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# Bis[(1-methyl-1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl)sulfanyl]-methane

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 296 K; mean  $\sigma(N-C) = 0.007$  Å; R factor = 0.063; wR factor = 0.108; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.4.

The molecule of the title compound, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>8</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, lies on a twofold rotation axis that relates on 1-methyltetrazolyl group to the other; the five-membered rings are twisted by 53.1 (1)°.

#### Related literature

For the synthesis and pharmacological activity of compounds containing tetrazole groups, see: Semenov (2002); Upadhayaya *et al.* (2004). For a related structure, see: Bronisz (2002).

#### **Experimental**

Crystal data

 $C_5H_8N_8S_2$  V = 1041.9 (7) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 4 Orthorhombic, *Pbcn* Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $\alpha = 6.415$  (3) Å  $\mu = 0.49 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   $D = 0.49 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  D = 0.49

Data collection

 $T_{\min} = 0.930, T_{\max} = 0.962$ 

CBruker SMART area-detector diffractometer 4692 measured reflections 936 independent reflections 482 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   $R_{\text{int}} = 0.118$ 

Refinement

 $\begin{array}{ll} R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.063 & 70 \ \text{parameters} \\ WR(F^2) = 0.108 & \text{H-atom parameters constrained} \\ S = 1.21 & \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.34 \ \text{e Å}^{-3} \\ 936 \ \text{reflections} & \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.38 \ \text{e Å}^{-3} \end{array}$ 

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2002); 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: *SHELXL97*.

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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: NG5140).

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#### **Experimental**

Sodium hydroxide (1.7 g, 0.043 mol) was added to 5-mercapto-1-methyltetrazole (5 g, 0.043 mol) in dry dimethylsulfoxide (35 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred at 363 K for 1 h. Dichloromethane (3.1 ml, 0.0215 mol) was then added to the solution dropwise with the formation of a grey suspension. The suspension was stirred for 4 h, cooled to room temperature and filtered. The solvent was removed completely under reduced pressure. The residue was recrystallized from ethanol to give a white crystalline product (2.94 g; m.p. 353 - 354 K). Single crystals of the title compound suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis were isolated after a week from a solution in acetone.

#### Refinement

All H atoms were positioned geometrically (C—H = 0.96 Å for aromatic CH<sub>3</sub> and 0.97 Å for CH<sub>2</sub> groups, respectively) and constrained to ride on their parent atoms with  $U_{iso}(H)$  values set to be -1.5 of the carrier atom.

#### **Figures**

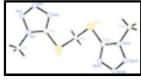


Fig. 1. A view of the molecular structure of title compound.

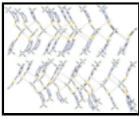


Fig. 2. The crystal packing of the title compound.

#### Bis[(1-methyl-1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl)sulfanyl]methane

Crystal data

 $C_5H_8N_8S_2$  F(000) = 504

 $D_{\rm x} = 1.558 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$  $M_r = 244.31$   $D_{\rm m} = 1.558 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

 $D_{\mathrm{m}}$  measured by not measured

Orthorhombic, *Pbcn* Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å
Hall symbol: -P 2n 2ab Cell parameters from 214 reflections

a = 6.415 (3) Å  $\theta = 2.5-18.9^{\circ}$ 

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b = 7.314 (3) Å  $\mu = 0.49 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ c = 22.204 (8) Å T = 296 K

 $V = 1041.9 (7) \text{ Å}^3$  Flake-like, colourless Z = 4  $0.15 \times 0.12 \times 0.08 \text{ mm}$ 

Data collection

CBruker SMART area-detector diffractometer 936 independent reflections

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube 482 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

graphite  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.118$ 

 $\phi$  and  $\omega$  scans  $\theta_{max} = 25.1^{\circ}, \, \theta_{min} = 1.8^{\circ}$ 

Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2002)  $h = -7 \rightarrow 7$ 

 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.930, T_{\text{max}} = 0.962$   $k = -8 \rightarrow 4$ 4692 measured reflections  $l = -25 \rightarrow 26$ 

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct

metho

Least-squares matrix: full Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.063$  Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring

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 $wR(F^2) = 0.108$  H-atom parameters constrained

S = 1.21  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.P)^2 + 0.7202P]$ 

where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ 

936 reflections  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$   $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.34 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$ 

0 restraints  $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.38 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$ 

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  $(\mathring{A}^2)$ 

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C2 N4 N1 C1 H1A H1B H1C N2 C3 H3A H3B	0.9188 (8) 0.7207 (7) 0.9358 (7) 1.1179 (8) 1.1692 1.0808 1.2242 0.7401 (8) 1.0000 1.1011 0.8989	0.9782 (6) 1.0077 (6) 0.8966 (6) 0.8355 (7) 0.9336 0.7338 0.7985 0.8743 (6) 1.1654 (9) 1.2439	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1.1491 (2) 1.16107 (17) 1.09509 (17) 1.0621 (2) 1.0375 1.0369 1.0899 1.07305 (18) 1.2500 1.2697 1.2303	0.0391 (13) 0.0498 (12) 0.0463 (11) 0.0617 (16) 0.093* 0.093* 0.093* 0.0561 (13) 0.050 (2) 0.074* 0.074*	0.50 0.50			
Atomic displacement parameters $(\mathring{A}^2)$									
	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$			
S1	0.0481 (9)	0.0665 (10)	0.0418 (8)	0.0008 (8)	-0.0041 (7)	-0.0064 (7)			
N3	0.049 (3)	0.061 (3)	0.0416 (6)	-0.006 (3)	-0.010 (3)	0.0004 (7)			
C2	0.050 (4)	0.034 (3)	0.033 (3)	-0.004 (3)	-0.002 (2)	0.004 (2)			
N4	0.041 (3)	0.061 (3)	0.047 (3)	0.002 (2)	0.004 (2)	0.004 (2)			
N1	0.051 (3)	0.053 (3)	0.035 (2)	-0.004 (2)	-0.003 (2)	-0.003 (2)			
C1	0.062 (4)	0.075 (4)	0.049(3)	0.001(3)	0.004(3)	-0.012 (3)			
N2	0.051 (3)	0.068 (3)	0.050(3)	-0.004 (3)	-0.008 (3)	0.000(2)			
C3	0.061 (6)	0.054 (5)	0.034 (4)	0.000	-0.012 (4)	0.000			
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Geometric para	ımeters (Å, °)								
S1—C2		1.734 (5)	N	N1—C1	1.	450 (6)			
S1—C3		1.805 (4)	C1—H1A		0.9600				
N3—N2		1.289 (5)	C1—H1B		0.9600				
N3—N4		1.372 (5)	C1—H1C		0.9600				
C2—N4		1.316 (6)	C	C3—S1 <sup>i</sup>	1.805 (4)				
C2—N1		1.343 (5)	C3—H3A		0.9700				
N1—N2		1.357 (5)	C3—H3B		0.9700				
C2—S1—C3		98.31 (19)	H1A—C1—H1B		109.5				
N2—N3—N4		110.6 (4)	N1—C1—H1C		109.5				
N4—C2—N1		109.4 (4)		11A—C1—H1C		09.5			
N4—C2—S1		127.8 (4)		H1B—C1—H1C		09.5			
N1—C2—S1		122.8 (4)	N3—N2—N1		107.1 (4)				
C2—N4—N3		105.5 (4)		S1 <sup>i</sup> —C3—S1	1:	15.5 (4)			
C2—N1—N2		107.5 (4)	S	S1 <sup>i</sup> —C3—H3A		108.4			
C2—N1—C1		130.8 (5)	S	1—C3—H3A	10	08.4			
N2—N1—C1		121.7 (4)	S	1 <sup>i</sup> —C3—H3B	108.4				
N1—C1—H1A		109.5	S	1—C3—H3B	10	08.4			
N1—C1—H1B		109.5	H	H3A—C3—H3B	10	07.5			
Symmetry codes: (i) $-x+2$ , $y$ , $-z+1/2$ .									

Fig. 1

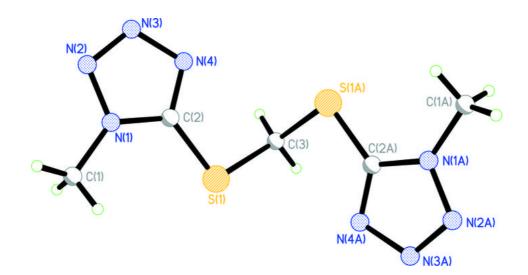


Fig. 2

