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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.004 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.032$
$w R$ factor $=0.080$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=17.9$

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## Caesium bis[ $N$-(carbamoylmethyl)iminodiacetato]chromate(III) dihydrate

In the title compound, $\mathrm{Cs}\left[\mathrm{Cr}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, important geometric parameters are $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N}=2.090$ (2) and 2.096 (2) $\AA$, $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O}=1.950$ (2), 1.953 (2), 1.957 (2) and 1.962 (2) $\AA$, $\mathrm{O}-$ $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O}=179.00(11)$ and $179.18(10)^{\circ}$, and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N}=$ 179.33 (9) ${ }^{\circ}$.

## Comment

N -(Carbamoylmethyl)iminodiacetic acid $\left[\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{ADA}\right.$ or $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{NCOCH}_{2} \mathrm{~N}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{2} \mathrm{H}\right)_{2}$ ] is widely used in biological buffers. Several solution studies have been reported since Swarzenbach and co-workers first investigated the chelation of ADA with different divalent metal ions (Swarzenbach et al., 1955; Lance \& Nakon, 1981; Nepal \& Dubey, 1987).

In contrast, solid-state studies of ADA complexes are very limited. Two different research groups have reported on the structure of a vanadium (V) oxo-monoperoxo complex (Sivak et al., 1996; Colpas et al., 1996). Since then, four structures of mixed-ligand complexes of metal ions $M^{\mathrm{II}}$ with ADA ( $M=$ $\mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{Ni}$ or Co ) have been reported, in which ADA acts as a tetradentate ligand (Bugella-Altamirano et al., 1999; BugellaAltamirano et al., 2000a,b). Only one structure in which ADA acts as a tridentate ligand has been reported to date, to the best of our knowledge (Bugella-Altamirano et al., 2002). No structural reports of metal(III) complexes with ADA are available in the literature [Cambridge Structural Database (CSD), Version 5.26, February 2005 update; Allen, 2002]. The present study of the title compound, (I), is part of an ongoing investigation to determine which factors govern the distortion of the metal glycinate rings in metal(III) complexes with tripod-type ligands (Weakliem \& Hoard, 1959; Visser et al., 1997, 1999, 2001).


The Cr atom in (I) is octahedrally surrounded (Fig. 1, Table 1) by four O atoms ( $\mathrm{O} 1, \mathrm{O} 3, \mathrm{O} 6$ and O8) and two N ligands ( N 1 and N 3 ). The $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O}$ bonding distances vary between 1.949 (2) and 1.961 (2) $\AA$, while the $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N}$ bond lengths are 2.090 (2) and 2.096 (2) $\AA$. All $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N}$ and $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O}$

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Figure 1
The structure of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30\% probability level.
bonding distances fall within the expected ranges for this type of complex (Green et al., 1990; Visser et al., 1999). The rest of the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ bond distances are considered normal and correlate well with those found in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{ADA}$ (Bugella-Altamirano et al., 2000a).

The deviation around Cr from octahedral geometry is significant. The $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O}$ bond angles are the most distorted, with values varying between 82.90 (9) and 97.51 (9) ${ }^{\circ}$. The $\mathrm{O}-$ $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O}$ angles vary between 88.57 (10) and $90.82(10)^{\circ}$, while the trans $-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N}$ bond angles are 179.00 (11), 179.21 (10) and $179.31(10)^{\circ}$.

The strain in complexes like these is usually described by the deviation from planarity of the acetate rings (Weakliem \& Hoard, 1959). According to that work, the sum of the endocyclic angles of planar acetate rings should be $538.4^{\circ}$, and any deviation from this implies non-planarity of the rings. The sums of the endocyclic angles of the rings in the title complex vary between 531.9 and $540.7^{\circ}$, a maximum deviation of $\mathrm{ca} 7^{\circ}$. This is less than that found for $\mathrm{Cs}_{2}\left[\mathrm{Cr}_{2}(\mathrm{NTA})_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{OH})_{2}\right] \cdot 4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (NTA is nitrilotriacetic acid), where deviations of up to $12^{\circ}$ were observed in some of the acetate rings (Visser et al., 1999).

Least-squares calculations further illustrate the deviation from planarity of the acetate rings (Table 3). The N and Cr atoms are displaced on opposite sides of the CCOO plane for all the rings except one, with distances of Cr and N from the planes varying between 0.494 (6) and 0.010 (5) $\AA$.

The primary reason for the non-planarity of such rings is presumed to be the angular strain of the coordinated N atom of the tripod ligand, in this case ADA (Visser et al., 1999). When bonded in tetradentate mode, the N atom is at the intersection of three five-membered chelate rings with two common members, Cr and N . Each ring attempts to impose its own stereochemical requirements on the N atom, which is also constrained to approximately tetrahedral geometry. The resulting compromise structure contains not only angle and bond-length abnormalities, but also significant distortions of the N tetrahedra. One would expect the angular strain on the

N atom to be lifted somewhat when the ligand is bonded in tridentate mode. This seems to be the case if the comparison with $\mathrm{Cs}_{2}\left[\mathrm{Cr}_{2}(\mathrm{NTA})_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{OH})_{2}\right] \cdot 4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ is made, where deviations of up to 0.705 (6) $\AA$ from the CCOO planes were observed (Visser et al., 1999).

The $\mathrm{Cs}^{\mathrm{I}} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ interatomic distances vary between 2.988 (4) and 3.398 (2) $\AA$. The geometry of this arrangement is in the form of a twisted dodecahedron. These interactions serve to link four adjacent molecules. Furthermore, each molecule is linked to seven adjacent molecules by weak hydrogenbonding interactions (Table 2).

Lastly, it is of interest to report on the IR spectrum of this complex. Previous workers observed overlapping of $v\left(\mathrm{COO}^{-}\right)$ and the amide bands in the $1600-1700 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ region (BugellaAltamirano et al., 2000a). This overlap gives rise to the broad band observed at $1615 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ for the title complex. The band at $1681 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ is attributed to $\nu(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O})$ of the primary amide, which is the same as that found for the free ligand, thereby confirming that the opened 'arm' of ADA in this case is indeed the glycinamido arm.

## Experimental

$\mathrm{Cr}_{2}\left(\mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)_{3} \cdot \mathrm{~K}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4} \cdot 24 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(5.252 \mathrm{~g})$ was dissolved in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(40 \mathrm{ml})$. Concentrated $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ was added dropwise to this solution to precipitate chromium(III) hydroxide. The precipitate was added to a solution containing ADA $(2 \mathrm{~g})$ and heated in a water bath until almost dry. Hot water ( 30 ml ) was added to the reaction solution, which was then filtered. Orange crystals precipitated after 2 d . The title compound was obtained by recrystallization with excess CsCl (yield 3.53 g , $77 \%)$. IR: $\nu\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right.$ and $\mathrm{COO}^{-}$overlapped) $1615 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}, \nu(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O})$ $1681 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; UV-Vis $\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right): \lambda_{\text {max }} 501,355 \mathrm{~nm}$.

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{Cs}\left[\mathrm{Cr}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=597.23$
Monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / n$
$a=9.1471$ (11) Å
$b=12.1267$ (14) $\AA$
$c=17.475$ (2) A
$\beta=94.516(2)^{\circ}$
$V=1932.4$ (4) $\AA^{3}$
$Z=4$

## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD 1K areadetector diffractometer $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Bruker, 1998)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.595, T_{\text {max }}=0.660$
12675 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.032$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.080$
$S=1.02$
4773 reflections
267 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

## $D_{x}=2.053 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$

Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 813 reflections
$\theta=2.7-26.9^{\circ}$
$\mu=2.52 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Rhombic prism, orange
$0.23 \times 0.22 \times 0.18 \mathrm{~mm}$

4773 independent reflections
3882 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.024$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=28.3^{\circ}$
$h=-11 \rightarrow 12$
$k=-7 \rightarrow 16$
$l=-23 \rightarrow 22$

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\begin{aligned}
& w=1 / {\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0371 P)^{2}\right.} \\
&+2.6041 P] \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
&(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=1.38 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.97 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\left({ }^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $1.950(2)$ | $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 8$ | $1.962(2)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 6$ | $1.953(2)$ | $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 3$ | $2.090(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 3$ | $1.957(2)$ | $\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $2.096(2)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 6$ | $179.00(11)$ | $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $82.88(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 3$ | $90.40(11)$ | $\mathrm{O} 8-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $96.62(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 6-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 3$ | $88.60(10)$ | $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $179.33(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 8$ | $90.20(11)$ | $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $112.3(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 8$ | $90.80(10)$ | $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $112.8(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{O} 8$ | $179.18(10)$ | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $111.9(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 3$ | $95.68(9)$ | $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{Cr}$ | $108.03(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 6-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 3$ | $84.37(9)$ | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{Cr}$ | $105.40(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 3$ | $97.52(9)$ | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{Cr}$ | $105.82(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 8-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 3$ | $82.98(9)$ | $\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{Cr}$ | $108.34(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $84.84(9)$ | $\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{Cr}$ | $104.71(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 6-\mathrm{Cr}-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $95.10(9)$ | $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{Cr}$ | $106.99(17)$ |

Table 2
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\AA,{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{O} 12-\mathrm{H} 12 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 5^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.92 | 2.14 | 2.936 (5) | 145 |
| $\mathrm{O} 12-\mathrm{H} 12 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 7^{\text {ii }}$ | 0.90 | 2.03 | 2.927 (5) | 171 |
| $\mathrm{O} 11-\mathrm{H} 11 D \cdots \mathrm{O} 5^{\text {iii }}$ | 0.92 | 2.02 | 2.911 (5) | 162 |
| $\mathrm{O} 11-\mathrm{H} 11 \mathrm{C} \cdots \mathrm{O} 3$ | 0.90 | 2.53 | 3.087 (5) | 120 |
| $\mathrm{O} 11-\mathrm{H} 11 \mathrm{C} \cdots \mathrm{O} 4$ | 0.90 | 2.50 | 3.136 (5) | 128 |
| $\mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{O} 9^{\text {iv }}$ | 0.86 | 2.11 | 2.955 (4) | 167 |
| $\mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {v }}$ | 0.86 | 2.30 | 3.099 (4) | 154 |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 4^{\text {vi }}$ | 0.86 | 2.24 | 3.073 (4) | 162 |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\text {vii }}$ | 0.86 | 2.29 | 3.111 (3) | 159 |

Symmetry codes: (i) $x-\frac{1}{2},-y+\frac{1}{2}, z-\frac{1}{2}$; (ii) $-x,-y,-z$; (iii) $x+\frac{1}{2},-y+\frac{1}{2}, z-\frac{1}{2}$; (iv) $-x+\frac{3}{2}, y+\frac{1}{2},-z+\frac{1}{2}$; (v) $x+1, y, z ;$ (vi) $-x+\frac{1}{2}, y-\frac{1}{2},-z+\frac{1}{2} ;$ (vii) $x-1, y, z$.

Table 3
Distances $(\AA)$ of Cr and N atoms from CCOO planes.

| CCOO plane | Distance to Cr | Distance to N |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| C1/C2/O1/O2 | $-0.060(5)$ | $-0.192(6)$ |
| C3/C4/O3/O4 | $-0.354(5)$ | $0.188(6)$ |
| C7/C8/O6/O7 | $0.010(5)$ | $-0.095(6)$ |
| C9/C10/O8/O9 | $0.011(5)$ | $-0.495(6)$ |

Methylene and amine H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions $(\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.86 \AA$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.97-0.98 \AA)$ and
constrained to ride on their parent atoms. Aqua H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and then refined isotropically. The minimum and maximum residual electron density are located within $2.0 \AA$ of the Cr atom, indicating no physical meaning.

Data collection: SMART-NT (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: SAINT-Plus (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: SAINT-Plus and XPREP (Bruker, 1999); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: DIAMOND (Brandenburg \& Berndt, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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