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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.040 wR factor = 0.102 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.1

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# (Acetato- $\kappa O$ )(2-acetylpyridine 4-methylthiosemicarbazonato- $\kappa^3 N, N', S$ )copper(II) monohydrate

In the title compound,  $[Cu(C_9H_{10}N_4S)(C_2H_3O_2)] \cdot H_2O$ , the Cu atom adopts a slightly distorted square-planar coordination geometry. The 2-acetylpyridine thiosemicarbazone group is very close to planar. The computed bond valencies for the Cu centre are  $\nu(Cu-N) = 0.349$  and 0.404 valence units (v.u.),  $\nu(Cu-S) = 0.627$  v.u., and  $\nu(Cu-O) = 0.483$  v.u. There is an out of plane Cu-O(acetate) bond [2.639 (13) Å], which makes a contribution of 0.08 v.u. The computed valency of the Cu atom is thus 1.94 v.u. Hydrogen bonds between pairs of molecules create dimers.

#### Comment

Heterocyclic thiosemicarbazones are important because of their potentially beneficial biological activity (Scovill et al., 1982). These activities are due to their ability to chelate trace metals. It has been reported that copper ions enhance the antitubercular activity of thiosemicarbazone, leading to an increased interest in the chemistry of transition metal chelates of thiosemicarbazone and its derivatives. (Campbell, 1975; Kovala-Demertzi et al., 1997; Siripaisampipatet al., 2003). In the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1), the coordination of the Cu atom has a distorted square-planar geometry. The 2-acetylpyridine thiosemicarbazone group is very close to planar; the maximum deviation from the mass-weighted least-squares plane calculated for all 2-acetylpyridine thiosemicarbazone atoms is 0.050 (7) Å for C7. Atom Cu1 is 0.043 (4) Å from this plane, in the same direction as atoms N1 and S1. Thus, atom Cu1 lies in this plane, within experimental error. This ligand plane makes an angle of  $4.52 (13)^{\circ}$  with the Cu coordination plane.



It has been stated that the correlation between bond length and bond valence represents a measure of bond strength independent of atomic sizes (Brown, 1994). The application of this correlation allows us to compare the relative importance of Cu–N, Cu–S and Cu–O bonds in (I), and to check the

© 2006 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved valence sum rule for coordinated atoms (Brown, 2002). The valence sum rule states that the sum of the valencies of the bond formed by an atom is equal to the valency (formal oxidation state) of the atom (Brown, 2002). The bond valencies in (I) were computed as  $v = \exp \left[ (R_{ii} - d_{ii})/0.37 \right]$  (Brown, 1992, 1997; O'Keeffe & Brese, 1991), where  $R_{ii}$  is the bond valence parameter. The values of the  $R_{Cu-N}$ ,  $R_{Cu-S}$  and  $R_{Cu-S}$  $_{\rm O}$  bonds were taken as 1.61, 1.86 and 2.05, respectively (Brese & O'Keeffe, 1991). The computed bond valencies of Cu are Cu1-N1 = 0.349 valence units (v.u.), Cu1-N2 = 0.404 v.u., Cu1-S1 = 0.627 v.u. and Cu1-O1 = 0.483 v.u. and for the outof-plane bond Cu1-O2 = 0.08 v.u. Thus, the computed valency of the atom Cu1 is 1.94 v.u. Although this computed bond valency is less than the formal oxidation state of +2, this is much less than the error of 0.25–0.30 (Palenik, 2003), which is quite a reasonable value. According to the bond-valence calculation, it can be stated that the bond strength of Cu1-N1 < Cu-N2 < Cu1-O1 < Cu1-S1. The Cu1-N1 and Cu1-N2 bonds have comparable strength and they are distinctly weaker than the Cu1-O1 and Cu1-S1 bonds, which are of comparable strength.

In the crystal structure of (I) the molecules are linked by intermolecular O-H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 2) creating a dimer between pairs of molecules. The stacking of the molecules along the *a* axis is accounted for by  $\pi$ - $\pi$  bonding (Hunters & Sanders, 1990) (Fig. 2).

## **Experimental**

The title compound was prepared according to the method of Kovala-Demertzi *et al.* (1997). The crystal used for data collection was grown from a dimethylformamide–water (3:1  $\nu/\nu$ ) solution by slow evaporation at room temperature.

### Crystal data

$[Cu(C_9H_{10}N_4S)(C_2H_3O_2)] \cdot H_2O$
$M_r = 347.88$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
$a = 7.0091 (18) \text{\AA}$
b = 11.116 (3)  Å
c = 19.336 (5) Å
$\beta = 99.442 \ (4)^{\circ}$
V = 1486.1 (7) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z = 4

#### Data collection

Bruker APEX area-detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 2002)  $T_{min} = 0.792$ ,  $T_{max} = 0.893$ 7772 measured reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$   $wR(F^2) = 0.102$  S = 1.002906 reflections 192 parameters  $D_x = 1.555 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K\alpha radiation Cell parameters from 2923 reflections  $\theta = 0\text{-}26^\circ$  $\mu = 1.62 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) KRectangular block, brown  $0.30 \times 0.12 \times 0.07 \text{ mm}$ 

2906 independent reflections 2299 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{int} = 0.057$  $\theta_{max} = 26.0^{\circ}$  $h = -8 \rightarrow 8$  $k = -13 \rightarrow 10$  $l = -23 \rightarrow 23$ 

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0519P)^2]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.44$  e Å<sup>-3</sup> $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.46$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>





The molecular structure of (I), with the atom numbering, showing displacement ellipsoids at the 30% probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.



#### Figure 2

Part of the crystal packing of (I), viewed along the b axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

#### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cu1-N2	1.945 (2)	Cu1-S1	2.2230 (11)
Cu1-O1	1.948 (2)	Cu1-O2	2.639 (13)
Cu1-N1	2.001 (2)		
N2-Cu1-O1	175.50 (9)	C1-N1-Cu1	128.0 (2)
N2-Cu1-N1	80.93 (9)	C5-N1-Cu1	112.61 (19)
O1-Cu1-N1	96.90 (10)	C6-N2-Cu1	117.3 (2)
N2-Cu1-S1	84.98 (7)	N3-N2-Cu1	123.79 (18)
O1-Cu1-S1	96.94 (7)	C10-O1-Cu1	107.8 (2)
N1-Cu1-S1	165.61 (7)	C8-S1-Cu1	95.09 (11)
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Table 2	
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).	

$\overline{D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A}$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$\begin{array}{c} O3 - H3B \cdots O2^{i} \\ O3 - H3A \cdots O1 \end{array}$	0.63 (4)	2.19 (4)	2.786 (4)	160 (5)
	0.88 (5)	1.99 (5)	2.860 (4)	171 (4)

Symmetry code: (i) x + 1, y, z.

H atoms attached to C atoms were placed at calculated positions (aromatic C-H = 0.93 Å and methyl C-H = 0.96 Å) and were allowed to ride on their parent atoms. Methyl groups were allowed to rotate around the C-C bond. The H atoms of the water molecule were located in difference Fourier syntheses and refined with the restrained O-H distance 0.85 (2) Å. All H atoms were assigned  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H})$  values of  $XU_{\rm eq}({\rm host})$ , with X = 1.2 for aromatic and water H atoms, and X = 1.5 for methyl H atoms.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* in *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2002); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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