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trans-Diaquabis[5-(1*H*-imidazol-4-yl- κN^3)-1*H*-tetrazolato- κN^1]zinc(II)

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 291 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.003 Å; R factor = 0.028; wR factor = 0.113; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.7.

In the title complex, $[Zn(C_4H_3N_6)_2(H_2O)_2]$, the metal centre lies on an inversion centre and displays a distorted octahedral ZnN_4O_2 coordination geometry. The organic ligand is not planar; the dihedral angle between the imidazole and tetrazole rings is 8.39 (9)°. An extended network of intermolecular N– $H \cdots N$ and $O-H \cdots N$ hydrogen bonds stabilizes the crystal structure.

Related literature

For the synthesis and properties of tetrazole compounds, see: Demko & Sharpless (2001, 2002); Zhao *et al.* (2008).



Experimental

Crystal data

 $\begin{bmatrix} Zn(C_4H_3N_6)_2(H_2O)_2 \end{bmatrix} & V = 682.1 (3) \text{ Å}^3 \\ M_r = 371.65 & Z = 2 \\ \text{Monoclinic, } P2_1/c & \text{Mo } K\alpha \text{ radiation} \\ a = 5.9068 (10) \text{ Å} & \mu = 1.84 \text{ mm}^{-1} \\ b = 17.408 (3) \text{ Å} & T = 291 \text{ K} \\ c = 7.091 (2) \text{ Å} & 0.20 \times 0.18 \times 0.15 \text{ mm} \\ \beta = 110.70 (2)^{\circ} \\ \end{bmatrix}$

Data collection

Rigaku SCXmini diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (*CrystalClear*; Rigaku, 2005) $T_{min} = 0.753, T_{max} = 0.762$

Refinement

$$\begin{split} R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] &= 0.028 & 106 \text{ parameters} \\ wR(F^2) &= 0.113 & H\text{-atom parameters constrained} \\ S &= 1.30 & \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.59 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ 1555 \text{ reflections} & \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.64 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \end{split}$$

6793 measured reflections

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.025$

1555 independent reflections

1429 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N2-H2A\cdots N6^{i}$ $O1-H1B\cdots N5^{ii}$ $O1-H1A\cdots N4^{iii}$	0.86	2.01	2.803 (3)	153
	0.86	2.00	2.837 (3)	164
	0.79	2.08	2.841 (2)	164

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

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2005); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalClear*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL/PC* (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL/PC*.

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S1. Comment

Tetrazole ligands have found a wide range of applications in medicine chemistry, coordination chemistry and material chemistry (Demko & Sharpless, 2001). Recently, the tetrazole synthesis in water has attracted intense attention. For example, a safe, convenient, and environmentally friendly procedure for the synthesis of 5-substituted 1*H*-tetrazoles, which were prepared by the addition of azides to nitriles in water using zinc salts as catalysts, has been reported (Demko & Sharpless, 2002). Our group has been interested in the construction of novel supramolecular motifs through *in situ* hydrothermal reactions (Zhao *et al.*, 2008). In particular, we have combined metal salts with potentially bridging organic ligands under hydrothermal conditions to produce a range of new materials in order to investigate the Demko-Sharpless reaction. Herein we report on the synthesis and structure of the title compound, which was obtained by the hydrothermal reaction of ZnCl₂ with (4-cyano)-imidazole and NaN₃ in water.

Figure 1 shows the monomeric complex molecule along with the atom-labelling scheme. The zinc(II) metal lies on an inversion centre, and displays a distorted octahedral coordination geometry provided by the N atoms of two chelating ligands at the equatorial plane and by the oxygen atoms of two trans-arranged water molecules at the axial positions. The bond distances and angles within the coordination octahedron have normal values. The organic ligand is not planar, the dihedral angle formed by the imidazole and tetrazole rings is 8.39 (9)°. The five-membered chelating ring assumes an approximately planar conformation (maximum deviation 0.030 (2) Å for atom C4). The crystal structure is stabilized by intermolecular N—H…N and O—H…N hydrogen bonds (Table 1), forming an extended three-dimensional network (Fig. 2).

S2. Experimental

Colourless single crystals of title compound were obtained by hydrothermal treatment of ZnCl₂ (1 mmol), NaN₃ (3 mmol), (4-cyano)-imidazole (1 mmol) and water (7 ml) over 1 day at 398 K. Yield: 53% (based on ZnCl₂).

S3. Refinement

The water H atoms were located from a difference Fourier map but not refined $[U_{iso}(H) = 1.5 U_{eq}(O)]$. All other H atoms were placed at calculated positions and refined as riding, with C—H = 0.93 Å, N—H = 0.86 Å, and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2 U_{eq}(C, N)$.



Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title compound, showing the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level. Atoms labelled with suffix A are generated by the symmetry operation (2-x, 1-y, 1-z).



Figure 2

Packing diagram of the title compound viewed along the *b* axis. Intermolecular hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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Data collection

Rigaku SCXmini	6793 measured reflections			
diffractometer	1555 independent reflections			
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	1429 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$			
Graphite monochromator	$R_{\rm int} = 0.025$			
Detector resolution: 13.6612 pixels mm ⁻¹	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\rm min} = 2.3^{\circ}$			
ω scans	$h = -7 \rightarrow 7$			
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$k = -22 \rightarrow 22$			
(CrystalClear; Rigaku, 2005)	$l = -9 \rightarrow 9$			
$T_{\min} = 0.753, \ T_{\max} = 0.762$				
Refinement				
Refinement on F^2	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier			
Least-squares matrix: full	map			
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F(000) = 376

 $\theta = 2.3 - 27.5^{\circ}$

 $\mu = 1.84 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 291 K

Prism, colourless

 $0.20 \times 0.18 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$

 $D_{\rm x} = 1.809 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$

Mo *K* α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

Cell parameters from 2098 reflections

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.028$ Hydrogen site location: inferred from $wR(F^2) = 0.113$ neighbouring sites H-atom parameters constrained 1555 reflections $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0683P)^2 + 0.021P]$ 106 parameters where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$ Primary atom site location: structure-invariant $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.59 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.64 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ direct methods

Special details

S = 1.30

0 restraints

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 w*R* 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.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\hat{A}^2)

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$	
Zn1	1.0000	0.5000	0.5000	0.02202 (18)	
C1	0.9503 (4)	0.34932 (12)	0.3008 (3)	0.0212 (4)	
C2	1.0396 (4)	0.27845 (13)	0.2890 (4)	0.0287 (5)	
H2	0.9581	0.2376	0.2090	0.034*	

C3	1.3185 (4)	0.34887 (13)	0.5063 (4)	0.0262 (5)	
H3	1.4657	0.3635	0.6021	0.031*	
C4	0.7145 (4)	0.38475 (12)	0.2122 (3)	0.0207 (4)	
N1	1.1269 (3)	0.39332 (10)	0.4390 (3)	0.0223 (4)	
N2	1.2733 (4)	0.27947 (11)	0.4186 (3)	0.0292 (4)	
H2A	1.3746	0.2421	0.4404	0.035*	
N3	0.6743 (3)	0.45320 (10)	0.2795 (3)	0.0208 (4)	
N4	0.4411 (3)	0.46893 (11)	0.1772 (3)	0.0242 (4)	
N5	0.3469 (3)	0.41230 (11)	0.0538 (3)	0.0272 (4)	
N6	0.5162 (3)	0.35808 (11)	0.0704 (3)	0.0258 (4)	
01	1.0962 (3)	0.56118 (9)	0.2680 (2)	0.0285 (4)	
H1B	0.9793	0.5753	0.1617	0.043*	
H1A	1.1972	0.5434	0.2327	0.043*	

Atomic displacement parameters (\mathring{A}^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Zn1	0.0195 (3)	0.0171 (2)	0.0251 (3)	0.00042 (11)	0.00252 (17)	-0.00441 (12)
C1	0.0214 (10)	0.0190 (10)	0.0211 (10)	-0.0010 (7)	0.0049 (8)	-0.0013 (8)
C2	0.0301 (12)	0.0212 (11)	0.0323 (12)	0.0020 (9)	0.0081 (9)	-0.0019 (9)
C3	0.0198 (10)	0.0270 (11)	0.0287 (11)	0.0035 (8)	0.0045 (9)	0.0030 (9)
C4	0.0210 (10)	0.0175 (9)	0.0216 (10)	-0.0022 (7)	0.0052 (8)	0.0008 (8)
N1	0.0186 (9)	0.0194 (8)	0.0256 (9)	0.0007 (7)	0.0039 (7)	-0.0019 (7)
N2	0.0271 (10)	0.0233 (9)	0.0356 (11)	0.0098 (8)	0.0089 (8)	0.0035 (8)
N3	0.0169 (9)	0.0214 (9)	0.0217 (9)	0.0030 (7)	0.0037 (7)	-0.0004 (7)
N4	0.0177 (9)	0.0277 (10)	0.0254 (10)	0.0021 (7)	0.0051 (7)	0.0028 (8)
N5	0.0192 (9)	0.0297 (10)	0.0286 (10)	-0.0008 (7)	0.0031 (7)	0.0028 (8)
N6	0.0215 (9)	0.0214 (9)	0.0282 (10)	-0.0031 (7)	0.0011 (7)	-0.0021 (8)
01	0.0226 (8)	0.0344 (9)	0.0259 (8)	0.0058 (6)	0.0055 (6)	0.0016 (7)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Zn1—N1 ⁱ	2.1042 (18)	C3—N1	1.313 (3)
Zn1—N1	2.1042 (18)	C3—N2	1.342 (3)
Zn1—N3 ⁱ	2.1641 (19)	С3—Н3	0.9300
Zn1—N3	2.1641 (19)	C4—N6	1.329 (3)
Zn1—O1	2.1966 (17)	C4—N3	1.336 (3)
Zn1—O1 ⁱ	2.1966 (17)	N2—H2A	0.8600
C1—C2	1.356 (3)	N3—N4	1.339 (3)
C1—N1	1.383 (3)	N4—N5	1.305 (3)
C1—C4	1.448 (3)	N5—N6	1.350 (3)
C2—N2	1.362 (3)	O1—H1B	0.8585
С2—Н2	0.9300	O1—H1A	0.7874
N1 ⁱ —Zn1—N1	180.0	N1—C3—N2	110.9 (2)
$N1^{i}$ Zn1 $N3^{i}$	79.02 (7)	N1—C3—H3	124.5
N1—Zn1—N3 ⁱ	100.98 (7)	N2—C3—H3	124.5
N1 ⁱ —Zn1—N3	100.98 (7)	N6—C4—N3	111.23 (19)

N1—Zn1—N3	79.02 (7)	N6—C4—C1	129.4 (2)
N3 ⁱ —Zn1—N3	180.00 (8)	N3—C4—C1	119.34 (19)
N1 ⁱ —Zn1—O1	86.07 (7)	C3—N1—C1	105.58 (19)
N1—Zn1—O1	93.93 (7)	C3—N1—Zn1	140.26 (16)
N3 ⁱ —Zn1—O1	87.66 (7)	C1—N1—Zn1	113.59 (14)
N3—Zn1—O1	92.34 (7)	C3—N2—C2	108.22 (18)
$N1^{i}$ — $Zn1$ — $O1^{i}$	93.93 (7)	C3—N2—H2A	125.9
N1—Zn1—O1 ⁱ	86.07 (7)	C2—N2—H2A	125.9
$N3^{i}$ — $Zn1$ — $O1^{i}$	92.34 (7)	C4—N3—N4	105.51 (17)
N3—Zn1—O1 ⁱ	87.66 (7)	C4—N3—Zn1	111.67 (14)
O1—Zn1—O1 ⁱ	180.00 (7)	N4—N3—Zn1	142.77 (14)
C2-C1-N1	109.58 (19)	N5—N4—N3	108.77 (18)
C2—C1—C4	134.1 (2)	N4—N5—N6	110.06 (17)
N1—C1—C4	116.14 (18)	C4—N6—N5	104.42 (19)
C1—C2—N2	105.7 (2)	Zn1—O1—H1B	117.1
C1—C2—H2	127.2	Zn1—O1—H1A	118.2
N2—C2—H2	127.2	H1B—O1—H1A	107.4

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

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	D—H	H···A	D····A	D—H···A	
N2—H2A···N6 ⁱⁱ	0.86	2.01	2.803 (3)	153	
O1—H1B····N5 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.86	2.00	2.837 (3)	164	
$O1$ — $H1A$ ···· $N4^{iv}$	0.79	2.08	2.841 (2)	164	

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