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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=292 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.004 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.054$
$w R$ factor $=0.170$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=17.9$
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## trans-Bis\{2-[(4-oxidobenzylideneamino)methyl]phenolato\}cobalt(II) monohydrate

The title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, is a mononuclear cobalt(II) compound. The $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atom, located on an inversion centre, is coordinated by two N atoms and two O atoms from two Schiff base ligands in a square-planar geometry. $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonding involving the water molecule, located on a twofold axis, links the complex molecules into a three-dimensional network.

## Comment

The crystal structure of trans-bis\{2-[(4-hydroxyphenethylimino)methyl]phenolato\}zinc(II) monohydrate has recently been reported (Xu et al., 2006). The structure of the cobalt(II) analogue, (I), is reported here.

(I)

The asymmetric unit of (I) consists of half each of a mononuclear $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ complex and a water molecule (Fig. 1). Atom Co 1 of the complex molecule lies on an inversion centre, while the water atom O1 $W$ lies on a twofold axis. The $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II}}$ ion is four-coordinated by two O atoms and two N atoms from two Schiff base ligands. This $\mathrm{CoO}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{2}$ coordination forms a square-planar geometry (Table 1 ).

In the crystal structure, the O atoms of the Schiff base ligands and the water molecules contribute to hydrogen bonds, leading to the formation of a three-dimensional network (Fig. 2 and Table 2).

## Experimental

4-(2-Aminoethyl)phenol and salicylaldehyde were available commercially and were used without further purification. 4-(2Aminoethyl)phenol ( $0.2 \mathrm{mmol}, \quad 27.8 \mathrm{mg}$ ) and salicylaldehyde $(0.2 \mathrm{mmol}, 24.4 \mathrm{mg})$ were dissolved in methanol $(15 \mathrm{ml})$ and the mixture was stirred for 1 h to give a clear orange solution of $L$ ( 0.2 mmol ), where $L$ is 2-[(4-hydroxyphenethylimino)methyl]phenol.

To the solution of $L$ was added a methanol solution ( 8 ml ) of $\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{COO}\right)_{2} \cdot 4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \quad(0.1 \mathrm{mmol}, 24.9 \mathrm{mg})$ with stirring. After allowing the resulting solution to stand in air at room temperature for 7 d , red block-shaped crystals were formed at the bottom of the vessel on slow evaporation of the solvent. The crystals were isolated, washed with ethanol and dried.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=557.49$
Orthorhombic, Pbcn
$a=15.402$ (3) A
$b=11.022$ (2) $\AA$
$c=15.585$ (3) $\AA$
$V=2645.7(9) \AA^{3}$

## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.819, T_{\text {max }}=0.916$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.054$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.170$
$S=1.06$
3182 reflections
178 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\left({ }^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $1.8297(19)$ | $\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $1.948(2)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | 180 | $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{N} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $89.77(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $90.23(9)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{Co} 1-\mathrm{N} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 180 |

Symmetry code: (i) $-x,-y+2,-z+1$.

Table 2
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\mathrm{A}^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| O1 $W-\mathrm{H} 1 \cdots \mathrm{O} 1^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | $0.831(10)$ | $1.934(11)$ | $2.764(3)$ | $176(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 W$ | 0.82 | 1.99 | $2.793(4)$ | 167 |

Symmetry code: (ii) $x+\frac{1}{2}, y-\frac{1}{2},-z+\frac{1}{2}$.
The water H atom was located in a difference map and was refined with an $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}$ distance restraint of 0.84 (1) $\AA$. The remaining H atoms were placed in idealized positions $(\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}=0.82 \AA$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=$ 0.93 or $0.97 \AA$ ) and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})$ values of $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$ 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 structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997a); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1997b); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.


Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I), showing $30 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme. Unlabelled atoms are related to labelled atoms by the symmetry operation $(-x, 2-y, 1-z)$.


Figure 2
The packing of (I), viewed along the $b$ axis. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

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