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## The Heterotrimetallic Linear Complex Tetraethylammonium Dibromo-2 $\kappa^2$ Br- tetra- $\mu$ -sulfido-1:2 $\kappa^4$ S<sub>3</sub>:1:3 $\kappa^4$ S-bis(triphenyl- phosphine-3 $\kappa$ P)-2-iron-3-silver-1-tungsten, [Et<sub>4</sub>N][Br<sub>2</sub>FeS<sub>2</sub>WS<sub>2</sub>Ag(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]

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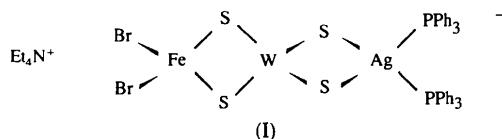
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### Abstract

The structure of the title complex, (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N)-[AgFeWS<sub>4</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>P)<sub>2</sub>], can be simply described as linear with three types of metal atoms distributed along a line. Each metal atom is approximately tetrahedrally coordinated.

### Comment

Syntheses of heterotrimetallic compounds are still challenging (Richter & Vahrenkamp, 1978; Gheller *et al.*, 1984; Planalp & Vahrenkamp, 1987). Recently, a few heterotrimetallic complexes have been designedly synthesized in our laboratory, such as the butterfly-like complexes [Et<sub>4</sub>N][(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>AgOMS<sub>3</sub>CuCN] and the linear complexes [Et<sub>4</sub>N][Cl<sub>2</sub>FeS<sub>2</sub>MS<sub>2</sub>M'(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] and [Et<sub>4</sub>N][(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>AgS<sub>2</sub>MS<sub>2</sub>CuCN] (*M* = Mo, W; *M'* = Cu, Ag) (Du, Zhu, Chen, Wu & Lu, 1992*a,b*; Zhu, Du, Chen & Wu, 1992; Sheng, Du & Wu, 1993*a,b*). The structure of [Et<sub>4</sub>N][Br<sub>2</sub>FeS<sub>2</sub>WS<sub>2</sub>Ag(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], (I), was studied as a supplementary member of the family of heterotrimetallic linear complexes {FeS<sub>2</sub>MS<sub>2</sub>M'} (*M* = Mo, W; *M'* = Cu, Ag).



The Ag...W...Fe angle of 177.04 (3)° suggests that the arrangement of the three metal atoms is essentially linear. The WS<sub>2</sub>Ag and WS<sub>2</sub>Fe fragments are planar, forming a dihedral angle of 90.07 (5)° between

their planes; *i.e.* these two fragments are almost perpendicular to each other. The W atom is coordinated by four  $\mu_2$ -S atoms with approximate tetrahedral geometry [106.79 (9)–113.12 (9)°]. However, two  $\mu_2$ -S and two Br atoms about the Fe atom are arranged with slightly distorted tetrahedral geometry [102.06 (9)–112.6 (1)°], and two  $\mu_2$ -S and two P atoms about the Ag atom with severely distorted tetrahedral geometry [88.56 (7)–118.27 (7)°]. One reason for the distortions of the tetrahedral geometries about Fe and Ag is the differences in the *M*—S bond lengths [mean W—S, Ag—S and Fe—S lengths 2.210 (2), 2.616 (2) and 2.304 (3) Å, respectively]; the longer Ag—S distance results in a smaller S—Ag—S angle. The W—Ag and W—Fe distances are 3.0788 (7) and 2.779 (1) Å, respectively, which are similar to the corresponding values found in [Et<sub>4</sub>N][Cl<sub>2</sub>FeS<sub>2</sub>WS<sub>2</sub>Ag(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] [3.076 (1) and 2.786 (2) Å, respectively]. The title complex and [Et<sub>4</sub>N][Cl<sub>2</sub>FeS<sub>2</sub>WS<sub>2</sub>Ag(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] are isomorphic.

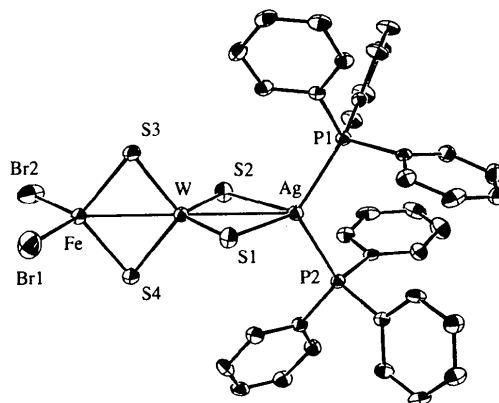


Fig. 1. Structure of the anion showing 20% probability displacement ellipsoids. C atoms are unlabelled for clarity.

### Experimental

The complex was synthesized under nitrogen atmosphere by reaction of [Et<sub>4</sub>N][S<sub>2</sub>WS<sub>2</sub>FeBr<sub>2</sub>] and Ag(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>I (molar ratio 1:1) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and crystallized by slow diffusion of Et<sub>2</sub>O into the filtrate.

#### Crystal data

(C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N)[AgFeWS<sub>4</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>-  
(C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>P)<sub>2</sub>]

*M<sub>r</sub>* = 1290.48

Triclinic

*P* $\bar{1}$

*a* = 13.527 (4) Å

*b* = 15.592 (5) Å

*c* = 12.429 (6) Å

$\alpha$  = 104.91 (3)°

$\beta$  = 94.72 (3)°

$\gamma$  = 101.19 (2)°

*V* = 2460.8 Å<sup>3</sup>

*Z* = 2

*D<sub>r</sub>* = 1.74 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo *K* $\alpha$  radiation

$\lambda$  = 0.71073 Å

Cell parameters from 20  
reflections

$\theta$  = 3–12.5°

$\mu$  = 4.93 mm<sup>-1</sup>

*T* = 296 K

Rectangular

0.80 × 0.60 × 0.30 mm

Dark red

## Data collection

Rigaku AFC-5R diffractometer	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.034$
$\omega$ scans	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25^\circ$
Absorption correction:	$h = 0 \rightarrow 16$
$\psi$ scans (North, Phillips & Mathews, 1968)	$k = -19 \rightarrow 19$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.28$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 1.00$	$l = -15 \rightarrow 15$
9054 measured reflections	3 standard reflections
8647 independent reflections	monitored every 300 reflections
6474 observed reflections	intensity decay: 0.9%
$[I > 3\sigma(I)]$	

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.01$
$R = 0.044$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.39 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$wR = 0.053$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.12 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$S = 1.44$	Extinction correction: none
6474 reflections	Atomic scattering factors
460 parameters	from <i>International Tables</i>
H-atom parameters not refined	for <i>X-ray Crystallography</i>
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.020F_o)^2 + 1]$	(1974, Vol. IV)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

$$B_{\text{eq}} = (8\pi^2/3)\sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j$$

	x	y	z	$B_{\text{eq}}$
W	-0.23284 (3)	0.09054 (2)	-0.22847 (3)	3.159 (6)
Ag	-0.22811 (4)	0.28859 (4)	-0.22923 (5)	3.41 (1)
Fe	-0.2266 (1)	-0.08540 (7)	-0.2229 (1)	4.07 (3)
Br1	-0.1063 (1)	-0.11942 (9)	-0.1021 (1)	9.41 (4)
Br2	-0.3411 (1)	-0.21917 (9)	-0.3317 (1)	8.12 (3)
S1	-0.1200 (2)	0.2083 (1)	-0.1227 (2)	4.45 (5)
S2	-0.3447 (2)	0.1272 (2)	-0.3364 (2)	4.71 (5)
S3	-0.1523 (2)	-0.0030 (1)	-0.3362 (2)	4.37 (5)
S4	-0.3126 (2)	0.0137 (2)	-0.1195 (2)	5.13 (6)
P1	-0.1318 (1)	0.3581 (1)	-0.3592 (2)	2.90 (4)
P2	-0.3391 (2)	0.3756 (1)	-0.1174 (2)	3.14 (4)
N	0.7369 (6)	0.0056 (5)	0.2685 (6)	4.8 (2)
C11	0.633 (1)	0.0099 (8)	0.220 (1)	7.7 (3)
C12	0.584 (1)	0.077 (1)	0.301 (1)	10.7 (4)
C21	0.736 (1)	-0.0180 (8)	0.378 (1)	7.6 (3)
C22	0.663 (1)	-0.1074 (9)	0.374 (1)	9.2 (4)
C31	0.771 (1)	-0.0655 (8)	0.179 (1)	7.4 (3)
C32	0.875 (1)	-0.079 (1)	0.210 (1)	10.8 (4)
C41	0.811 (1)	0.0975 (9)	0.293 (1)	8.4 (3)
C42	0.821 (1)	0.133 (1)	0.188 (1)	10.8 (4)
C111	-0.2064 (5)	0.3551 (5)	-0.4896 (6)	3.0 (2)
C112	-0.3115 (6)	0.3329 (6)	-0.4975 (7)	4.9 (2)
C113	-0.3715 (7)	0.3316 (7)	-0.5946 (8)	5.6 (3)
C114	-0.3282 (7)	0.3511 (6)	-0.6821 (7)	4.9 (2)
C115	-0.2250 (7)	0.3723 (7)	-0.6760 (7)	5.5 (2)
C116	-0.1643 (6)	0.3737 (6)	-0.5816 (7)	4.7 (2)
C121	-0.0788 (5)	0.4784 (5)	-0.2927 (6)	3.0 (2)
C122	-0.0009 (6)	0.5036 (6)	-0.2003 (7)	4.2 (2)
C123	0.0333 (7)	0.5933 (7)	-0.1396 (8)	5.0 (2)
C124	-0.0102 (8)	0.6586 (6)	-0.1643 (7)	5.1 (2)
C125	-0.0875 (9)	0.6361 (6)	-0.2525 (8)	6.0 (3)
C126	-0.1209 (7)	0.5453 (5)	-0.3169 (6)	4.5 (2)
C131	-0.0243 (5)	0.3119 (5)	-0.4064 (6)	2.9 (2)
C132	0.0643 (6)	0.3623 (6)	-0.4303 (7)	3.9 (2)
C133	0.1390 (6)	0.3196 (6)	-0.4720 (7)	4.6 (2)
C134	0.1283 (6)	0.2277 (6)	-0.4884 (7)	4.7 (2)
C135	0.0417 (7)	0.1769 (6)	-0.4641 (7)	4.8 (2)
C136	-0.0335 (6)	0.2186 (5)	-0.4229 (7)	3.8 (2)
C211	-0.2815 (6)	0.4799 (5)	-0.0050 (6)	3.2 (2)
C212	-0.3155 (6)	0.5005 (6)	0.0994 (7)	4.0 (2)

C213	-0.2692 (7)	0.5802 (7)	0.1797 (7)	4.8 (2)
C214	-0.1912 (7)	0.6399 (6)	0.1579 (7)	4.8 (2)
C215	-0.1567 (7)	0.6208 (6)	0.0559 (7)	4.9 (2)
C216	-0.2008 (7)	0.5403 (6)	-0.0245 (6)	4.5 (2)
C221	-0.4200 (6)	0.4120 (5)	-0.2155 (6)	3.3 (2)
C222	-0.4094 (7)	0.5001 (6)	-0.2184 (7)	4.3 (2)
C223	-0.4649 (8)	0.5229 (7)	-0.3009 (8)	6.1 (3)
C224	-0.5346 (7)	0.4575 (7)	-0.3787 (7)	5.8 (2)
C225	-0.5482 (6)	0.3667 (7)	-0.3770 (7)	5.3 (2)
C226	-0.4896 (6)	0.3439 (6)	-0.2962 (7)	4.4 (2)
C231	-0.4292 (6)	0.3093 (5)	-0.0529 (6)	3.4 (2)
C232	-0.5263 (7)	0.3267 (6)	-0.0354 (7)	4.5 (2)
C233	-0.5906 (7)	0.2740 (6)	0.0167 (8)	5.0 (2)
C234	-0.5606 (8)	0.2057 (6)	0.0509 (7)	5.4 (2)
C235	-0.4682 (8)	0.1876 (6)	0.0336 (7)	5.5 (2)
C236	-0.4023 (6)	0.2387 (6)	-0.0166 (7)	4.3 (2)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

W...Ag	3.0788 (7)	Ag—S2	2.643 (2)
W...Fe	2.779 (1)	Ag—P1	2.486 (3)
W—S1	2.184 (2)	Ag—P2	2.488 (2)
W—S2	2.193 (2)	Fe—Br1	2.351 (2)
W—S3	2.227 (2)	Fe—Br2	2.351 (2)
W—S4	2.237 (2)	Fe—S3	2.304 (3)
Ag—S1	2.589 (2)	Fe—S4	2.305 (3)
Ag...W...Fe	177.04 (3)	P1—Ag—P2	118.27 (7)
S1—W—S2	113.12 (9)	Br1—Fe—Br2	110.68 (8)
S1—W—S3	108.65 (9)	Br1—Fe—S3	112.6 (1)
S1—W—S4	109.3 (1)	Br1—Fe—S4	109.9 (1)
S2—W—S3	109.0 (1)	Br2—Fe—S3	110.71 (8)
S2—W—S4	109.8 (2)	Br2—Fe—S4	110.6 (1)
S3—W—S4	106.79 (9)	S3—Fe—S4	102.06 (9)
S1—Ag—S2	88.56 (7)	W—S1—Ag	79.85 (8)
S1—Ag—P1	112.06 (8)	W—S2—Ag	78.48 (7)
S1—Ag—P2	115.98 (8)	W—S3—Fe	75.65 (8)
S2—Ag—P1	111.46 (8)	W—S4—Fe	75.43 (8)
S2—Ag—P2	106.22 (8)		

H atoms were theoretically added and not refined.

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## The Polymeric Cluster Compound $[(\text{tmenH}_2) \cdot (\text{W}_2\text{Ag}_2\text{S}_8) \cdot (\text{tmen}) \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})]_n$ ( $\text{tmen} = N, N, N', N'$ -Tetramethylethylenediamine)

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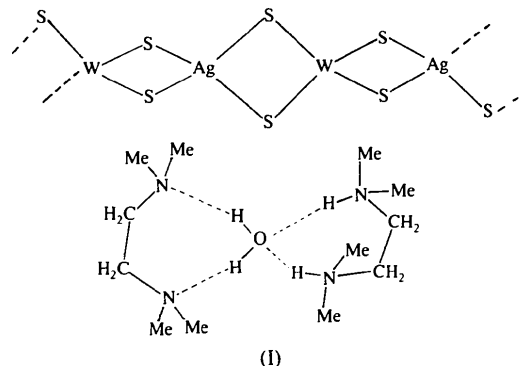
### Abstract

The structure of the  $(\text{W}_2\text{Ag}_2\text{S}_8)^{2-}$  anion of the title cluster compound, *catena*-poly[*N, N, N', N'*-tetramethylethylenediammonium bis(tungsten-di- $\mu$ -sulfido-silver-di- $\mu$ -sulfido) *N, N, N', N'*-tetramethylethylenediamine hydrate],  $\{(\text{C}_6\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2)[\text{W}_2\text{Ag}_2\text{S}_8] \cdot (\text{C}_6\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2) \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}\}_n$ , can be described as a polymeric chain consisting of extended  $>\text{AgS}_2\text{W}<$  fragments. In the chain, which has disordered W and Ag atoms, neighbouring fragments of this kind are alternately nearly perpendicular to each other. Water molecules are connected to the  $\text{tmenH}_2^+$  cations and tmen molecules through hydrogen bonding.

### Comment

A few polymeric compounds containing different metals have been reported (Nicholson, Flood, Garner & Clegg, 1983; Müller, Jaegermann & Hellmann, 1983; Pruss, Snyder & Stacy, 1993). However, only some structures of such compounds have been characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction analyses (Müller, Dartmann,

Romer, Clegg & Sheldrick, 1981; Lang, Li, Bao & Xin, 1993). The structure of the title compound, (I), was investigated as a new member of this type.



*ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976) drawings of a portion of the anionic chain and of the hydrogen-bonding structure are shown in Fig. 1. The W and Ag atoms are disordered, so the chemical composition may be represented as  $[(\text{tmenH}_2) \cdot (\text{M}_4\text{S}_8) \cdot (\text{tmen}) \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})]_n$  ( $M = 0.50\text{W} + 0.50\text{Ag}$  and  $\text{tmen} = N, N, N', N'$ -tetramethylethylenediamine). The anion has a polymeric chain structure, which is propagated by inversion symmetry, with extended rhombic networks of  $>\text{MS}_2\text{M}<$  being alternately nearly perpendicular to each other [dihedral angles of  $87.9(2)$  and  $91.6(2)^\circ$ ]. Each M atom displays distorted tetrahedral coordination with four  $\mu_2\text{-S}$  atoms. As a result of the disorder, the average value [ $2.350(10)$  Å] of the  $M\text{-S}$  bond lengths is larger than reported  $\text{W}\text{-}\mu_2\text{-S}$  lengths [ $2.191(5)$ – $2.224(6)$  Å] and smaller than reported  $\text{Ag}\text{-}\mu_2\text{-S}$  lengths

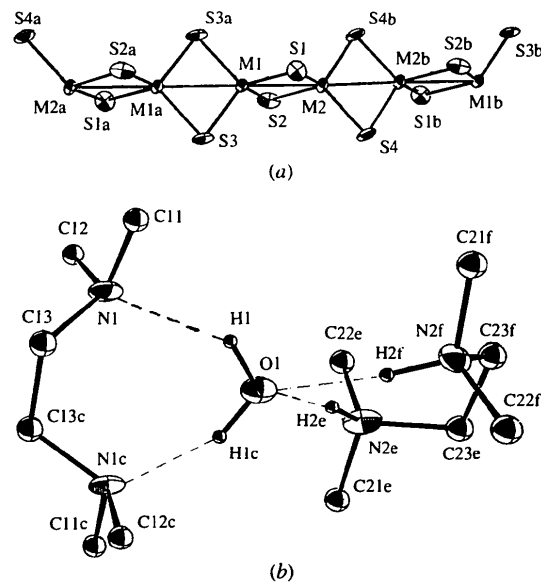


Fig. 1. (a) Structure of a portion of the anionic chain showing 20% probability displacement ellipsoids. (b) Diagram of the hydrogen-bonding pattern showing 20% probability displacement ellipsoids.