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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.005 Å R factor = 0.054 wR factor = 0.153 Data-to-parameter ratio = 9.6

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# 3-(4-Pyridyl)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1*H*-pyrazole

The title compound,  $C_{13}H_{10}N_4$ , is a non-linear 2,4-bipyridyltype ligand. Adjacent centrosymmetric molecules are linked together by pairs of intermolecular  $N-H\cdots N$  hydrogen bonds. The dimers stack along the *b* axis. Received 29 April 2004 Accepted 7 June 2004 Online 26 June 2004

## Comment

The title compound, (I), is a non-linear 2,4-bipyridyl-type ligand that can be used as a zigzag-forming building unit in novel supramolecular architectures (Khlobystov et al., 2001). Some contemporary results for novel coordination polymers based on closely related copper(II) and ruthenium(II) salts provide good reasons for future in-depth study (Pons et al., 2001; Catalano & Craig, 2003). The synthesis and spectroscopic data for (I) were previously described by Ferles et al. (1990). The molecule of (I) is planar within 0.115 (3) A. The largest deviation is observed for the central methine C atom (C3) of the pyrazole ring. The dihedral angles formed by the 2pyridine and 4-pyridine rings with the pyrazole fragment are 5.4 (2) and 2.8 (2)°, respectively. Adjacent centrosymmetrically related molecules (symmetry code: 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z) are linked together by pairs of intermolecular  $N-H \cdots N$ hydrogen bonds [2.18 (4) Å]. These dimers stack along the baxis (Fig. 2). The distance between the centroids of the pyrazole rings of adjacent molecules in a stack (symmetry code: (1 - x, -y, 1 - z) is 3.572 (6) Å with an interplanar spacing of 3.546 (6) Å and a lateral centroid shift of 0.43 Å.



# **Experimental**

Previously prepared 1-(2-pyridyl)-3-(4-pyridyl)propane-1,3-dione (1 g, 4.5 mmol; Ferles *et al.*, 1990) was heated under reflux with 4 ml (68 mmol) of hydrazine hydrate in 8 ml of methanol for 2 h. After cooling of the solution, colorless needles were collected by filtration, resulting in 500 mg (51% yield, m.p. 465 K) of (I). The melting point and analytical data are in good agreement with literature data. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (301 K, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.24 (*s*, 1H, 4*H*-pyraz), 7.48 (*ddd*, 1H, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 7.4 Hz, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 4.9 Hz, <sup>4</sup>*J* = 1.1 Hz, H-py2), 7.63 (*s*, 1H, NH), 7.84 (*d*, 2H, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 6.6 Hz, 3,5-H-py4), 7.89 (*dt*, 1H, <sup>3</sup> = 7.4 Hz, <sup>4</sup>*J* = 1.8 Hz, 4H-py2), 8.78 (*d*, 2H, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 6.6 Hz, 2,6-H-py4). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (301 K, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 153.5, 151.2, 150.4, 147.2, 146.8, 143.3, 140.1, 138.2, 123.2, 121.6, 120.0,

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113.2. IR (mineral oil;  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3360 (NH). UV (EtOH,  $\lambda$ , nm): 255 (*s*, aromatic), 370 (*s*, C=N).

 $D_{\rm r} = 1.376 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$ 

Cell parameters from 25

 $0.50 \times 0.30 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$ 

2 standard reflections

frequency: 120 min

intensity decay: none

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0926P)^2]$ 

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$ 

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.27 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ 

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.24 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ 

Extinction correction: SHELXL97

Extinction coefficient: 0.022 (5)

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

reflections

 $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 293 (2) K

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^{\circ}$ 

 $h = -16 \rightarrow 16$  $k = -1 \rightarrow 6$ 

 $l = -3 \rightarrow 17$ 

Block, colorless

 $\theta = 11 - 12^{\circ}$ 

#### Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{13}H_{10}N_4 \\ M_r = 222.25 \\ \text{Monoclinic, } P2_1/c \\ a = 13.708 \ (3) \ \begin{subarray}{c} A \\ b = 5.545 \ (9) \ \begin{subarray}{c} A \\ c = 15.018 \ \end{subarray} \ \begin{subarray}{c} A \\ \beta = 109.94 \ \end{subarray} \ \begin{subarray}{c} V \\ W = 1073.1 \ \end{subarray} \ \end{subarray} \ \begin{subarray}{c} A \\ A \\ Z = 4 \end{array}$ 

#### Data collection

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Enraf–Nonius CAD-4
diffractometer
\omega scans
Absorption correction: none
2937 measured reflections
1880 independent reflections
968 reflections with I > 2\sigma(I)
R_{int} = 0.054
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### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.054$   $wR(F^2) = 0.153$  S = 0.941880 reflections 195 parameters All H-atom parameters refined

#### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

N1-C15	1.329 (4)	C2-C3	1.401 (4)
N1-C11	1.345 (4)	C2-C21	1.461 (4)
N2-C23	1.342 (4)	C11-C12	1.387 (4)
N2-C25	1.345 (4)	C12-C13	1.363 (4)
N3-C2	1.338 (4)	C13-C14	1.370 (5)
N3-N4	1.343 (3)	C14-C15	1.379 (5)
N4-C1	1.356 (4)	C21-C24	1.391 (4)
N4-H4	0.95 (3)	C21-C22	1.398 (4)
C1-C3	1.369 (4)	C22-C23	1.368 (4)
C1-C11	1.459 (4)	C24-C25	1.367 (4)
C15-N1-C11	117.4 (3)	N1-C11-C1	115.5 (3)
C23-N2-C25	115.1 (3)	C12-C11-C1	122.4 (3)
C2-N3-N4	105.0 (2)	C13-C12-C11	119.2 (3)
N3-N4-C1	112.8 (2)	C12-C13-C14	119.3 (3)
N3-N4-H4	128 (2)	C13-C14-C15	118.4 (3)
C1-N4-H4	117 (2)	N1-C15-C14	123.5 (3)
N4-C1-C3	105.6 (3)	C24-C21-C22	116.4 (3)
N4-C1-C11	119.3 (3)	C24-C21-C2	122.1 (3)
C3-C1-C11	135.1 (3)	C22-C21-C2	121.5 (3)
N3-C2-C3	110.2 (2)	C23-C22-C21	119.2 (3)
N3-C2-C21	119.6 (2)	N2-C23-C22	124.9 (3)
C3-C2-C21	130.1 (3)	C25-C24-C21	120.0 (3)
C1-C3-C2	106.3 (3)	N2-C25-C24	124.2 (3)
N1-C11-C12	122.1 (3)		

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$\overline{N4-H4\cdots N1}$	0.95 (3)	2.34 (3)	2.702 (3)	102 (2)
$N4-H4\cdots N3^{i}$	0.95 (3)	2.18 (4)	2.887 (4)	131 (2)

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

 $N2 \xrightarrow{C23} C22 \xrightarrow{C12} C13 \xrightarrow{C14} C14 \xrightarrow{C14} C14 \xrightarrow{C14} C15$ 



The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.



**Figure 2** The crystal structure of (I), showing the packing mode of the dimers.

All H atoms were located in  $\Delta F$  syntheses and refined with isotropic displacement parameters.

Data collection: Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 Diffractometer Program (Schagen et al., 1988); cell refinement: Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 Diffractometer Program; data reduction: XCAD4 (Harms, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: OLEX (Dolomanov et al., 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97..

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