

# Tris(quinolin-8-olato- $\kappa^2 N,O$ )iron(III) methanol solvate

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The title compound,  $[Fe(C_9H_6NO)_3] \cdot CH_3OH$ , consists of a mononuclear  $[Fe(C_9H_6NO)_3]$  complex molecule and a methanol solvent molecule. The  $Fe^{III}$  ion is coordinated by three N atoms and three O atoms from three quinolin-8-olate ligands. The six atoms around the metal form a slightly distorted octahedral geometry.

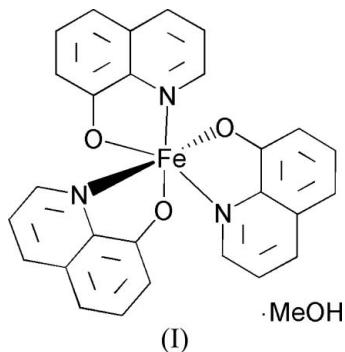
## Comment

Recently, we have reported the structures of a number of transition metal complexes (Chen *et al.*, 2004*a,b*, 2005). As an extension of our work on the structural characterization of iron compounds, the title mononuclear iron(III) compound, (I), is reported here.

### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 298\text{ K}$   
Mean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.005\text{ \AA}$   
R factor = 0.046  
wR factor = 0.144  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.0

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The structure of (I) (Fig. 1) consists of a mononuclear  $[Fe(C_9H_6NO)_3]$  complex molecule and a methanol solvent molecule. The  $Fe^{III}$  ion is coordinated by three N atoms and three O atoms from three quinolin-8-olate ligands. The three *trans* angles at Fe range from  $168.64(8)$  to  $171.16(8)^\circ$  (Table 1); the other angles range from  $79.51(7)$  to  $95.50(8)^\circ$ , indicating a distorted octahedral geometry about the Fe atom. The Fe—N and Fe—O bond lengths are typical and comparable with the values in other iron complexes (Zibaseresht *et al.*, 2006; Onggo *et al.*, 2005; Bakir *et al.*, 2005). The methanol molecule is linked to the complex through the intermolecular O4—H4···O1 hydrogen bond (Table 2).

## Experimental

Quinolin-8-ol (1.0 mmol, 145.1 mg) and  $Fe(NO_3)_3 \cdot 9H_2O$  (0.5 mmol, 202.0 mg) were dissolved in a methanol solution (50 ml). The mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature and then filtered. After allowing the brown filtrate to stand in air for two weeks, brown block-shaped crystals were formed.

*Crystal data*



$M_r = 520.34$

Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$

$a = 10.868$  (1) Å

$b = 13.246$  (1) Å

$c = 17.288$  (1) Å

$\beta = 97.729$  (1)°

$V = 2466.1$  (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.401$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo K $\alpha$  radiation

$\mu = 0.65$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 298$  (2) K

Block, brown

0.23 × 0.22 × 0.19 mm

*Data collection*

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer

$\omega$  scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)

$T_{\min} = 0.865$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.886$

14542 measured reflections

5575 independent reflections

4441 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.021$

$\theta_{\max} = 27.5^\circ$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$

$wR(F^2) = 0.144$

$S = 1.03$

5575 reflections

327 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained

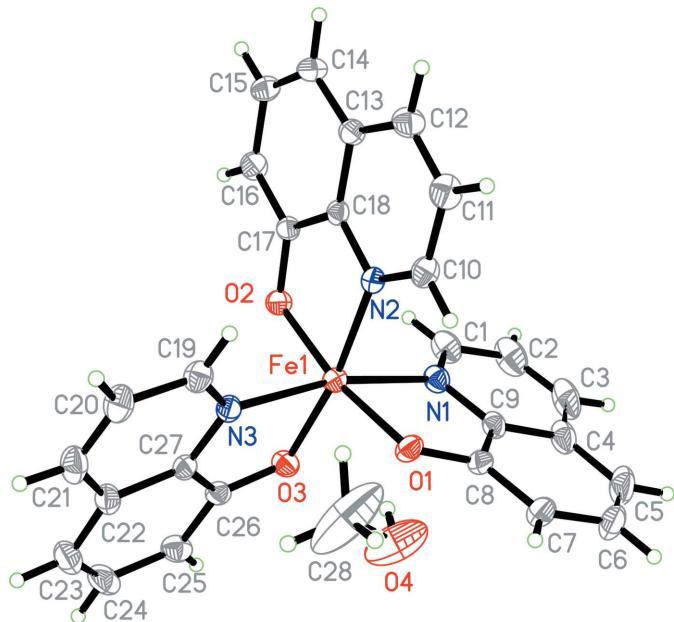
$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.076P)^2 + 1.6804P]$$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.73$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.56$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>



**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title compound, (I), showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

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: *SHELXTL*.

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**Table 1**  
Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Fe1—O2	1.908 (2)	Fe1—N2	2.054 (2)
Fe1—O3	1.915 (2)	Fe1—N1	2.237 (2)
Fe1—O1	1.921 (2)	Fe1—N3	2.272 (2)
O2—Fe1—O3	92.84 (7)	O1—Fe1—N1	79.60 (8)
O2—Fe1—O1	170.18 (8)	N2—Fe1—N1	94.59 (8)
O3—Fe1—O1	95.50 (8)	O2—Fe1—N3	94.21 (8)
O2—Fe1—N2	82.26 (7)	O3—Fe1—N3	79.51 (7)
O3—Fe1—N2	171.16 (8)	O1—Fe1—N3	92.40 (8)
O1—Fe1—N2	90.10 (8)	N2—Fe1—N3	93.46 (8)
O2—Fe1—N1	94.81 (8)	N1—Fe1—N3	168.64 (8)
O3—Fe1—N1	93.15 (8)		

**Table 2**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O4—H4 $\cdots$ O1	0.82	2.04	2.814 (4)	158

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C—H = 0.93–0.96 Å and O—H = 0.82 Å. They were treated as riding atoms, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2$  or  $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}, \text{O})$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve