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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

T = 100 K

Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.012 \text{ \AA}$ 

R factor = 0.043

wR factor = 0.107

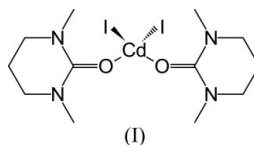
Data-to-parameter ratio = 29.3

For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.Bis[1,3-dimethyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one- $\kappa\text{O}$ ]diiodocadmium(II)The title compound,  $[\text{CdI}_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O})_2]$ , displays distorted tetrahedral coordination at the  $\text{CdO}_2\text{I}_2$  centre. Intramolecular  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  interactions appear to be present.

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## Comment

The space-demanding, oxygen electron-pair donating ligand 1,3-dimethyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (also known as *N,N'*-dimethylpropyleneurea, dmpu), forms a four-coordinate complex, (I) (Fig. 1), with cadmium(II) iodide. The resulting  $\text{CdO}_2\text{I}_2$  grouping forms a distorted tetrahedron (Table 1).

The six-membered rings of the dmpu ligands in (I) adopt envelope conformations [displacement of atom C14 from the C1/N11/N12/C13/C15 mean plane = 0.65 (1) Å; displacement of atom C24 from the C2/N21/N22/C23/C25 plane = 0.60 (1) Å]. These two mean planes are inclined at 84.4 (3)° to each other.

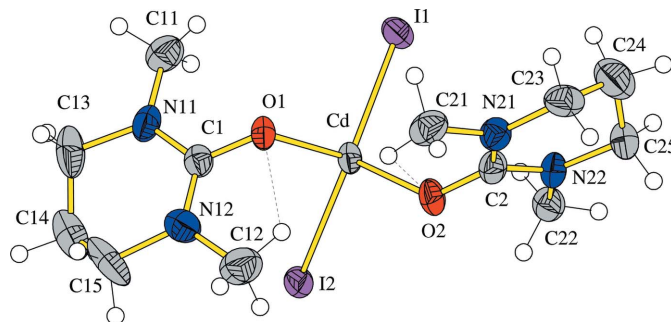
Two non-classical  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  intramolecular hydrogen bonds could be identified (Table 2), one in each dmpu ligand, between one of the methyl H atoms and the O atom. The molecules of (I) pack with close contacts between the dmpu ligands, along the *a*-axis direction, as shown in Fig. 2.This is only the second molecular  $\text{CdI}_2\text{O}_2$  complex reported to date. No geometrical comparisons with the previously reported complex, bis(urea)diiodocadmium(II) (Durski *et al.*, 1975) could be made as no coordinates are available in the Cambridge Structural Database (Version of November 2005; Allen, 2002) for the urea complex.

Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for the H atoms).

## Experimental

Anhydrous cadmium iodide (Aldrich) was dried in an evacuated desiccator using  $P_2O_5$  as a drying agent. Compound (I) was synthesized by dissolving anhydrous cadmium(II) iodide (200 mg) in freshly distilled DPMU (2 ml). The solution was heated gently (*ca* 323 K) in an oil bath and then allowed to cool, whereupon crystal formation took place almost immediately. These crystals were used for data collection.

### Crystal data

$[CdI_2(C_6H_{12}N_2O)_2]$   
 $M_r = 622.56$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 14.4849$  (3) Å  
 $b = 15.8909$  (1) Å  
 $c = 8.4871$  (2) Å  
 $\beta = 90.522$  (2)°  
 $V = 1953.46$  (6) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 2.117$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 1623 reflections  
 $\theta = 4.2$ – $30.0$ °  
 $\mu = 4.29$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 100$  (2) K  
 Plate, colourless  
 $0.25 \times 0.20 \times 0.05$  mm

### Data collection

Oxford Xcalibur-3  $\kappa$  diffractometer with Sapphire-III CCD  
 $\omega$  scans at different  $\varphi$   
 Absorption correction: numerical (*X-RED*; Stoe & Cie, 1997)  
 $T_{min} = 0.33$ ,  $T_{max} = 0.80$   
 28468 measured reflections

5680 independent reflections  
 4982 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{int} = 0.040$   
 $\theta_{max} = 30.0$ °  
 $h = -20 \rightarrow 20$   
 $k = -22 \rightarrow 22$   
 $l = -11 \rightarrow 11$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.107$   
 $S = 1.20$   
 5680 reflections  
 194 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0212P)^2 + 15.0583P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 1.59$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -1.24$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

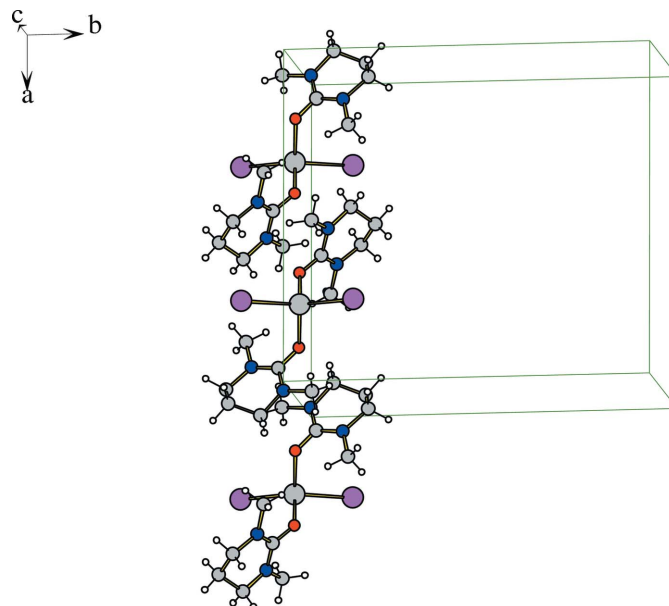
Cd—O2	2.200 (4)	Cd—I1	2.6889 (6)
Cd—O1	2.215 (4)	Cd—I2	2.7184 (5)
O2—Cd—O1	94.78 (16)	O2—Cd—I2	105.90 (12)
O2—Cd—I1	110.21 (11)	O1—Cd—I2	103.91 (10)
O1—Cd—I1	110.84 (11)	I1—Cd—I2	126.47 (2)

**Table 2**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
C12—H12A $\cdots$ O1	0.98	2.30	2.711 (9)	104
C21—H21B $\cdots$ O2	0.98	2.23	2.691 (9)	107

The H atoms were positioned geometrically ( $C-H = 0.98$ – $0.99$  Å) and refined as riding, with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$  or  $1.5U_{eq}(methyl C)$ .



**Figure 2**

View of the packing of three molecules of (I), showing close intermolecular contacts between dmpu ligands along the  $a$ -axis direction. From top to bottom, the symmetry relations are  $(1 - x, -y, 1 - z)$ ,  $(x, y, z)$  and  $(2 - x, -y, 1 - z)$ .

Data collection: *CrysAlis CCD* (Oxford Diffraction, 2003); cell refinement: *CrysAlis RED* (Oxford Diffraction, 2003); data reduction: *CrysAlis RED*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *DIAMOND* (Bergerhoff, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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