

## 4,4'-(Propane-1,3-diyl)dipyridinium tetrachloridonickelate(II)

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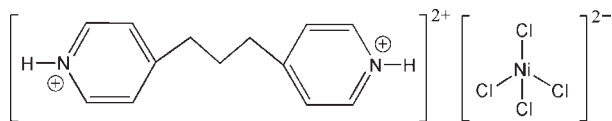
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 294$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.029;  $wR$  factor = 0.045; data-to-parameter ratio = 17.2.

The title compound,  $(\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2)[\text{NiCl}_4]$  or  $(\text{H}_2\text{bpp})\cdot\text{NiCl}_4$  [bpp is 1,3-bis(4-pyridyl)propane], is isostructural with its already reported Cu, Zn and Hg analogues. The structure consists of a doubly charged  $(\text{H}_2\text{bpp})^{2+}$  cation and a tetrahedral  $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$  dianion. Both pyridyl N atoms are protonated and form a  $(\text{H}_2\text{bpp})^{2+}$  cation which adopts an *anti-anti* conformation with a dihedral angle of  $6.287(7)^\circ$  between the pyridyl rings. The two pyridyl N atoms are both involved in strong  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  hydrogen bonds, which link both units into a dimer.

### Related literature

For the isostructural Cu, Zn and Hg analogues, see: Kao & Chen (2004).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

 $(\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2)[\text{NiCl}_4]$ 
 $M_r = 400.79$ 

Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 7.2358(7)$  Å  
 $b = 20.773(2)$  Å  
 $c = 11.1246(11)$  Å  
 $\beta = 90.627(1)^\circ$   
 $V = 1672.1(3)$  Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 1.79$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 294$  K  
 $0.36 \times 0.25 \times 0.24$  mm

#### Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD area-detector diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.565$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.673$

12584 measured reflections  
 3107 independent reflections  
 2556 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.026$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.029$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.045$   
 $S = 1.90$   
 3107 reflections

181 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.36$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.45$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H1A}\cdots\text{Cl1}^{\text{i}}$	0.86	2.43	3.150 (2)	142
$\text{N2}-\text{H2A}\cdots\text{Cl3}^{\text{ii}}$	0.86	2.25	3.114 (2)	178

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

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2004); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2004); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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### Comment

The title complex (I) is isostructural with its analogues (H<sub>2</sub>bpp).CuCl<sub>4</sub> and (H<sub>2</sub>bpp).MCl<sub>4</sub>.H<sub>2</sub>O (*M* = Zn, Hg) (Kao and Chen, 2004), whose structures have been described in detail. The structure consists of a doubly charged (H<sub>2</sub>bpp)<sup>2+</sup> cation and a tetrahedral NiCl<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> dianion (Figure 1). Both pyridyl N atoms are protonated and form a (H<sub>2</sub>bpp)<sup>2+</sup> cation, which adopts an anti-anti conformations with a dihedral angle of 6.287° between the two pyridyl rings. The two pyridyl N atoms are both involved in strong N—H···Cl hydrogen bonds (Table 1) and link both units into a dimer (Figure 2).

### Experimental

NiCl<sub>2</sub>.6H<sub>2</sub>O (1.0 mmol, 0.237 g), bpp (1.0 mmol, 0.198 g) and oxydiacetic acid (1.0 mmol, 0.134 g) were dissolved in 20 ml of methanol-H<sub>2</sub>O (*v/v*, 1:3). Then the mixture was sealed in a 25 mL Teflon reactor and kept under autogeneous pressure at 403 K for 5 days. After cooling to room temperature at a rate of 6°C.h<sup>-1</sup>, blue block shaped crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were grown from the filtrate by slow evaporation. Yield: 200 mg (50% based on Ni). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>Cl<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>Ni(%): C, 38.92; H, 3.99; N, 6.98. Found: C, 38.85; H, 4.03; N, 6.85. CCDC 752249.

### Refinement

H atoms bonded to C and N atoms were positioned geometrically with C—H distance 0.93–0.97 Å and N—H distances of 0.8600 Å, and treated as riding atoms, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})=1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C},\text{N})$ .

### Figures

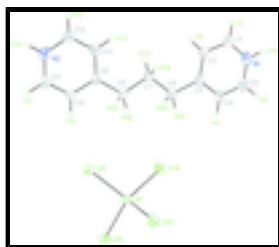


Fig. 1. Molecular structure of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level.

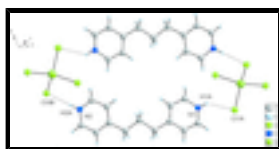


Fig. 2. The dimer of (I) formed by N—H···Cl hydrogen bonds showing as dashed lines.

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### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
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181 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.36 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.45 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
	Extinction correction: none

### 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.

**Refinement.** Refinement of  $F^2$  against ALL reflections. The weighted  $R$ -factor  $wR$  and goodness of fit  $S$  are based on  $F^2$ , conventional  $R$ -factors  $R$  are based on  $F$ , with  $F$  set to zero for negative  $F^2$ . The threshold expression of  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  is used only for calculating  $R$ -factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement.  $R$ -factors based on  $F^2$  are statistically about twice as large as those based on  $F$ , and  $R$ -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

*Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C1	0.9569 (3)	0.39288 (13)	0.4993 (2)	0.0604 (7)
H1	0.9940	0.4331	0.5272	0.073*
C2	0.7956 (3)	0.38678 (11)	0.4357 (2)	0.0534 (7)
H2	0.7226	0.4228	0.4204	0.064*
C3	0.7409 (3)	0.32701 (11)	0.3941 (2)	0.0425 (6)
C4	0.8519 (3)	0.27500 (12)	0.4223 (2)	0.0546 (7)
H4	0.8166	0.2340	0.3976	0.066*
C5	1.0119 (4)	0.28295 (13)	0.4855 (2)	0.0611 (7)
H5	1.0862	0.2476	0.5034	0.073*
C6	0.5730 (3)	0.31581 (10)	0.3173 (2)	0.0544 (7)
H6A	0.5005	0.2821	0.3546	0.065*
H6B	0.6135	0.2995	0.2403	0.065*
C7	0.4473 (3)	0.37229 (10)	0.2940 (2)	0.0462 (6)
H7A	0.5157	0.4064	0.2548	0.055*
H7B	0.4019	0.3888	0.3697	0.055*
C8	0.2851 (3)	0.35192 (10)	0.2146 (2)	0.0472 (6)
H8A	0.3340	0.3356	0.1397	0.057*
H8B	0.2227	0.3165	0.2539	0.057*
C9	0.1435 (3)	0.40250 (11)	0.1848 (2)	0.0403 (6)
C10	-0.0087 (3)	0.38588 (11)	0.1149 (2)	0.0497 (7)
H10	-0.0194	0.3442	0.0853	0.060*
C11	-0.1429 (3)	0.42979 (12)	0.0891 (2)	0.0551 (7)
H11	-0.2454	0.4180	0.0429	0.066*
C12	0.0190 (3)	0.50868 (12)	0.1949 (2)	0.0594 (7)
H12	0.0274	0.5511	0.2213	0.071*
C13	0.1564 (3)	0.46566 (11)	0.2227 (2)	0.0519 (7)
H13	0.2589	0.4791	0.2673	0.062*
Cl1	-0.06721 (8)	0.21383 (3)	0.12980 (6)	0.05653 (19)
Cl2	-0.12187 (9)	0.05327 (3)	0.13195 (6)	0.05657 (19)
Cl3	-0.06868 (9)	0.09147 (3)	0.42665 (6)	0.0606 (2)
Cl4	0.29570 (8)	0.16495 (3)	0.30041 (6)	0.0633 (2)

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N1	1.0614 (3)	0.34138 (11)	0.52139 (17)	0.0574 (6)
H1A	1.1641	0.3462	0.5601	0.069*
N2	-0.1267 (3)	0.48968 (10)	0.13015 (19)	0.0558 (6)
H2A	-0.2130	0.5170	0.1143	0.067*
Ni1	0.01874 (4)	0.129429 (13)	0.24398 (3)	0.03832 (9)

### Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0602 (19)	0.0548 (17)	0.066 (2)	-0.0016 (15)	-0.0134 (15)	0.0003 (15)
C2	0.0527 (17)	0.0443 (15)	0.0628 (18)	0.0060 (12)	-0.0155 (14)	0.0009 (13)
C3	0.0421 (15)	0.0413 (14)	0.0441 (15)	0.0019 (11)	-0.0031 (12)	0.0036 (12)
C4	0.0569 (17)	0.0454 (15)	0.0613 (18)	0.0086 (13)	-0.0117 (14)	-0.0033 (14)
C5	0.0621 (19)	0.0602 (19)	0.0610 (19)	0.0188 (15)	-0.0051 (15)	0.0026 (16)
C6	0.0508 (17)	0.0451 (15)	0.0669 (19)	0.0019 (12)	-0.0131 (14)	0.0016 (14)
C7	0.0389 (14)	0.0463 (14)	0.0533 (16)	-0.0002 (12)	-0.0049 (12)	0.0005 (13)
C8	0.0482 (16)	0.0417 (14)	0.0515 (16)	0.0019 (12)	-0.0069 (12)	0.0035 (12)
C9	0.0373 (14)	0.0404 (14)	0.0433 (15)	-0.0034 (11)	-0.0009 (11)	0.0003 (12)
C10	0.0482 (16)	0.0410 (15)	0.0597 (18)	-0.0033 (12)	-0.0107 (13)	-0.0013 (13)
C11	0.0455 (16)	0.0567 (17)	0.0627 (19)	-0.0034 (14)	-0.0103 (13)	0.0016 (15)
C12	0.0577 (18)	0.0470 (16)	0.073 (2)	0.0026 (14)	-0.0017 (15)	-0.0097 (15)
C13	0.0435 (15)	0.0476 (15)	0.0643 (18)	-0.0020 (12)	-0.0090 (13)	-0.0059 (14)
Cl1	0.0603 (4)	0.0411 (4)	0.0678 (5)	-0.0059 (3)	-0.0164 (3)	0.0108 (3)
Cl2	0.0692 (5)	0.0397 (4)	0.0607 (4)	-0.0071 (3)	-0.0095 (3)	-0.0059 (3)
Cl3	0.0596 (4)	0.0696 (5)	0.0525 (4)	-0.0197 (3)	-0.0093 (3)	0.0093 (4)
Cl4	0.0462 (4)	0.0542 (4)	0.0892 (5)	-0.0103 (3)	-0.0145 (4)	0.0059 (4)
N1	0.0438 (14)	0.0767 (16)	0.0514 (14)	0.0044 (12)	-0.0110 (11)	0.0038 (13)
N2	0.0462 (14)	0.0540 (14)	0.0671 (16)	0.0139 (11)	0.0006 (11)	0.0067 (12)
Ni1	0.03720 (18)	0.03082 (16)	0.04678 (19)	-0.00285 (13)	-0.00648 (13)	0.00183 (15)

### Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ , $^\circ$ )

C1—N1	1.332 (3)	C8—H8A	0.9700
C1—C2	1.364 (3)	C8—H8B	0.9700
C1—H1	0.9300	C9—C13	1.381 (3)
C2—C3	1.381 (3)	C9—C10	1.385 (3)
C2—H2	0.9300	C10—C11	1.361 (3)
C3—C4	1.380 (3)	C10—H10	0.9300
C3—C6	1.496 (3)	C11—N2	1.330 (3)
C4—C5	1.358 (3)	C11—H11	0.9300
C4—H4	0.9300	C12—N2	1.330 (3)
C5—N1	1.326 (3)	C12—C13	1.370 (3)
C5—H5	0.9300	C12—H12	0.9300
C6—C7	1.505 (3)	C13—H13	0.9300
C6—H6A	0.9700	Cl1—Ni1	2.2487 (6)
C6—H6B	0.9700	Cl2—Ni1	2.2503 (6)
C7—C8	1.521 (3)	Cl3—Ni1	2.2760 (7)
C7—H7A	0.9700	Cl4—Ni1	2.2198 (7)
C7—H7B	0.9700	N1—H1A	0.8600

C8—C9	1.502 (3)	N2—H2A	0.8600
N1—C1—C2	120.2 (2)	C9—C8—H8B	108.1
N1—C1—H1	119.9	C7—C8—H8B	108.1
C2—C1—H1	119.9	H8A—C8—H8B	107.3
C1—C2—C3	119.8 (2)	C13—C9—C10	117.3 (2)
C1—C2—H2	120.1	C13—C9—C8	123.6 (2)
C3—C2—H2	120.1	C10—C9—C8	119.1 (2)
C4—C3—C2	117.6 (2)	C11—C10—C9	120.9 (2)
C4—C3—C6	118.3 (2)	C11—C10—H10	119.6
C2—C3—C6	124.0 (2)	C9—C10—H10	119.6
C5—C4—C3	120.9 (2)	N2—C11—C10	119.6 (2)
C5—C4—H4	119.6	N2—C11—H11	120.2
C3—C4—H4	119.6	C10—C11—H11	120.2
N1—C5—C4	119.6 (2)	N2—C12—C13	119.8 (2)
N1—C5—H5	120.2	N2—C12—H12	120.1
C4—C5—H5	120.2	C13—C12—H12	120.1
C3—C6—C7	117.56 (19)	C12—C13—C9	120.3 (2)
C3—C6—H6A	107.9	C12—C13—H13	119.9
C7—C6—H6A	107.9	C9—C13—H13	119.9
C3—C6—H6B	107.9	C5—N1—C1	121.9 (2)
C7—C6—H6B	107.9	C5—N1—H1A	119.1
H6A—C6—H6B	107.2	C1—N1—H1A	119.1
C6—C7—C8	110.12 (18)	C12—N2—C11	122.0 (2)
C6—C7—H7A	109.6	C12—N2—H2A	119.0
C8—C7—H7A	109.6	C11—N2—H2A	119.0
C6—C7—H7B	109.6	C14—Ni1—C11	98.27 (2)
C8—C7—H7B	109.6	C14—Ni1—C12	142.34 (3)
H7A—C7—H7B	108.2	C11—Ni1—C12	96.59 (3)
C9—C8—C7	116.96 (19)	C14—Ni1—C13	96.98 (3)
C9—C8—H8A	108.1	C11—Ni1—C13	134.16 (3)
C7—C8—H8A	108.1	C12—Ni1—C13	97.04 (3)
N1—C1—C2—C3	-0.1 (4)	C7—C8—C9—C10	-178.6 (2)
C1—C2—C3—C4	1.8 (4)	C13—C9—C10—C11	-2.5 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C6	-176.1 (2)	C8—C9—C10—C11	178.0 (2)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-2.0 (4)	C9—C10—C11—N2	0.8 (4)
C6—C3—C4—C5	176.0 (2)	N2—C12—C13—C9	-0.7 (4)
C3—C4—C5—N1	0.5 (4)	C10—C9—C13—C12	2.4 (4)
C4—C3—C6—C7	176.3 (2)	C8—C9—C13—C12	-178.1 (2)
C2—C3—C6—C7	-5.9 (4)	C4—C5—N1—C1	1.3 (4)
C3—C6—C7—C8	179.9 (2)	C2—C1—N1—C5	-1.5 (4)
C6—C7—C8—C9	178.7 (2)	C13—C12—N2—C11	-1.1 (4)
C7—C8—C9—C13	1.8 (3)	C10—C11—N2—C12	1.0 (4)

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Fig. 1

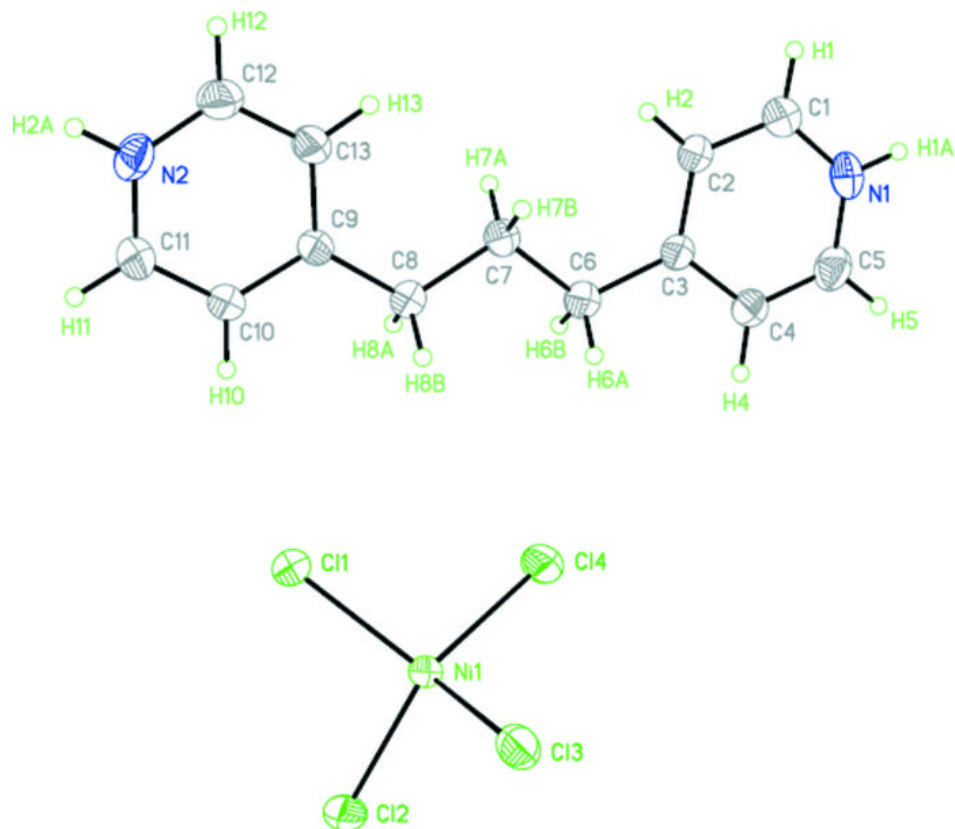




Fig. 2

