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**Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 T = 293 K  
 Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.002 Å  
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 wR factor = 0.085  
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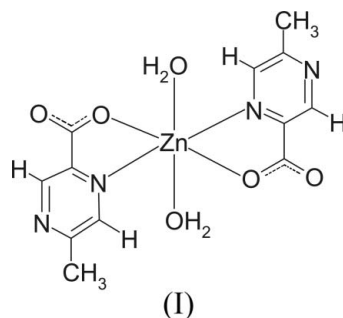
***trans*-Diaquabis(5-methylpyrazine-2-carboxylato- $\kappa^2O,N$ )zinc(II)**

The crystal structure of the title compound,  $[Zn(C_6H_5N_2O_2)_2(H_2O)_2]$ , consists of discrete mononuclear complex molecules. The  $Zn^{II}$  ion is located on an inversion centre and is coordinated in a *trans* mode by the *N,O*-bonding groups donated by two 5-methylpyrazine-2-carboxylate ligands [ $Zn-N = 2.109(1)$  Å and  $Zn-O = 2.090(1)$  Å] and by two aqua O atoms [ $Zn-O = 2.129(2)$  Å]. The coordination geometry around the  $Zn^{II}$  ion is slightly distorted octahedral. The crystal structure is stabilized by a network of  $O-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds operating between the coordinated water molecules and carboxylate O atoms.

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**Comment**

The crystal structure of the title compound, (I), contains discrete mononuclear complex molecules in which  $Zn^{II}$  ions, situated on inversion centres, are chelated by two 5-methylpyrazine-2-carboxylate ligands in a *trans* mode and bonded by two water molecules. The coordination geometry around the  $Zn^{II}$  ion is slightly distorted octahedral. The ligand chelation proceeds *via* its *N,O*-bonding group. The pyrazine ring is essentially planar [r.m.s. deviation 0.0176(2) Å] and the carboxylate group deviates from this ring plane by 3.5(1)°. The molecular structure is shown in Fig. 1 and relevant bond distances and angles for the  $Zn^{II}$  coordination octahedron are listed in Table 1. The bond distances and angles within the ligand molecule are in fair agreement with those reported for the parent acid (Vishweshwar *et al.* 2002).



Coordinated water molecules and carboxylate O atoms participate in a network of  $O-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds (Table 2) which are responsible for the stability of the crystal structure (Fig. 2).

**Experimental**

Zinc carbonate in a small excess was added with constant stirring to a hot aqueous solution (50 ml) containing 5-methylpyrazine-2-

carboxylic acid (Aldrich) (0.01 mol), then filtered off. After a few days, colourless well shaped single crystals in the form of rectangular blocks deposited in the mother liquid. They were separated off, washed with cold ethanol and dried in air at room temperature.

#### Crystal data

$[\text{Zn}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$	$\gamma = 109.44 (3)^\circ$
$M_r = 375.64$	$V = 366.97 (13) \text{ \AA}^3$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$	$Z = 1$
$a = 5.1405 (10) \text{ \AA}$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$b = 6.4312 (13) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 1.71 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 12.234 (2) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 293 (2) \text{ K}$
$\alpha = 104.67 (3)^\circ$	$0.48 \times 0.12 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$
$\beta = 90.61 (3)^\circ$	

#### Data collection

Kuma KM-4 four-circle diffractometer	2157 independent reflections
Absorption correction: analytical ( <i>CrysAlis RED</i> ; Oxford Diffraction, 2002)	2070 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$T_{\min} = 0.758$ , $T_{\max} = 0.813$	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.010$
2381 measured reflections	3 standard reflections every 200 reflections
	intensity decay: 0.2%

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$	134 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.085$	All H-atom parameters refined
$S = 1.10$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.95 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
2157 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.80 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

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

Zn1—O1	2.0901 (12)	Zn1—O3	2.1287 (16)
Zn1—N1	2.1085 (13)		
O1 <sup>i</sup> —Zn1—O1	180	N1—Zn1—O3	92.44 (6)
O1—Zn1—N1	79.23 (5)	O1—Zn1—O3 <sup>i</sup>	89.36 (5)
O1—Zn1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	100.77 (5)	N1—Zn1—O3 <sup>i</sup>	87.56 (6)
N1—Zn1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	180	O3—Zn1—O3 <sup>i</sup>	180
O1—Zn1—O3	90.64 (5)		

Symmetry code: (i)  $-x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1$ .

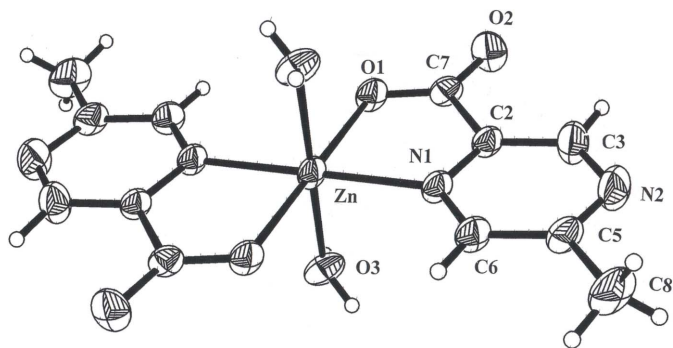
**Table 2**

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

$D\text{---}H\cdots A$	$D\text{---}H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D\text{---}H\cdots A$
O3—H31 <sup>ii</sup> ···O2 <sup>ii</sup>	0.75 (4)	1.96 (4)	2.679 (2)	162 (3)
O3—H32 <sup>iii</sup> ···O1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.77 (3)	1.99 (3)	2.7374 (18)	161 (3)

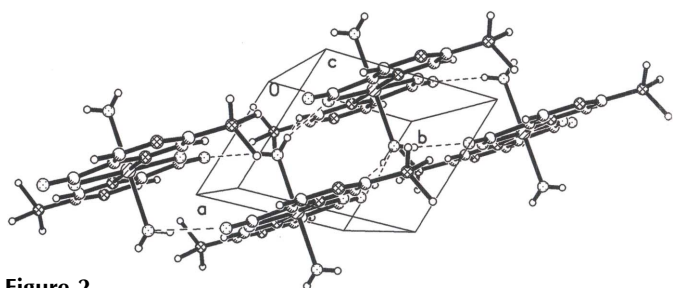
Symmetry codes: (ii)  $-x + 2, -y, -z + 1$ ; (iii)  $x - 1, y, z$ .

All H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined with isotropic displacement parameters, giving C—H distances in the range 0.88 (5)–0.94 (3)  $\text{\AA}$ .



**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of (I), with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Unlabelled atoms are related by the symmetry operator  $(2 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z)$ .



**Figure 2**

Part of the crystal structure of (I), with hydrogen bonds indicated by dashed lines.

Data collection: *KM-4 Software* (Kuma Diffraction, 1996); cell refinement: *KM-4 Software*; data reduction: *DATAPROC* (Kuma, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* (Siemens, 1992); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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