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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 295 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.006 Å Disorder in solvent or counterion R factor = 0.047 wR factor = 0.115 Data-to-parameter ratio = 19.2

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catena-Poly[[strontium(II)-di-*µ*-aquadi-*µ*-9-hydroxyfluorene-9-carboxylato] monohydrate]

The Sr^{II} atom in the title compound, $\{[Sr(C_{14}H_9O_3)-(H_2O)_2]\cdot H_2O\}n$, is chelated by the carboxyl and hydroxyl O atoms of two anions, and is coordinated by two water molecules that function in a bridging mode. The eight-coordinate configuration arises from additional interaction with the carboxyl O atoms which are already involved in chelation in adjacent molecules. The geometry is intermediate between dodecahedral and square antiprismatic in the linear chain structure.

Comment

The 9-hydroxyfluorene-9-carboxylate monoanion has been documented to chelate in a small number of metal complexes (Gao *et al.*, 2004; Huo *et al.*, 2004). This feature is also observed in the title strontium derivative, (I), which crystallizes as a diaqua complex with an uncoordinated water molecule (Fig. 1).



The Sr atom exists in an eight-coordinate environment, but the geometry is intermediate between dodecahedral and square antiprismatic (Fig. 2). The high coordination number arises from the bridging nature of the two water molecules, and also from bridging by carboxyl O atoms, which are themselves already bonded to a metal atom. Adjacent molecules are linked by hydrogen bonds (Table 2) into linear chains.

Experimental

To a solution of strontium carbonate (0.15 g, 1 mmol) in methanol (20 ml) was added 9-hydroxyfluorene-9-carboxylic acid (0.44 g, 2 mmol) in methanol. Aqueous sodium hydroxide was added so that the mixed solvent had a pH of about 6. The mixture was filtered and colourless single crystals of (I) were isolated after several days. CH analysis, calculated for $C_{28}H_{24}O_9Sr$: C 56.80, H 4.09%; found C 56.76, H 4.11%.

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Figure 1

Plot illustrating the eight-coordinate geometry of the Sr atom in (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level and H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry codes (i): 1 - x, $\frac{1}{2} + y, 1 - z;$ (ii) $1 - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, 1 - z.$]



Figure 2

The coordination geometry illustrated as a dodecahedron. (Symmetry codes as given in Fig. 1.)



Figure 3

The coordination geometry illustrated as a square antiprism. (Symmetry codes as given in Fig. 1.)

| $[Sr(C_{14}H_9O_3)(H_2O)_2]\cdot H_2O$ |
|--|
| $M_r = 592.09$ |
| Monoclinic, $P2_1$ |
| $a = 12.727 (3) \text{\AA}$ |
| b = 7.231 (1) Å |
| c = 14.947 (3) Å |
| $\beta = 108.79 \ (3)^{\circ}$ |
| $V = 1302.2 (4) \text{ Å}^3$ |
| Z = 2 |
| |

Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID diffractometer ω scans Absorption correction: multi-scan, (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995) $T_{\min} = 0.544, \ T_{\max} = 0.701$ 11 926 measured reflections

Refinement

| Refinement on F^2 | $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0611P)^2]$ |
|---------------------------------|--|
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.047$ | + 0.6925P] |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.115$ | where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ |
| S = 1.05 | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$ |
| 5722 reflections | $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.98 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ |
| 298 parameters | $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.48 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |
| H-atom parameters constrained | Absolute structure: Flack (1983), |
| | with 3266 Friedel pairs |

 $D_x = 1.510 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

reflections $\theta=3.3{-}27.4^\circ$ $\mu = 2.12 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 295 (2) K Block, colourless $0.37 \times 0.25 \times 0.18 \ \text{mm}$

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.037$

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$ $h = -16 \rightarrow 16$ $k = -9 \rightarrow 9$

 $l = -17 \rightarrow 19$

Cell parameters from 11 087

5722 independent reflections

Flack parameter: 0.007 (9)

4864 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, $^{\circ}$).

| Sr1-01 | 2.553 (3) | Sr1-O4 ⁱⁱ | 2.573 (3) |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Sr1-O1 ⁱ | 2.562 (3) | Sr1-O6 | 2.600 (3) |
| Sr1-O3 | 2.561 (3) | Sr1-O1w | 2.575 (3) |
| Sr1-O4 | 2.551 (3) | Sr1-O1w ⁱ | 2.589 (3) |
| | | | |
| $O1-Sr1-O1^{i}$ | 139.0 (1) | $O3-Sr1-O4^{ii}$ | 103.9 (1) |
| O1-Sr1-O3 | 60.1 (1) | O3-Sr1-O6 | 96.8 (1) |
| O1-Sr1-O4 | 156.2 (1) | O3-Sr1-O1w | 127.9 (1) |
| O1-Sr1-O4 ⁱⁱ | 64.4 (1) | $O3-Sr1-O1w^{i}$ | 77.4 (1) |
| O1-Sr1-O6 | 105.1 (1) | O4-Sr1-O4 ⁱⁱ | 138.5 (1) |
| O1-Sr1-O1w | 71.5 (1) | O4-Sr1-O6 | 60.1 (1) |
| $O1-Sr1-O1w^{i}$ | 116.3 (1) | O4-Sr1-O1w | 118.2 (1) |
| O1 ⁱ -Sr1-O3 | 148.3 (1) | O4-Sr1-O1w ⁱ | 68.8 (1) |
| $O1^{i}$ -Sr1-O4 | 64.6 (1) | O4 ⁱⁱ -Sr1-O6 | 145.8 (1) |
| $O1^{i}$ -Sr1-O4 ⁱⁱ | 76.9(1) | $O4^{ii}$ -Sr1-O1w | 68.7 (1) |
| $O1^{i}$ -Sr1-O6 | 99.2 (1) | $O4^{ii}$ -Sr1-O1 w^{i} | 85.1 (1) |
| $O1^{i}$ -Sr1-O1w | 82.5 (1) | O6-Sr1-O1w | 77.1 (1) |
| $O1^i - Sr1 - O1w^i$ | 71.1 (1) | $O6-Sr1-O1w^{i}$ | 126.4 (1) |
| O3-Sr1-O4 | 101.2 (1) | $O1w-Sr1-O1w^{i}$ | 146.5 (1) |
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Symmetry codes: (i) $1 - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, 1 - z$; (ii) $1 - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, 1 - z$.

| l able 2 | | | |
|---------------|----------|-----|-----|
| Hydrogen-bond | geometry | (Å, | °). |

| $D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ | D-H | $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D - H \cdots A$ |
|--|---|---|---|---|
| $D - H \cdots A$ $O3 - H3 \circ \cdots O2w$ $O6 - H6 \circ \cdots O3w$ $O1w - H1w1 \cdots O2^{i}$ $O1w - H1w2 \cdots O5^{iii}$ $O2w - H2w2 \cdots O2^{iv}$ $O2w - H2w2 \cdots O2^{iv}$ | <i>D</i> -H 0.85 0.85 0.85 0.85 0.85 | H···A 1.83 1.85 1.94 1.96 1.93 1.02 | $D \cdots A$ 2.672 (6) 2.66 (1) 2.697 (5) 2.691 (5) 2.716 (7) 2.716 (7) | $ \begin{array}{c} D - H \cdots A \\ 170 \\ 158 \\ 147 \\ 143 \\ 154 \\ 154 \\ 150 \\ \end{array} $ |
| $O3w - H3w1 \cdots O5^{iii}$ $O3w' - H3w3 \cdots O5^{iii}$ | 0.86 0.87 | 1.93 1.70 | 2.76 (1) 2.55 (1) | 159 164 |

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

The benzene rings were refined as rigid hexagons with sides of 1.39 Å. The water H atoms were placed in chemically sensible positions but were not refined. The hydroxyl OH groups were placed in calculated positions assuming sp^2 hybridization (O-H = 0.85 Å); for these O-bound H atoms, U_{iso} (H) was set equal to $1.2U_{eq}$ of the parent atom. The O3W water molecule is disordered over two positions and, as the disorder refined to nearly 50:50, the occupancies were set to 0.5. The displacement parameters of the two components were made equal to each other and were restrained to be approximately isotropic. The C-bound H atoms were placed in calculated positions (C-H = 0.93 Å) and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation, with displacement parameters set to 1.2 times U_{eq} of the parent atoms.

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*. We thank the National Natural Science Foundation of China (grant No. 20101003), the Scientific Fund for Remarkable Teachers of Heilongjiang Province (grant No. 1054 G036) and the University of Malaya for supporting this study.

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