

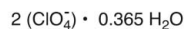
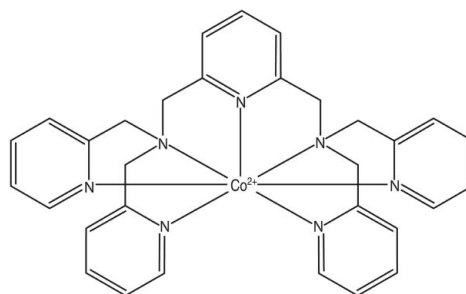
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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 120$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å  
Disorder in solvent or counterion  
 $R$  factor = 0.031  
 $wR$  factor = 0.034  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.1For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.**[2,6-Bis[bis(2-pyridylmethyl)aminomethyl]-  
pyridine]cobalt(II) bis(perchlorate) 0.365-hydrate**The title compound,  $[\text{Co}(\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_7)](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot 0.365\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , contains a high-spin  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  atom which is coordinated by seven N atoms at the corners of a distorted pentagonal bipyramid.Received 19 December 2006  
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## Comment

The ligand {2,6-bis[bis(2-pyridylmethyl)amino]methyl}-pyridine (BPATPA) has the potential to form seven-coordinate complexes. We have determined the structures of the isostructural  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  and  $\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}$  complexes of BPATPA. The title compound,  $[\text{Co}(\text{BPATPA})](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot 0.365\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , (I), is described here, while  $[\text{Mn}(\text{BPATPA})](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot 0.435\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is described in our following report (Hazell & Toftlund, 2007). The complexes are not isostructural with the previously reported compound  $[\text{Fe}(\text{BPATPA})](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$  (Lonnon *et al.*, 2002).

(I)

The  $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}$  atom in (I) is coordinated by seven N atoms which form a distorted pentagonal bipyramid (Fig. 1 and Table 1), with atoms N21 and N31 in the axial positions. The axial  $\text{Co}-\text{N}_{sp^2}$  bonds are longer than the equatorial  $\text{Co}-\text{N}_{sp^2}$  bonds and are similar in length to the  $\text{Co}-\text{N}_{sp^3}$  bonds (N1 and N9). The mean  $\text{Co}-\text{N}$  bond length is  $2.274$  Å, compared with the mean  $\text{Fe}-\text{N}$  bond length of  $2.313$  Å in  $[\text{Fe}(\text{BPATPA})](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$  (Lonnon *et al.*, 2002).

The water molecule is included with fractional site occupancy and is hydrogen bonded to two O atoms of two perchlorate anions (Table 2).

## Experimental

The BPATPA ligand (0.25 g, 0.5 mmol) was dissolved in methanol (10 ml) and the solution was flushed with dinitrogen for 5 min.  $\text{Co}(\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.18 g, 0.5 mmol) was added and the solution was stirred with continuous bubbling of dinitrogen for another 15 min. The solution was then left to stand in a closed vessel and crystals of (I) formed overnight.

## Crystal data

[Co(C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>7</sub>)](ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·0.365H<sub>2</sub>O  
*M<sub>r</sub>* = 766.08  
 Monoclinic, *P*2<sub>1</sub>/*c*  
*a* = 14.8754 (7) Å  
*b* = 12.3883 (6) Å  
*c* = 18.4518 (9) Å  
 $\beta$  = 107.875 (1)°  
*V* = 3236.2 (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

*Z* = 4  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.572 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo *K*α radiation  
 $\mu$  = 0.76 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 120 K  
 Block, orange  
 0.48 × 0.36 × 0.28 mm

## Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD area-  
 detector diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: integration  
 (*XPREP*; Siemens, 1995)  
*T<sub>min</sub>* = 0.736, *T<sub>max</sub>* = 0.830

42706 measured reflections  
 9261 independent reflections  
 7712 reflections with *I* > 3σ(*I*)  
*R<sub>int</sub>* = 0.032  
 $\theta_{\max}$  = 29.8°

## Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
 $R[F^2 > 3\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.034$   
 $S = 1.02$   
 7712 reflections  
 452 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma_{cs}(F^2 + B) + (1 + A)F^2]^{1/2}$   
 $-|F|^2$ ,  
 where *A* = 0.03 and *B* = 2.0  
 $(\Delta\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.52 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.47 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$

Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

|         |           |         |           |
|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Co1—N1  | 2.303 (1) | Co1—N21 | 2.360 (1) |
| Co1—N9  | 2.325 (1) | Co1—N31 | 2.290 (1) |
| Co1—N10 | 2.181 (1) | Co1—N41 | 2.188 (1) |
| Co1—N11 | 2.273 (1) |         |           |

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

| <i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i> | <i>D</i> —H | H... <i>A</i> | <i>D</i> ... <i>A</i> | <i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i> |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| O9—H9A...O5             | 0.85        | 1.89          | 2.740 (7)             | 180                     |
| O9—H9B...O4             | 0.85        | 2.245         | 3.097 (7)             | 180                     |

H atoms bound to C atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C—H = 0.95 Å, and refined using a riding model, with *U<sub>iso</sub>*(H) =

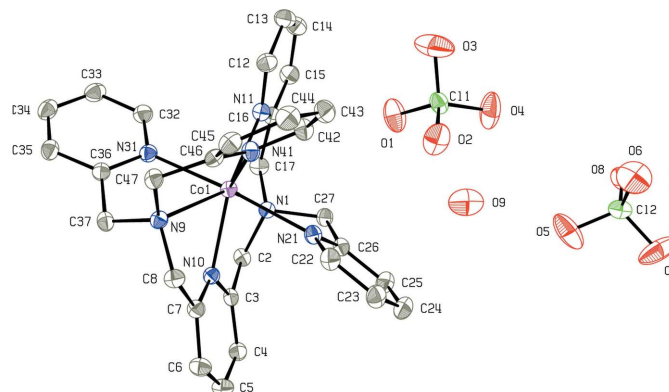


Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing displacement ellipsoids at the 50% probability level. H atoms have been omitted.

1.2*U<sub>eq</sub>*(C). The H atoms of the water molecule were placed along the vector from O9 to the nearest hydrogen-bond acceptor O atom, with O9—H = 0.85 Å. They were allowed to ride during subsequent refinement, with *U<sub>iso</sub>*(H) = 1.2*U<sub>eq</sub>*(O). The refined site occupancy factor of atom O9 is 0.365 (5).

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1995); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Siemens, 1995); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR97* (Altomare *et al.*, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *KRYSTAL* (Hazell, 1995); molecular graphics: *ORTEPIII* (Burnett & Johnson, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: *KRYSTAL*.

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