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{4,4'-Dibromo-2,2'-[propane-1,3-diyl-bis(nitrilomethylidene)]diphenolato}-zinc(II)

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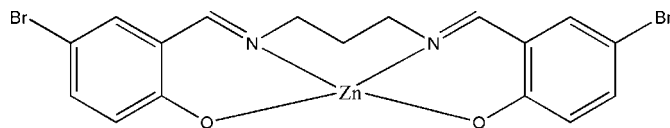
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 298$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005$ Å; disorder in main residue; R factor = 0.037; wR factor = 0.093; data-to-parameter ratio = 15.0.

The title mononuclear zinc(II) complex, $[\text{Zn}(\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{Br}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)]$, possesses a crystallographically imposed C_2 axis. The Zn atom is four-coordinated by two O and two N atoms from two Schiff base ligands, forming a severely distorted square-planar geometry. The central C atom of the propyl group is disordered over two positions about the twofold axis.

Related literature

For background on the chemistry of Schiff base zinc(II) complexes and their biological activity, see: Anderson *et al.* (1997); Chohan & Kausar (1992, 1993); Chohan *et al.* (2003); Osowole *et al.* (2005); Yu *et al.*, (2007). For related structures, see: Li & Zhang (2005); Wu *et al.* (2006); Xu *et al.* (2006); Ma *et al.* (2005); Ma, Gu *et al.* (2006); Ma, Lv *et al.* (2006); Ma, Wu *et al.* (2006).



Experimental

Crystal data

$[\text{Zn}(\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{Br}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)]$
 $M_r = 503.49$
 Monoclinic, $C2/c$
 $a = 21.418$ (6) Å
 $b = 8.161$ (2) Å
 $c = 9.524$ (3) Å
 $\beta = 92.910$ (3)°

$V = 1662.6$ (8) Å³
 $Z = 4$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 6.30$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 298$ (2) K
 $0.32 \times 0.30 \times 0.30$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2000)
 $T_{\min} = 0.143$, $T_{\max} = 0.152$
 4709 measured reflections
 1809 independent reflections
 1444 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.036$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.036$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.092$
 $S = 1.05$
 1809 reflections
 121 parameters
 3 restraints
 H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.45$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.64$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

| | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| Zn1—O1 | 1.912 (3) | Zn1—N1 | 1.968 (3) |
| O1—Zn1—O1 ⁱ | 87.42 (16) | O1—Zn1—N1 | 93.21 (12) |
| O1—Zn1—N1 ⁱ | 153.75 (12) | | |

Symmetry code: (i) $-x, y, -z + \frac{1}{2}$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2000); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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{4,4'-Dibromo-2,2'-[propane-1,3-diylbis(nitrilomethylidene)]diphenolato}zinc(II)**Jun-Ying Ma****S1. Comment**

Zinc(II) complexes derived from Schiff bases have been widely studied (Anderson *et al.*, 1997). Some of them have been found to have pharmacological and antitumor properties (Chohan & Kausar, 1992, 1993; Osowole *et al.*, 2005; Chohan *et al.*, 2003; Yu *et al.*, 2007). Recently, we have reported some metal complexes derived from the Schiff base ligands (Ma, Lv *et al.*, 2006; Ma, Gu *et al.*, 2006; Ma, We *et al.*, 2005, 2006). As part of a further investigation of the structures of such complexes, the title mononuclear zinc(II) complex (Fig 1) is reported in this paper.

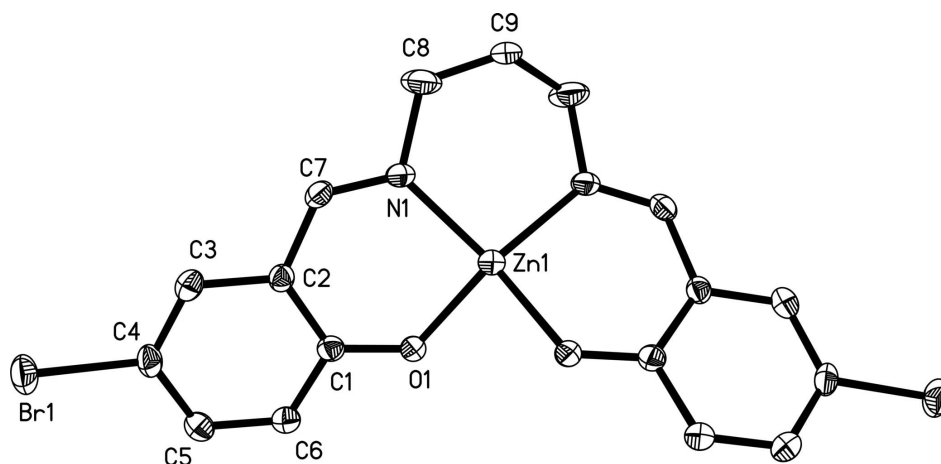
The title compound possesses a crystallographically imposed C_2 axis passing through the zinc(II) atom and the midpoint of the propyl group, causing the C9 atom to be disordered over two positions. The Zn atom is coordinated by two nitrogen atoms and two oxygen atoms from a Schiff base ligand, giving a severely distorted square planar geometry. Bond lengths and angles (Table 1) related to the Zn atom in the complex are within normal ranges, and comparable to the values observed in other Schiff base zinc(II) complexes (Li & Zhang, 2005; Xu *et al.*, 2006; Wu *et al.*, 2006).

S2. Experimental

N,N'-Propane-1,3-diamine (0.1 mmol, 14.8 mg) and 5-bromosalicylaldehyde (0.1 mmol, 20.1 mg) were dissolved in methanol (20 ml). The mixture was stirred for 1 h to obtain a clear yellow solution. To the solution was added with stirring a methanol solution (20 ml) of zinc(II) acetate (0.1 mmol, 22.0 mg). After keeping the resulting solution in air for a few days, colourless block-shaped crystals were formed on slow evaporation of the solvent.

S3. Refinement

H9A and H9B were located from a difference Fourier map and refined freely, with C–H and H···H distances restrained to 0.96 (1) and 1.50 (2) respectively, and with an isotropic displacement parameter fixed to 0.08 Å². %A. Other H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model with C—H = 0.93–96 Å and $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.2 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title compound with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level. Only one component of the disordered C9 atom is shown. H atoms are omitted for clarity. Unlabelled atoms are related to the labelled atoms by the symmetry operation $(-x, y, 1/2-z)$.

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$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 984$

$D_x = 2.011\ \text{Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073\ \text{\AA}$

Cell parameters from 1595 reflections

$\theta = 2.5\text{--}26.3^\circ$

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ω scans

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$R_{\text{int}} = 0.036$

$\theta_{\max} = 27.0^\circ$, $\theta_{\min} = 1.9^\circ$

$h = -27 \rightarrow 27$

$k = -10 \rightarrow 9$

$l = -12 \rightarrow 11$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.036$

$wR(F^2) = 0.092$

$S = 1.05$

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3 restraints

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

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0396P)^2 + 3.1273P]$$

$$\text{where } P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$$

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

$$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.45 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$$

$$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.64 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$$

Extinction correction: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2000), $F_c^* = kFc[1 + 0.001xFc^2\lambda^3/\sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$

Extinction coefficient: 0.0078 (5)

Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'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 $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ 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)

| | <i>x</i> | <i>y</i> | <i>z</i> | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ | Occ. (<1) |
|-----|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Zn1 | 0.0000 | 0.01735 (7) | 0.2500 | 0.0347 (2) | |
| Br1 | 0.23023 (2) | 0.25397 (6) | 0.81463 (5) | 0.0539 (2) | |
| N1 | 0.04072 (14) | -0.1416 (3) | 0.3803 (3) | 0.0343 (7) | |
| O1 | 0.05877 (12) | 0.1867 (3) | 0.2995 (3) | 0.0370 (6) | |
| C1 | 0.09920 (16) | 0.1906 (4) | 0.4060 (4) | 0.0310 (8) | |
| C2 | 0.10887 (15) | 0.0587 (4) | 0.5015 (4) | 0.0298 (7) | |
| C3 | 0.14983 (16) | 0.0782 (5) | 0.6219 (4) | 0.0362 (8) | |
| H3 | 0.1557 | -0.0080 | 0.6851 | 0.043* | |
| C4 | 0.18070 (17) | 0.2229 (5) | 0.6459 (4) | 0.0367 (8) | |
| C5 | 0.17583 (18) | 0.3491 (5) | 0.5466 (4) | 0.0406 (9) | |
| H5 | 0.1995 | 0.4439 | 0.5598 | 0.049* | |
| C6 | 0.13625 (17) | 0.3329 (5) | 0.4299 (4) | 0.0376 (8) | |
| H6 | 0.1336 | 0.4176 | 0.3645 | 0.045* | |
| C7 | 0.08158 (16) | -0.1003 (4) | 0.4779 (4) | 0.0332 (8) | |
| H7 | 0.0949 | -0.1827 | 0.5399 | 0.040* | |
| C8 | 0.0244 (3) | -0.3170 (5) | 0.3736 (5) | 0.0577 (13) | |
| H8A | 0.0119 | -0.3481 | 0.4652 | 0.069* | |
| H8B | 0.0623 | -0.3752 | 0.3578 | 0.069* | |
| C9 | -0.0202 (3) | -0.3766 (8) | 0.2766 (9) | 0.0375 (17) | 0.50 |
| H9A | -0.024 (4) | -0.4935 (16) | 0.280 (12) | 0.080* | 0.50 |
| H9B | -0.059 (2) | -0.340 (9) | 0.310 (11) | 0.080* | 0.50 |

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

| | U^{11} | U^{22} | U^{33} | U^{12} | U^{13} | U^{23} |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Zn1 | 0.0395 (4) | 0.0264 (3) | 0.0374 (4) | 0.000 | -0.0056 (2) | 0.000 |
| Br1 | 0.0500 (3) | 0.0645 (4) | 0.0453 (3) | -0.0064 (2) | -0.01642 (19) | -0.0038 (2) |
| N1 | 0.0442 (17) | 0.0228 (15) | 0.0354 (17) | 0.0001 (13) | -0.0019 (14) | 0.0015 (13) |
| O1 | 0.0465 (15) | 0.0277 (13) | 0.0354 (15) | -0.0030 (11) | -0.0111 (11) | 0.0031 (11) |
| C1 | 0.0307 (18) | 0.0281 (18) | 0.034 (2) | 0.0026 (14) | 0.0015 (14) | -0.0022 (14) |
| C2 | 0.0269 (16) | 0.0318 (19) | 0.0304 (18) | 0.0034 (14) | -0.0006 (13) | -0.0008 (14) |

| | | | | | | |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| C3 | 0.0334 (18) | 0.041 (2) | 0.034 (2) | 0.0074 (16) | 0.0008 (15) | 0.0032 (16) |
| C4 | 0.0270 (18) | 0.045 (2) | 0.037 (2) | 0.0001 (15) | -0.0064 (15) | -0.0041 (17) |
| C5 | 0.039 (2) | 0.036 (2) | 0.046 (2) | -0.0077 (16) | -0.0026 (17) | -0.0016 (18) |
| C6 | 0.040 (2) | 0.0304 (19) | 0.042 (2) | -0.0015 (16) | -0.0026 (16) | 0.0028 (16) |
| C7 | 0.0371 (19) | 0.0305 (19) | 0.0317 (19) | 0.0077 (15) | -0.0009 (15) | 0.0041 (15) |
| C8 | 0.097 (4) | 0.025 (2) | 0.051 (3) | -0.009 (2) | 0.000 (3) | 0.0003 (19) |
| C9 | 0.045 (5) | 0.020 (3) | 0.047 (5) | -0.001 (3) | -0.003 (4) | 0.005 (3) |

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Zn1—O1 | 1.912 (3) | C4—C5 | 1.398 (6) |
| Zn1—O1 ⁱ | 1.912 (3) | C5—C6 | 1.370 (5) |
| Zn1—N1 ⁱ | 1.968 (3) | C5—H5 | 0.9300 |
| Zn1—N1 | 1.968 (3) | C6—H6 | 0.9300 |
| Br1—C4 | 1.897 (4) | C7—H7 | 0.9300 |
| N1—C7 | 1.289 (5) | C8—C9 | 1.383 (9) |
| N1—C8 | 1.474 (5) | C8—C9 ⁱ | 1.509 (9) |
| O1—C1 | 1.301 (4) | C8—H8A | 0.9600 |
| C1—C2 | 1.417 (5) | C8—H8B | 0.9599 |
| C1—C6 | 1.419 (5) | C9—C9 ⁱ | 1.025 (15) |
| C2—C3 | 1.417 (5) | C9—C8 ⁱ | 1.509 (9) |
| C2—C7 | 1.436 (5) | C9—H9A | 0.958 (10) |
| C3—C4 | 1.367 (5) | C9—H9B | 0.960 (10) |
| C3—H3 | 0.9300 | | |
| O1—Zn1—O1 ⁱ | 87.42 (16) | C5—C6—C1 | 121.8 (4) |
| O1—Zn1—N1 ⁱ | 153.75 (12) | C5—C6—H6 | 119.1 |
| O1 ⁱ —Zn1—N1 ⁱ | 93.21 (12) | C1—C6—H6 | 119.1 |
| O1—Zn1—N1 | 93.21 (12) | N1—C7—C2 | 127.3 (3) |
| O1 ⁱ —Zn1—N1 | 153.75 (12) | N1—C7—H7 | 116.4 |
| N1 ⁱ —Zn1—N1 | 97.53 (18) | C2—C7—H7 | 116.4 |
| C7—N1—C8 | 115.9 (3) | C9—C8—N1 | 121.7 (5) |
| C7—N1—Zn1 | 123.0 (2) | N1—C8—C9 ⁱ | 110.9 (4) |
| C8—N1—Zn1 | 121.1 (3) | C9—C8—H8A | 107.4 |
| C1—O1—Zn1 | 127.9 (2) | N1—C8—H8A | 107.1 |
| O1—C1—C2 | 123.5 (3) | C9 ⁱ —C8—H8A | 140.4 |
| O1—C1—C6 | 119.3 (3) | C9—C8—H8B | 106.4 |
| C2—C1—C6 | 117.2 (3) | N1—C8—H8B | 106.6 |
| C1—C2—C3 | 119.9 (3) | C9 ⁱ —C8—H8B | 72.7 |
| C1—C2—C7 | 122.7 (3) | H8A—C8—H8B | 106.8 |
| C3—C2—C7 | 117.3 (3) | C9 ⁱ —C9—C8 | 76.0 (9) |
| C4—C3—C2 | 120.4 (3) | C9 ⁱ —C9—C8 ⁱ | 62.8 (8) |
| C4—C3—H3 | 119.8 | C8—C9—C8 ⁱ | 121.7 (6) |
| C2—C3—H3 | 119.8 | C9 ⁱ —C9—H9A | 95 (4) |
| C3—C4—C5 | 120.3 (4) | C8—C9—H9A | 112 (7) |
| C3—C4—Br1 | 120.1 (3) | C8 ⁱ —C9—H9A | 111 (7) |
| C5—C4—Br1 | 119.6 (3) | C9 ⁱ —C9—H9B | 160 (5) |
| C6—C5—C4 | 120.0 (3) | C8—C9—H9B | 105 (6) |

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|----------|-------|-------------------------|---------|
| C6—C5—H5 | 120.0 | C8 ⁱ —C9—H9B | 102 (6) |
| C4—C5—H5 | 120.0 | H9A—C9—H9B | 103 (2) |

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