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catena-Poly[[diaquabis(formato- κ O)-cobalt(II)]- μ_2 -2,6-bis(pyridin-4-yl)-4,4'-bipyridine- κ^2 N²:N⁶]

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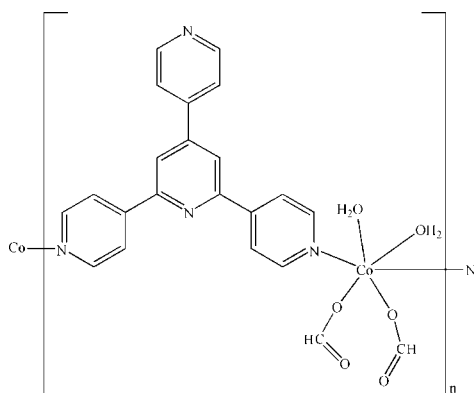
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 Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 293$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005$ Å; R factor = 0.044; wR factor = 0.112; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.4.

In the title complex, $[\text{Co}(\text{CHO}_2)_2(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_4)(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$, the Co^{II} ion, lying on an inversion center, is six-coordinated by two O atoms from two monodentate formate ligands, two N atoms from two 2,6-bis(pyridin-4-yl)-4,4'-bipyridine (4-pybpy) ligands and two water molecules, displaying an octahedral geometry. The 4-pybpy ligand, having a twofold rotation axis, functions in a bridging coordination mode, connecting the Co^{II} ions into a corrugated chain along $[\bar{1}01]$. The chains are further linked into a three-dimensional supramolecular network by $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$, $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ and $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds and $\pi-\pi$ stacking interactions between the pyridine rings [centroid-to-centroid distance = 3.743 (2) Å].

Related literature

For general background to complexes with 2,6-bis(4-pyridyl)-4,4'-bipyridine, see: Liu *et al.* (2009); Yoshida *et al.* (2007).



Experimental

Crystal data

$[\text{Co}(\text{CHO}_2)_2(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_4)(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$	$V = 2003.0$ (7) Å ³
$M_r = 495.35$	$Z = 4$
Monoclinic, $C2/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 24.412$ (5) Å	$\mu = 0.91$ mm ⁻¹
$b = 11.073$ (2) Å	$T = 293$ K
$c = 7.4117$ (15) Å	$0.30 \times 0.26 \times 0.21$ mm
$\beta = 91.28$ (3)°	

Data collection

Rigaku/MSC Mercury CCD diffractometer	9417 measured reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan (<i>CrystalStructure</i> ; Rigaku/MSC, 2002)	2303 independent reflections
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.075$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.126$	1544 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.063$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$wR(F^2) = 0.112$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.76$ e Å ⁻³
$S = 1.11$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.57$ e Å ⁻³
2303 reflections	
160 parameters	
3 restraints	

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{O1W}-\text{H1W}\cdots\text{O2}^{\text{i}}$	0.82 (1)	1.97 (1)	2.775 (3)	166 (4)
$\text{O1W}-\text{H2W}\cdots\text{O2}^{\text{ii}}$	0.82 (1)	1.99 (1)	2.814 (3)	174 (3)
$\text{C2}-\text{H2}\cdots\text{N3}^{\text{iii}}$	0.93	2.62	3.458 (3)	150
$\text{C5}-\text{H5}\cdots\text{O2}^{\text{ii}}$	0.93	2.53	3.429 (4)	164

 Symmetry codes: (i) $-x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{5}{2}, -z + 1$; (ii) $-x + \frac{1}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{1}{2}$; (iii) $x, y + 1, z$.

Data collection: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MSC, 2002); cell refinement: *CrystalStructure*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008) and *Mercury* (Macrae *et al.*, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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S1. Comment

In the structural investigation of 2,6-bis(4-pyridyl)-4,4'-bipyridine (4-pybp) complexes, it has been found that 4-pybp functions as a multidentate ligand (Liu *et al.*, 2009; Yoshida *et al.*, 2007), with versatile binding and coordination modes. In this paper, we report the crystal structure of the title compound, a new Co^{II} complex obtained by the reaction of 4-pybp, cobaltous nitrate hexahydrate in DMF solution.

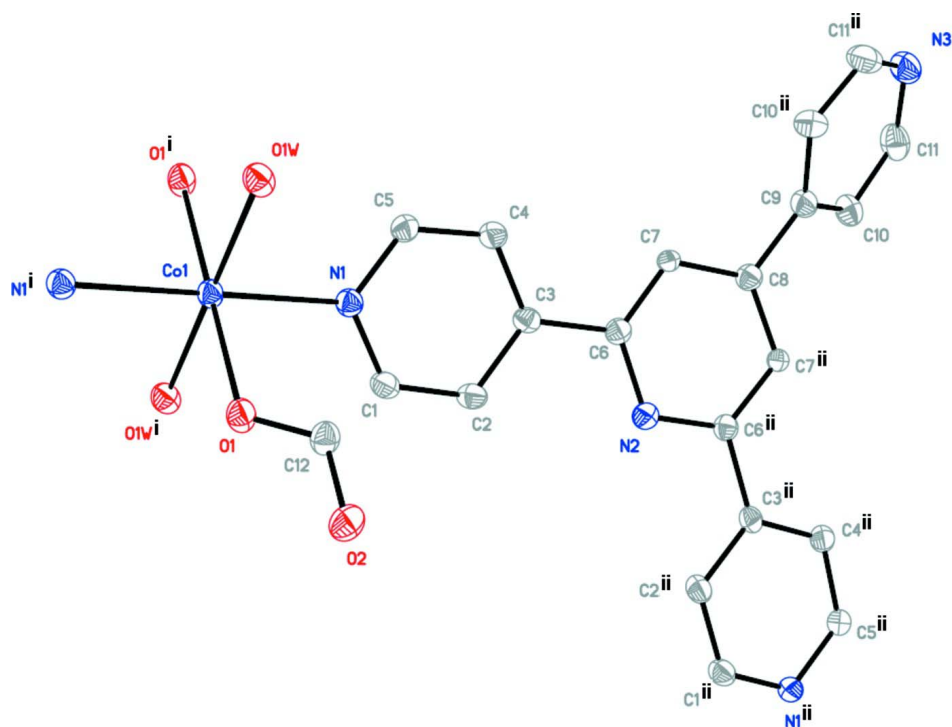
As depicted in Fig. 1, the Co^{II} atom, lying on an inversion center, is coordinated by two O atoms from two formate anions, two N atoms from two 4-pybp ligands and two water molecules. The coordination environment of the Co^{II} atom can be described as octahedral. The 4-pybp ligands link Co^{II} ions, forming infinite chains, with a Co \cdots Co separation of 12.835 (2) Å (Fig. 2). These chains are further self-assembled into a three-dimensional supramolecular network *via* intermolecular O—H \cdots O and C—H \cdots O hydrogen bonds (Table 1) involving the water molecules as donors and O atoms of the formate groups as acceptors, and π – π stacking interactions between the pyridyl rings of neighboring 4-pybp ligands (Fig. 3). The centroid–centroid distance is 3.743 (2) Å.

S2. Experimental

A mixture of 4-pybp (0.155 g, 0.5 mmol), cobalt nitrate hexahydrate (0.145 g, 0.5 mmol) and DMF (15 ml) was placed in a 23 ml Teflon-lined reactor, which was heated at 358 K for 2 d, and then cooled to room temperature at a rate of 10 K h⁻¹. Block purple crystals obtained were washed with water and dried in air (yield: 45% based on Co).

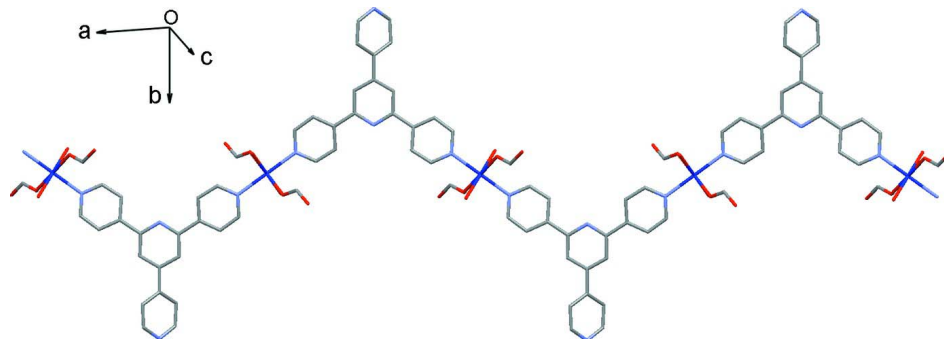
S3. Refinement

H atoms on C atoms were placed at calculated positions and treated as riding atoms, with C—H = 0.93 Å and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$. Water H atoms were tentatively located in difference Fourier maps and were refined with distance restraints of O—H = 0.82 (1) and H \cdots H = 1.39 (1) Å and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{O})$. The highest peak is located 0.28 Å from H12A and the deepest hole is located 0.90 Å from Co1.

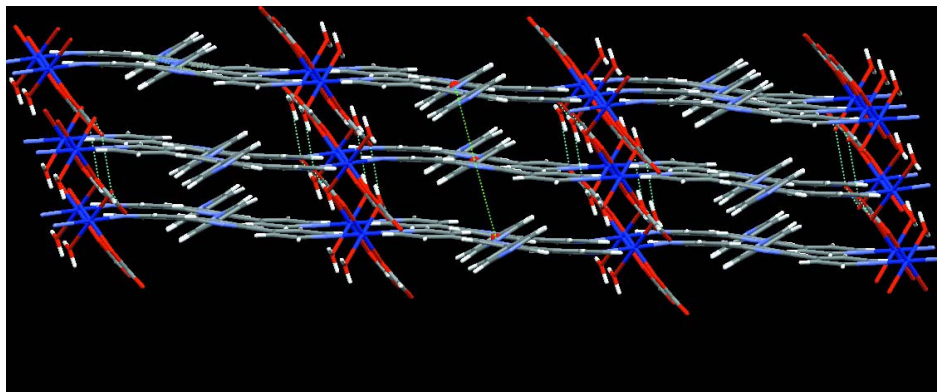
**Figure 1**

The structure of the title compound, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms were omitted for clarity.

[Symmetry codes: (i) $1/2 - x, 5/2 - y, -z$; (ii) $-x, y, 1/2 - z$.]

**Figure 2**

View of the corrugated chain. H atoms were omitted for clarity.

**Figure 3**

Crystal packing of the title compound. Hydrogen bonds and π - π stacking interactions are shown as dashed lines.

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$D_x = 1.643$ Mg m⁻³

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$h = -31 \rightarrow 31$

$k = -14 \rightarrow 14$

$l = -9 \rightarrow 8$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

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Primary atom site location: structure-invariant
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from
neighbouring sites

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent
and constrained refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.040P)^2 + 3.P]$

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.76$ e Å⁻³

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.57$ e Å⁻³

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Co1	0.2500	1.2500	0.0000	0.02543 (18)
O1W	0.30131 (10)	1.13065 (19)	0.1536 (3)	0.0321 (5)
H1W	0.2998 (17)	1.132 (3)	0.2643 (14)	0.048*
H2W	0.3056 (16)	1.0629 (15)	0.110 (4)	0.048*
O1	0.22769 (10)	1.35749 (18)	0.2125 (3)	0.0329 (5)
O2	0.18853 (10)	1.3927 (2)	0.4744 (3)	0.0384 (6)
N1	0.17914 (11)	1.1358 (2)	0.0338 (3)	0.0271 (6)
N2	0.0000	0.9831 (3)	0.2500	0.0285 (8)
N3	0.0000	0.3497 (4)	0.2500	0.0466 (11)
C1	0.13056 (14)	1.1840 (3)	0.0711 (4)	0.0308 (7)
H1	0.1269	1.2675	0.0632	0.037*
C2	0.08571 (14)	1.1183 (3)	0.1202 (4)	0.0300 (7)
H2	0.0528	1.1564	0.1458	0.036*
C3	0.09050 (13)	0.9933 (3)	0.1310 (4)	0.0255 (7)
C4	0.13993 (14)	0.9416 (3)	0.0889 (4)	0.0303 (7)
H4	0.1444	0.8583	0.0929	0.036*
C5	0.18262 (14)	1.0151 (3)	0.0409 (4)	0.0290 (7)
H5	0.2157	0.9791	0.0117	0.035*
C6	0.04323 (13)	0.9200 (3)	0.1906 (4)	0.0266 (7)
C7	0.04429 (12)	0.7978 (2)	0.1879 (4)	0.0221 (6)
H7	0.0744	0.7564	0.1447	0.027*
C8	0.0000	0.7374 (4)	0.2500	0.0286 (9)
C9	0.0000	0.6031 (4)	0.2500	0.0325 (10)
C10	-0.04717 (16)	0.5383 (3)	0.2075 (5)	0.0386 (8)
H10	-0.0800	0.5778	0.1805	0.046*
C11	-0.04431 (18)	0.4138 (3)	0.2061 (5)	0.0466 (10)
H11	-0.0758	0.3716	0.1719	0.056*
C12	0.20695 (14)	1.3244 (3)	0.3573 (4)	0.0297 (7)
H12A	0.2052	1.2418	0.3790	0.036*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Co1	0.0309 (3)	0.0234 (3)	0.0222 (3)	-0.0028 (3)	0.0045 (2)	-0.0005 (2)
O1W	0.0425 (15)	0.0286 (11)	0.0252 (11)	-0.0011 (10)	0.0021 (10)	0.0004 (9)
O1	0.0438 (15)	0.0292 (11)	0.0259 (11)	-0.0069 (10)	0.0077 (10)	-0.0032 (9)
O2	0.0456 (16)	0.0435 (13)	0.0265 (11)	0.0001 (11)	0.0083 (10)	-0.0030 (11)
N1	0.0292 (15)	0.0256 (12)	0.0267 (13)	-0.0016 (11)	0.0015 (11)	-0.0010 (11)
N2	0.027 (2)	0.0286 (18)	0.0300 (18)	0.000	0.0020 (16)	0.000
N3	0.061 (3)	0.031 (2)	0.048 (3)	0.000	0.008 (2)	0.000
C1	0.032 (2)	0.0239 (15)	0.0368 (17)	0.0017 (13)	0.0008 (14)	0.0000 (13)
C2	0.0281 (19)	0.0259 (15)	0.0361 (17)	0.0022 (13)	-0.0003 (13)	-0.0048 (13)
C3	0.0302 (18)	0.0239 (14)	0.0222 (14)	0.0012 (12)	-0.0013 (12)	-0.0034 (12)
C4	0.035 (2)	0.0271 (15)	0.0286 (15)	0.0027 (14)	0.0045 (13)	-0.0003 (13)
C5	0.0306 (19)	0.0278 (15)	0.0289 (15)	0.0000 (13)	0.0050 (13)	-0.0024 (13)

C6	0.0289 (18)	0.0274 (15)	0.0234 (14)	-0.0002 (13)	0.0010 (12)	-0.0017 (13)
C7	0.0202 (16)	0.0197 (12)	0.0267 (14)	0.0008 (11)	0.0039 (12)	-0.0011 (12)
C8	0.027 (2)	0.029 (2)	0.030 (2)	0.000	0.0002 (17)	0.000
C9	0.037 (3)	0.029 (2)	0.031 (2)	0.000	0.003 (2)	0.000
C10	0.040 (2)	0.0339 (17)	0.0419 (19)	-0.0055 (15)	-0.0007 (16)	0.0043 (15)
C11	0.057 (3)	0.0375 (19)	0.046 (2)	-0.0155 (18)	0.0002 (18)	0.0001 (17)
C12	0.0324 (19)	0.0323 (16)	0.0245 (14)	-0.0036 (14)	0.0025 (13)	-0.0002 (14)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Co1—O1	2.057 (2)	C2—C3	1.392 (4)
Co1—O1 ⁱ	2.057 (2)	C2—H2	0.9300
Co1—O1W ⁱ	2.133 (2)	C3—C4	1.377 (4)
Co1—O1W	2.133 (2)	C3—C6	1.486 (4)
Co1—N1 ⁱ	2.162 (3)	C4—C5	1.375 (4)
Co1—N1	2.162 (3)	C4—H4	0.9300
O1W—H1W	0.82 (1)	C5—H5	0.9300
O1W—H2W	0.82 (1)	C6—C7	1.353 (4)
O1—C12	1.251 (3)	C7—C8	1.361 (3)
O2—C12	1.243 (4)	C7—H7	0.9300
N1—C1	1.335 (4)	C8—C7 ⁱⁱ	1.361 (3)
N1—C5	1.341 (4)	C8—C9	1.487 (6)
N2—C6	1.348 (4)	C9—C10	1.387 (4)
N2—C6 ⁱⁱ	1.348 (4)	C9—C10 ⁱⁱ	1.387 (4)
N3—C11 ⁱⁱⁱ	1.328 (5)	C10—C11	1.381 (5)
N3—C11	1.328 (5)	C10—H10	0.9300
C1—C2	1.371 (4)	C11—H11	0.9300
C1—H1	0.9300	C12—H12A	0.9300
O1—Co1—O1 ⁱ	180.0	C4—C3—C2	118.2 (3)
O1—Co1—O1W ⁱ	83.56 (9)	C4—C3—C6	122.1 (3)
O1 ⁱ —Co1—O1W ⁱ	96.44 (9)	C2—C3—C6	119.7 (3)
O1—Co1—O1W	96.44 (9)	C5—C4—C3	119.1 (3)
O1 ⁱ —Co1—O1W	83.56 (9)	C5—C4—H4	120.5
O1W ⁱ —Co1—O1W	180.0	C3—C4—H4	120.5
O1—Co1—N1 ⁱ	88.67 (9)	N1—C5—C4	123.5 (3)
O1 ⁱ —Co1—N1 ⁱ	91.33 (9)	N1—C5—H5	118.2
O1W ⁱ —Co1—N1 ⁱ	92.16 (9)	C4—C5—H5	118.2
O1W—Co1—N1 ⁱ	87.84 (9)	N2—C6—C7	122.6 (3)
O1—Co1—N1	91.33 (9)	N2—C6—C3	115.6 (3)
O1 ⁱ —Co1—N1	88.67 (9)	C7—C6—C3	121.7 (3)
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Co1—O1W—H1W	119 (2)	C7—C8—C7 ⁱⁱ	121.1 (4)
Co1—O1W—H2W	116 (2)	C7—C8—C9	119.5 (2)
H1W—O1W—H2W	114.8 (18)	C7 ⁱⁱ —C8—C9	119.5 (2)
C12—O1—Co1	127.3 (2)	C10—C9—C10 ⁱⁱ	117.7 (4)

C1—N1—C5	116.5 (3)	C10—C9—C8	121.2 (2)
C1—N1—Co1	120.5 (2)	C10 ⁱⁱ —C9—C8	121.2 (2)
C5—N1—Co1	122.5 (2)	C11—C10—C9	118.4 (4)
C6—N2—C6 ⁱⁱ	117.5 (4)	C11—C10—H10	120.8
C11 ⁱⁱ —N3—C11	115.4 (4)	C9—C10—H10	120.8
N1—C1—C2	124.1 (3)	N3—C11—C10	125.0 (4)
N1—C1—H1	117.9	N3—C11—H11	117.5
C2—C1—H1	117.9	C10—C11—H11	117.5
C1—C2—C3	118.5 (3)	O2—C12—O1	125.5 (3)
C1—C2—H2	120.8	O2—C12—H12A	117.2
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