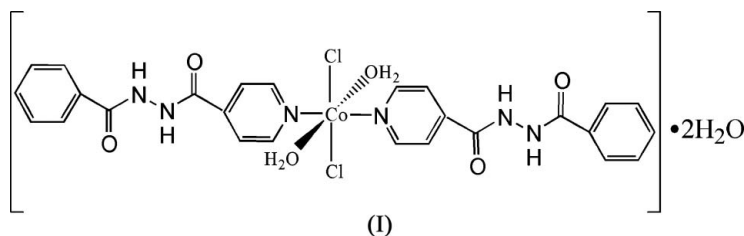


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yuqing@mailbox.gxnu.edu.cn**Key indicators**Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 293\text{ K}$   
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.010\text{ \AA}$   
 $R$  factor = 0.077  
 $wR$  factor = 0.157  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.7For details of how these key indicators were  
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<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.**Diaquabis[*N*-benzoyl-*N'*-(isonicotinoyl)-  
hydrazine]dichlorocobalt(II) dihydrate**

In the title complex,  $[\text{CoCl}_2(\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , each  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  atom occupies an inversion center and is coordinated by two water molecules, two  $\text{Cl}^-$  anions and two *N*-benzoyl-*N'*-(isonicotinoyl)hydrazine ligands in a distorted octahedral geometry. The asymmetric unit contains two half-complexes. The three-dimensional supramolecular architecture is stabilized by intermolecular hydrogen bonding.

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The chemical properties of hydrazide and its analogs have been intensively investigated in several research areas because of their chelating capability and pharmacological application (Sreeja *et al.*, 2004). As part of a continuing study (Bian *et al.*, 2005), we have synthesized the title  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  complex, (I), and present its structure here.



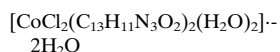
The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. The asymmetric unit contains half each of two independent centrosymmetric  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  complex molecules with the  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  ions located on inversion centers. Each  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  ion is coordinated by two water molecules, two  $\text{Cl}^-$  anions and two *N*-benzoyl-*N'*-(isonicotinoyl)hydrazine ligands with an elongated octahedral coordination geometry (Table 1). The coordination geometry of (I) is similar to that found in diaquadichlorobis[*N*-(hydroxymethyl)nicotinamide]cobalt(II) (Shamuratov *et al.*, 1991).

The three-dimensional supramolecular architecture is stabilized by an extensive hydrogen-bonding network involving uncoordinated water, coordinated water and hydrazine molecules and  $\text{Cl}^-$  anions (Table 2).

**Experimental**

*N*-Benzoyl-*N'*-(isonicotinoyl)hydrazine (*L*) was prepared according to Bian *et al.* (2005). A mixture of  $\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.3 mmol) in water (1 ml) and *L* (0.6 mmol) in methanol (10 ml) was refluxed for 1 h. The resulting dark-red solution was filtered. The filtrate was then left to stand at room temperature for two weeks to obtain single crystals of (I).

Crystal data



*M<sub>r</sub>* = 684.39  
 Monoclinic, *P*<sub>2</sub><sub>1</sub>/*n*  
*a* = 22.06 (4) Å  
*b* = 6.251 (11) Å  
*c* = 22.73 (4) Å  
 β = 97.89 (3)°

*V* = 3105 (10) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 4  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.464 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo *K*α radiation  
 μ = 0.78 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 293 (2) K  
 Block, dark red  
 0.24 × 0.20 × 0.16 mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector  
 diffractometer  
 φ and ω scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan  
 (SADABS; Bruker, 1998)  
*T<sub>min</sub>* = 0.835, *T<sub>max</sub>* = 0.885

12298 measured reflections  
 5366 independent reflections  
 3328 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)  
*R<sub>int</sub>* = 0.070  
 θ<sub>max</sub> = 25.0°

Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
*R*[*F*<sup>2</sup> > 2σ(*F*<sup>2</sup>)] = 0.077  
*wR*(*F*<sup>2</sup>) = 0.157  
*S* = 1.11  
 5366 reflections  
 391 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

*w* = 1/[σ<sup>2</sup>(*F<sub>o</sub>*<sup>2</sup>) + (0.0407*P*)<sup>2</sup>  
 + 6.4187*P*]  
 where *P* = (*F<sub>o</sub>*<sup>2</sup> + 2*F<sub>c</sub>*<sup>2</sup>)/3  
 (Δ/σ)<sub>max</sub> < 0.001  
 Δρ<sub>max</sub> = 0.74 e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 Δρ<sub>min</sub> = -0.44 e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Co1—O3	2.074 (4)	Co2—O6	2.109 (5)
Co1—N1	2.193 (5)	Co2—N4	2.185 (5)
Co1—Cl1	2.501 (3)	Co2—Cl2	2.469 (3)
O3—Co1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	88.81 (19)	O6—Co2—N4 <sup>ii</sup>	91.55 (19)

Symmetry codes: (i) -*x* + 2, -*y* + 1, -*z*; (ii) -*x*, -*y* + 1, -*z* + 1.

Table 2

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>
N2—H2...O8	0.86	2.15	2.811 (9)	134
N3—H3...O1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.86	1.99	2.834 (8)	165
N5—H5C...O7	0.86	2.08	2.813 (9)	143
N6—H6...O5 <sup>iv</sup>	0.86	1.99	2.831 (8)	165
O3—H3A...O4 <sup>v</sup>	0.85	1.89	2.710 (7)	163
O3—H3B...Cl1 <sup>vi</sup>	0.85	2.31	3.085 (7)	151
O6—H6A...O2 <sup>vii</sup>	0.85	1.91	2.726 (7)	160
O6—H6B...Cl2 <sup>viii</sup>	0.85	2.42	3.212 (7)	155
O7—H7A...Cl1 <sup>v</sup>	0.86	2.48	3.233 (8)	147
O7—H7B...O4 <sup>vi</sup>	0.85	2.21	2.821 (8)	129
O8—H8A...Cl2 <sup>viii</sup>	0.85	2.46	3.291 (8)	167
O8—H8B...O1 <sup>ix</sup>	0.86	2.46	3.090 (9)	130
O8—H8B...O2 <sup>ix</sup>	0.86	2.28	3.033 (9)	146

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

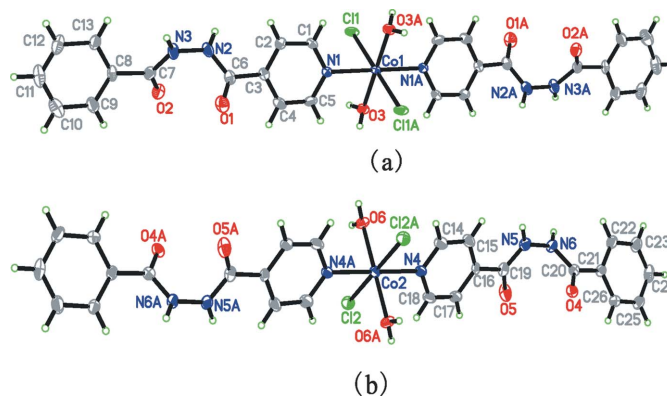


Figure 1

The two independent molecules (*a* and *b*) in (I), shown with 30% probability displacement ellipsoids [symmetry codes: (*a*) 2 - *x*, 1 - *y*, -*z*; (*b*) -*x*, 1 - *y*, 1 - *z*].

H atoms of water molecules were located in a difference Fourier map and constrained to O—H = 0.85–0.86 Å, with *U*<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 1.2*U*<sub>eq</sub>(O). Other H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C—H = 0.93 Å and N—H = 0.86 Å, and refined as riding, with *U*<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 1.2*U*<sub>eq</sub>(C,N).

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1998); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Bruker, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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