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#### Key indicators

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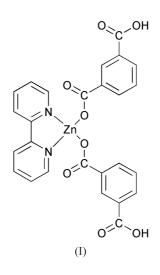
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# (2,2'-Bipyridine)bis(hydrogen isophthalato)zinc(II)

In the title compound,  $[Zn(C_8H_5O_4)_2(C_{10}H_8N_2)]$ , the Zn<sup>II</sup> ion is located on a crystallographic twofold axis, which passes through the mid-point of the C–C bond of the bpy ligand. The Zn atom is four-coordinated by two carboxylate O atoms from two symmetry-related hydrogen isophthalate ligands [Zn-O = 1.972 (5) Å] and two N atoms from 2,2'-bipyridine ligand [Zn-N = 2.067 (5) Å] to furnish a distorted tetrahedral geometry.

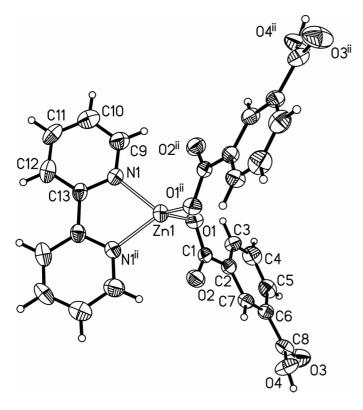
## Comment

The design and construction of polymeric complexes are currently of great interest owing to their intriguing network topologies and potential functions as new classes of materials (Ford et al., 1999; Liu et al., 2004; Li et al., 2002; Xiao & Liu, 2004). Multicarboxylate and bipyridyl ligands have been widely introduced into the construction of polymeric complexes due to their diverse coordination modes. Furthermore, polynuclear  $d^{10}$  metal complexes have been found to exhibit intriguing photoluminescent properties (Zhang et al., 2003; Zhou et al., 2003). Taking the above factors into account, we have explored the assembling of the Zn<sup>II</sup> ion, ip (Hip is hydrogen isophthalate) and bpy (bpy is 2,2'-bipyridine) in attempts to obtain luminescent coordination polymers. The coordination polymerization should be carried out under strict control, to avoid the production of unwanted mononuclear complexes. We report here the synthesis and crystal structure of the title Zn<sup>II</sup> mononuclear complex, (I).



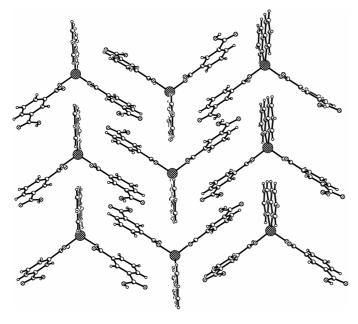
Each  $Zn^{II}$  ion is located on a crystallographic twofold axis, which passes through the mid-point of the C–C bond of the bpy ligand. The Zn atom is coordinated by two monodentate carboxylate O atoms from two Hip ligands [Zn1–O1 =

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#### Figure 1

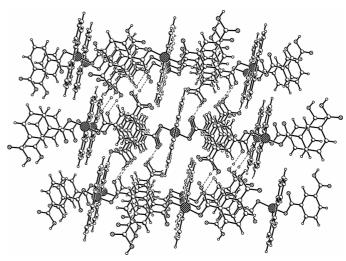
A view of (I), with the atom-labelling scheme [symmetry code: (ii) 1 - x,  $y, \frac{3}{2} - z$ ]. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

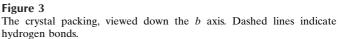


## Figure 2

A view of two-dimensional supramolecular layer in the title compound.

1.972 (5) Å] and two N atoms from the chelating bpy ligand [Zn1-N1 = 2.067 (5) Å] to furnish a distorted tetrahedral geometry (Table 1 and Fig. 1). The two Hip ligands are attached to the Zn<sup>II</sup> ion in a V shape, the dihedral angle between the benzene rings being 70.2 (8)°.





Adjacent mononuclear units are consolidated through van der Waals forces, the face-to-face distances between the benzene rings being 4.05 or 4.15 Å, resulting in two-dimensional supramolecular layers parallel to the *ab* plane (Fig. 2). The hydroxyl O atom of the Hip carboxylic group forms a hydrogen bond with the carbonyl O atom of the Hip carboxylate group in the adjacent layer (Table 2). The interlayer hydrogen bonds link the layers into a three-dimensional supramolecular network (Fig. 3).

# Experimental

The hydrothermal reaction of Zn(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O (52 mg, 0.20 mmol), isophthalic acid (42 mg, 0.25 mmol), 2,2'-bipyridine (31 mg, 0.20 mmol) and water (10 ml) was carried out at 443 K for 3 d. After cooling to room temperature at a rate of 5 K h<sup>-1</sup>, colorless crystals of the title compound were isolated by filtration and washed with distilled water (yield 41%, based on H<sub>2</sub>ip). IR (KBr,  $\nu$  cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1599, 1473, 1444, 1319, 1030, 771, 733. Elemental analysis calculated for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Zn: C 56.59, H 3.29, N 5.08%; found: C 56.34, H 3.00, N 4.99%.

Crystal data	
$[Zn(C_8H_5O_4)_2(C_{10}H_8N_2)]$	$D_{\rm r} = 1.614 {\rm Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 551.81$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, C2/c	Cell parameters from 1383
a = 21.731 (2)  Å	reflections
b = 8.1038 (7)  Å	$\theta = 2.2-25.1^{\circ}$
c = 15.1428 (16)  Å	$\mu = 1.14 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 121.595 (2)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2)  K
$V = 2271.4 (4) \text{ Å}^3$	Prism, colourless
Z = 4	$0.24 \times 0.20 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Bruker SMART CCD	2026 independent reflections
diffractometer	1446 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$\omega$ scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.057$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25.1^{\circ}$
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$h = -25 \rightarrow 25$
$T_{\min} = 0.761, \ T_{\max} = 0.796$	$k = -9 \rightarrow 7$
3608 measured reflections	$l = -18 \rightarrow 14$

Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0098P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.081$	+ 22.9335P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.169$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.28	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
2026 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.47 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
168 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.65 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	

## Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Zn1-O1	1.972 (5)	Zn1-N1	2.067 (5)
$\begin{array}{c} O1-Zn1-O1^{ii}\\ O1-Zn1-N1^{ii} \end{array}$	111.0 (3)	$O1^{ii}$ -Zn1-N1	121.8 (2)
	121.8 (2)	N1 <sup>ii</sup> -Zn1-N1	79.0 (3)

Symmetry code: (ii) 1 - x, y,  $\frac{3}{2} - z$ .

#### Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$\overline{\text{O4}-\text{H4}B\cdots\text{O2}^{\text{i}}}$	0.82	1.86	2.684 (7)	177
Symmetry code: (i) $\frac{1}{2}$	$-x, y - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} - z$			

The H atoms were found in a difference Fourier map, placed in idealized positions (C-H = 0.93 Å) and refined as riding, with  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *SMART* and *SAINT* (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Siemens, 1996); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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