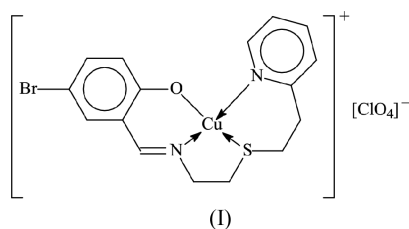


**[5-Bromo-*N*-(2-pyridylethylsulfanylethyl)-salicylideneiminato- $\kappa^4$ *N,N',O,S*]copper(II) perchlorate**Lotf A. Saghatforoush,<sup>a</sup> Moayad Hossaini Sadr,<sup>b</sup> William Lewis,<sup>c</sup> Jan Wikaira,<sup>c</sup> Ward T. Robinson<sup>c</sup> and Seik Weng Ng<sup>d\*</sup><sup>a</sup>Department of Chemistry, Payame Noor University, Khoy, Iran, <sup>b</sup>Department of Chemistry, Tarbiat Moallem University of Azarbaijan, Tabriz, Iran, <sup>c</sup>Department of Chemistry, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand, and <sup>d</sup>Department of Chemistry, University of Malaya, 50603 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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**Key indicators**Single-crystal X-ray study  
*T* = 113 K  
Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.006 Å  
*R* factor = 0.039  
*wR* factor = 0.107  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.0For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.The Cu atom in the title compound, [Cu(C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OS)]·ClO<sub>4</sub>, exists in a distorted square-planar geometry. The compound exists as discrete ions.Received 28 July 2004  
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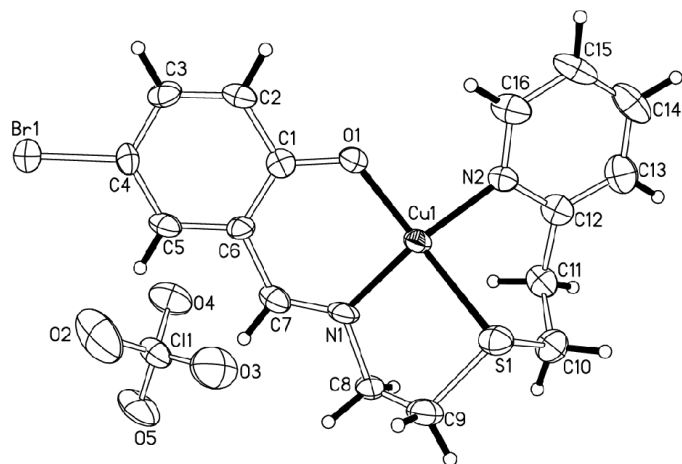
The structural chemistry of the metal complexes derived from tetradentate Schiff bases that are synthesized by condensing two formula units of salicylaldehyde with one formula unit of a diamine has been documented for a wide range of metal systems. The large number of such Schiff bases contrasts with only a few that have been prepared from salicylaldehyde (which provides the O and N donor sites) and an amine that possesses both an *N*-heterocycle and a thioether linkage (and which provides the S and N donor sites), owing to the relative difficulty of obtaining such amines. One example of such a metal complex, [*N*-2-[(5'-methylimidazolyl-4'-yl)methylthio]ethylsalicylideneiminato]copper perchlorate, has the metal atom in a square-planar geometry which is distorted towards a tetrahedron, owing to a weaker Cu–S bond (Bailey *et al.*, 1988). The present study of the title copper complex of (2-pyridylethylthio)ethyl-5-bromosalicylideneimine, (I), continues a recent structural study of the nickel mono-perchlorate complex of the deprotonated iodo analogue of the ligand. In that compound, the metal atoms in the two independent cations showed a distorted square-planar coordination (Daneshvar *et al.*, 2003).



The Cu atom in (I) also displays such a distorted geometry (Fig. 1). The distortion arises from the somewhat long Cu–S bond [2.332 (1) Å], but there are no significant differences in bond distances between the present Cu complex and the reported Ni complexes. There are no important interactions between the Cu atom and the perchlorate anion.

**Experimental**

To a stirred solution of 5-bromosalicylaldehyde (0.20 g, 1 mmol) in ethanol (5 ml) was added a solution of 1-(2-pyridyl)-3-thia-5-aminopentane (0.18 g, 1 mmol) in ethanol (5 ml). The yellow solution was heated for 1 h to afford a yellow solid. The compound was collected and recrystallized from a chloroform–ethanol (1:2 *v/v*) mixture in nearly quantitative yield (m.p. 342 K). Analysis, calculated for


**Figure 1**

A view of the structure of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 75% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii.

$C_{16}H_{17}N_2OS$ : C 52.60, H 4.69, N 7.66%; found: C 52.50; H 4.70; N 7.60%. A solution of this organic reagent (0.37 g, 1 mmol) in absolute ethanol (10 ml) was treated with a methanol solution (1 ml) of 1 M sodium hydroxide. Copper perchlorate hexahydrate (0.37 g, 1 mmol) was added to the solution to give a dark-green solution. The solution was briefly heated. The crystals of (I) which separated were collected and purified by recrystallization from methanol.

#### Crystal data

$[Cu(C_{16}H_{16}BrN_2OS)]ClO_4$   
 $M_r = 527.27$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 9.9542(6) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 8.8479(6) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 21.223(1) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 102.263(1)^\circ$   
 $V = 1826.5(2) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.917 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 5071 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.5\text{--}26.4^\circ$   
 $\mu = 3.68 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 113(2) \text{ K}$   
 Plate, blue  
 $0.45 \times 0.43 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$

#### Data collection

Siemens P4 diffractometer with CCD area-detector  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2001)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.145$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.576$   
 9902 measured reflections

3657 independent reflections  
 2645 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.057$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.5^\circ$   
 $h = -12 \rightarrow 12$   
 $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$   
 $l = -23 \rightarrow 26$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.107$   
 $S = 0.99$   
 3657 reflections  
 244 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0558P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.72 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -1.49 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

Cu1—N1	1.904 (3)	Cu1—O1	1.866 (3)
Cu1—N2	1.966 (3)	Cu1—S1	2.332 (1)
N1—Cu1—O1	96.2 (1)	N2—Cu1—O1	92.9 (1)
N1—Cu1—N2	157.4 (1)	N2—Cu1—S1	91.7 (1)
N1—Cu1—S1	87.5 (1)	O1—Cu1—S1	157.9 (1)

The aromatic (C—H = 0.95  $\text{\AA}$ ) and aliphatic (C—H = 0.99  $\text{\AA}$ ) H atoms were positioned geometrically, and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ . The final difference Fourier map had a large peak near the Br atom (at 0.79  $\text{\AA}$ ), and the deepest hole was 0.13  $\text{\AA}$  from the Cu atom

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: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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