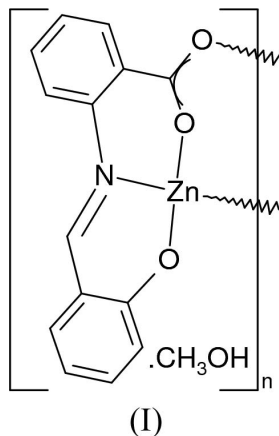


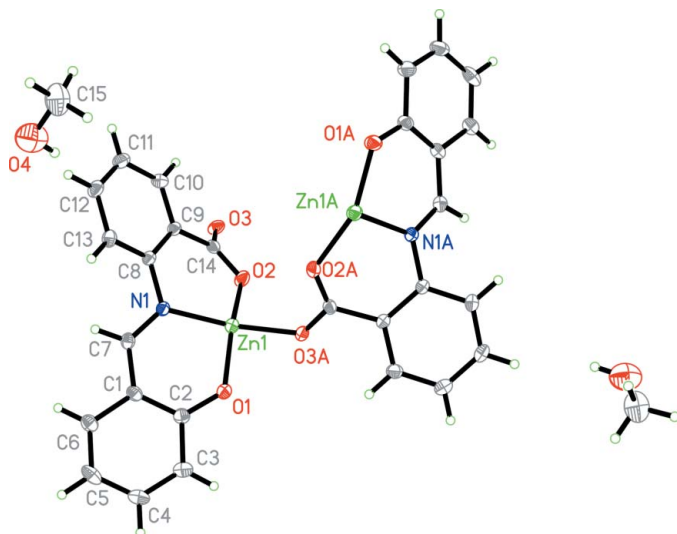
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wenzheng\_ju@163.com**Key indicators**Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 298$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.031  
 $wR$  factor = 0.086  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.4For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.**catena-Poly[[zinc(II)- $\mu$ -[2-(2-carboxylatophenyl-  
iminomethyl)phenolato- $1\kappa^3\text{O},\text{N},\text{O}':1'\kappa\text{O}''$ ]]  
methanol solvate]**The title compound,  $\{[\text{Zn}(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_9\text{NO}_3)]\cdot\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\}_n$ , is a poly-  
nuclear zinc(II) complex. Each  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}$  atom is coordinated by  
one N and two O atoms of a Schiff base ligand, and another O  
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distorted square-planar geometry.

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**Comment**Zinc(II) complexes are of great interest in coordination  
chemistry (Vallee & Auld, 1993; Lipscomb & Sträter, 1996;  
Hou, 2005). As an extension of work on the structural char-  
acterization of zinc compounds, the title polymeric zinc(II)  
compound, (I), is reported.Compound (I) is a polynuclear zinc(II) complex (Fig. 1).  
Each  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}$  ion is coordinated by one N and two O atoms of a  
Schiff base ligand, and another O atom of another Schiff base  
ligand, forming a severely distorted square-planar geometry;  
the *trans* angles in the  $\text{ZnO}_3\text{N}$  square plane are  $153.10$  (11)  
and  $162.82$  (10) $^\circ$  (Table 1). The  $\text{Zn}-\text{N}$  and  $\text{Zn}-\text{O}$   
bond lengths are comparable to the values observed in other  
zinc(II) complexes (Chisholm *et al.*, 2001). There are no short  
contacts between the molecules in the crystal structure  
(Fig. 2).**Experimental***o*-Aminobenzoic acid (0.1 mmol, 13.7 mg), salicylaldehyde  
(0.1 mmol, 12.2 mg) and  $\text{Zn}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.1 mmol, 22.0 mg)  
were dissolved in methanol (10 ml). The mixture was stirred for 1 h  
and filtered. After leaving the filtrate to stand in air for 20 d, colorless  
block-shaped crystals were formed.



**Figure 1**  
Two repeat units of the polymeric structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level. Atoms labelled with the suffix A and unlabelled atoms are at the symmetry position  $(2 - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, 1 - z)$ .

*Crystal data*

[Zn(C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>)]·CH<sub>4</sub>O  
*M<sub>r</sub>* = 336.63  
 Monoclinic, *P*2<sub>1</sub>  
*a* = 9.663 (2) Å  
*b* = 7.128 (2) Å  
*c* = 9.922 (2) Å  
 $\beta$  = 98.42 (3)°  
*V* = 676.0 (3) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 2  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.654 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo *K*α radiation  
 Cell parameters from 3124 reflections  
 $\theta$  = 2.7–28.2°  
 $\mu$  = 1.83 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 298 (2) K  
 Block, colorless  
 0.33 × 0.28 × 0.22 mm

*Data collection*

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
*T<sub>min</sub>* = 0.583, *T<sub>max</sub>* = 0.689  
 3989 measured reflections  
 2753 independent reflections  
 2667 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)  
*R<sub>int</sub>* = 0.016  
 $\theta_{max}$  = 27.5°  
*h* = -12 → 12  
*k* = -8 → 9  
*l* = -12 → 7

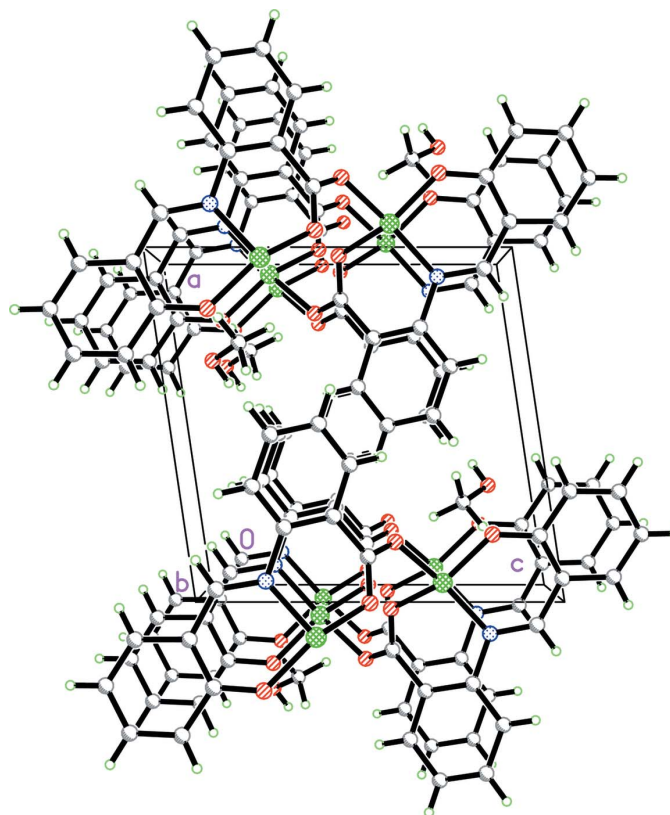
*Refinement*

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
*R* [*F*<sup>2</sup> > 2σ(*F*<sup>2</sup>)] = 0.031  
*wR* (*F*<sup>2</sup>) = 0.086  
*S* = 1.05  
 2753 reflections  
 191 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0507P)^2 + 0.0457P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.58 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.31 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 1076 Friedel pairs  
 Flack parameter: 0.076 (15)

**Table 1**  
Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Zn1—O1	1.889 (2)	Zn1—O2	1.936 (2)
Zn1—N1	1.935 (2)	Zn1—O3 <sup>i</sup>	1.944 (2)
O1—Zn1—N1	94.95 (10)	O1—Zn1—O3 <sup>i</sup>	86.80 (9)
O1—Zn1—O2	153.10 (11)	N1—Zn1—O3 <sup>i</sup>	162.82 (10)
N1—Zn1—O2	92.84 (10)	O2—Zn1—O3 <sup>i</sup>	93.23 (10)

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



**Figure 2**  
The crystal packing of (I), viewed along the *b* axis.

All H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms with C—H distances in the range 0.93–0.96 Å and an O—H distance of 0.82 Å, and with *U<sub>iso</sub>*(H) = 1.2 or 1.5*U<sub>eq</sub>*(C,O).

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

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