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Bis(μ -4-amino-3,5-dimethyl-4H-1,2,4-triazole- $\kappa^2N^1:N^2$)bis(dibromidozinc)

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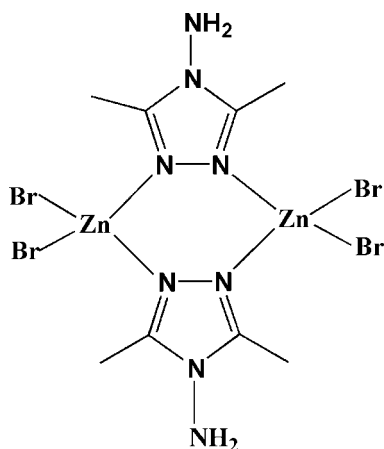
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 293$ K; mean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.010$ Å; R factor = 0.052; wR factor = 0.148; data-to-parameter ratio = 16.7.

The centrosymmetric dimeric title complex, $[Zn_2Br_4(C_4H_8N_4)_2]$, is isotypic with its $[Zn_2Cl_4(C_4H_8N_4)_2]$, $[Zn_2I_4(C_4H_8N_4)_2]$ and $[Co_2Cl_4(C_4H_8N_4)_2]$ analogues. The zinc atom is bonded to two N atoms belonging to triazole bridging rings and to two terminal bromide ligands, in a geometry close to tetrahedral. Weak $N-H \cdots Br$ hydrogen bonds, with the amine functions as donor groups, are observed in the crystal structure, forming a three-dimensional supramolecular network.

Related literature

For background to transition metal complexes of 1,2,4-triazole derivatives, see: Liu *et al.* (1999). For the isotypic $[Zn_2Cl_4(C_4H_8N_4)_2]$, $[Zn_2I_4(C_4H_8N_4)_2]$ and $[Co_2Cl_4(C_4H_8N_4)_2]$ analogues, see: Lavrenova *et al.* (1992); Zhang *et al.* (2011); Gong *et al.* (2009). For other related structures, see: Liu *et al.* (2003); Zhao *et al.* (2002); Yi *et al.* (2004); Zhang *et al.* (2007).



Experimental

Crystal data

$[Zn_2Br_4(C_4H_8N_4)_2]$
 $M_r = 674.67$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
 $a = 7.0344$ (17) Å
 $b = 12.629$ (3) Å
 $c = 11.456$ (3) Å
 $\beta = 99.951$ (6)°

$V = 1002.4$ (4) Å³
 $Z = 2$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 10.37$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 293$ K
 $0.48 \times 0.20 \times 0.16$ mm

Data collection

Rigaku Mercury CCD diffractometer
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (*REQAB*; Jacobson, 1998)
 $T_{min} = 0.083$, $T_{max} = 0.288$

9580 measured reflections
 1833 independent reflections
 1517 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{int} = 0.054$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.052$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.148$
 $S = 1.05$
 1833 reflections
 110 parameters
 2 restraints

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.69$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.97$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Zn1—N1	2.027 (6)	Zn1—Br1	2.3523 (12)
Zn1—N2 ⁱ	2.025 (6)	Zn1—Br2	2.3625 (12)
N2 ⁱ —Zn1—N1	107.5 (2)	N2 ⁱ —Zn1—Br2	109.48 (16)
N2 ⁱ —Zn1—Br1	109.56 (16)	N1—Zn1—Br2	108.79 (17)
N1—Zn1—Br1	107.83 (17)	Br1—Zn1—Br2	113.53 (5)

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

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
N4—H4D \cdots Br1 ⁱⁱ	0.85 (2)	2.80 (7)	3.428 (7)	132 (8)
N4—H4E \cdots Br2 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.86 (2)	2.93 (4)	3.748 (8)	161 (8)

Symmetry codes: (ii) $x - 1, -y + \frac{3}{2}, z - \frac{1}{2}$; (iii) $x, -y + \frac{3}{2}, z - \frac{1}{2}$.

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2005); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalClear*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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Bis(μ -4-amino-3,5-dimethyl-4*H*-1,2,4-triazole- κ^2 N¹:N²)bis(dibromidozinc)

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S1. Comment

Transition metal complexes bridged by 1,2,4-triazole group can produce interesting structures and specific properties. Many attempts have been made to synthesize a variety of complexes with paramagnetic centers by using such ligands, and their structures and magnetic properties have been characterized (Liu *et al.*, 1999). For 4-amino-3,5-dimethyl-1,2,4-triazole (admt), several Cu^{II} (Liu *et al.*, 2003), Co^{II}, Ni^{II} (Zhao *et al.*, 2002; Gong *et al.*, 2009), and Cd^{II} compounds (Yi *et al.*, 2004) were synthesized. However, to the best of our knowledge, only two Zn^{II}-admt compounds, [Zn₂(admt)₂Cl₄] and [Zn₂(admt)₂I₄] were synthesized (Lavrenova *et al.*, 1992; Zhang *et al.*, 2011). Here, we report the preparation and crystal structure of a dimeric Zn^{II} complex of formula [Zn₂(admt)₂Br₄].

The structure of the title compound is made up of neutral dimeric metallacycles. The title compound is isostructural to analogous complexes which were previously reported: [Zn₂(admt)₂Cl₄], [Zn₂(admt)₂I₄] and [Co₂(admt)₂Cl₄] (Lavrenova *et al.*, 1992; Zhang *et al.*, 2011; Gong *et al.*, 2009). In each dimeric metallacycle, as shown in Fig. 1, two Zn^{II} centers are connected by two admt ligands, resulting in a discrete Zn₂(admt)₂ 6-membered metallacycle, which represents the smallest closed cyclic structure with a 1:1 metal-to-ligand ratio. Two triazole rings are coplanar. Each Zn^{II} center is four-coordinated with two N donors of two admt ligands [Zn1—N1: 2.027 (6) Å; Zn1—N2ⁱ (symmetry code i: 2-x, 2-y, 1-z): 2.025 (6) Å] and two Br⁻ anions ligands [Zn1—Br1: 2.3523 (12) Å; Zn1—Br2: 2.3625 (12) Å], forming a distorted tetrahedral geometry. The Zn—N(triazole) bond lengths in the title compound are consistent with values in other Zn-triazole complexes (Zhang *et al.*, 2007, 2011; Lavrenova *et al.*, 1992). The N—Zn—N, N—Zn—Br and Br—Zn—Br bond angles in the title compound are in the range of 107.5 (2)° to 113.53 (5)°, near to the ideal tetrahedral value of *ca* 109.5°. The ligand admt is a 4-substituted 1,2,4-triazole and exhibits in the title compound the κ^2 N¹:N² bidentate bridging coordination mode. Two admt ligands bridge two Zn^{II} ions to form a dimer with a Zn^{II}⋯Zn^{II} separation of 3.7781 (6) Å. For a 4-substituted 1,2,4-triazole, by blocking the N4 donor position through substitution, only the N1 monodentate (Zhang *et al.*, 2007) and N1,N2-bidentate coordination modes are possible.

There are weak hydrogen bonding interactions between the H atoms of the amine NH₂ groups and the Br⁻ anions of adjacent dimers (N4—Br1ⁱⁱ = 3.428 (7) Å, N4—Br2ⁱⁱⁱ = 3.748 (8) Å; symmetry codes: ii = 1-x, 3/2-y, z-1/2; iii = x, 3/2-y, z-1/2). The adjacent dimers are held together by N—H⋯Br hydrogen bonds to form a three-dimensional supramolecular network (Fig. 2). No obvious π ⋯ π stacking interactions between the triazole rings are observed in the crystal structure.

S2. Experimental

To a solution of admtrz in EtOH was added one equivalent of ZnBr₂ (aqueous solution) under stirring at room temperature. Then, the reaction mixture was filtered and colorless crystals suitable for structure determination were isolated by slow evaporation of the solvent at room temperature after a couple of weeks.

S3. Refinement

H atoms of the methyl groups were placed in idealized positions and refined as riding, with C—H distances of 0.96 Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{parent C})$. H atoms bonded to N4 were located in a difference map and refined with N—H distances restrained to 0.85 (2) Å, and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{N4})$.

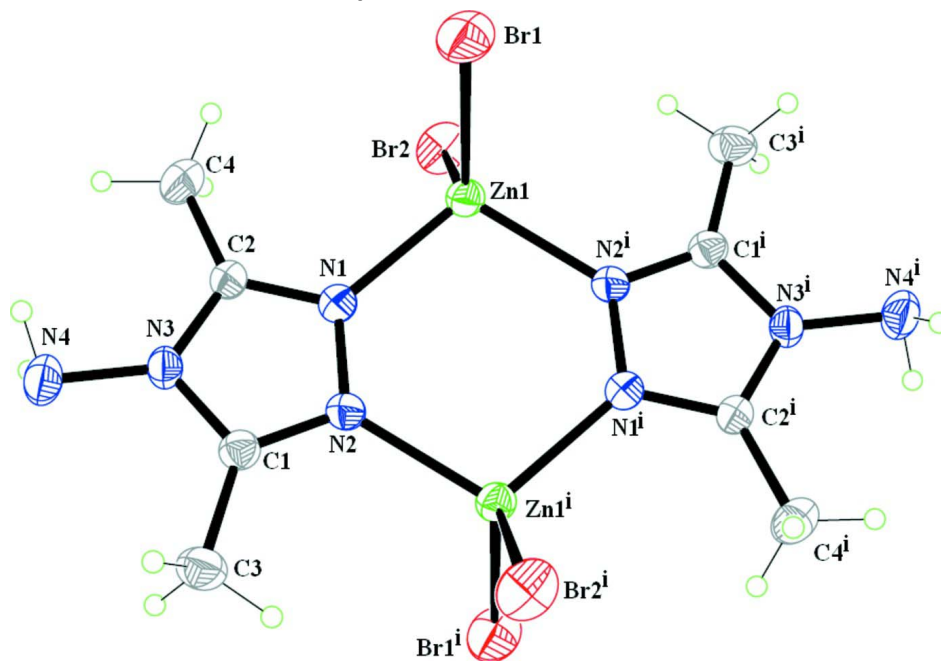


Figure 1
View of the title complex.

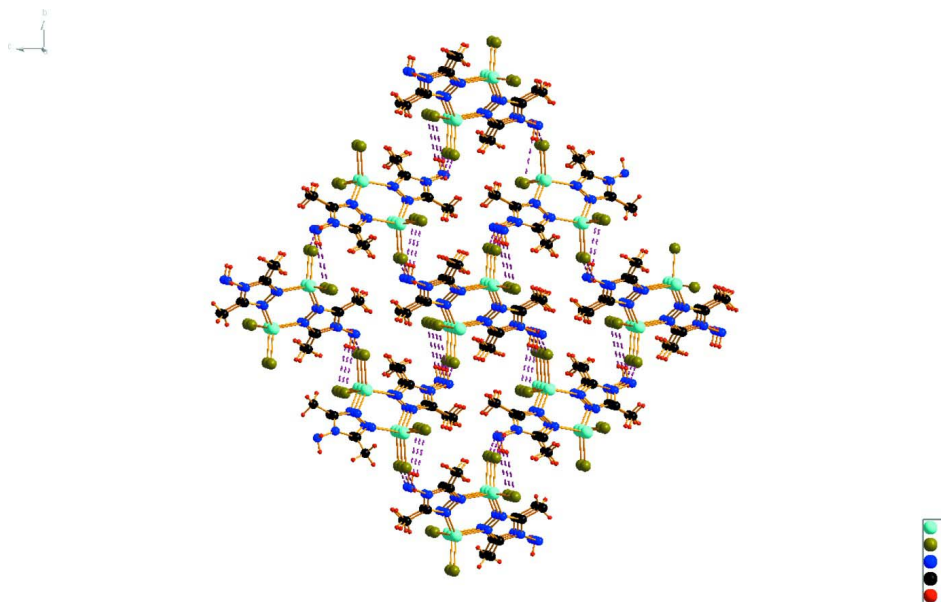


Figure 2
The crystal structure of the title complex.

Bis(μ -4-amino-3,5-dimethyl-4H-1,2,4-triazole- $\kappa^2N^1:N^2$)bis(dibromidozinc)*Crystal data*[Zn₂Br₄(C₄H₈N₄)₂] $M_r = 674.67$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$

Hall symbol: -P 2ybc

 $a = 7.0344$ (17) Å $b = 12.629$ (3) Å $c = 11.456$ (3) Å $\beta = 99.951$ (6)° $V = 1002.4$ (4) Å³ $Z = 2$ $F(000) = 640$ $D_x = 2.235$ Mg m⁻³Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71070$ Å

Cell parameters from 2994 reflections

 $\theta = 3.2$ – 25.4 ° $\mu = 10.37$ mm⁻¹ $T = 293$ K

Block, colourless

 $0.48 \times 0.20 \times 0.16$ mm*Data collection*

Rigaku Mercury CCD

diffractometer

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

Detector resolution: 14.63 pixels mm⁻¹ ω scans

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 $T_{\min} = 0.083$, $T_{\max} = 0.288$

9580 measured reflections

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1517 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.054$ $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.3$ °, $\theta_{\text{min}} = 3.2$ ° $h = -8 \rightarrow 8$ $k = -13 \rightarrow 15$ $l = -13 \rightarrow 13$ *Refinement*Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.052$ $wR(F^2) = 0.148$ $S = 1.05$

1833 reflections

110 parameters

2 restraints

0 constraints

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

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.084P)^2 + 1.6395P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.69$ e Å⁻³ $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.97$ e Å⁻³*Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å²)*

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Zn1	0.91275 (11)	0.89737 (6)	0.59841 (7)	0.0379 (3)
Br1	1.05816 (13)	0.72906 (7)	0.61240 (10)	0.0726 (4)
Br2	0.66056 (12)	0.91347 (7)	0.70931 (9)	0.0638 (3)
N1	0.8048 (8)	0.9248 (4)	0.4253 (5)	0.0393 (13)
N2	0.8846 (8)	0.9908 (4)	0.3485 (5)	0.0372 (13)
N3	0.6514 (8)	0.9028 (4)	0.2457 (5)	0.0386 (13)
N4	0.5184 (11)	0.8698 (6)	0.1475 (6)	0.0541 (17)
H4D	0.408 (7)	0.881 (7)	0.166 (8)	0.06 (3)*
H4E	0.520 (13)	0.803 (2)	0.161 (8)	0.06 (3)*
C1	0.7888 (10)	0.9765 (5)	0.2415 (6)	0.0381 (15)
C2	0.6619 (10)	0.8725 (5)	0.3605 (6)	0.0398 (16)
C3	0.8174 (12)	1.0313 (6)	0.1318 (6)	0.0527 (19)

H3A	0.6998	1.0660	0.0969	0.079*
H3B	0.8526	0.9805	0.0768	0.079*
H3C	0.9184	1.0828	0.1503	0.079*
C4	0.5307 (13)	0.7968 (7)	0.4037 (8)	0.063 (2)
H4A	0.6048	0.7423	0.4489	0.094*
H4B	0.4473	0.7657	0.3374	0.094*
H4C	0.4544	0.8332	0.4528	0.094*

Atomic displacement parameters (Å²)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Zn1	0.0342 (5)	0.0373 (5)	0.0419 (5)	−0.0009 (3)	0.0058 (4)	0.0031 (3)
Br1	0.0570 (6)	0.0457 (6)	0.1112 (9)	0.0139 (4)	0.0036 (5)	0.0004 (4)
Br2	0.0528 (5)	0.0687 (6)	0.0770 (7)	−0.0005 (4)	0.0308 (5)	−0.0099 (4)
N1	0.038 (3)	0.039 (3)	0.040 (3)	−0.005 (2)	0.004 (3)	0.003 (2)
N2	0.037 (3)	0.038 (3)	0.035 (3)	−0.003 (2)	0.005 (3)	0.005 (2)
N3	0.036 (3)	0.039 (3)	0.037 (3)	−0.003 (2)	−0.002 (3)	−0.004 (2)
N4	0.053 (4)	0.058 (5)	0.048 (4)	−0.017 (4)	0.001 (3)	−0.008 (3)
C1	0.040 (4)	0.037 (4)	0.038 (4)	−0.002 (3)	0.009 (3)	0.000 (3)
C2	0.039 (3)	0.041 (4)	0.038 (4)	−0.009 (3)	0.003 (3)	0.003 (3)
C3	0.070 (5)	0.048 (5)	0.041 (4)	−0.001 (4)	0.013 (4)	0.004 (3)
C4	0.072 (6)	0.054 (5)	0.061 (5)	−0.025 (4)	0.005 (4)	0.002 (4)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Zn1—N1	2.027 (6)	N4—H4D	0.85 (2)
Zn1—N2 ⁱ	2.025 (6)	N4—H4E	0.86 (2)
Zn1—Br1	2.3523 (12)	C1—C3	1.478 (10)
Zn1—Br2	2.3625 (12)	C2—C4	1.472 (10)
N1—C2	1.320 (8)	C3—H3A	0.9600
N1—N2	1.398 (8)	C3—H3B	0.9600
N2—C1	1.305 (9)	C3—H3C	0.9600
N2—Zn1 ⁱ	2.025 (6)	C4—H4A	0.9600
N3—C1	1.349 (9)	C4—H4B	0.9600
N3—C2	1.359 (9)	C4—H4C	0.9600
N3—N4	1.397 (9)		
N2 ⁱ —Zn1—N1	107.5 (2)	N2—C1—N3	108.6 (6)
N2 ⁱ —Zn1—Br1	109.56 (16)	N2—C1—C3	127.6 (6)
N1—Zn1—Br1	107.83 (17)	N3—C1—C3	123.8 (6)
N2 ⁱ —Zn1—Br2	109.48 (16)	N1—C2—N3	108.2 (6)
N1—Zn1—Br2	108.79 (17)	N1—C2—C4	126.7 (6)
Br1—Zn1—Br2	113.53 (5)	N3—C2—C4	125.1 (6)
C2—N1—N2	107.1 (5)	C1—C3—H3A	109.5
C2—N1—Zn1	125.8 (5)	C1—C3—H3B	109.5
N2—N1—Zn1	126.5 (4)	H3A—C3—H3B	109.5
C1—N2—N1	108.1 (5)	C1—C3—H3C	109.5
C1—N2—Zn1 ⁱ	126.9 (5)	H3A—C3—H3C	109.5

N1—N2—Zn1 ⁱ	124.4 (4)	H3B—C3—H3C	109.5
C1—N3—C2	108.0 (5)	C2—C4—H4A	109.5
C1—N3—N4	124.2 (6)	C2—C4—H4B	109.5
C2—N3—N4	127.7 (6)	H4A—C4—H4B	109.5
N3—N4—H4D	105 (6)	C2—C4—H4C	109.5
N3—N4—H4E	100 (6)	H4A—C4—H4C	109.5
H4D—N4—H4E	96 (8)	H4B—C4—H4C	109.5
N2 ⁱ —Zn1—N1—C2	-176.0 (6)	Zn1 ⁱ —N2—C1—C3	6.4 (11)
Br1—Zn1—N1—C2	66.0 (6)	C2—N3—C1—N2	1.2 (8)
Br2—Zn1—N1—C2	-57.5 (6)	N4—N3—C1—N2	178.3 (7)
N2 ⁱ —Zn1—N1—N2	14.3 (7)	C2—N3—C1—C3	-177.7 (7)
Br1—Zn1—N1—N2	-103.7 (5)	N4—N3—C1—C3	-0.7 (11)
Br2—Zn1—N1—N2	132.7 (5)	N2—N1—C2—N3	0.6 (7)
C2—N1—N2—C1	0.1 (7)	Zn1—N1—C2—N3	-170.8 (5)
Zn1—N1—N2—C1	171.5 (5)	N2—N1—C2—C4	-177.4 (8)
C2—N1—N2—Zn1 ⁱ	172.1 (5)	Zn1—N1—C2—C4	11.2 (11)
Zn1—N1—N2—Zn1 ⁱ	-16.6 (8)	C1—N3—C2—N1	-1.1 (8)
N1—N2—C1—N3	-0.8 (8)	N4—N3—C2—N1	-178.1 (7)
Zn1 ⁱ —N2—C1—N3	-172.6 (4)	C1—N3—C2—C4	176.9 (8)
N1—N2—C1—C3	178.1 (7)	N4—N3—C2—C4	0.0 (12)

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

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

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