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Azidobis(2,2'-bipyridine)cadmium(II)

In the title compound, $[Cd(N_3)_2(C_{10}H_8N_2)_2]$, the cadmium(II) ion is coordinated by two N atoms from two azide groups and four N atoms from two 2,2'-bipyridine ligands. The coordination geometry of the cadmium(II) ion is distorted octahedral. The packing is stabilized by intermolecular $C-H\cdots N$ hydrogen-bond interactions. Received 7 December 2004 Accepted 17 December 2004 Online 8 January 2005

Comment

The toxic effects of cadmium in the form of Cd^{2+} ions are well established and documented (Flick *et al.*, 1971). The ions have been found to induce various pathological conditions, such as cardiovascular diseases, hypertension and cancer (Schroeder & Balassa, 1965). It is also known, however, that most of the Cd^{2+} in biological systems is not in the form of free Cd^{2+} ions, but is coordinated by the abundance of biological ligands therein (Hung, 1982). Therefore, the coordination chemistry of Cd^{2+} ions with such ligands is of interest. Furthermore, the azide anion is a good inorganic ligand in the synthesis of coordinated compounds. It has been selected for its versatility in allowing ferro- or antiferromagnetic coupling, according to its coordination mode (end-on = EO or end-to-end = EE) to transition metals. In this paper, we report the crystal structure of the title azidobis(2,2'-bipyridine)cadmium(II) complex, (I).



In (I), the Cd atom is chelated by two 2,2'-bipyridine ligands, and additionally coordinated by two azide anions in a *cis* arrangement. The cadmium ion has a distorted octahedral environment. The two 2,2'-bipyridine ligands are bonded in bidentate mode to cadmium, forming five-membered chelate rings. The dihedral angle formed by the least-squares planes through the two chelate rings is 77.6 (1)°. The angle formed by the least-squares lines through the azide anions is 17.3 (2)°. The Cd-N(bipyridine) bond distances fall in the range of values reported in the literature. Bond lengths and angles in the azide groups are normal (Table 1).

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Figure 1

The structure of the title compound, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

In the crystal structure, there are some weak $C-H\cdots N$ intermolecular hydrogen-bond interactions stabilizing the structure (Table 2).

Experimental

The title compound was prepared by the reaction of 2,2'-bipyridine (1.56 g, 10 mmol) with CdCl₂ (0.92 g, 5 mmol) and sodium azide (0.66 g, 10 mmol) by means of hydrothermal synthesis in a stainless steel reactor with a Teflon liner at 393 K for 24 h.

Crystal data

 $\begin{bmatrix} Cd(N_3)_2(C_{10}H_8N_2)_2 \end{bmatrix} M_r = 508.83 \\ Monoclinic, P_{2_1}/c \\ a = 17.099 (3) Å \\ b = 14.758 (3) Å \\ c = 8.0020 (16) Å \\ \beta = 95.00 (3)^\circ \\ V = 2011.6 (7) Å^3 \\ Z = 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer ω scans Absorption correction: ψ scan (North *et al.*, 1968) $T_{\min} = 0.690$, $T_{\max} = 0.800$ 4247 measured reflections 3950 independent reflections 2776 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$$\begin{split} D_x &= 1.680 \text{ Mg m}^{-3} \\ \text{Mo } K\alpha \text{ radiation} \\ \text{Cell parameters from 25} \\ \text{reflections} \\ \theta &= 4-14^{\circ} \\ \mu &= 1.12 \text{ mm}^{-1} \\ T &= 293 \text{ (2) K} \\ \text{Block, yellow} \\ 0.35 &\times 0.28 &\times 0.20 \text{ mm} \end{split}$$

 $\begin{aligned} R_{\rm int} &= 0.014 \\ \theta_{\rm max} &= 26.1^{\circ} \\ h &= -20 \rightarrow 20 \\ k &= -17 \rightarrow 0 \\ l &= 0 \rightarrow 9 \\ 3 \text{ standard reflections} \\ \text{every 100 reflections} \\ \text{intensity decay: none} \end{aligned}$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0318P)^2$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$	+ 0.9972P]
$vR(F^2) = 0.071$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.07	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
950 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.58 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm A}^{-3}$
281 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.41 \text{ e} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
	Extinction coefficient: 0.0041 (3)

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cd1-N1	2.426 (2)	Cd1-N8	2.178 (3)
Cd1-N2	2.406 (2)	N5-N6	1.175 (4)
Cd1-N3	2.276 (2)	N6-N7	1.140 (4)
Cd1-N4	2.442 (2)	N8-N9	1.193 (4)
Cd1-N5	2.362 (3)	N9-N10	1.160 (5)
N1-Cd1-N2	70.24 (8)	N5-N6-N7	177.4 (4)
N3-Cd1-N4	67.16 (8)	N8-N9-N10	177.6 (4)
N5-Cd1-N8	91.33 (11)		

Table 2		
Hydrogen-bonding geometry	(Å,	°).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$C4-H4A\cdots N9^{i}$	0.93	2.50	3.301 (4)	145
$C11 - H11A \cdots N7^{ii}$	0.93	2.59	3.231 (5)	127
$C14-H14A\cdots N6^{iii}$	0.93	2.50	3.290 (4)	143
$C17 - H17A \cdots N5^{iii}$	0.93	2.58	3.507 (4)	173
$C19-H19A\cdots N10^{iv}$	0.93	2.61	3.421 (5)	146
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Symmetry codes: (i) $x, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$; (ii) 1 - x, -y, 1 - z; (iii) $x, -\frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$; (iv) $-x, y - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - z$.

The H atoms were positioned geometrically (C–H = 0.93Å) and allowed to ride on their attached atoms, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *NRCVAX* (Gabe *et al.*, 1989); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL-PC* (Sheldrick, 1990); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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