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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
T = 291 K
Mean $\sigma(C-C)$ = 0.002 Å
R factor = 0.028
wR factor = 0.076
Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.3

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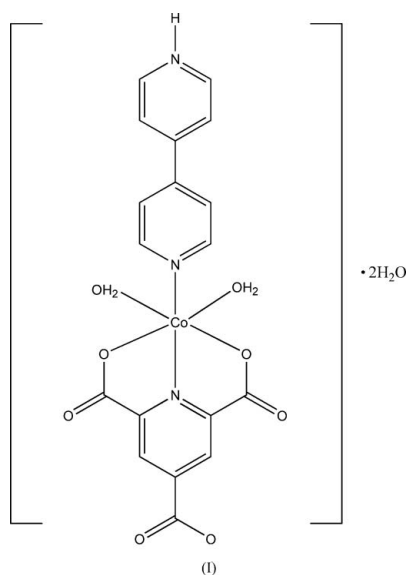
Diaqua(pyridine-2,4,6-tricarboxylato- κ^3N,O^2,O^6)-
[4-(4-pyridyl)pyridinium- κN^1]cobalt(II) dihydrate

In the title monomeric compound, $[Co(C_8H_2NO_6)(C_{10}H_9N_2)(H_2O)_2] \cdot 2H_2O$, the Co^{II} atom is in a distorted octahedral environment. Complex molecules are linked by extensive hydrogen bonds, forming a three-dimensional supramolecular structure.

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Comment

Self-assembly processes involving metal ions and organic ligands and directed by either metal coordination or hydrogen bonds have received a great deal of attention over the past few decades in the fields of supramolecular chemistry and crystal engineering. Pyridine-2,4,6-tricarboxylic acid (ptcH₃) is an efficient ligand which acts as a multidentate ligand as well as a bridging linker in the chemical design of metal-organic molecular assemblies (Ghosh, El Fallah *et al.*, 2006; Ghosh, Savitha *et al.*, 2006; Ghosh & Bharadwaj, 2006, 2005a,b; Gao, Ding *et al.*, 2006; Gao, Yi *et al.*, 2006; Diao *et al.*, 2003). Weak intermolecular interactions, such as hydrogen bonding and π - π stacking, enable supramolecular assemblies by the creation of pyridine-2,4,6-tricarboxylate compounds (Ghosh & Bharadwaj, 2006, 2005a,b; Yigit *et al.*, 2006; Houser *et al.*, 2005). Taking advantage of the coordination ability of ptcH₃ with transition metals and introducing another organic ligand, namely 4,4'-bipyridine (4,4'-bpy), we synthesized a new mononuclear complex $[Co(ptc)(4,4'-bpy)(H_2O)_2](H_2O)_2$, (I), with a three-dimensional supramolecular network structure.



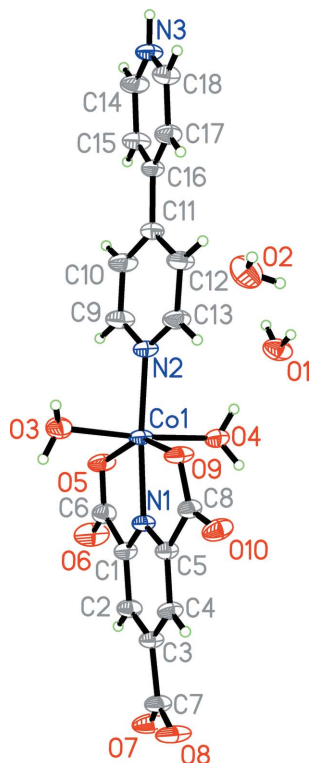


Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (small spheres for the H atoms) and the atom-numbering scheme.

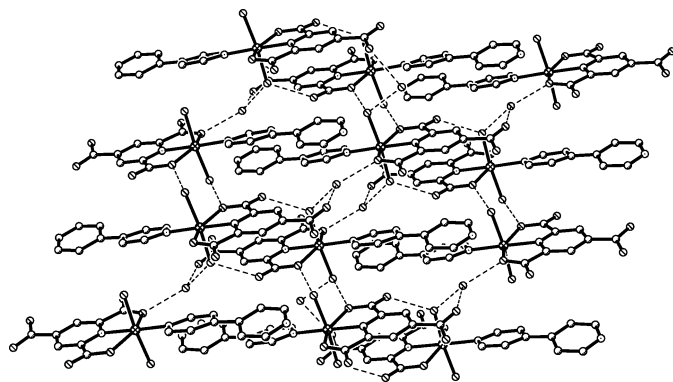


Figure 2

Perspective view of the three-dimensional network of (I), showing hydrogen bonds as dashed lines. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

distorted octahedral geometry (Fig. 1) with equatorial coordination from N and two carboxylate O atoms of the ptc^{3-} ligand and one N atom of the 4,4'-bipyridine (4,4'-bpy) group. The two axial sites are occupied by water molecules. The uncoordinated N atom of the 4,4'-bpy is protonated. The two pyridyl rings are twisted from each other, with a dihedral angle of $18.3(\text{su})^\circ$. All carboxyl groups of ptcH_3 are deprotonated, in agreement with the IR data in which no strong absorption peaks were observed around 1700 cm^{-1} for $-\text{COOH}$. The Co–N and Co–O distances are listed in Table 1.

The molecules are further connected by intricate N–H \cdots O and O–H \cdots O hydrogen-bonding interactions (Table 2), forming an overall three-dimensional structure (Fig. 2).

Experimental

The ligand ptcH_3 was prepared as described by Syper *et al.* (1980). Complex (I) was synthesized hydrothermally under autogenous pressure. A mixture of cobalt(II) perchlorate hexahydrate (73 mg, 0.2 mmol), ptcH_3 (42 mg, 0.2 mmol), 4,4'-bpy (32 mg, 0.2 mmol) and H_2O (8 ml) was sealed in a stainless steel reactor with a Teflon liner, which was heated to 433 K for 2 d. After slow cooling to room temperature at a rate of 2 K h^{-1} , orange block-shaped crystals of (I) were obtained by filtration; these were washed with distilled water and finally dried in air (50% yield).

Crystal data

$[\text{Co}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_2\text{NO}_6)(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_9\text{N}_2)(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	$\gamma = 110.5470(10)^\circ$
$M_r = 496.29$	$V = 993.62(19)\text{ \AA}^3$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$	$Z = 2$
$a = 8.6711(9)\text{ \AA}$	$D_x = 1.659\text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$b = 10.7727(12)\text{ \AA}$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$c = 11.5702(13)\text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.93\text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 95.8040(10)^\circ$	$T = 291(2)\text{ K}$
$\beta = 96.6040(10)^\circ$	Block, orange
	$0.39 \times 0.29 \times 0.21\text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer	8834 measured reflections
φ and ω scans	4478 independent reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	3980 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$T_{\min} = 0.715$, $T_{\max} = 0.832$	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.018$
	$\theta_{\max} = 27.5^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0382P)^2 + 0.3303P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.028$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.076$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$
$S = 1.05$	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.24\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
4478 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.42\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
293 parameters	
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement	

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$).

Co1–N1	2.0386(12)	O5–C6	1.2793(19)
Co1–O4	2.0617(12)	O6–C6	1.229(2)
Co1–N2	2.1028(13)	O7–C7	1.248(2)
Co1–O3	2.1111(12)	O8–C7	1.256(2)
Co1–O5	2.1427(12)	O9–C8	1.2738(18)
Co1–O9	2.2150(12)	O10–C8	1.2376(19)
N1–Co1–O4	89.39(5)	N2–Co1–O5	107.51(5)
N1–Co1–N2	174.55(5)	O3–Co1–O5	88.32(5)
O4–Co1–N2	87.45(5)	N1–Co1–O9	75.42(5)
N1–Co1–O3	96.00(5)	O4–Co1–O9	93.25(5)
O4–Co1–O3	174.20(4)	N2–Co1–O9	100.31(5)
N2–Co1–O3	87.34(5)	O3–Co1–O9	90.19(5)
N1–Co1–O5	76.96(5)	O5–Co1–O9	152.03(4)
O4–Co1–O5	90.82(5)		

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>
N3—H3...O7 ⁱ	0.88 (3)	2.47 (3)	3.1036 (19)	129 (2)
N3—H3...O8 ⁱ	0.88 (3)	1.86 (3)	2.7309 (18)	172 (2)
O4—H8W...O1	0.83	1.85	2.6666 (17)	172.9
O1—H2W...O8 ⁱⁱ	0.84	2.02	2.8223 (17)	161.2
O2—H4W...O7 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.83	1.93	2.7290 (18)	160.2
O1—H1W...O5 ^{iv}	0.84	1.91	2.7311 (16)	165.2
O2—H3W...O7 ⁱⁱ	0.84	2.05	2.875 (2)	166.0
O3—H5W...O9 ^v	0.82	1.95	2.7555 (16)	167.7
O3—H6W...O2 ^v	0.82	1.97	2.7981 (19)	176.7
O4—H7W...O10 ⁱⁱ	0.83	1.87	2.7043 (16)	178.5

Symmetry codes: (i) $x - 2, y - 1, z - 1$; (ii) $-x + 2, -y + 2, -z + 1$; (iii) $x - 1, y, z - 1$; (iv) $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$; (v) $-x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 1$.

The H atom attached to N3 was refined freely with an isotropic displacement parameter. The water H atoms were located in a difference map and their positions fixed. All other H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model, with C—H = 0.93 Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

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

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