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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 292 KMean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003 \text{ Å}$ R factor = 0.030 wR factor = 0.086 Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.1

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Hexaaquanickel(II) 2-methyl-5-nitrobenzenesulfonate tetrahydrate

In the title complex, $[Ni(H_2O)_6](C_7H_6NO_5S)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$, each Ni^{II} cation lies on an inversion center and is octahedrally coordinated by six water molecules. The anions do not coordinate to the nickel, but act as counter-ions. The crystal structure is composed of alternating layers of $[Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ cations and anions. The $[Ni(H_2O)_6]^{2+}$ cations, water molecules and anions are connected through a complex pattern of hydrogen-bonding interactions, resulting in a three-dimensional supramolecular network.

Comment

The crystal structure of potassium 2-methyl-5-nitrobenzenesulfonate (X^-) (Xie *et al.*, 2006) has been reported previously. We present here the structure of the nickel complex, [Ni(H₂O)₆] X_2 ·4H₂O, (I). The analysis indicates that the crystal structure is built up of [Ni(H₂O)₆]²⁺ cations, two uncoordinated X^- anions and four uncoordinated water molecules. The Ni^{II} atom is located on a crystallographic inversion center and is coordinated by the six water molecules in an octahedral environment. The Ni–O bond distances range from 2.0441 (12) to 2.0618 (13) Å, The average Ni–O bond distance of 2.053 Å is similar to the values in other nickel complexes (Ma *et al.*, 2003; Batsanov *et al.*, 2001; Zhang *et al.*, 2004). The crystal structure comprises alternating layers of [Ni(H₂O)₆]²⁺ cations and sulfonate anions furnishing a threedimensional supramolecular network.



Experimental

A mixture of NiCl₂·6H₂O (1.185 g, 5.0 mmol), 2-methyl-5-nitrobenzenesulfonic acid (2.17 g, 10.0 mmol) and 70% ethanol solution (20 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Green single crystals of complex (I) were obtained from the filtered solution at room temperature over a period of 3 d. The product was isolated, washed three times with 70% ethanol solution and dried in a vacuum desiccator using CaCl₂ (yield: 65%). Analysis calculated for [Ni(H₂O)₆](C₇H₆NO₅S)₂·4H₂O: C 25.05, H 4.81, N 4.17%; found: C 24.95, H 4.93, N 4.04%.

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Crystal data

 $[Ni(H_2O)_6](C_7H_6NO_5)_2 \cdot 4H_2O M_r = 671.25$ Triclinic, *P*1 *a* = 7.2421 (4) Å *b* = 7.6642 (4) Å *c* = 13.7999 (7) Å *a* = 74.077 (1)° *β* = 76.324 (1)° *γ* = 68.212 (1)°

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEXII CCD area-detector diffractometer φ and ω scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996) $T_{\rm min} = 0.750, T_{\rm max} = 0.910$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.030$ $wR(F^2) = 0.086$ S = 1.093086 reflections 180 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

Table	1
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Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	
$O4-H4A\cdots O7^{i}$	0.85	1.94	2.779 (2)	169	
$O4-H4B\cdots O2$	0.85	2.00	2.777 (2)	151	
$O5-H5A\cdots O8^{ii}$	0.85	1.97	2.768 (2)	156	
$O5-H5B\cdots O3^{iii}$	0.85	2.02	2.821 (2)	156	
$O6-H6A\cdots O7^{iii}$	0.85	1.89	2.742 (2)	178	
$O6-H6B\cdots O3$	0.85	2.31	3.118 (3)	158	
$O7-H7A\cdotsO1^{iv}$	0.85	1.96	2.777 (2)	160	
$O7 - H7B \cdot \cdot \cdot O8$	0.85	2.15	2.957 (2)	157	
$O8-H8A\cdots O1$	0.85	2.12	2.953 (2)	167	
$O8-H8B\cdots O3^{v}$	0.85	2.23	2.914 (2)	137	
Symmetry codes: (i) $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1;$			1; (ii) $x - 1$,	(ii) $x - 1, y + 1, z;$ (iii)	

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H atoms bonded to C atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C-H = 0.93 or 0.96 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$, and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation. The H atoms of water molecules were located in difference Fourier maps



Figure 1

View of the asymmetric unit, expanded to show the complete coordination of Ni^{II}, with the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level. Unlabeled atoms in the cation are related to labeled atoms by -x, 1 - y, 1 - z.

and then idealized and treated as riding, with O-H = 0.85 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(O)$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2004); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2004); 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, 2004); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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V = 676.14 (6) Å³

 $D_x = 1.648 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

 $0.55 \times 0.25 \times 0.09 \text{ mm}$

3911 measured reflections

3086 independent reflections 2653 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

 $\mu = 0.96 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

T = 292 (2) K

Plate, green

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.012$

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.7^{\circ}$

Z = 1