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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 T = 298 K
 Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003 \text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.044
 wR factor = 0.112
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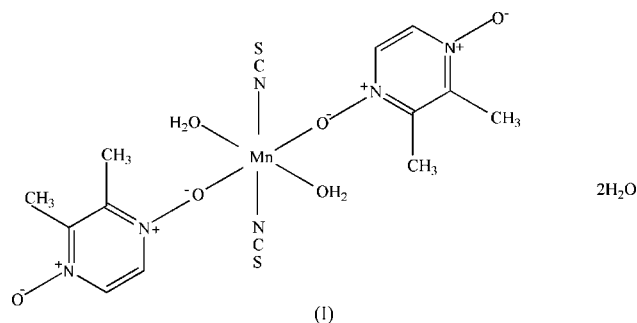
Diaquabis(2,3-dimethylpyrazine 1,4-dioxide- κO)-
 bis(thiocyanato- κN)manganese(II) dihydrate

In red crystal of the title compound, $[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, the Mn^{II} atom lies on an inversion centre and assumes a distorted octahedral coordination geometry. Hydrogen bonds consolidate the crystal structure.

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Comment

Pyrazine 1,4-dioxide and its derivatives are useful ligands for the preparation of metal complexes (Sun *et al.*, 2001; Shi *et al.*, 2005). In order to understand the effect of metallic ions on the coordination modes, we have prepared the title Mn^{II} complex, (I), and report its structure here.



The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. The Mn^{II} atom is located on a inversion centre and assumes a distorted octahedral coordination geometry (Table 1), formed by 2,3-dimethylpyrazine 1,4-dioxide ligands, coordinated water molecules and isothiocyanate anions.

The hydrogen-bonding network, which consolidates the crystal structure, occurs between coordinated water molecules, uncoordinated water molecules and pyrazine 1,4-dioxide ligands (Table 2).

Experimental

An aqueous solution (10 ml) of $\text{Mn}(\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (0.16 g, 0.44 mmol) was added to an aqueous solution (15 ml) of 2,3-dimethylpyrazine 1,4-dioxide (0.12 g, 0.86 mmol) and NaNCS (0.070 g, 0.86 mmol). The resulting solution was stirred for a few minutes. Red single crystals of (I) were obtained after three weeks.

Crystal data

$[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2 \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $M_r = 523.47$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$
 $a = 11.766 (3) \text{ \AA}$
 $b = 6.7824 (19) \text{ \AA}$
 $c = 14.429 (4) \text{ \AA}$
 $\beta = 100.099 (4)^\circ$
 $V = 1133.6 (5) \text{ \AA}^3$
 $Z = 2$

$D_x = 1.533 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 1647 reflections
 $\theta = 2.5\text{--}24.3^\circ$
 $\mu = 0.82 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 298 (2) \text{ K}$
 Prism, red
 $0.25 \times 0.12 \times 0.08 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD
diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.822$, $T_{\max} = 0.937$
6562 measured reflections

2470 independent reflections
1998 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.033$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.1^\circ$
 $h = -15 \rightarrow 11$
 $k = -8 \rightarrow 8$
 $l = -18 \rightarrow 17$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.112$
 $S = 1.06$
2470 reflections
144 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0548P)^2 + 0.0694P]$
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.44 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.28 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

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

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|-----------|-------------|-------|-----------|
| Mn1—O1 | 2.2280 (16) | O1—N1 | 1.325 (2) |
| Mn1—O3 | 2.1736 (18) | O2—N2 | 1.315 (2) |
| Mn1—N3 | 2.167 (2) | | |
| N1—O1—Mn1 | 120.19 (13) | | |

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$).

| <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> |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| O3—H3...O2 ⁱ | 0.87 | 1.88 | 2.735 (2) | 167 |
| O3—H4...O4 ⁱⁱ | 0.82 | 1.87 | 2.693 (3) | 176 |
| O4—H1...O1 ⁱⁱⁱ | 0.88 | 2.04 | 2.877 (3) | 157 |
| O4—H2...O2 ^{iv} | 0.89 | 1.96 | 2.843 (3) | 174 |

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

H atoms of water molecules were located in a difference Fourier map and refined as riding in their as-found positions, with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{O})$. Methyl H atoms were placed in calculated positions with

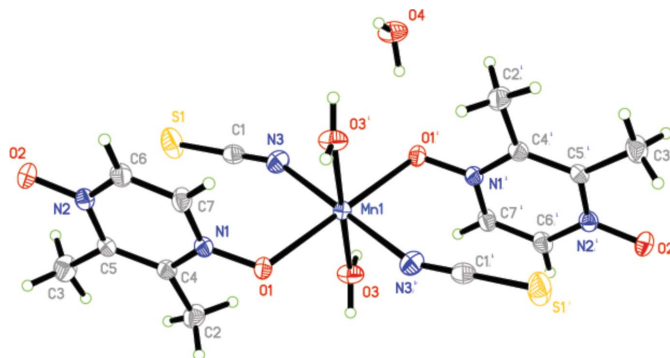


Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), shown with 30% probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for H atoms) [symmetry code: (i) $1 - x$, $1 - y$, $1 - z$].

$\text{C—H} = 0.96 \text{ \AA}$ and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$. Other H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with $\text{C—H} = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$ and refined as riding, with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Bruker, 1997); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2001); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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