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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 $=0.036$
$w R$ factor $=0.098$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=11.9$

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# catena-Poly[piperazinium [diaquacobalt(II)-$\mu$-benzene-1,3,5-tricaboxylato-tetraaquacobalt(II)-$\mu$-benzene-1,3,5-tricaboxylato] dihydrate] 

The title polymer, $\left\{\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)\left[\mathrm{Co}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right] \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{n}$, contains two independent $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms, both of which are located on inversion centres. The benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate ligand bridges the $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms in two coordination modes to form a one-dimensional polymeric zigzag chain structure. The zigzag chains are connected via $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds to form a three-dimensional network. This determination corrects a previous report which formulated this compound as $\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{10} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)_{n}\left[\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{Co}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{18}\right]_{n} \cdot 2 n \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ [Chen \& Liu (2004). Chem. J. Chin. Univ. 25, 1189-1193].

## Comment

Benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate (BTC) usually plays the role of a bridging ligand in metal complexes. We present here the crystal structure of the title $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ complex, $\left[\left(\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{Co}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{18}\right)^{2-}\right]_{n} \cdot n\left[\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right]^{2+} \cdot 2 n \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, (I). This determination corrects a previous report which formulated this compound as $\left[\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{Co}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{18}\right]_{n} \cdot n\left[\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{10} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right] \cdot 2 n \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, (II) (Chen \& Liu, 2004). In compound (II), the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ bond lengths [1.251 and $1.262 \AA$ ] of the uncoordinated carboxylate groups clearly indicate proton transfer from them to a piperazine ring, resulting in a $\left[\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right]^{2+}$ cation. However, in (II), the components were reported as neutral. In (I), the proton transfer is taken into account, and the protons are assigned to the piperazine ring.


Compound (I) contains two independent $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms, which are located at the centres of different centrosymmetric $\mathrm{CoO}_{6}$ octahedra (Fig. 1). Each BTC ligand bridges two $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms to form a polymeric zigzag chain, and these are further linked via $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds to form a three-dimensional network (Table 1). Two carboxylate groups of the BTC ligand coordinate to $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms, one in a monodentate fashion and the other in a bidentate chelating fashion. The third

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carboxylate group is not coordinated to $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$. The packing of the chains forms quadrilateral pores, which are occupied by $\left[\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right]^{2+}$ cations and uncoordinated water molecules (Fig. 2).

## Experimental

An aqueous solution ( 10 ml ) of benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylic acid $(0.210 \mathrm{~g})$, terephthalic acid $(0.166 \mathrm{~g})$ and piperazine hexahydrate $(0.132 \mathrm{~g})$ was mixed with an aqueous solution ( 5 ml ) of cobalt(III) nitrate hexahydrate ( 0.292 g ) with continuous stirring. The mixture was sealed in a 40 ml Teflon-lined stainless steel vessel and heated at 453 K for 96 h under autogenous conditions. After cooling to room temperature, the resulting product was filtered off to obtain pale-red crystals of (I) (about $76.2 \%$ yield, based on the Co source). Spectroscopic analysis: IR $\left(\mathrm{KBr}, v, \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}\right): 3120,2445,2345,1610,1532$, 1454, 1429, 1363, 1202, 1087, 754, 712, 542, 521, 459. Elemental analysis, calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}$ Co $\mathrm{O}_{10}$ : C 34.54, H 4.48, $\mathrm{N} 3.66 \%$; found: C 34.45, H 4.51, N $3.62 \%$.

## Crystal data

| $\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)\left[\mathrm{Co}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]-$ | $Z=1$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | $D_{x}=1.764 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$ |
| $M_{r}=764.38$ | Mo $\alpha \alpha$ radiation |
| Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$ | Cell parameters from 1224 |
| $a=7.1443(11) \AA$ | reflections |
| $b=10.5308(16) \AA$ | $\theta=2.1-25.0^{\circ}$ |
| $c=10.5385(16) \AA$ | $\mu=1.25 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |
| $\alpha=110.753(2)^{\circ}$ | $T=293(2) \mathrm{K}$ |
| $\beta=102.521(2)^{\circ}$ | Block, pale red |
| $\gamma=91.351(2)^{\circ}$ | $0.20 \times 0.12 \times 0.10 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| $V=719.40(19) \AA^{3}$ |  |
| Data collection |  |
| Bruker SMART APEX2 CCD area- | 2503 independent reflections |
| detector diffractometer | 1957 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$ |
| $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans | $R_{\text {int }}=0.015$ |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan | $\theta_{\text {max }}=25.1^{\circ}$ |
| $\quad(S A D A B S ;$ Sheldrick, 1996) | $h=-8 \rightarrow 8$ |
| $T_{\text {min }}=0.638, T_{\text {max }}=0.883$ | $k=-12 \rightarrow 12$ |
| 3896 measured reflections | $l=-8 \rightarrow 12$ |

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.036$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.098$
$S=1.01$
2503 reflections
211 parameters

## Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\mathrm{A},{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 5^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.90 | 1.86 | 2.751 (4) | 168 |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 9^{\text {ii }}$ | 0.90 | 2.03 | 2.880 (4) | 157 |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{O} 8^{\text {iii }}$ | 0.90 | 2.42 | 3.011 (4) | 124 |
| $\mathrm{O} 7-\mathrm{H} 7 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 4^{\text {iv }}$ | 0.85 | 1.78 | 2.622 (3) | 173 |
| O7-H7B $\cdots \mathrm{O} 11$ | 0.85 | 1.93 | 2.733 (4) | 157 |
| $\mathrm{O} 8-\mathrm{H} 8 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {v }}$ | 0.85 | 1.91 | 2.740 (3) | 162 |
| $\mathrm{O} 8-\mathrm{H} 8 B \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {vi }}$ | 0.85 | 1.83 | 2.657 (3) | 166 |
| O9-H9A $\cdots \mathrm{Ob}^{\text {v }}$ | 0.85 | 1.87 | 2.703 (3) | 165 |
| O9-H9B $\cdots$ O4 | 0.85 | 1.83 | 2.640 (3) | 158 |
| O11-H11A $\cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {vi }}$ | 0.85 | 1.91 | 2.722 (4) | 158 |
| O11-H11B $\cdots$ O7 ${ }^{\text {vii }}$ | 0.85 | 2.14 | 2.934 (4) | 156 |

[^0] $x, y-1, z$; (v) $x, y, z-1$; (vi) $-x+1,-y+2,-z+1$; (vii) $-x+1,-y+1,-z+1$.


Figure 1
Part of the polymeric structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level. Atoms labelled with the suffixes A, B and C are generated by the symmetry operations $(-x, 2-y,-z),(2-x, 1-y,-z)$ and $(-x, 1-y$, $1-z$ ), respectively.


Figure 2
The crystal packing of (I), viewed along the $a$ axis. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

The water H atoms were located in a difference map; their bond lengths were set to ideal values $[\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}=0.85$ and $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{H}=1.37 \AA$ ] and they were refined using a riding model $\left[U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.5 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{O})\right]$. The remaining H atoms were placed in idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93-0.97 \AA$ and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.90 \AA$, and with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{N})$.

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: APEX2; data reduction: SAINT (Bruker, 1997); 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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[^0]:    Symmetry codes: (i) $x, y-1, z-1$; (ii) $x+1, y-1, z$; (iii) $-x+1,-y+1,-z$; (iv)

