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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

T = 295 K

Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003 \text{ \AA}$

R factor = 0.026

wR factor = 0.071

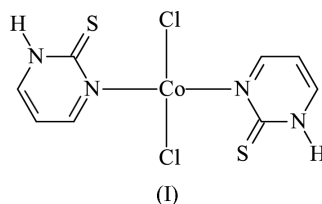
Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.1

For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.*trans*-Dichlorobis[pyrimidine-2(1*H*)-thione- κ N]-
cobalt(II)

In the title complex, $[\text{CoCl}_2(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{N}_2\text{S})_2]$, the pyrimidine-2(1*H*)-thione ligand coordinates through nitrogen to the Co^{II} atom, which possesses tetrahedral geometry. The molecule lies on a twofold rotation axis.

Comment

In our earlier work, heterocyclic thiones were used for studying the binding properties with a soft Lewis acid such as Cu^{I} . We found that heterocyclic thiones coordinate in a monodentate fashion through the S atom (Li, Luo *et al.*, 2004; Li, Shi *et al.*, 2004). In this work, the ligand coordinates to the Co^{II} ion in a monodentate manner through an endocyclic N atom rather than the exocyclic S atom, giving the title complex, (I).



In (I) (Fig. 1), the Co atom, on a twofold axis, is coordinated by two Cl atoms and two N atoms from two pyrimidinethione ligands in a distorted tetrahedral geometry. The Co–N and Co–Cl bond lengths are comparable to values found in the literature (Atherton *et al.*, 1999; Mihalcik *et al.*, 2004). The crystal structure is stabilized by an N–H...Cl hydrogen bond (Table 2 and Fig. 2).

Experimental

Solid cobalt dichloride hexahydrate (0.0070 g, 0.03 mmol) and 2-mercaptopyrimidine (0.0066 g, 0.06 mmol) were carefully added to $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ (3:2). This solution was stirred for 30 min and left for one week. Dark-blue block-like crystals were obtained (yield 80%).

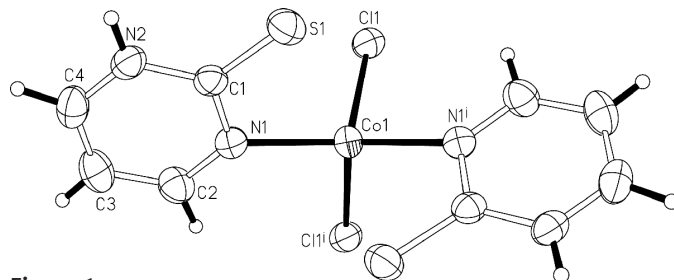


Figure 1
ORTEP (Johnson, 1976) plot of the molecule of (I) with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry code: (i) $1 - x, y, \frac{3}{2} - z$.]

Crystal data

[CoCl₂(C₄H₄N₂S)₂]
M_r = 354.13
 Monoclinic, *C*2/*c*
a = 12.3690 (8) Å
b = 8.3050 (6) Å
c = 13.9204 (9) Å
 β = 115.013 (1)°
V = 1295.9 (2) Å³
Z = 4

D_x = 1.815 Mg m⁻³
 Mo *K*α radiation
 Cell parameters from 2946 reflections
 θ = 3.1–27.7°
 μ = 2.04 mm⁻¹
T = 295 (2) K
 Block, blue
 0.18 × 0.14 × 0.12 mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2002)
T_{min} = 0.645, *T_{max}* = 0.792
 5449 measured reflections

1518 independent reflections
 1417 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)
R_{int} = 0.017
 θ_{\max} = 27.8°
h = −15 → 16
k = −10 → 10
l = −18 → 18

Refinement

Refinement on *F*²
R[*F*² > 2σ(*F*²)] = 0.026
wR(*F*²) = 0.071
S = 1.05
 1518 reflections
 94 parameters
 All H-atom parameters refined

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0464P)^2 + 0.3426P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 (Δ/σ)_{max} = 0.001
 Δρ_{max} = 0.32 e Å⁻³
 Δρ_{min} = −0.25 e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Co1—N1	2.045 (1)	Co1—Cl1	2.3540 (5)
N1—Co1—N1 ⁱ	141.41 (8)	N1—Co1—Cl1 ⁱ	97.58 (4)
N1—Co1—Cl1	107.57 (4)	Cl1—Co1—Cl1 ⁱ	97.95 (2)

Symmetry code: (i) 1 − *x*, *y*, $\frac{3}{2}$ − *z*.

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>
N2—H2 <i>n</i> ...Cl1 ⁱⁱ	0.85 (1)	2.26 (1)	3.088 (2)	164 (2)

Symmetry code: (ii) $\frac{1}{2}$ − *x*, $\frac{3}{2}$ − *y*, 1 − *z*.

H atoms were located in a difference map and refined isotropically.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve

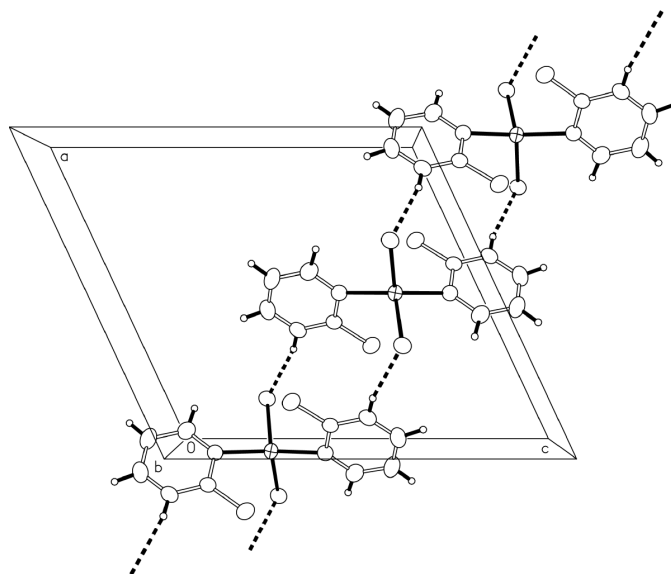


Figure 2

Packing diagram showing the hydrogen bonds as dashed lines. The view is on to the *ac* plane.

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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