# The Crystal and Molecular Structure of Hexaaquacobalt(II) Bis-( $N$-salicylideneglycinato)cobaltate(III) Dihydrate 

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#### Abstract

$\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}\right]_{2} .2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ is orthorhombic, space group Pbcn, with $a=9 \cdot 561(5), b=12 \cdot 281$ (5), $c=36.896$ ( 5 ) $\AA$. The structure has been determined by Patterson and Fourier methods from diffractometer data and refined by full-matrix least squares to a final $R$ of 0.057 for 1741 reflexions. Both $\mathrm{Co}^{11}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{111}$ are present. $\mathrm{Co}^{11}$ is octahedrally bonded to six water molecules; $\mathrm{Co}^{111}$ is octahedrally bonded to two salicylideneglycinate ligands. The water of crystallization and hexaaquacobalt(II) ions link the $\mathrm{Co}^{11}$ moieties in a complex hydrogen-bonded network.


## Introduction

Complexes of Schiff bases derived from salicylaldehyde and amino acids serve as model compounds for N pyridoxylidene amino acid systems which play an important role in biological amination processes (Willstadter, Hamor \& Hoard, 1963). The structures of the hemihydrate and tetrahydrate of $[\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{N}$-salicylideneglycinate) ( $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ )] (Ueki, Ashida, Sasada \& Kakudo, 1967, 1969) and the characterization of several metal complexes of $N$-salicylideneamino acids (Carlisle \& Theriot, 1973) have been reported. In the course of our study of substituted $N$-salicylideneglycinate complexes, we isolated the title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]$ $\left[\mathrm{Co}(\text { sal-gly })_{2}\right]_{2} .2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ where sal-gly refers to the salicylideneglycinate anion, $\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)^{2-}$. The complex contains both $\mathrm{Co}^{11}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{111}$.

## Experimental

The complex was prepared by the addition of an aqueous solution of glycine to an ethanolic solution of salicylaldehyde followed by the addition of aqueous solutions of potassium acetate and cobalt(II) acetate tetrahydrate. Equimolar proportions of the reagents were used. After allowing to stand for several days, dark brown crystalline plates of the title compound were obtained. The percentage composition was:

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\begin{array}{llll}
\mathrm{C} & \mathrm{H} & \mathrm{~N} & \mathrm{O}
\end{array}
$$

Found: $\begin{array}{lllll}41.8 & 4.2 & 5.3 & 31.6\end{array}$
Calculated for
$\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left[\mathrm{Co}(\text { sal-gly })_{2}\right]_{2} .2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}: ~ 42.0 ~ 4.3 ~ 5.4 ~ 31.1$
A crystal, $0.10 \times 0.32 \times 0.32 \mathrm{~mm}$, was used for the intensity measurements. With graphite-monochromated Mo $K \alpha$ radiation ( $\lambda=0.7107 \AA$ ) the lattice constants were obtained from a least-squares analysis of the settings of 25 reflexions measured on a Philips PW 1100 four-circle diffractometer. The density was determined by flotation in a mixture of diiodomethane and $m$ xylene. The crystal data are listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Crystal data

| Formula | $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}\right]_{2} .2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Molar mass | $1029.5 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~mole}^{-1}$ |
| Asymmetric unit | $\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}\right]_{0} \cdot\left[\mathrm{Co}\left(\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ |
| Space group | Pbcn |
| $a=9.561$ (5) $\AA$ | $D_{m m}=1.62 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$ |
| $b=12 \cdot 281$ (5) | $D_{c}=1.58 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$ for $Z=8$ |
| $c=36.896$ (5) | asymmetric units |
| $V=4332 \cdot 27 \AA^{3}$ | $\mu\left(\right.$ M O K $\times$ ) $=13.03 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ |
|  | $F(000)=2084$ |

In the $2 \theta$ range from 6 to $40^{\circ}, 2349$ reflexions were recorded by the $\omega / 2 \theta$ scan technique (scan width $0 \cdot 4^{\circ} \theta$, scan speed $0.01^{\circ} \theta \mathrm{s}^{-1}$ ). As a result of the large $c$ parameter, overlap of intensity peaks was considerable. Background counts were thus determined for systematically absent reflexions and these values, plotted against $\theta$, were used to estimate the background for all other reflexions. Throughout the data collection, three reference reflexions were recorded after every 84 measured reflexions: their intensities remained constant to within $\pm 5 \% .440$ reflexions were excluded as systematically absent and a further 168 were omitted as they did not satisfy the criterion $F_{\text {rel }}<2 \cdot 5 \sigma\left(F_{\text {rel }}\right)$ for an observed reflexion. This left 1741 reflexions which were used for the analysis. Lorentz-polarization corrections were applied to the data but absorption was ignored.

## Solution and refinement of the structure

Empirical considerations indicated that there were 12 Co atoms per unit cell. Solution of the Patterson synthesis revealed that 8 of these were in general positions while the remaining 4 were on twofold axes. This was confirmed by an E map. All the non-hydrogen atoms including a water of crystallization O atom were found in subsequent difference syntheses. Refinement was carried out with anisotropic temperature factors of the form:

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\begin{aligned}
T=\exp [ & -2 \pi^{2}\left(U_{11} a^{* 2} h^{2}+U_{22} b^{* 2} k^{2}+U_{33} c^{* 2} l^{2}\right. \\
& \left.\left.+2 U_{23} b^{*} c^{*} k l+2 U_{13} a^{*} c^{*} h l+2 U_{12} a^{*} b^{*} h k\right)\right] .
\end{aligned}
$$

All the H atoms were located in a difference map. Those bonded to C were refined by constraining them at $1.08 \AA$ from their parent atoms, their positions being dictated by the geometry of the molecule. The hydrate H atoms were similarly refined and constrained to their respective oxygens at $1 \cdot 00 \pm 0.02 \AA$, their positions being dictated by the geometry of the hydrogen bonding. The isotropic temperature factors of these two groups of H atoms were refined as two separate parameters. This technique of constrained least-squares refinement, with bond length constraints and location and refinement of H atoms, is discussed by Sheldrick (1975).

The weighting scheme was $w=1 / \sigma^{2}$. After fullmatrix least-squares refinement, $R_{w}=\sum w^{1 / 2}\left|F_{o}-F_{c}\right| \mid$
$\sum w^{1 / 2}\left|F_{o}\right|$ converged to 0.057 with a corresponding unweighted $R$ of 0.058 . In the final cycle the average shift-to-error ratio was 0.13 indicating satisfactory convergence: a final difference map was practically featureless. Table 2 shows an analysis of variance computed after refinement was complete. Scattering factors for the heavy atoms were those of Cromer \& Mann (1968) and for H of Stewart, Davidson \& Simpson (1965). The scattering curve for Co was corrected for anomalous dispersion ( $\Delta f^{\prime}=0 \cdot 30 ; \Delta f^{\prime \prime}=1 \cdot 0$ for Mo $K \alpha$ radiation).

The final atomic positional and thermal parameters for the non-hydrogen atoms are given in Table 3(a); Table 3(b) lists the positional parameters of the H atoms. The isotropic temperature factor of the H

Table 2. Analysis of variance
(a) As a function of $\sin \theta$

| $\sin \theta$ | $0 \cdot 00-0 \cdot 16-0 \cdot 20-0 \cdot 23-0 \cdot 25-0 \cdot 27-0 \cdot 29-0 \cdot 30-0 \cdot 32-0 \cdot 33-0 \cdot 35$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $N$ | 187 | 187 | 181 | 168 | 182 | 216 | 113 | 239 | 128 | 140 |
| $V$ | 391 | 374 | 294 | 347 | 348 | 373 | 389 | 359 | 360 | 352 |

(b) As a function of $(F / F \max )^{1 / 2}$

| $(F / F \max )^{1 / 2}$ | $0 \cdot 00-0 \cdot 18-0 \cdot 21-0 \cdot 24-0 \cdot 27-0 \cdot 30-0 \cdot 32-0 \cdot 36-0 \cdot 40-0 \cdot 48-1 \cdot 00$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{N}$ | 196 | 175 | 187 | 192 | 181 | 128 | 189 | 154 | 178 | 161 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $V$ | 395 | 438 | 422 | 392 | 290 | 341 | 285 | 283 | 305 | 380 |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 3 (a). Fractional atomic coordinates $\left(\times 10^{4}\right)$ and thermal parameters $\left(\times 10^{3}\right)$ for non-hydrogen atoms

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{11}$ | $U_{22}$ | $U_{33}$ | $U_{23}$ | $U_{13}$ | $U_{12}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Co}(1)$ | 5379 (1) | -396 (1) | 3626 (1) | 28 (1) | 27 (1) | 43 (1) | 2 (1) | -5 (1) | -2(1) |
| Co (2) | 5000** | 4758 (1) | 2500* | 29 (1) | 30 (1) | 46 (1) | $0^{*}$ | -1 (1) | $0^{*}$ |
| C(1) | 5939 (9) | -1703 (8) | 3059 (3) | 33 (6) | 47 (6) | 43 (6) | -7 (5) | 9 (5) | $-3(5)$ |
| C(2) | 4656 (9) | -2219 (7) | 3222 (2) | 38 (6) | 41 (6) | 40 (5) | -3 (5) | -5 (5) | -10 (5) |
| C(3) | 3678 (8) | -2187 (6) | 3819 (2) | 29 (5) | 17 (4) | 57 (6) | 2 (4) | -2 (5) | -3 (4) |
| C(4) $\dagger$ | 3455 (9) | -1749 (7) | 4171 (2) | 40 (9) | 41 (10) | 40 (10) | 8 (9) | 10 (8) | 6 (8) |
| C(5) | 2791 (9) | -2427 (8) | 4428 (3) | 52 (12) | 47 (10) | 78 (13) | 4 (10) | 14 (10) | 4 (9) |
| C(6) | 2661 (11) | -2112 (9) | 4786 (3) | 56 (12) | 82 (14) | 63 (14) | -4 (11) | 8 (10) | 13 (10) |
| C(7) | 3137 (10) | -1087 (9) | 4887 (3) | 53 (11) | 108 (16) | 51 (12) | -21 (13) | -4 (10) | 23 (11) |
| C(8) | 3733 (10) | -390 (8) | 4635 (2) | 51 (10) | 61 (11) | 49 (11) | 3 (10) | 8 (9) | 2 (9) |
| C(9) | 3908 (8) | -688(7) | 4274 (2) | 28 (8) | 39 (10) | 46 (11) | 7 (9) | 1 (8) | 14 (8) |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 4267 (10) | 1271 (8) | 3232 (2) | 38 (6) | 35 (6) | 70 (7) | 8 (5) | -12(6) | 12 (5) |
| C(11) | 5635 (9) | 1736 (7) | 3367 (3) | 49 (6) | 22 (5) | 82 (7) | 26 (5) | -30 (6) | -8 (5) |
| $\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 7341 (9) | 1244 (7) | 3813 (2) | 27 (5) | 33 (5) | 52 (6) | -9 (4) | 3 (5) | -16 (4) |
| $\mathrm{C}(13) \dagger$ | 9017 (8) | 509 (7) | 4064 (2) | 30 (9) | 41 (10) | 38 (9) | 4 (8) | 1 (8) | 11 (8) |
| C(14) | 9116 (10) | 955 (9) | 4272 (3) | 44 (10) | 69 (11) | 59 (11) | -1 (10) | -25 (10) | -8 (10) |
| $\mathrm{C}(15)$ | 9861 (10) | 348 (8) | 4507 (3) | 45 (10) | 75 (13) | 74 (12) | 12 (10) | -20 (10) | -9 (10) |
| C(16) | 9572 (10) | -761 (8) | 4535 (3) | 58 (12) | 59 (12) | 65 (11) | -7 (10) | -13(10) | 17 (10) |
| C(17) | 8489 (10) | -1225 (8) | 4336 (3) | 56 (11) | 55 (10) | 74 (13) | 1 (10) | -27 (11) | -10 (10) |
| C(18) | 7688 (9) | -611 (7) | 4089 (2) | 38 (9) | 38 (11) | 50 (10) | -14(8) | -5 (9) | 8 (8) |
| N(1) | 4423 (7) | -1727 (5) | 3576 (2) | 33 (7) | 27 (6) | 29 (7) | 3 (6) | -1 (6) | 2 (6) |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 6285 (7) | 969 (5) | 3621 (2) | 19 (6) | 34 (7) | 59 (8) | -4 (7) | 8 (7) | 1 (6) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 4434 (6) | 14 (4) | 4049 (2) | 60 (4) | 23 (3) | 53 (4) | -4(3) | 9 (3) | -3 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 6379 (6) | -805 (5) | 3190 (2) | 29 (3) | 29 (4) | 66 (4) | -10 (3) | 6 (3) | -10 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 6503 (7) | -2139 (6) | 2788 (2) | 56 (5) | 64 (5) | 89 (6) | -30 (4) | 32 (4) | -34 (4) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | 3493 (7) | 3666 (5) | 2654 (2) | 58 (5) | 60 (4) | 79 (5) | 23 (4) | -29 (4) | -21 (4) |
| O(5) | 3569 (7) | 5991 (5) | 2598 (2) | 52 (4) | 38 (3) | 72 (5) | 13 (3) | 22 (4) | 13 (3) |
| O(6) | 4237 (6) | 4739 (6) | 1958 (2) | 31 (4) | 92 (5) | 54 (4) | 0 (4) | $-5(3)$ $-12(3)$ | $\begin{array}{r}-5(4) \\ \hline 4 \text { (3) }\end{array}$ |
| O(7) | 3981 (6) | 293 (5) | 3335 (2) | 27 (3) | 43 (4) | 62 (4) | $6(3)$ 27 | $-12(3)$ $-35(4)$ | $4(3)$ $-5(4)$ |
| O(8) | 3515 (7) | 1812 (6) | 3035 (2) | 50 (4) | 58 (5) | 95 (5) | $\begin{array}{r}27 \\ -14 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $-35(4)$ $-26(3)$ | $-5(4)$ $2(3)$ |
| O(9) | 6729 (6) | -1113 (5) | 3900 (2) | 42 (4) | 39 (4) | $67(4)$ $66(5)$ | $-1(3)$ 9 | $-26(3)$ $-1(4)$ | $2(3)$ 0 0 |
| $\mathrm{O}(10)$ | 6189 (7) | 4820 (8) | 1416 (2) | 40 (4) | 153 (8) | 66 (5) | 9 (6) | -1 (4) | 0 (5) |

[^0]Table $3(b)$. Fractional atomic coordinates $\left(\times 10^{3}\right)$ for the hydrogen atoms

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H(41) | 362 (12) | 305 (5) | 283 (3) |
| H(42) | 289 (8) | 345 (8) | 244 (2) |
| H(51) | 288 (8) | 609 (8) | 280 (2) |
| H(52) | 359 (11) | 665 (5) | 243 (2) |
| H(61) | 484 (9) | 458 (8) | 174 (2) |
| H(62) | 332 (5) | 464 (8) | 183 (3) |
| H(101) | 710 (5) | 490 (9) | 154 (2) |
| H(102) | 611 (8) | 468 (9) | 115 (1) |
| H(21) | 481 (1) | -309 (1) | 325 (1) |
| H(22) | 377 (1) | -207 (1) | 305 (1) |
| H(3) | 320 (1) | -296(1) | 375 (1) |
| H(5) | 238 (1) | -321 (1) | 434 (1) |
| H(6) | 220 (1) | -265 (1) | 498 (1) |
| H(7) | 305 (1) | -83 (1) | 516 (1) |
| H(8) | 406 (1) | 41 (1) | 472 (1) |
| H(111) | 543 (1) | 250 (1) | 350 (1) |
| H(112) | 633 (1) | 188 (1) | 314 (1) |
| H(12) | 775 (1) | 206 (1) | 378 (1) |
| H(14) | 936 (1) | 181 (1) | 424 (1) |
| H(15) | 1068 (1) | 71 (1) | 467 (1) |
| H(16) | 1019 (1) | -127 (1) | 471 (1) |
| H(17) | 826 (1) | -208 (1) | 437 (1) |

atoms attached to $C$ refined to a value of 0.078 (8) $\AA^{2}$ and the corresponding value for the hydrate H atoms was $0 \cdot 10(1) \AA^{2}$.*

* A list of structure factors has been deposited with the British Library Lending Division as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 31361 ( 12 pp., 1 microfiche). Copies may be obtained through the Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 13 White Friars, Chester CH1 1NZ, England.

Table 4. Bond lengths ( $\AA$ ) and their e.s.d.'s
(a) $\mathrm{Co}^{\mathrm{II1}}$ species

| $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $1.871(6)$ | $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $1.862(6)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $1.938(7)$ | $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(7)$ | $1.912(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $1.882(7)$ | $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $1.887(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.276(11)$ | $\mathrm{O}(7)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $1.288(11)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | $1.254(11)$ | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{O}(8)$ | $1.219(11)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.506(13)$ | $\mathrm{C}(0)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.512(13)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $1.459(11)$ | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $1.466(11)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.274(10)$ | $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | $1.280(11)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.233(13)$ | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | $1.446(12)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $1.425(13)$ | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | $1.414(13)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $1.300(10)$ | $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $1.306(11)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.413(13)$ | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | $1.412(13)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.381(14)$ | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | $1.345(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.390(16)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | $1.394(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $1.385(14)$ | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | $1.390(15)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $1.390(13)$ | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | $1.410(14)$ |

(b) $\mathrm{Co}^{11}$ species
$\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(4) \quad 2.049$ (7)
$\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(5) \quad 2.073$ (6)
$\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6) \quad 2 \cdot 129$ (7)
(c) Constrained bond lengths ( $\sigma=0.02$ was fixed for all bond lengths as part of the constrained refinement)

| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{H}(41)$ | 1.01 | $\mathrm{O}(6)-\mathrm{H}(61)$ | 1.00 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{H}(42)$ | 1.02 | $\mathrm{O}(6)-\mathrm{H}(62)$ | 1.01 |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{H}(51)$ | 1.01 | $\mathrm{O}(10)-\mathrm{H}(101)$ | 1.00 |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{H}(52)$ | 1.01 | $\mathrm{O}(10)-\mathrm{H}(102)$ | 0.99 |

All computations were performed at the Computer Centre of the University of Cape Town on a Univac 1106 computer with the program system SHEL-X (Sheldrick, 1975).

## Description of structure and discussion

$\mathrm{Co}^{\text {III }}$ is octahedrally coordinated to two divalent tridentate sal-gly ligands via their phenolic O, carboxylic O and N atoms (Fig. 1; PLUTO: Motherwell, 1975). $\mathrm{Co}^{\text {II }}$, located on the twofold axis, is octahedrally coordinated to six hydrate O atoms $[\mathrm{O}(4), \mathrm{O}(5)$ and $O$ (6)]. Bond lengths and angles are listed in Tables 4 and 5. As no similar compounds containing Co bound to the sal-gly ligand are known, the bond lengths in the

Table 5. Bond angles and their e.s.d.'s $\left(^{\circ}\right)$

| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $179 \cdot 2$ (3) | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $88 \cdot 8$ (3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $173 \cdot 6$ (3) | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $86 \cdot 2$ (3) |
| $\mathrm{O}(7)-\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $177 \cdot 9$ (3) | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $89 \cdot 5$ (3) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $90 \cdot 6$ (3) | $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(7)$ | $85 \cdot 5$ (3) |
| $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $112 \cdot 2$ (6) | $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{O}(7)-\mathrm{C}(10$ | $115 \cdot 5$ (6) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | $122 \cdot 0$ (9) | $\mathrm{O}(7)-\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{O}(8)$ | $124 \cdot 0$ (9) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 118.7 (9) | $\mathrm{O}(7)-\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $116 \cdot 0$ (9) |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $107 \cdot 9$ (8) | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $109 \cdot 6$ (8) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $122 \cdot 1$ (7) | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(12$ | $121 \cdot 2$ (8) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Co}(1)$ | $111 \cdot 9$ (6) | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{Co}(1$ | $112 \cdot 5$ (6) |
| $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $126 \cdot 0$ (6) | $\mathrm{Co}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(12$ | $126 \cdot 3$ (7) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 123.9 (8) | $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(13$ | $122 \cdot 9$ (8) |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $117 \cdot 3$ (9) | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(14$ | $116 \cdot 0$ (8) |
| $\mathbf{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $123 \cdot 0$ (8) | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | $123 \cdot 3$ (9) |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $123 \cdot 5$ (8) | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $125 \cdot 5$ (9) |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Co}(1)$ | $122 \cdot 8$ (5) | $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{O}(9)-\mathrm{Co}(1$ | $123 \cdot 6$ (6) |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 121 (1) | C(13)-C(14)-C(15) | 122 (1) |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 119 (1) | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 119 (1) |
| $\mathbf{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 121 (1) | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | 121 (1) |
| $\mathbf{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 122 (1) | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | 122 (1) |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $117 \cdot 4$ (9) | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | $116 \cdot 2$ (9) |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $119 \cdot 0$ (9) | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $118 \cdot 3$ (9) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | $88 \cdot 1$ (3) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)$ | $90 \cdot 7$ (3) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)$ | $86 \cdot 9$ (3) |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

Fig. 1. Octahedral coordination of $\mathrm{Co}^{\text {III }}$ to the two sal-gly ligands.

Co coordination sphere may be compared with the analogous Cu -sal-gly bond distances found in the hemihydrate and tetrahydrate $N$-salicylideneglycinatoaquacopper(II) complexes of Ueki, Ashida, Sasada \& Kakudo (1967, 1969). These comparisons, and indeed those for the ligands themselves are favourable. The analogous bond lengths and angles for the two sal-gly ligands show good agreement with one another.
Table 6 lists computed least-squares planes with their equations. Neither of the sal-gly ligands is planar, several atoms deviating from the calculated plane by more than $0.3 \AA$ (plane 1). Deviations from plane 2 are smaller but nevertheless significant. The ligands


Fig. 2. View of the structure of the title compound down a*.
can each be described by three planes which are defined by their 5 - and 6 -membered rings (planes $3,4,5$ and $6,7,8)$. The intersection angles of these planes with each other ( $14.0,11.4$ and $8.7,3.7^{\circ}$ ) indicate the buckled nature of the ligands. Planes 9,10 and 11 through the $\mathrm{Co}^{111}$ octahedral coordination sphere are approximately normal to each other.

For hydrogen bonding we adopt the criterion $d(\mathrm{H}-B)<W_{\mathrm{H}}+W_{\mathrm{B}}-0.2 \AA$ where $W_{\mathrm{H}}$ and $W_{B}$ are the van der Waals radii for H and the acceptor $B$ respectively (Hamilton, 1968). All the hydrate molecules attached to $\mathrm{Co}^{11}$ donate their H atoms to the sal-gly O atoms of neighbouring $\mathrm{Co}^{111}$ species. In one case the acceptor atom is the water of crystallization oxygen $[\mathrm{O}(10)]$. The latter donates one H in a bond with $\mathrm{O}\left(7^{\text {iv }}\right)$ while its other H atom remains free. The [ $\mathrm{Co}^{11}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{6}$ ] ion and water of crystallization thus link the $\left[\mathrm{Co}^{111}\right.$ (sal-gly) $\left.{ }_{2}\right]$ ions in a complex hydrogenbonded network. Data pertaining to hydrogen bonding are listed in Table 7. Fig. 2 is a view of the structure down $\mathbf{a}^{*}$ in which some of the hydrogen bonds associated with one hexaaquacobalt(II) ion are shown as dotted lines.

The electronic spectrum of this complex (Percy \& Stenton, 1975) clearly shows the presence of both $\mathrm{Co}^{11}$ and $\mathrm{Co}^{\text {III }}$. In the infrared spectrum $\nu \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ occurs at $1603 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ (Percy \& Stenton, 1975); in [Cu(sal-gly) $\left.\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)\right] \cdot \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ this band is at $1589 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ (Percy, 1975). In both these complexes the carbonyl groups are involved in relatively weak interactions. These findings support the proposal (Percy, 1975) that strong carbonyl interactions, which complete the octahedral structure, are present in the dimeric (or polymeric) complex, $\left[\mathrm{Co}(\text { sal-gly })\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2}\right]_{n}$, since $\nu \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ occurs at $1553 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. The sensitivity of $v \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ to intermolecular interactions has recently been demonstrated for several barbiturate complexes of known structure (Percy \& Rodgers, 1974).

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Table 6. Least-squares planes
The equations of the planes may be expressed in orthogonal ångström space as
$P I+Q J+R K=S$.
Plane 1

| Atoms defining <br> the plane $\mathrm{Co}(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | C(1) | C(2) | C(3) | C(4) | C(5) | C(6) | C(7) | C(8) | C(9) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Distance from <br> the plane ( $\AA$ ) -0.02 | -0.41 | -0.18 | -0.39 | 0.32 | $-0.22$ | -0.21 | -0.13 | 0.04 | 0.27 | $0 \cdot 26$ | 0.04 | $-0 \cdot 16$ |
| Equation | $0.83204 \mathrm{I}-0.41359 \mathrm{~J}+0.36967 \mathrm{~K}=9.44924$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plane 2 | Through Co and sal-gly ligand 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Atoms defining the plane $\mathrm{Co}(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(7)$ | N (2) | O(9) | C(10) | C(11) | C(12) | C(13) | C(14) | C(15) | C(16) | C(17) | C(18) |
| Distance from <br> the plane ( $\AA$ ) 0.04 | $0 \cdot 24$ | $-0.09$ | -0.19 | 0.08 | $-0 \cdot 19$ | -0.08 | 0.01 | $0 \cdot 09$ | $0 \cdot 12$ | $0 \cdot 04$ | -0.03 | -0.06 |
| Equation |  |  |  | -0.606 | $645 I+0 \cdot 2$ | $4330 J+0$ | $75698 \mathrm{~K}=$ | . 84461 |  |  |  |  |

## Table 6 (cont.)

Through the 5 -membered chelating ring of ligand 1
Plane 3
Atoms defining

| the plane | $\mathrm{Co}(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Distance from <br> the plane $(\AA)$ | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.06 | -0.11 | 0.10 |

Equation $\quad 0.66667 I-0.52920 J+0.52489 K=10.76471$

Plane 4
Atoms defining the plane the plane $(\AA) \quad 0.14 \quad-0.05 \quad-0.18 \quad-0.06$

Equation $\quad 0.82670 I-0.39282 J+0.40283 K=9.69606$
Plane 5
Atoms defining

| the plane | $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $\mathrm{C}(9)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Distance from <br> the plane $(\AA)$ | 0.02 | -0.02 | 0 | 0.01 | -0.01 | 0 |

Equation $\quad 0.89704 I-0.38486 J+0.21726 K=7 \cdot 10986$
Through the 5 -membered
chelating ring of ligand 2
Plane 6
Atoms defining the plane

Distance from the plane $(\AA)-0.05 \quad 0.07 \quad-0.05 \quad 0 \quad 0.04$
Equation $\quad-0.49963 I+0.33577 J+0.79852 K=8.00035$
Through the 6 -membered chelating ring of ligand 2
Atoms defining
the plane $\quad \mathrm{Co}(1) \quad \mathrm{N}(2) \quad \mathrm{O}(9) \quad \mathrm{C}(12) \quad \mathrm{C}(13) \quad \mathrm{C}(18)$
Distance from
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { the plane }(\AA) & 0.10 & -0.05 & -0.11 & -0.04 & 0.08 & 0.02\end{array}$
Equation $\quad-0.60159 I+0.22947 J+0.76514 K=6.93038$
Plane 8
Atoms defining
the plane
Distance from
the plane ( $\AA$ )
Equation

Plane 9
Atoms defining the plane
Distance from the plane ( $\AA$ )
Equation

Plane 10
Atoms defining the plane
Distance from the plane ( $\AA$ )
Equation

Through the benzene ring of ligand 2

| $\mathrm{C}(13)$ | $\mathrm{C}(14)$ | $\mathrm{C}(15)$ | $\mathrm{C}(16)$ | $\mathrm{C}(17)$ | $\mathrm{C}(18)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.01 | 0.01 | 0 |

$-0.64947 I+0.20120 J+0.73328 K=6.14279$
Through part of the Co coordination sphere
$\mathrm{Co}(1) \quad \mathrm{O}(1) \quad \mathrm{O}(2) \quad \mathrm{N}(1) \quad \mathrm{N}(2)$
$\begin{array}{lllll}0.03 & 0.03 & 0.04 & -0.05 & -0.05\end{array}$
$0.72025 I-0.41635 J+0.55489 K=11.30203$
Through part of the Co coordination sphere
$\begin{array}{lllll}\mathrm{Co}(1) & \mathrm{O}(7) & \mathrm{O}(9) & \mathrm{O}(1) & \mathrm{O}(2)\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}0.01 & -0.02 & -0.03 & 0.02 & 0.02\end{array}$
$0.52724 I+0.84875 J+0.04050 K=2.83275$

Table 6 (cont.)
Through part of the Co
Plane 11
coordination sphere
Atoms defining
the plane $\quad \mathrm{Co}(1) \quad \mathrm{O}(7) \quad \mathrm{O}(9) \quad \mathrm{N}(1) \quad \mathrm{N}(2)$
Distance from
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { the plane }\left(\begin{array}{llll}\AA\end{array}\right) & 0.03 & 0.01 & 0.01 & -0.03 & -0.03\end{array}$
Equation $\quad-0.50747 I+0.23388 J+0.82932 K=8.33769$
Intersection angles ( ${ }^{\circ}$ )

| Planes $1 / 2$ | 71.01 |  | Planes 7/8 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Planes 3/4 | 13.96 | Planes 6/8 | $12 \cdot 15$ |
| Planes 4/5 | 11.40 | Planes 9/10 | 87.20 |
| Planes 3/5 | 23.69 | Planes 10/11 | 87.97 |
| Planes 6/7 | 8.66 | Planes 9/11 | 89.85 |

Table 7. Bond lengths ( $\AA$ ) and angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ involved in the hydrogen-bonding

| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{O}(8)$ | $2 \cdot 676$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\left.\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{O} 3^{\mathbf{i}}\right)$ | $2 \cdot 694$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(41)-\mathrm{O}(8)$ | 1.694 |
| $\mathrm{H}(42)-\mathrm{O}\left(3^{\text {i }}\right.$ ) | 1.728 |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{H}(41)-\mathrm{O}(8)$ | $162 \cdot 2$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{H}(42)-\mathrm{O}\left(3^{\text {i }}\right.$ ) | 156.8 |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\quad \mathrm{O}\left(3^{\text {ii }}\right)$ | 2.703 |
| $\mathrm{O}(5) \longrightarrow \mathrm{O}\left(8^{\text {iii }}\right)$ | 2.755 |
| $\mathrm{H}(51) \ldots \ldots \mathrm{O}\left(8^{\text {iii }}\right)$ | 1.816 |
| $\mathrm{H}(52)-\mathrm{O}\left(3^{\text {ii }}\right)$ | $1 \cdot 702$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{H}(51)-\mathrm{O}\left(8^{\text {fii }}\right)$ | 153.1 |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{H}(52)-\mathrm{O}\left(3^{\text {i }}\right.$ ) | $170 \cdot 3$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(6) \longrightarrow-\mathrm{O} \mathbf{2}^{\text {i }}$ ) | 2.866 |
| $\mathrm{O}(6)-\quad \mathrm{O}(10)$ | 2.737 |
| $\mathrm{H}(61) \ldots \mathrm{O}(10)$ | 1.786 |
| $\mathrm{H}(62) \longrightarrow \mathrm{O}\left(2^{i}\right)$ | 1.930 |
| $\mathrm{O}(6)-\mathrm{H}(61)-\mathrm{O}(10)$ | 157.0 |
| $\mathrm{O}(6)-\mathrm{H}(62)-\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\text {i }}\right.$ ) | 152.7 |
| $\mathrm{O}(10)-\mathrm{O}\left(7^{\text {iv }}\right)$ | 2.883 |
| $\mathrm{H}(101)-\mathrm{O}\left(7^{\text {iv }}\right)$ | $1 \cdot 913$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(10)-\mathrm{H}(101)-\mathrm{O}\left(7^{\text {iv }}\right.$ ) | $163 \cdot 9$ |

Symmetry operators
(i) $(x-0.5),(y+0.5),(0 \cdot 5-z)$
(ii) $(1-x),(1+y),(0 \cdot 5-z)$
(iii) $(0 \cdot 5-x),(0 \cdot 5+y), z$
(iv) $(0.5+x),(0 \cdot 5+y),(0.5-z)$

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[^0]:    * Held invariant due to space group requirements.
    $\dagger$ Because of the large number of parameters to be varied, the anisotropic temperature factors of $C(4)$ to $C(9), C(13)$ to $C(18)$ and $\mathrm{N}(1)$ and $\mathrm{N}(2)$ were held constant during the final refinement cycles. This accounts for their larger e.s.d. values.

