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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean σ (C–C) = 0.006 Å R factor = 0.042 wR factor = 0.121 Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.1

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Bis(salicylaldehydo)zinc(II)

The title compound, $[Zn(C_7H_5O_2)_2]$, is a mononuclear zinc(II) complex. The Zn^{II} atom, lying on an inversion center, is coordinated by four O atoms from two salicylaldehyde ligands, forming a square planar geometry.

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Comment

Zinc(II) complexes play a crucial biochemical role. Recently, we have found that some of these complexes have antifatigue properties. As part of a further investigation of these materials, here we report the synthesis and structure of the title complex, (I), a mononuclear zinc(II) complex (Fig. 1). The Zn1 atom (site symmetry $\overline{1}$) is in a slightly distorted square planar geometry, coordinated by four O atoms from two anionic salicylaldehydo ligands. All the bond lengths and angles are in normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987).



Experimental

Salicylaldehyde (0.2 mmol, 24.2 mg) and $\text{Zn}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (0.1 mmol, 22.0 mg) were dissolved in methanol (10 ml). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h and then filtered. After keeping the colorless filtrate in air for 12 d, colorless block-shaped crystals of (I) were formed.

Crystal data		
$[Zn(C_7H_5O_2)_2]$	$D_{\rm r} = 1.690 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$	
$M_r = 307.59$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation	
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Cell parameters from 554	
a = 8.804 (6) Å	reflections	
b = 6.244(5) Å	$\theta = 2.2-22.1^{\circ}$	
c = 11.419 (8) Å	$\mu = 2.04 \text{ mm}^{-1}$	
$\beta = 105.653 \ (10)^{\circ}$	T = 298 (2) K	
$V = 604.5 (8) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, colorless	
Z = 2	$0.31 \times 0.24 \times 0.14 \text{ mm}$	
	$\begin{array}{c} 02 \\ C4 \\ C5 \\ C3 \\ C6 \\ C2 \\ C1 \\ C1 \\ C1 \\ C6 \\ C6 \\ C7 \\ C1 \\ C1 \\ C1 \\ C1 \\ C1 \\ C1 \\ C1$	

© 2005 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved **Figure 1** U The structure of (I), showing 50% displacement ellipsoids (spheres of arbitrary radius for the H atoms). Symmetry code as in Table 1.

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Data collection

Bruker SMART area-detector diffractometer	1063 independent reflections 839 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
ω scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.042$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^{\circ}$
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$h = -10 \rightarrow 10$
$T_{\min} = 0.560, \ T_{\max} = 0.749$	$k = -6 \rightarrow 7$
2945 measured reflections	$l = -13 \rightarrow 9$
Refinement	

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$ $wR(F^2) = 0.121$ S = 0.971063 reflections 88 parameters $k = -6 \rightarrow 7$ $l = -13 \rightarrow 9$ H-atom parameters constrained $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.083P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$ $\Delta = 256 - \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2}$

 $\begin{array}{l} (\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\rm max} = 0.56 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\rm min} = -0.39 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3} \end{array}$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Zn1-O2	1.887 (2)	Zn1-O1	1.947 (3)
O2-Zn1-O1 ⁱ	86.92 (11)		
C	2		

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

All H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and refined as riding on their parent atom with d(C-H) = 0.93 Å, and with the constraint $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ applied.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1998; data reduction: *SAINT*); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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