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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=298 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.005 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.026$
$w R$ factor $=0.054$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=38.2$
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## Tris( $N$-cyclohexyl- $N$-methyldithiocarbamato-S)antimony(III)

In the title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Sb}\left(\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{NS}_{2}\right)_{3}\right]$, the dithiocarbamate groups chelate to the Sb atom in an anisobidentate manner $[\mathrm{Sb}-\mathrm{S}=2.530$ (1) and 2.975 (1) $\AA$ ]. The Sb atom lies on a threefold axis and the lone pair is also stereochemically active.

## Comment

The electron lone-pair is stereochemically active in antimony(III) and bismuth(III) tri(diethyldithiocarbamates); the dithiocarbamate group coordinates to metal atom in an anisobidentate manner and the covalent is shorter than the dative distance (Raston \& White, 1976). In the title compound, (I), the dithiocarbamate anions chelate to the Sb atom in an anisobidentate manner and the lone pair is also stereochemically active; the Sb atom exists in a distorted octahedral environment.

(I)

The conformation of the dithiocabamate ligand appears to be governed by two interactions [C2 $\cdots$ S1 $=2.943$ (2) $\AA$ and $\mathrm{C} 3 \cdots \mathrm{~S} 2=3.026(2) \AA$ ] that are characterized by $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{S}$ $[\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{S} 1=2.40 \AA$ and $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{S} 2=2.53 \AA$ ] distances that significantly shorter than the sum of Pauling's van der Waals radii (3.05 Å).

## Experimental

An ethanol solution of carbon disulfide was added to a solution of cyclohexylmethylamine in ethanol at 277 K followed by an aqueous solution of concentrated ammonia. The solid ammonium dithiocarbamate was isolated and this was reacted with antimony(III) trichloride in ethanol ( $3 / 1$ molar stoichiometry) at 277 K . The solid product was collected and recrystallized from ethanol (m.p. 483484 K ). Elemental analysis (calculated in parenthesis) for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{~S}_{6} \mathrm{Sb}$ : C 42.07 (42.02), H 5.90 (6.12), N 6.15 (6.12), S $28.58 \%$ (28.01\%).

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Figure 1
ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) plot of (I) at the $50 \%$ probability level. H atoms are shown as circles of arbitrary radii.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Sb}\left(\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{NS}_{2}\right)_{3}\right]$
$M_{r}=686.72$
Hexagonal, $P 6_{3}$
$a=13.8948$ (4) $\AA$
$V=1586.19(8) \AA^{3}$
$Z=2$
$D_{x}=1.438 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation

## Data collection

| Siemens CCD area-detector | 3970 independent reflections |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\quad$ diffractometer | 3486 reflections with $(I)>2 \sigma(I)$ |
| $\omega$ scans | $R_{\text {int }}=0.029$ |
| Absorption correction: empirical | $\theta_{\max }=33.18^{\circ}$ |
| $\quad(S A D A B S ;$ Sheldrick, 1996$)$ | $h=-19 \rightarrow 21$ |
| $T_{\min }=0.504, T_{\max }=0.748$ | $k=-21 \rightarrow 9$ |
| 14627 measured reflections | $l=-14 \rightarrow 14$ |

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$

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\begin{aligned}
& w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}\right)+(0.0249 P)^{2}\right. \\
& +0.0788 P \text { ] } \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}+2 F_{c}{ }^{2}\right) / 3 \\
& (\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}=0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.21 \mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{m}} \AA^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.34 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
& \text { Absolute structure: Flack \& } \\
& \text { Schwarzenbach (1988) } \\
& \text { Flack parameter }=-0.02(1)
\end{aligned}
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Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\mathrm{A}^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| Sb1-S1 | $2.530(1)$ | $\mathrm{Sb} 1-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $2.975(1)$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{Sb} 1-\mathrm{S} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $87.1(1)$ | $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Sb} 1-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $150.3(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{Sb} 1-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $64.7(1)$ | $\mathrm{S}_{1}{ }^{\mathrm{ii}}-\mathrm{Sb} 1-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $82.3(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 1^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Sb} 1-\mathrm{S} 1^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | $87.1(1)$ |  |  |
| Symmetry codes: (i) $1-y, 1+x-y, z ;($ ii) $-x+y, 1-x, z$. |  |  |  |

Of the 3970 reflections, 2118 were unique reflections and 1582 were Friedel pairs.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS 97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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