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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=298 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.003 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.030$
$w R$ factor $=0.081$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=17.5$

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## catena-Poly[[(3,10-diethyl-1,3,5,8,10,12-hexaazacyclotetradecane)nickel(II)]-$\mu$-terephthalato]

In the title complex, $\left[\mathrm{Ni}\left(\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{4}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{~N}_{6}\right)\right]_{n}$, the 14membered hexaazacyclotetradecane macrocycle ring chelates to the Ni atom through its four secondary N atoms; the Ni atom and the terephthalate anion lie on inversion centers. The terephthalate dianion links adjacent nickel-macrocycle cations through the carboxyl O atoms [ $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{O} 2.144$ (2) A ] into a linear chain.

## Comment

Among the nickel complexes of the 14 -membered hexaazacyclotetradecane macrocycle, the carboxylate derivatives are capable of forming strong $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{O}$ (carboxylate) bonds ( Li et al., 2004). The terephthalate dianon has also been used to bind to Ni in the macrocyclic complex having the $-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{OH}$ pendent arm. In the title complex, (I), the two carboxyl $-\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ groups are twisted with respect to the aromatic ring so as to bond to the Ni atom, but the twist apparently weakens the $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{O}$ bond $[2.129(5) \AA$ ] somewhat [dihedral angles $=$ 12.01 (1) and $\left.17.9(1)^{\circ}\right]$ (Choi \& Suh, 1999). The complex is a rare example of the use of a macrocycle-metal entity in the construction of network structures.

The Ni atom and the terephthalate anion lie on inversion centers. The title compound (Fig. 1) adopts a linear chain structure and the chains are all parallel (Fig. 2). This motif contrasts with that of the $-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{OH}$ analog, in which the chains in one layer run approximately perpendicular to the those of the next layer to furnish a plywood-like network arrangement.


## Experimental

The title compound was synthesized from ethylamine ( $6.8 \mathrm{~g}, 0.15 \mathrm{~g}$ ) and the sodium salt of terephthalic acid according to the method of Suh et al. (1994). CHN analysis for $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{~N}_{6} \mathrm{NiO}_{4}$ found: C 49.96, H 7.39, N 17.26\%; calculated: C 49.91, H 7.12, N $17.47 \%$.

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Figure 1
ORTEPIII (Burnett \& Johnson, 1996) plot of a fragment of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity. Hydrogen bonds are shown dashed. [Symmetry codes: (i) $1-x, 1-y, 1-z$; (ii) $2-x, 1-y, 2-z$.]

## Crystal data

| $\left[\mathrm{Ni}\left(\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{4}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{~N}_{6}\right)\right]$ | $Z=1$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $M_{r}=481.24$ | $D_{x}=1.421 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$ |
| Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$ | Mo $K \alpha$ radiation |
| $a=7.5818(5) \AA$ | Cell parameters from 2995 |
| $b=8.3976(5) \AA$ | reflections |
| $c=9.7596(6) \AA$ | $\theta=4.0-30.0^{\circ}$ |
| $\alpha=105.506(1)^{\circ}$ | $\mu=0.90 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |
| $\beta=97.283(1)^{\circ}$ | $T=298(2) \mathrm{K}$ |
| $\gamma=105.853(1)^{\circ}$ | Plate, yellow |
| $V=562.45(6) \AA^{3}$ | $0.27 \times 0.23 \times 0.08 \mathrm{~mm}$ |

## Data collection

Bruker SMART 1K area-detector diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.792, T_{\text {max }}=0.931$
3389 measured reflections
2500 independent reflections
2397 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.010$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=27.5^{\circ}$
$h=-9 \rightarrow 9$
$k=-7 \rightarrow 10$

Refinement
Refinement on $F^{2}$

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\begin{aligned}
& w= 1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}\right)+(0.0496 P)^{2}\right. \\
&+0.1456 P] \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}+2 F_{c}{ }^{2}\right) / 3 \\
&(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.42 \mathrm{e}^{\circ} \AA^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.25 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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Figure 2
ORTEPIII (Burnett \& Johnson, 1996) plot of the polymeric chains in the structure of (I).

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

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 \cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ | 0.91 | 2.03 | $2.878(2)$ | 154 |

The nitrogen- and carbon-bound H atoms were placed at calculated positions and were refined in the riding-model approximation $(\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.91 \AA$, methylene $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.97 \AA$ and phenyl $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=$ $0.93 \AA$ ), with $U(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}$ of the parent atoms.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEPIII (Burnett \& Johnson, 1996) and ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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