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## Key indicators

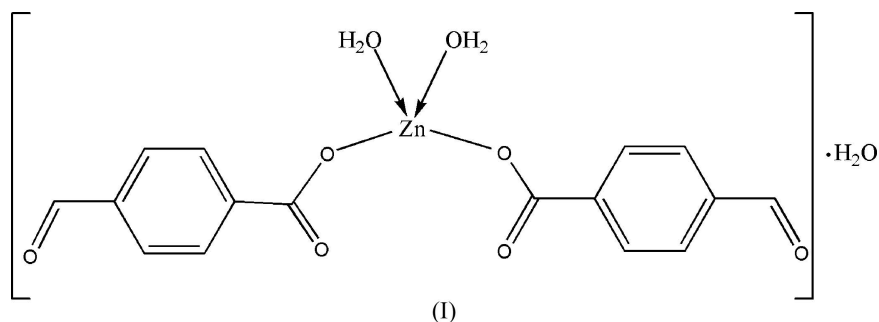
Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 295$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.026  
 $wR$  factor = 0.074  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.3For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.Diaquabis(4-formylbenzoato- $\kappa\text{O}$ )zinc(II)  
monohydrate

In the title complex,  $[\text{Zn}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_5\text{O}_3)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , the Zn atom exhibits a distorted tetrahedral coordination environment defined by two carboxylate O atoms and two water molecules. The coordinated and uncoordinated water molecules participate in a three-dimensional supramolecular network of  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds.

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## Comment

This report is part of a continuation of our studies on metal complexes of 4-formylbenzoic acid. In our previous work, we reported two metal complexes of 4-formylbenzoic acid with nickel(II) (Deng *et al.*, 2006*a*) and copper(II) (Deng *et al.*, 2006*b*), in which the 4-formylbenzoate ligand coordinated to the metal centers in a monodentate mode. Using zinc in a similar reaction leads to the formation of the title compound, (I), a monohydrated diaqua complex. As depicted in Fig. 1, the  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}$  atom exists in a distorted tetrahedral geometry. There is a long  $\text{Zn1}\cdots\text{O2}$  contact [ $2.5976(13)$  Å]; if this were considered to be a bond, then an extremely acute  $\text{O2}-\text{Zn1}-\text{O3}$  bond angle of  $55.43(6)^\circ$  would arise.



We can see from Fig. 2 that all the adjacent mononuclear units parallel to the  $a$  axis are linked by hydrogen bonds formed by atoms O1*W* and O2*W*, giving rise to a one-dimensional chain, with a  $\text{Zn}\cdots\text{Zn}$  separation of  $7.9390(16)$  Å. In addition, O1*W* forms another kind of hydrogen bond with O1, which connects these infinite hydrogen-bonded chains to produce a two-dimensional architecture in the crystallographic  $ac$  plane; the shortest distance between the Zn atoms of adjacent chains is  $11.1762(17)$  Å. The layers are further linked into a three-dimensional supramolecular network *via* hydrogen-bonding interactions between O1*W* and O2 (Table 2).

## Experimental

Zinc diacetate dihydrate (0.11 g, 0.5 mmol) was added to an aqueous solution (15 ml) of 4-formylbenzoic acid (0.15 g, 1 mmol) that had

earlier been treated with 0.1 M sodium hydroxide to attain a pH of 5. The solution was allowed to evaporate at room temperature and colorless prismatic crystals of (I) were separated from the filtered solution after several days. Analysis calculated for  $C_{16}H_{16}O_9Zn$ : C 46.01, H 3.86%; found: C 46.06, H 3.83%.

#### Crystal data

$[Zn(C_8H_5O_3)_2(H_2O)_2] \cdot H_2O$   
 $M_r = 417.66$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 7.9390$  (16) Å  
 $b = 5.7474$  (11) Å  
 $c = 18.736$  (4) Å  
 $\beta = 94.69$  (3)°  
 $V = 852.0$  (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 2$   
 $D_x = 1.628$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 1.49$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 295$  (2) K  
 Prism, colorless  
 $0.36 \times 0.24 \times 0.18$  mm

#### Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID  
 diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan  
 (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)  
 $T_{min} = 0.646$ ,  $T_{max} = 0.768$

7940 measured reflections  
 1959 independent reflections  
 1820 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{int} = 0.026$   
 $\theta_{max} = 27.5^\circ$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.026$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.074$   
 $S = 1.05$   
 1959 reflections  
 128 parameters  
 H atoms treated by a mixture of  
 independent and constrained  
 refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0453P)^2 + 0.1686P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.31$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.26$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Zn1—O3	1.9676 (13)		
Zn1—O2W	2.0076 (12)		
O3 <sup>i</sup> —Zn1—O3	141.88 (8)	O3—Zn1—O2W	97.93 (6)
O3—Zn1—O2W <sup>i</sup>	106.94 (6)	O2W <sup>i</sup> —Zn1—O2W	97.79 (7)

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

**Table 2**

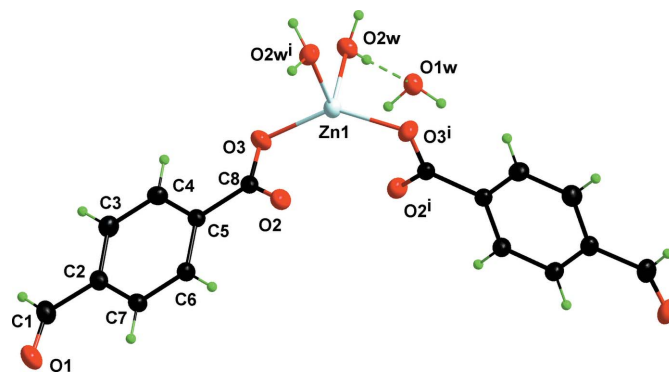
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O1W—H1W1 <sup>ii</sup> ···O1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.841 (6)	1.917 (6)	2.7319 (15)	163.0 (16)
O2W—H2W1 <sup>ii</sup> ···O1W	0.839 (9)	1.867 (9)	2.7047 (15)	177 (2)
O2W—H2W2 <sup>ii</sup> ···O2 <sup>iii</sup>	0.845 (9)	1.806 (10)	2.6460 (18)	172 (2)

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

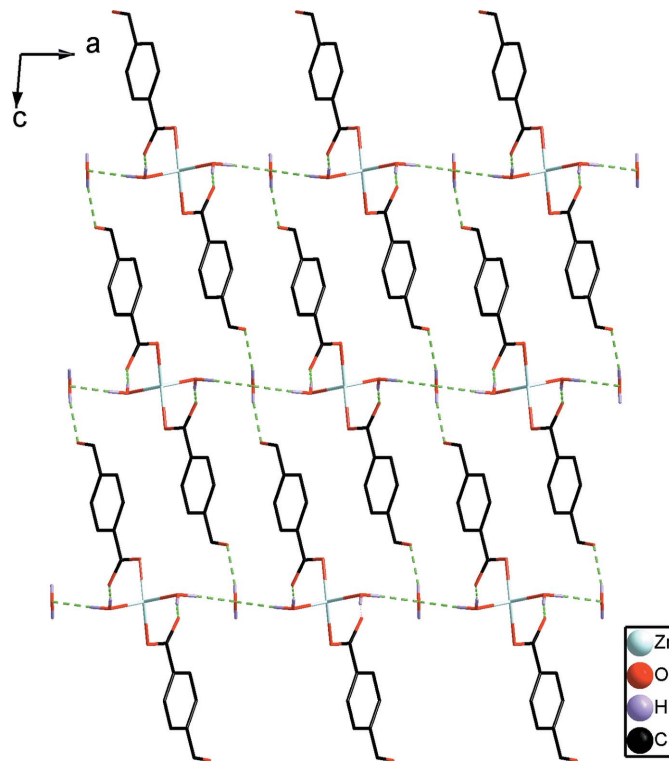
The carbon-bound H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with  $C-H = 0.93$  Å and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ , and were refined in the riding-model approximation. The H atoms of the water molecules were located in a difference map and refined with  $O-H$  and  $H \cdots H$  distance restraints of 0.85 (1) and 1.39 (1) Å, respectively, and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(O)$ .

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MS, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick,



**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title complex showing the atom-numbering scheme and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level. The dashed line indicates a hydrogen bond. [Symmetry code: (i)  $-x + 1, y, -z + \frac{1}{2}$ .]



**Figure 2**

The three-dimensional supramolecular structure of (I), with the  $O-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds denoted by dashed lines. H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted.

1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP11* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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