

Crystallographic report

**Bis(norfloxacin)dilead(II) tetranitrate,
[Pb₂(H-Norf)₂(ONO₂)₄]**Zhen-Feng Chen^{1*}, Hong-Li Zhou¹, Hong Liang^{1**}, Yan Li², Ren-Gen Xiong³
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The centrosymmetric binuclear structure of [Pb₂(H-Norf)₂(ONO₂)₄] shows the geometry around each lead(II) atom to be distorted trigonal bipyramidal with Pb–O distances ranging from 2.357(3) to 2.769(4) Å. Copyright © 2003 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

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COMMENT

Figure 1 shows the centrosymmetric molecular structure of a biologically relevant complex formed between the

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widely used antibacterial drug norfloxacin (H-Norf) and the toxic heavy-metal lead(II), [Pb(H-Norf)(ONO₂)₂]₂ (**1**). Similar to the magnesium(II) complex of norfloxacin,¹ compound **1** is a 2:2 dimer in which the two lead(II) ions are bridged by two oxygen atoms derived from two carboxylate groups (monodentate bridging²) to give rise to a four-membered Pb₂O₂ ring. Each lead(II) is coordinated in a distorted trigonal-bipyramidal coordination environment by the aforementioned carboxylate oxygen atoms, a quinolone carbonyl and two oxygen atoms derived from two monodentate nitrates. The nitrogen atom of the piperazine ring is protonated, and thereby loses its coordination ability. The Pb···Pb separation within compound **1** is 4.0852(4) Å, which is somewhat longer than that of the lead(II) citrate aqueous complex.³

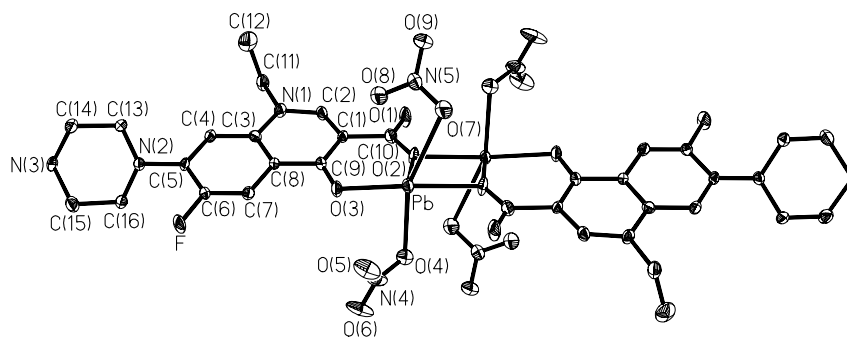


Figure 1. Molecular structure of [Pb(H-Norf)(ONO₂)₂]₂. Key geometric parameters: Pb–O(2) 2.357(3), Pb–O(2ⁱ) 2.501(2), Pb–O(3) 2.427(3), Pb–O(4) 2.537(3), Pb–O(7) 2.769(4); O(2)–Pb–O(3) 71.79(10), O(2)–Pb–O(2ⁱ) 65.57(12), O(2)–Pb–O(4) 84.23(12), O(3)–Pb–O(4) 73.72(10), O(3)–Pb–O(2ⁱ) 132.05(11), O(2)–Pb–O(7) 92.96(12)°. Symmetry codes *i*: –*x*, –*y* – 2, –*z* + 2.

EXPERIMENTAL

Samples of $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1 mmol) and norfloxacin (1 mmol) were thoroughly mixed in a mortar with a pestle, and placed in thick-walled Pyrex tubes (*ca* 20 cm long). After addition of EtOH (0.5 ml) and H_2O (1.5 ml; *ca* pH 6.0), the tube was frozen with liquid nitrogen, evacuated under vacuum and sealed with a torch. The tube was heated at 80 °C for 3 days to give colorless block crystals (only one phase). Yield: 65%. Anal. Found: C, 29.46; H, 2.85; N, 10.85. Calc. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{FN}_5\text{O}_9\text{Pb}$: C, 29.54; H, 2.79; N, 10.77%. X-ray diffraction data were collected at 293 K on a Rigaku R-axis RAPID IP diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo $K\alpha$ radiation on a block $0.08 \times 0.15 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}^3$. Crystallographic data: $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{FN}_5\text{O}_9\text{Pb}$, $M = 650.54$, monoclinic, $P2_1/c$, $a = 12.6071(6)$, $b = 8.7323(5)$, $c = 18.9532(9) \text{ \AA}$, $\beta = 104.311(2)^\circ$, $V = 2021.79(18) \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z = 4$, $D = 2.137 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$, 8588 reflections collected, 4547 unique and $2632 I > 2\sigma(I)$. R (obs. data on F^2) 0.025, wR (all data) 0.030, $\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.48 \text{ e}^- \text{ \AA}^{-3}$. Programs used: SHELXTL97, ORTEP. CCDC deposition number: CCDC 214506.

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