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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 295 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.031 wR factor = 0.095 Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.2

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# Diethanolbis[4-(2-furoyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5-onato]zinc(II)

The Zn atom in the title complex,  $[Zn(C_{15}H_{11}N_2O_3)_2-(C_2H_5OH)_2]$ , lies on an inversion center and has a slightly distorted octahedral coordination environment, with four O atoms of the pyrazolone rings in the equatorial plane and two ethanol O atoms in axial positions. The structure displays O- $H \cdots N$  hydrogen bonding.

### Comment

4-Acyl-5-pyrazolones are an interesting class of  $\beta$ -diketones, containing a pyrazole fused to a chelating arm. Metal complexes with these ligands are utilized in analytical chemistry and the isolation of metal ions (Nishihama *et al.*, 2001). A derivative of the 4-acyl-5-pyrazolones, 1-phenyl-3-methyl-4-(2-furoyl)-5-pyrazolone (HPMFP), was first studied in 1983 (Dong *et al.*, 1983) and in recent years, both HPMFP and its metal complexes have been found to possess antibacterial activity (Li *et al.*, 2000). The metal complexes also show analgesic activity (Liu *et al.*, 1980; Li *et al.*, 1997). Interest in understanding the coordination modes in such ligands led us to synthesize the title Zn<sup>II</sup> complex, (I), and we report its crystal structure here.



The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1, and selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 1. The Zn atom is located on an inversion center. It forms a distorted octahedral  $ZnO_6$  coordination geometry. The two ethanol molecules are mutually *trans*, while the two bidentate 1-phenyl-3-methyl-4-(2-furoyl)-5-pyrazolone ligands adopt a deprotonated enol form, chelating to the Zn atom *via* their O atoms. Similar coordination is observed in other Cd (Xu *et al.*, 2004), Zn (Wang *et al.*, 2001) and Co structures (Shi *et al.*,

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#### Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), shown with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids [symmetry code: (A) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z].

2005). The two Zn–O bond lengths in the equatorial plane differ by *ca* 0.08 Å (Table 1). O–H···N hydrogen bonds (Table 2) involving the pyrazolonate N atoms link adjacent molecules to form chains in approximately orthogonal directions.

# **Experimental**

HPMFP was synthesized according to the method proposed by Jensen (1959) (yield 73%, m.p. 374–375 K). A mixture of a 10 ml Zn(CHCOO)<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (1 mmol, 0.2195 g) ethanol solution and a 10 ml HPMFP (2 mmol, 0.5365 g) ethanol solution was refluxed over a water bath. After vigorous stirring for 4 h at 348–353 K, a yellow product precipitated. This was filtered off, washed with cold anhydrous ethanol several times and dried in air. Pale-yellow single crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow cooling of a warmed anhydrous ethanol solution at room temperature.

# Crystal data

$\begin{split} & [Zn(C_{15}H_{11}N_2O_3)_2(C_2H_6O)_2] \\ & M_r = 692.04 \\ & \text{Orthorhombic, } Pbca \\ & a = 15.366 \ (3) \ \mathring{A} \\ & b = 9.2799 \ (19) \ \mathring{A} \\ & c = 22.879 \ (5) \ \mathring{A} \\ & V = 3262.4 \ (12) \ \mathring{A}^3 \end{split}$	Z = 4 $D_x = 1.409 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K\alpha radiation $\mu = 0.81 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 295 (2)  K Prism, pale yellow $0.38 \times 0.26 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID diffractometer $\omega$ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>ABSCOR</i> ; Higashi, 1995) $T_{\min} = 0.748, T_{\max} = 0.855$	29532 measured reflections 3728 independent reflections 2907 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.025$ $\theta_{max} = 27.5^{\circ}$
Refinement	
Refinement on $F^2$ $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$ $wR(F^2) = 0.095$ S = 1.07 3728 reflections 217 parameters	$w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0497P)^{2} + 0.7953P]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3 (\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.29 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3} \Delta\rho_{min} = -0.20 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
H atoms treated by a mixture of	

## Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Zn1-O3	1.9992 (12)	N1-C6	1.364 (2)
Zn1-O2	2.0831 (11)	N1-N2	1.3938 (17)
Zn1-O4	2.1525 (12)	N1-C10	1.419 (2)
O2-C5	1.2627 (19)	N2-C8	1.313 (2)
O3-C6	1.2637 (18)	C5-C7	1.416 (2)
O4-C16	1.423 (2)	C6-C7	1.430 (2)
O3-Zn1-O2 <sup>i</sup>	92.83 (5)	O3-Zn1-O4 <sup>i</sup>	90.15 (5)
O2-Zn1-O4	90.67 (5)	$O4-Zn1-O4^{i}$	180

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

Table 2Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$O4-H18\cdots N2^{ii}$	0.839 (10)	1.899 (10)	2.7339 (17)	173 (2)
Symmetry code: (ii)	$-r + \frac{3}{2}v - \frac{1}{2}z$			

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The hydroxyl H atom was located in a difference Fourier map and refined as riding, with O-H distance restraints of 0.85 (1) Å and with  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.5U_{\rm eq}({\rm O})$ . Other H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C-H = 0.93 for phenyl, 0.96 for methyl and 0.97 Å for methylene H atoms, and refined as riding, with  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$ for phenyl and methylene H, and  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.5U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$  for methyl H.

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MSC, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXL97*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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