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# catena-Poly[[bis(pyridine-3-carboxylic acid-*kN*)mercury(II)]-di-*µ*-chlorido]

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 298 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.007 Å; R factor = 0.032; wR factor = 0.082; data-to-parameter ratio = 19.6.

In the title compound,  $[HgCl_2(C_6H_5NO_2)_2]_n$ , the  $Hg^{II}$  cation is located on an inversion center and is six-coordinated in a distorted octahedral geometry by two N atoms from two pyridine-3-carboxylic acid molecules and four bridging Cl<sup>-</sup> anions. The bridging function of the Cl<sup>-</sup> anions leads to polymeric chains running along the *a* axis. One Hg-Cl bond is much longer than the other. In the crystal,  $O-H \cdots O$  and weak C-H···Cl hydrogen bonds are observed.

#### **Related literature**

For related structures, see: Lu & Kohler (2002); Liang & Li (2005); Zhang et al. (1996); Ghazzali et al. (2007); Lin et al. (1998); Cotton et al. (1991).



#### **Experimental**

Crystal data  $[HgCl_2(C_6H_5NO_2)_2]$  $M_r = 517.71$ Triclinic, P1 a = 3.8298 (5) Å b = 6.5626 (9) Å c = 14.5831 (18) Å  $\alpha = 98.001 \ (10)^{\circ}$  $\beta = 95.315 \ (11)^{\circ}$ 

$\gamma = 92.963 \ (11)^{\circ}$
$V = 360.62 (8) \text{ Å}^3$
Z = 1
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$\mu = 11.06 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
T = 298  K
$0.20 \times 0.10 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART 1000 CCD area-	4417 measured reflections
detector diffractometer	1917 independent reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan	1913 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
(SADABS; Bruker, 2001)	$R_{\rm int} = 0.078$
$T_{\min} = 0.293, \ T_{\max} = 0.523$	

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$	98 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.082$	H-atom parameters constrained
S = 0.83	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 1.02 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
1917 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -1.22 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

#### Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

$\begin{array}{l} Hg1 - Cl1 \\ Hg1 - Cl1^{i} \end{array}$	2.4608 (13) 2.8790 (13)	$Hg1-N1^{ii}$	2.519 (4)

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

#### Table 2 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$O2-H2A\cdots O1^{iii}$	0.82	1.80	2.618 (7)	171
$C1 - H1 \cdot \cdot \cdot Cl1^{iv}$	0.93	2.79	3.582 (6)	144
$C6-H6\cdot\cdot\cdot Cl1^{ii}$	0.93	2.78	3.454 (5)	130
Symmetry codes:	(ii) $-r + 1$	-v + 2 - z + 1	(iii) $-r - v$	+2 -7 (iv)

-x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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## Comment

3-Pyridine carboxylic acid (pyc), is a good ligand, and a few complexes with pyc have been prepared, such as that of cadmium (Lu & Kohler, 2002; Liang & Li, 2005; Zhang *et al.*, 1996) and zinc (Ghazzali *et al.*, 2007; Lin *et al.*, 1998; Cotton *et al.*, 1991). Here, we report the synthesis and structure of the title compound.

The asymmetric unit of the title compound, (Fig. 1), contains one half -molecule. The Hg<sup>II</sup> atom is six-coordinated in a distorted octahedral configuration by two N atoms from two 3-pyridine carboxylic acid and four bridging Cl. The bridging function of the chloro atoms leads to a one-dimensional chain structure. The Hg—Cl and Hg—N bond lengths and angles are collected in Table 1.

In the crystal structure, intermolecular O—H···O and C—H···Cl hydrogen bonds (Table 2, Fig. 2) may stabilize the structure.

## **Experimental**

A solution of pyridine-3-carboxylic acid (0.25 g, 2.0 mmol) in methanol (20 ml) was added to a solution of  $HgCl_2$  (0.27 g, 1.0 mmol) in methanol (20 ml) and the resulting colorless solution was stirred for 15 min at room temperature. This solution was left to evaporate slowly at room temperature. After one week, colorless needle crystals of the title compound were isolated (yield 0.41 g, 79.2%).

## Refinement

H atoms were positioned geometrically, with C—H = 0.93 Å and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ .

## **Computing details**

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2007); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).



# Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title molecule, with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level. [Symmetry codes: (a)  $-1 + x_y z_z$ ; (c)  $1 - x_y 2 - y_y 1 - z_z$ ; (d)  $2 - x_y 2 - y_y 1 - z_z$ ].



## Figure 2

A packing diagram of the title complex. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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Crystal data

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#### Data collection

Bruker SMART 1000 CCD area-detector4417 measdiffractometer1917 indepRadiation source: fine-focus sealed tube1913 reflexGraphite monochromator $R_{int} = 0.073$  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans $\theta_{max} = 29.2$ Absorption correction: multi-scan $h = -4 \rightarrow 5$ (SADABS; Bruker, 2001)' $k = -8 \rightarrow 8$  $T_{min} = 0.293, T_{max} = 0.523$  $l = -19 \rightarrow 12$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ Least-squares matrix: full  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$  $wR(F^2) = 0.082$ S = 0.831917 reflections 98 parameters 0 restraints Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods Z = 1 F(000) = 242  $D_x = 2.384 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K\alpha radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 1010 reflections  $\theta = 2.8-29.2^{\circ}$   $\mu = 11.06 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  T = 298 KNeedle, colorless  $0.20 \times 0.10 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$ 

4417 measured reflections 1917 independent reflections 1913 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   $R_{int} = 0.078$   $\theta_{max} = 29.2^{\circ}, \theta_{min} = 2.8^{\circ}$   $h = -4 \rightarrow 5$   $k = -8 \rightarrow 8$  $l = -19 \rightarrow 19$ 

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites H-atom parameters constrained  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0827P)^2]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.015$  $\Delta\rho_{max} = 1.02$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  $\Delta\rho_{min} = -1.22$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

#### Special details

**Geometry**. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

**Refinement**. Refinement of  $F^2$  against ALL reflections. The weighted *R*-factor *wR* and goodness of fit *S* are based on  $F^2$ , conventional *R*-factors *R* are based on *F*, with *F* set to zero for negative  $F^2$ . The threshold expression of  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  is used only for calculating *R*-factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. *R*-factors based on  $F^2$  are statistically about twice as large as those based on *F*, and *R*- factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}*/U_{ m eq}$	
C1	0.5737 (16)	0.5901 (8)	0.3289 (4)	0.0441 (10)	
H1	0.6553	0.5307	0.3805	0.053*	
C2	0.5746 (17)	0.4781 (8)	0.2408 (4)	0.0471 (11)	
H2	0.6561	0.3463	0.2338	0.057*	
C3	0.4531 (16)	0.5643 (8)	0.1635 (4)	0.0444 (10)	
H3	0.4528	0.4926	0.1038	0.053*	
C4	0.3308 (14)	0.7624 (7)	0.1775 (3)	0.0376 (8)	
C5	0.1917 (15)	0.8656 (8)	0.0996 (3)	0.0419 (9)	
C6	0.3410 (14)	0.8644 (7)	0.2680 (3)	0.0385 (8)	
H6	0.2618	0.9966	0.2770	0.046*	
N1	0.4590 (13)	0.7817 (7)	0.3425 (3)	0.0410 (8)	
01	0.0639 (17)	1.0378 (8)	0.1165 (3)	0.0595 (12)	
O2	0.2082 (19)	0.7727 (9)	0.0170 (3)	0.0648 (14)	
H2A	0.1115	0.8387	-0.0208	0.097*	
Cl1	0.9257 (3)	0.77277 (19)	0.56211 (9)	0.0418 (2)	
Hg1	0.5000	1.0000	0.5000	0.03700 (10)	

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	<i>U</i> <sup>23</sup>
C1	0.047 (3)	0.041 (2)	0.047 (2)	0.0095 (19)	-0.0002 (19)	0.0179 (18)
C2	0.055 (3)	0.035 (2)	0.053 (3)	0.0128 (19)	0.002 (2)	0.0103 (18)
C3	0.051 (3)	0.039 (2)	0.044 (2)	0.0099 (19)	0.0038 (19)	0.0065 (16)
C4	0.040 (2)	0.0376 (19)	0.0365 (19)	0.0052 (16)	0.0025 (15)	0.0083 (15)
C5	0.048 (3)	0.042 (2)	0.037 (2)	0.0091 (19)	-0.0016 (17)	0.0081 (16)
C6	0.046 (2)	0.0380 (19)	0.0340 (19)	0.0129 (17)	0.0010 (16)	0.0103 (15)
N1	0.047 (2)	0.0413 (19)	0.0361 (17)	0.0116 (17)	-0.0005 (15)	0.0119 (14)
01	0.085 (4)	0.054 (2)	0.0421 (19)	0.032 (2)	0.000 (2)	0.0115 (16)
O2	0.098 (4)	0.064 (3)	0.0336 (18)	0.033 (3)	-0.001 (2)	0.0055 (16)
Cl1	0.0408 (5)	0.0432 (5)	0.0452 (5)	0.0145 (4)	0.0031 (4)	0.0164 (4)
Hg1	0.03475 (14)	0.04550 (15)	0.03275 (13)	0.01720 (9)	0.00034 (8)	0.00937 (8)

Atomic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)* 

C1—N1	1.348 (7)	C5—O1	1.257 (7)
C1—C2	1.390 (8)	C5—O2	1.281 (7)
С1—Н1	0.9300	C6—N1	1.334 (6)

$C_{2}$ $C_{2}$	1 204 (0)		0.0200
C2—C3	1.384 (8)		0.9300
C2—H2	0.9300	NI—Hgl	2.519 (4)
C3—C4	1.399 (7)	O2—H2A	0.8200
С3—Н3	0.9300	Hg1—Cl1	2.4608 (13)
C4—C6	1.390 (6)	Hg1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	2.8790 (13)
C4—C5	1.474 (7)	Hg1—N1 <sup>ii</sup>	2.519 (4)
N1—C1—C2	122.4 (5)	C6—N1—Hg1	118.5 (3)
N1—C1—H1	118.8	C1—N1—Hg1	123.2 (3)
C2—C1—H1	118.8	C5—O2—H2A	109.5
C3—C2—C1	119.4 (5)	Hg1—Cl1—Hg1 <sup>iii</sup>	91.31 (4)
C3—C2—H2	120.3	Cl1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>ii</sup>	180.000 (1)
C1—C2—H2	120.3	Cl1—Hg1—N1 <sup>ii</sup>	89.75 (11)
C2—C3—C4	118.2 (5)	Cl1 <sup>ii</sup> —Hg1—N1 <sup>ii</sup>	90.25 (11)
С2—С3—Н3	120.9	Cl1—Hg1—N1	90.25 (11)
С4—С3—Н3	120.9	Cl1 <sup>ii</sup> —Hg1—N1	89.75 (11)
C3—C4—C6	118.7 (5)	N1 <sup>ii</sup> —Hg1—N1	180.000 (1)
C3—C4—C5	122.1 (4)	Cl1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	91.31 (4)
C6—C4—C5	119.2 (5)	Cl1 <sup>ii</sup> —Hg1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	88.69 (4)
O1—C5—O2	123.2 (5)	N1 <sup>ii</sup> —Hg1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	85.85 (11)
O1—C5—C4	119.4 (5)	N1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	94.15 (11)
O2—C5—C4	117.4 (5)	Cl1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>iv</sup>	88.69 (4)
N1—C6—C4	123.1 (5)	Cl1 <sup>ii</sup> —Hg1—Cl1 <sup>iv</sup>	91.31 (4)
N1—C6—H6	118.4	$N1^{ii}$ —Hg1—Cl1 <sup>iv</sup>	94.15 (11)
C4—C6—H6	118.5	N1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>iv</sup>	85.85 (11)
C6—N1—C1	118.1 (5)	Cll <sup>i</sup> —Hg1—Cll <sup>iv</sup>	180.0
	110.1 (0)		100.0
N1—C1—C2—C3	-0.2 (9)	Hg1 <sup>iii</sup> —Cl1—Hg1—N1 <sup>ii</sup>	-94.16 (11)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.5 (9)	Hg1 <sup>iii</sup> —Cl1—Hg1—N1	85.84 (11)
C2—C3—C4—C6	0.8 (8)	Hg1 <sup>iii</sup> —Cl1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	180.0
C2—C3—C4—C5	-179.1 (5)	Hg1 <sup>iii</sup> —Cl1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>iv</sup>	0.0
C3—C4—C5—O1	175.3 (6)	C6—N1—Hg1—Cl1	-159.3 (4)
C6-C4-C5-O1	-4.6 (8)	C1—N1—Hg1—Cl1	15.9 (4)
C3—C4—C5—O2	-4.6 (8)	C6—N1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>ii</sup>	20.7 (4)
C6—C4—C5—O2	175.4 (6)	C1—N1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>ii</sup>	-164.1 (4)
C3—C4—C6—N1	-0.7 (8)	C6—N1—Hg1—N1 <sup>ii</sup>	-6 (100)
C5—C4—C6—N1	179.3 (5)	$C1 - N1 - Hg1 - N1^{ii}$	169 (100)
C4—C6—N1—C1	0.1 (8)	C6—N1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	109.4 (4)
C4—C6—N1—Hg1	175.5 (4)	$C1$ — $N1$ — $Hg1$ — $C11^i$	-75.4 (4)
C2-C1-N1-C6	0.4 (8)	$C6-N1-Hg1-Cl1^{iv}$	-70.6 (4)
C2-C1-N1-H91	-174.8 (4)	$C1-N1-Hg1-Cl1^{iv}$	104.6 (4)
Hg1 <sup>iii</sup> —Cl1—Hg1—Cl1 <sup>ii</sup>	73 (100)		

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

# Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

	<i>D</i> —Н	H···A	D····A	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
02—H2A…O1 <sup>v</sup>	0.82	1.80	2.618 (7)	171

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C1—H1····Cl1 <sup>vi</sup>	0.93	2.79	3.582 (6)	144	
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Symmetry codes: (ii) -*x*+1, -*y*+2, -*z*+1; (v) -*x*, -*y*+2, -*z*; (vi) -*x*+2, -*y*+1, -*z*+1.