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two S atoms in the equatorial plane. Two axial isoquinoline ligands are coordinated to the metal atom through their N atoms. The Ni—S and Ni—N bond distances are 2.507 (2)–2.518 (1) Å and 2.118 (3) Å, respectively.

### Comment

The structures of the triphenylphosphine and pyridine adducts of (diethyl dithiophosphato)nickel(II) have been reported (Liu, Lin, Yu, Zhu, Xu, Gou & You, 1991; Ooi & Fernando, 1967). In  $[Ni\{(C_2H_5O)_2PS_2\}_2\{P(C_6H_5)_3\}]$ , the Ni atom displays square-pyramidal coordination (Liu *et al.*, 1991), whereas octahedral metal coordination was found in  $[Ni\{(C_2H_5O)_2PS_2\}_2(C_5H_5N)_2]$  (Ooi & Fernando, 1967). Crystals of the title compound, (I), are composed of discrete molecules (Fig. 1) and each Ni atom lies on a crystallographic centre of symmetry. Two dtp ligands are bonded to nickel by their two S atoms, forming four-membered chelate rings in the equatorial plane; the octahedral coordination is completed by the N atoms of two isoquinoline ligands.

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# trans-Bis(O,O'-diethyl dithiophosphato- $\kappa^2 S, S'$ )bis(isoquinoline- $\kappa N$ )nickel(II)

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#### Abstract

In (OC-6-12)-bis(O,O'-diethyl dithiophosphato- $\kappa^2 S, S'$ )bis(isoquinoline- $\kappa N$ )nickel(II),  $[Ni(C_4H_{10}O_2PS_2)_2-(C_9H_7N)_2]$ , a distorted N<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub> octahedron is formed around the central Ni atom. Two O,O'-diethyl dithiophosphate (dtp) ions act as bidentate ligands, each forming a four-membered chelate ring by coordination of its



The Ni—S distances [2.507 (2) and 2.518 (1) Å]are slightly longer than those in  $[\text{Ni}\{(C_2H_5O)_2\text{PS}_2\}_2$ - $\{P(C_6H_5)_3\}]$  and  $[\text{Ni}(dtp)_2]$  [2.43 (3) and 2.21 Å, re-



Fig. 1. Molecular structure (*ORTEPII*; Johnson, 1976) of the title complex showing 40% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms are omitted for clarity.

spectively] (Liu et al., 1991; McConnell & Kastalsky, 1967). This probably reflects the change from octahedral coordination in the title compound to square pyramidal in the phosphine adduct and tetrahedral in [Ni(dtp)<sub>2</sub>]. The chelate angle S—Ni—S [ $81.39(5)^{\circ}$ ] agrees with values in  $[Ni{(C_2H_5O)_2PS_2}_2(C_5H_5N)_2]$  $(81.7^{\circ})$ ,  $[Ni\{(C_4H_9O)_2PS_2\}_2(C_5H_5N)_2]$  (81.51°) and  $[Ni{(C_4H_9O)_2PS_2}_2(C_5H_6N_2)_2]$  (81.91°) (Ooi & Fernando, 1967; Liu, Lin, Xu, Yu & You, 1987; You, Xiong, Dong & Huang, 1994).

The C—C distances of 1.394(8) and 1.38(1)Å in the ethyl groups are significantly shorter than the typical C-C single-bond length (1.54 Å). This is probably a result of disorder, which is also apparent from the large displacement parameters of these atoms (see Table 1). The Ni-N distance of 2.118(3) Å is in fairly good agreement with similar distances in  $[Ni{(C_2H_5O)_2PS_2}_2(C_5H_5N)_2]$  (2.11 Å) and  $[Ni{(C_4H_9O)_2PS_2}_2(C_5H_5N)_2]$  [2.116 (4) Å].

#### **Experimental**

 $[Ni\{(C_2H_5O)_2PS_2\}_2]$  was dissolved in ethanol and excess isoquinoline was added until the colour of the solution changed from purple to green. Crystals of the title compound were obtained after the solution was left to evaporate at room temperature for two weeks.

Crystal data

 $[Ni(C_4H_{10}O_2PS_2)_2(C_9H_7N)_2]$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $M_r = 687.45$  $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ Å}$ Triclinic  $P\overline{1}$ reflections a = 7.997 (4) Åb = 9.746 (6) Å c = 10.979(2) Å T = 296 K $\alpha = 78.87(3)^{\circ}$ Prisms  $\beta = 70.26 (3)^{\circ}$  $\gamma = 79.48 (4)^{\circ}$ Grey-green V = 783.8 (2) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 1 $D_{\rm r} = 1.46 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$ 

Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  $\omega$ -2 $\theta$  scans Absorption correction: refined from  $\Delta F$ (DIFABS; Walker & Stuart, 1983)  $T_{\min} = 0.64, T_{\max} = 0.73$ 3668 measured reflections 3415 independent reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on F R = 0.049

Cell parameters from 25  $\theta = 13.97 - 14.93^{\circ}$  $\mu = 1.011 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  $0.42 \times 0.34 \times 0.28$  mm

2771 observed reflections  $[I > 3\sigma(I)]$  $R_{int} = 0.019$  $\theta_{\rm max} = 27^{\circ}$  $h = 0 \rightarrow 10$  $k = -12 \rightarrow 12$  $l = -14 \rightarrow 14$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 60 min intensity decay: 1.5%

 $w = 1/\sigma^2(F)$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.18$ 

wR = 0.066	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.44 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
S = 1.84	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.62 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
2771 reflections	Atomic scattering factors
178 parameters	from International Tables
H-atom parameters not	for X-ray Crystallography
refined; C—H = 0.95 Å	(1974, Vol. IV)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $Å^2$ )

$B_{eq} = (8\pi^2/3)\sum_i\sum_j U_{ij}a_i^*a_j^*\mathbf{a}_i.\mathbf{a}_j.$					
	x	у	z	B <sub>eq</sub>	
Ni	1	0	1	3.33 (4)	
S(1)	0.9410(1)	-0.0975 (1)	0.8241 (1)	4.44 (7)	
S(2)	1.2913 (1)	0.0331 (1)	0.8228 (1)	4.20 (6)	
Р	1.1573 (1)	-0.0098 (1)	0.7162(1)	3.94 (6)	
O(1)	1.0917 (3)	0.1261 (3)	0.6295 (3)	5.2 (2)	
O(2)	1.2941 (4)	-0.1028 (3)	0.6126 (3)	5.6 (2)	
Ν	0.8865 (3)	0.2033 (3)	0.9356 (3)	3.6 (2)	
C(1)	0.9672 (4)	0.3211 (3)	0.9228 (3)	3.7 (2)	
C(2)	0.8971 (5)	0.4527 (3)	0.8852 (2)	3.8 (2)	
C(3)	0.7375 (4)	0.2227 (4)	0.9075 (3)	3.9 (2)	
C(4)	0.6509 (5)	0.6099 (4)	0.8186 (4)	4.5 (3)	
C(5)	0.4949 (5)	0.6223 (4)	0.7915 (4)	4.9 (3)	
C(6)	0.4159 (5)	0.5019 (5)	0.7997 (4)	5.1 (3)	
C(7)	0.4928 (5)	0.3710 (4)	0.8360 (4)	4.6 (3)	
C(8)	0.6532 (4)	0.3555 (3)	0.8655 (3)	3.5 (2)	
C(9)	0.7356 (4)	0.4753 (4)	0.8558 (3)	3.5 (2)	
C(11)	1.2205 (7)	0.2114 (6)	0.5341 (5)	7.6 (4)	
C(12)	1.180 (4)	0.3529 (7)	0.5518 (6)	9.3 (6)	
C(21)	1.2406 (9)	-0.1355 (8)	0.5071 (6)	9.6 (6)	
C(22)	1.279 (1)	-0.2775 (8)	0.4956 (8)	10.7 (8)	

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

NiN	2.118 (3)	C(1)—C(2)	1.349 (5)
Ni-S(2)	2.507 (2)	C(2)—C(9)	1.406 (5)
Ni—S(1)	2.518(1)	C(3)-C(8)	1.415 (5)
S(1)P	1.972 (2)	C(4)—C(5)	1.357 (5)
S(2)—P	1.973 (1)	C(4)-C(9)	1.415 (5)
PO(1)	1.591 (3)	C(5)-C(6)	1.405 (6)
P	1.584 (3)	C(6)—C(7)	1.359 (6)
O(1)-C(11)	1.448 (5)	C(7)—C(8)	1.403 (5)
O(2)—C(21)	1.467 (6)	C(8)—C(9)	1.411 (5)
N—C(3)	1.302 (4)	C(11)-C(12)	1.394 (8)
NC(1)	1.380 (4)	C(21)—C(22)	1.38 (1)
N—Ni—S(2)	90.64 (9)	C(1)NNi	121.1 (2)
N-Ni-S(1)	90.06 (8)	C(2)—C(1)—N	123.0 (3)
$N - Ni - S(2^i)$	89.4 (1)	C(1)—C(2)—C(9)	120.4 (3)
NNiS(1 <sup>i</sup> )	89.94 (8)	NC(3)C(8)	124.7 (3)
S(2)NiS(1)	81.39 (5)	C(5)—C(4)—C(9)	120.1 (4)
P—S(1)—Ni	81.26 (5)	C(4)—C(5)—C(6)	120.5 (3)
P-S(2)-Ni	81.53 (5)	C(7)—C(6)—C(5)	120.9 (3)
O(2)PO(1)	104.1 (2)	C(6)—C(7)—C(8)	119.7 (4)
O(2) - P - S(1)	113.9 (1)	C(7)—C(8)—C(9)	120.0 (3)
O(2)PS(2)	106.9 (1)	C(7)—C(8)—C(3)	122.5 (3)
O(1) - P - S(1)	106.3 (1)	C(9)—C(8)—C(3)	117.5 (3)
O(1)—P—S(2)	113.1 (1)	C(2)—C(9)—C(8)	117.3 (3)
S(1)-P-S(2)	112.29 (7)	C(2)—C(9)—C(4)	123.9 (3)
C(11)-O(1)-P	120.3 (3)	C(8)—C(9)—C(4)	118.8 (3)
C(21)O(2)P	119.8 (3)	C(12)-C(11)-O(1)	111.8 (5)
C(3)	117.2 (3)	C(22)—C(21)—O(2)	111.9 (5)
C(3)NNi	121.7 (2)		

#### Symmetry code: (i) 2 - x, -y, 2 - z.

Data collection was performed using CAD-4 Software (Enraf-Nonius, 1989). The structure was solved by direct methods and difference Fourier syntheses, and refined by full-matrix least-squares methods with anisotropic displacement factors for all non-H atoms and isotropic displacement factors for H atoms. All calculations were performed on a MicroVAX 3100 computer with the TEXSAN crystallographic system (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1989).

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## Bis(dicyanamide)bis(1,10-phenanthroline)copper(II)

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### Abstract

The title compound,  $[Cu(C_2N_3)_2(C_{12}H_8N_2)_2]$ , was prepared and its crystal structure was solved as a part of our study on synthesis, crystallochemistry and properties of copper compounds with pseudohalogenide anions. The structure, which is formed by discrete molecules, is presented. The dicyanamide and phen ligands are bonded to the Cu atom with elongated tetragonal bipyramidal (4+2) coordination geometry, with the dicyanamide ligands in a *cis* arrangement.

#### Comment

The crystal structure of the title compound, (I), is formed by discrete molecules held together by van der Waals forces. Fig. 1 shows a molecule of (I) with the atomic labelling scheme.



From a chemical point of view the structure studied is rather uncommon. Coordination polyhedra in copper compounds containing two phen (1,10-phenanthroline) molecules and two monoanions are mostly in the form of distorted trigonal bipyramids (or tetragonal pyramids) with an uncoordinated second monoanion. The Cu atom in (1) is coordinated by two phen molecules and by the dicyanamide anions in a cis arrangement, forming an elongated tetragonal bipyramid (4+2). One N atom (N1) of the dicyanamide anion occupies an axial position while the second (N10) is equatorial. The same coordination polyhedron was observed for [Cu(NCS)<sub>2</sub>(phen)<sub>2</sub>] and  $[Cu(NCSe)_2(phen)_2]$ , but in these complexes the cyanate ligands (thio- or seleno-) occupy two equatorial positions (Kabešová & Kožíšková, 1992; Sedov, Kabešová, Dunaj-Jurčo, Gažo & Garaj, 1982). Cyano



Fig. 1. ORTEP (Johnson, 1965) drawing of the formula unit and labelling of atoms. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 40% probability level.