

**catena-Poly[[*(di-2-pyridylamine- $\kappa^2N,N'$ )copper(I)- $\mu$ -isothiocyanato- $\kappa^2S:S$ ]*]**Rui Zhou<sup>a</sup> and Seik Weng Ng<sup>b\*</sup><sup>a</sup>Department of Chemistry, Medical College, Shantou University, Guangdong 515041, People's Republic of China, and <sup>b</sup>Department of Chemistry, University of Malaya, 50603 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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**Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study

 $T = 295$  KMean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.006$  Å $R$  factor = 0.040 $wR$  factor = 0.105

Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.0

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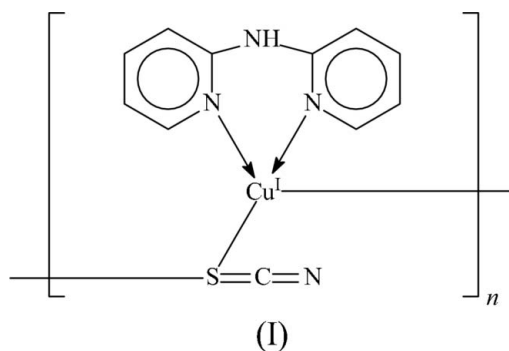
The NCS ligand in the title compound,  $[\text{Cu}(\text{NCS})(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_9\text{N}_3)]_n$ , bridges adjacent tetrahedral  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  atoms through the sulfur end into a linear chain that runs along the  $b$  axis of the orthorhombic unit cell.

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**Comment**

An earlier study has reported the crystal structure of a copper(I) isothiocyanate adduct of 2,2'-biquinoline; the  $N$ -heterocycle chelates to the  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  and the NCS group links the heterocycle– $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  units into linear chains through the N and S atoms (Zhou & Ng, 2006). In the adduct with 2,2'-dipyridylamine, the NCS group links the  $N$ -heterocycle– $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  units into a chain, but the NCS group functions as a bridge through the S end only (Fig. 1). The chains are consolidated into layers by an inter-chain hydrogen bond (Table 2) between the amino group and the free N end of the NCS group.

**Experimental**

A solution of 2,2'-dipyridylamine (0.171 g, 1.0 mmol) in DMF (10 ml) was layered over a solution of copper(I) isothiocyanate (0.125 g, 1.0 mmol) in saturated sodium thiocyanate dissolved in ethanol (10 ml). After two weeks, colourless needle-shaped crystals were formed in 40% yield based on Cu. Analysis calculated for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_9\text{CuN}_4\text{S}$ : C 45.12, H 3.10, N 19.14%; found C 45.32, H 3.20, N 19.08%. A specimen was cut from a large needle for the diffraction measurements.

*Crystal data* $[\text{Cu}(\text{NCS})(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_9\text{N}_3)]$  $M_r = 292.82$ Orthorhombic,  $Pca2_1$  $a = 17.432$  (1) Å $b = 3.8123$  (3) Å $c = 16.734$  (1) Å $V = 1112.1$  (2) Å<sup>3</sup> $Z = 4$  $D_x = 1.749$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation $\mu = 2.13$  mm<sup>-1</sup> $T = 295$  (2) K

Column, colourless

 $0.15 \times 0.10 \times 0.07$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker APEX area-detector diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.570$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.865$

6277 measured reflections  
 2467 independent reflections  
 2299 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.024$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.105$   
 $S = 1.08$   
 2467 reflections  
 154 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0649P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.58 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.32 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983),  
 1164 Friedel pairs  
 Flack parameter: 0.04 (2)

**Table 1**

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

Cu1—N1	2.015 (3)	Cu1—S1	2.269 (1)
Cu1—N3	2.029 (3)	Cu1—S1 <sup>i</sup>	2.483 (1)
N1—Cu1—N3	94.8 (1)	N3—Cu1—S1	124.0 (1)
N1—Cu1—S1	118.4 (1)	N3—Cu1—S1 <sup>i</sup>	102.4 (1)
N1—Cu1—S1 <sup>i</sup>	109.1 (1)	S1—Cu1—S1 <sup>i</sup>	106.6 (1)

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

**Table 2**

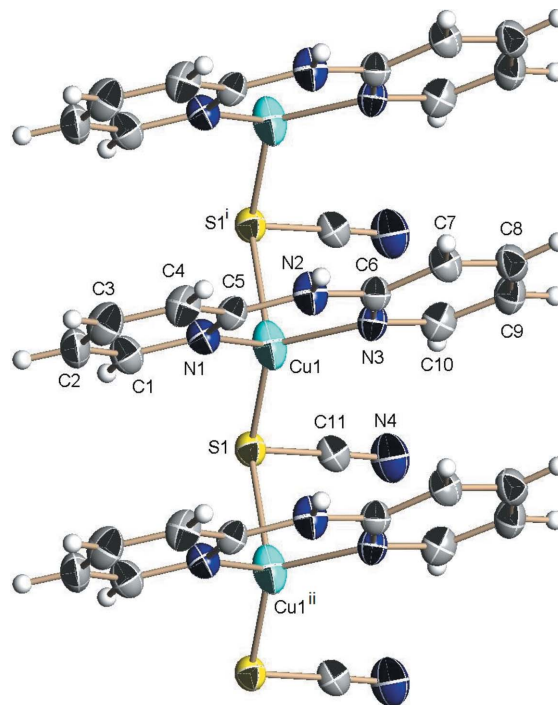
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$N2-H2N\cdots N4^{ii}$	0.86	2.14	2.981 (5)	166

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

H atoms were placed in calculated positions [ $C-H = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$  and  $N-H = 0.86 \text{ \AA}$ ;  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C,N})$ ], and were included in the refinement in the riding model approximation.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2003); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2003); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.



**Figure 1**

ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) plot illustrating the coordination environment of Cu. Displacement ellipsoids are plotted at the 50% probability level, and H atoms as spheres of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, z$ ; (ii)  $x - \frac{1}{2}, y, \frac{3}{2} - z$ .]

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