

Crystal structure of catena-bis[(4-chlorobenzoate- κO)-(1,4-bis(2-methylbenzimidazol-1-ylmethyl)benzene- $\kappa^2 N:N'$)zinc(II)], $C_{38}H_{30}Cl_2N_4O_4Zn$

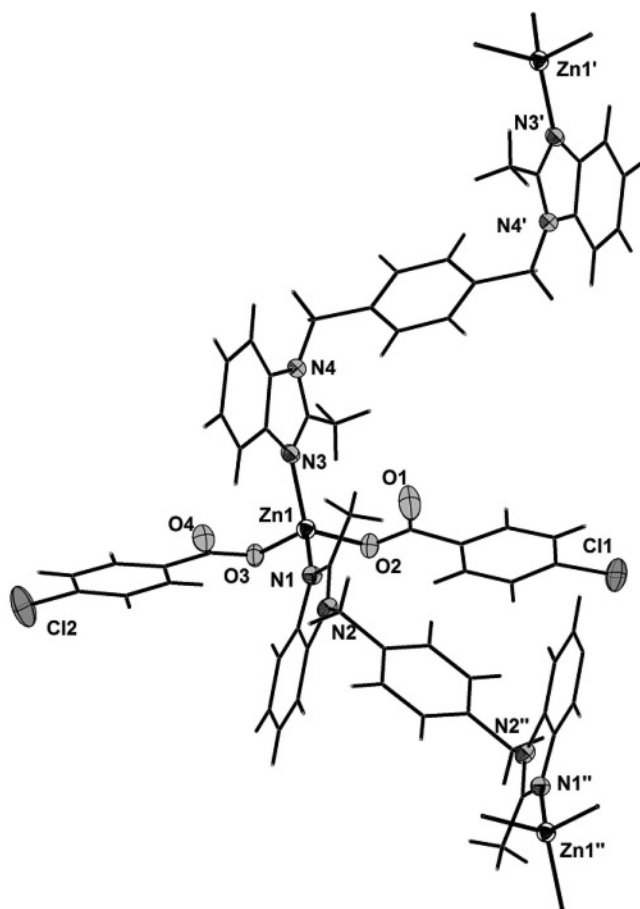
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Abstract

$C_{38}H_{30}Cl_2N_4O_4Zn$, monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ (no. 14), $a = 11.5694(8)$ Å, $b = 14.143(1)$ Å, $c = 21.969(2)$ Å, $\beta = 100.856(2)^\circ$, $V = 3530.5$ Å³, $Z = 4$, $R_{gt}(F) = 0.0499$, $wR_{ref}(F^2) = 0.1282$, $T = 296$ K.

Source of material

The title compound was prepared under the hydrothermal conditions. A mixture of 1,4-bis(2-methylbenzimidazol-1-ylmethyl)benzene (73.2 mg, 0.2 mmol), $Zn(Ac)_2 \cdot 2H_2O$ (22.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), 4-chlorobenzoic acid (31.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) and H_2O (10 mL) were placed in a Teflon-lined stainless steel vessel, heated to 130 °C for 4 days, and then cooled to room temperature for 24 h. Colourless block crystals of the title complex were obtained.

Experimental details

The data of the title complex was collected on a Bruker Smart APEX II CCD diffractometer [15]. Absorption corrections were applied by using multi-scan program [15]. The hydrogen atoms were placed at calculated positions and refined as riding atoms with isotropic displacement parameters.

Table 1. Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	colourless blocks, size 0.20×0.24×0.26 mm
Wavelength:	Mo K_α radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ :	8.93 cm ⁻¹
Diffractometer, scan mode:	CCD area detector, φ and ω
$2\theta_{max}$:	52°
$N(hkl)_{measured}$, $N(hkl)_{unique}$:	19812, 6913
Criterion for I_{obs} , $N(hkl)_{gt}$:	$I_{obs} > 2 \sigma(I_{obs})$, 4072
$N(param)_{refined}$:	444
Programs:	SHELX [14], SADABS [15], DIAMOND [16]

Discussion

During the past decades, intense interest has been focused on the design and synthesis of functional metal-organic frameworks (MOFs) owing to their variety of intriguing topologies [1] and potential applications in the areas of anion/guest exchange, catalysis, magnetism, luminescence and gas storage [2–6]. Up to now, many researches demonstrate that using mixed organic ligands, especially the mixed polycarboxylate and N-containing ones, with more tunable factors, are good candidates for the construction of novel MOFs [7]. According to our recent research, we selected 4-chlorobenzoic acid (Hcbc) as O-donor ligand and 1,4-bis(2-methylbenzimidazol-1-ylmethyl)benzene (bmb) as N-donor ligands for several reasons: (1) 4-chlorobenzoic acid and its deprotonated anion has been proved to be excellent structural constructors due to its various coordination modes to metal ions, which often generate interesting structure [8]; (2) the 2-position substituent methyl of bmb effectively enhances the donated electrons ability of benzimidazole ring, and makes bmb exhibit strong collaborative coordination ability with organic carboxylate ligands [9–12]. There are two half bmb, two hcbc⁻ and one Zn(II) ion in the asymmetric unit. As shown in the figure ($' = 1-x, 1-y, 1-z$; $'' = -x, 1-y, 1-z$), the Zn(II) ion is four-coordinated in a tetrahedral geometry, ligated by two oxygen atoms (O2 and O3) from two unsymmetry-related hcbc⁻, two nitrogen atoms (N1 and N3) from two distinct bmb. The bond lengths are Zn1–O2 = 1.982(2) Å, Zn1–O3 = 1.992(2) Å, Zn1–N1 = 2.009(3) Å and Zn1–N3 = 2.011(3) Å, respectively. They are in the normal range [13]. In the title complex, there are two kinds of bmb ligands. Both of them adopt a symmetric *trans*-conformation with the $N_{donor} \cdots N-C_{sp^3} \cdots C$ torsion of 66.449° and 125.798°, respectively. The two methylbenzimidazol arms of bmb bend in opposite di-

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reactions to bridge two adjacent Zn²⁺ ions to form a zigzag chain. The *cbc*[−] anion is coordinated in a monodentate mode. The 1D Zn-*bmb* motif is decorated with *cbc*[−] anions at both sides in an approximately parallel fashion.

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

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> _{iso}
H(1A)	4e	0.1136	0.4955	0.2779	0.074
H(1B)	4e	0.1206	0.4555	0.2121	0.074
H(1C)	4e	0.0333	0.4105	0.2505	0.074
H(4)	4e	−0.1920	0.7765	0.2322	0.052
H(5)	4e	−0.3289	0.8181	0.1458	0.067
H(6)	4e	−0.3587	0.7268	0.0580	0.070
H(7)	4e	−0.2579	0.5866	0.0543	0.063
H(9A)	4e	−0.1593	0.4170	0.1009	0.053
H(9B)	4e	−0.0286	0.3969	0.1329	0.053
H(11)	4e	−0.1630	0.4048	−0.0058	0.050
H(12)	4e	0.0967	0.5552	0.0948	0.054
H(13A)	4e	0.1630	0.7397	0.4252	0.078

Table 2. continued.

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> _{iso}
H(13B)	4e	0.2827	0.6895	0.4515	0.078
H(13C)	4e	0.1959	0.7149	0.4959	0.078
H(16)	4e	−0.1072	0.4554	0.3338	0.053
H(17)	4e	−0.1179	0.2989	0.3629	0.066
H(18)	4e	0.0054	0.2402	0.4480	0.070
H(19)	4e	0.1418	0.3350	0.5095	0.060
H(21A)	4e	0.2565	0.4699	0.5594	0.053
H(21B)	4e	0.2693	0.5801	0.5573	0.053
H(23)	4e	0.4815	0.5573	0.5946	0.072
H(24)	4e	0.3359	0.4634	0.4286	0.075
H(27)	4e	0.2184	0.9159	0.2848	0.058
H(28)	4e	0.3594	1.0146	0.2591	0.074
H(30)	4e	0.5529	0.7920	0.2326	0.080
H(31)	4e	0.4095	0.6934	0.2563	0.077
H(34)	4e	−0.2249	0.8878	0.3898	0.064
H(35)	4e	−0.3777	0.9604	0.4262	0.075
H(37)	4e	−0.5457	0.7146	0.4213	0.078
H(38)	4e	−0.3984	0.6429	0.3808	0.065

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

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> ₁₁	<i>U</i> ₂₂	<i>U</i> ₃₃	<i>U</i> ₁₂	<i>U</i> ₁₃	<i>U</i> ₂₃
C(1)	4e	0.0691(3)	0.4683(3)	0.2407(2)	0.054(3)	0.042(2)	0.053(3)	0.016(2)	0.013(2)	0.002(2)
C(2)	4e	−0.0230(3)	0.5351(2)	0.2123(2)	0.043(2)	0.036(2)	0.034(2)	−0.004(2)	0.018(2)	0.002(2)
C(3)	4e	−0.1428(3)	0.6556(2)	0.1947(2)	0.038(2)	0.035(2)	0.033(2)	0.001(2)	0.013(2)	0.005(2)
C(4)	4e	−0.2046(3)	0.7386(3)	0.1970(2)	0.051(2)	0.046(2)	0.034(2)	0.007(2)	0.013(2)	−0.001(2)
C(5)	4e	−0.2854(4)	0.7628(3)	0.1453(2)	0.059(3)	0.055(3)	0.055(3)	0.020(2)	0.012(2)	0.007(2)
C(6)	4e	−0.3041(4)	0.7073(3)	0.0924(2)	0.062(3)	0.068(3)	0.040(3)	0.018(2)	−0.004(2)	0.007(2)
C(7)	4e	−0.2443(4)	0.6246(3)	0.0895(2)	0.066(3)	0.052(3)	0.039(2)	0.004(2)	0.007(2)	−0.001(2)
C(8)	4e	−0.1624(3)	0.6003(2)	0.1415(2)	0.046(2)	0.033(2)	0.032(2)	0.000(2)	0.012(2)	0.003(2)
C(9)	4e	−0.0815(4)	0.4448(2)	0.1119(2)	0.068(3)	0.031(2)	0.039(2)	−0.004(2)	0.023(2)	−0.005(2)
C(10)	4e	−0.0404(3)	0.4753(2)	0.0538(2)	0.053(2)	0.024(2)	0.036(2)	0.004(2)	0.017(2)	−0.003(2)
C(11)	4e	−0.0970(3)	0.4433(2)	−0.0033(2)	0.052(2)	0.035(2)	0.042(2)	−0.005(2)	0.017(2)	−0.007(2)
C(12)	4e	0.0574(4)	0.5327(2)	0.0567(2)	0.060(3)	0.038(2)	0.037(2)	−0.003(2)	0.010(2)	−0.005(2)
C(13)	4e	0.2014(4)	0.6945(3)	0.4548(2)	0.050(3)	0.052(3)	0.052(3)	−0.015(2)	0.003(2)	−0.001(2)
C(14)	4e	0.1439(3)	0.6015(3)	0.4424(2)	0.029(2)	0.042(2)	0.041(2)	−0.001(2)	0.011(2)	0.001(2)
C(15)	4e	0.0284(3)	0.4878(2)	0.4032(2)	0.032(2)	0.033(2)	0.039(2)	0.000(2)	0.010(2)	0.000(2)
C(16)	4e	−0.0562(3)	0.4316(3)	0.3682(2)	0.043(2)	0.044(2)	0.046(2)	−0.003(2)	0.007(2)	−0.002(2)
C(17)	4e	−0.0625(4)	0.3388(3)	0.3861(2)	0.054(3)	0.050(3)	0.061(3)	−0.017(2)	0.016(2)	−0.011(2)
C(18)	4e	0.0115(4)	0.3036(3)	0.4377(2)	0.064(3)	0.037(2)	0.079(3)	−0.007(2)	0.025(3)	0.004(2)
C(19)	4e	0.0933(4)	0.3587(3)	0.4742(2)	0.048(3)	0.050(3)	0.056(3)	0.009(2)	0.017(2)	0.012(2)
C(20)	4e	0.1005(3)	0.4524(3)	0.4557(2)	0.034(2)	0.040(2)	0.040(2)	0.002(2)	0.013(2)	0.003(2)
C(21)	4e	0.2692(3)	0.5226(3)	0.5332(2)	0.034(2)	0.058(3)	0.039(2)	0.001(2)	0.006(2)	0.006(2)
C(22)	4e	0.3882(3)	0.5115(2)	0.5149(2)	0.034(2)	0.041(2)	0.034(2)	0.000(2)	0.002(2)	0.002(2)
C(23)	4e	0.4878(4)	0.5335(3)	0.5559(2)	0.041(2)	0.096(4)	0.042(2)	−0.003(2)	0.006(2)	−0.028(2)
C(24)	4e	0.4021(3)	0.4783(3)	0.4582(2)	0.034(2)	0.102(4)	0.048(3)	−0.005(2)	0.000(2)	−0.028(3)
C(25)	4e	0.2094(3)	0.7277(3)	0.2922(2)	0.041(2)	0.044(2)	0.052(3)	0.001(2)	0.015(2)	−0.001(2)
C(26)	4e	0.2979(3)	0.7941(3)	0.2732(2)	0.036(2)	0.042(2)	0.043(2)	0.001(2)	0.011(2)	−0.001(2)
C(27)	4e	0.2857(3)	0.8901(3)	0.2740(2)	0.040(2)	0.046(3)	0.063(3)	0.003(2)	0.020(2)	0.000(2)
C(28)	4e	0.3701(4)	0.9495(3)	0.2593(2)	0.065(3)	0.041(2)	0.087(4)	0.002(2)	0.033(3)	0.003(2)
C(29)	4e	0.4695(4)	0.9117(3)	0.2450(2)	0.045(3)	0.053(3)	0.059(3)	−0.009(2)	0.018(2)	0.005(2)
C(30)	4e	0.4851(4)	0.8171(3)	0.2432(2)	0.053(3)	0.061(3)	0.096(4)	0.005(2)	0.040(3)	0.005(3)
C(31)	4e	0.3991(4)	0.7585(3)	0.2574(2)	0.059(3)	0.043(2)	0.100(4)	0.008(2)	0.042(3)	0.004(2)
C(32)	4e	−0.1995(3)	0.7080(3)	0.3569(2)	0.035(2)	0.048(2)	0.035(2)	0.002(2)	0.008(2)	0.005(2)
C(33)	4e	−0.2959(3)	0.7568(3)	0.3814(2)	0.035(2)	0.047(2)	0.036(2)	0.005(2)	0.009(2)	0.005(2)
C(34)	4e	−0.2901(4)	0.8526(3)	0.3954(2)	0.042(2)	0.054(3)	0.067(3)	−0.001(2)	0.021(2)	−0.011(2)
C(35)	4e	−0.3808(4)	0.8960(3)	0.4177(2)	0.056(3)	0.053(3)	0.081(3)	0.009(2)	0.018(3)	−0.019(2)
C(36)	4e	−0.4744(4)	0.8438(3)	0.4270(2)	0.038(2)	0.077(3)	0.065(3)	0.014(2)	0.016(2)	−0.013(3)
C(37)	4e	−0.4816(4)	0.7496(3)	0.4142(2)	0.041(3)	0.071(3)	0.090(4)	0.000(2)	0.028(3)	−0.001(3)
C(38)	4e	−0.3927(3)	0.7069(3)	0.3906(2)	0.045(3)	0.050(2)	0.072(3)	−0.001(2)	0.020(2)	0.005(2)
Cl(1)	4e	0.5814(1)	0.98538(9)	0.22884(6)	0.0704(8)	0.0769(8)	0.101(1)	−0.0248(7)	0.0398(8)	0.0033(7)
Cl(2)	4e	−0.5874(1)	0.8974(1)	0.45641(8)	0.0587(8)	0.122(1)	0.145(1)	0.0126(8)	0.0425(9)	−0.050(1)
N(1)	4e	−0.0556(3)	0.6127(2)	0.2385(1)	0.038(2)	0.035(2)	0.034(2)	0.006(2)	0.008(1)	−0.002(1)
N(2)	4e	−0.0857(3)	0.5241(2)	0.1540(1)	0.048(2)	0.032(2)	0.033(2)	0.000(2)	0.014(2)	−0.002(1)
N(3)	4e	0.0585(2)	0.5820(2)	0.3949(1)	0.029(2)	0.039(2)	0.038(2)	0.001(1)	0.003(1)	0.001(1)
N(4)	4e	0.1726(3)	0.5268(2)	0.4805(1)	0.031(2)	0.043(2)	0.039(2)	0.001(2)	0.005(1)	0.005(2)
O(1)	4e	0.2280(3)	0.6430(2)	0.2942(2)	0.064(2)	0.044(2)	0.153(3)	0.004(2)	0.052(2)	0.007(2)
O(2)	4e	0.1181(2)	0.7656(2)	0.3069(1)	0.042(2)	0.048(2)	0.051(2)	−0.002(1)	0.021(1)	−0.004(1)
O(3)	4e	−0.1107(2)	0.7572(2)	0.3497(1)	0.036(2)	0.044(2)	0.050(2)	0.000(1)	0.018(1)	0.001(1)

Table 3. continued.

Atom	Site	x	y	z	U ₁₁	U ₂₂	U ₃₃	U ₁₂	U ₁₃	U ₂₃
O(4)	4e	−0.2087(2)	0.6227(2)	0.3457(1)	0.050(2)	0.040(2)	0.077(2)	−0.000(1)	0.021(2)	−0.007(2)
Zn(1)	4e	0.00367(4)	0.66858(3)	0.32262(2)	0.0355(2)	0.0358(2)	0.0367(3)	0.0012(2)	0.0086(2)	−0.0006(2)

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