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The crystal structure of hexaaquamagnesium(II) bis-3-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydrobenzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-α]pyridin-1-yl)benzoate, C_{36}H_{42}N_{4}O_{10}Mg

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Abstract

C_{36}H_{42}N_{4}O_{10}Mg, monoclinic, C_{2}/c (no. 15), a = 16.4977(12) Å, b = 16.3866(10) Å, c = 12.5814(10) Å, β = 101.922(8)°, V = 3327.9(4) Å³, Z = 4, R_{gt}(F) = 0.0794, wR_{ref}(F^2) = 0.2021, T = 260 K.

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Table 1 contains crystallographic data and Table 2 contains the list of the atoms including atomic coordinates and displacement parameters.

1 Source of materials

An amount of 0.0585 g 2-(1H-benzo[d]imidazol-2-yl)ethanamine dihydrochloride (0.25 mmol), 0.0375 g 2-carboxybenzaldehyde (0.25 mmol), and 0.0508 g magnesium chloride hexahydrate (0.25 mmol) were dissolved to the 20 ml ethanol-water (v:v = 3:1) solution under stirring. The above solution was heated and stirred for 4 h at 85 °C. The solution was then stirred for an additional 3 h at room temperature. The colorless block crystals were received from the filtrate after 10 days.

2 Experimental details

The hydrogen atoms were positioned geometrically (C–H = 0.93–0.97 Å, O–H = 0.85–0.93 Å). Their U_{iso} values were set to 1.2U_{eq} or 1.5U_{eq} of the parent atoms.
Because the nitrogen and oxygen atoms of some ligands exhibit a variety of coordination modes,5,6 and the complexes also show potential applications in many aspects for example antitumor chemodynamic therapy agent,7 fluorescent property,8 dual functional luminescent sensors,9, and ion sensing and dye adsorption.10 In our previous work, we have synthesized and structurally characterized some metal complexes with nitrogen heterocarboxylic acid ligands.11–14 To further enrich the structure of metal complexes with nitrogen heterocarboxylic acid ligands. Thus, we synthesized and structurally characterized a Mg(II) complex using 2-(1H-benzimidazol-2-yl)ethyramine dihydrochloride, 2-carboxybenzaldehyde, NaOH, and magnesium chloride hexahydrate as materials. The molecular structure of the title complex is shown in the figure.

The title complex is made up of one [Mg(H2O)6]2 cation and 3-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydrobenzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-1-yl)benzoate anion unit. The asymmetric unit Mg(II) complex contains one half of a Mg2 cation, one 3-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydrobenzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-1-yl)benzoate ligand, and six coordinated H2O molecules. And the Mg3 cation is six-coordinated with six O atoms (O3, O4, O41, O5, O6, O61) of six coordinated H2O molecules, which form a distorted MgO6 octahedral coordination geometry (figure). And the bond angle of Mg3–O3–O5 is 180°, showing that the O3 and O5 atoms are at the axial positions, and the O4, O41, O6, O61 atoms are at the equatorial plane. The bond lengths of Mg are in the range of 2.027(4)–2.092(2) Å, which are coincident with that reported in reference.15 The angles around the Mg3 cation range from 89.27(11) to 90.73(11)° in the basal plane. Unfortunately, the carboxy oxygen atoms of 3-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydrobenzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-1-yl)benzoate ligand do not take part in coordination with Mg3. The [Mg(H2O)6]2 cation unit and 3-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydrobenzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-1-yl)benzoate anion unit are linked together by O–H···O and C–H···O hydrogen bonds.

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