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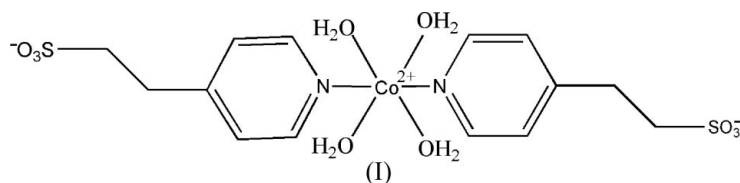
Tetraaquabis[2-(4-pyridyl)ethanesulfonato- κN]-cobalt(II)

The title complex, $[Co(C_7H_8O_3S)_2(H_2O)_4]$, is isostructural with the Zn and Cu analogues. The Co atom (site symmetry $\bar{1}$) adopts a regular *trans*- CoN_2O_4 octahedral geometry.

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Comment

The title compound, (I), is isostructural with the known $M^{II}(C_7H_8O_3S)_2(H_2O)_4$ compounds, where $M = Zn$ (Zeng *et al.*, 2000) and Cu (Zhang & Wen, 2006), but it represents the first 2-(4-pyridyl)ethanesulfonate (PES) coordination complex of cobalt(II).



The molecule of (I) is centrosymmetric (Fig. 1), with a regular *trans*- CoN_2O_4 octahedron (Table 1), including the O atoms of water molecules. Adjacent complex molecules interact by way of $O_w-H \cdots O_s$ (w = water, s = sulfonate) hydrogen bonds (Table 2), leading to a three-dimensional network.

Experimental

$Co(CH_3COO)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$ (0.249 g, 1 mmol) and 4-pyridine-ethanesulfonic acid (0.0936 g, 0.5 mmol) were dissolved in water (20 ml) and the pH was adjusted to about 4.5 with dilute NaOH

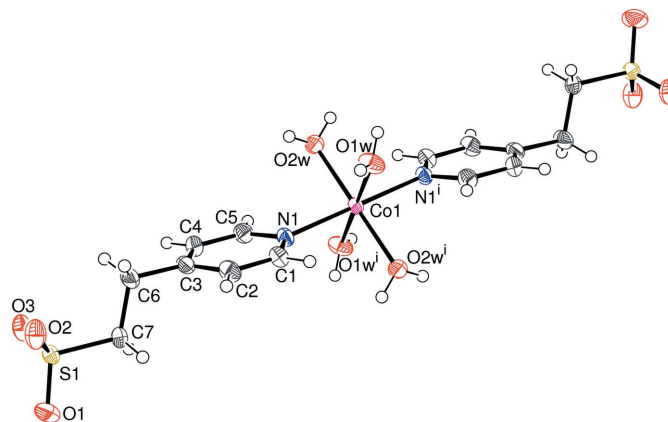


Figure 1
 View of the molecular structure of (I), showing 30% displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for the H atoms). [Symmetry code: (i) $1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$.]

solution. The resulting clear red solution was allowed to stand in air for two weeks. Orange plate-shaped crystals of (I) formed in a yield of approximately 40% (based on cobalt).

Crystal data

[Co(C ₇ H ₈ O ₃ S) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₄]	$V = 1001.20 (14) \text{ \AA}^3$
$M_r = 503.40$	$Z = 2$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 9.1469 (8) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 1.12 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$b = 8.7961 (7) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 173 (2) \text{ K}$
$c = 12.491 (1) \text{ \AA}$	$0.46 \times 0.42 \times 0.16 \text{ mm}$
$\beta = 94.965 (1)^\circ$	

Data collection

Bruker SMART 1K CCD diffractometer	5462 measured reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 1999)	1900 independent reflections
$T_{\min} = 0.631, T_{\max} = 0.836$	1695 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.019$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.024$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$wR(F^2) = 0.066$	
$S = 1.12$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.32 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
1900 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.30 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
149 parameters	
6 restraints	

Table 1

Selected bond lengths (\AA).

Co1—O2W	2.0897 (14)	Co1—N1	2.1363 (15)
Co1—O1W	2.1151 (14)		

Table 2

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

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
O1W—H9 \cdots O3 ⁱ	0.832 (16)	1.962 (16)	2.7906 (19)	174 (3)
O1W—H8 \cdots O2 ⁱⁱ	0.819 (16)	1.992 (16)	2.806 (2)	172 (2)
O2W—H11 \cdots O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.838 (16)	1.957 (17)	2.794 (2)	176 (2)
O2W—H10 \cdots O3 ⁱⁱ	0.852 (16)	1.896 (17)	2.7408 (19)	171 (3)

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

The water H atoms were located in difference maps and refined with the restraints $O-H = 0.85 (1) \text{ \AA}$ and $H\cdots H = 1.39 (1) \text{ \AA}$. Their U_{iso} values were freely refined. The C-bound H atoms were located in idealized positions ($C-H = 0.95 \text{ \AA}$) and refined as riding, with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1999); 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: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997).

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