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## 2-Amino-4-(ferrocenyl)-5-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)-1,3-thiazole

In the title compound,  $[Fe(C_5H_5)(C_{10}H_8N_5S)]$ , the Fe-C bond lengths are in the range 2.015 (4)–2.048 (3) Å. The thiazole and triazole rings make dihedral angles of 84.2 (1) and 10.7 (2)°, respectively, with the substituted cyclopentadienyl ring (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>). The crystal packing is stabilized by intermolecular N-H···N hydrogen bonds involving the amino H atoms.

#### Comment

Ferrocene-containing organic compounds often exhibit biological activity (Biot *et al.*, 2000; Fang *et al.*, 2003*a,b*). Thiazoles and their derivatives are found to be associated with various biological activities, such as antibacterial, antifungal and anti-inflammatory activities (Gusmeroli *et al.*, 2003; Wilson *et al.*, 2001). Triazole antifungals are known as potent inhibitors of cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the process of fungal biosynthesis of ergosterol, which is an important constituent of fungal cell membranes (Hiroshi *et al.*, 1995). In our search for novel aminothiazole compounds with potent fungicidal activities, we intend to synthesize 2-aminothiazole compounds incorporating ferrocene and 1H-1,2,4-triazole units. We have investigated the crystal structure of the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1), and present the results here.



In the molecule of (I), the Fe–C bond lengths are in the range 2.015 (4)–2.048 (3) Å (Table 1). The Fe1 $\cdots$ Cg1 and Fe1 $\cdots$ Cg2 distances are 1.650 (2) and 1.640 (2) Å, respectively, and the Cg1 $\cdots$ Fe1 $\cdots$ Cg2 angle is 179.4 (2)°, where Cg1 and Cg2 are the centroids of the C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub> and C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub> rings, respectively. The cyclopentadienyl rings are not in the eclipsed geometry, as evidenced by the C1–Cg1–Cg2–C6 and C3–Cg1–Cg2–C8 torsion angles of 39.7 (2)° and 32.5 (2)°, respectively. The C–C bond lengths in both cyclopentadienyl rings are normal (Anderson *et al.*, 2003).

The thiazole (C11/C12/S1/C15/N4) and triazole (N1/N2/C14/N3/C13) rings make dihedral angles of 84.2 (1) and 10.7 (2)°, respectively, with the substituted cyclopentadienyl ring (C6–C10).

The crystal packing of (I) (Fig. 2) is stabilized by intermolecular  $N-H\cdots N$  hydrogen bonds (Table 2) involving the amino H atoms.

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Figure 1 A view of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme and 30% probability displacement ellipsoids.



Figure 2

A packing diagram for (I), viewed down the c axis Dashed lines indicate the hydrogen bonds.

# Experimental

Preparation of the title compound was based on a Hantzsch reaction (Hantzsch & Weber, 1887). 2-Bromo-2–1*H*-1,2,4-triazole-1-acetyl-ferrocene (1 mmol) and thiourea (2 mmol) were dissolved in warm ethanol (100 ml). The mixture was refluxed for 10 h and ammonia solution (5%, 20 ml) was then added. The red crystals that formed were filtered and dried. After recrystallization from methanol, the title compound was obtained. Analysis, calculated for  $C_{15}H_{13}FeN_5S$ : C 51.30, H 3.73, N 19.94%; found: C 51.35, H 3.61, N 19.72%. Yield 46%.

### Crystal data

$[Fe(C_5H_5)(C_{10}H_8N_5S)]$	$D_x = 1.662 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 351.21$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Cell parameters from 3711
a = 7.507 (5)  Å	reflections
b = 20.018 (14)  Å	$\theta = 2.4 - 26.4^{\circ}$
c = 9.600 (7) Å	$\mu = 1.23 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 103.330 \ (11)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2) K
$V = 1403.8 (17) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, red
Z = 4	$0.22\times0.16\times0.10$ mm
Data collection	
Bruker SMART CCD area-detector	2885 independent reflections
diffractometer	2262 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.028$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 26.5^{\circ}$
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$h = -9 \rightarrow 8$
$T_{\min} = 0.759, T_{\max} = 0.885$	$k = -22 \rightarrow 25$
7935 measured reflections	$l = -11 \rightarrow 11$
Refinement	
Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0395P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$	+ 0.9147P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.092$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.09	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
2885 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.36 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
199 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.41 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H atoms treated by a mixture of	·

### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Fe1-C2	2.015 (4)	S1-C15	1.736 (3)
Fe1-C1	2.018 (4)	S1-C12	1.737 (3)
Fe1-C6	2.022 (3)	N1-C13	1.336 (4)
Fe1-C3	2.028 (3)	N1-N2	1.364 (3)
Fe1-C9	2.029 (3)	N1-C12	1.410 (3)
Fe1-C10	2.029 (3)	N4-C15	1.308 (3)
Fe1-C5	2.040 (3)	N4-C11	1.385 (3)
Fe1-C4	2.042 (3)	N5-C15	1.341 (3)
Fe1-C7	2.043 (3)	C10-C11	1.458 (4)
Fe1-C8	2.048 (3)	C11-C12	1.350 (4)
C15 S1 C12	87 67 (12)	C12 C11 C10	126.2 (2)
C13 = N1 = N2	1094(2)	$C_{11} = C_{12} = N_1$	120.2(2) 126.6(2)
C13 = N1 = C12	109.4(2) 129.2(2)	$C_{11} - C_{12} - S_{1}$	11173(19)
C14 = N1 = C12 C14 = N2 = N1	129.2(2) 101.6(3)	N3_C13_N1	110.3 (3)
C13 = N3 = C14	101.0(3) 102.7(3)	$N_3 - C_{13} - H_{13}$	124.9
C15 = N4 = C11	102.7(3) 110.9(2)	$N_3 - C_{14} - H_{14}$	122.0
$C_{2}-C_{1}-C_{5}$	108.5(4)	N4 - C15 - S1	115 45 (19)
C12-C11-N4	114.2 (2)		()
C12-N1-N2-C14	-175.4 (2)	N2-N1-C12-S1	-94.5 (3)
C6-C10-C11-C12	11.2 (4)	C15-S1-C12-C11	1.2 (2)
C6-C10-C11-N4	-173.2 (3)	N1-N2-C14-N3	0.3 (3)
N2-N1-C12-C11	77.0 (3)	C12-S1-C15-N5	178.7 (2)

Table 2	
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å,	, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$N5 - H5A \cdots N4^{i}$ $N5 - H5B \cdots N3^{ii}$	0.93 0.92	2.08 2.27	3.016 (4) 3.136 (4)	176 157

Symmetry codes: (i) -x + 1, -y, -z + 1; (ii)  $x + \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $-y + \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $z - \frac{1}{2}$ .

The amino H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined isotropically, with the distance restraint N-H = 0.92 (1) Å. The C-bound H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C-H = 0.93 Å, and included in the final cycles of refinement using a riding model, with  $U_{\rm iso}(\rm H) = 1.2U_{eq}(\rm C)$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve

independent and constrained

refinement

structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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