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## **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.062 wR factor = 0.151 Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.0

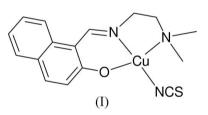
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# {1-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyliminomethyl]-2-naphtholato}thiocyanatonickel(II)

The title compound,  $[Ni(C_{15}H_{17}N_2O)(NCS)]$ , is a mononuclear Schiff base nickel(II) complex. The Ni<sup>II</sup> atom is coordinated by one O and two N atoms of the Schiff base ligand, and by one N atom of the thiocyanate ligand, forming a square-planar coordination. Received 6 September 2005 Accepted 7 September 2005 Online 14 September 2005

# Comment

Schiff base complexes are of great interest in coordination chemistry (Goswami & Eichhorn, 1999; Dominguez-Vera *et al.*, 1998; Bernardo *et al.*, 1996). Recently, we have reported a few Schiff base complexes (You, 2005*a*,*b*,*c*,*d*,*e*,*f*; You & Zhu, 2005*a*,*b*). As an extension of our work on the structural characterization of Schiff base complexes, the new title Schiff base nickel(II) complex, (I), is reported.



Complex (I) is a mononuclear nickel(II) compound (Fig. 1). The Ni atom is four-coordinated in a slightly distorted squareplanar coordination by one O and two N atoms of the Schiff base ligand, and by one N atom of the thiocyanate anion (Table 1). The Ni-O and Ni-N bond lengths are comparable to the corresponding values observed in other Schiff base nickel(II) complexes (You, 2005*g*,*h*,*i*) and, as expected, the bond involving amine atom N2 is longer than that involving imine atom N1. The thiocyanate group is nearly linear and shows almost linear coordination to the metal atom.

## **Experimental**

2-Hydroxy-1-naphthaldehyde (0.2 mmol, 17.2 mg) and N,Ndimethylethane-1,2-diamine (0.2 mmol, 17.6 mg) were dissolved in MeOH (10 ml). The mixture was stirred for 20 min to give a clear yellow solution. To the solution were added an aqueous solution (5 ml) of NH<sub>4</sub>NCS (0.1 mmol, 7.6 mg) and an MeOH solution (10 ml) of Ni(ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O (0.1 mmol, 38.4 mg), with stirring. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for about 30 min and filtered. After keeping the green filtrate in air for 7 d, green block-shaped crystals were formed.

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## Crystal data

[Ni( $C_{15}H_{17}N_2O$ )(NCS)]  $M_r = 358.10$ Monoclinic,  $P_{2_1}/n$  a = 8.413 (2) Å b = 6.167 (2) Å c = 30.683 (6) Å  $\beta = 93.04$  (3)° V = 1589.7 (7) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 4Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)  $T_{min} = 0.679, T_{max} = 0.802$ 12963 measured reflections

#### Refinement

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Refinement on $F^2$	H-atom parameters constrained
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.062$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0615P)^2]$
$wR(F^2) = 0.151$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.00	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
3617 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.49 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
201 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.41 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

 $D_x = 1.496 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

Cell parameters from 1147

 $0.31 \times 0.22 \times 0.17 \text{ mm}$ 

3617 independent reflections 2051 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

reflections

 $\theta = 2.5 - 21.3^{\circ}$  $\mu = 1.36 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 298 (2) K

Block, green

 $\begin{aligned} R_{\rm int} &= 0.086\\ \theta_{\rm max} &= 27.5^\circ \end{aligned}$ 

 $h = -10 \rightarrow 10$ 

 $k = -8 \rightarrow 8$ 

 $l = -39 \rightarrow 39$ 

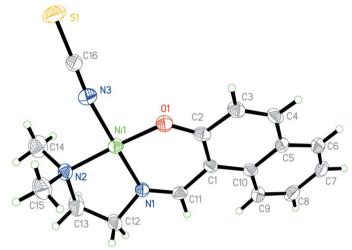
### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Ni1-O1	1.818 (3)	Ni1-N3	1.875 (4)
Ni1-N1	1.833 (4)	Ni1-N2	1.926 (4)
O1-Ni1-N1	92.64 (15)	N1-Ni1-N2	87.54 (16)
O1-Ni1-N3	88.33 (17)	N3-Ni1-N2	92.16 (17)
N1-Ni1-N3	174.52 (18)	C16-N3-Ni1	170.4 (4)
O1-Ni1-N2	172.86 (16)	N3-C16-S1	179.2 (5)

H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C–H distances in the range 0.93–0.96 Å, and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2$  or  $1.5U_{eq}(C)$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1998); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.



### Figure 1

The structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

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