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# Synthesis and Supramolecular Structure of 4,4',6,6'-Tetrachloro-2,2'-[(decane-1,10-diyldioxy)bis(nitrilomethylidyne)]diphenol 

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#### Abstract

A new salen-type bisoxime compound, 4,4',6,6'tetrachloro-2,2'-[(decane-1,10-diyldioxy)bis(nitrilomethylidyne)]diphenol, has been synthesized and characterized structurally. In each molecule, there is a trans configuration with respect to the methylidene unit. The two phenyl rings in each molecule are paralle to each other, with a perpendicular interplanar spacing of ca. 6.583(2) $\AA$. In the crystal structure, each molecule links other two molecules into finite 2D supramolecular structure by two pairs of intermolecular $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{H} 10 \cdots \mathrm{C} 12$ hydrogen bonds.


Key Words: Salen-type bisoxime, Synthesis, Supramolecular structure.

Salen-type compound and its derivatives have played a significant role in the development of the coordination chemistry as they are one of the most important mixed-donor ligands in the modern coordination chemistry and these compounds have caused growing concern because of their strong coordination capability and important properties, such as diverse biological activities ${ }^{1-3}$, synthetic and catalytic activities ${ }^{4,5}$, magnetic properties ${ }^{6}$ and supramolecular architectures ${ }^{7}$. In order to extend our work on supramolecular interactions of salen-type bisoxime compound, we reported the synthesis and crystal structure of the title compound.

3,5-Dichloro-2-hydroxybenzaldehyde was purchased from Alfa Aesar and used without further purification. 1,10-Bis(aminooxy)decane was synthesized according to an analogous method reported earlier ${ }^{8}$. The other reagents and solvents were analytical grade reagents from Tianjin Chemical Reagent Factory. C, H and N analyses were carried out with a GmbH VariuoEL V3.00 automatic elemental analyzer. X-ray single crystal structure was determined on a Bruker Smart 1000 CCD area detector. Melting points were measured by the use of a microscopic melting point apparatus made in Beijing Taike Instrument Limited Company and the thermometer was uncorrected.

4,4',6,6'-Tetrachloro-2,2'-[(decane-1,10-diyldioxy)bis(nitrilomethylidyne)]diphenol was synthesized according to an analogous method reported earlier ${ }^{9,10}$. To an ethanol solution ( 5 mL ) of 3,5-dichloro-2-hydroxybenzaldehyde ( $38.2 \mathrm{mg}, 0.2$ mmol ) was added an ethanol solution ( 5 mL ) of 1,10-bis-(aminooxy)decane ( $20.4 \mathrm{mg}, 0.1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ). The reaction mixture was stirred at 328 K for 4 h . The formed precipitate was separated
by filtrationand washed successively with ethanol and $n$-hexane. The product was dried under vacuum to yield 32.9 mg of the title compound. Yield, $59.8 \%$. m.p. $364-365 \mathrm{~K}$. anal. calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ : C, 52.38; H, 5.13; N, 5.09; Found: C, 52.71; H, 5.20; N, 4.97.

Colourless block-shaped single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction studies were obtained after two weeks by slow evaporation from acetone/acetonitrile (1:4) solution of the title compound.

X-Ray structure determination: The single crystal of the title compound, with approximate dimensions of $0.43 \times$ $0.22 \times 0.09 \mathrm{~mm}$ was placed on a Bruker Smart 1000 diffractmeter equipped with Apex CCD area detector. The diffraction data were collected using a graphite monochromated $\mathrm{MoK}_{\alpha}$ radition $(\lambda=0.71073 \AA$ ) at 298(2) K. The structure was solved by using the program SHELXS-97 and Fourier difference techniquesand refined by full-matrix least-squares method on $\mathrm{F}^{2}$ using SHELXL-97. Details of the data collection and refinements of the title compound are given in Table-1. The non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were added theoretically. CCDC: 712163.

X-ray crystallographic analysis revealed the crystal structure of the title compound. And the structure is shown in Fig. 1. Selected bond distances and angles are listed in Table-2. The single crystal structure of the title compound is only built up by the $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{4}$ molecule. In each molecule, there is a trans configuration with respect to the methylidene unit. The two phenyl rings in each molecule are parallel to each other, with C1-O1-N1-C7 torsion angles of -179.2 (8) ${ }^{\circ}$ and a perpendicular

| TABLE-2 <br> SELECTED BOND DISTANCES ( $(\AA)$ AND ANGLES $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ FOR THE TITLE COMPOUND |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bond | Lengths | Bond | Lengths | Bond | Lengths |
| N(1)-C(6) | 1.272(12) | C(1)-C(2) | 1.498(14) | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 1.395(14) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 1.405(10) | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 1.471(13) | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 1.430 (13) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 1.433(11) | C(3)-C(4) | $1.513(13)$ | $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $1.402(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 1.368(11) | C(4)-C(5) | $1.495(14)$ | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $1.359(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 1.731(10) | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.495(19)$ | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C} 11)$ | 1.401(12) |
| $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 1.736(9) | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 1.449(14) | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 1.338(13) |
| Bond | Angles | Bond | Angles | Bond | Angles |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 111.3(8) | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 116.5(9) | $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | 119.1(8) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 109.7(7) | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 120.9(9) | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 119.5(9) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 107.3(8) | $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 122.6(9) | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 120.2(9) |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 116.2(8) | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 119.6(8) | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ | 121.2(7) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 114.6(8) | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 120.9(9) | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ | 118.6(7) |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 116.1(8) | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 119.5(9) | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 123.2(9) |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 117.2(11) | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 121.0(9) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 120.1(9) | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | 119.9(8) |  |  |

## TABLE-1

CRYSTAL DATA AND STRUCTURE REFINEMENT FOR THE TITLE COMPOUND

| Empirical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{4}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Formula weight | 550.28 |
| Temperature (K) | $298(2)$ |
| Wavelength $(\AA)$ | 0.71073 |
| Crystal system | Triclinic |
| Space group | $\mathrm{P}-1$ |
| Cell dimensions, $(\AA, \mathrm{deg})$ | $\mathrm{a}=4.5804(6), \mathrm{b}=7.9141(11), \mathrm{c}$ |
|  | $=17.9692(18), \alpha=84.2770(10)$, |
|  | $\beta=86.437(2), \gamma=80.8340(10)$ |
| Volume, $\AA^{3}$ | $639.15(14)$ |
| $Z$ | 1 |
| Density (calculated), $\mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}$ | 1.430 |
| Absorption coefficient, $\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$ | 0.497 |
| $\mathrm{~F}(000)$ | 286 |
| Index ranges | $-5 \leq \mathrm{h} \leq 5,-9 \leq \mathrm{k} \leq 7,-16 \leq 1 \leq 21$ |
| Reflections collected | $2889 / 2079[R(\mathrm{int})=0.0529]$ |
| Independent reflections | 930 |
| Data/restraints/parameters | $2079 / 0 / 155$ |
| Goodness of fit indicator | 1.041 |
| $\mathrm{R}[\mathrm{I}>2 \sigma(\mathrm{I})]$ | $\mathrm{R}_{1}=0.0529, \mathrm{wR}{ }_{2}=0.1214$ |
| Largest diff. peak and hole, $\mathrm{e} \cdot \AA^{-3}$ | 0.803 and -0.583 |



Fig. 1. Molecule structure of the title compound with atom numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms are drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level
interplanar spacing of $c a .6 .583(2) \AA$. There are two intramolecular O2-H2 $\cdots \mathrm{N} 1$ hydrogen bonds between the hydroxyl groups and the oxime N atoms in each molecule (Table-3). In the crystal structure, each molecule links other two mole-cules into finite 2D supramolecular structure by two pairs of intermolecular C10-H10…C12 hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2).

## TABLE-3

HYDROGEN BOND ( $\AA^{\circ},^{\circ}$ ) FOR THE TITLE COMPOUND

| $\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{d}(\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{H})$ | $\mathrm{d}(\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{A})$ | $\angle \mathrm{DHA}$ | $\mathrm{d}(\mathrm{D} \cdots \mathrm{A})$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 \cdots \mathrm{~N} 1$ | 0.82 | 1.89 | 146 | $2.609(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{H} 10 \cdots \mathrm{Cl} 2$ | 0.93 | 2.88 | 166 | $3.794(3)$ |



Fig. 2. A perspective view of the intramolecular and intermolecular hydrogen-bond interactions

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