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A new type of lanthanide-group 10 transition metal mixed ligand complex, {[(DMF)₁₆Yb₆(μ ₆-O)(μ ₃-OH)₈(μ -NC)Pd(μ -CN)- $(CN)_2$][Pd(CN)₄]₃·4DMF}_∞, has been produced through the redox reaction of YbCl₂ with K₂[Pd(CN)₄]·H₂O in DMF.¹ It is the first example, to our knowledge, of a cationic chain array in which hydroxo-lanthanide clusters are linked through bridging transition metal anion complexes. In this reaction Yb2+ was oxidized to Yb^{3+} and the protons in water were reduced to H_2 . The resulting ionic species in the presence of $[Pd(CN)_4]^{2-}$ in DMF solution yielded colorless crystals and also light yellow crystals. The colorless crystals are {[(DMF)₈(H₂O)₂Yb₂[Pd- $(CN)_{4}_{3} \cdot 0.26H_{2}O_{\infty}$, whose structure is similar to a type we designated as type A and reported earlier^{2c} except that two DMF molecules are replaced by two H₂O molecules. It is not discussed here. But its structural information is included in the Supporting Information. The light yellow crystals are the title complex which is discussed below.

Figure 1³ depicts the packing in the unit cell of the title complex. It contains a portion of the cationic, chainlike array $\{[(DMF)_{16}Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(\mu-NC)Pd(\mu-CN)(CN)_2]^{6+}\}_{\infty}$ with three $[Pd(CN)_4]^{2-}$ counterions. The chain consists of clusters of



Figure 1. Unit cell packing diagram showing extend infinite chain in the complex $\{[(DMF)_{16}Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(\mu-NC)Pd(\mu-CN)(CN)_2][Pd-(CN)_4]_3·4DMF\}_{\infty}$ with 25% thermal ellipsoids. The center of the unit is chosen at (1, 1, 0), only oxygen atoms in DMF are displayed, and co-crystallized DMF solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Selected bond lengths (Å): Yb1–N1, 2.424(7); Yb–O (OH⁻ groups), 2.270(5)–2.343-(5); Yb–O(interstitial oxygen atom), 2.413(1)–2.450(1); Yb–O(DMF molecules), 2.270(7)–2.405(7); Pd–C, 1.97(2)–2.02(2); C–N(cyanide groups), 1.11(2)–1.16(2). Selected bond angles (deg): O(OH⁻ groups)–Yb–O(OH⁻ groups), 73.4(2)–89.7(2) and 129.4(2)–131.6(2); Yb–O(interstitial oxygen atom)–Yb, 88.84(3)-91.16(3); Yb–O(OH⁻ groups)–Yb, 94.4(2)–98.5(2); C–Pd–C, 89.2(5)–90.8(5); Pd–C–N, 177(1)–179(1); Yb–N–C, 166.4(9).

 $[(DMF)_{16}Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8]^{8+}$ that are linked through the trans cyanide ligands of $[Pd(CN)_4]^{2-}$ in which nitrogen atoms in cyanide ligands form dative bonds with ytterbium centers. Each repeating unit $[(DMF)_{16}Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(\mu-NC)Pd(\mu-CN) (CN)_2$ ⁶⁺ carries a +6 charge that is offset by three square planar [Pd(CN)₄]²⁻ anions. Four DMF solvent molecules per unit cell are also cocrystallized in the unit cell. The core of the cluster (Figure 2) contains an interstitial O^{2-} ion that is octahedrally coordinated to six Yb³⁺ cations. This Yb₆(μ_6 -O) unit is located within a cubic arrangement of eight OH⁻ anions, each of which caps a triangular face of the octahedron and is coordinated to each of the three Yb³⁺ cations that define the face. Although the hydrogen atoms were not located by X-ray analysis, the solidstate IR spectrum of the crystals reveals the O-H stretching vibration at 3656 cm^{-1.4} External to the cube-octahedral core, there are ligands of DMF and cyano groups bound to the Yb³⁺ cations. Each Yb³⁺ has distorted dodecahedral coordination geometry. Four of these cations are each coordinated to three terminal DMF ligands, four OH⁻ units, and the central O²⁻ anion. The remaining two Yb³⁺ cations are also coordinated to the central O²⁻, but one of the DMF ligands on each cation is replaced by a cyano group.

The infrared spectrum of {[(DMF)₁₆Yb₆(μ_6 -O)(μ_3 -OH)₈(μ -NC)-Pd(μ -CN)(CN)₂][Pd(CN)₄]₃·4DMF}_∞ (KBr pellet) in the CN stretching region consists of two bands. The band at 2139 cm⁻¹

⁽¹⁾ In the drybox, 48.8 mg (0.20 mmol) of YbCl₂ and 57.5 mg (0.19 mmol) of K₂[Pd(CN)₄]·H₂O were added to a 15 mL of dry² DMF. An orange solution was formed. The mixture was stirred 15 days at ambient temperature under an N2 atmosphere, and then the mixture was filtered, leaving a white precipitate (KCl) on the frit and an orange filtrate. The color of the solution changed gradually from orange to light yellow upon the removal of the DMF from the filtrate, and a yellowish viscous oil was formed. After 24 h, light yellow and colorless crystals formed that were manually separated. The light yellow crystals were {[(DMF)₁₆Yb₆- $(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(\mu-NC)Pd(\mu-CN)(CN)_2][Pd(CN)_4]_3 \cdot 4DMF\}_{\infty}$ (10 mg, 8.5% yield based on YbCl₂). IR (KBr pellet, cm⁻¹): v_{OH} 3656 (m), v_{CN} 2161 (s), 2139 (s), $\nu_{O(DMF)-Yb}$ 684 (s), the rest of absorption bands belong to DMF molecules: 2993 (m), 2818 (w), 1666 (vs), 1496 (m), 1437 (s), 1420 (sh, m), 1385 (s), 1252 (m), 1116 (s), 1061 (w), 1019 (w), 866 (w). IR (DMF, cm⁻¹): 2167 (m), 2142 (m), 2135 (s), 2126 (vs). The colorless crystals were {[(DMF)₈(H₂O)₂Yb₂[Pd(CN)₄]₃ \cdot 0.26H₂O}_{∞} (50 mg, 31% yield based on YbCl₂). IR (KBr pellet, cm⁻¹): v_{water} 3400 (br, m), $\rho_{\rm r} \ 801$ (m), $\nu_{\rm CN} \ 2179$ (sh, s), 2170 (vs), 2147(sh, s), 2141 (vs), $\nu_{0(DMF)-Yb}$ 682 (s), the rest of absorption bands belong to DMF molecules: 2961 (w), 2933 (m), 1662 (vs), 1506 (m), 1437 (s), 1420 (sh, m), 1379 (s), 1252 (m), 1109 (s), 1060 (m), 1016 (w), IR(DMF, cm⁻¹): 2167 (m), 2142 (m), 2135 (s), 2126 (vs).

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⁽³⁾ Diffraction data were collected with an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer using Mo Kα radiation. All data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization and empirical absorption effects. Crystallographic computations were carried out using the SHELXTL software package. Structure solutions involved a DIRECT method. Crystal data for {[(DMF)₁₆Yb₆-(µ₆-O)(µ₃-OH)₈(µ-NC)Pd(µ-CN)(CN)₂][Pd(CN)₄]₃·4DMF}_∞ (-60 °C): space group P1, a = 14.871(5) Å, b = 14.931(5) Å, c = 17.289(4) Å, α = 65.23(1)°, β = 76.85(2)°, γ = 68.95(3)°, V = 3240(2) Å³, fw = 3494.14, Z = 2, ρ(calcd) = 1.791 g/cm³, µ = 4.897 mm⁻¹, R₁ [I > 2σ(I)] = 0.0346 (R₁ = Σ||F₀| - |F₆||Σ|F₀|), wR₂ (all data) = 0.144 39 (wR₂ = {Σ[w(F₀² - F_c²)²]/Σ[w(F₀²)²]^{1/2}), and GooF = 1.188 (685 variable parameters refined) for 9609 reflections [I > 2σ(I)] of 11363 independent reflections (4 ≤ 2θ ≤ 50°).

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Figure 2. (a) Molecular structure of $[(DMF)_{16}Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8]^{8+}$ cluster with 50% thermal ellipsoids. Only oxygen atoms of DMF molecules coordinated to ytterbium ions were shown for clarity. (b) Octahedral arrangement of Yb³⁺ ions and the cubic arrangement of OH⁻ groups.

is assigned to unbridged cyano groups in $[Pd(CN)_4]^{2-.5}$ The band at 2161 cm⁻¹ is assigned to the bridging CN⁻ groups.⁴ The sharp band at 3656 cm⁻¹ is in the range observed for the O–H stretching vibration.⁴ The solution IR of this complex is different from its solid-state IR, indicating that the solid-state structure does not exist in solution.

The core of the $[Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8)]$ in $\{[(DMF)_{16}Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(\mu-NC)Pd(\mu-CN)(CN)_2]^{6+}\}_{\infty}$ is similar to that of $[Yb_6-(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(H_2O)_{12}(NO_3)_6]^{2+}$ which is reported as the nitrate salt.⁶ Structural parameters of the two clusters are in excellent agreement. In the present case $\{[(DMF)_{16}Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(\mu-NC)Pd(\mu-CN)(CN)_2][Pd(CN)_4]_3\cdot 4DMF\}_{\infty}$ is effectively a one-dimensional infinite array while the cation of the nitrate salt, $[Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(H_2O)_{12}(NO_3)_6]^{2+}$, exists in a hydrogenbonded aggregate with a different type of coordination geometry around Yb^{3+} : a distorted tricapped trigonal prism consisting of four OH^- ligands, the interstitial O^{2-} , two H_2O molecules, and one bidentate NO_3^- anion.⁶

This cationic chainlike array described here raises the possibility of synthesizing similar arrays comprised of lanthanide-hydroxo clusters linked by bis-monodentate complex anions.

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Supporting Information Available: Listings of crystallographic data, atomic coordinates, and anisotropic thermal parameters for both $\{[(DMF)_{16}Yb_6(\mu_6-O)(\mu_3-OH)_8(\mu-NC)Pd(\mu-CN)(CN)_2][Pd(CN)_4]_3\cdot 4DMF\}_{\infty}$ and $\{[(DMF)_8(H_2O)_2Yb_2[Pd(CN)_4]_3\cdot 0.26H_2O]_{\infty}$ and molecular structure of $\{[(DMF)_8(H_2O)_2Yb_2[Pd(CN)_4]_3\cdot 0.26H_2O]_{\infty}$ (23 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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