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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.006 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.065$
$\omega R$ factor $=0.174$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=10.3$
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## Bis(thiosemicarbazido- $\kappa^{2} N, S$ )nickel(II)-succinate-succinic acid (1/1/1)

The title ternary complex, $\left[\mathrm{Ni}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{~S}\right)_{2}\right]\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{4}\right) \cdot \mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{4}$, consists of a thiosemicarbazide-coordinated nickel cation, a succinate anion, and a neutral succinic acid molecule, all of which are centrosymmetric. The Ni atom is four-coordinated in a planar geometry by N and S atoms from two symmetryrelated thiosemicarbazide ligands. In the crystal structure, the three components are effectively linked together by mutual electrostatic interactions and hydrogen-bonding interactions of the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ types.

## Comment

Crystal engineering based on the use of either coordination bonds or weaker intermolecular interactions has attracted great interest, and in the latter methodology, hydrogen bonding can influence the metal coordination geometry due to its relative strength and directionality (Russell et al., 1997; Kawamoto et al., 1996). Meanwhile, self-assembly is the most efficient means for the construction of highly organized structures and transition-metal-directed self-assembly via coordination has emerged as a new and major motif in supramolecular architecture (Zhang, Li, Chen et al., 2000; Philp \& Stoddart, 1996). Dicarboxylates constitute an important class of ligands in the formation of coordination polymers, and the chemistry of metal complexes containing S,N-bidentate ligands has been studied widely because of the structural features and particular properties of these compounds (Groeneman et al., 1999; Fun et al., 1996; West et al., 1993). We have synthesized a series of complexes containing thiosemicarbazide ligands and appropriate dicarboxylates in order to study their potential non-linear optical properties. In the present paper, we report the crystal structure of the title compound, (I).


The structure of (I) consists of three fragments, namely the thiocarbazide-coordinated nickel(II) dication, a succinate anion and a neutral succinic acid molecule, all of which are centrosymmetric (Fig. 1). In contrast to related compounds (Zhang, Li, Nishiura et al., 2000; Burrows et al., 2000), the succinate anion here does not coordinate to the Ni atom but acts as a counter-ion in the structure, and mutual electrostatic interaction is expected.

The molecular structure of (I) shows that the Ni atom is four-coordinated by N and S atoms from two symmetry-

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Figure 1
The structure of (I), showing ellipsoids at the $50 \%$ probability level and the atom-numbering scheme. Hydrogen bonds are indicated by dashed lines.


Figure 2
Packing diagram of the structure (I), showing the column formation parallel to the $\mathbf{c}$ direction. Hydrogen bonds are indicated by dashed lines.
related bidentate thiosemicarbazide ligands and the two pairs of $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{N}$ and $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}$ bonds are in a planar geometry. The $\mathrm{Ni}-$ S and $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{N}$ bond lengths are within normal ranges, and agree with
those in trans-diaquabis(thiosemicarbazido- $\kappa^{2} N, S$ )nickel(II) dimaleate dihydrate (Li et al., 2003). The chelate $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 1-$ $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{Ni} 1$ ring is slightly non-planar, tending towards an envelope conformation, with atom Ni1 displaced by 0.273 (1) $\AA$ from the $\mathrm{N} 1 / \mathrm{N} 2 / \mathrm{C} 1 / \mathrm{S} 1$ plane. The $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{S} 1$ and $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N} 2$ bonds length are intermediate between single and double bonds. These results suggest that electronic delocalization acts to some extent on the ligand upon complex formation. Within the succinate anion, the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ bond distances are between single- and double-bond values compared with the corresponding values in succinic acid, implying that the negative charge on this moiety is delocalized over the two $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ bonds.

In the asymmetric unit, the succinate anion and succinic acid molecule are linked together by a $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 3$ hydrogen bond (Fig. 1 and Table 2), and are interconnected to the coordinated thiosemicarbazide ligands by three $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds, viz. $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2, \mathrm{~N} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 3$ and $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 4$, in which the thiosemicarbazide ligands act as hydrogen-bond donors. The molecules are interconnected into columns parallel to the $\mathbf{c}$ direction by an intermolecular N1$\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 4^{\text {ii }}$ hydrogen bond (Table 2 and Fig. 2). The columns are further linked into a three-dimensional network by inter-


Figure 3
Packing diagram of the structure (I), showing the hydrogen bonds between the molecular columns. H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonds have been omitted for clarity.
molecular $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$, and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds (Fig. 3), viz. $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\mathrm{i}}$, $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{O} 4^{\text {iii }}$, $\mathrm{N} 3-$ $\mathrm{H} 3 B \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\text {iv }}, \mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\nu}$ and $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 1^{\text {vi }}$ (see Table 2 for details and symmetry codes).

## Experimental

Solutions of nickel chloride hexahydrate, succinic acid and thiosemicarbazide in methanol-water (volume ratio $1: 1$ ) were mixed together with stirring. The pH of the resulting solution was controlled at 4.8-5.0. The solution was then filtered and slowly evaporated at room temperature in air. After one week, wedge-shaped blue single crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis were obtained.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Ni}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{~S}\right)_{2}\right]\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{4}\right) \cdot \mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{4}$
$M_{r}=475.15$
Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$
$a=6.3886$ (3) £
$b=8.4876$ ( 3 ) $\AA$
$c=8.9485$ (3) $\AA$
$\alpha=102.688(1)^{\circ}$
$\beta=107.056(1)^{\circ}$
$\gamma=98.926(1)^{\circ}$ 。
$V=439.83(3) \AA^{3}$

## Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD area-
detector diffractometer
$\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.525, T_{\text {max }}=0.658$
2494 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.065$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.174$
$S=1.01$
1521 reflections
148 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$Z=1$
$D_{x}=1.794 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 2847
reflections
$\theta=2.5-29.5^{\circ}$
$\mu=1.40 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Block, brown
$0.50 \times 0.40 \times 0.30 \mathrm{~mm}$

1521 independent reflections
1350 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.064$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.0^{\circ}$
$h=-6 \rightarrow 7$
$k=-10 \rightarrow 9$
$l=-10 \rightarrow 10$

$$
\begin{gathered}
w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)+(0.1198 P)^{2}\right] \\
\text { where } P=\left(F_{o}^{2}+2 F_{c}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001 \\
\Delta \rho_{\max }=0.79 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
\Delta \rho_{\min }=-1.74 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
\end{gathered}
$$

Extinction correction: SHELXTL
Extinction coefficient: 0.055 (16)

Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\left({ }^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| Ni1-N1 | $1.910(3)$ | N3-C1 | $1.325(5)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ni1-S1 | $2.1784(9)$ | O1-C3 | $1.306(5)$ |
| S1-C1 | $1.722(4)$ | O2-C3 | $1.223(5)$ |
| N1-N2 | $1.430(4)$ | O3-C5 | $1.257(5)$ |
| N2-C1 | $1.318(5)$ | $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $1.266(5)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| N1-Ni1-S1 | $87.92(10)$ | $\mathrm{N1}^{\text {vii }}-\mathrm{Ni} 1-\mathrm{S} 1$ | $92.08(10)$ |

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

Table 2
Hydrogen-bonding geometry $\left(\AA^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ | $0.84(4)$ | $2.06(4)$ | $2.892(4)$ | $168(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $0.84(4)$ | $2.32(4)$ | $3.061(4)$ | $147(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots 4^{\text {ii }}$ | $0.84(4)$ | $2.56(4)$ | $3.147(5)$ | $128(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 10 \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | $0.88(5)$ | $1.63(5)$ | $2.516(5)$ | $177(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 3$ | $0.84(5)$ | $1.98(5)$ | $2.763(5)$ | $156(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 4$ | $0.89(7)$ | $1.99(7)$ | $2.866(5)$ | $167(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 B \cdots 3^{\text {iv }}$ | $0.81(7)$ | $2.14(7)$ | $2.948(6)$ | $173(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 B \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.97 | 2.57 | $3.496(5)$ | 159 |
| $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{v}}$ | 0.97 | 2.58 | $3.514(5)$ | 161 |
| $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 B \cdots 1^{\mathrm{vi}}$ | 0.97 | 2.53 | $3.285(6)$ | 135 |

Symmetry codes: (i) $2-x,-y, 1-z$; (ii) $1-x,-y,-z$; (iii) $1+x, y, 1+z$; (iv) $x-1, y, z ;$ (v) $x, y, z-1$; (vi) $x-1, y, z-1$.

The H atoms attached to N and O atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and were refined isotropically, whereas those attached to C atoms were fixed geometrically and treated as riding atoms, with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ distances $=0.97 \AA$ and $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$. The large maximum and minimum principal axis ADP ratio (3.10) for atom N2 may indicate unresolved disorder. The maximum and minimum electron density peaks are located at 0.96 and $0.88 \AA$, respectively, from Ni1.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve
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