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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.008 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.061$
$w R$ factor $=0.142$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=14.2$
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## 1,5-[5,5'-(1,3-Phenylenedimethylenedithio)bis(2,3-di-hydro-2-oxo-1,3,4-thiadiazol-3-yl)]-3-oxapentane

Two molecules of the title compound, 3,5,15,17-tetra-thia-7,13,24,25-tetraazatetracyclo[17.3.1.1 $1^{4,7} \cdot 1^{13,16}$ ]pentacosa-1(23),4(24),16(25),19,21-pentaene-6,14-dione, $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~S}_{4}$, having slightly different hollow and curved conformations, form the asymmetric unit. Each molecule provides an internal cavity of cage-like shape to form a host-guest complex.

## Comment

As a continuation of our studies relating to the synthesis of host compounds containing 5-mercapto-2,3-dihydro-1,3,4-thiadizol-2-ones (Cho, Park, Kim et al., 1999; Cho, Park, Hwang et al., 1999; Cho et al., 2000), we have prepared macrocycle (I) composed of two 5-mercapto-2,3-dihydro-1,3,4-thiadizol-2-ones and $m$-xylene. The determination of the structure of (I) is part of our interest in dealing with the macrocycles and this compound might be a potential host molecule for a palladium metal ion. Thus, we are in the process of examining the role of this compound as an artificial receptor.

(I)

There are two molecules of (I) in the asymmetric unit. The $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{C}$ distances in the two molecules range from 1.720 (5) to 1.815 (5) $\AA$, with a mean value of 1.766 (1) $\AA$. The distances $\mathrm{O} 25-\mathrm{C} 71.216$ (5), O26-C21 1.207 (5), O52-C34 = 1.218 (5) and $\mathrm{O} 53-\mathrm{C} 48=1.203$ (5) $\AA$ clearly show double-bond character. These values are comparable with those found in 4,17,25,26-tetraaza-6,9,12,15-tetraoxa-2,19,21,24-tetrathiatricyclo[18.4.1 $1^{1,4} .1^{17,20}$ ]hexacosa-1(25),20(26)-diene-3,5,16,18tetraone (Cho et al., 2000). The $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{C}$ angles in the fivemembered rings range from 88.7 (2) to 89.9 (2) ${ }^{\circ}$, with a mean value of $89.1(1)^{\circ}$, which is similar to the value of $90.7(1)^{\circ}$ found in 2,3-dihydro-3-methyl-2-nitrimino-1,3-thiazole (Kyziol et al., 2000). All the five-membered rings are planar within 0.012 (3) $\AA$, the two benzene rings are planar within 0.016 (3) $\AA$ and the two ethyl ether linkages are planar within

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Figure 1
View of the two molecules (I) in the asymmetric unit, showing $20 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids. C atoms are shown with ellipsoids with enveloping ellipses only and the remaining atoms are shown with ellipsoids with octant shading. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.
0.107 (3) Å. In the first molecule (Fig. 1), the dihedral angle between the five-membered rings N6/C7/S8/C9/N24 and C19/ S20/C21/N22/N23 is $30.4(2)^{\circ}$, with distances N6 $\cdots \mathrm{N} 22=$ $4.640(5) \AA, \quad \mathrm{N} 23 \cdots \mathrm{~N} 24=5.080(5) \AA, \quad \mathrm{S} 10 \cdots \mathrm{~S} 18=$ 5.197 (2) $\AA$ and $\mathrm{S} 8 \cdots \mathrm{~S} 20=3.957$ (2) $\AA$, so that the inner parts of the two rings approach each other. The dihedral angle between benzene ring C12/C13/C14/C15/C16/C27 and ethyl ether linkage $\mathrm{C} 1 / \mathrm{C} 2 / \mathrm{O} 3 / \mathrm{C} 4 / \mathrm{C} 5$ is $37.35(19)^{\circ}$, and the inner parts of the two rings also approach each other, with a C4 . . C14 distance 4.125 (8) Å. In the second molecule (Fig. 1), the dihedral angle between the five-membered rings $\mathrm{N} 33 /$ C34/C35/C36/N51 and C46/S47/C48/N49/N50 is 30.5 (1) ${ }^{\circ}$, with distances N33 $\cdots \mathrm{N} 49=4.561$ (6) $\AA, \mathrm{N} 50 \cdots \mathrm{~N} 51=5.015$ (5) $\AA$, $\mathrm{S} 37 \cdots \mathrm{~S} 45=5.111$ (2) $\AA$ and $\mathrm{S} 35 \cdots \mathrm{~S} 47=3.812$ (2) $\AA$, and the dihedral angle between benzene ring C39/C40/C41/C42/C43/ C54 and ethyl ether linkage C28/C29/O30/C31/C32 is $36.9(2)^{\circ}$, the inner parts of the two rings approaching each other with a C29…C41 distance of 4.125 (8) A. Therefore, both molecules have a cage-like form with similar conformations and each molecule appears to have sufficient space inside it to introduce a guest atom into the molecule. The closest intermolecular distance, $2.403 \AA$, is for $\mathrm{O} 26 \cdots \mathrm{H} 32 A\left(1-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z\right)$.

## Experimental

The preparation of (I) followed the general procedure previously reported by Cho, Park, Hwang et al. (1999). The details will be reported elsewhere.

## Crystal data

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~S}_{4} \\
& M_{r}=440.57 \\
& \text { Monoclinic, } P P_{1} / c \\
& a=16.827(2) \AA \\
& b=14.1071(16) \AA \\
& c=16.760(4) \AA \\
& \beta=93.950(16)^{\circ} \\
& V=3969.0(12) \AA^{3} \\
& Z=8
\end{aligned}
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## Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer
Non-profiled $\omega / 2 \theta$ scans
Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan (North et al., 1968)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.779, T_{\text {max }}=0.936$
7087 measured reflections
6845 independent reflections
3946 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.061$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.142$
$S=1.02$
6845 reflections
481 parameters
H -atom parameters constrained

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\begin{aligned}
& R_{\text {int }}=0.028 \\
& \theta_{\max }=25.0^{\circ} \\
& h=0 \rightarrow 19 \\
& k=0 \rightarrow 16 \\
& l=-19 \rightarrow 19 \\
& 3 \text { standard reflections } \\
& \quad \text { frequency: } 300 \text { min } \\
& \quad \text { intensity decay: none }
\end{aligned}
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\(w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}\right)+(0.0505 P)^{2}\right.\)
            \(+1.3810 P]\)
        where \(P=\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}+2 F_{c}{ }^{2}\right) / 3\)
\((\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001\)
\(\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.95 \mathrm{e}_{\AA^{-3}}\)
\(\Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.27 \mathrm{e}^{-3}\)
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Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\left(\AA^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| C7-O25 | $1.216(5)$ | C34-O52 | $1.218(5)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C7-S8 | $1.785(5)$ | C34-S35 | $1.773(5)$ |
| S8-C9 | $1.738(5)$ | S35-C36 | $1.720(5)$ |
| C9-S10 | $1.746(5)$ | C36-S37 | $1.736(5)$ |
| S10-C11 | $1.815(5)$ | S37-C38 | $1.803(4)$ |
| C17-S18 | $1.802(5)$ | C44-S45 | $1.81(5)$ |
| S18-C19 | $1.747(5)$ | S45-C46 | $1.743(5)$ |
| C19-S20 | $1.723(5)$ | C46-S47 | $1.731(5)$ |
| S20-C21 | $1.790(5)$ | S47-C48 | $1.788(5)$ |
| C21-O26 | $1.207(5)$ | C48-O53 | $1.203(5)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| C9-S8-C7 | $88.7(2)$ | C36-S35-C34 | $89.9(2)$ |
| C19-S20-C21 | $89.0(2)$ | C46-S47-C48 | $88.8(2)$ |

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions $\left[\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}_{\text {methylene }}=\right.$ $0.97 \AA$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}_{\text {aromatic }}=0.93 \AA$ ] , with $U_{\text {iso }}$ constrained to be 1.2 times the equivalent isotropic displacement parameter of the attached C atom. The highest peak and the deepest hole in the final difference density map are at $0.81 \AA$ from H40 and $0.96 \AA$ from S35, respectively.

Data collection: CAD-4 EXPRESS (Enraf-Nonious, 1994); cell refinement: CAD-4 EXPRESS; data reduction: XCAD4 (Harms \& Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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