

**Refinement**

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| Refinement on $F^2$                     | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$                       |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.052$         | $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.51 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$  |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.208$                       | $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.86 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |
| $S = 1.11$                              | Extinction correction: none                                  |
| 6407 reflections                        | Scattering factors from                                      |
| 355 parameters                          | <i>International Tables for</i>                              |
| H atoms constrained                     | <i>Crystallography</i> (Vol. C)                              |
| $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1255P)^2]$ |  |
| where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$          |  |

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

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|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Fe1—N2     | 2.059 (3) | Fe1—N4     | 2.066 (3) |
| Fe1—N1     | 2.061 (3) | Fe1—C11    | 2.233 (2) |
| Fe1—N3     | 2.063 (3) |            |           |
| N2—Fe1—N1  | 87.1 (1)  | N4—Fe1—C11 | 104.1 (1) |
| N2—Fe1—N3  | 86.6 (1)  | C4—N1—Fe1  | 127.8 (2) |
| N1—Fe1—N3  | 152.3 (1) | C1—N1—Fe1  | 124.8 (2) |
| N2—Fe1—N4  | 152.0 (1) | C6—N2—Fe1  | 128.2 (2) |
| N1—Fe1—N4  | 86.3 (1)  | C9—N2—Fe1  | 124.2 (2) |
| N3—Fe1—N4  | 86.8 (1)  | C14—N3—Fe1 | 128.5 (2) |
| N2—Fe1—C11 | 103.9 (1) | C11—N3—Fe1 | 124.6 (2) |
| N1—Fe1—C11 | 103.7 (1) | C16—N4—Fe1 | 128.2 (2) |
| N3—Fe1—C11 | 104.0 (1) | C19—N4—Fe1 | 124.2 (2) |

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1992a). Cell refinement: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*. Data reduction: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1992b). Program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994). Program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997). Molecular graphics: *ORTEP* (Johnson, 1965). Software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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## N-(Tropone-2-yl)-1,4,7,10-tetraoxa-13-aza-cyclopentadecane with calcium thiocyanate

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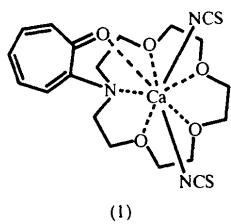
**Abstract**

In the title complex, [N-(7-oxocyclohepta-1,3,5-trien-1-yl)-1,4,7,10-tetraoxa-13-azacyclopentadecane]bis(thiocyanato-N)calcium, [Ca(NCS)<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>)], the calcium ion has irregular eight coordination involving four ether O atoms, one tropone O atom, one aza-crown N atom and two thiocyanate N atoms.

**Comment**

Recently, we have prepared several mercurophilic di-thio-crown derivatives having a tropone system and their mercury(II) salt complexes (Kato *et al.*, 1995; Mori

*et al.*, 1996, 1998; Kubo *et al.*, 1996). We have now extended the study to aza-crown derivatives having a troponoid pendant (Takeshita *et al.*, 1995). The complexation of troponoid aza-crown ethers with metal thiocyanates as guests has been studied by UV spectroscopy. By addition of metal thiocyanates, the original absorption bands of *N*-(tropon-2-yl)-1,4,7,10-tetraoxa-13-azacyclopentadecane (ttapd) at 355 and 417 nm disappeared and a new absorption band appeared around 332 nm, suggesting that the conformation of the 2-aminotropone moiety changes. In order to reveal the detailed coordinated structure of ttapd, the calcium thiocyanate complex, (1), has now been investigated by X-ray crystallographic analysis.



In the title complex, the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  cation has an irregular eight coordination involving the O1, O7, O10 and O13 ether O atoms, the carbonyl O1' atom of tropone, the N4 atom of aza-crown ether, and the N01 and N02 atoms of the thiocyanate anions. This geometry is similar to those observed in 15-crown-5- $\text{Ca}(\text{NCS})_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (Wei *et al.*, 1988), benzo-15-crown-5- $\text{Ca}(\text{NCS})_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (Owen, 1978), benzo-15-crown-5- $\text{Ca}(\text{NCS})_2\cdot\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  (Owen & Wingfield, 1976) and 2,5,8,11,14-pentaoxapentadecane- $\text{Ca}(\text{NCS})_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (Wei *et al.*, 1987; Poonia *et al.*, 1999). Instead of an O atom from solvents such as methanol and water, the carbonyl O1' atom of tropone coordinates to the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  cation. The four Ca1—O ether distances are not equal [range 2.474 (2)–2.583 (2) Å], but the average value [2.51 (5)°] is similar to those found in other complexes of crown ethers (Owen & Wingfield, 1976; Wei *et al.*, 1988) and to the sum of the ionic and van der Waals radii ( $2.52 \text{ \AA} = 1.12 + 1.40 \text{ \AA}$ ; Shannon, 1976; Lide, 1990). The Ca1—O1' distance [2.437 (2) Å] is significantly shorter than the Ca1—O ether distances. The Ca1—N4 distance [2.749 (2) Å] is longer than the sum of the ionic and van der Waals radii ( $2.67 \text{ \AA} = 1.12 + 1.55 \text{ \AA}$ ; Shannon, 1976; Lide, 1990), indicating fairly strong coordination of 2-aminotropone to the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  cation.

The tropone moiety of (1) shows pronounced bond alternation similar to that of tropone (Barrow & Mills, 1973). The tropone ring system deviates from planarity; the angle of the intersection between least-squares planes A (defined by C1', C2', C7' and O1') and B (defined by C2', C3', C6' and C7') is 16.2 (2)°, while that between least-squares planes B and C (defined by C3', C4', C5' and C6') is 7.1 (2)°.

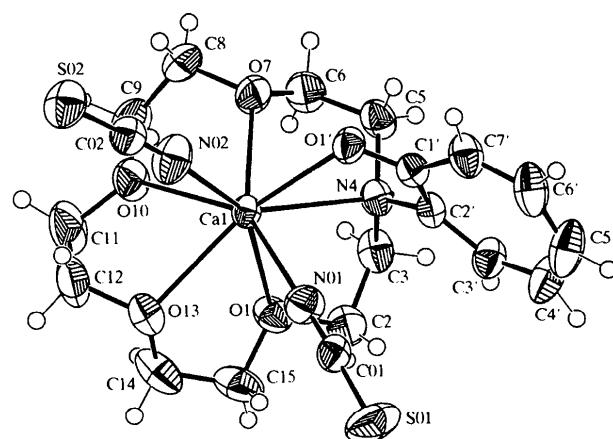


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of (1) showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

## Experimental

Single crystals of complex (1) were obtained by crystallization of an equimolar mixture of  $\text{Ca}(\text{NCS})_2$  and ttapd in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ .

### Crystal data

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| $[\text{Ca}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_5)]$ | $\text{Cu K}\alpha$ radiation             |
| $M_r = 479.62$   | $\lambda = 1.54184 \text{ \AA}$           |
| Orthorhombic   | Cell parameters from 25 reflections       |
| $Pbca$   | $\theta = 22.0\text{--}42.1^\circ$        |
| $a = 13.356 (5) \text{ \AA}$                                       | $\mu = 4.412 \text{ mm}^{-1}$             |
| $b = 23.060 (5) \text{ \AA}$                                       | $T = 296 (2) \text{ K}$                   |
| $c = 14.719 (5) \text{ \AA}$                                       | Prism                                     |
| $V = 4533 (2) \text{ \AA}^3$                                       | $0.57 \times 0.33 \times 0.30 \text{ mm}$ |
| $Z = 8$  | Yellow                                    |
| $D_x = 1.405 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$                                    | $D_m$ not measured                        |

### Data collection

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| Enraf-Nonius FR590 diffractometer                          | 3370 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
| $\omega$ -2 $\theta$ scans                                 | $\theta_{\max} = 70^\circ$             |
| Absorption correction:                                     | $h = 0 \rightarrow 16$                 |
| empirical via $\psi$ scans<br>(North <i>et al.</i> , 1968) | $k = 0 \rightarrow 28$                 |
| $T_{\min} = 0.221$ , $T_{\max} = 0.266$                    | $l = 0 \rightarrow 17$                 |
| 4292 measured reflections                                  | 3 standard reflections                 |
| 4292 independent reflections                               | frequency: 120 min                     |
|  | intensity decay: 4.7%                  |

### Refinement

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| Refinement on $F^2$             | $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.65 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$               |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$ | $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.52 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$              |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.117$               | Extinction correction:<br><i>SHELXL97</i> (Sheldrick, 1997) |
| $S = 1.04$                      | Extinction coefficient:<br>$5.5 (5) \times 10^{-4}$         |
| 4292 reflections                |   |
| 272 parameters                  |   |
| H atoms constrained             |   |

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0498P)^2 + 3.4824P]$$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

|              |           | Scattering factors from<br><i>International Tables for<br/>Crystallography</i> (Vol. C) |           |
|--------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Ca1—N01      | 2.412 (2) | N02—C02   | 1.153 (3) |
| Ca1—N02      | 2.415 (2) | O1'—C1'   | 1.247 (3) |
| Ca1—O1'      | 2.437 (2) | S01—C01   | 1.629 (3) |
| Ca1—O7       | 2.474 (2) | S02—C02   | 1.630 (3) |
| Ca1—O10      | 2.493 (2) | C1'—C7'   | 1.436 (4) |
| Ca1—O1       | 2.502 (2) | C1'—C2'   | 1.464 (4) |
| Ca1—O13      | 2.583 (2) | C2'—C3'   | 1.363 (4) |
| Ca1—N4       | 2.749 (2) | C3'—C4'   | 1.404 (4) |
| Ca1—C1'      | 3.226 (3) | C4'—C5'   | 1.352 (5) |
| N4—C2'       | 1.434 (3) | C5'—C6'   | 1.401 (5) |
| N01—C01      | 1.139 (3) | C6'—C7'   | 1.346 (4) |
| N01—Ca1—N02  | 94.53 (9) | O1'—Ca1—N4  | 60.83 (6) |
| N01—Ca1—O1'  | 76.26 (8) | O7—Ca1—N4   | 67.18 (6) |
| N02—Ca1—O1'  | 85.21 (8) | O1—Ca1—N4   | 65.01 (6) |
| O7—Ca1—O10   | 65.17 (6) | N01—C01—S01   | 177.4 (3) |
| O10—Ca1—O13  | 63.45 (7) | N02—C02—S02   | 178.6 (3) |
| O1—Ca1—O13   | 64.28 (6) |   |           |
| O1—C2—C3—N4  | 60.7 (3)  | O10—C11—C12—O13   | -49.5 (4) |
| N4—C5—C6—O7  | 62.0 (3)  | O13—C14—C15—O1  | -57.0 (4) |
| O7—C8—C9—O10 | 53.7 (3)  |   |           |

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