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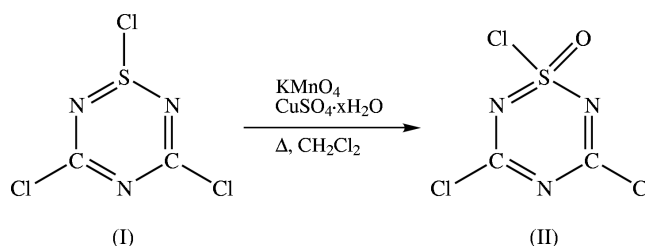
## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
T = 150 K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{N}-\text{C}) = 0.003 \text{ \AA}$   
R factor = 0.032  
wR factor = 0.075  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.2For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.1,3,5-Trichloro-1 $\lambda^6$ ,2,4,6-thiatriazin-1-one

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_2\text{Cl}_3\text{N}_3\text{OS}$ , there are four independent molecules in the asymmetric unit; their geometries are the same within experimental error. The six atoms of the thiatriazine ring and the 3,5-chloro atoms are all essentially coplanar.

## Comment

As part of our continuing investigations into generating inorganic polymers *via* the ring-opening polymerization of heterocycles (McWilliams *et al.*, 2000; Gates & Manners, 1997; Chivers *et al.*, 1999), we explored the reactivity of the title compound, (II), with various Lewis acids. Compound (II) was prepared by oxidizing the  $\text{S}^{\text{IV}}$  trichlorothiatriazine ring in (I) with a mixture of  $\text{KMnO}_4$  and  $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $x = 4-6$ ) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (Chivers *et al.*, 1999).



A view of the four independent molecules (named *A*, *B*, *C* and *D*) in (II) is shown in Fig. 1, and selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 1. The geometries of the independent molecules are the same within experimental error. The six atoms of the thiatriazine ring and the 3,5-chloro atoms are all essentially coplanar, with root-mean-square deviations of 0.013, 0.026, 0.044 and 0.061, respectively, for molecules *A*, *B*, *C* and *D*. This is in contrast to the structure of compound (I) (Chen *et al.*, 1993), where the three-coordinate S atom deviates significantly (*ca* 0.314 Å) from the plane of the three N and two C atoms in the ring. In addition, compound (I) has significantly elongated S–N bond lengths [in the range 1.615 (1)–1.616 (2) Å] compared to (II), which has distances for the same bonds ranging from 1.5760 (18) to 1.5867 (19) Å. In (II), the S–Cl bond lengths (in molecules *A*, *B*, *C*, and *D*) range from 1.9935 (8) to 2.0084 (8) Å, whereas in (I) this distance is slightly longer at 2.132 (1) Å. The differences in bond lengths may be attributed to the higher formal positive charge on the  $\text{S}^{\text{VI}}$  center in (II) compared to that on the  $\text{S}^{\text{IV}}$  center in (I).

## Experimental

Compound (II) was prepared in an identical manner to that previously published by Chivers *et al.* (1999). However, upon

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sublimation of the crude residue at 298 K onto a cold finger cooled to 253 K, white opaque blocks of (II) were formed.

#### Crystal data

$C_2Cl_3N_3OS$   
 $M_r = 220.46$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 18.6270$  (3) Å  
 $b = 7.3160$  (1) Å  
 $c = 21.2340$  (5) Å  
 $\beta = 93.1840$  (7)°  
 $V = 2889.20$  (9) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 16$

$D_x = 2.027$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 19673 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.6$ – $27.5^\circ$   
 $\mu = 1.48$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 150$  (1) K  
 Block, white  
 $0.43 \times 0.38 \times 0.16$  mm

#### Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  scans and  $\omega$  scans with  $\kappa$  offsets  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan  
 (SORTAV; Blessing, 1995)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.681$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.795$   
 19673 measured reflections  
 6606 independent reflections

5166 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.044$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$   
 $h = -24 \rightarrow 24$   
 $k = -9 \rightarrow 9$   
 $l = -20 \rightarrow 27$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.075$   
 $S = 1.02$   
 6606 reflections  
 362 parameters

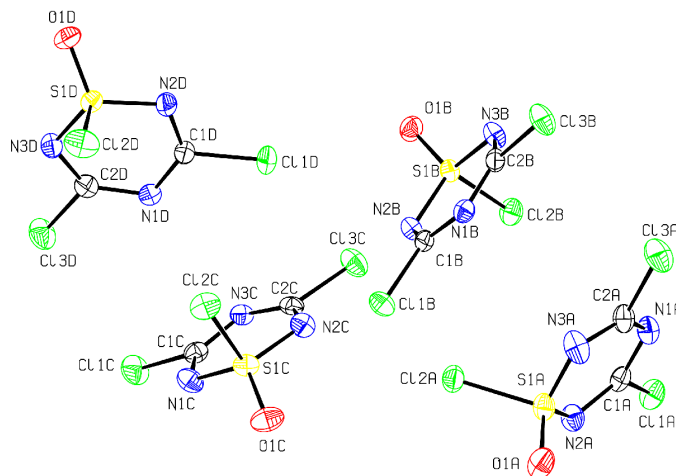
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0235P)^2 + 0.8966P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.38$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.43$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cl2A–S1A	1.9935 (8)	Cl2C–S1C	2.0064 (8)
S1A–O1A	1.4149 (18)	S1C–O1C	1.4155 (17)
S1A–N2A	1.5798 (19)	S1C–N1C	1.579 (2)
S1A–N3A	1.580 (2)	S1C–N2C	1.581 (2)
Cl2B–S1B	2.0084 (8)	Cl2D–S1D	1.9947 (8)
S1B–O1B	1.4154 (16)	S1D–O1D	1.4142 (16)
S1B–N2B	1.5760 (18)	S1D–N2D	1.578 (2)
S1B–N3B	1.5847 (19)	S1D–N3D	1.5867 (19)
N2A–C1A–N1A	130.8 (2)	N3C–C1C–N1C	130.3 (2)
N3A–C2A–N1A	130.6 (2)	N3C–C2C–N2C	130.8 (2)
N2B–C1B–N1B	130.3 (2)	N1D–C1D–N2D	130.9 (2)
N3B–C2B–N1B	130.3 (2)	N3D–C2D–N1D	130.4 (2)

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 1997–2002); cell refinement: *DENZO-SMN* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction:



**Figure 1**

View of the four independent molecules of the title compound, showing the labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

*DENZO-SMN*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL/PC* (Sheldrick, 2001); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL/PC*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL/PC*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL/PC*.

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