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Polysulfonylamines. CXX.¹ Bis(tetrahydrothiophene-*S*)gold(I) benzene-1,2-disulfonimidate

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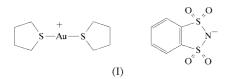
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Both ions of the title compound, $[Au(C_4H_8S)_2](C_6H_4NO_4S_2)$, display crystallographic twofold symmetry. The Au atom exhibits linear coordination, with Au-S = 2.2948 (14) Å and S-Au-S = 178.47 (9)°. The crystal packing consists of layers of anions connected by C-H···O hydrogen bonds; the cations occupy cavities in these layers and the ions are linked by Au···N contacts of 3.009 (7) Å. Further C-H···O interactions connect the layers.

Comment

We are interested in amine complexes of gold (Ahrens *et al.*, 1999). These are often obtained by displacement of tetrahydrothiophene (tht) from the complex (tht)AuCl. As an alternative tht–gold starting material, we wished to prepare the title compound, bis(tetrahydrothiophene-*S*)gold(I) benzene-1,2-disulfonimidate (see *Experimental*), (I), but initial attempts resulted in disappointing yields. The structure nevertheless presents some interesting features.



The title compound (Fig. 1) crystallizes with imposed twofold symmetry for the anion and cation (the N and Au atoms lie on special positions $0, y, \frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}, y, \frac{1}{4}$, respectively). The gold centre displays the usual linear coordination, with Au-S = 2.2948 (14) Å and S-Au-Sⁱ = 178.47 (9)° [symmetry code: (i) $\frac{3}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{1}{2} - z$]. In [(tht)₂Au]⁺[AuI₂]⁻ (Ahrland *et al.*, 1984), the Au-S bonds were somewhat longer at 2.306 (7) and 2.335 (6) Å, and there was more deviation from linearity, with S-Au-S = 172.4 (2)°; this may be caused by association of the anion and cation *via* Au···Au interactions to form chains.

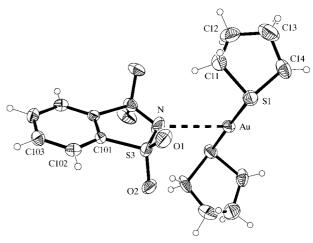
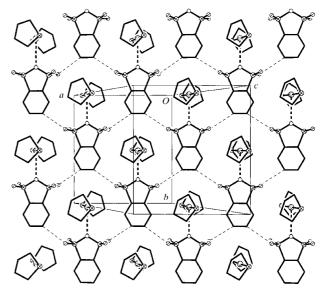


Figure 1

The structure of the title compound in the crystal. Ellipsoids represent 50% probability levels. H-atom radii are arbitrary. The Au \cdots N contact is represented by a broken bond.





The layer structure of the title compound (H atoms have been omitted for clarity). C···O contacts (hydrogen bonds) are indicated by thin and Au···N contacts by thick dashed lines.

The tht ring adopts an envelope conformation, with C12 lying 0.58 (1) Å out of the plane of the other four atoms (r.m.s. deviation < 0.001 Å). The ring system of the anion is planar (r.m.s. deviation of nine atoms = 0.020 Å). Bond lengths and angles in both ring systems are as expected.

The crystal packing is determined not by Au···Au contacts [the shortest Au···Au distance is 7.9348 (9) Å], but rather by an Au···N contact of 3.009 (7) Å and by two short non-classical C—H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 1). A search for twocoordinate gold(I) complexes in the Cambridge Structural Database (Allen & Kennard, 1993) revealed only one shorter Au···N contact, namely 2.997 Å in adeninato(triethylphosphine)gold(I) (Tiekink *et al.*, 1989). The next shortest is 3.148 (19) Å in the related purine(dimethylphos-

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phine)gold(I) compex (Pajunen *et al.*, 1995). There are no other Au···N contacts less than 3.4 Å.

The H103···O2 hydrogen bonds link the anions to form a layer structure (Fig. 2), the cavities of which are occupied by the cations. Perpendicular to the layers, H11B···O2 hydrogen bonds link alternate anions and cations to form chains (not shown in Fig. 2). Neighbouring layers are therefore staggered.

Experimental

The title compound was obtained in low yield (14%) from the reaction between (tht)AuCl and the silver salt of the imide in acetonitrile. After filtering off insoluble material, the solution was allowed to stand in a refrigerator at 255 K. After several days, some small crystals had separated.

 $D_x = 2.129 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Cell parameters from 53

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

reflections

 $\theta = 2.75 - 11.35^{\circ}$ $\mu = 8.443 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

T = 173 (2) K

Prism, colourless

 $0.16 \times 0.12 \times 0.08 \text{ mm}$

Crystal data

$$\begin{split} & [\mathrm{Au}(\mathrm{C}_4\mathrm{H}_8\mathrm{S})_2](\mathrm{C}_6\mathrm{H}_4\mathrm{NO}_4\mathrm{S}_2) \\ & M_r = 591.52 \\ & \mathrm{Monoclinic}, \ C2/c \\ & a = 10.6943 \ (16) \ \mathrm{\mathring{A}} \\ & b = 11.7250 \ (18) \ \mathrm{\mathring{A}} \\ & c = 16.374 \ (3) \ \mathrm{\mathring{A}} \\ & \beta = 115.992 \ (10)^\circ \\ & V = 1845.5 \ (5) \ \mathrm{\mathring{A}}^3 \\ & Z = 4 \end{split}$$

Data collection

Siemens P4 diffractometer $R_{\rm int}=0.039$ ω scans $\theta_{\rm max} = 25^{\circ}$ $h = -11 \rightarrow 12$ Absorption correction: ψ scan $k=0\to13$ (XEMP; Siemens, 1994a) $T_{\rm min} = 0.382, T_{\rm max} = 0.509$ $l = -19 \rightarrow 18$ 3205 measured reflections 3 standard reflections 1619 independent reflections every 247 reflections 1307 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ intensity decay: none

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 H-atom parameters constrained $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.029$ $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0108P)^2]$ $wR(F^2) = 0.044$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ S = 0.843 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$ 1619 reflections $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.51$ e Å⁻³110 parameters $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.48$ e Å⁻³

H atoms were placed at calculated positions and refined with a riding model. Light-atom U^{ij} values were restrained (command *DELU*). The N atom displays an appreciable component of the

Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-\mathrm{H}\cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$C103-H103\cdots O2^i$	0.95	2.40	3.165 (7)	138
$C11 - H11B \cdots O2^{ii}$	0.99	2.49	3.416 (8)	156

displacement parameter perpendicular to the anion plane, which may indicate slight disorder; removal of the N atom from the twofold axis, however, led to unstable refinement.

Data collection: *XSCANS* (Fait, 1991); cell refinement: *XSCANS*; data reduction: *XSCANS*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* (Siemens, 1994*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL*97.

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