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### 5,5'-Bithiazole and 2,5'-Bithiazole

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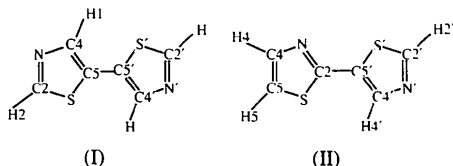
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#### Abstract

Bithiazoles are known to be potential antibacterial, antifungal and anti-inflammatory agents and their conformations are of particular interest. Of the six possible isomers only three structures have so far been studied: 2,2'-bithiazole [Bolognesi, Catellini, Destri & Porzio (1987). *Acta Cryst.* **C43**, 1171–1173], 4,4'-bithiazole [Ratzimbazafy (1987). Thèse de docteur es sciences, Univ. Aix-Marseille III, France] and 2,4'-bithiazole [Benali-Cherif, Pierrot, Baudrion & Aune (1995). *Acta Cryst.* **C51**, 72–75]. As a continuation of this series, we describe here the crystal structures of two other isomers, namely, 5,5'-bithiazole,  $C_6H_4N_2S_2$ , and 2,5'-bithiazole,  $C_6H_4N_2S_2$ . In both structures the bithiazole molecules are planar.

#### Comment

A comparison of the 5,5'-bithiazole (I) and 2,5'-bithiazole (II) with known bithiazoles does not reveal



any differences either in bond distances or bond angles as shown in Table 2. Moreover, in both forms the thiazole rings are coplanar as has been found in the previously determined isomers (Graig, Goodwyn, Onggo & Rae, 1988; Bolognesi, Catellini, Destri & Porzio, 1987).

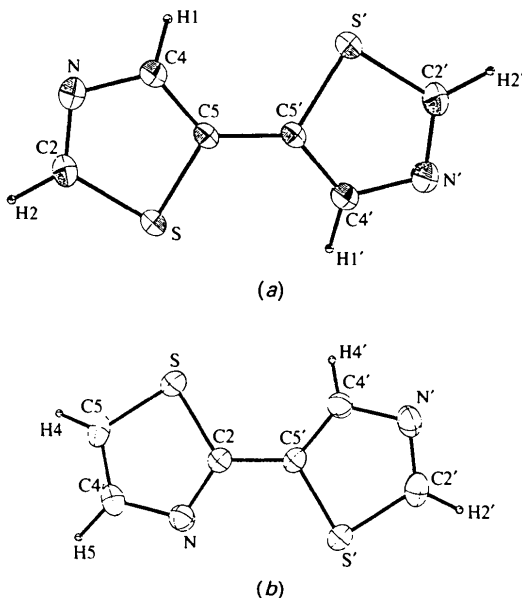


Fig. 1. ORTEP plots (Johnson, 1976) of the title compounds with the atomic numbering schemes: (a) (I) and (b) (II). Displacement ellipsoids are at the 50% probability level.

#### Experimental

5,5'-Bithiazole (I) was synthesized by the same method used to obtain 2,2'-bithiazole (Graig, Goodwyn, Onggo & Rae, 1988), a homocoupling reaction of 5-bromothiazole using nickel as catalyst. After liquid chromatographic purification the product was crystallized from an EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O solution over 2 weeks. 2,5'-Bithiazole (II) was synthesized by a cross-coupling reaction between 5-bromothiazole and 2-trimethylthiazole (Dondoni, Fogagnolo, Medici & Negrini, 1987). It was purified by liquid chromatography and crystallized after 1 year at 277 K in EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O solution.

#### 5,5'-Bithiazole

##### Crystal data

$C_6H_4N_2S_2$   
 $M_r = 168.24$   
Monoclinic  
 $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 8.670 (3) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 3.902 (2) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 10.463 (1) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 95.32 (2)^\circ$   
 $V = 352.5 (4) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 2$   
 $D_x = 1.585 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

##### Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4  
diffractometer

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ \AA}$   
Cell parameters from 25  
reflections  
 $\theta = 14\text{--}16^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.641 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 293 \text{ K}$   
Rectangular  
 $0.4 \times 0.3 \times 0.3 \text{ mm}$   
Colorless

$R_{int} = 0.024$   
 $\theta_{max} = 24^\circ$

$\theta/2\theta$  scans  $h = 0 \rightarrow 10$   
 Absorption correction:  $k = -4 \rightarrow 4$   
 none  $l = -12 \rightarrow 12$   
 1340 measured reflections 2 standard reflections  
 663 independent reflections frequency: 60 min  
 655 observed reflections intensity variation: <1%  
 $[I > 3\sigma(I)]$

**Refinement**

Refinement on  $F$   
 $R = 0.031$   
 $wR = 0.038$   
 $S = 0.508$   
 655 reflections  
 54 parameters  
 All H-atom parameters refined

**2,5'-Bithiazole***Crystal data*

$C_6H_4N_2S_2$   
 $M_r = 168.24$   
 Orthorhombic  
 $P2_12_12_1$   
 $a = 5.770$  (3) Å  
 $b = 5.923$  (2) Å  
 $c = 21.056$  (1) Å  
 $V = 719.6$  (3) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 $D_x = 1.555$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

*Data collection*

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  
 $\theta/2\theta$  scans  
 Absorption correction: none  
 790 measured reflections  
 771 independent reflections  
 712 observed reflections  
 $[I > 3\sigma(I)]$

**Refinement**

Refinement on  $F$   
 $R = 0.041$   
 $wR = 0.054$   
 $S = 2.3$   
 712 reflections  
 91 parameters  
 All H-atom parameters refined

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)

$$B_{eq} = (4/3)\sum_i \sum_j \beta_{ij} a_i \cdot a_j$$

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$B_{eq}$
5,5'-Bithiazole				
S	0.65708 (8)	0.3036 (2)	0.86501 (6)	3.28 (1)
N	0.8262 (3)	0.2622 (8)	1.0773 (2)	4.16 (6)
C4	0.6848 (3)	0.3941 (9)	1.1031 (3)	3.49 (6)
C5	0.5785 (3)	0.4368 (7)	1.0022 (2)	2.37 (5)
C2	0.8271 (3)	0.2079 (9)	0.9550 (3)	3.69 (6)

$w = 1/\sigma^2(F)$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.01$   
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.259$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.272$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 Atomic scattering factors from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1974, Vol. IV)

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\lambda = 0.71069$  Å  
 Cell parameters from 25 reflections  
 $\theta = 14-16^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.627$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 293$  K  
 Prism  
 $0.5 \times 0.4 \times 0.3$  mm  
 Yellow

$\theta_{max} = 24^\circ$   
 $h = 0 \rightarrow 6$   
 $k = -4 \rightarrow 7$   
 $l = -12 \rightarrow 25$   
 2 standard reflections  
 frequency: 60 min  
 intensity variation: <1%

$w = 1/\sigma^2(F)$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.02$   
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.35$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.29$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 Atomic scattering factors from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1974, Vol. IV)

2,5'-Bithiazole			
S	1.0429 (2)	0.5702 (2)	0.86101 (4)
S'	0.4611 (2)	0.1078 (2)	0.88846 (4)
N	0.6328 (4)	0.5300 (5)	0.8164 (1)
N'	0.7446 (6)	-0.0335 (5)	0.9727 (1)
C2	0.7754 (5)	0.4423 (5)	0.8581 (1)
C2'	0.5448 (7)	-0.0746 (5)	0.9475 (2)
C4	0.7376 (8)	0.7107 (6)	0.7861 (2)
C4'	0.8435 (5)	0.1508 (6)	0.9438 (2)
C5	0.9544 (7)	0.7551 (5)	0.8038 (2)
C5'	0.7179 (6)	0.2502 (5)	0.8975 (1)

Table 2. Comparison of bond distances (Å) and angles (°) with 2,2'- and 4,4'-bithiazole

	2,2'- Bithiazole*	4,4'- Bithiazole†	5,5'- Bithiazole	2,5'- Bithiazole‡
S—C2	1.717 (2)	1.710 (4)	1.715 (3)	1.716(3), 1.720(4)
S—C5	1.706 (2)	1.704 (4)	1.725 (3)	1.707(4), 1.716(3)
N—C2	1.306 (3)	1.300 (5)	1.297 (4)	1.310(4), 1.292(5)
N—C4	1.373 (3)	1.383 (3)	1.380 (4)	1.385(4), 1.374(5)
C4—C5	1.345 (4)	1.360 (5)	1.364 (4)	1.331(6), 1.349(4)
C—C'	1.449 (3)	1.469 (7)	1.445 (3)	1.448 (4)
S—C2—N	115.2 (2)	115.5 (3)	115.0 (3)	114.4(2), 115.5(3)
S—C5—C4	109.9 (2)	109.8 (3)	108.7 (2)	110.6(3), 109.3(2)
C2—N—C4	109.1 (2)	109.8 (3)	110.0 (2)	109.9(3), 109.8(3)
N—C4—C5	116.4 (2)	115.3 (3)	116.6 (2)	115.7(3), 116.3(3)
C2—S—C5	89.0 (1)	89.6 (2)	89.7 (1)	89.3(2), 89.2(2)

\* Bolognesi, Catellini, Destri & Porzio (1987).

† Ratzimbazafy (1987).

‡ 2,5'-Bithiazole has no molecular symmetry. The two values are for corresponding but non-symmetrical distances and angles.

Absences for the  $P2_1/n$  cell are  $h0l$ ,  $h + l$  odd, and  $0k0$ ,  $k$  odd, and for the  $P2_12_12_1$  cell are  $h00$ ,  $h$  odd,  $0k0$ ,  $k$  odd and  $00l$ ,  $l$  odd. All non-H atoms were found by direct methods (Frenz, 1978) and the structures were refined successfully with a full-matrix least-squares procedure using anisotropic displacement parameters for the non-H atoms. For both compounds, H atoms were located on a difference Fourier synthesis and included in the refinement. The weighting scheme used was derived from  $\sigma(I_o) = [\sigma^2(I_o) + (0.04I_o)^2]^{1/2}$ .

Lists of structure factors, anisotropic displacement parameters, H-atom coordinates and complete geometry have been deposited with the IUCr (Reference: PA1078). Copies may be obtained through The Managing Editor, International Union of Crystallography, 5 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU, England.

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