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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean σ (C–C) = 0.006 Å R factor = 0.034 wR factor = 0.085 Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.2

For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see http://journals.iucr.org/e. The asymmetric unit of the title compound, $[Ni(C_5H_3N_2O2)_2(H_2O)]_n$, contains two bidendate pyrazine-2-carboxylate anions bonded to Ni^{II} in the equatorial plane through one N and one O atom. The Ni^{II} atoms are linked into chains by the second N atom of one of the pyrazine-2-carboxylate anions bonding to an axial site of a neighbouring Ni^{II} atom. The slightly distorted octahedral coordination around Ni^{II} is completed by a water molecule, which forms hydrogen bonds linking the chains into a three-dimensional structure.

Poly[aquabis(µ-pyrazine-2-carboxylato)nickel(II)]

Comment

In recent years, carboxylic acids have been widely used as polydentate ligands which can coordinate to transition or rare earth ions yielding complexes with interesting properties that are useful in materials science (Church & Halvorson, 1959; Chung *et al.*, 1971) and in biological systems (Okabe & Oya, 2000; Serre *et al.*, 2005; Pocker & Fong, 1980; Scapin *et al.*, 1997). For example, Kim *et al.* (2001) focused on the syntheses of transition metal complexes containing benzenecarboxylate and rigid aromatic pyridine ligands in order to study their electronic conductivity and magnetic properties. The importance of transition metal dicarboxylate complexes prompted us to pursue synthetic strategies for these compounds, using pyrazine-2-carboxylate as a polydentate ligand. Here we report the synthesis and X-ray crystal structure analysis of the title compound, (I).



The Ni^{II} atom of (I) is coordinated in a bidentate fashion by two O and two N atoms from two independent pyrazine-2carboxylate anions. The distorted octahedral coordination is completed by another N atom from a third pyrazine-2carboxylate ligand, and by the O atom of a water molecule (Fig. 1). The Ni–N bond lengths range from 2.083 (3) to 2.125 (3) Å and are slightly longer than the Ni–O bond lengths, which range from 2.026 (3) to 2.061 (3) Å.

The bridging of adjacent Ni^{II} atoms by one of the pyrazine-2-carboxylate ligands through its two N atoms leads to a polymeric structure, with zigzag chains extending parallel to Received 8 December 2006 Accepted 13 December 2006

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Figure 1

The asymmetric unit of (I), expanded to show the complete coordination of Ni, drawn with 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. [Symmetry code: (I) -x + 1, $y - \frac{1}{2}$, $-z + \frac{3}{2}$].





Packing diagram of (I). Ni atoms are represented by green cross-hatched spheres, N atoms by blue dotted spheres, O atoms by red hatched spheres and C atoms by grey shaded spheres. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

the b axis. Medium-strong hydrogen bonding between the water molecules and carboxylate O atoms (Table 2) additionally stabilizes the structure, forming a three-dimensional framework with pores (Fig. 2).

Experimental

A mixture of nickel(II) chloride (0.5 mmol), potassium hydroxide (0.5 mmol) and pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid (0.5 mmol) in H₂O (30 ml) was stirred for 1 h and then filtered. The filtrate was evaporated slowly in air. Green block-shaped crystals of (I) were obtained in a yield of 38%. Analysis calculated for $C_{10}H_8N_4O_5Ni$: C 37.20, H 2.50, N 17.35, Ni 18.18%; found: C 37.18, H 2.46, N 17.36, Ni 18.33%.

Crystal data

$[Ni(C_5H_3N_2O_2)_2(H_2O)]$
$M_r = 322.91$
Orthorhombic, $P2_12_12_1$
a = 7.8001 (2) Å
b = 9.8818 (12) Å
c = 14.9112 (6) Å
$V = 1149.34 (15) \text{ Å}^3$

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer φ and ω scans Absorption correction: none 6209 measured reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0496P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.034$	+ 1.048P]
$vR(F^2) = 0.085$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.00	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
2140 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 1.05 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
75 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.36 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
	Absolute structure: Flack (1983)
	with 987 Friedel pairs
	Flack parameter: 0.462 (18)

Z = 4

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.027$

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.5^{\circ}$

 $D_x = 1.866 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K α radiation $\mu = 1.72 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298 (2) KBlock, green $0.19 \times 0.17 \times 0.13 \text{ mm}$

2140 independent reflections

1969 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Table 1 Selected bond let

Table 2

Selected bond lengths (Å).

Ni1-O3	2.026 (3)	Ni1-N1	2.083 (3)
Ni1-O1	2.032 (3)	Ni1-N3	2.092 (3)
Ni1-O5	2.061 (3)	Ni1-N4 ⁱ	2.125 (3)

Symmetry code: (i) -x + 1, $y - \frac{1}{2}$, $-z + \frac{3}{2}$.

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Hydrogen-bond	geometry (Δ	°)
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$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$O5-H2\cdots O3^{ii}$	0.85	2.06	2.763 (4)	140
$O5-H1\cdots O1^{iii}$	0.85	1.85	2.695 (4)	173
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Symmetry codes: (ii) $x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 1$; (iii) $x - \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 1$.

The structure was refined from an inversion-twinned crystal with a twin ratio close to 1:1. The H atoms of the water molecule were located in a difference density map and refined with distance restraints of $H \cdots H = 1.38$ (2) Å and O-H = 0.88 (2) Å, and with a fixed $U_{iso}(H) = 0.80$ Å². All other H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C-H = 0.93 Å and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$. The highest peak is located 1.11 Å from atom O1.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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