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## Key indicators

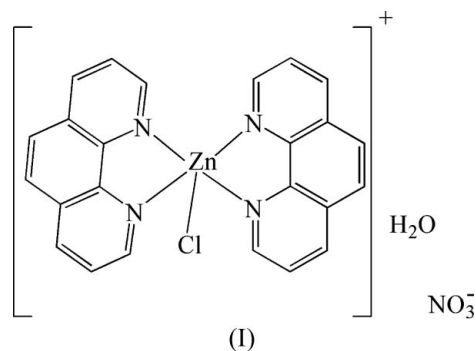
Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 292$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.038  
 $wR$  factor = 0.108  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.5For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.Chlorobis(1,10-phenanthroline- $\kappa^2N,N'$ )zinc(II)  
nitrate monohydrate

In the title compound,  $[\text{ZnCl}(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_2]\text{NO}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ , the  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}$  atom is coordinated by four N atoms from two different 1,10-phenanthroline ligands and by one  $\text{Cl}^-$  ion in a distorted trigonal-bipyramidal coordination. In the crystal structure, the constituent molecules interact by way of  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions between the 1,10-phenanthroline ligands and by  $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$  and  $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{Cl}$  hydrogen bonds.

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## Comment

1,10-Phenanthroline (phen) and its derivatives have been used widely in the construction of supramolecular architectures by way of metal-organic coordination, hydrogen-bonding and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions (Chen *et al.*, 2002; Zhang & Yu, 2006). As an extension of these studies, we now report the crystal structure of the title compound, (I).



Selected bond lengths and angles for (I) are given in Table 1. In (I), the  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}$  atom is coordinated by four N atoms from two different phen ligands and by one  $\text{Cl}^-$  ion in a distorted trigonal-bipyramidal coordination, with two N atoms in the axial positions (Fig. 1). The cationic charge of the main molecule is balanced by that of a non-coordinated nitrate ion.

The molecules of (I) are held together in the crystal structure through  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions between phen ligands, generating a one-dimensional structure (Fig. 2). The distance between two adjacent phen planes is 3.47 Å. Hydrogen bonds involving the water molecule, the  $\text{Cl}^-$  ion and the nitrate ion complete the structure of (I) (Table 2).

## Experimental

A solution of phen (1 mmol) in 20 ml water was added to a solution of  $\text{ZnCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.5 mmol) in 10 ml water, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. After removing any undissolved materials by filtration, a solution containing  $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3$  (0.5 mmol) in 8 ml water was added to the filtrate. The whole was stirred for 3 h. Colorless

crystals of (I) were obtained after allowing the solution to stand at room temperature for several days (27% yield based on Zn).

#### Crystal data

[ZnCl(C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O  
*M<sub>r</sub>* = 541.25  
 Triclinic, *P* $\bar{1}$   
*a* = 9.6613 (19) Å  
*b* = 11.102 (2) Å  
*c* = 12.000 (2) Å  
 $\alpha$  = 67.66 (3)°  
 $\beta$  = 71.00 (3)°  
 $\gamma$  = 71.65 (3)°

*V* = 1098.5 (5) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 2  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.636 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo *K*α radiation  
 $\mu$  = 1.28 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 292 (2) K  
 Block, colorless  
 0.33 × 0.31 × 0.24 mm

#### Data collection

Rigaku R-Axis RAPID  
 diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan  
 (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)  
*T<sub>min</sub>* = 0.641, *T<sub>max</sub>* = 0.731

10950 measured reflections  
 4983 independent reflections  
 4317 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)  
*R<sub>int</sub>* = 0.025  
 $\theta_{\max}$  = 27.7°

#### Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
*R* [*F*<sup>2</sup> > 2σ(*F*<sup>2</sup>)] = 0.038  
*wR* (*F*<sup>2</sup>) = 0.108  
*S* = 1.06  
 4983 reflections  
 322 parameters  
 H atoms treated by a mixture of  
 independent and constrained  
 refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0596P)^2 + 0.5194P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.59 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.50 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

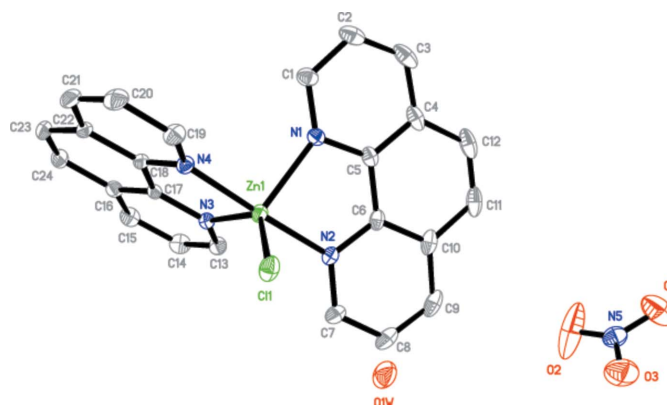
Zn1—N1	2.121 (2)	Zn1—N4	1.9834 (19)
Zn1—N2	1.9809 (19)	Zn1—Cl1	2.2723 (11)
Zn1—N3	2.084 (2)		
N2—Zn1—N4	175.76 (8)	N3—Zn1—N1	105.10 (8)
N2—Zn1—N3	96.08 (8)	N2—Zn1—Cl1	91.28 (6)
N4—Zn1—N3	81.31 (8)	N4—Zn1—Cl1	92.93 (6)
N2—Zn1—N1	81.24 (8)	N3—Zn1—Cl1	135.61 (6)
N4—Zn1—N1	96.17 (8)	N1—Zn1—Cl1	119.28 (6)

**Table 2**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

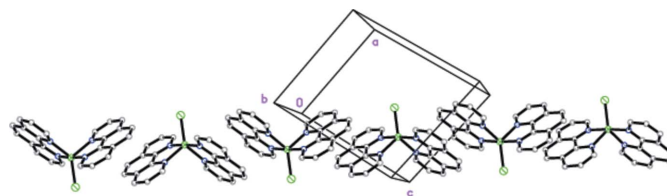
<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
O1W—HW11···Cl1	0.91 (2)	2.30 (2)	3.200 (3)	169 (4)
O1W—HW12···O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.92 (4)	2.02 (2)	2.876 (6)	153 (4)
O1W—HW12···O2 <sup>i</sup>	0.92 (4)	2.45 (4)	3.236 (6)	143 (4)

Symmetry code: (i) *x* + 1, *y*, *z*.



**Figure 1**

View of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level. H atoms have been omitted.



**Figure 2**

The π-π interactions between phen ligands in (I). H atoms have been omitted.

All H atoms on C atoms were positioned geometrically (C—H = 0.93 Å) and refined as riding with *U<sub>iso</sub>*(H) = 1.2*U<sub>eq</sub>*(C). The H atoms of the water molecule were located in a difference map and refined freely.

Data collection: *PROCESS-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *PROCESS-AUTO*; data reduction: *PROCESS-AUTO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL-Plus* (Sheldrick, 1990); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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