

Bis(1,4,7-triazacyclononane- κ^3 N)manganese(II) di- μ -diselenido-bis[selenidoarsenate(III)]

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The title compound, $[\text{Mn}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3)_2][\text{As}_2\text{Se}_6]$, contains a sandwich-like centrosymmetric complex cation with two tridentate 9-aneN₃ (1,4,7-triazacyclononane) ligands, which coordinate the Mn^{II} atom in an octahedral manner. AsSe₃ pyramids are linked by two Se—Se bonds into the centrosymmetric chair-shaped six-membered ring of the [As₂Se₆]²⁻ counter-anions.

Comment

In contrast to thio- and selenidoantimonates containing trivalent antimony (Sheldrick & Wachhold, 1998; Van Almsick & Sheldrick, 2005a), only a limited number of structural types are known for the corresponding oligo- and polymeric selenidoarsenates (Sheldrick, 2000). In selenidoarsenates(III), AsSe₃ pyramids are typically connected by shared corners or Se—Se bonds into either discrete ring-shaped anions or infinite chains. Cyclic $[\{\text{AsSe}_2\}_n]^{n-}$ anions have been structurally characterized in Ba₂As₂Se₅ (Cordier *et al.*, 1985) for $n = 2$, in [Sr(en)₄]₂(As₃Se₆)Cl (en = ethylenediamine; Sheldrick & Kaub, 1985) and [Mn(dien)₂]₃[As₃Se₆]₂ (dien = diethylenetriamine; Fu *et al.*, 2005) for $n = 3$, and in Cs₄As₄Se₈ (Van Almsick & Sheldrick, 2006a) for $n = 4$. Polymeric [AsSe₂]⁻ chains are present in the alkali metal phases AAsSe₂ [$A = \text{Na}$ (Eisenmann & Schäfer, 1979) and $A = \text{K-Cs}$ (Sheldrick & Häusler, 1988)]. Edge bridging of AsSe₃ pyramids and bipyramidal As₂Se₄ units with direct As—As bonds is observed in the discrete [As₄Se₆]²⁻ anions of (PPh₄)₂[As₄Se₆] (Ansari *et al.*, 1992) and [K(2.2.2-crypt)₂][As₄Se₆] (2.2.2-crypt = 4,7,13,16,21,24-hexaoxa-1,10-diazabicyclo[8.8.8]hexacosane) (Smith *et al.*, 1996) and in the polymeric chains of Cs₂As₄Se₆ (Van Almsick & Sheldrick, 2006b).

The linkage of AsSe₃ pyramids into infinite chains has only been observed for the phases AAsSe₃. $x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ($A = \text{K}$, $x = 1$; $A = \text{Rb}$ and Cs , $x = 0.5$; Sheldrick & Kaub, 1986). In contrast, the dimeric chair-shaped [As₂Se₆]²⁻ comprising two AsSe₃ pyramids connected by two Se—Se bonds has been isolated in the presence of a variety of large cations, as reported in (NEt₄)₂[As₂Se₆] (Smith *et al.*, 1998), (PPh₄)₂[As₂Se₆] (Ansari *et al.*, 1992), (PPh₄)₂[As₂Se₆], 2CH₃CN (Czado & Müller, 1998), [M(en)₃][As₂Se₆] ($M = \text{Mn, Ni}$; Fu *et al.*, 2005), [Na(2.2.2-crypt)₂][As₂Se₆] (Belin & Charbonnel, 1982) and [Cs(18-crown-6)₂][As₂Se₆] (18-crown-6 = 1,4,7,10,13,16-hexaoxacyclooctadecane; Van Almsick & Sheldrick, 2005b). We considered it of interest to employ a centrosymmetric sandwich-like transition-metal-containing counter-cation to isolate a selenidoarsenate under solvothermal conditions.

The title compound [Mn(9-aneN₃)₂][As₂Se₆], (I) (9-aneN₃ = 1,4,7-triazacyclononane), represents the first selenidoarsenate(III) with a centrosymmetric cation and once again contains

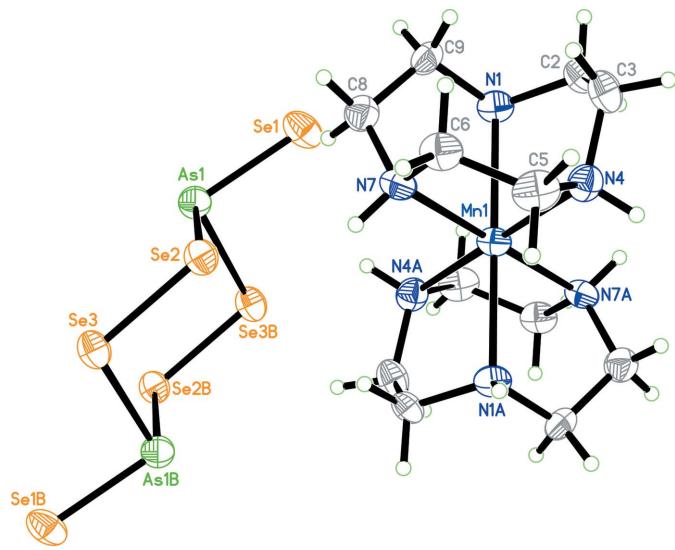


Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry codes: (A) $-x, 2 - y, 1 - z$, (B) $-x, 1 - y, 1 - z$.]

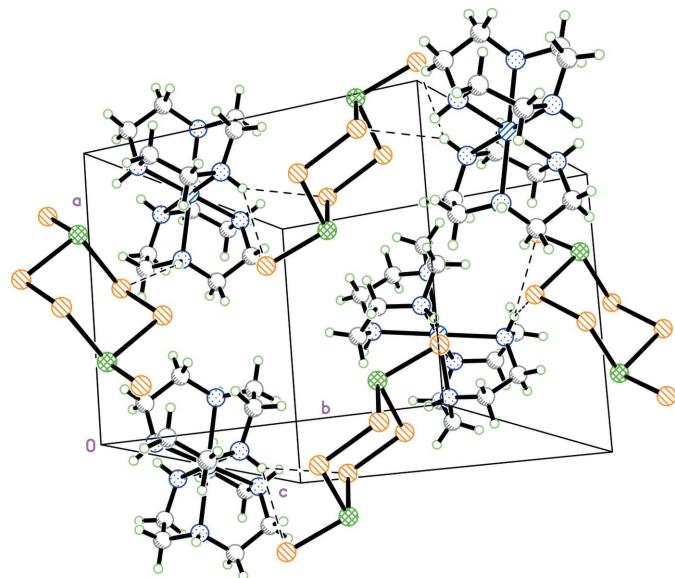
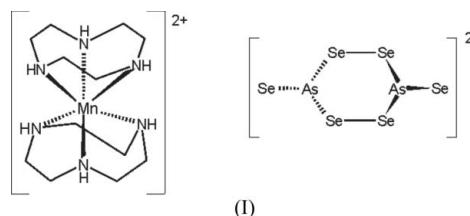


Figure 2

The packing of (I). Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

the common centrosymmetric $[\text{As}_2\text{Se}_6]^{2-}$ anion, thereby indicating that their formation is effectively independent of the shape, symmetry or charge of the bulky non-interacting counter-cation. As illustrated in Fig. 1, the anions of (I) exhibit a chair-shaped conformation with typical dimensions. The terminal more polar $\text{As}1-\text{Se}1$ bond exhibits a distance of 2.2879 (12) Å much shorter than those of 2.4404 (12) and 2.4252 (12) Å for the endocyclic $\text{As}1-\text{Se}2$ and $\text{As}1-\text{Se}3(-x, 1 - y, 1 - z)$ bonds. The $\text{Se}2-\text{Se}3$ distance of 2.3461 (11) Å lies in the typical range for polyselenide anions (Müller *et al.*, 1993). The shortest intermolecular $\text{Se}\cdots\text{Se}$ interaction is that between $\text{Se}1$ and $\text{Se}2$ ($\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{3}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$) with a length of

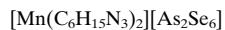
3.972 (2) Å. Cations and anions are linked by $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Se}$ hydrogen bonds (Table 1) into the polymeric network shown in Fig. 2.



Experimental

As (42.8 mg, 0.57 mmol), Se (82.4 mg, 1.04 mmol) and $[\text{MnCl}_3(9\text{-aneN}_3)]$ (150.6 mg, 0.52 mmol) were heated to 463 K in a 1:1 mixture (1 ml) of CH_3OH and H_2O in the presence of Cs_2CO_3 (165.3 mg, 0.51 mmol). After 30 h, the solution was cooled to 293 K at a rate of 1.5 K h^{-1} to afford orange crystals of $[\text{Mn}(9\text{-aneN}_3)_2][\text{As}_2\text{Se}_6]$ in 70% yield.

Crystal data



$M_r = 936.96$

Monoclinic, P_{21}/n

$a = 9.222$ (3) Å

$b = 12.179$ (3) Å

$c = 11.249$ (4) Å

$\beta = 96.54$ (2)°

$V = 1255.1$ (6) Å³

$Z = 2$

$D_v = 2.479$ Mg m⁻³

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

$\mu = 11.86$ mm⁻¹

$T = 292$ (2) K

Block, orange

$0.45 \times 0.25 \times 0.18$ mm

Data collection

Siemens P4 four-circle diffractometer

ω scans

Absorption correction: ψ scan (XPREP in SHELXTL; Sheldrick, 1995)

$T_{\min} = 0.014$, $T_{\max} = 0.120$

2908 measured reflections

2200 independent reflections

1729 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.047$

$\theta_{\max} = 25.0$ °

3 standard reflections every 100 reflections intensity decay: 3%

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$

$wR(F^2) = 0.110$

$S = 1.04$

2200 reflections

124 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[σ_o^2(F_o^2) + (0.0685P)^2]$

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(Δσ)_{\max} < 0.001$

$Δρ_{\max} = 1.23$ e Å⁻³

$Δρ_{\min} = -0.95$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
N4—H4 ⁱ ···Se1 ⁱ	0.91	2.95	3.716 (6)	143
N4—H4 ⁱ ···Se2 ⁱ	0.91	2.93	3.677 (6)	141
N7—H7 ⁱⁱ ···Se1 ⁱⁱ	0.91	2.72	3.556 (6)	152
N1—H1 ⁱⁱⁱ ···Se3 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.91	2.78	3.562 (6)	145

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x, -y + 2, -z + 1$; (ii) $x - \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, z - \frac{1}{2}$; (iii) $x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$.

H atoms were constrained to idealized positions and refined using a riding model, with C—H = 0.97 Å, N—H = 0.91 Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C,N})$. The highest peak is located 1.17 Å from atom Se₃ and the deepest hole 0.86 Å from As1.

Data collection: *XSCANS* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *XSCANS*; data reduction: *XSCANS*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* in *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1995); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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