A New Polymeric Barium-Iron (III) Complex with Chain and Large Ring Structure

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The compound $\{[Ba_6(Phen)_{12}(CF_3COO)_6\{Fe(CN)_6\}_2(H_2O)_8]\cdot 6H_2O\}_n$ (1) (Phen = 1,10-phen-anthroline) has been synthesized and structurally characterized. In the crystal structure, the two consecutive Ba centres are bridged through trifluoroacetate groups and also *via* cyano groups of $[Fe(CN)_6]^{3-}$ and form the zigzag chain resulting the formation of 24-membered ring structure. The Ba-centres are 8-fold coordinated with distorted cubic geometry. Six H_2O molecules per asymmetric unit remain in the structure without any direct interaction with the metal atoms but they act in hydrogen bond formation.

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