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## Crystal structure of new coordinated calcium-cesium benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate complex

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### ABSTRACT

A new two dimensional coordination polymer of calcium-cesium benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate (BTC) was obtained from aqueous solution. Structure was composed of zigzag chains constructed with Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Cs<sup>+</sup> ions with BTC. [CaCs(BTC)(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>9</sub>] crystallizes in monoclinic space group P 1 21/c 1 with a = 7.105(6) Å, b = 22.405(20) Å, c = 12.032(0) Å, V = 1911.9 (30) Å<sup>3</sup>. © 2010 Trade Science Inc. - INDIA

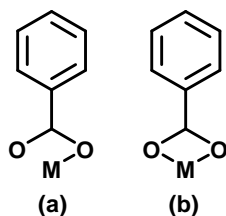
### INTRODUCTION

Supramolecular framework structures of metal-organic coordination compounds have potential applications as absorbents, ion exchangers, protonic conductors and catalysts<sup>[1-4]</sup>. Open frame work structures of Benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylic acid (BTC) with alkaline earth metal ions<sup>[5]</sup> were reported earlier. BTC with three fold symmetry makes it a very attractive choice for obtaining a (6,3) type structure, the frame work of a kagome lattice<sup>[6-8]</sup>. Controlled co-ordination networks of BTC with transition metal ions such as Mn<sup>2+</sup>, Co<sup>2+</sup>, Ni<sup>2+</sup>, Zn<sup>2+</sup>, Cd<sup>2+</sup> etc., were synthesized through hydro-

thermal technique<sup>[9-11]</sup>. Some of the guest molecules such as C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub> etc., are selectively absorbed into compounds, Cd(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Ni(CN)<sub>4</sub>.G (G= guests), Zn<sub>2</sub>(BTC)NO<sub>3</sub>.(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH)<sub>5</sub>.H<sub>2</sub>O<sup>[12-14]</sup>. In a similar way Ca-BTC complex also allowing Cs<sup>+</sup> ions into their coordination sphere as counter cations. In general carboxylate groups from Benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate molecules exhibits two kinds of bonding modes such as unidentate (a) and bidentate (b) (Scheme 1).

### EXPERIMENTAL

All chemicals used for synthesis were purchased from Aldrich, Fluka, Merck and Lancaster chemicals and used without further purification. 1.0mmol benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylic acid (0.210g) and 3.0mmol CsOH.H<sub>2</sub>O (0.504g) were taken in 10 ml of distilled water and stirred for few minutes. 0.5mmol CaCl<sub>2</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O (0.074g) was added to the above mixed solution and stirred again for few minutes. Needle-shaped colourless crystals of [CaCs(BTC)(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>9</sub>]



Scheme 1 : Benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate molecules (a) unidentate and (b) bidentate

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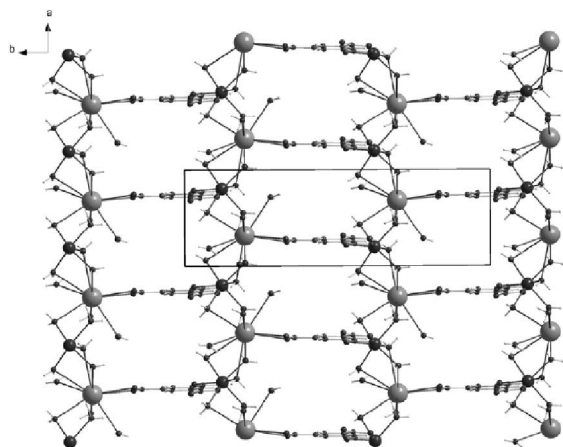


Figure 1: Complex [Ca Cs (BTC) (OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>9</sub>] (view along with c-axis)

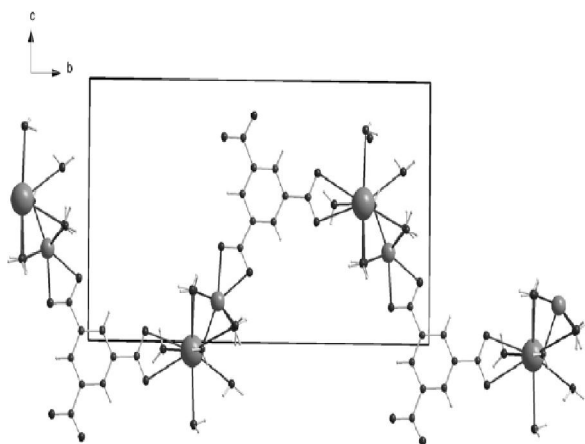


Figure 2: Complex [Ca Cs (BTC) (OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>9</sub>] (view along with a-axis)

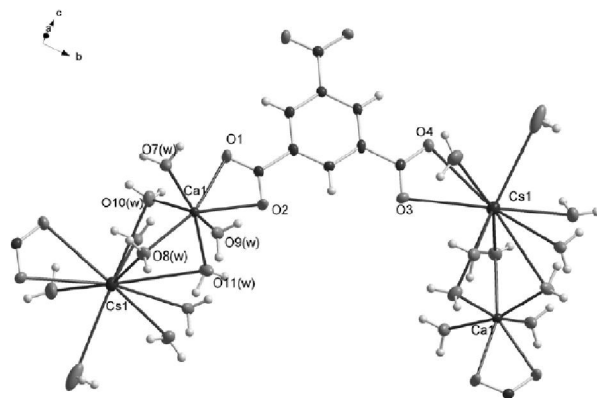


Figure 3: The coordination of Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Cs<sup>+</sup> by BTC carboxylate groups in bidentate fashion

were observed after one hour. After mixing the benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylic acid and CaCl<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O in the presence of CsOH·H<sub>2</sub>O according to the above procedure, the solution was heated hydrothermally at

TABLE 1 : Crystal data for [CaCs(BTC)(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>9</sub>]

Formula	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>21</sub> CaCsO <sub>15</sub>
Formula weight	542.24
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 1 21/ <i>c</i>
<i>a</i> (Å)	7.1045(6)
<i>b</i> (Å)	22.4047(20)
<i>c</i> (Å)	12.0314(10)
α (°)	90
β (°)	93.27(0)
γ (°)	90
Cell volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1911.97(30)
D <sub>Cal</sub> (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.877
Z	
Diffractometer	SMART Apex
μ(Mo-Kα) (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	
T(K)	200
Data measured	9159
Unique data	4130
R <sub>inst</sub>	0.0274
wR <sub>2</sub>	0.1816
S (all data)	1.056
Parameters/restraints	283/17
Peak/hole	+3.94/1.15

TABLE 2 : Selected bond lengths and angles for [CaCs(BTC)(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>9</sub>]

Distance	[Å]	Angles	[deg]
Ca1-O1	2.481(2)	Ca1-Cs1-Ca1	103.05°
Ca1-O2	2.460(2)	Cs1-Ca1-Cs1	103.05°
Ca1-O7(w)	2.378(1)	Ca1-O7-Cs1	105.22°
Ca1-O8(w)	2.422(1)	Ca1-O8-Cs1	98.46°
Ca1-O9(w)	2.390(1)	Ca1-O9-Cs1	100.66°
Ca1-O10(w)	3.340(1)	Ca1-O10-Cs1	102.03°
Ca1-O11(w)	2.362(1)	Ca1-O11-Cs1	96.53°
Cs1-O3	3.220(3)		
Cs1-O4	3.321(2)		
Cs1-O12(w)	3.172(2)		
Cs1-O13(w)	3.532(3)		
Cs1-O14(w)	3.439(2)		

180°C for 24hrs under autogenous pressure. Similar needle shaped colourless crystals of [CaCs(BTC)(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>9</sub>] were found in the autoclave. Yield: 0.086g, 31.72%. Elemental analysis calculated for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>21</sub>CaCsO<sub>15</sub> (542.24): C 19.94, H 3.90. Found: C

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20.86, H 3.42. IR,  $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3424br, 1614s, 1554m, 1433m, 1369m, 1104s, 763s, 732m, 521s. The infrared spectra were measured using the KBr disk method on a Perkin Elmer 'spectrum one FTIR' system.

### Crystal structure determination

Data were measured on SMART Apex diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ ). The structures were solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares against  $F^2$  for all data, using the SHELXTL software<sup>[15]</sup>. Crystal data and details of the data collection and structural refinement are summarized in TABLE 1.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Figure 1 shows the single X-ray crystal structure of  $[\text{CaCs}(\text{BTC})(\text{OH}_2)_9]$ . The absorption bands of the asymmetric and symmetric vibrations of BTC appear at  $1554 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $1433 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum of the compound. The broad band at  $3424 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and the sharp band at  $1614 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  are an indicative of the presence of water in the metal coordination sphere. Two dimensional networks were constructed from Ca(II) with Benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate (BTC) in presence of CsOH. A single crystal analysis performed on the compound  $[\text{CaCs}(\text{BTC})(\text{OH}_2)_9]$  shows that the structure is composed of zig-zag chains constructed with  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Cs}^+$  ions with BTC as shown in figure 2. The carboxylate unit (O1 and O2) of BTC bind with  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ion in a bidentate fashion. Similarly, the second carboxylate unit bind with  $\text{Cs}^+$  ion in bidentate manner (Figure 3). Third carboxylate group was not involved in the bonding.  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ions exhibits 7-fold coordination and binds with five water ligands (O7, O8, O9, O10, O11) in addition to BTC carboxylate group. Selected bond lengths and angles of  $[\text{CaCs}(\text{BTC})(\text{OH}_2)_9]$  are presented in TABLE 2. The layers are held together by carboxylate units in the structure to yield a tightly held 2-D solid structure.

### SUMMARY

This study demonstrates that multidentate linker, BTC when polymerized with  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , produced two dimensional zigzag frameworks in presence of  $\text{Cs}^+$ .

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