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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=298 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.007 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.065$
$w R$ factor $=0.142$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=13.2$
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## Polymeric tetraaqua(1,2,4,5-benzenetetracarboxylato)(pyrazine)dinickel(II) dihydrate

The Ni atom in the title compound, $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Ni}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{8}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)\right.\right.$ $\left.\left.\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{4}\right] \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{n}$, exists in an octahedral $\mathrm{NO}_{5} \mathrm{Ni}$ coordination environment that is defined by the two O atoms of a chelating carboxyl group, the O atom of a monodentate carboxyl group belonging to another carboxylato tetraanion, two water molecules and the N atom of the $N$-heterocycle. The tetracarboxylato anion and the pyrazine molecule are each located on a center of inversion. The bonding pattern leads to the formation of a layer structure; the layers are linked into a three-dimensional network by extensive hydrogen bonds involving the water molecules and the O atoms of the anionic unit.

## Comment

A number of adducts of nickel benzenepolycarboxylates with $N$-heterocycles have been reported (Li et al., 2003; Yuan et al., 2001). To this number has been added the $4,4^{\prime}$-bipyridine adduct of nickel terephthalate (Yang et al., 2003a) and of nickel phthalate (Yang et al., 2003b). The present pyrazine adduct, (I), of dinickel 1,2,4,5-benzenetetracarboxylate exists as the dihydrate (Fig. 1).


The Ni atom in (I) exists in an octahedral $\mathrm{NO}_{5} \mathrm{Ni}$ environment that is defined by the two O atoms of a chelating $-\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ group, the O atom of a monodentate $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ group of another tetraanion, two water molecules and the N atom of pyrazine (Table 1). The tetracarboxylate anion and the pyrazine molecule are each located on a center of inversion. The bonding pattern leads to the formation of layers; the layers are linked into a three-dimensional network by hydrogen bonds involving the water molecules and the O atoms of the anionic unit (Table 2).

## Experimental

1,2,4,5-Benzenetetracarboxylic acid anhydride (pyromellitic anhydride, $0.22 \mathrm{~g}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was dissolved in water ( 15 ml ) containing sodium hydroxide ( $0.16 \mathrm{~g}, 4 \mathrm{mmol}$ ). Nickel dinitrate hexahydrate

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$(0.58 \mathrm{~g}, 2 \mathrm{mmol})$ and pyrazine ( $0.16 \mathrm{~g}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) dissolved in water ( 3 ml ) were then added. The mixture was placed in a 20 ml Teflonlined stainless-steel bomb. The bomb was heated at 453 K for 100 h . Crystals separated from the solution when the bomb was cooled down at a rate of $5 \mathrm{~K} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Ni}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{8}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)-\right.$
$\left.\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{4}\right] \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=555.72$
Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$
$a=7.2005(5) \AA$
$b=8.0322(5) \AA$
$c=9.3735(6) \AA$
$\alpha=96.175(1) \AA$
$\beta=101.872(1)^{\circ}$
$\gamma=116.245(1)^{\circ}$
$V=463.50(5) \AA^{\circ}$

## Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX areadetector diffractometer

## $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.616, T_{\max }=0.919$
5415 measured reflections

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\begin{aligned}
& Z=1 \\
& D_{x}=1.991 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3} \\
& \text { Mo } K \alpha \text { radiation } \\
& \text { Cell parameters from } 2804 \\
& \quad \text { reflections } \\
& \theta=2.3-28.3^{\circ} \\
& \mu=2.12 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1} \\
& T=298(2) \mathrm{K} \\
& \text { Irregular block, green } \\
& 0.14 \times 0.13 \times 0.04 \mathrm{~mm}
\end{aligned}
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## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$

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\begin{aligned}
& \begin{array}{c}
w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)+(0.0629 P)^{2}\right. \\
\quad+0.259 P] \\
\text { where } P=\left(F_{o}^{2}+2 F_{c}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.001 \\
\Delta \rho_{\max }=0.95 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \AA^{-3} \\
\Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.65 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.065$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.142$
$S=1.25$
2152 reflections
163 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement


Figure 1
ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) plot of a segment of the title structure, with displacement ellipsoids at the $75 \%$ probability level. [Symmetry code: (i) $1-x, 1-y, 2-z$.]

The use of too small a value for the $\theta$-dependent absorption correction in SADABS (Sheldrick, 1996) led to non-positive definite displacement parameters for several atoms, and a compromise value of 0.5 was used, for which parameters of only one atom (C3) were non-positive definite. The displacement parameter of this atom was restrained to be close to isotropic. The aromatic H atoms were positioned geometrically $(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93 \AA)$ and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation, with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=$ $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$. The water H atoms were located and refined with restraints of $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}=0.85(1) \AA, \mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{H}=1.39(1) \AA$ and $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=$ $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{O})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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