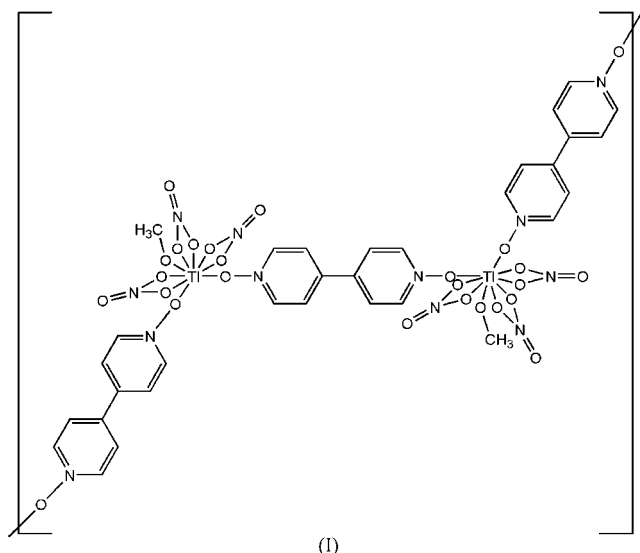


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mlesego@science.uct.ac.za**Key indicators**Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 203\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.009\text{ \AA}$
Disorder in main residue
 R factor = 0.038
 wR factor = 0.113
Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.7For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.**catena-Poly[[methanoltrinitratothallium(III)]-
 μ -4,4'-bipyridine N,N' -dioxide]**The title compound, $[\text{Tl}(\text{NO}_3)_3(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)(\text{CH}_4\text{O})]_n$, has a one-dimensional zigzag chain with nitrate and methanol ligands disordered over two positions.

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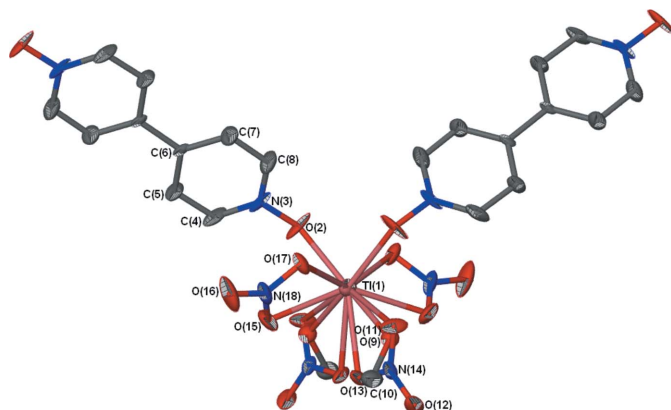
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CommentThe construction of a thallium(III) coordination polymer using 4,4'-bipyridine N,N' -dioxide (bpdo) as bridging ligand results in a crystal structure analogous to the terbium(III) compound reported by Long *et al.* (2002). We report here the structure of the title coordination polymer, (I); the asymmetric unit is labeled in Fig. 1.

Compound (I) is a one-dimensional zigzag coordination polymer (Fig. 2) in which the Tl^{III} is coordinated by one bpdo, one methanol and three nitrate ligands. The C_2 symmetry of the molecule causes one of the nitrate ligands and the methanol to be disordered over two positions with site-occupancy factors of 0.5. Zigzag polymeric chains run parallel to $[101]$ (Fig. 3). These chains are linked by weak hydrogen bonding through $(\text{methanol})\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}(\text{nitrate})$ and $\text{C}_{\text{ar}}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}(\text{nitrate})$. The hydrogen-bonding details are given in Table 1. All nitrate ligands are bidentate, giving nine-coordinate Tl.

Experimental

Compound (I) was prepared by layering a methanol solution of 4,4'-bipyridine N,N' -dioxide (0.10 mmol) on top of a layer of CHCl_3 in which 0.05 mmol of $\text{Tl}(\text{NO}_3)_3$ had been placed (but not fully dissolved). The layers mixed over several days at ambient temperature and crystals grew at the interface.


Figure 1

Part of the polymeric chain structure of (I) showing the atom labeling. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms have been omitted for clarity. Atoms of the asymmetric unit are labeled.

Crystal data

[Ti(NO₃)₃(C₁₀H₈N₂O₂)(CH₄O)]
M_r = 609.62
 Monoclinic, *C*2/*c*
a = 15.337 (3) Å
b = 8.3370 (17) Å
c = 14.091 (3) Å
 β = 93.40 (3)°
V = 1798.6 (6) Å³
Z = 4

D_x = 2.251 Mg m⁻³
 Mo Kα radiation
 Cell parameters from 12558 reflections
 θ = 1.0–27.5°
 μ = 9.06 mm⁻¹
T = 203 (2) K
 Block, colorless
 0.10 × 0.10 × 0.09 mm

Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer
 ω and φ scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan
 (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2001)
T_{min} = 0.405, *T_{max}* = 0.445
 12558 measured reflections
 1975 independent reflections

1795 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)
R_{int} = 0.049
 θ_{max} = 27.1°
h = -19 → 19
k = -10 → 10
l = -17 → 18

Refinement

Refinement on *F*²
R[*F*² > 2σ(*F*²)] = 0.038
wR(*F*²) = 0.113
S = 1.21
 1975 reflections
 155 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0603P)^2 + 12.8828P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 (Δ/σ)_{max} < 0.001
 Δρ_{max} = 0.97 e Å⁻³
 Δρ_{min} = -2.18 e Å⁻³

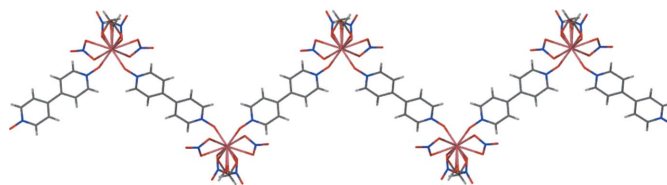
Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

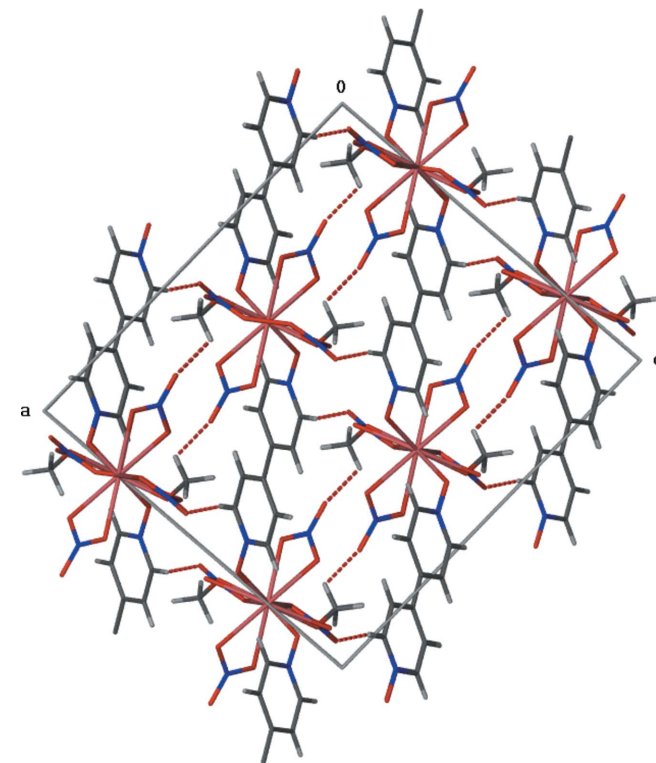
<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>
C4—H4...O12 ⁱ	0.94	2.36	3.286 (10)	169
C10—H10A...O16 ⁱⁱ	0.97	2.40	2.90 (2)	112

Symmetry codes: (i) *x*, -*y*, *z* - ½; (ii) -*x* + ½, *y* - ½, -*z* + ½.

Methanol and one nitrate group are disordered over two positions, with symmetry-defined site-occupancy factors of 0.50. H atoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions and refined using a riding model, with C—H = 0.94 (aromatic) and 0.97 Å (methanol), with *U*_{iso}(H) = 1.2*U*_{eq}(aromatic C) and 1.5*U*_{eq}(methanol C). All non-H atoms were refined anisotropically, except for O9 of the disordered


Figure 2

The zigzag polymeric chain in (I).


Figure 3

Packing of compound (I), viewed along [010], showing hydrogen bonds (dashed lines) and polymeric chains running parallel to [101].

methanol. The deepest residual electron-density hole is 0.87 Å from the Ti atom.

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 1998); cell refinement: *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *DENZO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *X-SEED* (Barbour, 2001) and *POV-RAY* (Persistence of Vision, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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