Crystal structure of diaqua-dibenzoato-dihexamethylenetetramine-nickel(II) dihydrate, $\text{Ni}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_2)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

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Abstract

$\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{42}\text{N}_8\text{NiO}_8$, monoclinic, $C12/c1$ (No. 15), $a = 22.784(5)$ Å, $b = 10.886(2)$ Å, $c = 12.208(2)$ Å, $\beta = 95.50(3)^\circ$, $V = 3014.0$ Å³, $Z = 4$, $R_{\text{gt}}(F) = 0.074$, $wR_{\text{ref}}(F^2) = 0.156$, $T = 293$ K.

Source of material

Nickel benzoate dihydrate (1 mmol, 321 mg) and hexamethylenetetramine (1 mmol, 140 mg) were dissolved in ammonium solution (20 ml). The solution was stirred for ca. 10 min to obtain a clear blue solution. After keeping the solution in air for a week with the ammonium gas escaping, large blue crystals were formed. The product was collected, washed three times with water, and dried in a vacuum desiccator using CaCl_2 (yield 74%). All reagents and solvents were used as obtained without further purification. C, H and N elemental analyses were performed on a Perkin-Elmer elemental analyzer. Elemental analysis: found - C, 48.00; H, 6.55; N, 17.31%; calculated for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{42}\text{N}_8\text{NiO}_8$ - C, 47.80; H, 6.48; N, 17.15%.

Experimental details

All the other H atoms were placed in geometrically idealised positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms with O—H and C—H distances of 0.85 Å and 0.96 Å, respectively, and the values of $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$ were fixed to 0.80 Å². The quality of the crystals used for the X-ray investigation was poor, resulting in quite large R values. However, any relevant features could not be detected in the final residual electron density map.

Discussion

The title compound is a discrete mononuclear nickel(II) complex. The central nickel(II) atom is six-coordinated by two nitrogen atoms from two hexamethylenetetramine molecules and four oxygen atoms, two of which from two water molecules and the other two from different benzoate anions. The three diagonal angles of the NiO_4N_2 polyhedron are all of 180° , and the other angles around Ni(1) atom are close to 90° (from $85.33(12)^\circ$ to $94.67(12)^\circ$), indicating a slightly distorted octahedral geometry of Ni(1) atom. The Ni—O distance (from the water) is $2.061(3)$ Å, the Ni—O distance (from the benzoate anion) is $2.038(3)$ Å, and $d(\text{Ni—N}) = 2.213(4)$ Å, which are all in the normal ranges compared to the relative chemical bonds in relative nickel(II) complexes. The dihedral angle between the benzene ring and the carboxyl group is $16.8(2)^\circ$. In the crystal structure, the molecules are connected by intermolecular hydrogen bonds $\text{O}(1\text{W})\cdots\text{H}(1\text{WB})\cdots\text{O}(2\text{W})$, $\text{O}(2\text{W})\cdots\text{H}(2\text{WA})\cdots\text{O}(2)$, and $\text{O}(2)\cdots\text{H}(2\text{WB})\cdots\text{N}(2)$ to form layers parallel to the bc plane.

Table 1. Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	blue prism, size $0.44 \times 0.46 \times 0.55$ mm
Wavelength:	Mo K_{α} radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ :	7.05 cm^{-1}
Diffraction, scan mode:	Siemens SMART CCD, ϕ/ω
$2\theta_{\text{max}}$:	52°
$N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}$, $N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$:	6642, 2953
Criterion for I_{obs} , $N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$:	$I_{\text{obs}} > 2\sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$, 2279
$N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$:	197
Programs:	SADABS [1], SHELXTL [2]

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Table 2. Atomic coordinates and displacement parameters (in Å²).

Atom	Site	x	y	z	U _{iso}
H(1A)	8f	0.2340	−0.0341	−0.0327	0.08
H(1B)	8f	0.1989	0.0239	−0.1353	0.08
H(2A)	8f	0.0647	−0.1091	−0.1031	0.08
H(2B)	8f	0.0966	−0.0197	−0.1771	0.08
H(3A)	8f	0.1248	0.1796	−0.1117	0.08
H(3B)	8f	0.1128	0.2202	0.0060	0.08
H(4A)	8f	0.1850	−0.1696	0.0850	0.08
H(4B)	8f	0.1186	−0.1999	0.0571	0.08
H(5A)	8f	0.1661	0.1309	0.1650	0.08
H(5B)	8f	0.2137	0.0312	0.1518	0.08
H(6A)	8f	0.0633	0.0820	0.1206	0.08

Table 2. Continued.

Atom	Site	x	y	z	U _{iso}
H(6B)	8f	0.0462	−0.0481	0.0763	0.08
H(9A)	8f	0.3647	0.0059	−0.1677	0.08
H(10A)	8f	0.4383	−0.1146	−0.2342	0.08
H(11A)	8f	0.5095	−0.2088	−0.1103	0.08
H(12A)	8f	0.5039	−0.1913	0.0788	0.08
H(13A)	8f	0.4265	−0.0796	0.1459	0.08
H(1WA)	8f	0.1978	0.2066	−0.1941	0.08
H(1WB)	8f	0.2418	0.3031	−0.2081	0.08
H(2WA)	8f	0.2835	0.1559	−0.3626	0.08
H(2WB)	8f	0.3262	0.2569	−0.3425	0.08

Table 3. Atomic coordinates and displacement parameters (in Å²).

Atom	Site	x	y	z	U ₁₁	U ₂₂	U ₃₃	U ₁₂	U ₁₃	U ₂₃
Ni(1)	4c	1/4	1/4	0	0.0151(5)	0.0132(4)	0.0166(4)	0.0013(4)	0.0034(3)	0.0007(4)
O(1)	8f	0.3127(1)	0.1237(3)	−0.0289(2)	0.017(2)	0.015(2)	0.020(2)	0.004(1)	−0.001(1)	0.004(1)
O(2)	8f	0.3293(1)	0.0332(3)	0.1360(2)	0.033(2)	0.021(2)	0.020(2)	0.007(2)	0.008(2)	0.002(1)
N(1)	8f	0.1819(2)	0.1057(3)	0.0058(3)	0.020(2)	0.017(2)	0.016(2)	0.001(2)	0.002(2)	−0.003(2)
N(2)	8f	0.1517(2)	−0.0985(4)	−0.0590(3)	0.020(2)	0.024(2)	0.024(2)	−0.006(2)	0.005(2)	−0.005(2)
N(3)	8f	0.1317(2)	−0.0327(4)	0.1246(3)	0.017(2)	0.023(2)	0.024(2)	−0.006(2)	0.004(2)	0.002(2)
N(4)	8f	0.0771(2)	0.0585(4)	−0.0366(3)	0.016(2)	0.022(2)	0.031(2)	−0.002(2)	0.002(2)	0.001(2)
C(1)	8f	0.1963(2)	−0.0017(4)	−0.0607(4)	0.025(3)	0.021(3)	0.026(3)	−0.005(2)	0.008(2)	−0.005(2)
C(2)	8f	0.0943(2)	−0.0463(5)	−0.1026(4)	0.030(3)	0.029(3)	0.023(3)	−0.013(2)	0.003(2)	−0.001(2)
C(3)	8f	0.1231(2)	0.1514(4)	−0.0376(4)	0.016(3)	0.024(3)	0.032(3)	0.000(2)	0.000(2)	0.005(2)
C(4)	8f	0.1477(2)	−0.1365(4)	0.0555(4)	0.022(3)	0.020(3)	0.031(3)	−0.001(2)	0.002(2)	0.002(2)
C(5)	8f	0.1763(2)	0.0626(4)	0.1209(4)	0.019(3)	0.024(3)	0.020(2)	−0.003(2)	0.006(2)	0.002(2)
C(6)	8f	0.0753(2)	0.0156(4)	0.0761(4)	0.022(3)	0.020(3)	0.034(3)	−0.004(2)	0.012(2)	0.005(2)
C(7)	8f	0.3394(2)	0.0493(4)	0.0373(4)	0.018(2)	0.014(2)	0.019(2)	−0.005(2)	0.002(2)	−0.004(2)
C(8)	8f	0.3881(2)	−0.0262(4)	−0.0048(3)	0.012(2)	0.015(2)	0.020(2)	−0.002(2)	0.004(2)	−0.002(2)
C(9)	8f	0.3927(2)	−0.0363(4)	−0.1173(4)	0.024(3)	0.020(3)	0.027(3)	0.001(2)	0.005(2)	0.001(2)
C(10)	8f	0.4367(2)	−0.1054(4)	−0.1564(4)	0.036(3)	0.022(3)	0.033(3)	0.000(2)	0.016(2)	0.001(2)
C(11)	8f	0.4781(2)	−0.1625(5)	−0.0833(4)	0.018(3)	0.022(3)	0.048(3)	−0.001(2)	0.013(2)	0.005(3)
C(12)	8f	0.4750(2)	−0.1520(4)	0.0282(4)	0.018(3)	0.017(3)	0.040(3)	0.000(2)	−0.002(2)	0.009(2)
C(13)	8f	0.4294(2)	−0.0854(4)	0.0682(4)	0.018(3)	0.015(3)	0.029(3)	−0.005(2)	0.003(2)	0.001(2)
O(1W)	8f	0.2250(1)	0.2541(3)	−0.1667(2)	0.024(2)	0.024(2)	0.018(2)	−0.016(2)	0.002(1)	0.000(2)
O(2W)	8f	0.2998(2)	0.2105(3)	−0.3201(3)	0.053(3)	0.023(2)	0.046(2)	−0.008(2)	0.032(2)	−0.006(2)

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