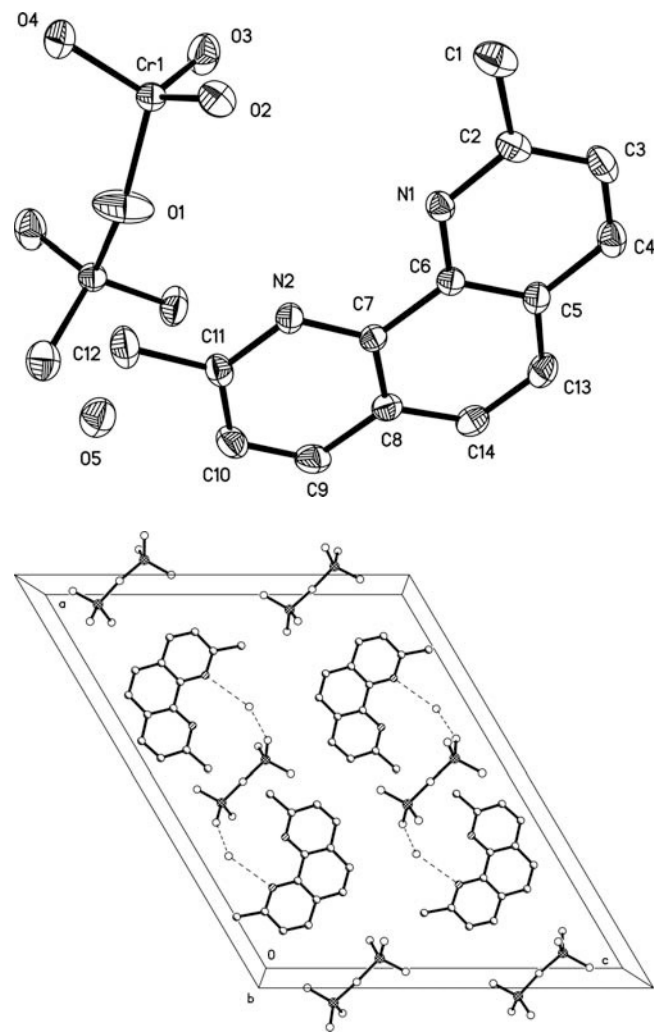


Crystal structure of bis(2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline) dichromate dihydrate, $[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_2]_2[\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

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was obtained by filtration after cooling the reaction to room temperature. Yellow prism-like single crystals suitable for X-ray measurements were obtained after a few weeks. In the preparation, the nickel chloride did not participate in coordination, but it may play a role in the steric hindrance and is conducive to the formation of title compound.

Discussion

2,9-Dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline, which is the parent for important class chelating agents, has been widely used in the construction of supramolecular architectures. Some 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline complexes have been synthesized and reported [1,2].

The title crystal structure was built up of one dichromate anion, two 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline cations and two free water molecules (figure, top). The Cr atom is four-coordinated by O1, O2, O3 and O4 atoms forming a tetrahedron. Two tetrahedra share a vertex atom O1. The mean Cr—O bond lengths are similar to the reported earlier [3]. The torsion angles of O4—Cr1—O1—Cr1', O3—Cr1—O1—Cr1' are 84.5(1)° and –36.7(1)°, respectively. Through hydrogen bonding, van der Waals forces, π - π stacking, a two-dimensional layered structure is formed (figure, bottom). The free water molecules are linked by intermolecular O—H...O and O—H...N hydrogen bonds.

Table 1. Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	yellow block, size 0.34 × 0.40 × 0.45 mm
Wavelength:	Mo K_{α} radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ :	8.22 cm ⁻¹
Diffractometer, scan mode:	Bruker SMART CCD, ϕ/ω
$2\theta_{\text{max}}$:	50.02°
$N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}$, $N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$:	6805, 2489
Criterion for I_{obs} , $N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$:	$I_{\text{obs}} > 2 \sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$, 1765
$N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$:	198
Programs:	SHELXS-97 [4], SHELXL-97 [5], SHELXTL [6]

Abstract

$\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{30}\text{Cr}_2\text{N}_4\text{O}_9$, monoclinic, $C12/c1$ (no. 15), $a = 24.268(2)$ Å, $b = 6.8564(8)$ Å, $c = 19.956(2)$ Å, $\beta = 120.600(2)^\circ$, $V = 2858.2$ Å³, $Z = 4$, $R_g(F) = 0.039$, $wR_{\text{ref}}(F^2) = 0.112$, $T = 298$ K.

Source of material

All commercially obtained reagent-grade chemicals were used without further purification. A mixture of NiCl_2 (0.1 mmol, 0.013 g), 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline (0.1 mmol, 0.02 g), and K_2CrO_4 (0.1 mmol, 0.02 g) were added into 20 mL water with 20 % (v/v) methanol and heated for 8 h at 140 °C. The solution

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

Atom	Site	Occ.	x	y	z	U_{iso}
H(1)	8f		0.2637	0.3553	0.6624	0.036
H(1A)	8f	0.50	0.1996	0.3513	0.5339	0.079
H(1B)	8f	0.50	0.1356	0.4656	0.5065	0.079
H(1C)	8f	0.50	0.1358	0.2370	0.5072	0.079
H(1D)	8f	0.50	0.1144	0.3513	0.4979	0.079
H(1E)	8f	0.50	0.1784	0.2370	0.5253	0.079
H(1F)	8f	0.50	0.1782	0.4656	0.5246	0.079
H(3)	8f		0.0822	0.3550	0.5939	0.051

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Table 2. Continued.

Atom	Site	Occ.	x	y	z	<i>U</i> _{iso}
H(4)	8 <i>f</i>		0.1064	0.3571	0.7203	0.047
H(9)	8 <i>f</i>		0.4129	0.3461	0.9964	0.052
H(10)	8 <i>f</i>		0.4858	0.3391	0.9560	0.052
H(12A)	8 <i>f</i>		0.4589	0.2481	0.7757	0.076
H(12B)	8 <i>f</i>		0.5112	0.3349	0.8558	0.076

Table 2. Continued.

Atom	Site	Occ.	x	y	z	<i>U</i> _{iso}
H(12C)	8 <i>f</i>		0.4662	0.4747	0.7874	0.076
H(13)	8 <i>f</i>		0.1906	0.3555	0.8644	0.049
H(14)	8 <i>f</i>		0.2951	0.3540	0.9589	0.049
H(5A)	8 <i>f</i>		0.6649	0.4583	0.8873	0.06(1)
H(5B)	8 <i>f</i>		0.6615	0.2612	0.8770	0.07(1)

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

Atom	Site	x	y	z	<i>U</i> ₁₁	<i>U</i> ₂₂	<i>U</i> ₃₃	<i>U</i> ₁₂	<i>U</i> ₁₃	<i>U</i> ₂₃
Cr(1)	8 <i>f</i>	0.44385(2)	0.85137(8)	0.65450(3)	0.0326(3)	0.0416(4)	0.0291(3)	−0.0007(3)	0.0145(2)	−0.0015(3)
N(1)	8 <i>f</i>	0.2338(1)	0.3545(4)	0.6735(1)	0.027(1)	0.031(2)	0.034(1)	0.003(1)	0.015(1)	0.001(1)
N(2)	8 <i>f</i>	0.3605(1)	0.3544(4)	0.7859(1)	0.030(1)	0.030(2)	0.037(2)	−0.000(1)	0.019(1)	0.000(1)
O(1)	4 <i>e</i>	½	0.7824(7)	¾	0.105(3)	0.071(3)	0.033(2)	0	0.000(2)	0
O(2)	8 <i>f</i>	0.3938(1)	0.6744(4)	0.6142(1)	0.046(1)	0.055(2)	0.056(2)	−0.011(1)	0.025(1)	−0.010(1)
O(3)	8 <i>f</i>	0.4065(1)	1.0420(4)	0.6555(2)	0.055(2)	0.049(2)	0.083(2)	0.005(1)	0.043(2)	−0.004(2)
O(4)	8 <i>f</i>	0.4795(1)	0.8925(4)	0.6075(1)	0.046(1)	0.081(2)	0.056(2)	−0.008(1)	0.034(1)	−0.008(1)
O(5)	8 <i>f</i>	0.6871(1)	0.3570(4)	0.8929(2)	0.056(2)	0.052(2)	0.058(2)	0.000(2)	0.036(1)	0.001(1)
C(1)	8 <i>f</i>	0.1598(2)	0.3517(6)	0.5334(2)	0.048(2)	0.059(3)	0.036(2)	0.003(2)	0.011(2)	0.003(2)
C(2)	8 <i>f</i>	0.1730(2)	0.3535(5)	0.6153(2)	0.035(2)	0.031(2)	0.033(2)	0.002(2)	0.010(1)	0.000(2)
C(3)	8 <i>f</i>	0.1249(1)	0.3548(5)	0.6338(2)	0.025(2)	0.039(2)	0.050(2)	0.002(2)	0.009(2)	−0.001(2)
C(4)	8 <i>f</i>	0.1392(2)	0.3558(5)	0.7092(2)	0.031(2)	0.037(2)	0.052(2)	0.001(2)	0.023(2)	−0.002(2)
C(5)	8 <i>f</i>	0.2031(1)	0.3549(5)	0.7701(2)	0.031(2)	0.030(2)	0.043(2)	−0.001(1)	0.021(2)	0.000(2)
C(6)	8 <i>f</i>	0.2506(1)	0.3545(4)	0.7502(2)	0.029(2)	0.023(2)	0.032(2)	0.001(2)	0.017(1)	0.000(2)
C(7)	8 <i>f</i>	0.3170(1)	0.3535(4)	0.8093(2)	0.029(2)	0.022(2)	0.034(2)	−0.001(1)	0.016(1)	0.002(1)
C(8)	8 <i>f</i>	0.3332(1)	0.3524(5)	0.8873(2)	0.037(2)	0.031(2)	0.032(2)	−0.001(2)	0.016(1)	0.002(2)
C(9)	8 <i>f</i>	0.3992(2)	0.3475(5)	0.9435(2)	0.046(2)	0.044(2)	0.031(2)	−0.001(2)	0.013(2)	0.003(2)
C(10)	8 <i>f</i>	0.4423(2)	0.3450(5)	0.9194(2)	0.030(2)	0.045(2)	0.043(2)	−0.000(2)	0.010(2)	0.002(2)
C(11)	8 <i>f</i>	0.4219(1)	0.3510(5)	0.8396(2)	0.026(2)	0.028(2)	0.046(2)	−0.001(1)	0.015(2)	−0.002(2)
C(12)	8 <i>f</i>	0.4687(2)	0.3523(6)	0.8122(2)	0.036(2)	0.050(2)	0.073(3)	0.001(2)	0.032(2)	−0.001(2)
C(13)	8 <i>f</i>	0.2219(2)	0.3548(5)	0.8507(2)	0.044(2)	0.044(2)	0.049(2)	−0.001(2)	0.034(2)	−0.000(2)
C(14)	8 <i>f</i>	0.2840(2)	0.3538(5)	0.9069(2)	0.049(2)	0.045(2)	0.035(2)	−0.001(2)	0.026(2)	0.001(2)

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