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Single-crystal X-ray study T = 295 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.008 Å Disorder in main residue R factor = 0.039 wR factor = 0.116 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.4

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# (2-Methylpropane-1,2-diamine- $\kappa^2 N, N'$ )-[tris(2-aminoethyl)amine- $\kappa^4 N, N', N'', N'''$ ]nickel(II) diperchlorate

In the title compound,  $[N(C_4H_{12}N_2)(C_6H_{18}N_4)](ClO_4)_2$ , the Ni<sup>II</sup> atom is coordinated in a distorted octahedron by four N atoms of the tris(2-aminoethyl)amine (tren) ligand and by two N atoms of the 2-methylpropane-1,2-diamine (2-Mepn) ligand. The primary amino group of 2-Mepn at the C-2 position occupies the position trans to the tertiary amino group of tren. The complex cations and perchlorate anions are linked via N-H···O hydrogen bonds, forming one-dimensional zigzag chains along the [101] direction.

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#### Comment

The effects of coordinated ligands on the thermodynamics and kinetics of ternary complex formation have received much attention because of their importance in studying catalytic reactions of enzymes, including a wide range of metal-enzyme reactions (Hague & White, 1993). In the present study, the synthesis and structure of the title nickel(II) complex,  $[Ni(tren)(2-Mepn)](ClO_4)_2$ , (I), is reported.



In (I), the Ni<sup>II</sup> atom is coordinated in a distorted octahedron by four N atoms of the tren ligand and by two N atoms of the 2-Mepn ligand (Fig. 1). The tetradentate tren ligand consists of three five-membered chelate rings in gauche conformations. Atom N6 of 2-Mepn occupies the position trans to the tertiary amino group of tren. Although the Ni-N1 and Ni-N3 bond lengths are significantly longer than the other four Ni-N distances, the Ni-N(tren) bond lengths in (I) are almost equal to the reported values in  $[Ni(tren)(en)](ClO_4)_2$  (en is ethylenediamine; Misra et al., 2002), [Ni(tren)(acetato)]- $(ClO_4)_2$  (Fun et al., 1996), [Ni(tren)<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>)](ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (Castro et al., 1997) and [Ni(tren)(bpy)](ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (bpy is pipyridine; Lin et al., 2003).

In the bidentate ligand, the bond distance Ni-N5 [2.145 (3) Å] is longer than Ni-N6 [2.092 (3) Å]. This is due

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### Figure 1

ORTEP3 drawing (Farrugia, 1997) of the cation of (I), showing the atomlabelling scheme, with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms have been omitted for clarity. Atom C6 is disordered over two sites (C6*a* and C6*b*).

to the fact that atom N5 is oriented *cis* to the sterically hindered tertiary tren N atom. The chelate bite angle of the bidentate ligand is comparable with the reported bond angles of  $[Ni(en)_3]^{2+}$ ,  $[82.1 (2)^\circ$ ; Mazhar-Ul-Haque *et al.*, 1970] and  $[Ni(tren)(en)]^{2+}$  [82.0 (2)°; Misra *et al.*, 2002]. The molecular packing shows one-dimensional zigzag chains (Fig. 2) of hydrogen bonds (Table 2) between perchlorate ions and amino groups along the [101] direction.

## **Experimental**

Ni(tren)(ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> was prepared according to the literature method of Lin *et al.* (2003). A solution of 2-Mepn (0.31 g, 3.0 mmol) in dry ethanol (50 ml) was added to a blue solution of Ni(tren)(ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (0.80 g, 2.4 mmol) in dry ethanol (50 ml) at room temperature. The colour of the mixture changed to violet and the solution was continuously stirred for 3 h. The ethanol solution was then evaporated slowly and violet crystals (yield of 55%) precipitated out. Single crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained on recrystallization from hot methanol.

#### Crystal data

$[Ni(C_4H_{12}N_2)(C_6H_{18}N_4)](ClO_4)_2$ $M_r = 492.01$ Monoclinic, Cc	$D_x = 1.572 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K $\alpha$ radiation Cell parameters from 6541	T H
a = 14.532 (2)  Å b = 9.7074 (13)  Å c = 14.823 (2)  Å $\beta = 96.167 (2)^{\circ}$ $V = 2079.0 (5) \text{ Å}^{3}$	reflections $\theta = 2.5-28.3^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.24 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 295 (2)  K Plate. light violet	L N N N
Z = 4 Data collection	$0.25 \times 0.20 \times 0.08 \text{ mm}$	N N N
Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> : Bruker, 2000)	4172 independent reflections 3560 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.021$ $\theta_{max} = 28.3^{\circ}$ $h = -17 \rightarrow 18$	N N N

(*SADABS*; Bruker, 2000)  $T_{\min} = 0.780, T_{\max} = 0.906$ 6541 measured reflections

 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 28.3^{\circ}$   $h = -17 \rightarrow 18$   $k = -6 \rightarrow 12$   $l = -19 \rightarrow 18$ 



Figure 2

The one-dimensional zigzag chains of hydrogen bonds (dashed lines). One component of the disordered O- and C-atom sites has been omitted, as have the H atoms attached to C atoms.

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0953P)^2]$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$ where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $wR(F^2) = 0.116$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.016$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.34 \text{ e} \text{ Å}$ -3 S = 0.91 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.40 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 4172 reflections Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 290 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of 1588 Friedel pairs independent and constrained Flack parameter: 0.02 (2) refinement

## Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Ni-N6	2.092 (3)	Ni-N5	2.145 (3)
Ni-N4	2.110 (4)	Ni-N3	2.166 (3)
Ni-N2	2.118 (4)	Ni-N1	2.176 (3)
N6-Ni-N4	92.86 (15)	N2-Ni-N3	81.17 (15)
N6-Ni-N2	175.65 (15)	N5-Ni-N3	87.19 (15)
N4-Ni-N2	82.85 (16)	N6-Ni-N1	100.04 (15)
N6-Ni-N5	80.82 (13)	N4-Ni-N1	93.30 (18)
N4-Ni-N5	173.51 (17)	N2-Ni-N1	80.97 (15)
N2-Ni-N5	103.45 (14)	N5-Ni-N1	89.29 (14)
N6-Ni-N3	98.36 (14)	N3-Ni-N1	160.46 (14)
N4-Ni-N3	92.30 (17)		

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

$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N1-H1A\cdots O7B$	0.90	2.21	3.069 (10)	158
$N1 - H1A \cdots O7A$	0.90	2.44	3.278 (10)	159
$N1 - H1B \cdot \cdot \cdot O2^{i}$	0.90	2.41	3.232 (8)	151
$N3-H3A\cdots O6A^{ii}$	0.90	2.26	3.116 (10)	158
$N3-H3B\cdots O4A$	0.90	2.39	3.281 (10)	170
$N4-H4A\cdots O3$	0.90	2.38	3.030 (9)	129
$N4 - H4B \cdots O6B$	0.91	2.26	3.156 (10)	170
$N4 - H4B \cdots O7A$	0.91	2.40	3.160 (10)	139
$N5-H5A\cdots O5^{ii}$	0.90	2.17	3.048 (9)	167
$N5-H5B\cdots O2^{i}$	0.90	2.16	3.056 (6)	178
$N6-H6B\cdots O1$	0.90	2.25	3.138 (6)	167

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

There is a positional disorder of atom C6 in the tren ligand. The site-occupancy factors of C6*a* and C6*b* were estimated as 75 and 25%, respectively. The H atoms bonded to C6*a* or C6*b* were positioned geometrically and restrained in both bond distances and angles (the *y* coordinate of atom H6*BD* being fixed to avoid oscillation). The other H atoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions (N–H = 0.90 Å and C–H = 0.96–0.97 Å) and refined as riding, with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(\text{parent atom})$  or  $1.5U_{eq}(C)$  for methyl H atoms. Two independent perchlorate ions show orientational disorder and two split states were assumed: C11/O1/O2/O3/(O4*A* or O4*B*) and C12/O5/O8/(O6*A*,O7*A* or O6*B*,O7*B*). The site-occupancy factors of O4*A*, O4*B*, O6*A*, O7*A*, O6*B* and O7*B* are each 0.5. The C1–O distances of the two perchlorate ions were restrained to normal values. The abnormal O–C1–O bond angles of the perchlorate ions [81 (1)–138 (1)°] suggest further complicated disorder.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2000); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP3* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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