

Er2‡	0.44011 (2)	-0.05904 (2)	0.426368 (14)	0.03443 (8)
Ti1	1/2	0	0.28555 (6)	0.0378 (3)
O1	0.5086 (3)	0.1354 (3)	0.3826 (2)	0.0437 (14)
O2	0.3642 (3)	-0.0083 (3)	0.3834 (2)	0.0452 (14)
O3	0.3994 (3)	-0.1021 (3)	0.4896 (2)	0.0525 (12)
O4	0.4324 (3)	0.0657 (3)	0.2880 (2)	0.0443 (11)
O5	0.5464 (2)	-0.0468 (2)	0.4521 (2)	0.0366 (9)
O6	0.3482 (3)	0.1550 (3)	0.3786 (2)	0.0533 (12)
O7	0.4524 (3)	-0.0514 (3)	0.2482 (3)	0.076 (2)
O8	1/2	0	0.3580 (2)	0.0337 (12)
C1	0.5289 (5)	0.1969 (4)	0.3705 (5)	0.071 (3)
C2	0.3035 (7)	-0.0213 (8)	0.3754 (9)	0.125 (5)
C3	0.3757 (6)	-0.1389 (5)	0.5310 (4)	0.080 (3)
C4	0.4133 (4)	0.1000 (4)	0.2438 (3)	0.051 (2)
C5	0.5709 (4)	-0.0681 (4)	0.5012 (3)	0.048 (2)
C6	0.3021 (7)	0.2005 (6)	0.3829 (7)	0.113 (5)
C7	0.4009 (6)	-0.0645 (5)	0.2172 (5)	0.078 (4)
C8	0.4937 (6)	0.2435 (5)	0.3902 (6)	0.105 (5)
C9	0.5963 (5)	0.2076 (6)	0.3881 (6)	0.089 (4)
C10	0.2801 (9)	-0.0795 (8)	0.3861 (10)	0.198 (10)
C11	0.2621 (7)	0.0168 (8)	0.3621 (8)	0.178 (8)
C12	0.3914 (6)	-0.1095 (6)	0.5804 (4)	0.082 (3)
C13	0.3056 (7)	-0.1499 (7)	0.5220 (6)	0.124 (6)
C14	0.3422 (4)	0.1041 (5)	0.2416 (4)	0.070 (3)
C15	0.4415 (5)	0.1649 (5)	0.2469 (6)	0.091 (4)
C16	0.5575 (5)	-0.1390 (5)	0.5085 (5)	0.086 (4)
C17	0.6400 (5)	-0.0570 (4)	0.5061 (4)	0.064 (3)
C18	0.3094 (5)	0.2535 (4)	0.3478 (6)	0.080 (3)
C19	0.2736 (6)	0.2075 (6)	0.4288 (7)	0.110 (5)
C20	0.4205 (9)	-0.0693 (10)	0.1618 (6)	0.133 (7)
C21	0.3770 (8)	-0.1304 (8)	0.2302 (9)	0.172 (10)

† Site occupancy = 0.90. ‡ Site occupancy = 0.10.

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

Tb1—O6	2.061 (4)	Tb2—O8	2.520 (4)
Tb1—O4	2.226 (5)	Ti1—O7	1.783 (6)
Tb1—O1	2.281 (6)	Ti1—O8	1.865 (6)
Tb1—O2	2.322 (6)	Ti1—O4	2.021 (5)
Tb1—O5 <sup>†</sup>	2.391 (4)	O1—C1	1.423 (10)
Tb1—O8	2.6181 (9)	O2—C2	1.347 (15)
Tb2—O3	2.066 (5)	O3—C3	1.420 (10)
Tb2—O2	2.247 (6)	O4—C4	1.414 (9)
Tb2—O1 <sup>†</sup>	2.270 (6)	O5—C5	1.442 (8)
Tb2—O5 <sup>†</sup>	2.380 (5)	O6—C6	1.393 (9)
Tb2—O5	2.387 (5)	O7—C7	1.391 (12)
C3—O3—Tb2	172.4 (7)	C7—O7—Ti1	152.6 (7)
C6—O6—Tb1	178.7 (10)		

Symmetry code: (i)  $1 - x, -y, z$ .

The absolute structure for the compound was chosen according to the Flack (1983) parameter. Site-occupation factors for the Tb and Er atoms were fixed at 0.9 and 0.1, respectively. All H atoms were placed in calculated positions with a common fixed displacement parameter of  $0.08 \text{ \AA}^2$ . Methyl groups were constrained as rigid tetrahedra (C—H 0.98  $\text{\AA}$ ) with H atoms freely rotating around the C—C bonds and riding on the C atoms. Tertiary H atoms were riding on tied C atoms (C—H 1.00  $\text{\AA}$ ).

Data collection: DIF4 (Stoe & Cie, 1990). Cell refinement: DIF4. Data reduction: X-RED (Stoe & Cie, 1996). Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993).

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## Bis(4-methoxybenzaldehyde thiosemicarbazone-S,N<sup>4</sup>)copper(II)

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## Abstract

The Schiff base ligand in the title complex, [Cu(C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS)<sub>2</sub>], lost a proton from its tautomeric thiol form and coordinated to Cu<sup>II</sup> via the mercapto S and  $\beta$ -N atoms. The geometry around Cu<sup>II</sup> is square planar with two equivalent Cu—N and Cu—S bonds. The two phenyl rings and the coordination moieties are in one plane forming an extensive electronic delocalization system.

## Comment

Transition metal organometallic and coordination complexes have emerged as potential building blocks for non-linear optical (NLO) materials due to the various

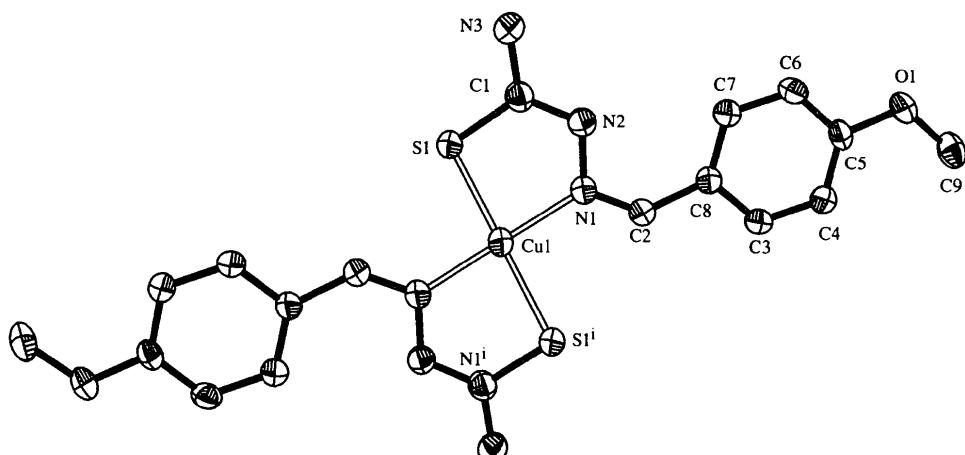
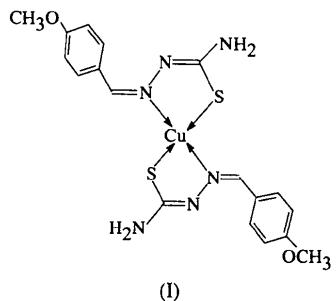


Fig. 1. View of the title compound. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level. [Symmetry code: (i)  $-x, -y, -z$ .]

excited states present in these systems, as well as the ability to manipulate metal–organic ligand interactions (Long, 1995; Bella *et al.*, 1994). In comparison with organic molecules, metal complexes offer a wider variety of structures, with comparable or, in some cases, higher environmental stability and a much greater diversity of tunable electronic properties as a result of the coordinated metal center (Nalwa, 1991; Laidlaw *et al.*, 1994). Thiosemicarbazones are known to coordinate readily with transition metals to give stable complexes, forming a long  $\pi$ -conjugated system by deprotonation on complex formation (Podhye & Kauffman, 1985; Tian *et al.*, 1996). Therefore, it is expected that the metal dithiocarbazato may exhibit large second-order molecular hyperpolarizability. As part of our studies on the synthesis and non-linear optical properties of thio-Schiff base metal complexes, we report here the title structure, (I), the copper(II) complex with thiosemicarbazone derived from 4-methoxylbenzaldehyde.



The coordination geometry of copper(II) is square planar with two equivalent Cu—N and Cu—S bonds. The Schiff base loses a proton from its tautomeric thiol form and acts as a singly charged bidentate ligand coordinating to copper(II) *via* the mercapto S and  $\beta$ -N atoms. The copper(II) does not occupy the coordination chelate plane defined by S1, N1, N2 and C1 (mean

deviation from the best plane is 0.062 Å); the distance of copper(II) to the plane is 0.16 Å. All bond distances in the side chain are intermediate between a formal single bond and a double bond, indicating the high electron delocalization in the  $\pi$  system of the whole molecule.

There is a short contact (Fig. 2) between Cu1 and N3 [Cu1···N3A( $-x, 1-y, -z$ ) 3.438 Å]. The intermolecular contact between N3 and O1B( $-1-x, 1-y, -z$ ) [3.163(4) Å], indicates a soft intermolecular hydrogen bond [N3—H3···O1B 145.1(3)°]. The second H atom on N3 seems to have no clear hydrogen-bond acceptor.

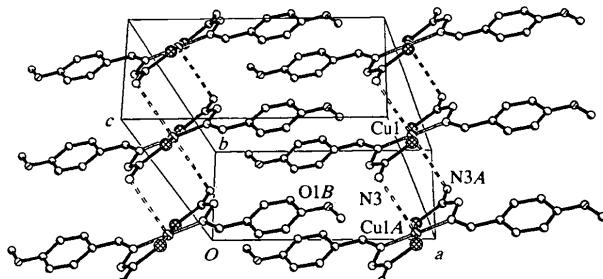


Fig. 2. Packing diagram viewed down the *c* axis. See text for symmetry codes.

## Experimental

The title compound was synthesized by refluxing the methanol solution of thiosemicarbazone (0.42 g, 2 mmol) and copper acetate tetrahydrate (0.50 g, 2 mmol) for 4 h. The dark green crystalline solid formed was isolated and dried under vacuum. Good quality crystals were obtained by evaporating a methanol solution in air.

### Crystal data

[Cu(C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS)<sub>2</sub>]  
 $M_r = 480.06$

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$

Monoclinic	Cell parameters from 136
$P2_1/c$	reflections
$a = 12.504(3)$ Å	$\theta = 1.75\text{--}27.50^\circ$
$b = 5.5750(10)$ Å	$\mu = 1.351 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 14.450(2)$ Å	$T = 293(2)$ K
$\beta = 102.300(10)^\circ$	Prism
$V = 984.2(3)$ Å <sup>3</sup>	$0.32 \times 0.22 \times 0.16$ mm
$Z = 2$	Dark blue
$D_x = 1.620 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	
$D_m$ not measured	

**Data collection**

Rigaku RAXIS IIC imaging-plate diffractometer  
Oscillation IP photos  
Absorption correction:  
*ABSCOR* (Higashi, 1995)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.65$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.88$   
2362 measured reflections  
2260 independent reflections

**Refinement**

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.132$   
 $S = 1.068$   
2260 reflections  
133 parameters  
H atoms: see below  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.08P)^2 + 0.13P]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Cu1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	1.922 (2)	N1—C2	1.290 (4)
Cu1—N1	1.922 (2)	N1—N2	1.400 (3)
Cu1—S1	2.1842 (7)	N2—C1	1.307 (3)
Cu1—S1 <sup>i</sup>	2.1842 (7)	N3—C1	1.340 (4)
S1—C1	1.740 (3)		
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Cu1—N1	180.0	N1 <sup>i</sup> —Cu1—S1 <sup>i</sup>	84.86 (7)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Cu1—S1	95.14 (7)	S1—Cu1—S1 <sup>i</sup>	180.0

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

Data were collected on a Rigaku RAXIS IIC imaging-plate diffractometer using Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation from a rotating-anode generator operating at 50 KV and 90 mA ( $2\theta_{\max} = 55.2^\circ$ , 60 oscillation frames in the range of 0–180°), exposure 8 min per frame. Absorption corrections were made using the *ABSCOR* (Higashi, 1995) program based on Fourier-coefficient fitting to the intensities of symmetry-equivalent reflections (Tanner & Krause, 1990*a,b*; Kraus & Phillips, 1992; Higashi, 1995). All the non-H atoms were refined anisotropically. All H atoms were placed in calculated positions (C—H 0.96 Å), assigned fixed isotropic displacement parameters 1.2 times the equivalent isotropic  $U$  value of the attached atom and allowed to ride on their respective parent atoms.

Program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1994). Program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*. Molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*. Software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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## Aqua(dicyanonitrosomethanido-*O*)bis(1,10-phenanthroline-*N,N'*)copper(II) Dicyano-nitrosomethanide

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**Abstract**

The crystal structure of the title complex, [Cu{ONC(CN)<sub>2</sub>}<sub>2</sub>](C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)][ONC(CN)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, is composed of discrete [Cu(dcnm)(H<sub>2</sub>O)(phen)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup> cations and dcnm anions [phen is 1,10-phenanthroline and dcnm is dicyanonitrosomethanide, ONC(CN)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>]. The coordination polyhedron of the Cu<sup>II</sup> atom is a distorted elongated tetragonal bipyramidal with a CuN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub> chromophore. The water molecule occupies an axial position, while the dcnm anion occupies an equatorial position.