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# catena-Poly[[[µ-4,4'-bipyridine-bis[aquazinc(II)]]di-µ-benzene-1,3-dicarboxylato] dihydrate]

The title one-dimensional coordination polymer.  $\{[Zn_2(C_8H_4O_4)_2(C_{10}H_8N_2)(H_2O)_2] \cdot 2H_2O\}_n$ , was synthesized bv hydrothermal synthesis. Two asymmetric units,  $C_{13}H_{10}NO_5Zn \cdot H_2O$ , make up each monomer, such that the benzene-1,3-dicarboxylate ligands link Zn<sup>II</sup> atoms, forming a one-dimensional linear chain, with two adjacent chains bridged by bpy ligands into a ladder running along the b axis. These ladders are assembled into three-dimensional networks via hydrogen bonds between the coordinated water and the carboxylate O atoms in adjacent ladders. Further hydrogen bonding connects uncoordinated water molecules to the coordinated water, carboxyl O atoms and other solvent water molecules.

#### Comment

The construction of supramolecular architectures is currently of great interest owing to their intriguing network topologies and potential functions such as adsorption, shape-selective catalysis and ion exchange, as well as for non-linear and magnetic materials (Lehn, 1995). Multicarboxylate ligands have various possible coordination modes to furnish a variety of polymeric structures with adjustable dimensions and show a great variation in functional characters (Tao et al., 2000). 4.4'-Bipyridine and its analogues have been extensively utilized to bridge metal centers, leading to interesting metal-organic frameworks (Tong et al. 1999). We have been pursuing synthetic strategies to obtain one-dimensional coordination polymers by the use of V-shaped dicarboxylate dianions together with bipyridyl-like linkers as the principal building blocks, and report here the crystal structure of a new complex,  $[Zn_2(mba)_2(bpy)(H_2O)_2] \cdot 2H_2O$  (mba is *m*-phthalate and bpy is 4,4'-bipyridine), (I).



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Complex (I) consists of one-dimensional ladder-like coordination frameworks. The asymmetric unit consists of one



#### Figure 1

View of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme and 50% probability displacement ellipsoids [symmetry code: (A) x, 1 + y, z]. Unlabelled atoms are related to labelled atoms by the symmetry operations (x, 1 + y, y)z) (atoms O1–O4/C1–C8) and (-x, -y, 1 - z) (atoms N1/C9–C13).



Figure 2

Packing diagram, viewed along the b axis. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 $Zn^{II}$  atom, one mpa ligand, one half 4,4'-bpy ligand, one coordinated water and one uncoordinated water molecule. As shown in Fig. 1, each Zn<sup>II</sup> atom is coordinated by one N atom from a bridging 4,4'-bpy ligand, two O atoms from the carboxylate groups of two mpa ligands and one O atom from the coordinated H<sub>2</sub>O to furnish a tetrahedral geometry (Fig. 1 and Table 1). The V-shaped mpa ligand acts in a bis-monodentate coordination mode bridging adjacent Zn<sup>II</sup> atoms to form linear chains running along the b axis. Adjacent chains are connected by 4,4'-bpy ligands, forming one-dimensional ladders running along the b axis. These ladders are assembled into three-dimensional networks via O-H···O hydrogen bonds. The hydrogen bonds are formed by the coordinated water and the carboxyl O atom (O1W···O3 = 2.71 Å); the coordinated water and the uncoordinated water (O1W···O2W= 2.88 Å); the uncoordinated water and the carboxyl O atom  $[O2W \cdots O2 = 2.62 \text{ Å} \text{ and } O2W \cdots O2^{i} = 3.08 \text{ Å}, \text{ symmetry}$ code: (i) x, 1 + y, z]; and the uncoordinated water molecules  $(O2W \cdots O2W = 2.24 \text{ Å})$  (Fig. 2 and Table 2). Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) shows a weight loss corresponding to the liberation of water molecules in the range of 323-413 K, and a weight loss corresponding to the liberation of the 4,4'bpy and mpa above 675 K.

## **Experimental**

A mixture of Zn(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (1.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>mpa (0.5 mmol), bpy (1.0 mmol), NaOH (1.0 mmol) and water (10 ml) was stirred for 15 min in air, then transferred to and sealed in a 23 ml Teflon-lined reactor, which was heated at 433 K for 5 d and then cooled to room temperature at a rate of 5 K h<sup>-1</sup>. Colorless prisms were obtained, washed with deionized water and absolute ethanol (yield > 30%based on Zn). Elemental analysis (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>Zn calculated: C 45.44, H 3.52, N 4.08; found C 45.50, H 3.59, N 4.00.

### Crystal data

$[Zn_2(C_8H_4O_4)_2(C_{10}H_8N_2)-$	$V = 1336 (2) \text{ Å}^3$
$(H_2O)_2]\cdot 2H_2O$	Z = 4
$M_r = 343.61$	$D_x = 1.708 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
a = 11.73 (1)  Å	$\mu = 1.87 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
b = 9.863 (6) Å	T = 293 (2) K
c = 12.23 (1)  Å	Block, colorless
$\beta = 109.07 \ (2)^{\circ}$	$0.50 \times 0.46 \times 0.44~\text{mm}$

2628 independent reflections

2 standard reflections

every 200 reflections

intensity decay: none

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.118$  $\theta_{\rm max} = 26.0^{\circ}$ 

1533 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Data collection

Siemens R3m diffractometer  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North et al., 1968)  $T_{\min} = 0.456, \ T_{\max} = 0.494$ (expected range = 0.406 - 0.440)2757 measured reflections

## Refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1095P)^2]$
+ 1.2922P]
where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.56 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.78 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

## Table 1

Sel	ected	geometric	parameters	(A	١,	°)	)
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Zn1-O4 <sup>i</sup>	1.944 (5)	Zn1-N1	2.068 (6)
Zn1-O1	2.007 (5)	Zn1-O1W	2.130 (6)
O4 <sup>i</sup> -Zn1-O1	116.1 (2)	$O4^i - Zn1 - O1W$	99.1 (2)
O4 <sup>i</sup> -Zn1-N1	135.3 (2)	O1-Zn1-O1W	99.4 (2)
O1-Zn1-N1	103.0 (2)	N1-Zn1-O1W	94.8 (2)

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

## Table 2

H	lyd	rogen-	bond	geomet	try	(A,	°)	)
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$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$O1W-H1WA\cdots O2W$	0.85	2.03	2.88 (1)	179
O1W−H1WB···O3 <sup>ii</sup>	0.85	1.87	2.71 (1)	173
$O2W - H2WB \cdots O2$	0.85	2.32	2.62 (1)	101
$O2W - H2WB \cdot \cdot \cdot O2W^{iii}$	0.85	1.48	2.24 (2)	147
$O2W-H2WA\cdots O2^{iii}$	0.85	2.54	3.08 (2)	122

Symmetry codes: (ii)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y + \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $-z + \frac{1}{2}$ ; (iii) -x + 1, -y, -z.

H atoms bonded to C atoms were positioned geometrically (C-H = 0.93 Å) and refined as riding on their parent atoms, with  $U_{iso}(H) =$   $1.2U_{eq}(C)$ . H atoms bonded to O atoms were located in difference maps and refined as riding on their parent atoms (O-H = 0.85 Å), with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(O)$ .

Data collection: *R3m Software* (Siemens, 1990); cell refinement: *R3m Software*; data reduction: *R3m Software*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2000); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* and *OLEX* (Dolomanov *et al.*, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL* and *OLEX*.

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