

**catena-Poly[[*(1,10-phenanthroline-κ<sup>2</sup>N,N')*-zinc(II)]-μ-3-carboxylatophenoxyacetato-κ<sup>2</sup>O,O':κ<sup>2</sup>O'',O''']**

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**Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 T = 295 K  
 Mean σ(C–C) = 0.003 Å  
 R factor = 0.034  
 wR factor = 0.088  
 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.6

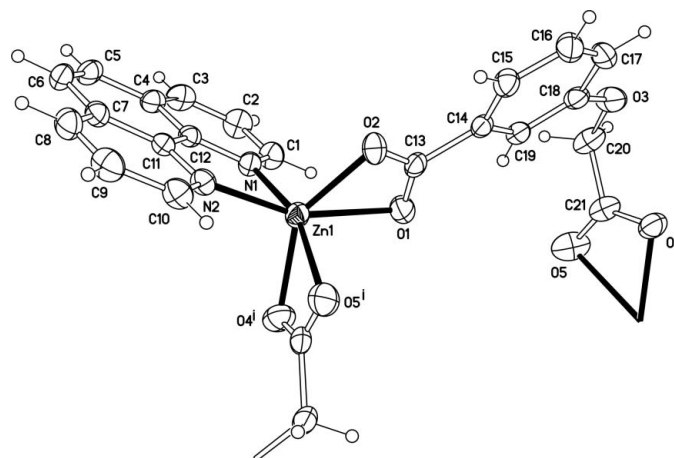
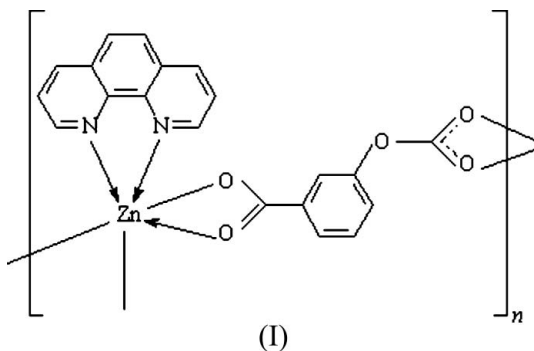
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In the title coordination polymer, [Zn(C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>5</sub>)(C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>)]<sub>n</sub>, the Zn<sup>II</sup> atom is surrounded by two chelating 3-carboxylatophenoxyacetate (3-CPOA) dianions and one 1,10-phenanthroline (phen) ligand. Adjacent Zn<sup>II</sup> atoms are bridged by 3-CPOA to form a zigzag chain structure. The polymeric chains are connected *via* π–π stacking interactions.

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**Comment**

3-Carboxyphenoxyacetic acid (3-CPOAH<sub>2</sub>) can be regarded as an excellent bridging ligand with both rigid and flexible parts. We have recently reported the structures of three Zn<sup>II</sup> complexes of 3-CPOA, with different aromatic ligands, namely benzimidazole, imidazole and 4,4'-bipyridine (Zhao *et al.*, 2005; Gao *et al.*, 2005; Zhang *et al.*, 2005). We report here the title Zn<sup>II</sup> complex, (I), in which the aromatic ligand is phenanthroline.



**Figure 1**  
 ORTEP plot (Johnson, 1976) of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level [symmetry code: (i)  $-x + \frac{3}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ ].

As illustrated in Fig. 1, the six-coordinated  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}$  atom is surrounded by two chelating 3-CPOA and one 1,10-phenanthroline (phen) ligand. The Zn–N and Zn–O bond distances (Table 1) are somewhat longer than the corresponding distances found for tetrahedrally coordinated  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}$  atoms (Gao *et al.*, 2005; Zhang *et al.*, 2005). The oxyacetate group is twisted out of the benzene plane, with a C18–O3–C20–C21 torsion angle of  $-76.4(3)^\circ$ .

Adjacent  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}$  atoms are linked by the 3-CPOA to form a one-dimensional zigzag chain, with a  $\text{Zn1}\cdots\text{Zn1A}$  distance of  $8.230(3) \text{ \AA}$  and a  $\text{Zn1}\cdots\text{Zn1A}\cdots\text{Zn1B}$  angle of  $141.5(3)^\circ$  [symmetry codes: (A)  $-x + 3/2, y + 1/2, -z + 3/2$ ; (B)  $x, y + 1, z$ ] (Fig. 2). The centroid-to-centroid separation of  $3.451(2) \text{ \AA}$  between parallel benzene rings of neighboring phen ligands suggests  $\pi$ – $\pi$  stacking interaction. With the help of such interactions, the polymeric chains are assembled to form a two-dimensional supramolecular network (Fig. 3).

## Experimental

Zinc diacetate dihydrate (0.88 g, 10 mmol) and phen (1.99 g, 10 mmol) were dissolved in a hot aqueous solution (20 ml) of 3-CPOAH<sub>2</sub> (1.96 g, 10 mmol). The pH value of the solution was adjusted to 7 with 0.1 M sodium hydroxide solution. Colorless crystals of (I) were obtained from the solution after several days. Analysis calculated for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{Zn}$ : C 57.36, H 3.21, N 6.37%; found: C 57.32, H 3.22, N 6.39%.

### Crystal data

[ $\text{Zn}(\text{C}_9\text{H}_6\text{O}_5)(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2)$ ]  
 $M_r = 439.73$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 7.6164(15) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 15.542(3) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 15.186(3) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 94.60(3)^\circ$   
 $V = 1791.8(6) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.630 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 15325 reflections  
 $\theta = 3.0\text{--}27.5^\circ$   
 $\mu = 1.41 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 295(2) \text{ K}$   
 Prism, colorless  
 $0.37 \times 0.24 \times 0.19 \text{ mm}$

### Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)  
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.624, T_{\text{max}} = 0.775$   
 17147 measured reflections

4085 independent reflections  
 3241 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$   
 $h = -9 \rightarrow 9$   
 $k = -20 \rightarrow 20$   
 $l = -19 \rightarrow 19$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.034$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.088$   
 $S = 1.03$   
 4085 reflections  
 262 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

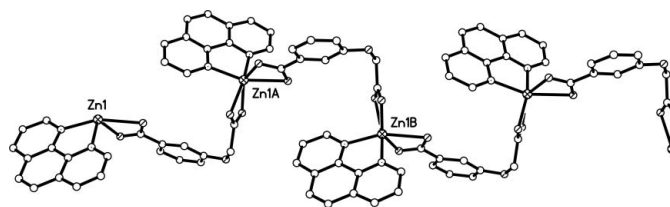
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0468P)^2 + 0.3474P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.33 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.19 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ).

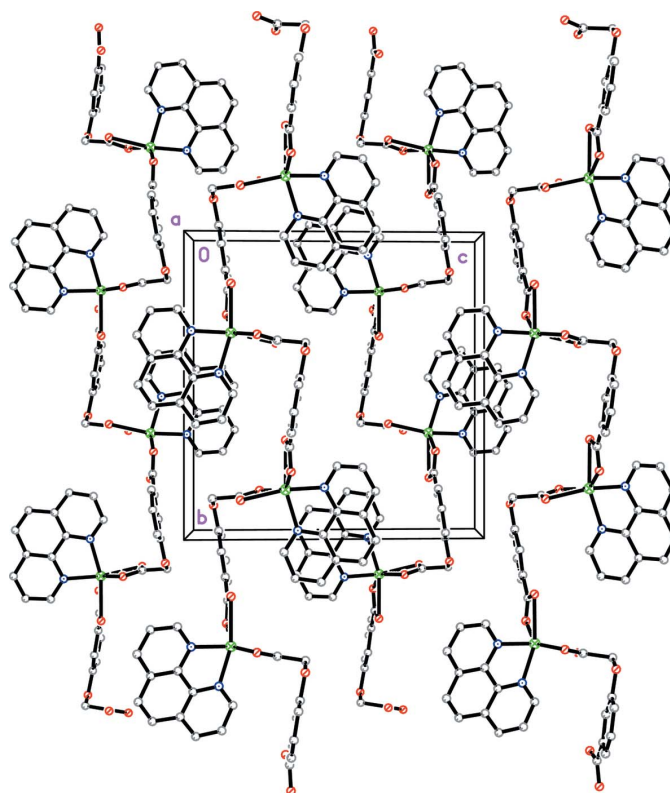
Zn1–O1	2.4622 (17)	Zn1–O5 <sup>i</sup>	2.298 (2)
Zn1–O2	2.0053 (16)	Zn1–N1	2.0962 (18)
Zn1–O4 <sup>i</sup>	2.0745 (19)	Zn1–N2	2.1093 (17)

Symmetry code: (i)  $-x + \frac{3}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ .



**Figure 2**

The zigzag chain structure of (I). The H atoms have been omitted. [Symmetry codes: (A)  $-x + \frac{3}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ ; (B)  $x, y + 1, z$ .]



**Figure 3**

Packing diagram of (I), viewed along the  $a$  axis. All H atoms have been omitted.

H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C–H = 0.93 or 0.97  $\text{\AA}$ , and refined in the riding-model approximation, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MS, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP11* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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