

# Metal halide coordination compounds with 4(3H)-quinazolinone

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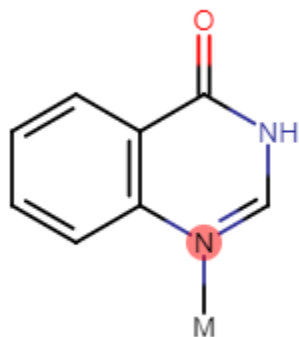
## Abstract

4(3H)-Quinazolinone may act as ligand for metal ions in different coordination modes – coordinating through nitrogen atom *para* to the quinazolinone oxygen atom (mode 1), or through nitrogen atom *ortho* to the quinazolinone oxygen atom (mode 2), after hydrogen atom migration (tautomerization). Earlier crystal structural investigations have shown that in the reaction of cadmium chloride or bromide with 4(3H)-quinazolinone, this ligand interacts with Cd(II) cations via *para* nitrogen atoms (mode 1), and the octahedral coordination around the metal is completed by two ligands in a *trans* axial geometry. New cadmium(II) and mercury(II) coordination polymers were obtained via reaction of 4(3H)-quinazolinone with CdBr<sub>2</sub> and HgCl<sub>2</sub>, respectively. Single crystal X-ray structural analysis reveals that coordination compounds crystallize in monoclinic P2<sub>1</sub>/c and triclinic P-1 space groups, featuring halide-bridged 1D chain polymers based on mononuclear [M(X)<sub>2</sub>(L)] subunits ((M = Cd, Hg, X = halide ion and L = 4(1H)-quinazolinone). Each metal ion is coordinated to one quinazolinone ligand, via the nitrogen atom *ortho* to the quinazolinone oxygen atom, with similar coordination geometries for metal ions in both coordination polymers.

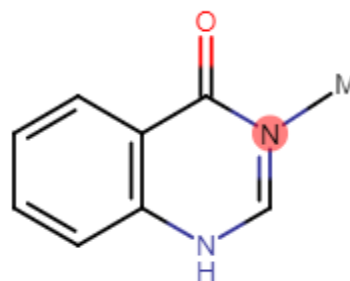
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## Introduction

Quinazolin-4-ones may act as ligands in different coordination modes as shown in the scheme. Earlier crystal structural investigations have shown that in the cadmium coordination polymer of 4(3H)-quinazolinone the ligand molecules interact with Cd(II) cations via nitrogen atoms at the position 1 (mode 1)<sup>[1]</sup>. In the case of the mononuclear copper(II) coordination compound the ligand molecules are bonded to Cu(II) cations by nitrogen atoms at the position 3 (mode 2)<sup>[2]</sup>.



mode 1



mode 2

[1] K.Turgunov and U.Englert. *Acta Cryst.*, 2010, **E66**, m1457.

[2] K.Turgunov et al., *Acta Cryst.*, 2010, **E66**, m1680.

## Synthesis and crystallization

**Cadmium bromide complex with 4(3H)-quinazolinone.** 70 mg (0.2 mmol) of cadmium bromide tetrahydrate was dissolved in a mixture of 4 ml of ethyl alcohol and 1 ml of water. 60 mg (0.4 mmol) of the ligand was dissolved in 5 ml of ethyl alcohol and it was added to the cadmium bromide solution. After 1-2 minutes, in the solution crystals began to appear. Within 2-3 hours prismatic crystals, suitable for X-ray diffraction were formed.

**Mercury(II) chloride complex with 4(3H)-quinazolinone.** 54.3 mg (0.2 mmol) of mercury (II) chloride was dissolved in acetone. 30 mg (0.2 mmol) of the 4(3H)-quinazolinone was dissolved in 3 ml of acetone with little heating and ligand solution was added to the mercury (II) chloride solution. Within several seconds prismatic crystals, suitable for X-ray diffraction were formed.

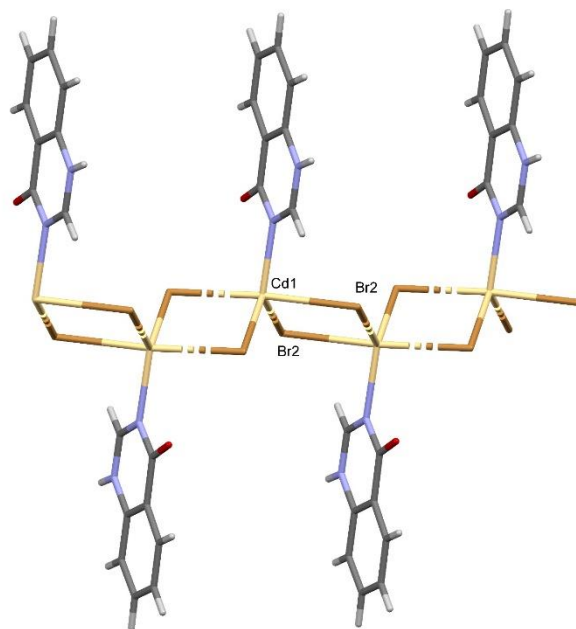
**Cadmium iodide complex with 4(3H)-quinazolinone.** 73 mg (0.2 mmol) of cadmium iodide was dissolved in a ~1 ml of ethyl alcohol. 60 mg (0.4 mmol) of the ligand was dissolved in 4 ml of ethyl alcohol with little heating and it was added to the cadmium iodide solution. After several days single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow evaporation.

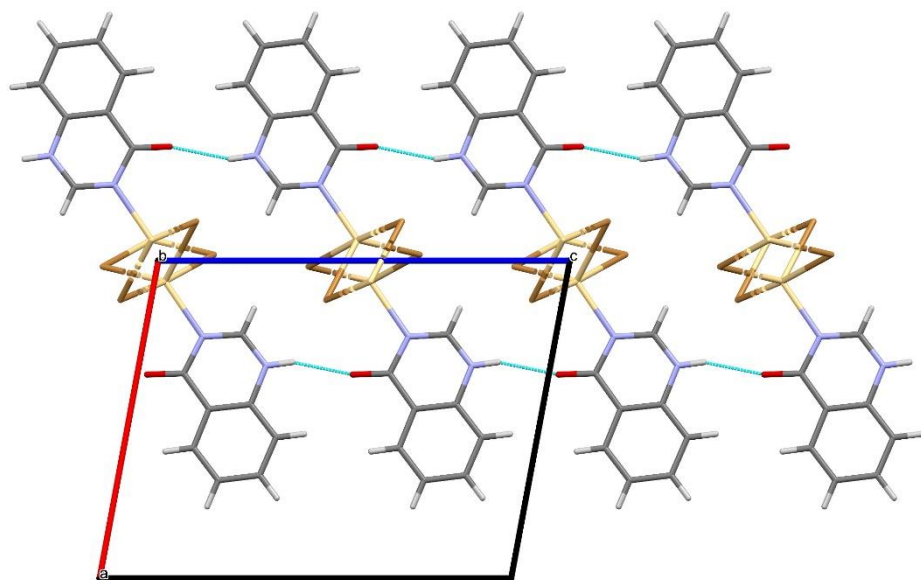
# Results and Discussion

## 1. Structure of complex with $\text{CdBr}_2$ .

The asymmetric unit of the compound crystal consists of one  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  cation, two Br anions and one molecule of the 4(1H)-quinazolinone. The  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  coordination environment ( $\text{CdBr}_4\text{N}$ ) is a slightly distorted trigonal bipyramid supplemented by the nitrogen atom of 4(1H)-quinazolinone molecule. Two  $\mu$ -bromide anions bridge  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  cations, forming a one-dimensional polymer along the  $b$  axis. Two slightly different Cd...Cd distances of 3.867(1) Å and 3.905(1) Å are subtended.

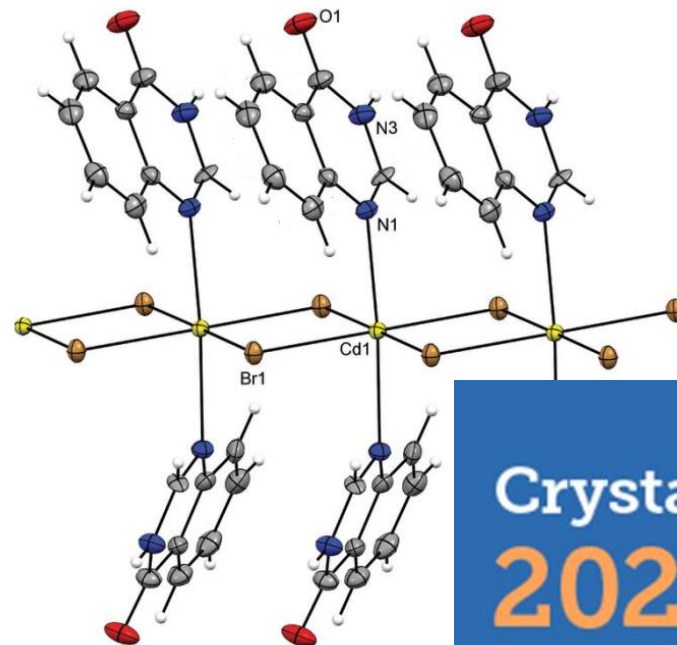
$P2_1/c$	
Chemical formula	$[\text{CdBr}_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{N}_2\text{O})]$
Temperature (K)	100
$a$ , (Å)	10.7967 (11)
$b$ , (Å)	7.2041 (7)
$c$ , (Å)	13.7643 (14)
$\beta$ (°)	100.470 (2)
$V$ (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1052.77 (18)
$R_1$ , $wR_2$	0.053, 0.139
CCDC	2041760





A classical N—H...O hydrogen bonds connects adjacent polymeric chains along the *c* axis.

One-dimensional polymeric  $\text{CdBr}_2$  complex with octahedral geometry around the cadmium(II) cations, including a *trans* arrangement of the two 4(3H)-quinazolinone ligands (coordinated via the nitrogen atom *para* to the quinazolinone oxygen atom) was obtained by another scientist [3].

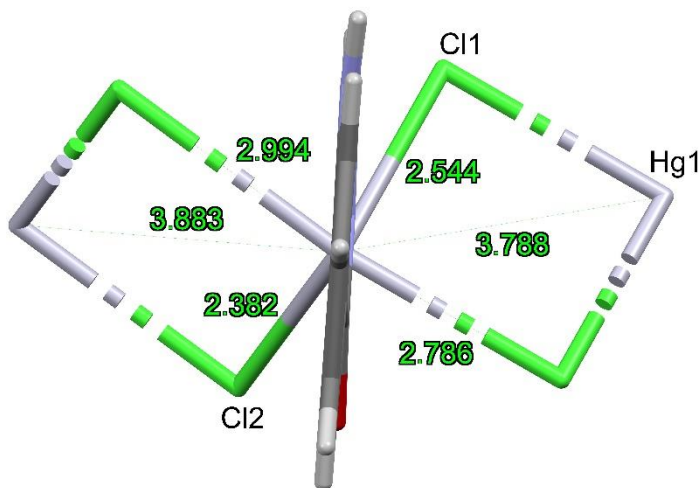
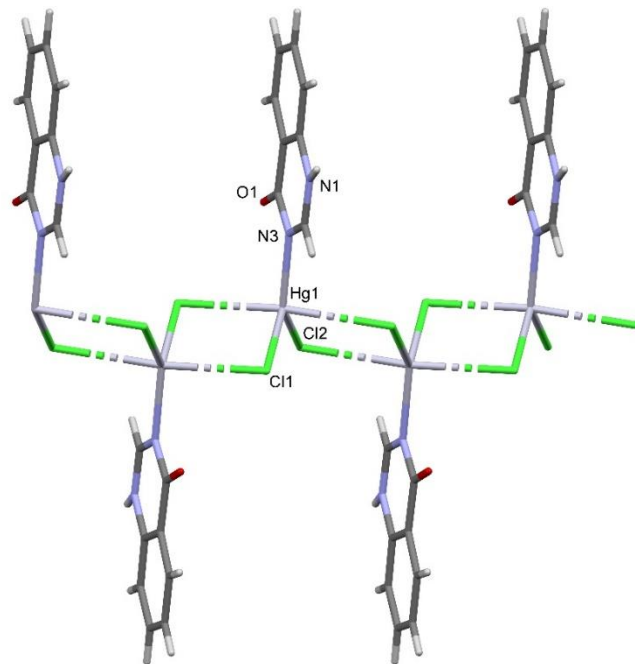


[3] M. Đakovic et al., *IUCrJ*, 2018, **5**, 13–21.

## 2. Structure of complex with HgCl<sub>2</sub>.

The complex displays essentially the same crystal structure as the one obtained with CdBr<sub>2</sub>. As expected, the  $\mu$ -Cl bridges are strongly asymmetric.

<i>P-1</i>	
Chemical formula	[HgCl <sub>2</sub> (C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>6</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O)]
Temperature (K)	100
<i>a</i> , (Å)	6.8205 (7)
<i>b</i> , (Å)	7.0742 (7)
<i>c</i> , (Å)	10.4689 (10)
$\alpha$ , (°)	85.717 (2)
$\beta$ , (°)	80.789 (2)
$\gamma$ , (°)	89.147 (2)
<i>V</i> , (Å <sup>3</sup> )	497.21 (9)
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub>	0.028, 0.070
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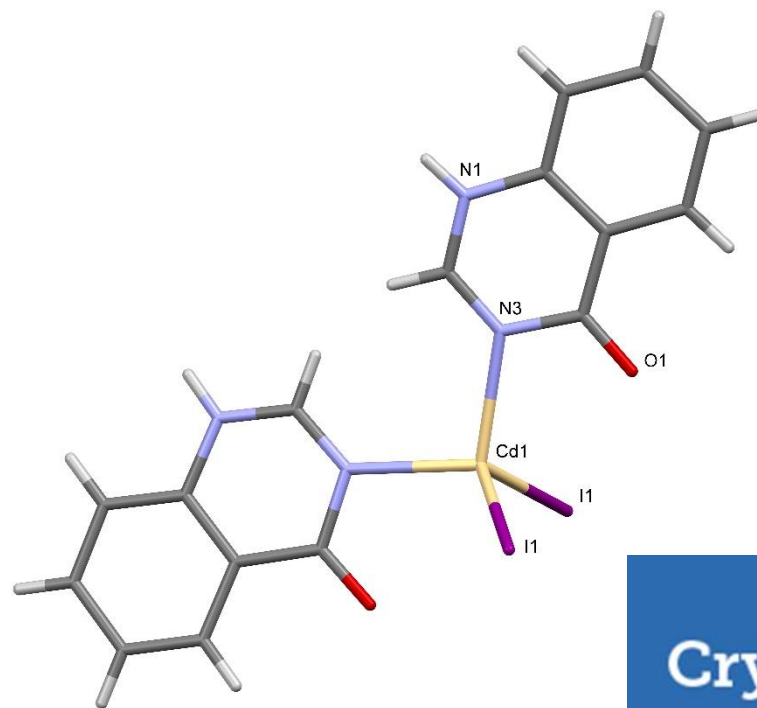




### 3. Structure of complex with CdI<sub>2</sub>.

Finally, the structure determination of CdI<sub>2</sub> complex reveals a monomeric metal-containing building unit with a tetrahedral arrangement of two quinazolinone and two iodide ligands. The complex displays essentially the same crystal structure as that previously reported by other authors [3].

<i>C2/c</i>	
Chemical formula	[CdI <sub>2</sub> (C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>6</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]
Temperature (K)	100
<i>a</i> , (Å)	22.240 (3)
<i>b</i> , (Å)	6.8444 (10)
<i>c</i> , (Å)	13.369 (2)
β (°)	118.824 (2)
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1783.0 (5)
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub>	0.033, 0.085
CCDC	2041762



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## Conclusions

4-Quinazolinone coordination to a metal ion may occur in two modes - with nitrogen atoms *para* or *ortho* to the quinazolinone oxygen atom.

In cadmium halide complexes with 4(3H)-quinazolinone, the Cd(II) ion may adopt trigonal bipyramidal, distorted octahedral or tetrahedral coordination geometry.

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