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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=294 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.005 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.041$
$w R$ factor $=0.119$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=12.0$
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# catena-Poly[piperazinium(2+) [tetraaquazinc(II)-$\mu$-benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylato-diaquacobalt(II)-$\mu$-benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylato] dihydrate] 

The asymmetric unit of the title polymer, $\left\{\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)[\mathrm{ZnCo}-\right.$ $\left.\left.\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right] \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{n}$, contains one independent $\mathrm{Zn}^{\text {II }}$ atom and one independent $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atom, each of which is located on an inversion center. The benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate molecule bridges the $\mathrm{Zn}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms in two coordination modes, forming a one-dimensional polymeric zigzag chain structure; the chains are further linked by $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{N}-$ $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds, forming a three-dimensional network. In the micropore formed by the packing of the zigzag chains, there is one piperazinium $(2+)$ cation and two water molecules.

## Comment

Benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate usually plays the role of a bridging ligand in metal complexes (Wang et al., 2005; Wei et al., 2006). We present here the structure of the title $\mathrm{Zn}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ complex, (I), in which benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate (BTC) ligands link the $\mathrm{Zn}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms in two kinds of coordination modes, forming a polymeric complex.

(I)

The title polymer contains two independent atoms, $\mathrm{Zn}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{\text {II }}$, located at the centers of centrosymmetric $\mathrm{ZnO}_{6}$ and $\mathrm{CoO}_{6}$ octahedra (Fig. 1). Each BTC ligand bridges one $\mathrm{Zn}^{\text {II }}$ and one $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atom, forming a polymeric zigzag chain running along [011]. Two carboxylate group of the BTC coordinate to the $\mathrm{Zn}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms, one in a monodentate fashion and the other in a bidentate chelating fashion; the third carboxylate group of the BTC is not coordinated to the $\mathrm{Zn}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atoms. The packing of the chains forms quadrilateral pores, which are occupied by one piperazinium ( $2+$ ) cation and two water molecules (Fig. 2).

## Experimental

An aqueous solution ( 15 ml ) of benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylic acid $(0.210 \mathrm{~g})$ and piperazine hexahydrate $(0.132 \mathrm{~g})$ was mixed with an

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aqueous solution ( 5 ml ) of zinc(II) nitrate hexahydrate $(0.149 \mathrm{~g})$ and cobalt(II) nitrate hexahydrate ( 0.146 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 pink crystals of (I) (about $76.2 \%$ yield based on the Zn source). IR ( $\mathrm{KBr}, \nu \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3120, 2446, 2345, 1610, 1533, 1429, 1426, 1398, 1363, 1202, 1087, 754, 712, 542, 521, 459; elemental analysis calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{CoN}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{20} \mathrm{Zn}$ : C 34.25, H 4.45, N $3.63 \%$; found: C 34.29, H 4.52, N 3.58\%.

## Crystal data

| $\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)\left[\mathrm{ZnCo}\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)_{2}{ }^{-}\right.$ | $\gamma=102.538(6)^{\circ}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\left.\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right] \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | $V=731.8(5) \AA^{3}$ |
| $M_{r}=770.81$ | $Z=1$ |
| Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$ | $D_{x}=1.749 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$ |
| $a=7.189(3) \AA$ | Mo $\mathrm{A} \alpha$ radiation |
| $b=10.588(4) \AA$ | $\mu=1.48 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |
| $c=10.593(4) \AA$ | $T=294(2) \mathrm{K}$ |
| $\alpha=110.675(5)^{\circ}$ | Block, pink |
| $\beta=91.429(6)^{\circ}$ | $0.20 \times 0.18 \times 0.14 \mathrm{~mm}$ |

## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.485, T_{\text {max }}=0.813$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$

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\begin{aligned}
& w=1 / {\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0648 P)^{2}\right.} \\
&+1.1797 P] \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
&(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.72 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.77 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.041$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.119$
$S=1.04$
2549 reflections
212 parameters
H -atom parameters constrained

3672 measured reflections 2549 independent reflections 2137 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.023$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.0^{\circ}$

## Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry $\left(\AA^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots \cdot$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | H $\cdots$ A | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 7^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.90 | 2.05 | 2.901 (4) | 156 |
| $\mathrm{O} 8-\mathrm{H} 8 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.84 | 1.84 | 2.672 (4) | 170 |
| $\mathrm{O} 10-\mathrm{H} 10 \mathrm{C} \cdot \mathrm{O}^{\text {i }}$ | 0.85 | 1.90 | 2.751 (5) | 180 |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {ii }}$ | 0.90 | 2.44 | 3.033 (4) | 124 |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 6^{\text {iii }}$ | 0.90 | 1.87 | 2.758 (4) | 169 |
| $\mathrm{O} 7-\mathrm{H} 7 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 5^{\mathrm{iv}}$ | 0.85 | 1.89 | 2.721 (4) | 168 |
| $\mathrm{O} 8-\mathrm{H} 8 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 4^{\mathrm{iv}}$ | 0.85 | 1.92 | 2.755 (3) | 167 |
| $\mathrm{O} 9-\mathrm{H} 9 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{v}}$ | 0.85 | 1.80 | 2.641 (4) | 168 |
| $\mathrm{O} 10-\mathrm{H} 10 \mathrm{D} \cdots \mathrm{O} 9^{\mathrm{vi}}$ | 0.85 | 2.09 | 2.920 (5) | 167 |
| O9-H9A . . O10 | 0.84 | 1.96 | 2.756 (5) | 156 |
| $\mathrm{O} 7-\mathrm{H} 7 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ | 0.85 | 1.85 | 2.653 (4) | 158 |
| Symmetry codes: $-x+2,-y+2,-z+$ | $\begin{gather*} -x+1,-y+1,-z+1 ; \quad \text { (ii) } \quad x+1, y+1, z  \tag{iii}\\ x, y-1, z ; \text { (v) } x, y, z-1 ;(\mathrm{vi})-x+1,-y+1,-z \end{gather*}$ |  |  |  |

All H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93-0.97 \AA$, $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.90 \AA$ and $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}=0.84-0.86 \AA$, and with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})$ values set at $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{N})$ or $1.5 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{O})$.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997a); program(s) used to refine


Figure 1
View of a segment of the title polymer (I) with $30 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitratry spheres for H atoms) [Symmetry codes: (A) $-x,-y,-z+1$; (B) $-x,-y+1,-z$; (C) $-x+2,-y+2,-z]$.


Figure 2
Packing of (I), viewed along the $a$ axis. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.
structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997a); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1997b); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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