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# Hexakis(1-oxido-1H-benzotriazol-3-ium- $\kappa O$ )-iron(III) tris(perchlorate) acetonitrile disolvate

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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study  $T=293~\mathrm{K}$  Mean  $\sigma(\mathrm{C-C})=0.004~\mathrm{\mathring{A}}$  R factor = 0.041 wR factor = 0.114 Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.9

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In the title mononuclear complex,  $[Fe(C_6H_5N_3O)_6](CIO_4)_3$ - $2C_2H_3N$ , the  $Fe^{III}$  ion shows a close-to-ideal octahedral geometry coordinated by six O atoms from six 1-hydroxybenzotriazole ligands. The ligand benzotriazole exists as a zwitterion.

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## Comment

1-Hydroxybenzotriazole with a substituted donor group on the azole ring has recently been used to synthesize polymeric and polynuclear coordination complexes (Tangoulis *et al.*, 2000; Diamantopoulou, Perlepes *et al.*, 2002; Papaefstathiou *et al.*, 2002; Diamantopoulou, Raptopoulou *et al.*, 2002). There are three potential donor atoms in 1-hydroxybenzotriazole, resulting in coordination flexibility. 1-Hydroxybenzotriazole exists in a deprotonated form in reported complexes, coordinated to the metal atoms in a  $\mu_2$ -,  $\mu_3$ - and/or  $\mu_4$ -fashion, as shown in the scheme.

In this paper, we report a new complex, (I), which crystallizes in the hexagonal space group  $P6_3/m$ . The Fe<sup>III</sup> ion shows close-to-ideal octahedral geommetry, coordinated by six O atoms from six 1-hydroxybenzotriazole ligands. As required by the crystallographic symmetry of the Fe site, all six Fe—O

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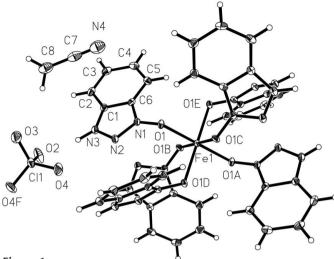


Figure 1  $^{\circ}$  The coordination environment of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry codes: (A) -x, -y, -z; (B) x-y, x, -z; (C) -x+y, -x, z; (D) y, -x+y, -z; (E) -y, x-y, z; (F) x, y, -z+1/2.]

bond lengths are identical at 2.0095 (14) Å. The three *trans*-O-Fe-O angles are  $180^{\circ}$ . However, the *cis*-O-Fe-O angles deviate from ideal octahedral values [87.30 (6) and 92.70 (6)°]. The ligand 1-hydroxybenzotriazole exists as a zwitterion as a result of tautomerism. Atom N3 forms hydrogen bonds with perchlorate atoms O2 and O4, with N···O distances of 2.8912 (19) and 3.139 (3) Å, respectively.

## **Experimental**

Iron(III) perchlorate (0.077 g, 0.5 mmol), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (0.135 g, 1 mmol) and acetonitrile (7 ml) were stirred in a beaker at 313 K for 30 min. The resulting clear solution was filtered and allowed to stand for 3 d. The resulting colorless regular hexagonal block-shaped crystals were recovered by filtration in 62% yield. Analysis found: C 38.46, H 2.96, N 22.37%; calculated for  $C_{40}H_{36}Cl_3FeN_{20}O_{18}$ : C 38.53, H 2.91, N 22.46%.

## Crystal data

[Fe( $C_6H_5N_3O_{16}$ ](ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>·2C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N  $M_r = 1247.09$ Hexagonal,  $P6_3/m$  a = 10.2197 (4) Å c = 28.3118 (14) Å V = 2560.79 (19) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 2 $D_x = 1.617$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Data collection

Bruker APEX area-dector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  $T_{\min} = 0.845, T_{\max} = 0.908$  2319 measured reflections

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation Cell parameters from 164 reflections  $\theta = 2.5-26^{\circ}$  $\mu = 0.55 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) KHexagonal block, colorless  $0.32 \times 0.30 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$ 

2319 independent reflections 1935 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   $\theta_{\rm max} = 29.0^{\circ}$   $h = -11 \rightarrow 0$   $k = -12 \rightarrow 13$   $l = -34 \rightarrow 38$ 

## Refinement

refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0334P)^2]$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$   $wR(F^2) = 0.114$   $wR(F^2) = 0.114$  S = 1.14  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 1.18$  e Å $^{-3}$   $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.75$  e Å $^{-3}$ 

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

Fe1-O1	2.0095 (14)		
O1 <sup>i</sup> -Fe1-O1 O1 <sup>i</sup> -Fe1-O1 <sup>ii</sup>	180.00 (10) 92.70 (6)	O1-Fe1-O1 <sup>ii</sup>	87.30 (6)
Symmetry code: (i) -	x, -y, -z; (ii) $x - y, z$	x, -z.	

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

$D-H\cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D-\mathrm{H}\cdots A$
N3−H3 <i>B</i> ···O2	0.92 (3)	1.97 (3)	2.8912 (19)	171 (3)
N3−H3 <i>B</i> ···O4	0.92 (3)	2.57 (3)	3.139 (3)	121 (2)

The H atoms of the benzene rings were placed at calculated positions (C—H = 0.93–0.96 Å) and refined in the riding model, with  $U_{\rm iso}(H)=1.2$  times the  $U_{\rm eq}({\rm parent\ atom})$ . The H atoms of acetronitrile and atom H3B (attached to N3) were located in a Fourier map and refined isotropically. The highest peak was located 0.94 Å from atom Cl1.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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