NI	0.5295(2)	-0.0802(6)	0.8572 (3)	3.07 (8)
CI	0.3407(2)	-0.314(1)	0.7953 (5)	4.7(1)
C2	0.3747 (2)	-0.4671 (9)	0.8294 (5)	4.9(1)
C3	0.4285(2)	-0.4268 (8)	0.8624 (4)	4.1(1)
C4	0.4474 (2)	-0.2458 (8)	0.8603 (4)	3.4 (1)
C5	0.4116(2)	-0.0966 (9)	0.8282 (4)	3.8(1)
C6	0.3578(2)	-0.1342 (9)	0.7960(5)	4.3(1)
C7	0.5048(2)	-0.2109 (8)	0.8932 (4)	3.6(1)
C8	0.5846(2)	-0.0468 (7)	0.9051 (4)	3.1(1)
C9	0.6204(2)	-0.1897 (9)	0.9471 (4)	4.0(1)
C10	0.6730(2)	-0.137(1)	0.9882 (5)	4.9(1)
C11	0.6881(2)	0.046(1)	0.9884 (5)	5.2 (2)
C12	0.6525(2)	0.1873 (9)	0.9463 (5)	4.5(1)
C13	0.5992(2)	0.1423 (8)	0.9053 (4)	3.6(1)

# Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Ni1—S1	2.174 (2)	C4C5	1.403 (8)
Ni1—N1	1.915 (4)	C4C7	1.472 (7)
S1—C13	1.755 (5)	C5C6	1.388 (7)
CII—CI	1.734 (6)	C8C9	1.396 (7)
N1—C7	1.281 (7)	C8-C13	1.390(7)
N1-C8	1.440 (6)	C9-C10	1.395 (8)
C1—C2	1.401 (9)	C10-C11	1.36(1)
C1—C6	1.347 (9)	C11-C12	1.383 (9)
C2—C3	1.390 (8)	C12—C13	1.398 (7)
C3—C4	1.374 (8)		
SI—NiI—NI	86.1(1)	C5-C4C7	121.0 (5)
S1—Ni1—S1'	94.7 (2)	C4C5C6	119.7 (5)
NI—NII—NI'	97.5(2)	C1C6C5	119.3 (5)
Ni1-S1-C13	94.6 (2)	N1C7C4	125.1 (4)
Ni1-N1-C7	127.0 (3)	N1C8C9	123.7 (5)
Ni1N1C8	113.5 (3)	N1-C8-C13	113.6 (4)
C7—N1—C8	119.3 (4)	C9-C8-C13	122.7 (4)
CII_CI_C2	117.0 (5)	C8-C9-C10	117.4 (6)
CI1C1C6	120.0 (5)	C9-C10-C11	120.9 (6)
C2-C1C6	123.0 (5)	C10-C11-C12	121.5 (5)
C1-C2-C3	116.9 (6)	C11-C12-C13	119.9 (6)
C2-C3-C4	121.5 (5)	S1-C13-C8	117.9 (4)
C3-C4-C5	119.5 (5)	S1-C13-C12	124.3 (4)
C3-C4C7	119.5 (5)	C8-C13-C12	117.7 (5)
N1-Ni1-S1-C13	28.3 (2)	C7-N1-C8-C9	34.9 (7)
\$1—Ni1—N1—C7	138.6 (4)	C7-N1-C8-C13	-145.6 (5)
C8—N1—C7—C4	172.4 (5)	C5—C4—C7—N1	-31.8 (8)
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Symmetry code: (i)  $1 - x, y, \frac{3}{2} - z$ .

H atoms were located geometrically and then refined isotropically with fixed displacement parameters. All non-H atoms were refined anisotropically. Modified unit weights were used: if F > threshold, then w = 1.0, if F = threshold, then w =[threshold/F]<sup>2</sup>, and if  $F^2 <$  cutoff. $\sigma(F^2)$ , then w = 0, where threshold = 95.15, cutoff = 2.

Data collection: CAD-4 EXPRESS (Enraf-Nonius, 1993). Data reduction: MolEN (Fair, 1990). Program(s) used to solve structure: SIMPEL in MolEN. Program(s) used to refine structure: LSFM in MolEN. Molecular graphics: ORTEP (Johnson, 1965) MolEN. Software used to prepare material for publication: MolEN.

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# Bis[methyl $N^{\beta}$ -(4-methoxyphenylmethylene)dithiocarbazato]nickel(II)

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#### Abstract

The structure of the title compound,  $[Ni(C_{10}H_{11}-N_2OS_2)_2]$ , has been determined at 173 K. There are two independent complex molecules present in the crystal with two slightly different ligand conformations. Both independent Ni atoms lie on inversion centres.

#### Comment

There has been continuous interest in the chemistry of the metal complexes of Schiff bases containing N and S donor atoms because of their structural features and biological activities (Ali & Livingston, 1974; West *et al.*, 1993; Martinez & Toscano, 1995). We have reported the crystal structure of methyl  $N^{\beta}$ -(4-methoxyphenylmethyl-

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ene)dithiocarbazate (Fun *et al.*, 1996) and now describe that of its nickel(II) complex as part of our systematic studies on the chemistry of dithiocarbazates.



There are two types of complex molecules present in the crystal with different ligand conformations (A and B). Each molecule contains the same type of ligand, either A or B (see Fig. 1). The asymmetric unit consists of two halves of the two different entities.



Fig. 1. A 90% displacement ellipsoid plot of the two complex molecules. The numbering scheme is given for the atoms in one asymmetric unit.

The Ni atom in each of the molecules is coordinated in a square-planar configuration with two equivalent Ni—N and Ni—S bonds. The ligand has lost a proton from its tautomeric thiol form and acts as a monoanionic bidentate ligand coordinating to nickel *via* the mercapto sulfur (S1) and  $\beta$ -nitrogen (N2) atoms. In the solid, the tautomeric form of the free ligand was found to be that of the thioketone, with an H atom bound to N1 and a single bond between N and C1 (Fun *et al.*, 1996). The structural differences between the free and complexed forms of the ligand are consistent with our spectroscopic observations.

Corresponding bond lengths and angles in the two complex molecules show no significant differences. However, the mean plane defined by the atoms S1, S2, C1, N1 and N2 in ligand A makes an angle of 7.09 (4)° with the plane of the phenyl ring, whereas in B the corresponding angle is  $13.95 (5)^{\circ}$  and in the uncoordinated molecule it is  $5.55 (5)^{\circ}$  (Fun *et al.*, 1996).

The complex molecules lie in the  $(2\overline{1}\overline{1})$  plane in alternate rows and form an infinite sheet. Fig. 1 shows the relative orientation of the two molecules. The intramolecular S1...H2 contacts are 2.37 (2) Å in both the complexes and the C2...S1 distances and C2--H2...S1 angles are 3.052 (2) and 3.058 (2) Å and 130 (2) and 131 (2)° for A and B, respectively; this indicates a C-H...S interaction or hydrogen bond, as was also observed in bis(methyl 3-benzylidenedithiocarbazato)-nickel(II) (Uechi & Oniki, 1982). A possible C-H...O hydrogen bond is also observed between C10A and O1B: C10A...O1B<sup>i</sup> 3.317 (3) Å, C10A-H10B...O1B<sup>i</sup> 134 (2)° [symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, 2 - y, 1 - z].

#### Experimental

The title complex was prepared by mixing equal volumes (20 ml) of ethanolic solutions of nickel acetate (0.5 mmol) and the ligand (1 mmol). The mixture was refluxed and stirred for 4 h. On cooling to room temperature it yielded the crystalline complex. Single crystals suitable for X-ray study were obtained by slow evaporation of a dichloromethane solution of the complex containing 2-propanol.

Crystal data

$[Ni(C_{10}H_{11}N_2OS_2)_2]$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$M_r = 537.37$	$\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$
Triclinic	Cell parameters from 25
PĪ	reflections
a = 8.601 (1)  Å	$\theta = 8 - 15^{\circ}$
b = 8.768(1) Å	$\mu = 1.274 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 15.008 (2) Å	T = 293 (2)  K
$\alpha = 89.32(1)^{\circ}$	Prism
$\beta = 83.97 (1)^{\circ}$	$0.50 \times 0.34 \times 0.24$ mm
$\gamma = 81.22 (1)^{\circ}$	Black
V = 1112.3 (2) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z = 2	
$D_{\rm x} = 1.604 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$	
Data collection	
Siemens P4 diffractometer	$R_{\rm int} = 0.0173$
$\theta/2\theta$ scans	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$
Absorption correction:	$h = -9 \rightarrow 11$
$\psi$ scans (XSCANS;	$k = -11 \rightarrow 11$
Siemens, 1994)	$l = -19 \rightarrow 19$
$T_{\min} = 0.839, T_{\max} =$	3 standard reflections
1.000	monitored every 97
6125 measured reflections	reflections
5099 independent reflections	intensity decay: <3%
4536 observed reflections	- •
$[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	

Refinement		CI-NI-N2	112.52 (14)	112.16 (14)
Refinement on $F^2$	$(\Lambda/z) < 0.001$	C2—N2—N1	113.87 (14)	114.02 (14)
	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$	C2—N2—Ni	125.71 (12)	125.27 (12)
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.0328$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.62 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm A}^{-3}$	NI—N2—Ni	120.41 (11)	120.64 (11)
$wR(F^2) = 0.0942$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.67 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$	NI-CI-SI	124.74 (14)	124.57 (14)
S = 1.063	Extinction correction: none	N1-C1-S2	120.52 (13)	120.37 (13)
5008 m 8	Extinction correction. none	\$1-C1-\$2	114.74 (10)	115.06 (10)
5098 reflections	Atomic scattering factors	N2-C2-C3	132.7 (2)	132.9 (2)
371 parameters	from International Tables	C4—C3—C8	117.5 (2)	117.5 (2)
All H-atom parameters	for Crystallography (1992.	C4C3C2	114.6 (2)	114.5 (2)
refined	Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and	C8—C3—C2	127.9 (2)	127.9 (2)
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0609P)^2]$	6.1.1.4)	C1-N1-N2-C2	-177.6(2)	- 169.7 (2)
+ 0.1379 <i>P</i> ]		N2-N1-C1-S1	-0.3(2)	-1.9(2)
where $P = (F_a^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$		N2-N1-C1-S2	-179.98(12)	177.51 (12)
		C10-S2-C1-N1	1.9 (2)	-1.4 (2)
		C10-S2-C1-S1	-177.82(11)	178.08 (11)
		N1-N2-C2-C3	1.2 (3)	0.2 (3)

N2-C2-C3-C4

N2-C2-C3-C8

Table	1. Fractional	atomic	coordinates	and equivalent
	isotropic di	splacem	ent paramete	$2rs(Å^2)$

$$U_{\text{eq}} = (1/3) \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j$$

	х	v	z	$U_{e\alpha}$
Nil	1/2	1/2	1	0.01737(9)
\$1A	0.62483 (6)	0.68625 (6)	1.03290 (3)	0.02764 (12)
S2A	0.70250 (6)	0.94673 (6)	0.92248 (3)	0.02764 (12)
OlA	0.3417 (2)	0.6963 (2)	0.45898 (9)	0.0290 (3)
NIA	0.5527 (2)	0.7322 (2)	0.86438 (10)	0.0210(3)
N2A	0.4895 (2)	0.5951 (2)	0.88333 (10)	0.0198 (3)
C1A	0.6165 (2)	0.7787 (2)	0.93081 (11)	0.0208(3)
C2A	0.4292 (2)	0.5420 (2)	0.81602 (12)	0.0220 (4)
C3A	0.4167 (2)	0.5949 (2)	0.72485 (11)	0.0202(3)
C4A	0.3274 (2)	0.5120 (2)	0.67517 (12)	0.0232(4)
C5A	0.3045 (2)	0.5474 (2)	0.58727 (12)	0.0246 (4)
C6A	0.3715 (2)	0.6691 (2)	0.54539 (11)	0.0214(3)
C7A	0.4611 (2)	0.7523 (2)	0.59276 (12)	0.0252 (4)
C8A	0.4833 (2)	0.7164 (2)	0.68139 (12)	0.0250 (4)
C9A	0.4133 (3)	0.8158 (3)	0.41223 (13)	0.0320 (4)
C10A	0.6657 (3)	1.0141 (3)	0.81181 (14)	0.0308 (4)
Ni2	0	0	1/2	0.01786 (9)
S1 <i>B</i>	-0.15059 (6)	-0.12891 (6)	0.43276 (3)	0.02901 (12)
S2 <i>B</i>	-0.22848 (6)	-0.10309 (6)	0.24716 (3)	0.02747 (12)
O1B	0.1301 (2)	0.7181 (2)	0.12956 (9)	0.0320 (3)
N1 <i>B</i>	-0.0547 (2)	0.0795 (2)	0.31594 (10)	0.0213 (3)
N2 <i>B</i>	0.0096 (2)	0.1227 (2)	0.39256 (10)	0.0200 (3)
C1 <i>B</i>	-0.1318 (2)	-0.0343 (2)	0.33121 (11)	0.0208 (3)
C2B	0.0670 (2)	0.2523 (2)	0.38407 (12)	0.0231 (4)
C3B	0.0777 (2)	0.3618 (2)	0.31125 (12)	0.0220 (4)
C4B	0.1351 (3)	0.4963 (2)	0.33309 (13)	0.0318 (4)
C5 <i>B</i>	0.1498 (3)	0.6130 (2)	().27214 (14)	0.0346 (5)
C6B	0.1099 (2)	0.5974 (2)	0.18534 (12)	0.0239 (4)
C7B	0.0532 (2)	0.4654 (2)	0.16171 (12)	0.0248 (4)
C8 <i>B</i>	0.0371 (2)	0.3486 (2)	0.22373 (12)	0.0246 (4)
C9B	0.0856 (3)	0.7101 (2)	0.04083 (13)	0.0305 (4)
C10B	-0.1881(3)	0.0251(2)	0.15629 (13)	0.0283(4)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

	Α	В
Ni—N2	1.9351 (15)	1.9291 (15)
Ni—SI	2.1746 (5)	2.1731 (5)
\$1—C1	1.728 (2)	1.731 (2)
S2C1	1.744 (2)	1.743 (2)
S2-C10	1.800 (2)	1.796 (2)
N1	1.286 (2)	1.286 (2)
N1N2	1.407 (2)	1.406 (2)
N2C2	1.304 (2)	1.306 (2)
C2—C3	1.449 (2)	1.451 (2)
N2—Ni—S1	86.15 (5)	85.92 (5)
Cl-Sl-Ni	96.16 (6)	96.10 (6)
C1-S2-C10	102.60 (9)	101.89 (9)

The structure was solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares methods on  $F^2$ . All H atoms were located from difference maps and refined isotropically.

-173.8(2)

6.7 (4)

Data collection: XSCANS (Siemens, 1994). Cell refinement: XSCANS. Data reduction: XSCANS. Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1985). Program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: SHELXTL/PC (Sheldrick, 1990). Software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL93. Geometrical calculations: PARST (Nardelli, 1983).

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