

Tetrakis(picolinato- κ^2N,O)zirconium(IV) dihydrate

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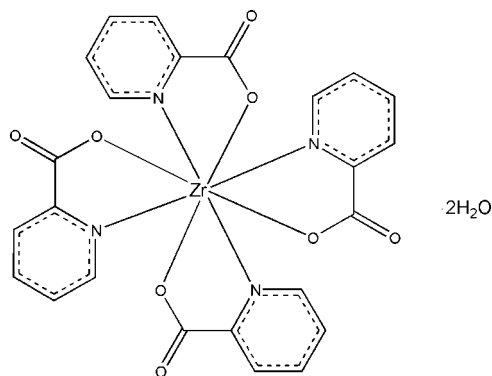
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 100$ K; mean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.003$ Å; R factor = 0.037; wR factor = 0.100; data-to-parameter ratio = 17.0.

In the title compound, $[Zr(C_6H_4NO_2)_4] \cdot 2H_2O$, the Zr^{IV} atom is located on a crystallographic fourfold rotoinversion axis ($\bar{4}$) and is coordinated by four picolinate anions with $Zr-O$ and $Zr-N$ distances of 2.120 (2) and 2.393 (2) Å, respectively. An approximate square-antiprismatic coordination polyhedron of the N,O -coordination ligand atoms is formed, with a distortion towards dodecahedral geometry. The crystal packing is stabilized by intermolecular $\pi-\pi$ interactions between adjacent picolinate rings [centroid-centroid distances = 3.271 (1) and 3.640 (2) Å], as well as $O-H \cdots O$ hydrogen bonds between the solvent molecules and the coordinated ligands, thereby linking the molecules into a supramolecular three-dimensional network.

Related literature

For N,O - and O,O' -bidentate ligand complexes of zirconium and hafnium, see: Steyn *et al.* (2008); Viljoen *et al.* (2010*a,b*). For relevant studies of N,O - and O,O' -bidentate ligands with other transition metal atoms, see: Graham *et al.* (1991); Mtshali *et al.* (2006); Roodt *et al.* (2011); Schutte *et al.* (2008); Steyn *et al.* (1997); Van Aswegen *et al.* (1991); Van der Westhuizen *et al.* (2010).



Experimental

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 $a = 11.083$ (5) Å
 $c = 9.548$ (5) Å
 $V = 1172.8$ (10) Å³

$Z = 2$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.54$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 100$ K
 $0.12 \times 0.09 \times 0.04$ mm

Data collection

Bruker X8 APEXII 4K Kappa CCD diffractometer
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2004)
 $T_{min} = 0.942$, $T_{max} = 0.977$

27234 measured reflections
 1477 independent reflections
 1271 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{int} = 0.074$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.100$
 $S = 1.10$
 1477 reflections
 87 parameters
 1 restraint

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.64$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.92$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
$O03-H03A \cdots O2^i$	0.94 (2)	1.89 (2)	2.829 (3)	175 (5)

Symmetry code: (i) $y, -x + \frac{3}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$.

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2010); cell refinement: SAINT-Plus (Bruker, 2004); data reduction: SAINT-Plus; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: DIAMOND (Brandenburg, 2006); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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Comment

The introduction of *N,O*-bidentate ligands with the oxine or aminovinylketone backbones significantly influences both steric and electronic properties of transition metal centres as illustrated by literature examples (Graham *et al.*, 1991; Mtshali *et al.*, 2006; Roodt *et al.*, 2011; Schutte *et al.*, 2008; Steyn *et al.*, 1997; Van Aswegen *et al.*, 1991; Van der Westhuizen *et al.*, 2010). This study is part of ongoing research initiatives investigating coordination behaviour of *O,O'*- and *N, O*-bidentate ligands with zirconium(IV) and hafnium(IV) for possible separation of these two metals from base ore sources (Steyn *et al.*, 2008; Viljoen *et al.*, 2010*a,b*).

The title compound, $[\text{Zr}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NO}_2)_4]\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, with $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NO}_2$ as picolinic acid, crystallizes in the form of colourless cubic crystals in the tetragonal $P4_2/n$ space group. The Zr^{IV} atom, located on a crystallographic fourfold rotoinversion axis ($\bar{4}$), is coordinated to four picolinic acid ligands (Fig. 1). The asymmetric unit contains half a solvent molecule located on a twofold axis. The Zr—O and Zr—N bond lengths are 2.120 (2) Å and 2.393 (2) Å, respectively, with a N—Zr—O bite angle of 69.79 (7)°. The coordination polyhedron around the metal centre is an approximate square antiprism of the *N,O*-coordination ligand atoms, with a distortion towards dodecahedral geometry. The crystal packing is stabilized by intermolecular π - π interactions (Fig. 2), between adjacent picolinato rings, with interplanar and centroid-to-centroid distances of 3.271 (1) Å and 3.640 (2) Å, respectively. Further stabilization of the crystal structure is afforded by O—H \cdots O hydrogen bonding (Fig. 3) between the carbonyl group of the picolinato ligands and the solvent water molecules. All of these interactions serve to link the molecules into a supramolecular three-dimensional network.

Experimental

Chemicals were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and used as received. ZrCl_4 (103.3 mg, 0.463 mmol) and picolinic acid (PicA) (175.2 mg, 1.423 mmol) was separately dissolved in DMF (2.5 ml ea) and heated to 60 °C. The PicA solution was added drop-wise to the zirconium solution and stirred at 60 °C for 30 minutes. The reaction solution was removed from heating, covered and left to stand for crystallization. White cubic crystals, suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction, formed after 30 days (yield: 178 mg, 86%).

Refinement

The aromatic H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions (C—H = 0.95 Å) and constrained to ride on their parent atoms with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$. The hydrogen atoms of the solvent water molecule were located on the Fourier difference map and refined isotropically. The highest residual electron density was located 0.74 Å from O1.

Figures

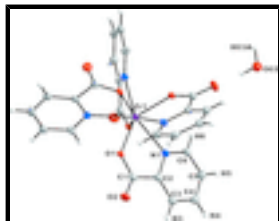


Fig. 1. Representation of the title compound with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are presented as small spheres of arbitrary radius.

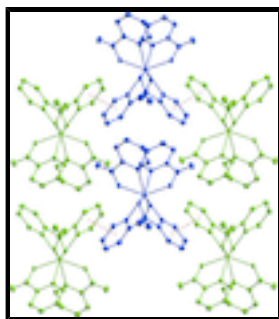


Fig. 2. Graphical illustration of π - π interaction and stacking between different PicA-ligands of neighboring molecules to form a three-dimensional network (displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level). Hydrogen atoms and solvent water molecules omitted for clarity.

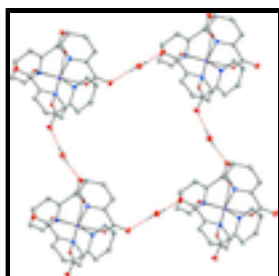


Fig. 3. Graphical illustration of $\text{Zr}(\text{PicA})_4$ indicating O-H...O hydrogen bonding interaction as observed between the solvent molecules and the free carbonyl oxygen atoms from neighboring molecules (displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level).

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$R_{\text{int}} = 0.074$

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Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods
Least-squares matrix: full	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$wR(F^2) = 0.100$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$S = 1.10$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0415P)^2 + 2.5407P]$
1477 reflections	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
87 parameters	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
1 restraint	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.64 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.92 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Special details

Experimental. The intensity data were collected on a Bruker X8 ApexII 4 K Kappa CCD diffractometer using an exposure time of 40 s/frame. A total of 1709 frames were collected with a frame width of 0.5° covering up to $\theta = 28.40^\circ$ with 99.5% completeness accomplished.

Geometry. All s.u.'s (except the s.u. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell s.u.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of s.u.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between s.u.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell s.u.'s is used for estimating s.u.'s involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted R -factor wR 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 $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$ 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 (\AA^2)

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Zr1	0.25	0.25	0.75	0.01305 (15)
O1	0.41797 (14)	0.31522 (14)	0.82454 (18)	0.01305 (15)
O2	0.56146 (18)	0.33223 (18)	0.9859 (2)	0.0263 (4)
C3	0.4700 (2)	0.1154 (2)	1.1212 (3)	0.0195 (5)
H3	0.5415	0.144	1.1601	0.023*
N1	0.31289 (18)	0.13671 (18)	0.9505 (2)	0.0157 (4)
C2	0.4174 (2)	0.1737 (2)	1.0089 (3)	0.0169 (5)
C5	0.3088 (2)	-0.0267 (2)	1.1131 (3)	0.0206 (5)
H5	0.2707	-0.0959	1.1461	0.025*

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C6	0.2603 (2)	0.0372 (2)	1.0016 (3)	0.0178 (5)
H6	0.1891	0.01	0.961	0.021*
C4	0.4143 (2)	0.0137 (2)	1.1748 (3)	0.0222 (5)
H4	0.4473	-0.0269	1.251	0.027*
C1	0.4728 (2)	0.2822 (2)	0.9379 (3)	0.0183 (5)
O03	0.25	0.75	0.3385 (4)	0.0472 (9)
H03A	0.274 (4)	0.815 (3)	0.396 (4)	0.068 (15)*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Zr1	0.01054 (17)	0.01054 (17)	0.0181 (2)	0	0	0
O1	0.01054 (17)	0.01054 (17)	0.0181 (2)	0	0	0
O2	0.0201 (9)	0.0257 (10)	0.0332 (11)	-0.0070 (8)	-0.0066 (8)	0.0008 (8)
C3	0.0170 (11)	0.0211 (12)	0.0205 (12)	0.0015 (9)	-0.0014 (9)	-0.0035 (10)
N1	0.0141 (9)	0.0136 (9)	0.0194 (10)	-0.0005 (8)	0.0000 (8)	-0.0002 (8)
C2	0.0145 (11)	0.0160 (11)	0.0203 (12)	0.0000 (9)	0.0007 (9)	-0.0030 (9)
C5	0.0221 (12)	0.0178 (12)	0.0220 (13)	0.0026 (9)	0.0043 (10)	0.0027 (10)
C6	0.0158 (11)	0.0154 (11)	0.0223 (12)	-0.0003 (9)	0.0005 (9)	0.0003 (9)
C4	0.0236 (13)	0.0240 (13)	0.0191 (13)	0.0056 (10)	0.0003 (10)	0.0020 (10)
C1	0.0148 (11)	0.0171 (11)	0.0231 (12)	-0.0001 (9)	0.0006 (9)	-0.0032 (9)
O03	0.059 (2)	0.038 (2)	0.045 (2)	-0.0011 (18)	0	0

Geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$)

Zr1—O1 ⁱ	2.1200 (18)	C3—C4	1.384 (4)
Zr1—O1	2.1200 (18)	C3—H3	0.93
Zr1—O1 ⁱⁱ	2.1200 (18)	N1—C6	1.340 (3)
Zr1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	2.1200 (18)	N1—C2	1.349 (3)
Zr1—N1 ⁱ	2.393 (2)	C2—C1	1.511 (4)
Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱ	2.393 (2)	C5—C4	1.384 (4)
Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ	2.393 (2)	C5—C6	1.386 (4)
Zr1—N1	2.393 (2)	C5—H5	0.93
O1—C1	1.294 (3)	C6—H6	0.93
O2—C1	1.218 (3)	C4—H4	0.93
C3—C2	1.381 (4)	O03—H03A	0.941 (19)
O1 ⁱ —Zr1—O1	96.47 (3)	N1 ⁱ —Zr1—N1	129.78 (7)
O1 ⁱ —Zr1—O1 ⁱⁱ	96.47 (3)	N1 ⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1	73.76 (11)
O1—Zr1—O1 ⁱⁱ	140.77 (10)	N1 ⁱⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1	129.78 (7)
O1 ⁱ —Zr1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	140.77 (10)	C1—O1—Zr1	126.61 (15)
O1—Zr1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	96.47 (3)	C2—C3—C4	118.7 (2)
O1 ⁱⁱ —Zr1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	96.47 (3)	C2—C3—H3	120.7
O1 ⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱ	69.79 (7)	C4—C3—H3	120.7
O1—Zr1—N1 ⁱ	145.95 (7)	C6—N1—C2	118.2 (2)
O1 ⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱ	73.05 (7)	C6—N1—Zr1	126.65 (17)

O1 ⁱⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱ	78.95 (7)	C2—N1—Zr1	114.94 (16)
O1 ⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱ	145.95 (7)	N1—C2—C3	122.8 (2)
O1—Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱ	78.95 (7)	N1—C2—C1	113.9 (2)
O1 ⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱ	69.79 (7)	C3—C2—C1	123.3 (2)
O1 ⁱⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱ	73.05 (7)	C4—C5—C6	119.3 (2)
N1 ⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱ	129.78 (7)	C4—C5—H5	120.4
O1 ⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ	78.95 (7)	C6—C5—H5	120.4
O1—Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ	73.05 (7)	N1—C6—C5	122.1 (2)
O1 ⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ	145.95 (7)	N1—C6—H6	118.9
O1 ⁱⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ	69.79 (7)	C5—C6—H6	118.9
N1 ⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ	73.76 (11)	C3—C4—C5	118.9 (2)
N1 ⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ	129.78 (7)	C3—C4—H4	120.6
O1 ⁱ —Zr1—N1	73.05 (7)	C5—C4—H4	120.6
O1—Zr1—N1	69.79 (7)	O2—C1—O1	124.4 (2)
O1 ⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1	78.95 (7)	O2—C1—C2	121.4 (2)
O1 ⁱⁱⁱ —Zr1—N1	145.95 (7)	O1—C1—C2	114.2 (2)

Symmetry codes: (i) $y, -x+1/2, -z+3/2$; (ii) $-x+1/2, -y+1/2, z$; (iii) $-y+1/2, x, -z+3/2$.

Hydrogen-bond geometry ($\text{\AA}, ^\circ$)

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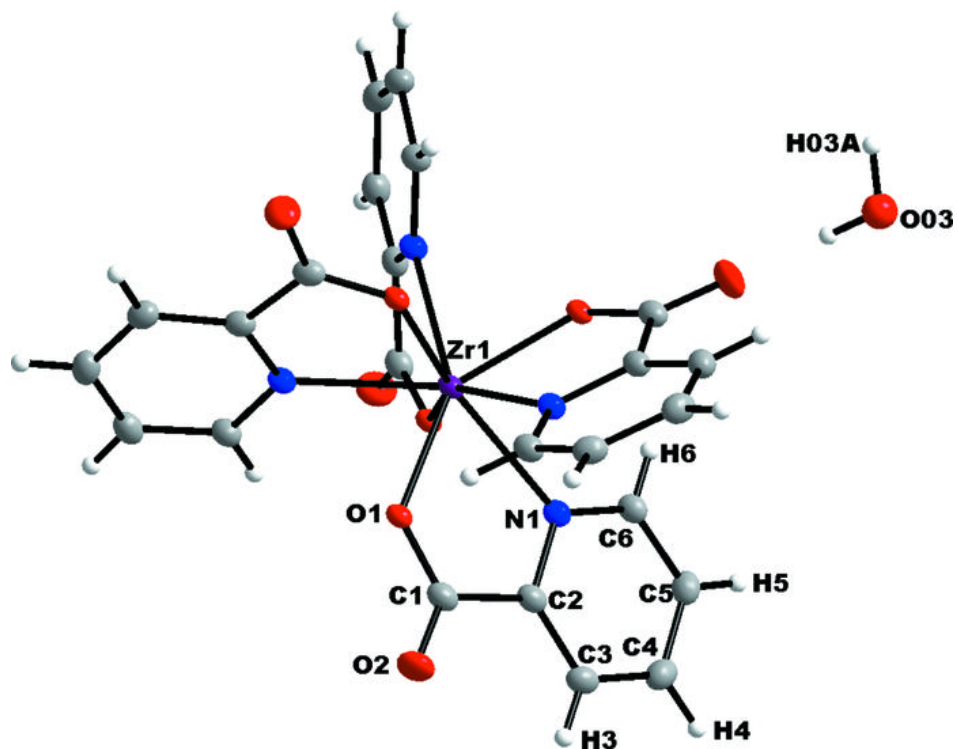


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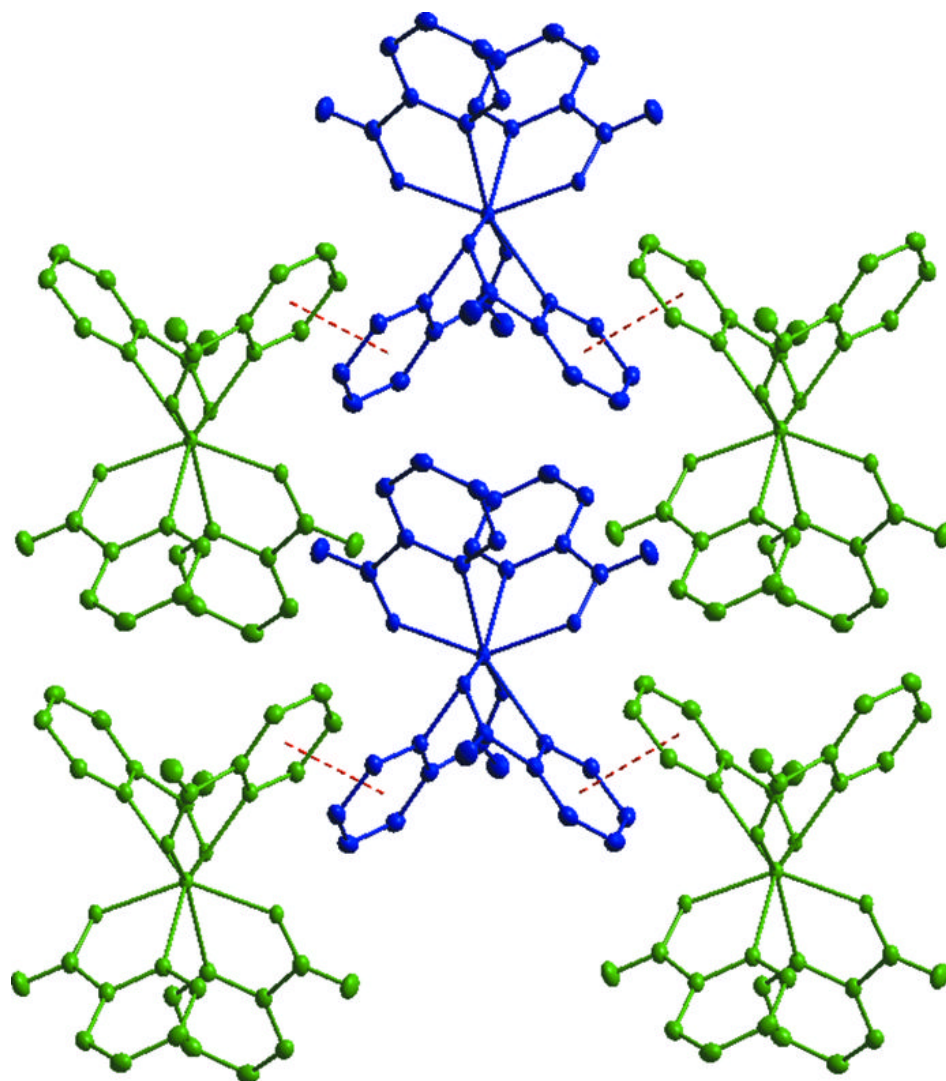


Fig. 3

