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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.007 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.053$
$w R$ factor $=0.128$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=15.2$

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## [Hydridotris(5-methyl-3-phenylpyrazol-1-yl)-borato- $\left.\kappa^{3} N^{2}, N^{2^{\prime}}, N^{2^{\prime \prime}}\right](1 H$-imidazole-4-carboxyl-ato- $\kappa^{2} N, O$ ) zinc(II) methanol solvate

In the title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Zn}\left(\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{BN}_{6}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}\right)\right] \cdot \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$, the zinc ion is coordinated by three N atoms of the tridentate pyrazolyl groups, one of the carboxylate O atoms and one N atom of the 1 H -imidazole-4-carboxylate ligand in a trigonalbipyramidal geometry.

## Comment

One of the most important model complexes of matrix metalloproteinases is the hydridotris(3,5-methylphenylpyrazoly)borate zinc hydroxide $\left(\mathrm{Tp}^{\mathrm{Me}, \mathrm{Ph}} \mathrm{Zn}-\mathrm{OH}\right)$. This compound exhibits high structural similarity to the catalytic center of the enzymes (Parkin, 2004; Puerta \& Cohen, 2003). Structural analysis revealed that the zinc ion in this model compound adopted a tetrahedral geometry with bond distances and bond angles very close to the corresponding parameters in the enzymes. Previously, we (He, 2006a,b; He et al., 2005) reported the interactions of this compound with a variety of potential synthetic inhibitors of these enzymes and found that their coordination modes to $\mathrm{Zn}^{2+}$ ions were highly dependent upon the bite size of the inhibitor. To further examine the preference of monodentate and bidentate coordination of an inhibitor to the $\mathrm{Zn}^{2+}$ ion, we have studied the interaction of $\left[\mathrm{Tp}^{\mathrm{Me}, \mathrm{Ph}} \mathrm{Zn}-\mathrm{OH}\right]$ with $1 H$-imidazole-4carboxylic acid, which can bind to $\mathrm{Zn}^{2+}$ through one imidazole N (monodentate), one imidazole N and one carboxylate O (bidentate), or two carboxylate O (bidentate) atoms.

(I)

In the title complex, (I), the tridentate hydridotris(3,5methylphenylpyrazoly) ligand is coordinated to the zinc via pyrazolyl atoms N1, N3 and N5 (Fig. 1). The 1 H -imidazole-4carboxylate anion coordinates to $\mathrm{Zn}^{2+}$ through the chelation of carboxylate O 2 and imidazolyl N 7 atoms. The angular structural parameter, $\tau$, is 1.01 (Addison et al. 1984). Thus, zinc adopts a trigonal-bipyramidal geometry. Atoms O2 and N3 occupy the axial positions with an angle of 170.15 (12) ${ }^{\circ}$ about

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the Zn atom. Atoms N1, N5 and N7 occupy equatorial positions. The other bond lengths and angles are in normal ranges (Puerta \& Cohen, 2002, 2003). These results show that the chelation effect in this molecule is much stronger than that of chelation from two O atoms of the carboxylate anion.

Atom O1 is hydrogen bonded to O 3 through $\mathrm{H} 3 A$, whereas O 2 is hydrogen-bonded to atom N 12 of a second molecule (Table 1).

## Experimental

Equimolar quantities of hydridotris(3,5-methylphenylpyrazolyl)borate zinc hydroxide ( $69.2 \mathrm{mg}, 0.12 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) (Puerta \& Cohen, 2002) and $1 H$-imidazole-4-carboxylic acid ( $14.9 \mathrm{mg}, 0.12 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) were separately dissolved in 10 and 2 ml of methanol, respectively. The solutions were mixed and stirred magnetically for 30 min . The solid formed was collected and dried under vacuum. Yield $48 \mathrm{mg}, 69 \%$.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Zn}\left(\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{BN}_{6}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}\right)\right] \cdot-$
$\quad \mathrm{CH}_{4} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=691.89$
Monoclinic, $P 2^{1} / n$
$a=15.371(3) \AA$
$b=13.829(3) \AA$
$c=16.357(3) \AA$
$\beta=99.46(3)^{\circ}$

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\begin{aligned}
& V=3429.7(12) \AA^{3} \\
& Z=4 \\
& D_{x}=1.340 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3} \\
& \text { Mo } K \alpha \text { radiation } \\
& \mu=0.76 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1} \\
& T=293(2) \mathrm{K} \\
& \text { Prism, colorless } \\
& 0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \mathrm{~mm}
\end{aligned}
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## Data collection

Bruker SMART 1K CCD
$\quad$ diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
$\quad(S A D A B S ;$ Sheldrick, 2002)
$\quad T_{\min }=0.862, T_{\max }=0.928$

> 42524 measured reflections 6734 independent reflections 4349 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$ $R_{\text {int }}=0.089$ $\theta_{\max }=26.0^{\circ}$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.053$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.128$
$S=1.10$
6734 reflections
443 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of
$\quad$ independent and constrained
$\quad$ refinement

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\begin{aligned}
& w= 1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0294 P)^{2}\right. \\
&+6.1376 P] \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
&(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.42 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.35 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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Extinction correction: SHELXL97
Extinction coefficient: 0.00088 (15)

Table 1
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\AA,{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 1$ | 0.82 | 1.93 | $2.728(5)$ | 165 |
| $\mathrm{~N} 12-\mathrm{NH} 12 \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.86 | 1.89 | $2.711(4)$ | 160 |

Symmetry code: (i) $-x+\frac{3}{2}, y+\frac{1}{2},-z+\frac{3}{2}$.
The H atoms on B 1 was refined $[\mathrm{B} 1-\mathrm{BH}=1.10$ (4) $\AA$ ], while the other H atoms were geometrically constrained and refined in riding


Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50\% probability level.
mode as follows: methyl $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.96 \AA, U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.5 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$; aromatic $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93 \AA, U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C}) ; \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}=0.82 \AA$, $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.5 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{O}) ; \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.86 \AA, U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{N})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: SAINTPlus (Bruker, 1998); data reduction: SAINT-Plus; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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