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Poly[[μ_4 -bis(4-pyridylcarbonyl)piperazine- $\kappa^4 N: N': O: O' lbis(thiocvanato-<math>\kappa N$)cobalt(II)]

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 173 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.005 Å; R factor = 0.037; wR factor = 0.105; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.2.

In the title compound, $[Co(NCS)_2(C_{16}H_{16}N_4O_2)]_n$, the octahedrally coordinated Co^{II} ion lies on a crystallographic inversion center, with trans isothiocyanate ligands. Pyridyl N-donor atoms and formyl O-donor atoms from exotetradentate bis(4-pyridylcarbonyl)piperazine (4-bpfp) ligands link the Co(NCS)₂ units into a $[Co(NCS)_2(4-bpfp)]_n$ coordination polymer layer that is oriented parallel to (101). The layers stack along [010] to construct the pseudo-three-dimensional structure.

Related literature

For divalent metal isophthalate coordination polymers containing bis(4-pyridylmethyl)piperazine ligands, see: Martin et al. (2007). For a cobalt isothiocyanate coordination polymer containing bis(4-pyridylmethyl)piperazine ligands, see: Martin et al. (2009). For the preparation of 4-bpfp, see: Hou et al. (2003).



Experimental

Crystal data

| $[Co(NCS)_2(C_{16}H_{16}N_4O_2)]$ | $\gamma = 119.136 \ (2)^{\circ}$ |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| $M_r = 471.44$ | $V = 479.58 (18) \text{ Å}^3$ |
| Triclinic, P1 | Z = 1 |
| a = 7.7410 (14) Å | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation |
| b = 7.8943 (15) Å | $\mu = 1.14 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ |
| c = 9.801 (3) Å | T = 173 K |
| $\alpha = 101.080 \ (2)^{\circ}$ | $0.42 \times 0.19 \times 0.07 \text{ mm}$ |
| $\beta = 102.264 \ (2)^{\circ}$ | |
| | |

Data collection

| Bruker APEXII CCD | |
|--|--|
| diffractometer | |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan | |
| (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996) | |
| $T_{\min} = 0.643, \ T_{\max} = 0.928$ | |

Refinement

| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$ | 133 parameters |
|---------------------------------|--|
| $wR(F^2) = 0.105$ | H-atom parameters constrained |
| S = 1.18 | $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.37 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |
| 1753 reflections | $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.55 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |

Table 1

Co

| Selected bond le | ngths (Å). |
|------------------|------------|
| Co1-N1 | 2.1739 (19 |
| C-1 N2 | 2 026 (2) |

| 1-N1 1-N3 | 2.1739 (19) 2.026 (2) | Co1-O1 ⁱ | 2.2034 (16) |
|--------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| | | | |

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

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: CrystalMaker (Palmer, 2007); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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Poly[[μ_4 -bis(4-pyridylcarbonyl)piperazine- $\kappa^4 N:N':O:O'$]bis(thiocyanato- κN)cobalt(II)]

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Comment

Recently our group has been investigating the synthesis of divalent metal coordination polymers containing aromatic dicarboxylate and bis(4-pyridyl-methyl)piperazine ligands (Martin *et al.*, 2007). To probe the structural effect of the presence of hydrogen-bond accepting formyl oxygen atoms in a similar ligand, we attempted to prepare a cobalt phthalate coordination polymer containing bis(4-pyridylcarbonyl)piperazine (4-bpfp). Use of cobalt(II) thiocyanate as the metal precursor afforded pink plates of the title compound.

The title compound crystallizes in the centrosymmetric triclinic space group with an asymmetric unit consisting of a Co^{II} ion on a crystallographic inversion center, one isothiocyanate ligand bound *via* its N atom, and one-half of a 4-bpfp molecule. The coordination environment at Co is a slightly distorted [CoN₄O₂] octahedron (Fig. 1), with *trans* isothiocyanate ligands, *trans* pyridyl N atom donors from two 4-bpfp ligands, and *trans* formyl O atom donors from two other 4-bpfp ligands.

Each 4-bpfp ligand is exotetradentate, ligating to Co atoms through both pyridyl N atoms and both formyl O atoms. As a result, $[Co(NCS)_2(4-bpfp)]_n$ coordination polymer layers are formed (Fig. 2), which are oriented parallel to the *ac* crystal planes. Fourteen-membered $[CoOC_4N]_2$ circuits, whose centroids rest on crystallographic inversion centers, are evident within the layer motifs. The Co…Co distances across these circuits denote the *a* lattice parameter. The through-ligand Co…Co distances across the full span of the 4-bpfp ligands measure 16.471 (4) Å.

Adjacent $[Co(NCS)_2(4-bpfp)]_n$ layers stack in an AAA pattern along the *b* direction (Fig. 3), with the isothiocyanate ligands projecting above and below the layer planes. Crystal packing forces cause aggregation of the layer motifs into *pseudo* three-dimensional crystal structure of the title compound.

Experimental

All starting materials were obtained commercially, except for 4-bpfp, which was prepared by a published procedure (Hou *et al.*, 2003). Cobalt(II) thiocyanate (130 mg, 0.74 mmol), phthalic acid (123 mg, 0.74 mmol) and 4-bpfp (110 mg, 0.37 mmol) were placed into 10 ml H₂O in a 23 ml Teflon-lined Parr acid digestion bomb. The bomb was heated at 393 K for 48 h and was then allowed to cool to room temperature. Pink plates of the title compound were obtained along with a white powdery solid.

Refinement

All H atoms bound to C atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C—H = 0.93 (CH) and 0.97 (CH₂) Å, and refined in a riding mode with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

Figures



Fig. 1. The coordination environment of the title compound, showing 50% probability ellipsoids. Hydrogen atom positions are shown as grey sticks. [Color codes: dark blue Co, yellow S, red O, light blue N, black C. Symmetry codes: (i) -x+1, -y+1, -z; (ii) -x, -y+1, -z; (iii) x+1, y, z; (iv) -x-1, -y+1, -z-1.]

Fig. 2. $[Co(NCS)_2(4-bpfp)]_n$ layer in the title compound.

Fig. 3. Packing diagram of the title compound.

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| $T_{\min} = 0.643, \ T_{\max} = 0.928$ | $k = -9 \rightarrow 9$ |
| 6955 measured reflections | $l = -11 \rightarrow 11$ |
| | |

Refinement

| Refinement on F^2 | Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Least-squares matrix: full | Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$ | Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.105$ | H-atom parameters constrained |
| <i>S</i> = 1.18 | $w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0458P)^{2} + 0.1032P]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$ |
| 1753 reflections | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$ |
| 133 parameters | $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.37 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |
| 0 restraints | $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.55 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |

| | x | У | Ζ | $U_{\rm iso}*/U_{\rm eq}$ |
|-----|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| Co1 | 0.5000 | 0.5000 | 0.0000 | 0.03453 (19) |
| S1 | 0.75373 (12) | 1.06782 (11) | 0.44195 (8) | 0.0504 (2) |
| N1 | 0.2531 (3) | 0.5500 (3) | -0.0887 (2) | 0.0359 (4) |
| N2 | -0.3493 (3) | 0.6090 (3) | -0.3539 (2) | 0.0384 (5) |
| N3 | 0.6324 (3) | 0.7503 (3) | 0.1850 (2) | 0.0409 (5) |
| C1 | 0.0560 (4) | 0.3911 (4) | -0.1764 (3) | 0.0391 (5) |
| H1 | 0.0304 | 0.2594 | -0.2075 | 0.047* |
| C2 | -0.1098 (4) | 0.4140 (4) | -0.2225 (3) | 0.0389 (5) |
| H2 | -0.2440 | 0.2996 | -0.2828 | 0.047* |
| C3 | -0.0749 (4) | 0.6093 (4) | -0.1781 (2) | 0.0364 (5) |
| C4 | 0.1289 (4) | 0.7751 (4) | -0.0883 (3) | 0.0402 (5) |
| H4 | 0.1589 | 0.9085 | -0.0564 | 0.048* |
| C5 | 0.2849 (4) | 0.7384 (4) | -0.0476 (3) | 0.0402 (5) |
| Н5 | 0.4208 | 0.8506 | 0.0119 | 0.048* |
| C6 | -0.2526 (4) | 0.6408 (3) | -0.2131 (3) | 0.0366 (5) |
| C7 | -0.5284 (4) | 0.6312 (4) | -0.3955 (3) | 0.0418 (6) |
| H7A | -0.4879 | 0.7492 | -0.4281 | 0.050* |
| H7B | -0.5682 | 0.6550 | -0.3099 | 0.050* |
| C8 | -0.2853 (4) | 0.5629 (4) | -0.4802 (3) | 0.0407 (6) |
| H8A | -0.1706 | 0.5438 | -0.4478 | 0.049* |
| H8B | -0.2349 | 0.6781 | -0.5163 | 0.049* |
| С9 | 0.6850 (4) | 0.8842 (4) | 0.2928 (3) | 0.0368 (5) |
| 01 | -0.3046 (2) | 0.6962 (2) | -0.10853 (17) | 0.0385 (4) |

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\hat{A}^2)

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|---|---|
| | 2 |

| | U^{11} | U^{22} | U^{33} | U^{12} | U^{13} | U^{23} |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Col | 0.0345 (3) | 0.0389 (3) | 0.0305 (3) | 0.0226 (2) | 0.0083 (2) | 0.0097 (2) |
| S1 | 0.0535 (4) | 0.0462 (4) | 0.0441 (4) | 0.0265 (4) | 0.0163 (3) | 0.0048 (3) |
| N1 | 0.0353 (10) | 0.0408 (11) | 0.0334 (10) | 0.0222 (9) | 0.0114 (8) | 0.0142 (8) |

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| N2 | 0.0369 (11) | 0.0495 (12) | 0.0346 (10) | 0.0276 (10) | 0.0121 (8) | 0.0157 (9) |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| N3 | 0.0404 (11) | 0.0456 (11) | 0.0369 (11) | 0.0262 (10) | 0.0100 (9) | 0.0114 (10) |
| C1 | 0.0401 (13) | 0.0394 (12) | 0.0372 (12) | 0.0234 (11) | 0.0121 (10) | 0.0102 (10) |
| C2 | 0.0365 (12) | 0.0426 (13) | 0.0315 (12) | 0.0212 (11) | 0.0071 (10) | 0.0082 (10) |
| C3 | 0.0384 (12) | 0.0459 (13) | 0.0300 (12) | 0.0250 (11) | 0.0141 (10) | 0.0158 (10) |
| C4 | 0.0393 (13) | 0.0399 (13) | 0.0408 (13) | 0.0225 (11) | 0.0105 (10) | 0.0149 (10) |
| C5 | 0.0352 (12) | 0.0393 (13) | 0.0403 (13) | 0.0185 (11) | 0.0083 (10) | 0.0139 (10) |
| C6 | 0.0344 (12) | 0.0361 (12) | 0.0363 (12) | 0.0186 (10) | 0.0092 (10) | 0.0124 (10) |
| C7 | 0.0438 (14) | 0.0579 (15) | 0.0361 (13) | 0.0358 (13) | 0.0143 (11) | 0.0181 (11) |
| C8 | 0.0368 (12) | 0.0589 (15) | 0.0363 (13) | 0.0308 (12) | 0.0153 (10) | 0.0207 (11) |
| C9 | 0.0322 (12) | 0.0415 (13) | 0.0374 (13) | 0.0210 (11) | 0.0109 (10) | 0.0147 (11) |
| O1 | 0.0394 (9) | 0.0435 (9) | 0.0352 (9) | 0.0253 (8) | 0.0122 (7) | 0.0124 (7) |
| | | | | | | |

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

| Co1—N1 | 2.1739 (19) | С2—Н2 | 0.9300 |
|--|-------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Co1—N3 | 2.026 (2) | C3—C4 | 1.391 (3) |
| Co1—O1 ⁱ | 2.2034 (16) | C3—C6 | 1.496 (3) |
| S1—C9 | 1.620 (3) | C4—C5 | 1.372 (4) |
| N1—C1 | 1.343 (3) | C4—H4 | 0.9300 |
| N1—C5 | 1.344 (3) | С5—Н5 | 0.9300 |
| N2—C6 | 1.331 (3) | C6—O1 | 1.256 (3) |
| N2—C7 | 1.464 (3) | C7—C8 ⁱⁱ | 1.515 (3) |
| N2—C8 | 1.475 (3) | С7—Н7А | 0.9700 |
| N3—C9 | 1.170 (3) | С7—Н7В | 0.9700 |
| C1—C2 | 1.377 (3) | C8—C7 ⁱⁱ | 1.515 (3) |
| C1—H1 | 0.9300 | C8—H8A | 0.9700 |
| C2—C3 | 1.388 (3) | C8—H8B | 0.9700 |
| N3 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—N3 | 180.0 | С3—С2—Н2 | 120.3 |
| N3 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—N1 | 90.06 (8) | C2—C3—C4 | 118.0 (2) |
| N3—Co1—N1 | 89.94 (8) | C2—C3—C6 | 121.7 (2) |
| N3 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ | 89.94 (8) | C4—C3—C6 | 120.1 (2) |
| N3—Co1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ | 90.06 (8) | C5—C4—C3 | 118.8 (2) |
| N1—Co1—N1 ⁱⁱⁱ | 180.00 (9) | C5—C4—H4 | 120.6 |
| N3 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—O1 ⁱ | 90.43 (7) | C3—C4—H4 | 120.6 |
| N3—Co1—O1 ⁱ | 89.57 (7) | N1—C5—C4 | 123.9 (2) |
| N1—Co1—O1 ⁱ | 89.79 (7) | N1—C5—H5 | 118.0 |
| N1 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—O1 ⁱ | 90.21 (7) | C4—C5—H5 | 118.0 |
| N3 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—O1 ^{iv} | 89.57 (7) | O1—C6—N2 | 122.7 (2) |
| N3—Co1—O1 ^{iv} | 90.43 (7) | O1—C6—C3 | 118.7 (2) |
| N1—Co1—O1 ^{iv} | 90.21 (7) | N2—C6—C3 | 118.7 (2) |
| N1 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—O1 ^{iv} | 89.79 (7) | N2—C7—C8 ⁱⁱ | 109.9 (2) |
| O1 ⁱ —Co1—O1 ^{iv} | 180.00 (9) | N2—C7—H7A | 109.7 |
| C1—N1—C5 | 116.8 (2) | C8 ⁱⁱ —C7—H7A | 109.7 |
| C1—N1—Co1 | 121.35 (15) | N2—C7—H7B | 109.7 |

| C5—N1—Co1 | 121.59 (15) | C8 ⁱⁱ —C7—H7B | 109.7 |
|------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| C6—N2—C7 | 121.13 (19) | H7A—C7—H7B | 108.2 |
| C6—N2—C8 | 125.8 (2) | N2—C8—C7 ⁱⁱ | 109.98 (19) |
| C7—N2—C8 | 112.94 (18) | N2—C8—H8A | 109.7 |
| C9—N3—Co1 | 171.96 (19) | C7 ⁱⁱ —C8—H8A | 109.7 |
| N1—C1—C2 | 123.1 (2) | N2—C8—H8B | 109.7 |
| N1—C1—H1 | 118.4 | C7 ⁱⁱ —C8—H8B | 109.7 |
| C2—C1—H1 | 118.4 | H8A—C8—H8B | 108.2 |
| C1—C2—C3 | 119.4 (2) | N3—C9—S1 | 179.0 (2) |
| C1—C2—H2 | 120.3 | C6—O1—Co1 ^v | 127.28 (15) |
| N3 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—N1—C1 | 32.05 (18) | Co1—N1—C5—C4 | -173.16 (18) |
| N3—Co1—N1—C1 | -147.95 (18) | C3—C4—C5—N1 | -0.4 (4) |
| O1 ⁱ —Co1—N1—C1 | -58.38 (17) | C7—N2—C6—O1 | -1.9 (4) |
| O1 ^{iv} —Co1—N1—C1 | 121.62 (17) | C8—N2—C6—O1 | 174.0 (2) |
| N3 ⁱⁱⁱ —Co1—N1—C5 | -154.13 (18) | C7—N2—C6—C3 | 178.1 (2) |
| N3—Co1—N1—C5 | 25.87 (18) | C8—N2—C6—C3 | -6.1 (3) |
| 01 ⁱ —Co1—N1—C5 | 115.44 (18) | C2—C3—C6—O1 | 110.4 (3) |
| O1 ^{iv} —Co1—N1—C5 | -64.56 (18) | C4—C3—C6—O1 | -64.0 (3) |
| C5—N1—C1—C2 | -0.9 (3) | C2—C3—C6—N2 | -69.5 (3) |
| Co1—N1—C1—C2 | 173.23 (17) | C4—C3—C6—N2 | 116.0 (3) |
| N1—C1—C2—C3 | 0.3 (4) | C6—N2—C7—C8 ⁱⁱ | -126.9 (2) |
| C1—C2—C3—C4 | 0.2 (3) | C8—N2—C7—C8 ⁱⁱ | 56.8 (3) |
| C1—C2—C3—C6 | -174.4 (2) | C6—N2—C8—C7 ⁱⁱ | 127.0 (2) |
| C2—C3—C4—C5 | -0.2 (3) | C7—N2—C8—C7 ⁱⁱ | -56.8 (3) |
| C6—C3—C4—C5 | 174.5 (2) | N2—C6—O1—Co1 ^v | 100.8 (2) |
| C1—N1—C5—C4 | 0.9 (3) | C3—C6—O1—Co1 ^v | -79.1 (2) |

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

Fig. 1





Fig. 2



