(II) bis[(4-oxo-4H-pyridin-1-yl)acetate] dihydrate

In the title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Mg}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, the $\mathrm{Mg}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atom lies on a centre of symmetry and is coordinated by six water molecules in an octahedral geometry. A threedimensional supramolecular framework is formed via O $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds between the anions and cations.

## Comment

Recently, we have described the complexes $\left[M\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]$ -(4-OPA) $2 \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ [4-OPA ${ }^{-}$is the (4-oxo-4H-pyridin-1-yl)acetate anion, $M=\mathrm{Zn}, \mathrm{Ni}$; Gao et al., 2004; Zhang et al., 2004], in which $4-\mathrm{OPA}^{-}$exists as an $\left[\mathrm{O}=\mathrm{C}(\mathrm{CH}=\mathrm{CH})_{2} \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{CH}_{2}-\right.$ $\left.\mathrm{CO}_{2}\right]^{-}$counterion having a double-bonded O atom connected to the ring. In order to explore further the coordination behaviour and solid-state structure of metal salts with the 4-HOPA ligand, we used $\mathrm{Mg}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2} \cdot 6 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ under similar reaction conditions to synthesize the title hexaaquamagnesium(II) complex, (I).

The title compound is found to be isostructural with the $\mathrm{Zn}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and $\mathrm{Ni}^{\mathrm{II}}$ analogues. A similar description applies to the present complex (Fig. 1).

(I)

Figure 1
The structural components of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level and H Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level and H
atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii. The hydrogen bond is shown as a dashed line. The symmetry code for the unlabelled aqua ligands is as in Table 1.
 ligand is

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Figure 2


A packing diagram for (I), viewed along the $c$ axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. H atoms bonded to C atoms have been omitted.

## Experimental

The title complex was prepared by the addition of $\mathrm{Mg}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2} \cdot 6 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ $(1.94 \mathrm{~g}, 10 \mathrm{mmol})$ to an aqueous solution of (4-oxo-4H-pyridin-1$\mathrm{yl})$ acetic acid $(2.92 \mathrm{~g}, 20 \mathrm{mmol})$. The pH was adjusted to 7 with 0.2 M NaOH solution. Colourless crystals of (I) were obtained from the filtered solution over several days. CHN analysis, calculated for $\left[\mathrm{Mg}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}: \mathrm{C} 35.57$, H 5.97, N 5.93\%; found: C 35.77, H 5.84, N $6.06 \%$.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Mg}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=472.69$
Monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / c$
$a=12.486(3) \AA$
$b=12.904(3) \AA$
$c=6.8131(14) \AA$
$\beta=99.21(3)^{\circ}$
$V=1083.6(4) \AA^{3}$
$Z=2$

## Data collection

## Rigaku RAXIS-RAPID <br> diffractometer <br> $\omega$ scans <br> Absorption correction: multi-scan <br> (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995) <br> $T_{\text {min }}=0.953, T_{\text {max }}=0.974$ <br> 9164 measured reflections

$D_{x}=1.449 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 9023
$\quad$ reflections
$\theta=3.2-27.5^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.16 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=296(2) \mathrm{K}$
Prism, colourless
$0.38 \times 0.26 \times 0.17 \mathrm{~mm}$

2477 independent reflections
2212 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.022$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=27.5^{\circ}$
$h=-16 \rightarrow 16$
$k=-16 \rightarrow 16$
$l=-8 \rightarrow 8$

## Refinement

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Refinement on F
R[\mp@subsup{F}{}{2}>2\sigma(\mp@subsup{F}{}{2})]=0.055
wR(F}\mp@subsup{F}{}{2})=0.17
S=1.08
2477 reflections
1 6 6 \text { parameters}
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
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Table 1
Selected geometric parameters $\left(\AA,^{\circ}\right)$.

| $\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 1 W$ | $2.0735(19)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.245(3)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 2 W$ | $2.0652(19)$ | $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $1.272(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 3 W$ | $2.049(18)$ | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2$ | $1.353(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.253(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $1.356(4)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W-\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 1 W$ | $89.98(9)$ | $\mathrm{O} 3 W-\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 2 W$ | $89.68(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W-\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 1 W^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $90.02(9)$ | $\mathrm{O} 3 W-\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 2 W^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $90.32(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 3 W-\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 1 W$ | $90.97(9)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $113.9(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 3 W-\mathrm{Mg} 1-\mathrm{O} 1 W^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $89.03(9)$ |  |  |
| Symmetry code: $(\mathrm{i}) 1-x, 1-y, 1-z$ |  |  |  |

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

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

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | D-H | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{O} 1 W-\mathrm{H} 1 W 1 \cdots \mathrm{O} 4 W$ | 0.85 (3) | 1.89 (3) | 2.734 (3) | 172 (4) |
| $\mathrm{O} 1 W-\mathrm{H} 1 W 2 \cdots \mathrm{O}{ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 0.85 (3) | 2.01 (3) | 2.837 (3) | 164 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W-\mathrm{H} 2 W 2 \cdots \mathrm{O} 1^{\text {iii }}$ | 0.85 (3) | 1.89 (3) | 2.709 (3) | 162 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W-\mathrm{H} 2 W 1 \cdots \mathrm{O} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.85 (3) | 2.06 (3) | 2.847 (3) | 153 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 3 W-\mathrm{H} 3 W 2 \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {iv }}$ | 0.85 (3) | 1.92 (3) | 2.754 (3) | 170 (4) |
| $\mathrm{O} 3 W-\mathrm{H} 3 W 1 \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {v }}$ | 0.84 (3) | 1.88 (3) | 2.719 (3) | 173 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 4 W-\mathrm{H} 4 W 2 \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {vi }}$ | 0.85 (3) | 1.98 (3) | 2.809 (4) | 163 (5) |
| $\mathrm{O} 4 W-\mathrm{H} 4 W 1 \cdots 3^{\text {vii }}$ | 0.85 (3) | 2.17 (2) | 2.978 (4) | 158 (5) |

Symmetry codes: (i) $1-x, 1-y, 1-z$; (ii) $x, y, 1+z$; (iii) $1-x, y-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-z$; (iv)
$2-x, 1-y, 1-z$; (v) $x, \frac{3}{2}-y, \frac{1}{2}+z$; (vi) $x-1, y, 1+z$; (vii) $x-1, \frac{3}{2}-y, \frac{1}{2}+z$.
H atoms on C atoms were placed in calculated positions, with $\mathrm{C}-$ $\mathrm{H}=0.93$ or $0.97 \AA$ and $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$, and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation. Water H atoms were located in difference Fourier maps and refined with the restraints $\mathrm{O}-$ $\mathrm{H}=0.85(1) \AA, \mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{H}=1.39(1) \AA$, and with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.5 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{O})$.

Data collection: RAPID-AUTO (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: RAPID-AUTO; data reduction: CrystalStructure (Rigaku/MSC, 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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