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Aqua(hexamethylenetetramine-*kN*)bis(methanol)bis(thiocyanato-*kN*)nickel(II)

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 293 K; mean σ (N–C) = 0.003 Å; R factor = 0.031; wR factor = 0.077; data-to-parameter ratio = 19.7.

The Ni atom in the title complex, $[Ni(SCN)_2(C_6H_{14}N_4)-(CH_4O)_2(H_2O)]$, is six-coordinate in a slightly distorted octahedral environment. The hexamethylenetetramine ligand binds to the Ni atom through only one of its N atoms, *trans* to the coordinated water molecule. The thiocyanate and methanol ligands are also mutually *trans*. In the crystal structure, complex molecules are linked by four different kinds of hydrogen bonds (O-H···S, O-H···N, C-H···N and C-H···O) to form a three-dimensional network structure.

Related literature

For information on the self-assembly of transition-metal complexes, see: Guo *et al.* (2002); Kumar *et al.* (2007); Venkateswaran *et al.* (2007). For complexes of the hexamethylenetetramine (hmt) ligand, see: Liu *et al.* (2006); Zhang *et al.* (1999); Meng *et al.* (2001); Li *et al.* (2002).



Experimental

Crystal data $[Ni(SCN)_2(C_6H_{14}N_4)-(CH_4O)_2(H_2O)]$ $M_r = 397.17$

Orthorhombic, *Pbca* a = 14.069 (3) Å b = 15.312 (3) Å c = 16.036 (3) Å V = 3454.6 (12) Å³ Z = 8Mo *K* α radiation

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer Absorption correction: none 20196 measured reflections

Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$ 201 parameters $wR(F^2) = 0.077$ H-atom parameters constrainedS = 1.01 $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.63$ e Å $^{-3}$ 3954 reflections $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.53$ e Å $^{-3}$

 $\mu = 1.38 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.037$

 $0.25 \times 0.20 \times 0.20$ mm

3954 independent reflections

3102 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Table 1 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$O1W - H1WB \cdots S2^{i}$	0.85	2.61	3.431 (2)	162
$O1 - H1A \cdots N6^{i}$	0.85	1.93	2.762 (2)	165
$O1W - H1WD \cdots N5^{ii}$	0.85	2.02	2.836 (2)	162
$O2-H2A\cdots N4^{iii}$	0.85	2.09	2.839 (2)	148
$C3-H3A\cdots N1$	0.97	2.50	3.084 (3)	119
$C3 - H3B \cdots O2$	0.97	2.53	3.130 (3)	120
$C7 - H7A \cdots O1$	0.97	2.59	2.962 (3)	103
C10−H10B····N2	0.96	2.52	3.156 (4)	123
Symmetry codes: (i) -x + 2, -y + 2, -z + 1.	$x+\frac{1}{2}, y, -z$	$+\frac{1}{2};$ (ii)	$-x+2, y+\frac{1}{2}, -x$	$z + \frac{1}{2};$ (iii)

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2000); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2000); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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Comment

During the past decade, the self-assembly of transition metal ions and organic molecules has become a powerful methodology for the construction of different supramolecular architectures with unusual and interesting properties either by strong metal-ligand bonding or by weaker bonding forces such as hydrogen bonding and $\pi - \pi$ interactions (Guo, *et al.*, 2002; Kumar, Das *et al.*, 2007; Venkateswaran *et al.*, 2007). Among the ligands, hexamethylenetetramine (hmt) as a potential tetradentate ligand or hydrogen bond acceptor seems quite suitable in self-assembly systems. Several groups have reported that Co(II), Mn(II) or Ni(II) complexes with hmt and SCN⁻ as ligands form two- or three-dimensional networks (Liu *et al.*, 2006; Zhang *et al.*, 1999; Meng *et al.*, 2001; Li *et al.*, 2002). Herein, we present a new hmt complex, (I), of nickel(II) with SCN⁻, Fig 1. The title complex, which contains one nickel center, one hmt, two NCS⁻, two coordinated methanol molecules and one coordinated water molecule, forms a mononuclear complex (Fig.1). The Ni²⁺ atom has a distorted octahedral coordination geometry. The N atom of hmt and the O atom of the water molecule, the N atoms of the two isothiocyanates and the O atoms of both methanol molecules are each mutually *trans* to each other. Intramolecular C—H···N and C—H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 2) are important factors in the stabilization of the molecule.

In the crystal structure, molecules interact with each other, forming a three-dimensional supramolecular network through multiform intermolecular hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2 and Table 1). The O_1 , O_2 and O_{1w} atoms form three O—H···N hydrogen bonds with the N_6 , N_4 and N_5 atoms of the adjacent hmt ligand, respectively. In addition, an O_{1w} —H···S₂ hydrogen bond is also found in the solid state.

Experimental

All chemicals were of reagent grade quality obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. The hexamethylenetetramine (0.50 mmol, 0.07 g), KSCN (2 mmol, 0.19 g) and NiCl₂·6H₂O (0.50 mmol, 0.12 g) were mixed in methanol (25 ml). The green solution was left for several weeks at room temperature to afford green crystals (yield 68%).

Refinement

All H-atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model with d(C-H) = 0.97 Å, $U_{iso} = 1.2U_{eq}$ (C) for CH₂, 0.96 Å, $U_{iso} = 1.5U_{eq}$ (C) for CH₃ atoms and 0.85 Å, $U_{iso} = 1.2U_{eq}$ (O) for the OH groups.

Figures



Fig. 1. The molecular structure of the title complex, with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. The hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.



Fig. 2. Perspective view of the three-dimensional showing the intermolecular hydrogen bonds as dashed lines.

Aqua(hexamethylenetetramine-κN)bis(methanol)bis(thiocyanato-κN)nickel(II)

 $F_{000} = 1664$

 $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$

 $\theta = 2.3 - 27.0^{\circ}$

 $\mu = 1.38 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

T = 293 (2) K

Block, green

 $0.25\times0.20\times0.20~mm$

 $D_{\rm x} = 1.527 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo *K* α radiation

Cell parameters from 5794 reflections

Crystal data

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Radiation source: sealed tube	$R_{\rm int} = 0.037$
Monochromator: graphite	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^{\circ}$
T = 293(2) K	$\theta_{\min} = 2.3^{\circ}$
ϕ and ω scans	$h = -17 \rightarrow 18$
Absorption correction: none	$k = -19 \rightarrow 19$
20196 measured reflections	$l = -15 \rightarrow 20$
3954 independent reflections	

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$ H-atom parameters constrained $wR(F^2) = 0.077$ $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0346P)^2 + 1.4403P]$ $wrere P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ S = 1.02 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.002$ 3954 reflections $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.63$ e Å⁻³201 parameters $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.53$ e Å⁻³Primary atom site location: structure-invariant directExtinction correction parameters

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Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (A^2)

	x	у	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}$ */ $U_{\rm eq}$
Ni1	1.051115 (17)	1.037270 (16)	0.284126 (16)	0.02737 (9)
N1	1.15174 (12)	0.97450 (11)	0.35135 (12)	0.0348 (4)
C1	1.21094 (14)	0.94091 (13)	0.38983 (13)	0.0298 (4)
S1	1.29502 (5)	0.89385 (4)	0.44312 (5)	0.0560 (2)
N2	0.95730 (13)	1.10636 (13)	0.21696 (12)	0.0379 (4)
C2	0.90475 (15)	1.14612 (13)	0.17719 (13)	0.0308 (4)
S2	0.83037 (4)	1.20509 (4)	0.12261 (4)	0.04665 (16)
N3	0.94070 (11)	0.94372 (10)	0.32743 (10)	0.0248 (3)
N4	0.88319 (12)	0.86786 (11)	0.45339 (11)	0.0319 (4)
N5	0.88039 (12)	0.79295 (11)	0.31899 (10)	0.0307 (4)
N6	0.77062 (11)	0.91318 (11)	0.34617 (11)	0.0294 (4)
C3	0.95225 (14)	0.93031 (14)	0.41893 (12)	0.0301 (4)
H3A	1.0160	0.9092	0.4299	0.036*
H3B	0.9450	0.9860	0.4471	0.036*
C4	0.89509 (16)	0.78346 (14)	0.40984 (13)	0.0353 (5)
H4A	0.9585	0.7611	0.4202	0.042*
H4B	0.8498	0.7416	0.4318	0.042*
C5	0.78700 (15)	0.90098 (15)	0.43675 (13)	0.0346 (5)
H5A	0.7784	0.9563	0.4652	0.042*
H5B	0.7406	0.8601	0.4586	0.042*
C6	0.78424 (15)	0.82792 (14)	0.30448 (14)	0.0338 (5)
H6A	0.7376	0.7867	0.3253	0.041*
H6B	0.7740	0.8347	0.2450	0.041*
C7	0.94994 (14)	0.85635 (13)	0.28606 (13)	0.0290 (4)
H7A	0.9404	0.8630	0.2265	0.035*
H7B	1.0137	0.8341	0.2948	0.035*
C8	0.84141 (13)	0.97490 (13)	0.31293 (13)	0.0284 (4)
H8A	0.8330	1.0313	0.3395	0.034*

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H8B	0.8311	0.9824	0.2535	0.034*
01	1.08313 (10)	0.95834 (10)	0.18127 (9)	0.0344 (3)
H1A	1.1430	0.9511	0.1796	0.041*
C9	1.05023 (17)	0.9745 (2)	0.09820 (15)	0.0551 (7)
H9A	1.0726	0.9291	0.0619	0.083*
H9B	1.0740	1.0298	0.0793	0.083*
H9C	0.9820	0.9754	0.0977	0.083*
O2	1.02424 (11)	1.12126 (9)	0.38967 (9)	0.0396 (4)
H2A	1.0708	1.1218	0.4234	0.048*
C10	0.9735 (3)	1.20139 (19)	0.39099 (19)	0.0753 (10)
H10A	0.9296	1.2013	0.4369	0.113*
H10B	0.9390	1.2081	0.3397	0.113*
H10C	1.0173	1.2489	0.3973	0.113*
O1W	1.15882 (11)	1.12462 (9)	0.24620 (10)	0.0408 (4)
H1WB	1.1952	1.1361	0.2871	0.049*
H1WD	1.1343	1.1721	0.2292	0.049*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Ni1	0.02452 (14)	0.02876 (15)	0.02882 (15)	0.00163 (10)	-0.00440 (10)	0.00596 (10)
N1	0.0296 (10)	0.0369 (10)	0.0378 (10)	0.0010 (8)	-0.0052 (8)	0.0060 (8)
C1	0.0302 (11)	0.0277 (10)	0.0315 (11)	-0.0021 (8)	-0.0029 (9)	-0.0016 (8)
S1	0.0549 (4)	0.0463 (4)	0.0668 (5)	0.0131 (3)	-0.0356 (3)	-0.0032 (3)
N2	0.0335 (10)	0.0405 (10)	0.0398 (11)	0.0044 (8)	-0.0047 (8)	0.0108 (8)
C2	0.0303 (11)	0.0308 (11)	0.0313 (11)	0.0006 (9)	-0.0006 (9)	0.0019 (9)
S2	0.0430 (3)	0.0513 (4)	0.0457 (4)	0.0130 (3)	-0.0128 (3)	0.0088 (3)
N3	0.0241 (8)	0.0275 (8)	0.0228 (8)	0.0004 (6)	-0.0025 (6)	0.0015 (6)
N4	0.0333 (10)	0.0356 (10)	0.0269 (9)	-0.0019 (7)	0.0003 (7)	0.0042 (7)
N5	0.0342 (10)	0.0263 (9)	0.0318 (9)	-0.0009(7)	0.0025 (7)	-0.0004 (7)
N6	0.0247 (9)	0.0318 (9)	0.0318 (9)	-0.0007 (7)	0.0004 (7)	-0.0013 (7)
C3	0.0296 (11)	0.0368 (11)	0.0239 (10)	-0.0031 (9)	-0.0032 (8)	0.0019 (8)
C4	0.0357 (12)	0.0318 (11)	0.0385 (12)	0.0014 (9)	0.0007 (9)	0.0079 (9)
C5	0.0303 (11)	0.0443 (13)	0.0294 (11)	0.0001 (9)	0.0062 (9)	-0.0017 (9)
C6	0.0310(11)	0.0348 (11)	0.0356 (12)	-0.0055 (9)	-0.0019 (9)	-0.0024 (9)
C7	0.0296 (10)	0.0289 (10)	0.0285 (10)	0.0022 (8)	0.0041 (8)	-0.0016 (8)
C8	0.0250 (10)	0.0297 (10)	0.0307 (10)	0.0021 (8)	-0.0025 (8)	0.0006 (8)
01	0.0246 (7)	0.0492 (9)	0.0292 (8)	-0.0004 (6)	-0.0002 (6)	0.0020 (7)
C9	0.0417 (15)	0.091 (2)	0.0326 (13)	0.0067 (14)	-0.0027 (10)	-0.0001 (13)
02	0.0487 (9)	0.0349 (8)	0.0352 (9)	0.0078 (7)	-0.0121 (7)	-0.0017 (7)
C10	0.115 (3)	0.0549 (18)	0.0561 (18)	0.0408 (18)	-0.0207 (18)	-0.0111 (14)
O1W	0.0380 (9)	0.0340 (8)	0.0504 (10)	-0.0035 (7)	-0.0073 (7)	0.0114 (7)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Ni1—N2	2.005 (2)	С3—Н3В	0.9700
Ni1—N1	2.022 (2)	C4—H4A	0.9700
Ni1—O1	2.094 (2)	C4—H4B	0.9700
Ni1—O1W	2.111 (2)	C5—H5A	0.9700

Ni1—O2	2.159 (2)	С5—Н5В	0.9700
Ni1—N3	2.224 (2)	С6—Н6А	0.9700
N1—C1	1.157 (3)	С6—Н6В	0.9700
C1—S1	1.627 (2)	С7—Н7А	0.9700
N2—C2	1.151 (3)	С7—Н7В	0.9700
C2—S2	1.636 (2)	C8—H8A	0.9700
N3—C3	1.490 (2)	C8—H8B	0.9700
N3—C8	1.494 (2)	O1—C9	1.432 (3)
N3—C7	1.499 (2)	O1—H1A	0.8500
N4—C5	1.470 (3)	С9—Н9А	0.9600
N4—C3	1.471 (3)	С9—Н9В	0.9600
N4—C4	1.479 (3)	С9—Н9С	0.9600
N5—C6	1.473 (3)	O2—C10	1.420 (3)
N5—C7	1.476 (3)	O2—H2A	0.8500
N5—C4	1.479 (3)	C10—H10A	0.9600
N6—C8	1.473 (2)	C10—H10B	0.9600
N6—C6	1.479 (3)	C10—H10C	0.9600
N6—C5	1.482 (3)	O1W—H1WB	0.8500
С3—НЗА	0.9700	O1W—H1WD	0.8500
N2—Ni1—N1	176.16 (7)	N4—C5—N6	111.39 (16)
N2—Ni1—O1	91.32 (7)	N4—C5—H5A	109.4
N1—Ni1—O1	89.71 (7)	N6C5H5A	109.4
N2—Ni1—O1W	89.05 (7)	N4—C5—H5B	109.4
N1—Ni1—O1W	87.26 (7)	N6—C5—H5B	109.4
O1—Ni1—O1W	89.10 (6)	H5A—C5—H5B	108.0
N2—Ni1—O2	89.51 (7)	N5—C6—N6	111.62 (16)
N1—Ni1—O2	89.31 (7)	N5—C6—H6A	109.3
01—Ni1—O2	177.47 (6)	N6—C6—H6A	109.3
01W—Ni1—02	88.52 (6)	N5—C6—H6B	109.3
N2—Ni1—N3	92.74 (7)	N6—C6—H6B	109.3
N1—Ni1—N3	90.94 (7)	H6A—C6—H6B	108.0
O1—Ni1—N3	91.40 (6)	N5—C7—N3	111.79 (15)
O1W—Ni1—N3	178.13 (6)	N5—C7—H7A	109.3
O2—Ni1—N3	90.95 (6)	N3—C7—H7A	109.3
C1—N1—Ni1	177.90 (17)	N5—C7—H7B	109.3
N1—C1—S1	179.4 (2)	N3—C7—H7B	109.3
C2—N2—Ni1	178.66 (19)	H7A—C7—H7B	107.9
N2—C2—S2	178.3 (2)	N6—C8—N3	111.76 (15)
C3—N3—C8	107.41 (15)	N6—C8—H8A	109.3
C3—N3—C7	107.66 (15)	N3—C8—H8A	109.3
C8—N3—C7	107.29 (15)	N6—C8—H8B	109.3
C3—N3—Ni1	108.66 (11)	N3—C8—H8B	109.3
C8—N3—Ni1	113.48 (11)	H8A—C8—H8B	107.9
C7—N3—Ni1	112.09 (11)	C9—O1—Ni1	124.31 (15)
C5—N4—C3	108.40 (16)	C9—O1—H1A	108.3
C5—N4—C4	108.67 (17)	Ni1—O1—H1A	108.3
C3—N4—C4	108.42 (16)	О1—С9—Н9А	109.5
C6—N5—C7	108.24 (16)	О1—С9—Н9В	109.5
C6—N5—C4	108.65 (16)	Н9А—С9—Н9В	109.5

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C7—N5—C4	108.93 (16)	О1—С9—Н9С	109.5
C8—N6—C6	108.37 (16)	Н9А—С9—Н9С	109.5
C8—N6—C5	109.29 (16)	Н9В—С9—Н9С	109.5
C6—N6—C5	108.14 (16)	C10—O2—Ni1	127.92 (15)
N4—C3—N3	112.79 (16)	C10—O2—H2A	111.7
N4—C3—H3A	109.0	Ni1—O2—H2A	111.7
N3—C3—H3A	109.0	O2-C10-H10A	109.5
N4—C3—H3B	109.0	O2-C10-H10B	109.5
N3—C3—H3B	109.0	H10A—C10—H10B	109.5
НЗА—СЗ—НЗВ	107.8	O2-C10-H10C	109.5
N5-C4-N4	111.32 (16)	H10A—C10—H10C	109.5
N5—C4—H4A	109.4	H10B-C10-H10C	109.5
N4—C4—H4A	109.4	Ni1—O1W—H1WB	109.9
N5—C4—H4B	109.4	Ni1—O1W—H1WD	110.0
N4—C4—H4B	109.4	H1WB—O1W—H1WD	108.3
H4A—C4—H4B	108.0		

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

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O2—H2A····N4 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.85	2.09	2.839 (2)	148
C3—H3A…N1	0.97	2.50	3.084 (3)	119
С3—Н3В…О2	0.97	2.53	3.130 (3)	120
C7—H7A…O1	0.97	2.59	2.962 (3)	103
C10—H10B…N2	0.96	2.52	3.156 (4)	123

Symmetry codes: (i) *x*+1/2, *y*, -*z*+1/2; (ii) -*x*+2, *y*+1/2, -*z*+1/2; (iii) -*x*+2, -*y*+2, -*z*+1.



Fig. 1

Fig. 2

